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Head of Personnel appointed

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher appointed a top aide and former state lawmaker as head of the state's Personnel Cabinet on Friday.

Fletcher appointed Brian Crall, a former state representative from Owensboro, to the post effective immediately, according to a press release. The agency oversees human resources for state government.

Crall, 46, left the legislature and joined the Fletcher administration in 2004. He has been Fletcher's deputy secretary of the executive cabinet. He is a graduate of Murray State University.

Crall replaces former Secretary Erwin Roberts. Roberts resigned earlier this month, citing family commitments and a desire to return to legal work.

Crall is third person to oversee the Personnel Cabinet during Fletcher's tenure. The first was Bob Ramsey, who transferred to a different position.

School board rejects utility tax



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Matt Wireman, finance director with Floyd County Schools, addressed the public at May Valley Elementary, Thursday evening, during a special-called meeting to discuss a proposed utility tax that has generated controversy throughout the county during the past year.

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

MARTIN — Putting the worries of many to rest, the members of the Floyd County Board of Education have voted to go no further with the possibility of implementing a utility tax in Floyd County in the near future.

The issue, which had been debated for the past year, was one that had many hotly expressing their opinions at a special-called meeting, held Thursday evening, at May Valley Elementary School.

Following an informational session directed by Matt Wireman, finance director of Floyd County

Schools, many of those assembled in the elementary school's gymnasium on Thursday were quick to point out that the tax would be an added burden to those living on fixed incomes and to the majority of the county's elderly population.

"Those living on a fixed income cannot afford any increase. They're already struggling," said Ina Robinson, the first to address the board. "You that are sitting up there, you've been elected to spend our money wisely ... What are you doing with your budget money?"

Wireman had previously presented a brief descrip-

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Ina Robinson, seated, was the first Floyd County resident to address the Floyd County Board of Education at a special-called meeting held at May Valley Elementary to voice her opposition to the proposed utility tax discussed in recent months.

HOT BUTTON ISSUE



photo by Tom Doty

The Floyd County Fiscal Court will take up the subject of banning smoking at the Floyd County Detention Center. Magistrate Gerald DeRossett proposed the change, while Magistrate Jackie Edford Owens voiced his opposition.

Magistrate proposes banning smoking in county jail

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The June meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court began with comments from the court about Thursday's meeting of the Board of Education where a proposal to institute a utility tax was voted down.

Judge-Executive Paul Hunt

Thompson reported on the outcome of the meeting and gave the floor to Magistrate Jackie Owens, who has been far from shy about his feelings towards the measure. Owens noted that he spent his own money on ads attacking the utility tax proposal.

"That money was well spent," Owens said at the meeting. He observed that the county

has already consolidated most of the schools and should have saved money.

"They wasted a lot of money," Owens said of the school board.

Judge Thompson had sympathy for the plight of area schools and explained that they often have to meet unbudgeted man-

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CNB completes merger with Heritage Bank

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — The second largest independently owned banking company in Eastern Kentucky got a little bigger this week with the announcement that Citizens National Bank has completed the acquisition of Heritage Bank in Ashland.

The merger will see Heritage, which has banks and automatic teller machines in Boyd, Carter and Greenup counties, officially change its name to Citizens National Bank on Monday, June 26.

David Plants, president of Heritage in Ashland, spoke highly of the merger on Thursday, saying, "We're very excited about this new partnership. This is an excellent fit for both companies."

The three new locations will be added to 11 others which serve Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin and Pike counties, offering an expansion of services along the eastern corridor.

Dennis Dorton, president and chief executive officer of Citizens, sees the acquisition as a natural progression for the compa-

ny that will benefit patrons.

"The addition of Heritage Bank branches and ATMs expands our market reach and continues fulfillment of our long-term strategic goals of providing greater convenience and service to our customers," Dorton said.

Dorton went on to note that shared outlooks between the institutions made coming together a smooth transition, saying that the companies "share a similar commitment to customers, employees and the communities we serve."

Dorton also observed that the move is unlike your average merger.

"This union will also preserve the tradition of community banking and local loan decision-making values often lost in acquisitions these days," Dorton said.

Dorton promised that Citizens will continue to build partnerships with small businesses and will offer financial products and services to customers through a committed staff. The bank is headquartered in Paintsville and will now serve seven Eastern Kentucky counties.

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Simulators train future coal miners about dangers

by SAMIRA JAFARI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HAZARD — As the underground miner tries to cut away coal from the ribs of the mine, he makes a wide turn and bangs the hauler against the wall, injuring a fellow miner. It's a painful scenario that many miners have seen before.

But this time it's just a simulation.

The mine simulators at Hazard Community and Technical College in Eastern Kentucky give students interested in a career in mining or rookies in the industry a taste of underground dangers without risking their lives.

After the disasters this year at the Sago mine in West Virginia and the Darby mine in southeastern Kentucky, experts say the new technology is a way to improve training for miners.

"It's going to shorten that learning curve a long way, and it's in a safe environment," said Frank Winstead, a coal mining instructor at the college and a 25-year mining veteran.

Three-dimensional mine simulators have gained popularity within the coal industry and are being used in different forms from Appalachia to Australia. For example, the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration uses a simulation lab at its academy in Beckley,

W.Va., which creates smoky or gaseous conditions for students practicing rescue techniques.

In a statement, MSHA said simulators like those offered at Hazard have been considered for the National Mine Health and Safety Academy, which trains mine inspectors, miners and others in the industry. The agency said it has held off on using the simulators because "they are very expensive and are limited in the number of students that can be trained."

The Hazard college invested about \$530,000 for the four simulators, which include two surface mining machines — a haul truck and a dozer.

The money came out of \$3 million the state appropriated last year to the Kentucky Coal Academy — a program made up of four state community and technical colleges that offer courses on coal operations.

The simulation of a "continuous miner" machine, which cuts coal from the ribs of a mine and hauls it, is one of four simulation software programs to be offered this fall at Hazard. The other underground simulator is a roof-bolting device which teaches students how to drive protective plates into the ceiling of mined out areas.

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Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

■ Martha Crum Allen, 82, of Martin, died Tuesday, June 13, at Our Lady of The Way Hospital, in Martin. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 16, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Howard Edward Clay, 79, of Allen, died Monday, June 12, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Lloyd Ronald Edwards, 80, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, June 10, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Bobbie J. Shepherd Edwards. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Haskel Frye, Jr., 80, of Lexington, formerly of Martin, died Saturday, June 10, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 15, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Melvin Johnson, 77, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, June 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. He is

survived by his wife, Liza Ann Collins Johnson. Funeral services will be held, Sunday, June 18, at 11 a.m., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Fulton Meadows, 77, of Betsy Layne, died Wednesday, June 14, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Betty Meadows. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 17, under direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY

■ Freelan Bingham, 76, of Marengo, a Pikeville native, died Saturday, June 10, at Riverside Hospital. Private funeral services are under direction of Rodman Neeper Funeral Home of Delaware, Ohio.

■ Loretta Joyce Compton, 65, of Coon Creek, died Sunday, June 11, at her home. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 14, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

■ Jacqueline Cool, 59, of Lick Creek, died Wednesday, June 14, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Billy G. Cool. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 17, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

■ James Thomas Jude, 54,

of DeLand, Fla., formerly of Pike County, died Wednesday, June 14, at the University Center West, DeLand. Funeral services will be held Sunday, June 18, at 1 p.m., under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Connie Theresa Moore, 51, of Ashcamp, died Wednesday, June 14, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 17, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Dannie Eugene Reynolds, 65, of Mouthcard, died Wednesday, June 14, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 17, under direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Woody Sanders, 45, of Hellier, died Sunday, June 11, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou Slone Sanders. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 14, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Bertha Slone, 95, of Stanton, formerly of Pike County, died Sunday, June 11, at the Stanton Nursing Center. Graveside services were held Thursday, June 15, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son

Funeral Home.

■ Lesta Tackett, 83, of Virgie, died Sunday, June 11, at the Select Specialty Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 15, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

■ Connie Keene Wagner, 60, of Pikeville, died Sunday, June 11, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Roger Wagner. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 14, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ Nicholas Hunter Wilson, 19 days old, died Tuesday, June 13, at the University of Kentucky Children's Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were held Friday, June 16, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Thomas N. Cox, 73, of Paintsville, died Wednesday, June 14, at Highlands

Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Martha Joe Chandler Cox. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 17, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Jacqueline 'Jackie' Hackworth Merrell, 46, of Fairview, North Carolina, formerly of Van Lear, died Tuesday, June 6, at Memorial Mission Hospital in Ashville, North Carolina. She is survived by her husband, Samuel Merrell. Funeral services were held Monday, June 12, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Robert Lee Rowland, 65, of Paintsville, died Saturday, June 10, at Salyersville Health Care in Salyersville. Arrangements, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

■ Louise Davis Spears, 67, of Paintsville, died Wednesday, June 7, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center,

in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 10, under the direction of the Childers Funeral Home.

MARTIN COUNTY

■ Elmer Kazee, 71, of Martin County, died Friday, June 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 11, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Ruth Kirk, 83, formerly of Martin County, died Tuesday, June 6. Funeral services were held Friday, June 9, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

■ Willis Meade, 90, died Tuesday, June 6, at his home in East Kermit. He is survived by his wife, Emmel. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 9, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Obituaries

Allie Archer

(Pee Wee) Allen

Allie Archer (Pee Wee) Allen, 65, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, June 16, 2006, at Riverview Healthcare Center in Prestonsburg.

Born June 12, 1941, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Melvin and Georgia Allen. He was a disabled lawn caretaker and a member of the West Prestonsburg Pentecostal Church.

He is survived by his wife, Norma Jean Crace Allen.

Other survivors include: A sister: Cynthia Gagnon of Warsaw, Indiana; and special nephews and nieces: Zeb Ousley of Garrett, Andrew Ousley of Lexington, Roland Ousley, Thomas Ousley, and Anna Ousley, all of Warsaw, Indiana, and Jetta Tresler of Lexington.

Funeral services will be held Monday, June 19, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Martin Hughes officiating.

Burial will be in Bethsemane Gardens at Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation will be Saturday, June 17, at 4 p.m., at the funeral home.

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Leona Violet Owens

Fouts

Mrs. Leona Violet Owens Fouts, seventh child of Joseph and Louhettie Owens, passed away Sunday, May 28, 2006 at Autumn Health Care in Mansville, Ohio. She was 85 years old.

Preceding Leona in death were her parents; husband, Arnold Fouts; 3 brothers, Levert Owens, Miles Owens,

Curtis Owens and grandson Thomas Fouts.

Survivors include her son, Arnold "Micki" Fouts and his wife Nancy; five grandchildren: Arnold, Valerie, Leona Elizabeth, Cassandra, Katherine; two great grandchildren: Abigail and Brandon; four sisters: Virginia Fite, Vonedra Wicker, both of Dayton, Ohio, Pollyanna Wiley of Prestonburg, Alice O. Martin of Godwin, North Carolina and one brother, Marcus Owens of Bevensville.

Leona was born Nov. 8, 1920 in Hollybush. She spent her early childhood years on a farm her parents owned. Leona became a loving mother and a dedicated teacher. She was a graduate of Caney Jr. College, now Alice Lloyd College. She also earned her B.A. degree in education at the University of Kentucky, Masters degree and Rank One Certification at Morehead State University. Leona taught school in the Floyd County school system for many years, both at the elementary school level and the high school level. She was a member of the Retired Teachers Association and the Stone Coal Old Regular Baptist Church. Upon her retirement from teaching, Leona moved from her long-time home at Garrett, to Prestonsburg, where she lived several years before moving to her son's home in Ohio.

Funeral services were held in Dayton, Ohio, and interment was at the Rosehill Mausoleum in Ashland.

The family can be contacted

at mailto:nfouts@mail.com" nfouts@mail.com for any additional information.

(Paid obituary)

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Russell Prince

Russell Prince, 65, of Dwale, died Thursday, June 15, 2006, at the residence of Phyllis Fields.

Born March 11, 1941, in Dwale, he was the son of the late Jim and Sarah Clifton Prince. He was a disabled factory worker for American Standard.

He is survived by his wife, Charlene Porter Prince.

Other survivors include: Four sons: Craig Prince of Prestonsburg, and Dwayne Prince, Michael Prince and James Prince, all of Indiana; two daughters: Tammy Prince and Lisa Prince; two brothers: Harry Prince and Willie Prince, both of Dwale; two sisters: Violet Prince of Prestonsburg, and Elizabeth Thomas of Dry Ridge; Several grandchildren; and special cousins: James, Phyllis, April, Sharon, Justin and Jamie.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister: Brenda Prince.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, June 17, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Farley Howard and James Fields officiating.

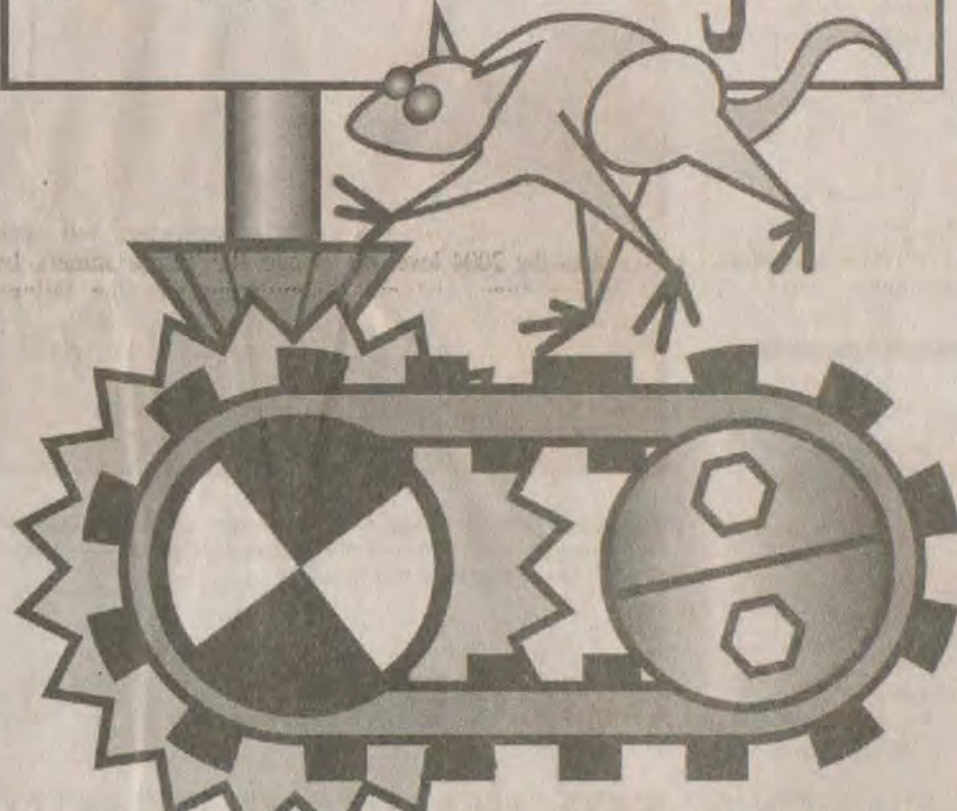
Burial will be in the Hoot Shepherd Cemetery at Dwale, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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Christ Church Doxa Band, a youth praise and worship band from Cleveland, Ohio, will be at Fitzpatrick Baptist Church in Prestonsburg on June 24th. The service will be from 6 to 8 o'clock. For information, call 886-6204.

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Lawmakers closing in on special session for business taxes

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher told his top attorney Friday to draft the paperwork needed for calling the General Assembly into a special session to deal with small business tax cuts, an aide said.

Fletcher would likely make the call official early next week, which would bring legislators back to the Capitol on June 22. Jim Deckard, Fletcher's general counsel, had been told to write the document Friday

afternoon, Whitaker said.

House and Senate lawmakers said they had agreed to a plan aimed at lowering a recently enacted change in the tax burden put on Kentucky businesses that don't make large profits. The "alternative minimum tax" calculation was created as part of the 2005 tax code overhaul, and resulted in higher tax bills for some businesses.

Lawmakers seemed close to an agreed fix during the final days of the 2006 General Assembly, but adjourned without a solution. Last

week, state Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville, offered a compromise aimed at reducing small businesses' tax burdens.

"We look forward to next week's special session, and Kentucky small business owners and their employees can look forward to a more fair tax system," House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, said in a statement.

Richards said he and Williams spoke by phone and agreed their compromise would not be amended during the special session.

Lawmakers and Fletcher administration officials have said they've been working with business representatives for weeks in hopes of crafting a compromise.

Businesses that make more than \$3 million in yearly gross profits or gross receipts, but make no net profit, would be exempt from the tax. Meanwhile business that earn between \$3 million and \$6 million in yearly gross profits or receipts would get some relief, under the plan.

There would also be a \$175 minimum tax.

Senate Majority Floor Leader Dan Kelly, R-Springfield, said Friday the plan would cost the state about \$44 million over two years. However, the cost would be offset by a recent increase in state revenues.

Business taxes would also be conformed to match better with federal law, Kelly said.

"There will be lower tax rates for all businesses when we finish this effort," Kelly said.

Tax

tion of budgetary monies and their appropriations, explaining that certain funds are earmarked to be used for only specific needs such as building and construction, special education and food service and transportation costs.

"Currently, we're getting less money from the state, generating approximately the same amount locally due to the compensating rate, while at the same time, our costs are going up," Wireman said. "We have to either increase funds

by 2007 or else we'll have to cut school services."

Wireman said that the budgetary problems the school district is currently experiencing are due, primarily, to decreased enrollment. "And this is not just a Floyd County problem," he said.

Other sources also include state-mandated pay raises, increased cost of utility services, and the ever-rising cost of gasoline, according to Wireman.

"Schools are not immune to

inflation," Scott said.

During his presentation, Wireman expressed concerns that increased budgetary problems would pose the potential for the district to once again come under state management.

Another Floyd County resident, Burl Scott, addressed the board, saying that he felt that "cutting services was not an option."

"Are you going to increase my taxes? I think you're going to have to," he said.

Juanita King, also a county

resident, informed the board that her family of three was currently living on a fixed income of \$1,300 and that they were forced to keep their heat down so low this past winter that they "couldn't even sit in our living room."

After considerable discussion and pleas, Jeff Stumbo, board chair, moved to remove the utility tax item "from off the table." Carole Stumbo, vice-chair, said that she agreed but that she felt that board member Mickey McGuire

should be present for the roll call vote. McGuire was unable to attend the meeting due to a pressing out-of-town engagement.

"I think the public needs to be reassured today," said board member Sherry Robinson. Robinson said that she felt that residents of the county had already been burdened with worry over the issue for long enough and pushed for her fellow members to make an immediate decision.

The subsequent roll call vote found each of the board

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members present — Jeff Stumbo, Carole Stumbo, Sherry Robinson and Dr. Chandra Varia — voting against the adoption of a county-wide utility tax.

"I know that older people keep things on their mind and I hope that they can rest now," Jeff Stumbo said before adding, "We will not let this system go back into state management, we will not. We will do whatever it takes, make cuts, whatever it takes, to prevent that."

Training

The images on the computer programs are three-dimensional and can be viewed on a large screen, a standard computer monitor or a virtual reality headset.

Industry experts see the simulators as a way to attract more people into mines as roughly 50 percent of the current mine work force prepares to retire within the next decade.

"We are on the eve of retraining our existing work force and of replacing a large segment of our work force with new miners," said Chris Hamilton, head of the West Virginia Coal Association and a member of a mine safety task force assembled after an explosion at the Sago mine killed 12 miners in January.

Last month, an explosion killed five miners in a Harlan County mine.

There are about 15,500 underground and surface miners in Kentucky, a 25 percent

drop from the state's mining work force 10 years ago. Meanwhile, Appalachian coal production is gaining momentum.

The region increased its production by 2 percent in 2005, with Kentucky miners producing an additional 4 million tons over the last year — bringing the state's total to 120 million tons.

Coal production in the United States reached a record level in 2005, ending the year at 1.13 billion tons, according to preliminary data from the Energy Information Administration. Production in 2005 was 21.2 million tons higher than the 2004 level of 1.11 billion tons, and surpassed the prior record set in 2001 by 5.6 million tons.

"In the big scope of things, our training on simulators will show new miners how the industry has changed and the job has become computerized," Box said. "That will

increase the desire to enter the field."

Even so, Winstead feels better knowing that the next generation of miners can make their bad decisions or careless mistakes — which could prove fatal in reality — without endangering themselves or damaging millions of dollars of mining equipment.

"It's a whole lot safer to run it on a simulator than underground the old way," he said.

Plus, the students learn what to do when disaster strikes.

The instructors can challenge the future miners by simulating machine failure, poor visibility conditions, gas leaks and other emergencies.

The simulators measure a student's performance by recording all his actions and any operating errors. For example, in one scenario, the miner uses the wrong drill bit to install a roof bolt, resulting in a flashing red caution message: "WARNING — Drill bit

too long."

"This generation of simulators really do mimic the precise movement and features of actual machines," said Hamilton, adding that West Virginia's two coal mining academies have employed both underground and surface mining simulators.

The experts noted that the simulators are supplements to traditional training and are not intended to replace mine training by certified firms or the state.

Miners are required to have 40 hours of "new miner" training before even entering a mine, where they go through another 45 hours of supervised training on equipment, said Bill Caylor, president of the Kentucky Coal Association.

"I think simulators contribute to overall safety," Caylor said.

Added Hamilton: "They have to be mindful that they are simulators, used to provide basic information, but they don't replace the machine environment completely."

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dates from the state.

The meeting saw several resolutions passed and bids for county supplies opened. Most of the bids were itemized and included as many as 250 subjects. The court opted to have all of the bids listed on a spreadsheet so that the court could meet next week and review the bids at a budgetary meeting that will be scheduled for one day next week.

The meeting closed with a proposal by Magistrate Gerald DeRossett, which called for banning smoking at the jail.

The idea drew ire from Owens, who leapt to the defense of inmates.

"Those people are already incarcerated," he said. "We don't need to break their backs."

Judge Thompson seized on the subject as being a hot button issue and asked that it be formally put on the agenda of a future fiscal court meeting. The proposal was unanimously approved and the issue will resurface at a future meeting of the court.



Mahendra Varia DVM and Chandra Varia DGO FACOG, of Martin, donated \$1,000 to Hope in the Mountains, a drug-recovery house for women. The facility is located in Floyd County, but will serve all area women seeking a new way of life. Chandra Varia, who has helped Eastern Kentuckian women deliver over 1,000 babies called the 90-day facility a "good step toward improving women's health."

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Guest view

The value of dissent

Let's agree to disagree. That old saying implies a respect for differing viewpoints. It does not nudge one to "agree or else." The First Amendment protects freedom of speech and expression, even in unpopular forms.

U.S. Supreme Court justices routinely offer dissenting views when their opinion is counter to the majority ruling.

In short, there's value in dissent. In differing opinions. In discussion and debate.

And this country's history of honoring other viewpoints makes recent developments in the Bush administration encouraging. President Bush and his team, long characterized as operating in a bubble and disapproving of dissent, have taken steps recently to pursue a broader examination of key issues. At least that is the appearance.

People who have been critical of the president in the past have been invited recently to meet with him. Bush has hired several new staffers who have opposed some of his policies. Henry Paulson as Treasury secretary and Tony Snow as press secretary are two prime examples. And Bush seems to have more of an openness with members of Congress.

A large part of the change in operation is being attributed to Bush's new chief of staff, Joshua Bolten.

"What you're seeing is a reflection of Bolten's belief that policy has to be multifaceted," former U.S. Rep. Robert Walker said in a Washington Post story.

Multifaceted is precisely the goal to pursue when crafting important policy and determining the best way to handle the crucial issues the country faces.

The fruit of this new approach has been seen in several other areas as well. One key area is the administration's decision to join talks with Iran in a multilateral setting if it suspends nuclear activities, a reversal from the administration's previous stance.

Additionally, the president's tone in the terrorism war has changed. He has admitted that he may have sent the wrong signal in the past with his tough talk. When Bush announced the death of Abu Musab al-Zarqawi last week, he displayed a restrained manner. The three suicides at Guantanamo Bay recently garnered concerned remarks rather than defensive ones, as have been characteristic in the past.

Also, Bush recently convened a two-day conference of top aides and outside experts to discuss Iraq War policy.

More transparency - which doesn't take much in an administration as tight-lipped as Bush's has been - also has been in evidence. These latest developments show that balance and compromise are not bad words.

Standing for a set of principles is necessary and noble. Presidents are expected to have a specific agenda. Yet blind allegiance to a belief system without considering the other side - which is to say, the complications that arise from any policy action - can be detrimental. Bubble politics can pop in one's face. Experiences from this and previous administrations demonstrate the dangers of such isolation and rigidity.

Bush and other politicians, regardless of party, would do well to continue down the path of all-encompassing governance. America's leaders should realize that informed opinion takes into consideration varied viewpoints. It passes on knowledge, which cultivates reason. And with reason comes sound decision-making.

Discussion and debate allow for people to consider things that may not have occurred to them. (Sometimes the majority is wrong. Leaders need to show the way toward a better approach regardless of whether it is popular.)

Upholding this country's respect for the expression of many views can reap untold benefits and strengthen the nation's fabric - no matter who sits in the Oval Office and which party is in power.

— Omaha World-Herald



Rich Lowry Column

Giving dear old dad his due

Dad is counter-cultural. If he is responsible, loving and married, he might seem boring and a constant provocation to his eye-rolling teenage children, but he stands at the ram-parts of a movement to save the country from the most destructive trend of the past 30 years: father absence.

Roughly 24 million children now live in homes where the biological father is absent — about one out of every three children. This is a social disaster. Children need their fathers, and they need them in the home, which, as a practical matter, means their fathers have to be married to their mothers.

This is a thoroughly common-sensical notion, but so retrograde that almost no one dared utter it for a couple of decades. Not anymore. Even left-leaning intellectuals like Isabel Sawhill of The Brookings Institution and Bill Galston of the University of Maryland are forthright supporters of intact married families. But much of the left still can't muster enthusiasm

for fathers as anything other than the men who should, if circumstances warrant, be forced to make child-support payments.

The evidence for the importance of traditional fatherhood is overwhelming. "Children who grow up in

aren't much better off. Three-quarters of cohabiting parents split up before their children reach age 16.

So, promoting involved fatherhood means promoting marriage. That will require a broad-based effort of government and the private sector. Roughly half of unmarried mothers are living together with the father at the time of the child's birth, and another one-third are still romantically involved with him. The trick is to convert these relationships into marriage.

As Robert Rector of The Heritage Foundation argues, two-thirds of black children are born out of wedlock — but it can't be that two-thirds of black men are, as critics sometimes suggest, "un-marriageable."

Middle-income couples are obviously part of the equation too. The culture should be attempting to reach them with the message that all marriages have problems and usually they are soluble. An activist named Mike McManus has been promoting pre-marriage counseling through churches for young couples. A philanthropist could do worse than pouring resources into an expanded version of his "Marriage Savers" program.

In the meantime, give dear old traditional dad his due. He might not be cool, but he's important. We need more of him.

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— beyond the Beltway

Marriage is more at risk than you thought

by DONALD KAUL
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

You can always tell when things are going badly for this administration. Is the war losing public favor? Is the stock market tanking? Does it cost 50 bucks for a fill-up? It's time to haul out gay marriage and bang it like a piñata.

All of those bad things are happening now and President George W. Bush and his Republican Congress are out in the streets, shaking their tambourines, hawking a constitutional amendment that would define marriage as something only men and women (one of each) can do.

OK, I understand politics. When things are going against you; change the subject. What else are Republicans going to do, brag about their record? Some record. What I don't understand is why they say they're acting in defense of marriage. What is it about gays getting married that threatens the institution?

All I can come up with is that many Republican politicians find their own marriages threatened by same-sex marriages. I can imagine a scene in the household of Bill Frist, the majority leader of the Senate. He comes home after a hard day collecting money from lobbyists and says:

"Hello Dear, I'm home...Dear? Where are you?" He walks through the house and finds her in the bedroom, packing.

"I didn't know you were going on a vacation. My staff doesn't tell me

anything."

"I'm not going on a vacation. I'm leaving you. My lawyer will be serving you with divorce papers in the morning."

"Divorce papers! What a minute. What's this about?"

"I've fallen in love with my aerobics instructor."

"Tiffany?"

"Yes. We're getting married as soon as the divorce becomes final."

"But, I don't understand. Tiffany's a girl. Marriage is a union between a man and a woman. President Bush says so."

"That's the way it used to be, but activist judges have changed all that, bless them. I'm now free to express feelings I kept hidden within me all these years. I can be married to someone without having to listen again and again to the same speech while nodding my head. No more rubber chicken dinners or shaking hands with people who think my first name is Missus."

"What did I do wrong?"

"Nothing. Once you failed to get a constitutional ban on gay marriage passed, the die was cast. There are few heterosexual marriages that can stand up to the passion that two people of the same sex feel for each other. Goodbye, Bill. You're OK, for a guy, but you're no Martina Navratilova."

Meanwhile, at the home of Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House, this scene is being played out:

"I have something to tell you, Dear," he says to his wife. "Something that's difficult to say."

"Jack Abramoff isn't asking for

his money back, is he?"

"No, it's worse than that. I've found someone else. I want a divorce."

"A divorce! I thought you'd been acting funny lately. Who is it, that cheap-looking blonde in your office, the one who wears shoes with no backs?"

"No."

"Who then?"

"Barney Frank."

"But ... but ... he's a liberal."

"I know that, but we have shared the love that dare not

speaking its name for some time now and it has bridged our political differences. Now that gay marriage is legal we can share our lives as well."

"You're getting married?"

"Of course. You don't expect me to live in sin with him, do you? What kind of man do you think I am?"

I can't say for sure that's what's going through their minds, but it's got to be something like that, doesn't it? I mean, have you ever noticed how President Bush looks at Dick Cheney when they're together? Republicans must feel they need a ban on gay marriage the way an elevator needs a safety brake. Either that or there's an election coming up.

(By the way, I give a Hastert-Frank marriage six months at most. Once their initial physical attraction wears off, they'll find they don't have much in common.)

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TV Listings

Best

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 "CSI," this popular series is back with a whole new pile of mysteries to solve. In the season premiere, history sleuths Wesley Cowan, Gwendolyn Wright and Tukufu Zuberi try to determine exactly where the fabled Chisholm Trail ran, track down the site of a theater where Harry Houdini once performed, and trace the origins of a flag whose owner claims it draped President William McKinley's casket.

TUESDAY, JUNE 20
 7 p.m.

LIFETIME

Movie: **The Mary Kay Letourneau Story: All-American Girl**

Seattle-area schoolteacher Mary Kay Letourneau's affair with a 13-year-old produced two babies and heated debate nationwide. Some condemned her as a child abuser; others considered their story a classic case of star-crossed love. Penelope Ann Miller ("Carlito's Way") stars in this dramatization of Letourneau's story, with Omar Anguiano as her young lover, Vili Fualaau. Mercedes Ruehl also stars.

9 p.m. check local listings

PBS

Frontline

From the producers of "Rumsfeld's War" and "The Torture Question," the new report "The Dark Side" sheds light on a peaceful but deep conflict over war. In the wake of 9/11, Vice President Dick Cheney and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld perceived going to war in Iraq as part of a Middle East makeover that would protect U.S. interests. But George Tenet, director of the CIA, considered groups such as al-Qaida the real problem.

10 p.m.

DISCOVERY

Movie: **Lobstermen: Jeopardy at Sea**
 If "The Deadliest Catch" doesn't fill your quota of guys risking their butts to catch crustaceans, here's more of the same. Unlike "Catch," which is about king crab fishermen in Alaska, this one focuses on the guys who mine the North Atlantic for lobsters. It's part adventure and part soap opera, with two veteran lobster boat captains facing a threat to their livelihoods from a newcomer.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

8 p.m.

CBS

Movie: **Big Brother 7: All-Stars**
 You get to decide who's worthy of another 15 minutes of fame as the summer perennial debuts its "All-Star" edition. Tonight, the names of the 20 "Big Brother" alumni who are candidates for the new season are announced, and viewers have a week to vote online for who gets in. Six of the 12 choices will be determined by viewer votes, and on July 6, the winners will hear the results along with the rest of us. Julie Chen returns to host the series.

9 p.m.

NBC

Movie: **American Idol: The Search for Talent**
 It's not just for singers anymore. Simon Cowell's newest talent competition is open to all kinds of performers - singers, dancers, jugglers, you name it. And unlike "American Idol," it's open to all ages, so we're hoping to see some singers in the mix who are actually middle-aged, instead of just looking like Taylor Hicks. Speaking of middle-aged, if you're old enough, you may have flashbacks to Ted Mack's "Original Amateur Hour."

9 p.m.

USA

Movie: **AFI Lifetime Achievement Award: A Tribute to Sean Connery**
 He's best known for playing James Bond, but in his decades-long screen career, Sean Connery has played King Arthur, Robin Hood, Indiana Jones' daddy and plenty of other roles. His versatility and artistry have made him the 34th recipient of the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Film Institute. A galaxy of fellow stars turns out to honor the Scottish-born actor as he receives the honor.

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

4 p.m.

USA

Movie: **PGA Golf**
 Sergio Garcia shot a 6-under 65 in the final round - including a sizzling 30 on the front nine - to win last year's Booz Allen Classic by two strokes over Davis Love III, Ben Crane and Adam Scott. In the process, Garcia tied Craig Stadler's 72-hole course record of 270 at Congressional Country Club in Bethesda, Md., set in 1981. This year, the scene switches to the TPC at Avenel in Potomac, Md., where Garcia will defend his title.

8 p.m.

SHOWTIME

Movie: **The Century Plaza**
 Eric Lahey may be young, but he understands the concept of "show, don't tell." In his 2005 documentary set in a single room-occupancy hotel, he doesn't preach about

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23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld: The Note	Seinfeld: The Puffy Shirt	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Seinfeld: The Nap	Seinfeld: Yada Yada	Everybody-Raymond	** "Message in a Bottle" (1999, Romance)	Kentucky Life	Late Night
3	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Fear Factor: Really Stars	Last Comic Standing (N)	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Name"	News	News	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)	Late Night	Late Night	Late Night
4	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales (In Stereo)	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	History Detectives (Season Premiere)	Great Performances: Bill Irwin: Clown Prince	Free Speech: Jim Lehrer With Ben Bradlee (In Stereo)	BBC World News	Kentucky Life	GED Connection	Mental Engineering				
6	ABC	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud (In Stereo)	Entertainment Tonight	According to Jim	NBA Nation (Live)	NBA Basketball: Finals Game 6 - Miami Heat at Dallas Mavericks. (In Stereo)	News	Nightline	Paid Program				
10	WGN	Moesha (In Stereo)	Moesha (In Stereo)	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Cleveland Indians. (In Stereo Live)				WGN News at Nine (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Becker (In Stereo)	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo) (Part 1 of 2)				
11	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Lawyers on Call	The King of Queens	NCIS: "Bail" (TV) (In Stereo)	The Unit "Dedication" (In Stereo)	Tuesday Night Book Club (N)	News	Late Show With David Letterman (N)	Late Late Show				
11	FOX	Maury	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	House "Daddy's Boy" (In Stereo) (PA)	House "Spin" (In Stereo) (PA)	News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program				
13	CBS	Dr. Phil (In Stereo)	News	CBS News	News	Hollywood	NCIS: "Bail" (TV) (In Stereo)	The Unit "Dedication"	Tuesday Night Book Club	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late					
14	ESPN	Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter (Live)			2005 U.S. Poker	2005 U.S. Poker	Baseball Tonight (Live)		SportsCenter (Live)						
15	DSC	It Takes a Thief	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Dirty Jobs "Ostrich Farmer"	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Deadliest Catch	Dirty Jobs (N)	Law & Order: "Genius"	Loobstermen: Jeopardy	Dirty Jobs "Shrimper"	Deadliest Catch					
15	TNT	Charmed (In Stereo)	Law & Order "Collision"	Amer. Justice	Cold Case Files	Rampage Killers: Signs	Dog	Dog	King of Cars	King of Cars	Crossing Jordan (In Stereo)	Rampage Killers: Signs					
15	A&E	City Confidential	Amer. Justice	Wild West Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.	** "Die Another Day" (2002, Action)	Pierce Brosnan, Halle Berry. (In Stereo)	Fresh Prince	Roseanne	Cosby Show	Roseanne	Cosby Show				
15	NICK	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Danny Phant.	OddParents	Neutron	SpongeBob	Zoey 101	Full House	Hi-Jinks	Fresh Prince	Roseanne	Cosby Show			
17	USA	** "Jeepers Creepers 2" (2003, Horror)	Ray Wise, Jonathan Breck. (In Stereo)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Badge" (In Stereo)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Badge" (In Stereo)	7th Heaven "Says Who?"	** "Uptown Girls" (2003, Comedy)	Brittany Murphy. (In Stereo)	Whose Line? Whose Line?	The 700 Club	Dukes of Hazzard						
20	FAM	Gilmore Girls (In Stereo)	7th Heaven "Who Knew?"	7th Heaven "Who Knew?"	** "The Mary Kay Letourneau Story: All-American Girl" (2000)	** "Fatal Reunion" (2005, Suspense)	Enka Eleniak. (In Stereo)	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Frasier	Frasier						
22	LIFE	The Nanny	The Nanny	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	** "The Mary Kay Letourneau Story: All-American Girl" (2000)	** "Fatal Reunion" (2005, Suspense)	Enka Eleniak. (In Stereo)	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Frasier	Frasier					
27	ESPN2	College Baseball: NCAA World Series Game 9 - Teams TBA. (Live)					SportsCenter	College Baseball: NCAA World Series Game 10 - Teams TBA. (Live)			Quite Frankly With Smith						
27	AMC	** "Hoodlum" (1997, Drama)	Laurence Fishburne, Tim Roth. (In Stereo)	** "A Civil Action" (1998, Drama)	John Travolta, Robert Duvall. (In Stereo)	** "The Godfather, Part III" (1990, Crime Drama)	Al Pacino, Diane Keaton. (In Stereo)										
28	HGTV	Landscape	Landscapers	Renovation	Weekend	Curb Appeal	House	Designed-Sell	Bad Bath	Decorating	Curb Appeal	House	Buy Me	Parents	Designer	Designed-Sell	Bad Bath
28	SCIFI	The X-Files "Arcadia"	** "Return of the Living Dead III" (1993)	Mindy Clarke. (In Stereo)	** "House of the Dead" (2003, Horror)	Jonathan Cherry. (In Stereo)	ECW (Live)	** "Scarecrow Slayer" (2003, Horror)	Tony Todd. (In Stereo)								
28	HIST	Amityville: Horror or Hoax?	Battlefield Detectives	Modern Marvels "Gasoline"	Real King Kong	Mega Disasters: Tsunami	Mega Movers (N)	History Rocks									
28	TOC	In-Fisherman	Fmlr Wtr	Outdoors	Hunting	Advent. North Fish, Wildlife	Whistling	Truth-Hunting	Hunting	Amer. Hunter	Step Outside	Outdoors	Fall Flight	Pro Hunting	NW Hunter	About Fish	
24	HBO	(4:00) *** "Ray" (2004, Biography)	Jamie Foxx, Kerry Washington. (In Stereo)	PG-13	** "Napoleon Dynamite" (2004, Comedy)	Jon Heder, Jon Gries. (In Stereo)	PG	Fast and the Furious	** "Madagascar" (2005, Comedy)	Voices of Ben Stiller, Chris Rock. (In Stereo)	PG	Real Sports (N)	Deadwood "I Am Not the Fine Man You Take Me For"	Lucky Louie	Resident Evil: Apocalypse		
15	HBO2	Batman	** "Batman Begins" (2005, Action)	Christian Bale. (In Stereo)	PG-13	Entourage	Tourgasm	Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid	Sex Inspectors: Real Sex	Boxing: Jermain Taylor vs. Ronald Wright. (In Stereo)							
15	HBO3	** "A Cry in the Dark" (1988, Docudrama)	Meryl Streep, Sam Neill. (In Stereo)	PG-13	** "Live From Baghdad" (2002, Docudrama)	Michael Keaton, Helena Bonham Carter. (In Stereo)	PG	** "Imaginary Heroes" (2004, Drama)	Sigourney Weaver, Emile Hirsch. (In Stereo)	PG	** "Dangerous Liaisons" (1988, Drama)	Glenn Close, John Malkovich. (In Stereo)	PG				
28	MAX	(4:00) *** "Everybody's All-American" (1988, Drama)	Jimmy Fallon. (In Stereo)	PG-13	** "Taxi" (2004, Comedy)	Queen Latifah, Jimmy Fallon. (In Stereo)	PG-13	** "The Rock" (1996, Action)	Sean Connery, Nicolas Cage. (In Stereo)	R	** "Land of the Dead" (2005, Horror)	Simon Baker. (In Stereo)	R	Intimate Sessions	Intimate Sessions	** "U.S. Marshals" (1997, Action)	
28	DISN	Even Stevens	Lizzie McGuire	That's So Raven	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven	** "Stuart Little 2" (2002, Comedy)	Genoa Davis, Hugh Laurie. (In Stereo)	PG	American Drgn	American Drgn	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven	Phil of the Future	Kim Possible "Bad Boy"	
22	SHOW	** "Against the Ropes" (2004, Drama)	Meg Ryan, Omar Epps. (TV, In Stereo)	** "Allie" (2004, Comedy-Drama)	Jude Law, Manisa Torres. (In Stereo)	** "Be Cool" (2005, Comedy)	John Travolta, Uma Thurman. (In Stereo)	HUFF "Black Shadows" (TV)	** "The Woodsman" (2004, Drama)	Kevin Bacon. (In Stereo)							
25	TMC	(4:45) ** "Class of 1999 II: The Substitute" (1993, Science Fiction)	Sasha Mitchell. (In Stereo)	** "Avenging Angelo" (2002, Romance-Comedy)	Sylvester Stallone. (In Stereo)	** "Without a Paddle" (2004, Comedy)	Seth Green, Matthew Lillard. (In Stereo)	** "Clerks" (1994, Comedy)	Brian O'Halloran, Jeff Anderson. (In Stereo)	** "200 Motels" (1971, Comedy)	Frank Zappa, Ringo Starr. (In Stereo)						

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23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Seinfeld (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Friends (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	** "Mr. Mom" (1983, Comedy)	Michael Keaton. (In Stereo)	Late Night	Late Night
3	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Treasure Hunters (In Stereo)	America's Got Talent (Series Premiere) (N)	News	News	News	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N)	Late Night	Late Night	Late Night
4	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales (In Stereo)	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Jubilee (In Stereo)	Independent Lens "A Lion in the House" (In Stereo) (Part 1 of 2)	BBC World News	Kentucky Life	Workplace-Skills	Rare Visions-Revelations					
6	ABC	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud (In Stereo)	Entertainment Tonight	George Lopez (In Stereo)	Freddie (In Stereo)	Lost "Everybody Hates Hugo" (In Stereo)	Lost "And Found" (In Stereo)	News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program		
10	WGN	Moesha (In Stereo)	Moesha (In Stereo)	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo)	Becker (In Stereo)	Becker "Panic on the 60th"	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	WGN News at Nine (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Becker (In Stereo)	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo) (Part 2 of 2)			
11	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Ebert & Roeper (N)	The King of Queens	Big Brother 7: All-Stars "America's Vote" (In Stereo)	Criminal Minds "Unfinished Business" (In Stereo)	CSI: NY "Cool Hunter" (In Stereo)	News	Late Show With David Letterman (N)	Late Late Show				
11	FOX	Maury (N)	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	So You Think You Can Dance (In Stereo Live)			News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program			
13	CBS	Dr. Phil (In Stereo)	News	CBS News	News	Hollywood	Big Brother 7: All-Stars	Criminal Minds (In Stereo)	CSI: NY "Cool Hunter"	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late					
14	ESPN	Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter (Live)			MLB Baseball: Teams to Be Announced. (Live)			MLB Baseball: Teams to Be Announced. (Live)							
15	DSC	It Takes a Thief	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Mega Machines	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters	MythBusters
15	TNT	Charmed "Bride and Gloom"	Law & Order "Denial"	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)	Without a Trace (In Stereo)
15	A&E	City Confidential	American Justice	Rampage Killers: Signs	Rampage Killers: Signs	Dog	Dog	Inked (N)	Inked (N)	Criss Angel	Criss Angel	Crossing Jordan (In Stereo)	Dog	Dog	CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.		
15	TNN	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Wild West Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.	CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.	** "Today You Die" (2005, Action)	Steven Seagal, Treach. (In Stereo)	MXC	CSI: Crime Scene Investgtn.								
15	NICK	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Danny Phant.	OddParents	Neutron	SpongeBob	Just for Kicks	Fresh Prince	Roseanne	Cosby Show	Roseanne	Cosby Show			
17	USA	** "Along Came Polly" (2004, Romance-Comedy)	Ben Stiller, Jennifer Aniston. (In Stereo)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Dead" (In Stereo)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Dead" (In Stereo)	** "The Cutting Edge 2: Going for the Gold" (2006, Drama)	Whose Line? Whose Line?	The 700 Club	Dukes of Hazzard								
20	FAM	Gilmore Girls (In Stereo)	7th Heaven (In Stereo)	7th Heaven (In Stereo)	** "Life of the Party" (2005, Comedy-Drama)	Eion Bailey. (In Stereo)	** "The Baby Dance" (1999, Drama)	Stockard Channing. (In Stereo)	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Frasier	Frasier					
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27	ESPN2	College Baseball: NCAA World Series Game 11 - Teams TBA. (Live)					SportsCenter	College Baseball: NCAA World Series Game 12 - Teams TBA. (Live)			Quite Frankly With Smith						
27	AMC	Godfather III	** "A Civil Action" (1998, Drama)	John Travolta, Robert Duvall. (In Stereo)	** "Jurassic Park" (1993, Science Fiction)	Sam Neill, Laura Dem. (In Stereo)	** "Lake Placid" (1999, Horror)	Bill Pullman, Bridget Fonda. (In Stereo)									
28	HGTV	Landscape	Landscapers	Renovation	Weekend	Curb Appeal	House	Kitchens	I Want That!	I Want-Baths	Landscape	House	What You Get	Whats	FreeStyle	Kitchens	I Want That!
28	SCIFI	The X-Files "Agua Mala"	Stargate SG-1 "The Cure"	Ghost Hunters (In Stereo)	Ghost Hunters (In Stereo)	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels
28	HIST	Decoding the Past	Deep Sea Detectives	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	World of Outlaws	4x4TV	ATV TV	Bull Riding	Four Wheeler	Hot Rod TV	Gold Fever					
28	TOC	Shallow	Saltwater	Hunter's	Outdoors	Turkey	Wings to Adv.										
24	HBO	(4:00) ** "Envy" (2004)	** "Batman" (1989, Action)	Jack Nicholson, Michael Keaton. (In Stereo)	PG-13	Plastic Disasters (In Stereo)	Deadwood "I Am Not the Fine Man You Take Me For"	Lucky Louie	Entourage (In Stereo)	Entourage (In Stereo)	Entourage (In Stereo)	Entourage (In Stereo)	Entourage (In Stereo)	Entourage (In Stereo)	Entourage (In Stereo)	Entourage (In Stereo)	Entourage (In Stereo)
15	HBO2	(3:45) *** "Amistad" (1997, R)	** "Held Up" (2000)	Jamie Foxx, PG-13	** "King's Ransom" (2005)	PG-13	Superman	Lewis Black: Red, White	Real Sports (N)	Real Sports (N)	Real Sports (N)	Real Sports (N)	Real Sports (N)	Real Sports (N)	Real Sports (N)	Real Sports (N)	Real Sports (N)
15	HBO3	** "Breakin' All the Rules" (2004, Romance-Comedy)	Jamie Fo														

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		5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	
20	23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Tampa Bay Devil Rays. (Live)					Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Friends	Friends	** "D2: The Mighty Ducks"		
3	4	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Dateline NBC	America's Got Talent				News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno	Late Night		
5	6	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales	Math Basics	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Comment on Kentucky	McLaughlin Group	Washington Week	NOW	Bill Moyers on Faith & Reason	BBC World News	Kentucky Life	To the Contrary	Eye on Washington		
7	8	ABC	Judge Judy	Judge Judy	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight	America's Funniest Home Videos	Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	20/20	News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program		
10	15	WGN	Moesha	Moesha	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos	White Sox Warmup	MLB Baseball: Houston Astros at Chicago White Sox. (Live)				WGN News at Nine	America's Funniest Home Videos				
10	10	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Legends Suzuki	The King of Queens	Ghost Whisperer	Close to Home	NUMB3RS	News	News	Late Show With David Letterman	Late Show			
11	11	FOX	Maury		Friends	Everybody-Raymond	Friends	Everybody-Raymond	24 Day 5: 9:00AM-10:00AM	24 Day 5: 10:00AM-11:00AM	News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program			
13	13	CBS	Dr. Phil		News	CBS News	News	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer	Close to Home	NUMB3RS	News	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late			
14	14	ESPN	Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter	(Live)	2005 U.S. Poker	2005 U.S. Poker	2006 MLB Special	Baseball Tonight	(Live)	SportsCenter	(Live)	World Cup	Baseball			
30	30	DSC	It Takes a Thief	Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Beyond Human Limits	Lobstermen: Jeopardy	I Shouldn't Be Alive	Sharkbite! Surviving	Beyond Human Limits	Lobstermen: Jeopardy							
31	31	TNT	Charmed	PreWitched	Law & Order: Loo Parents	Without a Trace	"The Source"	"O Brother, Where Art Thou?"	George Clooney	"Kangaroo Jack"	Jerry O'Connell	SpongeBob						
65	65	A&E	City Confidential	American Justice	"Vanished"	American Justice: Mrs. Jones	City Confidential	City Confidential	"Touch the Top of the World"	Peter Facinelli	City Confidential							
59	59	TNN	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Wildcat Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Investigat.	CSI: Crime Scene Investigat.	The Ultimate Fighter	The Shield	Disorderly Conduct	CSI: Crime Scene Investigat.	Full House							
53	53	NICK	SpongeBob	Drake & Josh	Ned's School	Danny Phantom	Catscratch	"Kangaroo Jack"	Jerry O'Connell	SpongeBob								
46	46	USA	(4:00) PGA Golf: Booz Allen Classic -- Second Round.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Monk	"Mr. Monk Gets Stuck in Traffic"	Monk	"Mr. Monk and the Astronaut"	House	"Maternity"	Action Sports				
40	40	FAM	Gilmore Girls	7th Heaven	7th Heaven	7th Heaven	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Whose Line? Whose Line?	Whose Line? Whose Line?	The 700 Club	Dukes of Hazzard					
24	24	LIFE	The Nanny	The Nanny	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	"The Perfect Marriage"	Suspense	Jamie Luner	"Her Perfect Spouse"	Tracy Nelson	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Frasier	Frasier			
27	27	ESPN2	World Domino Tour	Best of Horn	Interruption	NBA Finals	Kickboxing	Kickboxing	Boxing: Friday Night Fights. (Live)	Quite Frankly With Smith	Karate	Karate						
72	72	AMC	(3:30) ** "Ronin" (1998, Action) Robert De Niro.	** "The Dead Pool" (1988, Drama) Clint Eastwood, Patricia Clarkson.	** "For a Few Dollars More" (1965, Western) Clint Eastwood, Lee Van Cleef.	** "Halloween 4: The Return of Michael Myers" (1988, Horror) Donald Pleasence, Elie Cornell.	** "Halloween 5" (1989)											
66	66	HGTV	Landscape	Landscapers	Renovation	Weekend	Curb Appeal	House	Big Splash	Double Take	FreeStyle	House	House	Debbie Travis' Facelift	Big Splash			
49	49	SCIFI	Battlestar Galactica	Stargate SG-1	Stargate SG-1	"The Scourge"	Stargate SG-1	"Crusade"	Stargate SG-1	"Camelot"	Stargate SG-1	"The Scourge"	Stargate SG-1	"The Scourge"	Stargate SG-1			
44	44	HIST	UFO Files		Secrets of the Black Box	Modern Marvels	** "Spartacus"	(2004, Historical Drama) Goran Visnjic, Alan Bates.										
23	23	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	14	HBO	(4:00) "Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous" (2005)	** "Major League II" (1994, Comedy)	Charlie Sheen. (In Stereo) PG	** "Ocean's Twelve" (2004, Comedy-Drama)	George Clooney, Brad Pitt.	Deadwood	"I Am Not the Fine Man You Take Me For"	Lucky Louie	Entourage	Dane Cook's Tourgasm	Lewis Black: Red, White					
15	15	HBO2	Real Sports		** "One Fine Day" (1996)	Michelle Pfeiffer. PG	** "The Peacemaker" (1997, Suspense)	George Clooney, R.	** "Kiss the Girls" (1997, Suspense)	Morgan Freeman, R.	Superman	Written-Blood						
3	3	HBO3	** "Selena" (1997, Biography)	Jennifer Lopez, Edward James Olmos. (In Stereo) PG	** "The Skeleton Key" (2005, Suspense)	Kate Hudson, Gene Rowlands. Premiere. (In Stereo) PG-13	Six Feet Under	"You Never Know" (In Stereo)	** "The Interpreter" (2005, Suspense)	Nicole Kidman, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Garden State" (2004, Comedy)	Zach Braff. R						
4	4	MAX	(4:00) ** "Why Do Falls Fall in Love?" (1998)	Halia Berry. R	** "Collateral" (2004, Suspense)	Tom Cruise, Jamie Foxx.	** "House of Wax" (2005, Horror)	Elisha Cuthbert, Chad Michael Murray. (In Stereo) R	** "The Siege" (1998, Action)	Denzel Washington, Annette Bening. (In Stereo) R	Sex Games	Cancun	N	** "Sexual Surrender" (1998)				
28	28	DISN	Even Stevens	Lizzie McGuire	That's So Raven	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	Lilo & Stitch	Lilo & Stitch	"Leroy & Stitch" (2006, Adventure)	Voices of Davaigh Chase, Chris Sanders. G	American Drgn	Emperor New	Emperor New	Suite Life of Zack & Cody	That's So Raven	Hannah Montana	Kim Possible	
22	22	SHOW	(4:30) ** "Confessions of an American Girl" (2002)		** "Mean Girls" (2004, Comedy)	Lindsay Lohan, Rachel McAdams. (TV, In Stereo)	** "The Manchurian Candidate" (2004, Suspense)	Denzel Washington, Meryl Streep. (TV, In Stereo)	HUFF	"Black Shadows" (TV, In Stereo)	Boxing: ShoBox: The Next Generation. (TV, Live)	HUFF	"Black Shadows" (TV, In Stereo)	Boxing: ShoBox: The Next Generation. (TV, Live)	HUFF	"Black Shadows" (TV, In Stereo)		
25	25	TMC	(4:15) ** "The Real Blonde" (1997, Comedy)		** "Cool Blue" (1988, Romance-Comedy)	Woody Harrelson, Hank Azaria.	** "Without a Paddle" (2004, Comedy)	Seth Green, Matthew Lillard. (In Stereo)	** "The Mask of Zorro" (1998, Adventure)	Antonio Banderas, Anthony Hopkins. (In Stereo)	** "Donnie Darko" (2001, Fantasy)	Jake Gyllenhaal, Jena Malone.						

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poverty, he simply shows us people living with it: a parolee who is so frustrated at his inability to find other housing that he gets himself sent back to prison, an elderly veteran who'd rather be homeless, and a young family struggling with illness, addiction and child neglect.

8 p.m.
TCM
Billy Wilder Speaks

Between 1940 and 1961, it was a rare year that didn't have a movie in the Oscar race with Billy Wilder's name on it -- as director, screenwriter, producer or two out of three. This new documentary uses footage from interviews he gave over the years to tell the remarkable story of the man behind "Sunset Boulevard," "Some Like It Hot," "The Apartment," "The Lost Weekend" and other classics of Hollywood's golden age.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23
8 p.m.
TNT
Movie: O Brother, Where Art Thou?

Made by siblings Joel and Ethan Coen ("Fargo"), this 2000 comedy loosely was inspired by Homer's classic "The Odyssey." It puts three escaped convicts (George Clooney, John Turturro, Tim Blake Nelson) on the run from pursuers and toward considerable wealth. They seek a hidden treasure, but many complications arise. The bluegrass soundtrack, honored by the Country Music Association Awards, spawned a concert tour.

9 p.m. check local listings
PBS
Bill Moyers on Faith and Reason

The controversy over "The Da Vinci Code" creates the perfect atmosphere for this new seven-part series. Veteran journalist Moyers interviews a variety of writers who have tackled matters of faith in their writings, including Salman Rushdie and Mary Gordon, about how the conflict between faith, a matter of passion, and reason, a matter of fact and logic, is affecting the world. Be prepared to do some serious thinking here.

9 p.m.
TCM
Movie: The Karate Kid

Troubled teen Daniel (Ralph Macchio) learns the secret of standing up to bullies in 1984 drama. Guess what: It's not just knowing how to run faster, jump higher and hit harder. A sympathetic martial-arts master (Noriyuki "Pat" Morita) helps him to discipline his body, mind and spirit through a series of tough but gentle lessons, including the most important one of all: Use what you've learned about kicking posterior only when absolutely necessary.

SATURDAY, JUNE 24
4 p.m.
FOX
MLB Baseball

The hoopla surrounding Barry Bonds' impending 715th home run reached a crescendo last month as the Oakland A's hosted their crosby-bay rivals, the San Francisco Giants. What they were treated to instead was a sterling pitching performance by 21-year-old righty Matt Cain, who shutdown Nick Swisher, Eric Chavez and the A's on one hit in a 6-0 blanking that enabled San Francisco to win two games of a three-game set. This week, the visiting A's hope to return the favor.

7 p.m.
ESPN
College Baseball

The best-of-three championship round of the College World Series gets under way today from Rosenblatt Stadium in Omaha, Neb. While at this writing, the teams were not yet determined, it is known that traditional powers such as Florida will not be in the mix. ESPN2 will air Game 2 on Sunday, with Game 3, if it's needed, back on ESPN on Monday.

8 p.m.
ABC
Movie: A Bug's Life

Composer Randy Newman won a Grammy and an Oscar for the musical score that accompanies this 1998 fantasy. The Pixar-Disney film focuses on Flik's (voice of Dave Foley) journey to find a team of warriors to fight off an impending grasshopper invasion. Among the celebrities lending their voices are David Hyde Pierce, Kevin Spacey, Julia Louis-Dreyfus and Phyllis Diller.

8 p.m.
HBO
Movie: Cinderella Man

Russell Crowe is excellent in this 2005 Ron Howard biopic as James J. Braddock, the boxer whose career plunged during the Depression, giving him and his wife (Renee Zellweger) challenges. Paul Giamatti plays the manager who remains devoted to Braddock, and Craig Bierko plays champion Max Baer, whom Braddock faces in his big comeback.

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		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	23	TBS	(8:00) ** "Big Bully" (1998, Comedy) Rick Moranis.	** "Angels in the Outfield" (1994, Fantasy)	Danny Glover, Tony Danza. PG	** "D2: The Mighty Ducks" (1994, Comedy)	(PA) Emilio Estevez, Kathryn Erbe.	** "Overboard" (1987, Comedy)	Goldie Hawn, Kurt Russell.									
3	4	NBC	Kenny the Shark	Time Warp Trio	Trading Spaces	Darcy's Wild Life	Flight 29 Down	Endurance	The Beverly Hillsbillies	The Beverly Hillsbillies	Superstar Women on Ice	Outdoorsman	World of Adventure Sports	(N) (In Stereo)	Action Sports	(In Stereo) Live		
5	5	PBS	Dragon Tales	Calliope	Ciao Italia	Family Kitchen	Sewing With Nancy	Ndl 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	
7	7	ABC	Lilo & Stitch	Emperor New	The Proud Family	World Cup Soccer: Round of 16 -- Teams TBA. (Live)					Paid Program	That's So Raven	Paid Program	Exploration	PGA Golf: Booz Allen Classic -- Third Round. (Live)			
10	10	WGN	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Freedom Movie "Our Father"	The Cosby Show	Moesha	Soul Train	** "Senseless" (1998, Comedy)	Marlon Wayans, David Spade. (In Stereo)				
10	10	CBS	Saturday Early Show	(Joined in Progress)	Little Bill	Blue's Clues	Blue's Clues	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Inside Ky. Golf	Outdoorsman	Paid Program	Smith Gardens	Beautiful Hme	Poker Champ.
11	11	FOX	Bratz	Winx Club	Winx Club	Mutant Turtles	Ultimate Muscle	The Cramp Twins	The King of Queens	This Week in Baseball	MLB Baseball: Regional Coverage -- Cincinnati at Cleveland, Houston at Chicago White Sox or Philadelphia at Boston. (In Stereo) Live							
13	13	CBS	Decision	Kidz Newz	Go Diego	Backyard	Dora-Explorer	Little Bill	Blue's Clues	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Poker
46	46	ESPN	SportsCenter		SportsCenter	(Live)	Paintball	Paintball	Paintball	Paintball	Paintball	World Cup Soccer: Round of 16 -- Teams TBA. (Live)						
30	30	DSC	Material Witness	(Part 1 of 2)	Material Witness	(Part 2 of 2)	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	I Shouldn't Be Alive	Krakatoa: Volcano of Destruction	MythBusters							
31	31	TNT	(8:00) ** "The Gift" (2000)	** "The General's Daughter" (1999, Suspense)	John Travolta.	** "Runaway Jury" (2003, Suspense)	John Cusack, Gene Hackman.	** "Unfaithful" (2002, Drama)	Richard Gere.									
65	65	A&E	Ask This Old	Ask This Old	Inside This	Old House	Old House	** "Falling Down" (1993, Drama)	Michael Douglas, Robert Duval.	** "Romy and Michele's High School Reunion" (1997)	Touch the Top of the World							
59	59	TNN	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	The Ultimate Fighter	
53	53	NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	OddParents	OddParents	The X's	Danny Phantom	Danny Phantom	Catscratch	Avatar	Avatar	Nicktoons TV	Nicktoons TV	Nicktoons TV	Nicktoons TV	Nicktoons TV	
46	46	USA	Monk	"Mr. Monk Gets Drunk"	Coach	** "Honey" (2003, Drama)	Jessica Alba, Mekhi Phifer.	** "You Got Served" (2004, Drama)	Marques Houston, Omar Grandberry.	** "Patriot Games" (1992, Suspense)	Hamison Ford, Anne Archer.							
40	40	FAM	Get Ed	Kong-Series	Rangers	Star-Racers	Rangers	W.I.T.C.H.	Full House	Full House	** "Can't Buy Me Love" (1987, Comedy)	Patrick Dempsey.	** "Ghost" (1990, Fantasy)	Patrick Swayze.				
24	24	LIFE	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	The Nanny	Golden Girls	Will & Grace	LoveSpring	"Jitters" (1997, Drama)	Joely Fisher, Brian Wimmer.	** "Honeymoon With Mom" (2006, Comedy)	Shelley Long.				
27	27	ESPN2	Beat	Day on Lake	Bassmasters	(N)	BassCenter	Ultimate	ATV Racing Tour	(N)	Obstacle	Obstacle	Obstacle	Obstacle	Paintball			
72	72	AMC	(8:15) ** "The Wild and the Innocent" (1959)	Broken Trail: Making	** "The Return of Frank James" (1940, Western)	Henry Fonda, Gene Tierney.	** "The Undefeated" (1969, Western)	John Wayne, Rock Hudson.	** "The Comancheros" (1961, Western)	John Wayne, Stuart Whitman.								
66	66	HGTV	New Spaces	House Detect	Ground	Landscape	Landscapers	Garden-Yard	Curb Appeal	Outer Spaces	Decorating	Design Remix	Get Color	Mission	Parents	Kidspace	Double Take	reDesign
61	61	SCIFI	The Outer Limits	(In Stereo)	** "Epoch" (2000, Science Fiction)	David Keith.	** "Alien Siege" (2005, Science Fiction)	Brad Johnson.	** "A.I. Assault" (2006, Action)	Joe Lando, Michael Dom.	War of the Worlds							
44	44	HIST	Band of Brothers	(In Stereo)	Tales of Gun	Mail Call	Blueprint	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	Modern Marvels	
33	33	TOC	Pro Team	Hank Parker	Bass Champs	Prospecting	Gold Fever	Boat Test	Off Road	World of Outlaws	Monsters of Destruction	Paintball	Inside RC	Four Wheeler	Hot Rod TV			
14	14	HBO	(8:00) ** "Star Wars: Episode III -- Revenge of the Sith" (2005)	Ewan McGregor.	Real Sports	(In Stereo)	** "The Perfect Man" (2005, Romance-Comedy)	Hilary Duff, Heather Locklear. (In Stereo) PG	** "Breakin' All the Rules" (2004, Romance-Comedy)	Jamie Foxx. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Ray" (2004, Biography)	Jamie Foxx, Kerry Washington. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Days of Thunder" (1990)	Superman	"Days of Thunder" (1990)			
15	15	HBO2	** Kazam	** "1, Robot" (2004, Science Fiction)	Will Smith. PG-13	Billie Jean King: Portrait	** "Cry Baby" (1990)	Johnny Depp.	** "Father of the Bride Part II" (1995)	PG	Superman	"Days of Thunder" (1990)						
3	3	HBO3	Somersby	** "First Daughter" (2004, Romance-Comedy)	Katie Holmes. (In Stereo) PG	** "Fever Pitch" (2005, Romance-Comedy)	Drew Barrymore, Jimmy Fallon. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Dangerous Liaisons" (1988, Drama)	Glen Close, John Malkovich. (In Stereo) R	** "The Shape of Things" (2003, Drama)	Gretchen Mol, Paul Rudd. (In Stereo) R							
4	4	MAX	** "Man on Fire" (2004, Crime Drama)	Denzel Washington, Dakota Fanning. (In Stereo) R	** "The Day After Tomorrow" (2004, Adventure)	Dennis Quaid, Jake Gyllenhaal. (In Stereo) PG-13	** "Internal Affairs" (1990, Drama)	Richard Gere, Andy Garcia. (In Stereo) R	** "Phenomenon" (1996, Drama)	John Travolta, Kyra Sedgwick. (In Stereo) PG								
28	28	DISN	Mickey Mouse	Mickey Mouse	Doodlebops	Doodlebops	Charlie & Lola	The Koala Brothers	Lilo & Stitch	"Slushy"	Emperor New	** "Johnny Tsunami" (1999, Drama)	Brandon Baker, Cary-Hiroyuki Tagawa.	Kim Possible	American Drgn	The Proud Family	Emperor New	
22	22	SHOW	(8:45) ** "The Final Cut" (2004, Science Fiction)	Robin Williams. (TV, In Stereo)	** "Bean" (1997, Comedy)	Rowan Atkinson, Peter MacNicol. (TV, In Stereo)	** "Dirty Dancing: Havana Nights" (2004, Romance)	Diego Luna. (TV, In Stereo)	** "Seamless" (2005, Documentary)	ITV.	** "The Perfect Score" (2004, Comedy)	Enka Christensen. (TV, In Stereo)	** "The Final Cut" (2004)					
25	25	TMC	(8:00) ** "My Little Girl" (1965)	Mary Stuart Masterson	** "Super Size Me" (2004, Documentary)	** "Quicksilver" (1986, Drama)	Kevin Bacon, Jami Gertz. (In Stereo)	** "Withnail and I" (1987, Comedy)	Richard E. Grant, Paul McGann.	** "HI-Life" (1998, Comedy)	Katrin Cartledge, Charles Durning. (In Stereo)	** "Who's Harry Crumb?" (1989)	John Candy.					

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Mining panel may look at rescue chamber issue

FRANKFORT -- A mine safety panel created last session may look into the use of rescue chambers as a way to save lives in mine accidents like last month's explosion in Harlan County, lawmakers were told Thursday.

The issue was raised during a meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on Labor and Industry by Sen. Ray Jones, D-Pikeville, who said the chemically-based self-contained self-rescue breathing systems or SCSRs being used in Kentucky mines have proven to be ineffective. He mentioned the Harlan County explosion--in which five miners died (three of carbon monoxide poisoning, two from the blast) and one survived--as one example where miners died despite having SCSRs.

"One miner got out, three didn't," Jones said, about the carbon monoxide deaths and sole survivor. "Those

aren't very good odds."

Jones said rescue chambers, which are emergency shelters stocked with air and other emergency supplies, are a good option. He said the chambers were approved by the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration over 25 years ago but have never been used in Kentucky.

"We have to look at allowing rescue rooms or rescue chambers in Kentucky underground coal mines because...if you can't get out of the mine, it doesn't matter if you have one, two, three or four of these self rescuers (breathing device) given the amount of time it usually takes a rescue team to get in," said Jones.

SCSRs may not even be carried by a miner at all times, according to state Department for Natural Resources Commissioner Susan Bush who said miners working in "low coal"--meaning areas of the mine with very

short ceilings--may keep the device close by but not on their person if it gets too heavy. She added, however, that miners are required by law to keep the devices within 25 feet of them.

Kentucky Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet Secretary LaJuana Wilcher said the Mine Equipment Review Panel created by Senate Bill 200 last session will look at rescue chambers when it begins its safety review in July. The panel will first have to decide what kinds of chambers are workable, especially in some Eastern Kentucky mines with ceilings as low as 24 inches, said Wilcher.

She said the panel will look at "the best" that can be done so that all miners involved in mine accidents can survive.

Bush said West Virginia--where a Jan. 2 explosion killed 12 miners at

the Sago mine--recently completed a report on rescue chambers that will be distributed to members of the Kentucky Mine Equipment Review Panel for possible recommendations. The panel is expected to release a preliminary report this fall.

"If you cannot escape a mine, the rescue chambers are something we need to look at very, very carefully," said Bush.

Wilcher said much has been done to improve Kentucky mine safety over the past two years. The number of state mine safety inspectors has increased from 47 to 65, and the number of mine inspections has doubled.

The new requirements under SB 200 include required caches of SCSRs at accessible locations in all underground mines, increased inspections, strict reporting requirements, regular escape drills, updated

escape maps, two-way communication between the surface and miners underground, emergency action plans and whistleblower protections. Some of the provisions will take effect in September while others, like implementation of the review panel, will go into effect in July.

Rep. Brent Yonts, D-Greenville, later asked the committee to approve four mine safety hearings that would be conducted by the committee in both Eastern Kentucky and in Madisonville. Yonts said the hearings would allow lawmakers to hear from miners and mine management on safety problems and solutions "so we can fully address what needs to be done."

No official action was taken by the committee, although co-chair Rep. J.R. Gray, D-Benton, said the issue would be revisited.

PC nursing graduates honored during traditional pinning ceremony

PIKEVILLE — As they recite the Florence Nightingale Pledge, graduating nursing students promise to practice their profession faithfully and devote themselves to those committed to their care. Graduates of Pikeville College's Elizabeth Akers Elliott nursing program echoed those time-honored words during a traditional nursing pinning ceremony in May.

Students in the class of 2006 were pinned by nursing

faculty members and afterward participated in a beautiful candle-lighting ceremony. The ceremony was memorable in that it celebrated the first class with four male students, mother and son graduates, and presentation of the program's first-ever Florence Nightingale Award.

Eduardo Rosadio Valladares of Lima, Peru, was the recipient of this year's Elizabeth Akers Elliott Award. He was selected by the nursing faculty as the student who

"best exemplifies the caring compassion and empathy that are the very spirit of nursing."

The award also holds special significance for the family of Elizabeth Akers Elliott, who established a trust fund to launch a nursing program in her memory. The Elliott family has been faithful supporters of the program for nearly 30 years.

"I want to show gratitude to this great nation -- the United States of America -- for the opportunity to learn the latest

knowledge and technology," Valladares said. "I am proud to be an American graduate."

The Outstanding Nursing Student Award, an honor bestowed by fellow classmates to the nursing student they would "most like to have care for themselves or their family," was presented to Meranda (Williams) Ramey of

Marrowbone.

Lucille Newsome of Pikeville received the Vivian Day Award, which recognizes the student with the highest grade-point average in nursing courses. Newsome also received the Florence Nightingale Award, presented for the first time at Pikeville College. The award honors

Nightingale's life-long dedication to others and is given to the student who distinguishes himself or herself through devotion and self-sacrifice. Newsome also celebrated the accomplishments of her son, Nicolas, who joined her as a member of the 2006 class of nursing graduates.



Members of the Elizabeth Akers Elliott nursing program class of 2006 are, from left, front row: Kayla D. Ray of Melvin; Briona Lynn Taylor Reed of Belfry; Trish Robinson of Harold; TaNesha Betty Slone-Mullins of Pikeville; Kari June Maynard Blackburn of Belfry; Beth Fields-Boyd of Pikeville. Second row: Chasity Nicole Cochran Thomas of Robinson Creek; Katherine L. Johnson of Shelbiana; Kimberly Diane Barnett Nelson of Martin; Ladawna Grace Maynard of Varney; Jennifer L. (Adkins) Abshire of Phyllis; Melanie Renee Clevenger of Pikeville. Third row: Sheila Gwynn Justice Tackett of Pikeville; Meranda (Williams) Ramey of Marrowbone; Melissa Howell Goodman of Pikeville; Danna Sue Huffman Pruitt of Pikeville; Lucy Smith Newsome of Pikeville. Fourth row: Edna Ross Blair Montgomery of Oil Springs; Eduardo Arturo Rosadio Valladares of Lima, Peru.; Paul R. Huffman of Pikeville; Dwight David Looney of Ashcamp; Nicolas B. Newsome of Pikeville; and Stephanie Lynn Cowger Justice of Pikeville.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The second reading and adoption of Floyd County's proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 ordinance 06-002 is scheduled to be held at the courthouse on June 28, 2006, at 11:00 a.m.

BUDGET SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY:

WHEREAS, the proposed budget was tentatively approved by the Fiscal Court on the 22nd day of May, 2006, and approved as to form and classification by the State Local Finance Officer on the 15th day of June, 2006.

SECTION ONE. The following budget is adopted for the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.

(01)	GENERAL FUND		
	General Government	2,040,486.00	
	Protection to Persons & Property	127,000.00	
	General Health & Sanitation	1,797,000.00	
	Social Services	76,000.00	
	Recreation & Culture	21,530.00	
	Airport	2,500.00	
	Inspections	10,000.00	
	Debt Service	2,182,000.00	
	Administration	893,484.00	
	TOTAL		7,150,000.00
(02)	ROAD FUND		
	Roads	867,303.00	
	Debt Service	194,000.00	
	Administration	538,697.00	
	TOTAL		1,600,000.00
(03)	JAIL FUND		
	Protection to Persons & Property	1,199,800.00	
	Debt Service	493,000.00	
	Administration	457,200.00	
	TOTAL		2,150,000.00
(04)	LGEA FUND		
	Economic Development	680,000.00	
	Protection to Persons & Property	211,000.00	
	General Health & Sanitation	3,175,449.00	
	Recreation & Culture	748,185.00	
	Roads	2,060,000.00	
	Debt Service	15,300.00	
	Capital Projects	825,000.00	
	Administration	285,066.00	
	TOTAL		8,000,000.00
(06)	STATE GRANTS		
	Protection to Persons & Property	10,000.00	
	TOTAL		10,000.00
(07)	FEDERAL GRANTS		
	General Government	30,000.00	
	General Health & Sanitation	97,000.00	
	Social Services	12,000.00	
	Capital Projects	150,000.00	
	TOTAL		289,000.00
(10)	BOND FUNDS		
	Bond Construction Fund	1,000.00	
	TOTAL		1,000.00
(75)	REVOLVING FUNDS		
	Revolving Loan Fund	15,000.00	
	TOTAL		15,000.00
(76)	E-911 FUNDS		
	Protection to Persons & Property	233,565.00	
	Debt Service	5,400.00	
	Administration	46,035.00	
	TOTAL		285,000.00
	TOTAL BUDGET		19,500,000.00

SECTION TWO. This ordinance shall be published in the Floyd County newspaper by title and summary within 30 days following adoption.

SECTION THREE. This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication.

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Ganassi ends another season with lame duck driver

by DAN GELSTON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONG POND, Pa. — Casey Mears was diplomatic about why he would continue to give a full effort for Chip Ganassi Racing even as he was plotting his escape to the nearest title-contending team.

"At the end of the day, we do this because we all want to win races and have fun," Mears said.

Maybe he's having fun because he earned a big payday as NASCAR's most coveted free agent. But no one else at Ganassi can be faulted if

they're not having much fun these days.

For the second straight Nextel Cup season, Ganassi is trying to win races with its top driver heading out the door and into another garage. Last year, it was Jamie McMurray who got out of his deal a year early and signed with Roush Racing. Now it's Mears who is bolting at the end of this season for a ride at Hendrick Motorsports.

Even as the team continues to be shaken by defections and a winless drought that stretches back to the 2002 season, owner Chip Ganassi is

showing some rare patience with the team's future.

"We're fine. We're just not doing a good job of explaining to those guys where we are headed," Ganassi said.

But where is Ganassi's team headed? Certainly Victory Lane hasn't been one of those destinations. Neither is the bargaining table, where they can't lock up or keep the young, promising drivers they tried grooming into the kind of drivers that would turn this team into the powerhouse Ganassi once had in open-wheel racing.

Ganassi's other two seats are filled

by rookies Reed Sorenson and David Stremme. Prestonsburg native Loren Ranier continues to guide the Reed Sorenson portion of the Ganassi team. Ganassi could go after a veteran to help the duo along, or he could fill the ride with another inexperienced driver and hope at least one of the three blossoms into a championship contender.

One driver who won't fill that hole is IRL star Dan Wheldon. Wheldon, who won both the IndyCar Series championship and the Indianapolis 500 last year, is in his first season driving for Ganassi's open-wheel team

and won't be making the transition any time soon to stock cars.

Veteran crew chief Donnie Wingo doesn't know why the drivers are in a rush to leave the program and said their defections have had an effect on morale.

"Why does it keep happening to us?" Wingo asked. "It's not the race team's fault drivers are leaving, but I don't know what's going on."

Mears, 15th in the points standings, wanted to keep driving for Ganassi and said last weekend at

See GANASSI, page two

Bieger awarded Floyd NWTF scholarship

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — David School graduate Robert Bieger has been awarded the Floyd County Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation's 2006 scholarship. Past winners of the scholarship have included Douglas S. Howard (2005, June Buchanan School), C. Belue Sturgill (2004, Prestonsburg), Shellie Hayes (2003, Allen Central) and Austin Clark (2002, Prestonsburg).

■ Kentucky Afield will make its WYMT-TV debut July 5, and will air at 7 p.m. each Wednesday. Viewers throughout the state will still be able to see the show on KET affiliates Saturdays at 8:30 p.m. Eastern/7:30 p.m. Central and Sundays at 4 p.m. Eastern/3 p.m. Central.

This past Wednesday, Hazard hosted Kentucky Afield Day.

■ Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife commissioners have voted to allow gigging and snagging of rough fish in Estill County's Station Camp Creek. The gigging and snagging season will start back up next year.

■ The next 7th District Wildlife Federation meeting will be hosted by the Russell Fork Fish and Game Club in Elkhorn City on Sunday, Aug. 27.

The meeting will begin with a dinner at noon. The actual meeting will follow at 1 p.m.

■ Many area fishermen took advantage of the recent free fishing weekend. National Fishing and Boating Week ran June 3-11.

A series of hunter education classes have been scheduled for the Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club.

(See BIEGER, page two)



David School School graduate Robert Bieger has received this year's scholarship presented by the Floyd County Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation.

NEW TURF



photos by Steve LeMaster
Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin worked Friday morning on getting Josh Francis Field ready for new sod. According to Fannin, the Prestonsburg High football field will be ready for the sod Tuesday. City of Prestonsburg employees, some of which are Blackcat football players, worked alongside Fannin Friday morning.



McCormick, Cubs agree to terms

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CHICAGO — The Chicago Cubs have agreed to terms with 14 of the 47 players the organization selected in last week's 2006



Andrew McCormick

First-Year Player Draft, including right-handed pitcher Andrew McCormick. An Ashland native, McCormick proved to be a pitching force this spring for the Pikeville College Bears. Terms of McCormick's deal weren't disclosed. The rookie club for Chicago for the Mesa (Ariz.) Cubs.

The Cubs also agreed to terms with seventh round selection Steven Clevenger, a highly-touted infielder from Chipola Junior College in Maryland.

Three of the other Cubs' first

(See CUBS, page two)

Camps available to area youth

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College has youth sports camps scheduled for throughout the months of June and July.

The Pikeville College-Georgetown College volleyball camp will be held at the Pikeville College Gym July 13-15 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a lunch break. Cost is \$75 per camper and space is limited to the first 65 campers.

The Pikeville College softball camp will be held June 19-22 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost is \$50 per camper.

Both camps will be under the direction of Pikeville College coach Robert Staggs.

For more information on either of the two camps, contact Staggs at 606/432-1807 or 606/218-5357.

(See CAMPS, page two)

Pike Central defender signs with Cumberland

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG — The University of the Cumberlands (formerly Cumberland College) men's soccer team has announced the signing of two players, one of whom hails from Pike County. Chris Young (Elizabethtown) and Pike Countian Kyle Collier (Pikeville) have each signed with the Cumberlands soccer team.

Young will come to Cumberlands from John Hardin High School where he played goalkeeper.

"Chris is a solid player who has nine years of experience playing in the goalkeeper position," commented Cumberlands Coach Paulo Neto. His experience and athleticism will bring a different complexity to our group of keepers."

Collier will come to Cumberlands from Pike County Central High School where he played as a defender.

"Kyle is a hardworking player who is going to benefit a lot from being exposed to a higher level of soccer," Neto commented. "His passion for the game and determination will be an asset to our program."

Collier was a standout for Pike County Central, one of Eastern Kentucky's up-and-coming high school boys' soccer teams.

Evans, Whitaker awarded Paul B. Hall scholarships

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — The 2006 Paul B. Hall Foundation scholarships have been awarded to a pair of graduates from 15th Region schools. The recipients are Sheldon Clark High School graduate Cheri Lynn Evans and Johnson Central High School graduate James Tyler Stephen Whitaker.

Evans, the daughter of Ronnie and Debbie Evans,

plans to attend Campbellsville University and is the first-place recipient of The Paul B. Hall Foundation Scholarship. The Sheldon Clark graduate was awarded \$2,000.

Whitaker, the daughter of Steve and Monica Whitaker, plans to attend Morehead State University. He is the second-place recipient and has been awarded \$1,000.

Both student-athletes left their marks in high school,

(See SCHOLARSHIPS, page two)



Pike County Central High School graduate Kyle Collier is the latest Cumberlands soccer signee.

Ganassi

Pocono Raceway that he had been "working real hard" to put together a new deal with the team. That was until something better came along — a deal reached Wednesday to ride with perennial Cup contender Hendrick Motorsports.

Mears quickly changed his mind and told Ganassi he no longer wanted to discuss an extension.

"The decision to do something different really isn't anything based off anything negative about the organization I'm

with now," Mears said. "It's just a lot of things that are positive with the opportunities that are out there to go another direction."

Mears, who wrecked on the very first lap at the Pocono 500, said Ganassi was surprised by the decision.

"A situation like this is never easy," Mears said.

Now Mears' team has to put all its time, effort and cash into a driver that may have a shot at qualifying for the Chase but no shot of paying any dividends

down the road. That has Wingo discouraged, especially since these drivers no longer can help turn Ganassi's struggling program around.

"Going through what we're going through right now is no fun," Wingo said. "It's a struggle for everybody. It drains you so bad mentally, it wears you out thinking about what's going on. I really don't know what would make it fun again."

Maybe taking at least one checkered flag would help.

The team hasn't won since McMurray won his second career Cup start subbing for Sterling Marlin late in the 2002 season. When the wins dried up, McMurray wanted out and left for Jack Roush's team.

McMurray can empathize with Mears' situation. He also said there was no way Mears would make a decision to leave so early this season unless he already knew where he was going.

"I'm sure Chip's going to find somebody that's been

around a while, a veteran driver to maybe help them," McMurray said. "I'm just glad I'm not involved in that this year. It feels good to have a home and be happy with where you're at right now."

It had already been a tumultuous season for CGR. Andy Graves, the first employee hired by Ganassi when he started his NASCAR operation and helped build the team from the ground up, resigned as team manager in April. Jeff Vanderross also was replaced

as crew chief on Stremme's team.

The shake-up has had little impact on the standings.

Ganassi said defections are part of the business. But he had hoped McMurray and Mears would have been the ones that helped take his team to the next level.

"I think it is just because there were opportunities at teams they thought were better, and those opportunities don't come around that often," Ganassi said.

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Camps

Adams Middle School Lady Blackcat Coach Gaye Hatfield has announced the dates for the Lady Blackcat Basketball Camp to be held at the AMS Gym. The camp is open to girls ages 7-14 and will take place Monday, June 19-Friday, June 23. The camp will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 2 p.m. each day.

Basic fundamentals will be stressed during the camp. Cost per camper is only \$20. Contact Hatfield at 886-2671 for more information. Registration will begin Monday at 8:30 a.m.

The Johnson County Family Resource and Youth Service Center will hold its summer camp Monday-

Friday (June 19-23) at Johnson Central High School. The camp will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day and is open to children entering third through eighth grades. The camp is free. Campers will have their choice of sports.

Outside sports will conduct sign-ups in the football

stadium while the inside sports will sign up in the JCHS lobby.

Activities will include the following: Day One — Baseball or Girls' Basketball; Day Two — Wrestling or Softball; Day Three — Football or Volleyball; Day 4 Four — Soccer or Golf; Day 5 — Boys' Basketball or Track.

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Friedrich accepts invite to USA Baseball national team trials

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES
RICHMOND — Eastern Kentucky University freshman starting pitcher Christian

Friedrich was one of 15 players to accept an invitation to the 2006 USA Baseball National Team Trials, USA Baseball announced Thursday. The trials will be held June 24 - July 1 in conjunction with the New England Collegiate Baseball League (NECBL).

The 2006 Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Year went 10-2 in his first year at Eastern and led the conference in ERA (1.98) and strike outs per game (13), with the latter mark ranking second in

the nation. The first-team All-OVC selection struck out 118 batters in 82.0 innings and held opponents to a .204 batting average.

Friedrich, recently named a Louisville Slugger Freshman All-America, also hurled the fifth no-hitter in school history and first since 1992 on March 26 against Morehead State.

The USA Baseball National Team will be selected from the pool of players at the trials. The first 20 player invitations were announced in

mid-May. The official 22-man team roster will be announced on July 2.

Team USA will also participate in the 35th Annual USA vs. Japan Collegiate Championship Series and in International Friendship series versus Chinese Taipei, Germany and Korea. The summer will end in Havana, Cuba at the III FISU World University Championship where the USA is the defending gold medalist.

MU men's team to hold youth camp

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Marshall University head coach Ron Jirsa and his staff will conduct a basketball camp for grades 3-8.

Monday-Friday (June 19-23) at the Cam Henderson Center.

The hours of the camp are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Campers will

need to pack a lunch each day, or they can purchase pizza, soda, Gatorade, and other items at the camp store.

Cost of the camp is \$185 for the week, \$160 for Marshall employees, and \$160 for multiple campers from the same family (siblings only).

Download the form on the left side of the men's basketball page of HerdZone.com and send it in to the men's basketball office. Also, for more information on the camp, call the men's basketball office at 304/696-6460. Walk-ups are also welcome on the day of the camp.

MSU's Litter, Tipton earn Top 10 State Am

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SIMPSONVILLE — Morehead State University golfers Kyle Litter and Shawn Tipton each earned top 10 finishes at the 2006 BellSouth Kentucky State

Amateur Golf Championship played June 13-15 at The Cardinal Club.

Louisville businessman Casey Combs, at one-under par, won the championship and was the only competitor finishing under par. Litter

(74-72-71 217) tied for 6th at four-over par. Tipton (73-69-76 142), who was the medalist at the 2006 Ohio Valley Conference Golf Championships, tied for ninth at five-over par.

Three other members of the 2005-06 Eagle golf team

were among those who made the 36-hole cut. Matt Gann (74-76-74 224) tied for 24th at 11-over par. Casey Wade (79-69-82 230) tied for 48th at 17-over par. Lee Chaney (75-78-82 235) tied for 66th at 22-over par.

King named to PING All-Region Team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG — The

University of the Cumberland's (formerly Cumberland College) Golf team along with the Golf Coaches Association of America would like to announce that Eric King (Ferguson) has been named to the NAIA PING All-Region East team.

The East team featured

Cumberland's King along with Adreas Belmont of Webber International, Mobile's Matt Drinkard and Brett Marler, Ian Hoffman and Bjorn Karringer of Flagler, James Renner, John Stoltz, and Brad Valois of Johnson and Wales and Berry's Jarod Trammell.

PING All-Region teams

are selected based on season-long play. All-Region teams consist of a minimum of 10 players with any player ranked in the top 50 nationally in adjusted stroke-average being automatically named to his all-region squad. Members of the PING All-Region teams are eligible for PING All-American honors.

Cubs

10 selections have come to terms with the organization: right-handed pitchers William Muldowney of the University of Pittsburgh (eighth round) and Jacob Renshaw of Ventura College (10th round), and out-

fielder Matthew Camp of North Carolina State (13th round).

Overall, Chicago has agreed to terms with four of its first 10 selections and eight of their first 21 picks.

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Bieger

Remaining dates for the classes follow.
Aug. 14-16, 6-9:30pm (10 hour course).
Oct. 9-11, 6-9:30pm (10-hour course).

Nov. 6-8, 6-9:30 p.m. (10-hour course).
Nov. 25: Range day only, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. (Four-hour course).

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Scholarships

both in academics and athletics. Each was a standout golfer for their respective high school.

Whitaker also led on the hardwood as he was the point guard for Johnson Central's 15th Region championship boys' basketball team.

The Paul B. Hall

Foundation Scholarship fund is a one-time gift for post-secondary students who participated in their school's golf programs.

For more information on the foundation, write The Paul B. Hall Foundation, 2855 Kentucky Route 1107, Paintsville, Ky. 41240.

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photos by Jamie Howell
Prestonsburg Little League baseball and softball regular-season play ended. Pictured above is Cubs pitcher Cody Chaffin, who threw for his team Thursday night in a regular-season finale against the Reds. In softball, the Legends (Below) won two games Thursday, including a hard-fought victory over the Bats.



Turkey calling winners from the annual Jakes Day presented by the Floyd County Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation are pictured above.

Editor's note: The FCT Interview Series with NCAA Division I football coaches will resume with the Sunday, June 25 edition.

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OUT THERE: Kayaks turning up all over Midwest

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The bright red paddlewheel smacks the Ohio River in a rolling cadence, churning a path through the mud-hued water. Trailing the riverboat is a solitary blue kayak, riding the waves.

Steering with a double-ended paddle, a mustachioed man in weathered baseball cap darts through the froth. Passengers on the paddlewheeler are intrigued by this meeting of Mark Twain-era transportation and jet-age recreation.

"You can get on one of those big waves, and it is unbelievable in terms of the thrill of the ride," said Brewster Rhoads, a political consultant who kayaks the river most days. "You can just surf it like with a surfboard. My record is 43 minutes on the same wave."

There aren't many waves like it around these parts. Paddlers in the Midwest have to be inventive to enjoy one of the country's fastest-growing recreational activities.

They are. Wherever there's water — pristine or polluted, in the heart of a city or out in the hinterlands — there's likely to be a paddle stirring it.

The Outdoor Industry Foundation has tracked the popularity of bicycling, hiking, skiing, kayaking and 18 other recreational activities over the last eight years, looking for trends.

The paddlers have impressive numbers.

Annual surveys indicate that kayaking has doubled in popularity since 1998. The foundation, which encourages outdoor activities, estimates that 12.6 million people got into a kayak last year. About 2 million of them kayak regularly.

Most kayakers live in the West and Northeast. Lately, more women have been taking up the sport — a 5 percent increase in the latest survey. About 45 percent of kayakers are female.

Although kayaking appeals to all age groups, it is particularly attractive

to those between 16 and 24.

"The younger generation is looking for more risky-type sports, something to test their limits more," said Kara Lorenz, a 21-year-old Northern Kentucky University student who has two kayaks. "That's what attracts a lot of young people to kayaking and snowboarding."

In the Midwest, part of the fun is finding unusual places to test the limits.

— Oblong boats ripple across a storied section of the Cuyahoga River.

Only a few strokes from downtown Cleveland, a guide directs five kayakers clear of the barges and ore freighters in the working harbor. Guide Mark Pecot explains the history of the six moving bridges and riverside businesses they pass.

The group also touches a sore spot in the city's history — the place where industrial discharge on the river caught fire in 1969.

"We're paddling through our industrial past," said Pecot, co-owner of 41 North Coastal Kayak Adventures.

This three-hour "Burning River Tour" is one of several river and Lake Erie excursions offered by the organization, which provides kayak lessons as well. The trips are popular — business has increased in each of 41 North's four years.

"People find it fascinating," said Pecot, who also teaches history at Lakewood St. Edward High School. "When you're in a kayak surrounded by huge industrial bridges that lift and lower and you get tugboats and barges and the other traffic moving, it has a way of making you feel very small. It's an exciting feeling."

— Exciting may not be the best word for this tour.

The 28-mile Mill Creek divides Cincinnati down the middle. An industrial dumping spot for generations, it got so polluted that the conservation group American Rivers designated it North America's most endangered urban river in 1997.

Bruce Koehler knew all about its reputation. An environmental planner for a regional council of governments, he sat through dozens of meetings about the roiled creek and heard the horror stories.

"I wanted to go down and see what we were talking about," Koehler said.

In 1994, he first dipped a keel into the witches' brew of sewage and industrial waste. As he paddled along, he saw a construction company bulldozing material into the creek. An abandoned easy chair jutted from the middle of the channel.

Since then, he has taken more than 300 people on the creek — some in kayaks, others in canoes — for a firsthand look at work that needs to be done. He dubs this hardy group the "Mill Creek Yacht Club."

Paddlers receive a health warning and a liability disclaimer before setting off. They try to avoid touching the water. Germicidal gel is available.

"Thank goodness I have healthy immunities," the 55-year-old Koehler said. "I think going in the creek is like getting a flu shot. I get mild exposure to most every germ known to man. So far, no one has claimed they got seriously ill from it."

And, the paddlers are seeing noticeable improvement in the creek because of the Clean Water Act.

"The stream doesn't stink to high heaven or change colors like it did when I was a kid," Koehler said.

— The slender boats stand at attention in their piped-off rows, the taller ones poking their curved snouts above the others. Blue. Yellow. Green. Red. The polyethylene shells are dry and unblemished.

For now.

Kayaks are high-tech and can be high-priced. They're also feeding the growth in the popularity of paddling.

"They look very cool," said Bernie Farley, standing in the middle of his Whitewater Warehouse a few feet from the banks of the Mad River in Dayton, Ohio. "On the recreational side, the boats are a lot less expen-

sive. They're more basic, and they stay pretty similar year after year. With the whitewater boats — the more expensive boats — they're popping out a new design every year. They're very aggressive on the manufacturers' side."

Farley, who has kayaked for 35 years, sees a growing interest in playboats that allow riders to surf and do tricks, such as spins and cartwheels, in the water.

"It's just amazing what you can do in a kayak today," he said.

Communities are tapping into the growing interest. A Dayton park board is considering adding a whitewater course to the Great Miami River.

In South Bend, Ind., the East Race Waterway has attracted more than 200,000 kayakers and rafters since it opened in 1984. On a busy weekend, about 500 paddlers from Indiana and nearby states will line up to challenge the region's only whitewater course.

"We're all kind of amazed when we see where the kayakers are from," said Paul McMinn, assistant recreation director in South Bend. "For them, to drive two or three hours is no big deal."

Anything to catch a wave.

— Back on the Ohio River, Rhoads paddles up to a dock across from downtown Cincinnati.

It's a sunny afternoon. A steady stream of traffic rumbles across a nearby bridge that links Ohio and Kentucky. Sunlight glints off tinted office windows looking down on the river.

A 30-minute kayak trip has revitalized Rhoads, who married into a family of paddlers and loves his time on the water.

"Every day is different," he said, after changing back into a dress shirt and pants for a business meeting. "The wind conditions. The water conditions. The sun angles. When the sun is reflecting off the downtown skyscrapers, it's just stunning. So impressive."

He's not surprised to find more

kayakers sharing the river these days. The sport is growing, in part because it can be so captivating.

"There's something about water," Rhoads said. "It's a calming force. It's deep in my blood."

On the Net:

Outdoor Industry Foundation:

<http://www.outdoorindustry.org>

East Race Waterway:

<http://www.sbpark.org/>

41 North Coastal Kayak Adventures:

<http://www.kayak41north.com>

Whitewater Warehouse Inc.:

<http://www.kayakdayton.com>

Ohio River paddling festival:

<http://www.OhioRiverWay.org>

A look at kayakers in the U.S.

Information about kayakers from the Outdoor Industry Foundation's 2005 survey, which will be released to the public later this year. The foundation bases its estimates on the results of an annual telephone survey using scientific sampling. The foundation interviews 2,000 people over the age of 15 and gauges their participation in 22 outdoor activities.

— An estimated 12.6 million people got into a kayak at least once last year. About 2 million of them kayak regularly.

— Those figures represent an increase from the foundation's first survey. In 1998, about 4.2 million people had kayaked, and about 400,000 did it regularly.

— Kayakers tend to be young. Roughly 31 percent are in the 16-to-24 age group. About 20 percent are 25-to-34, 21 percent are 35-to-44, and 28 percent are 45 or older.

— More women are kayaking these days. About 45 percent of the total were female, a 5 percent increase from the foundation's 2004 survey.

— Kayakers tend to be affluent. Roughly 44 percent of them made at least \$80,000 per year, while 33 percent made between \$41,000 and \$79,000.

— More kayakers are found in the western and northeastern states than any other regions of the country.

KDFWR warns against interaction with deer

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — People who find deer fawns in the weeds at this time of year should leave them alone. Not only is taking a fawn from the wild bad for the animal, but it is against the law to keep a wild deer as a pet. Because the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources discourages people from removing baby animals from the wild, the department does not issue permits for deer found in the wild.

Those who believe that they are "rescuing" an abandoned baby ani-

mal by taking it home may be ensuring that the deer does not survive. These Good Samaritans may actually be taking the fawn away from its mother. Pen-raised deer have practically no chance of survival in the wild.

"Some people who don't know better will pick fawns up," said David Yancy, assistant deer coordinator with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "They pick them up and the mother is probably watching them from the nearby woods. She's definitely within earshot and will usually come running if the fawn bleats. The young animal is almost never abandoned."

Female deer give birth from late May to early July. The peak of births occurs in mid-June and Kentuckians often find newborn fawns in tall grass at this time of year. The mother of the fawn is often nowhere in sight.

The mother leaves the fawn if she feels threatened by the approach of a human or a predator during morning and evening nursing sessions. She wants the threatening presence to follow her and not endanger her fawn.

She also doesn't want to attract undue attention to her fawns, so she stays away from them for hours at a time during the day while she feeds and rests. The fawns lay low in the grass and their spots help to camouflage them.

"They've evolved to remain bedded for the first few weeks of life," Yancy explained. "The fawn hides in the grass from predators and is scentless. If you find one, leave it alone. If you find one while mowing your hay field, pick it up and put it somewhere nearby where you won't be mowing. The mother will return and find it in the evening."

The worst thing people can do is

to pick up the fawn and try to raise it on their own. Humans are poor substitutes for the fawn's natural mother.

"It always ends badly for either the human or the deer," Yancy said. "It is also illegal. The only people who can have deer in captivity are rehabilitators or someone with a captive cervid (deer) permit."

The same applies if a person finds a fawn in another state and is tempted to bring it back home. A new law which takes effect July 12 makes it a felony to bring a live deer, including a fawn, into Kentucky.

The fawn that weighs 6 to 8 pounds in June will grow to 65 to 75 pounds by fall. The following summer, the deer is mature and may weigh 125 pounds. A mature buck deer can be dangerous. "They can hurt you," Yancy said. "They start tearing up things like their pen, eating gardens and exhibiting other destruc-

tive behavior. They can seriously injure a person with their antlers and hooves. They are going to try to show you that they are dominant."

People who find an injured fawn or other animal and want someone to care for it should not bring it to the Salato Wildlife Education Center in Frankfort. The Center does not take in orphaned or injured animals.

To find the nearest rehabilitator permitted to care for injured wild animals, log onto Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's website at fw.ky.gov. Click on the "wildlife" tab on the left side of the home page, then click on the "rehabilitation" tab for a list of wildlife rehabilitators across Kentucky.

The best thing a person can do if they encounter a baby deer is to leave the deer fawn alone. Mother Nature will take care of young deer much better than humans.

Milligan becomes KDFWR Law Enforcement Director

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — Retired Kentucky State Police Lt. Colonel Robert E. (Bob) Milligan will take over as Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Director of

Law Enforcement today.

A 28-year KSP veteran, Milligan has been serving as a Kentucky Division of Park Rangers Captain supervising sergeants and rangers at 26 parks in northern, eastern, and southeastern Kentucky for the past 15 months.

Milligan will become colonel and succeed 21-year KDFWR law enforcement veteran Col. David C. Casey, who requested appointment to the position being vacated by retiring Major Charles Browning. Casey has led the division for the past four years.

"I am very excited," said Milligan. "This is a great opportunity and I am looking forward to the

challenge.

"I have always had great respect for the job fish and wildlife officers do," he said, "and to become part of an agency that is as important to Kentucky as is Fish and Wildlife is a tremendous opportunity."

Milligan, who has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Education from the University of Kentucky, joined the Kentucky State Police in 1976. He rose to the rank of captain and commanded the Hazard KSP Post in 1992. He later commanded Post 12 at Frankfort for 18 months.

As a KSP captain he also headed Internal Affairs section for two years, Research and Development six months, and Special Operations for

almost three years.

He was promoted to major in November 1999 and then Lt. Colonel in December of 2000. He retired one month short of 28 years served in November 2003. He joined the Division of Park Rangers as Captain in March 2005.

Milligan is also a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy.

"Bob brings a wealth of law enforcement and administrative experience to the department," said Casey. "He is an excellent choice and I am looking forward to working with him and helping move this division forward."

Major Randy Hedges, a 25-year

KDFWR veteran, rounds out the Division's senior command staff.

"KDFWR law enforcement officers already are among the best trained and equipped law enforcement officers in the state," said KDFWR Commissioner Dr. Jon Gassett. "Their dedication to the conservation of Kentucky fish and wildlife resources and to the safety of recreational boaters is outstanding."

"Bob Milligan has dedicated nearly three decades to administration and improvement of Kentucky law enforcement," said Gassett. "I am confident he will continue that record of excellence protecting Kentucky's wildlife resources and boating public."

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KARATE FAMILIES: Family of Academy of Martial Arts classes include many family members. Pictured (Left) Mother and Son: Dawn and Garrett Brown; (Middle) Mother and Son: Julie and Ben Scoggins; (Right) Father and Daughter: John and Elizabeth Vaughn.

Palmer passing again, but return date uncertain

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Carson Palmer dropped back to pass Thursday and decided to take it easy, protecting his rebuilt left knee while flinging the ball to a receiver during a minicamp drill.

With that one mundane move, the Cincinnati Bengals quarterback showed how far he has come and how much progress he has to make in order to meet his goal of playing in the season opener.

"Now we've got a couple of months," Palmer said after his most ambitious workout since having reconstructive surgery Jan. 10. "I wish we had a couple of more months for me personally. But when you look at the flip side, if I am ready to play that day, that

game can't come quickly enough."

Palmer has been immersed in his comeback since the operation, which came two days after Kimo von Oelhoffen slammed into the quarterback's left knee during the Pittsburgh Steelers' play-off victory in Cincinnati.

After the surgery, the Bengals acknowledged only that Palmer tore the anterior cruciate and medial collateral ligaments. Dr. Lonnie Paulos, who performed the operation, told The Associated Press that the damage was more extensive and included torn tissue around the kneecap and cartilage damage that was repaired.

The team acknowledged the full extent of Palmer's injury for the first time Thursday, confirming Paulos'

account. Trainer Paul Sparling said the torn tissue around the kneecap — which dislocated during the tackle — has healed and is no longer a concern.

Palmer is aiming to return for the season opener Sept. 10 in Kansas City — exactly eight months after the knee was rebuilt.

"It certainly is cutting it close," Sparling said. "I much rather would have a little bit more time. But that being said, given the position he plays, given the successful surgery that's been done so far, given the fact that he's had an uneventful rehab, it's very conceivable."

Sparling said Palmer hasn't had a significant setback in his comeback. The worst problem has been soreness and some swelling that prompted him to rest for a day.

He was cleared to throw to receivers during 7-on-7 drills Thursday morning, when defensive backs covered the receivers but no one rushed the passer. He also briefly ran the offense at the end of practice. Palmer was rusty and off-target, which was to be expected.

He moved cautiously and was careful not to put too much stress on the knee.

"It's something in the back of my mind and something I need to be aware of," Palmer said. "And as soon as I feel my body is ready take over and I'm ready to play, I need to wipe all that out and just play football."

Barring a setback, that point could come sometime during training camp. Palmer's teammates are curious to see how he responds the

first time he's playing for real.

"How will he be able to adjust to the hits?" receiver Chad Johnson said. "Will it affect his knee? I think that's the only thing we have to worry about, because there's nothing wrong with his arm."

The Bengals won't rush him. Sparling wouldn't speculate about whether Palmer will be cleared to fully participate when training camp opens late next month.

"If we're going to make a mistake, it's going to be by holding him back too long, not pushing him out too soon," Sparling said. "There's too much riding on this. He knows it, we know it, and we're not going to be foolish about it."

Palmer said he's starting to get a feel for how much the knee can handle. He won't put himself in position to take a

hit until he's confident the knee — and his psyche — will be intact when he gets off the ground.

"You never look forward to getting hit, but I'll be fine," he said. "I'm going to make sure that my body is fine, that my knee is healthy and I'm ready to roll. Getting hit in that game or whichever game it is that I'm back will be just like getting hit in any other game."

Notes: MLB Odell Thurman was excused from minicamp for personal reasons. Coach Marvin Lewis declined to comment further. ... RB Chris Perry, who had surgery to clean out his knee in April, sat out the team workouts. ... Palmer will return to California and continue his rehabilitation there before training camp opens in Georgetown, Ky., on July 29.

Juan Castro returns to Reds in trade

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Infielder Juan Castro returned to the Cincinnati Reds on Thursday in a trade that sent a minor

league outfielder to the Minnesota Twins.

Castro, 33, played for the Reds for five years before signing with the Twins as a free agent after the 2004 season. Trying to upgrade their infield defense, the Reds got him back in exchange for Brandon Roberts.

Cincinnati is among the worst defensive teams in the National League, and Castro is known as a solid fielder at every infield position.

"It's sad what's going on

right now," said Castro, who spent five years with the Reds before signing with the Twins before the 2005 season. "I understand the situation. They explained everything, but I was in love with Minnesota. ... It's hard to leave when you have a lot of good people around you."

The Reds are among the worst teams in the NL in fielding, and Castro can play all four infield positions. He could fill in at shortstop when Felipe Lopez — who made his first

All-Star team last season — needs a rest.

Reds general manager Wayne Krivsky was an assistant with the Twins when they signed Castro after the 2004 season. He negotiated Castro's two-year contract, which includes a base salary of \$1 million this season and a team option for 2007 at \$1 million with a \$500,000 buyout.

"It's kind of like what goes around, comes around," Krivsky said. "He's a defensive specialist, but he offers

something with the bat as well. Usually when you think of Juan Castro, the first thing you think of is defense. He's improved the last three or four years on offense, too."

The Reds transferred right-hander Paul Wilson to the 60-day disabled list to open a spot for Castro on the 40-man roster. Wilson had shoulder surgery a year ago and has been on the disabled list all season.

The Reds will open a spot on the 25-man roster for Castro

before a game Friday against the Chicago White Sox.

Castro was hitting .231 with one homer for the Twins. He signed a two-year contract in November 2004 that paid him a \$1 million base salary each season. The contract includes a \$1 million team option for 2007 with a \$500,000 buyout.

Roberts, 21, was hitting .267 with a homer in 60 games for Class A Sarasota. He was a seventh-round draft pick last year.

Said to run four Cup races with No Fear team

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CONCORD, N.C. — Road-racing standout Boris Said will expand his Nextel Cup schedule by four races this summer with the formation of an East Coast racing operation backed by No Fear Inc.

No Fear, the action sports lifestyle brand based in Carlsbad, Calif., will contest four races between next weekend's Dodge/Save Mart 350 at Infineon Raceway and the August Sirius Satellite Radio at The Glen at Watkins Glen International.

No Fear Racing is owned and operated by No Fear founder and CEO Mark Simo, veteran Nextel Cup crew chief Frank Stoddard and road-racing champion Said. The team is based at the company's new East Coast corporate head-

quarters, adjacent to the Roush Racing campus.

The new team will receive technical support, engines and cars from Roush Racing, which fields five full-time Nextel Cup teams. Sponsorship for Said's No. 60 Ford Fusion is by No Fear's energy drink, SoBe No Fear.

No Fear Racing will debut at the Dodge/Save Mart 350 at Infineon Raceway the weekend of June 24-25, then race in the Pepsi 400 at Daytona International Speedway on July 1; the Allstate 400 at The Brickyard on Aug. 6; and at the Sirius Satellite Radio at The Glen on Aug. 13.

The four-race schedule this summer marks the continuing evolution of No Fear's 20-year history of motorsports activity.

Initially involved in motocross during the mid-to-

late 1980s, No Fear then moved into four-wheel racing where the company won multiple championships in SCCA, IMSA and Trans-Am racing — several with Said — as well as a number of Late Model Stock Car titles.

In 1995 the company fielded a team in the inaugural season of the Craftsman Truck Series, winning races and placing second overall. After racing in the Truck Series through 1998, No Fear then entered a team in the Cup Series in 1999 and 2000.

After taking the last six years to regroup, No Fear is now poised to return to NASCAR's premier series.

"We believe that the NASCAR Nextel Cup Series provides a highly visible platform to promote our widely distributed energy drink and to

highlight our racing heritage for our core No Fear brand," Simo said. "The Nextel Cup Series provides us with the opportunity to showcase our authentic heritage in motor racing, to promote our drink to true racing enthusiasts, as well as to promote NASCAR, Roush Racing and Ford."

"I've been making the switch from road racing to full-time NASCAR Nextel Cup," Said said. "I raced with MB2 last season and I really appreciate the opportunity they gave me. It is a great team and organization."

"However, this year, with my affiliation with Roush Racing and working with their young drivers on their road-racing skills, Jack [Roush] offered us the chance to purchase cars and engines and more importantly, technical

support. So now, after all the years of teaching people on the road courses, I finally feel like I'm getting paid back by receiving and using the resources of Roush Racing."

"Being a team owner is a dream come true and something I never really expected to happen. But all the pieces with Mark Simo and Frank came together and the support that Roush Racing has offered is something that just doesn't come along every day."

Having won 14 Nextel Cup races as a crew chief with Roush Racing, Stoddard — who worked with Said last season at MB2 — is looking forward to taking on the challenge of owning and overseeing a Nextel Cup racing team.

"It's very exciting to start something from the ground floor up and see it grow into

something big," said Stoddard, who worked as a crew chief for Roush driver Jeff Burton from 1998 through 2001. "It's like getting a big Christmas present, opening it up, putting it together and playing with it all day."

"I was with Roush Racing for seven years and have a great relationship with Jack. We've won races together and he has a great company. Boris has helped Roush Racing by training their kids in road racing and the two of us have a good relationship."

"Jack knows and likes me and knows and likes Boris. With Mark Simo involved, I think the timing to put this team together is perfect."

Mears to drive No. 25 Hendrick Chevy in 2007

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CONCORD, N.C. — Car owner Rick Hendrick on Wednesday announced the signing of driver Casey Mears to pilot Hendrick Motorsports' No. 25 Chevrolets in the Nextel Cup Series beginning in 2007. Financial terms were not disclosed.

Mears, 28, inked a multi-year agreement that will keep him with the team through at least the 2009 racing season. He will replace Brian Vickers, who is slated to complete the current schedule after being granted a release from contractual obligations to

Hendrick Motorsports beyond 2006.

"Casey is a talented driver and a high-character person who is going to be a great fit with our organization," Hendrick said. "He has the ability to win races and ultimately contend for championships, so we're thrilled to welcome him to Hendrick Motorsports."

In the midst of his fourth full season, Mears has posted two pole positions, five top-five finishes and 21 top-10s on the Nextel Cup circuit. The Bakersfield, Calif., native kicked off the 2006 campaign with a career-best second-place performance in the Feb. 19 Daytona 500 at Daytona International Speedway, where on Jan. 29 he became the first full-time NASCAR driver to be part of a winning Grand American Rolex 24 team.

"I'm committed to winning races and going after championships with the No. 25 team," said Mears, the son of legendary off-road racer Roger Mears and nephew of four-time Indianapolis 500 champion Rick Mears. "This is an opportunity for me to work with close friends and start fresh with one of the top organizations in all of sports. It's an exciting situation for me, both personally and profes-

sionally."

Casey Mears began racing competitively at the age of 4, campaigning BMX bicycles before moving to three- and four-wheel all-terrain vehicles at his hometown track of Bakersfield Speedway. He switched to go-karts in 1991, followed by a stint in the Mickey Thompson Off-Road Series (SuperLites) in 1992. Mears later earned the coveted Jim Russell USAC Triple Crown in 1995.

In 1999, Mears finished second in the Indy Lights Series championship standings. He won the ILS Grand Prix of Houston in October 2000 and later that month posted a top-five result in his CART Series (now Champ Car) debut at Fontana, Calif. The following year, he ran a four-race CART schedule as a substitute for the injured Alex Zanardi and made three Indy Racing League starts.

Mears drove his first-ever stock-car race in October 2001, earning a top-10 finish in the Automobile Racing Club of America event at Talladega Superspeedway. He began full-time Busch Series competition in 2002 before joining the Nextel Cup Series as a regular in 2003.

2006 NASCAR Nextel Cup Schedule/Results

May 6 — Crown Royal 400, Richmond, Va. (Dale Earnhardt, Jr.)
 May 13 — Dodge Charger 500, Darlington, S.C. (Greg Biffle)
 May 28 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C. (Kasey Kahne)
 June 4 — Neighborhood Excellence 400, Dover, Del. (Matt Kenseth)
 June 11 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa. (Denny Hamlin)
 June 18 — 3M Performance 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
 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

1. Jimmie Johnson, 2,145
 2. Matt Kenseth, 2,097
 3. Mark Martin, 1,907
 4. Tony Stewart, 1,888
 5. Kasey Kahne, 1,866
 6. Dale Earnhardt, Jr., 1,850
 7. Jeff Burton, 1,758
 8. Kevin Harvick, 1,715
 9. Denny Hamlin, 1,682
 10. Kyle Busch, 1,669
 11. Jeff Gordon, 1,644
 12. Greg Biffle, 1,642
 13. Carl Edwards, 1,547
 14. Jamie McMurray, 1,530
 15. Casey Mears, 1,508
 16. Clint Bowyer, 1,504
 17. Kurt Busch, 1,482
 18. Ryan Newman, 1,437
 19. Dale Jarrett, 1,411
 20. Elliott Sadler, 1,405

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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.

The most far-sighted man I know of is the character who, in one of the hottest days recently, picked up a piece of poplar plank and toting it away, explained it would come in handy for kindling a fire, next winter.

BIG FISH

Delbert Mullins, of Arkansas Creek, showed up at this office, last Friday morning, with a 20-pound mudcat that measured 33 1/2 inches. The fish was caught in the river, near Banner, on a trot-line. Wonder what became of the boys who used to come by, grinning like Cheshire Cats, with those big bass.

Perhaps I should wonder what became of the bass.

THE LAST STRAW — YEAR!

The paper had no more than got around last week when Chief Justice Warren's decision to fold his robe and silently steal away was announced. I'm sure my "Contempt of Court" item in this column did the trick.

QUESTION

Middle Creek, a stream which once had a good supply of fish, has not a living thing in it now, not even a crawdad, all the way from David to where the stream runs into the Big Sandy at West Prestonsburg. What would the Water Pollution Commission suggest?

CLOSE CALL

There's a fellow named Hugh Allen who, writing in The Knoxville News-Sentinel, came close to hitting me with this description of a "wrong way sportsman": When he's golfing he hooks 'em and when he's fishing, he doesn't. (I slice.)

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You know when fishing gets no often you can't find anything ridiculous to record about the trip, matters are in the sere and yaller leaf, indeed.

Jenny Wiley Theatre 'Pay-What-You-Can-Night'

Jenny Wiley Theatre announces "Pay-What-You-Can-Night" for the Wednesday, June 21st performance of The Music Man. The Staff and Board of Trustees invite everyone to be with us for this delightful production. "You may choose any amount from \$5 up," says Managing Director, Martin Childers. "Although our ticket

(See THEATRE, page six)



Pictured are individuals who help make Cliffside's Neighborhood Network Center the best in the state. From left to right: Renee Seagraves, Center aide; Genius Taylor, project manager; Carole Rice, Center director; Fran Howell, administrator, Church Housing; and Donna Collins, assistant.

Cliffside Apartments receives award at 2006 Louisville conference

The Neighborhood Network Center (NNC) at Cliffside Apartments, owned by Church Housing Association of Prestonsburg, Inc., is a 94 multifamily apartment complex located in the Cliff community approximately one mile from the city of Prestonsburg. The NNC has been in operation since 1997 and provides many services to Cliffside residents. The Center is funded with monies appropriated by Church Housing Association, a non-profit corporation, and other local organizations. The complex recently received the Best Neighborhood Network Center Award at the 2006 Multifamily Housing Conference, held in Louisville. In addition, the Center also received a special Level II Certified Center Classification Award from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the development of its programs designed to support resident self-sufficiency.

Additional programs offered at the NNC include:

HOMEWORK PROGRAM—Cliffside students are provided with after-school snacks, tutoring/homework assistance, computer access, printing/copying/scanning capability, and school supplies. Awards are given on a weekly basis to students completing homework at the NNC, and pizza parties are given monthly for students who participate in the Center's after-school homework program.

THE CHRISTIAN APPALACHIAN PROJECT provides residents with many helpful products on a monthly basis, as well as provides Cliffside children an

(See AWARD, page six)



Aaron Crider, left, and Brittany Slone, both students at Prestonsburg Elementary School, were each awarded \$100 by the Cliffside network center for having perfect school attendance throughout the 2005-06 school year.



These pre-schoolers enjoy storytime and other educational and recreational activities at the Cliffside Center. From left to right, the happy youngsters are: Haley Ousley, Carleigh Ousley, Ethan Spears, and Ivory Riley.

MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

'May'

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

Hollywood has never been above ripping off one story for countless films. Here you get another spin on the Hans Christian Anderson classic "The Ugly Duckling."

Anderson's story has always been perfectly suited to horror movies that explore themes of alienation and how characters who change their appearance (to become just another face in the crowd) soon learn that no one is happy being a member of the group that scorned them.

The film opens with a montage that details the ill treatment of a young girl named May who is born with two afflictions. One is a wandering eye and the other is an overbearing mother who is so ashamed of her daughter's wayward orb that she forces the girl to sport an eyepatch.



Tom Doty
Staff Writer

The kids at May's school make her life a torment and the pirate jokes are endless. Mom's solution to that problem borders on child abuse. She opts to give May a doll (that she herself cherished as a child) and tells her that it will be her best friend, but since it is perfect she must never take it out of the box. It's obvious that Mom wasn't a popular child. She admits to having no friends in her school days, and she impresses on May that her doll will fill the social void.

Cut to May as an adult and she is struggling, no surprise there. She is a socially awkward young lady who lives alone and doesn't have any friends. When she spots a guy in a neighborhood park that she is drawn to, she decides to see an eye doctor in the hopes that the man will notice her when her eye is corrected.

The appointment with an optician is a success and this is where most films would turn into snot-slinging romances with the two bonding and him accepting her even after he discovers her lazy eye. Luckily this is a horror movie, and a smart one, so May will land the guy for a brief time but the die has been cast and curing her affliction does not change the fact that she was raised by demented spinster who has doomed her from the beginning.

May manages to engage the object of her affection but her attempts at winning him are clumsy. One instance finds her playing a joke on him after she learns that he loves horror films. It leads to one of the most awkward moments in screen history and will leave you cringing.

May's job as a veterinarian's assistant is no bargain either, as the doctor's a complete quack who should just give it up and plant his head in the south end of a northbound horse.

May also strikes out when she volunteers to work with blind children and almost strangles a room full of tots when one opens the seal on one of her boxed dolls. The true horror doesn't come till the final half-hour, but by

(See LAGOON, page six)

Employee of the year

by KEN SWARNER

"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE FATHER'S SOUL"

I have been enjoying my job a whole lot more now that Larry Johnson packed his belongings and moved out of our department. I don't want to appear insensitive, but you can't have someone with that much time, and a calm disposition, ragging down you or your co-workers.

For years, my associates and I attended to our jobs just fine, and we all planned to stay there until we retired.

Then, Larry arrived last December. I took one look at him and called an emergency meeting in the break room.

"I don't want to panic anyone," I said, "but there's something peculiar about the new guy."

The staff looked concerned. "Did anyone notice his clothes?"

They're pressed." A wave of fear spread across their faces.

"His complexion is clear. His hair is combed. His shoes are shined." People started to weep.

"You mean to tell us ...?" Steve from accounting started to say.

"Yes," I interrupted. "I don't think he has kids."

Everyone screamed.

We sent a reconnaissance squad to Larry's desk to confirm my suspicions. "Sure enough," the squad leader reported back, "but it's worse than you thought. He's not even married."

The problems started immediately. While we were doing what we always did — shuttling kids to doctors'

appointments, rushing home for forgotten school lunches

and hawking Boy Scout fundraisers in the elevator — Larry was working late, arriving early and eating his dinner at his desk.

Then, the inevitable happened. The boss noticed.

"Has anyone noticed how hard Larry is working?!" he barked.

How could we tell our leader from the "Leave It to Beaver" generation that we had responsibilities to our children? He'd never understand.



"Maybe Larry would be a good candidate for that new job in Department Six," I suggested to the boss. "You'd look good, sir, for recommending him." And that's how we got rid of Larry "No Kids" Johnson.

The next day, Larry's replacement showed up with a hint of baby formula behind each ear and a dried macaroni necklace as her only

(See SOUP, page six)

Gift suggestions for the car-guy grad

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:
My 18-year-old nephew just graduated from high school and wants to become a mechanic and eventually open his own shop. Do you have any suggestions for a great graduation gift for him? He just bought a used car with his savings — a Camaro or Mustang or some muscle car. Thank you. — Martha



CLICK & CLACK
Talk Cars

RAY: Well, the first thing that comes to mind is a scan tool, Martha.
TOM: All modern cars — those made after 1996 or so — have the latest on-board diagnostic technology, which is called OBD II. And on any OBD II car, you can plug a scan tool into the car's computer and pull out all kinds of useful information.

RAY: Like whether the driver got indigestion from last night's sausage lasagna.

TOM: Well, not that useful. But the scan tool will tell you things like the readings of the various engine sensors, and whether the engine-management computer has stored any trouble codes. The more sophisticated scan tools will even diagnose problems with the transmission, anti-lock brakes and air-conditioning systems.

RAY: And I bet he'd have a lot of fun scanning every car in the neighborhood. He might even be able to use it to meet girls. I mean, what 18-year-old girl can resist the line, "Hey, you want to come over to my place so I can put my scan tool on your car?"

TOM: This is the way a lot of automotive diagnostic work is done these days. So he'll actually be learning stuff he can use.

RAY: Scan tools aren't cheap, though. The least-expensive scan tools that are any good are in the \$150 range. And they go way up from there. Some can be incorporated into

an existing laptop computer, or Palm or Pocket PC device. But be prepared, Martha. When you see the price tags, you might just decide to get him a copy of "How to Make Friends, Influence People, and Talk Customers Into Transmission Rebuilds."

Denying the need for vans to speed

Dear Tom and Ray:

I bought a Ford E350 XLT SD Extended Van, a 2006 model with a 5.4-liter engine. The engine quits at 84 mph, and the service manager says it was made that way and all is well. I called Ford's national customer-assistance line, and they said it was set that way from the factory, and that they do not have to disclose this fact to the public. My complaint is, I would have bought something else had I known. Question: Do I have any recourse? Or am I stuck with this \$35,000 thing? — Gary

RAY: Are you stuck with this 15-passenger van? Of course not, Gary. You can always sell it to a jury with three alternates.

TOM: What Ford says is true. They do come from the factory this way. Fifteen-passenger vans, by design, are not terribly stable vehi-

cles. They have an unfortunate tendency to flip over. And if they do, you often have what? Fifteen casualties!

RAY: The lawyers at Ford don't like the sound of that. So, they've charged Ford engineers with reducing the possibility of rollovers as much as possible — as long as the solutions don't cost more than a nickel (just kidding, Ford!). So, in addition to providing electronic stability control, Ford limits the speed of this vehicle to 85 mph.

TOM: Now, I think you're right — Ford ought to disclose this information to potential buyers. I mean, why not?

RAY: Ford argues that all vehicles are speed-limited. They don't tell Ford Explorer buyers that their vehicle is limited to 110 mph. Or that the Mustang GT is limited to 140 mph.

TOM: That's true. But most (intelligent) people never approach those speeds, so it's never an issue. When a speed governor is set down in the 85 mph range, it's possible that you could run up against it when passing somebody on a highway that has a 75-mph limit. Or doing something much closer to normal driving.

RAY: Now, in the interest of full disclosure, we should mention that there are people who sell replacement

chips for vehicle computer systems. You may be able to find one that would allow you to tinker with the factory settings on this van. But we'd strongly urge you not to go that route. Besides voiding your warranty and taking on unknown legal liability, remember that the engineers who built this vehicle don't feel that — given the tires, suspension and handling dynamics — they can guarantee its safe performance over 85 mph. That should be a pretty strong warning to you to just accept that limit and drive reasonably.

TOM: Incidentally, Chevy's 15-passenger van, the Express, does not have an electronic speed governor. But Chevy says the top safe speed of its van is 90 mph, based on the ratings for the tires.

RAY: So you can trade this in for a Chevy if you want to, Gary. But you're only going to gain another 5 mph. If you're really determined to drive faster than that, you'll need to find another way to transport 15 people. Let's see ... for \$35,000, how would you feel about four Kias?

Got a question about cars? Write to Click and Clack in care of this newspaper, or e-mail them by visiting the Car Talk Web site at www.cartalk.com.

Odds & Ends

■ MEQUON, Wis. — Students celebrated graduation by revisiting the raucous revelry of "Animal House" at a restaurant and volleyball sandpit owned by an actor from the 1978 movie. But the celebration got them in trouble when police were called and 18 teenagers were cited for underage drinking.

A police report said the party at the Libby Montana restaurant owned by Mark Metcalf, who played the campus ROTC commander in the movie, was hosted by parents of a student from University School of Milwaukee.

Metcalf said the partygoers brought their own alcohol and were not served it by restaurant staff.

The toga-clad youngsters caused a disturbance in the parking lot several times during the May 27 party and the restaurant staff tried to get them back into the adjacent Volley Dome but finally called police, the police report said.

Officers rounded up about 75 of the young people and lined them up along a wall of the Volley Dome for breath tests, according to the report.

Police Sgt. Tony Restivo said his department has issued more than 30 underage drinking tickets at a time at parties held at private homes, but he said the 75 breath tests given at Libby Montana might set a record.

■ FORT WORTH, Texas — A suspected bank robber stopped at a nearby Western store after the heist to escape in new cowboy clothes, police said.

A man in a baseball cap and polo shirt held up a downtown bank Tuesday, asking a teller for a deposit slip and returning with a note demanding money and threatening to use a concealed weapon.

After walking out with an undisclosed amount of money, he stopped at a nearby Western store, bought a Western-style shirt and cowboy hat and

put them on, police said. He then boarded a bus heading south, witnesses told police, who were still searching for the suspect.

■ WELLINGTON, New Zealand — A woman who dashed into an international rugby match wearing a skimpy bikini was fined for disorderly behavior — but her online auction of the garment already had drawn a bid more than 10 times the fine.

Lisa Lewis ran onto the field during a rugby match between New Zealand and Ireland last weekend before being escorted away by security guards.

When her case was called in the Hamilton Magistrate's Court on Friday, Lewis was convicted of disorderly behavior and fined \$206.

"I'm happy, eh, I thought it was going to be a lot more," she told National Radio, adding "if I was in court I would have jumped up and given the judge a hug."

Lewis said she "couldn't believe the judge was so forgiving."

Earlier this week, Lewis began an online auction of the bikini to help pay the fine, and just hours before it was due to close Friday, bids for the garment had reached \$2,496.

"I'm just blown away" by the support from "people who don't even know me and can be so forgiving about my past," the former stripper told National Radio.

Lewis said she was still hoping for an invitation to Saturday's second rugby test "and I'll even tie myself to the chair" to prevent any streaking.

A man who identified himself as Lewis' former boyfriend claimed he bought the bikini for her and told a newspaper he wanted the online auction halted. If not, he said, the proceeds should go to him.

■ STILLWATER, Okla. — Can concrete float? Twenty-three student

teams from around the country are competing in a concrete canoe competition to find out.

Staying afloat has a lot at stake — there's even a national champion.

The 19th annual competition is organized by the American Society of Civil Engineers.

The teams competing for the championship put their boats through aesthetic, presentation and swamping tests on Thursday, with technical presentations on Friday and, finally, a series of races Saturday on Boomer Lake in Stillwater. Teams came from coast to coast and from Canada to the Gulf.

Mike Carnivale, chairman of the national competition committee, said designing, building and floating these concrete canoes pushed students to learn in a way they might not elsewhere.

"They learn about concrete, design, project management, the works," Carnivale said.

Matt Kinney, leaning against The Arrrregate, a boat adorned with skulls-and-crossbones, said his team couldn't begin to calculate the hours that went into designing their boat. Just getting it from the University of Maine to the competition took 37 hours on the road.

"Our goal was to get here," Kinney said.

Almost every team expressed a desire to win the national championship, and each touted different virtues of its canoe.

Roy Berryman said the University of Alabama-Huntsville team saw technology as its edge. Unlike the rigid design of most boats, the Huntsville, Ala., team constructed a sleek, black canoe that flexes in the water.

"We want to win nationals," Berryman said.

"Yeah," added Jordan Farina, another team member, "we're going to Disneyland."



"The Music Man," currently staged by Jenny Wiley Theatre.

Theatre

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prices are low when compared to similar productions elsewhere, we realize there are many families who have financial limitations. Everybody deserves a break, and we don't want anyone in our community, especially our young people, to miss this wonderful family show. The Theatre has been blessed with support from this region throughout the years, and we feel this is a good way to give back to the community."

All patrons must pay at least \$5 per person. Because seating is assigned and limited, reservations MUST be confirmed with the Box Office in advance by calling 886-9274 or 1-877-CALL-JWT, and seating is available only until sold out. This offer must be mentioned when ordering tickets. No refunds will be given, and the offer is not valid on previously

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Award

opportunity to participate in Camp Shawnee's summer camp program. Eleven Cliffside children will attend Camp Shawnee for a week this summer.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTIES include a Fall Festival in October, Thanksgiving Dinner in November, Christmas party with Santa and gifts in December, and an Easter Egg Hunt in the Spring.

HOMEMAKERS PROGRAM — The NNC collaborates with Judy McGuire, Coordinator, and Floyd Co. Extension Family and Consumer Science Agent, Teresa Scott, to host monthly programs on health and nutrition.

COMPUTERS AND INTERNET — The center is equipped with computer and internet access for all residents. The Center is also available for residents to use for birthday parties, showers, and club meetings.

NINE-WEEKS AWARD PARTY — All K-12 students are given trophies, ribbons, certificates and money for perfect and good attendance, A-honor roll, A/B-honor roll, and improved grades. The following students were awarded at the 4th nine weeks party, held on May 11, 2006. Two children, Aaron Crider and Brittany Slone, students at Prestonsburg Elementary, had perfect attendance all year and received \$100 each. The number of students with A-

honor roll increased from one student the first nine weeks to four students the 4th nine weeks. They were, David "Lee Lee" Patrick, Paige Lewis, and Gordon Porter and Katrina Salisbury. Students on the A/B Honor Roll list increased from 12 students to 18 students. They were Jacob Chaffins, Michelle Crider, Ashley Blackburn, Lauren Fitch, Keesha Scott, Justin Riley, Terry Thacker, Kim Chaffins, Seth Ousley, Caitlin Kaessinger, Brittany Slone, Jimmy Brown, Angel Riley, April Ratliff, Alexia Hefner, Summer Ousley, Tomacina Jarvis, Mica Joseph. Perfect attendance improved from the first nine weeks to include the following students; Jimmy Brown, Angel Riley, Jacob Chaffins, Brittany Slone, Aaron Crider, Chance Lawson, Jordan Chaffins, Kristen Salisbury, Justin Riley. Students improving their grades from the previous nine weeks were; Michelle Crider, Kim Chaffins, Terry Thacker, Justin Riley, Lauren Fitch, Caitlin Kaessinger, Keesha Scott, Alexia Hefner, Jacob Chaffins, Angel Riley, Jimmy Brown, Seth Ousley, Crystal Rose, Cody Goble, Michael Ratliff, Patrick Johnson. A picnic, games, and fun time was a part of the celebration with the children and their families and friends at Cliffside.

Spelling Bee is enjoyed by the students. Each grade level competes for ribbons and a money prize. A final winner for K-3, 4th-5th, and 6th, 7th, 8th is awarded.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL BASH — Students receive bookbags and school supplies to begin the school year. Students can also come to the Center any time during the school year for school supplies.

END OF SCHOOL PARTY — Students and their families enjoy a picnic, games, horseback riding, face painting, and Fun-Flatables.

4-H COMMUNITY CLUB — The NNC is linked with the Floyd Co. Extension Agency to provide a 4-H program at the Center. Members meet with 4-H agents, Heather Nelson and Brandy Lowe, monthly to conduct business meetings and complete special projects. Members recently planted pots of flowers. Ray Tackett, Floyd County Ext. Agent assisted

with the planting of flower project. Eight of the 23 members will attend 4-H Camp in July.

PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM — 3 and 4-year-old children participate in educational, storytime, and recreational programs.

To learn more about the Cliffside Neighborhood Network Center and its programs, call 886-9860.

Soup

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accessory. I was the first to greet her. "So, do you plan to work overtime here?" I asked nervously.

She winced. "Do you see these dark circles around my eyes? I was up at the crack of dawn digging a pacifier out of the compost pile, and when I

leave here, I have to drive 10 giggly Brownies clear across town to the slaughterhouse so they can earn their farming badge. Who has time to work?" She has my vote for Employee of the Year.

Lagoon

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that time it's a natural extension of the story and not just another exercise in gory mayhem.

This one works because the horror springs naturally from the character which director Lucky McKee devotes ample time to. McKee wisely lets the audience get to know May before he introduces the horror elements. When they do come, they are that much more a part of the tale and enrich it rather than a distraction from it.

The film also benefits from a strong central performance by Angela Bettis (who played "Carrie" in the mini-series remake). She is a gifted actress and the film is totally indebted to her. She delivers the goods, crafting a character who is at times weird, shy, goofy and eventually quite deadly.

There is also a good turn by Jeremy Sisto as the object of her affection. On HBO's "Six Feet

Under," Sisto played a borderline psychotic, but here he gets to be a regular guy, though his fate is nasty enough to merit reconsidering playing another average Joe.

Unfortunately the brain trust at Lion's Gate Films failed to get this movie a wide theatrical release, but it's definitely worth grabbing on your next outing to your favorite video rental outlet.

Best line: "I got a dog that's missing a leg here. I mean, I throw the stick and nothing happens."

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Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD, Huntington District has prepared a draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) which documents planning analyses undertaken for a proposed flood damage reduction project in

the Levisa Fork basin in Floyd County, Kentucky. The study area includes the incorporated areas of Prestonsburg and unincorporated areas in Floyd County which are subject to flood damage from the potential of a recurrence of the April 1977 flood. The study area does not include the City of Martin, Kentucky, where a separate flood damage reduction project is underway. The DEIS documents agency evaluation of four alternatives, two of which include floodwall/levee alignments intended to protect Prestonsburg and non-structural

flood-proofing measures, a total non-structural alternative, and the No Federal Action alternative. A public hearing on the content of the DEIS will be held at Prestonsburg High School, 825 Blackcat Boulevard, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, date and time to be announced. Copies of the DEIS may be reviewed at the following locations: 1. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District, 502 Eighth Street, Huntington, WV 25701-2070, Room 3100 2. Floyd County Public Library, 18 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1269 3. Prestonsburg Community College Library, One Bert T. Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 4. <http://www.lrh.usace.army.mil/projects/revie> w/

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