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**Body thought** 

to be missing

The Associated Press

es think could be of a

woman who has been missing since late December. The body has been taken to Frankfort, where an autopsy is scheduled

Sunday, Breathitt County Coroner George Griffith told the Lexington Herald-Leader. The body has not

Vet been identified, but Griffith said authorities sus-

pect it is that of Brandi

County resident who has

been missing since Dec.

a state K-9 search team

Breathitt and Magoffin

lear the border between

counties, Griffith said. The

crew began searching the

creek by boat about 9 a.m.

water about two hours later.

Charges against three

people were referred to a Magoffin County grand jury earlier this month in connection with Rowe's death,

even though no body had

charged with murder in the

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High: 34 • Low: 16 For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see

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Arnett and Linda Risner Amett have been charged

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Paul Reed, of Salyersville, has been

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The body was found by

Rowe, 28, a Magoffin

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### Debate over Confederate flag continues member of the United States Marine Corps,

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

MARTIN — As school officials and the public at large await a decision from two Floyd County schools in regard to what many consider to be racist symbols displayed for the past 34 years by Allen Central High School, the controversial subject continued to be discussed at Monday evening's meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education.

Attending Allen Central High School was "one of the most rewarding experiences of my life," said 1984 graduate Ronnie Parsons. Parsons, who supports keeping the current Confederate battle flag and Rebel mascot symbols, said that as a

he traveled to "33 states and 12 countries" and was "well prepared" educationally as well as equipped to meet the diversity he experienced while doing so.

Parsons said that it was his opinion that 'the Confederacy has been hijacked over the years" by proponents of racism but that the ACHS symbols were never intended to be viewed as racist symbols.

"Drugs, school violence ... pose a far greater threat (to students) than does the Confederate battle flag," he said. "Taking this flag away will not stop those things."

Samuel Hatcher, a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, appeared before

(See BOARD, page nine)



A large crowd gathered Monday evening in the gymnasium of May Valley Elementary School, as local citizens again appeared to voice their opinions in regard to the controversy sur-rounding Allen Central High School's use of the Confederate battle flag as a school symbol.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

### SORRY SAYING



Prestonsburg City Council member Shag Branham stood to give a formal apology to council member Kelly Moore, following a confrontation between the two at Branham's office earlier in

# bogs down over wording

by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG Monday's Prestonsburg City Council meeting was quite lengthy as council members and committee members discussed a range of topics.

As the new council begins to delve into their new duties as city council members, the bulk of Monday's meeting focused on the "appointment" of advisory committee members, with the word "appointment" being the word in question. City attorney Jim Webb said the proposed ordinance by the city to "appoint" members for the committees may cross the boundaries of the council's legislative body.

These committees which are being formed or reinstated for continued operation, from the

911 committee to a cable television committee, will consist of a chairperson and three other members, all of which will be elected city council members, and two nonvoting members from the community who will serve at the request of the chair. According to the ordinance, 'committee members shall be appointed and or removed by

(See COUNCIL, page eight)

# Illness closes county schools

by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG -Floyd County schools have seen a significant drop in attendance over the last few days of school due to a flu-like illness, pushing officials to cancel classes for the remainder of the week.

According Education Community Coordinator Crisman, attendance was at approximately 85 percent Tuesday. This may not

seem like such a low number to the public, but schools find it hard to operate when so many children are at home with illnesses.

"We have released school due to an illness with flu-like symptoms," Crisman said. "We've spoken with the health department and we concluded that this would be the best decision in order to try to let the sickness run its course."

Floyd County Schools will be closed Wednesday through Friday. Classes will resume on Monday, Jan. 29.

## Sandy Valley Water transfer approved

by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Public Service Commission has approved the transfer of the Sandy Valley Water District to the city of Pikeville and Southern Water and Sewer District.

Under the approved transaction, Southern Water will take over Sandy Valley's customers in Floyd County, while Sandy Valley customers in Pike County will be served by the city of Pikeville. The PSC found

that Pikeville and the Southern Water had shown, as required by Kentucky law, that they have the technical, managerial and financial capability to operate the Sandy Valley System.

'Expanding wastewater treatment services in rural Kentucky is a top priority of state government," said Mark David Gross, PSC Chairman. "It is vital to both the health of the environment and for economic growth.'

Upon approving the

(See WATER, page nine)

# Third drug court graduation held

by ALEX SMITH STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The doors to the Floyd County Justice Center are normally locked up by 5 every night, but on Monday night they were open and the first-floor courtrooms were filled with people attending the third Floyd County Drug Court graduation ceremony.

Two members of the drug court program, one man and one woman, made it through the 12-to-18-month program, bringing the total number of graduates in the county's program to nine after three years.

District Judge Eric Hall, the head of the drug court program, said he

remembers when both of the graduates first came into the program. He said they were both at the bottom depths of addiction, but after working hard to get clean, he could remember exactly when he saw the light go on for each one and they decided they were no longer going to continue living the way they had been.

"It takes ongoing perseverance to get here," Hall said, "Everyone comes in with a chip on their shoulder."

Overcoming that chip on their shoulder is what ultimately leads people to a new chapter in their lives, Hall said. He said the difference between many of the people in the program and those whose admission is rejected comes from an assessment made of all

potential members before they are admitted. They must first admit they have a problem and they have to be willing to accept help.

"All the people in drug court, when you scrape away the social stigma of their drug addiction, they are wonderful people," Hall said.

Before the graduates had their chance to speak before the audience, Doreen Cornelius, the regional program director for UNITE in Floyd County, spoke of how drug addiction affects entire families, and how their contributions to those in the program often help lead to success.

"No family who experiences addiction, or no person who goes through addiction, goes through it alone without family," Cornelius said.

Judge Hall then introduced the first graduate, 20-year-old Brandon B., who Hall said began as a bitter young man with the aforementioned chip on the shoulder the size of the Statue of Liberty when he first arrived in the program, and became a man who one day walked in and decided that he was going to change himself for the better. Brandon, who thanked the drug court for giving him his family back, said the court also saved his life.

"Drug court changed my life. Without it I'd be in jail or dead. I owe drug court my life."

The second graduate, 38-year-old

(See DRUG COURT, page nine)

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# Obituaries

### Barbara Ann Akers

Barbara Ann Akers, age 56. of Dana, wife of Bobby Curtis Akers, passed away Monday, January 22, 2007, at her resi-

She was born June 24, 1950, in Martin, the daughter of Rubin Stephens Prestonsburg, and the late Mary Caudill Stephens. She was a clerk for Columbia Gas.

Survivors include her husband and father; two sons, Bobby Curtis Akers II, of Dwale, and Ronald Brent Akers of Paintsville; three brothers: Danny C. Stephens of Martin, Teddy Tom Stephens of Prestonsburg, and Bobby Caudill of Cynthiana; a sister, Nancy Meade of Dwale; and a grandson, John David Akers of Paintsville.

Funeral services for Barbara Ann Akers will be conducted Thursday, January 25, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin.

Burial will follow in the Akers Cemetery, in Dana, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral

(Paid obituary)

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Lillie Mae Davidson Lillie Mae Davidson, 68, of Wolcottville, Indiana, died Monday, January 22, 2007, at

9:31 a.m., at her residence. Born November 2, 1938, in Hazard, she was the daughter of Dovie (McDaniel) Collins of Martin. She had lived in Wolcottville, Indiana, since 1972, and came from Cincinnati, Ohio. She was a

disabled factory worker. She enjoyed her roses and doing crafts, and enjoyed the holidays, especially Christmas.

Survivors, in addition to her mother, include her daughter and son-in-law, Judy and John Saylor of Wolcottville, Indiana; her sons: Vincent and Cassy Davidson Jr. of Avilla, Indiana; four sisters: Jean Martin, Pamela Sue McCoy, and Shirley Hicks, all of Kentucky, and Mae Fern LaFonda of Cincinnati, Ohio; three brothers: Lonnie Collins and Albert Collins, both of Kentucky, and Jimmy Collins of Ligonier; five grandchildren, and seven great-grand-

She was preceded in death by her stepfather, Madison Collins; one sister, Krilda Mae Collins; four brothers: Craig Collins, Teddy Collins, Carlos Collins, and Curt Sizemore.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, January 25, at 11 a.m., at the Young Family Funeral Home, Wolcottville Chapel, with Glenn Patrick officiating.

Burial will be in the Woodland Cemetery, Wolcottville, under the direction of Young Family Funeral

Vincent Casketbearers: Davidson Jr., William Davis, Dwayne Slone, John Saylor, Brent Davidson, and Donald

Visitation was at the funeral

Condolences may be sent to the family at youngfamilyfh@sbcglobal.net (Paid obituary)

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### Artie "Doll" Epley

Artie "Doll" Epley, 75, of Mooresville, Indiana, formerly of Cow Creek, died Saturday, January 20, 2007, at her resi-

Born November 8, 1931, on Cow Creek, she was the daughter of the late James Goble and Beulah Jane (Sexton) Goble. She had in Mooresville, resided Indiana, since 1964. She was an assembly line worker for Automotive Armature in Mooresville, Indiana for 11 years. She was a member of the Clearview Community Chapel, in Mooresville, Indiana.

She is survived by her three sons: Wornald Slone of Auxier, Clarence Slone of Mooresville, Indiana, and Lonnie Slone of Battleground, Indiana; two brothers: Eddie Goble of Kendallville, Indiana, and Don Goble of Warsaw, Indiana; three sisters: Avo Burkheart of Warsaw, Indiana, Burdell Morgan of Kendallville, Indiana, and Clara Irene Slone Prestonsburg; eight grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her former husband, Sanford Slone; and a brother, Delman Goble.

Funeral services will be held at noon Wednesday, January 24, at Jones Family Mortuary, in Mooresville, Indiana, with Robby Lundy and Jimmy Parsons officiating.

Burial will be in the Mooresville Cemetery, in Mooresville, Indiana, under the direction of Jones Family Mortuary, Mooresville.

Visitation is 11-noon, Wednesday, January 24, (before the noon funeral service) at Jones Family Mortuary.

Website:

www.jonesfamilymortuary.com (Paid obituary)

### Barbara Marie Labugen

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Barbara Marie Labugen, age 82, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, January 22, 2007, at the Prestonsburg Health Care.

Born January 6, 1925, in Endicott, she was the daughter of the late Marion and Mary Jane Jervis. She was a home-

She is preceded in death by her husband, Fred Labugen.

Survivors include a son, Claude L. Kendrick of Prestonsburg; a brother Maryland Jervis of Endicott; two grandchildren: Sharon Walls and Myra Kendrick; great-grandchildren; Joshua Walls, Kendrick Powell, and Gregory Powell.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, January 25, at 2 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Nathan Lafferty and B. J. Crider officiating.

Burial will be in the Jervis Cemetery, in Endicott, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral (Paid obituary)

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### Elizabeth (Bobby) Sadler

The memorial service for Elizabeth (Bobby) Sadler, 90, of Prestonsburg, mother of Linda Francis, will be held on Sunday, January 28, 2:00 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to FUMC, 256 N. Arnold Ave., or Jenny Wiley Theatre, P.O. Box 22, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

(Paid obituary)

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### Ethel Woods

Ethel Woods, age 90, of Melvin, died Wednesday, January 10, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born October 11, 1916, in Johnson County, she was the daughter of the late Manford and Laura May Dixon. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Georgie

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law: Patricia Virgil Tackett Weeksbury; two brothers:

Carl Dixon of Flatwoods, and Paul Dixon of Columbus, Ohio; four grandchildren: Barry Tackett of Frankfort, Kevin Tackett (Teresa) of Lawrenceburg, Roger Tackett (Karen) of Weeksbury, and Beth Tackett (Barry) of Wheelwright; and six greatgrandchildren: Kristopher, Keturah, Samantha, Cameron, Wesley, and Brooke.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Glenn Dixon and Billy Dixon; and four sisters: Stratton, Lora Casebolt, Mabel Wiley, and Virginia Ambrose.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 13, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Louis Ferrari, John Allen, and Jake Tackett officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home, with nightly services at

Active pallbearers: Barry Tackett, Kevin Tackett, Roger Tackett, Kris Tackett, Wesley Tackett, Barry K. Tackett, Cameron Tackett, and Josh Compton. (Paid obituary)

### Card of Thanks

We thank everyone who expressed sympathy in any form during the passing of our beloved Mother, Grace Ousley Flanery — the flowers, the food, the prayers, on our behalf, the visitation with us, the special music at the funeral home and funeral, the funeral service and all those who participated, and all else that was done to make our burden lighter. We especially thank Von, Lisa and Blanche, who helped care for Mom during her illness, and the staff of Hall Funeral Home, not only for their excellent professional service, but also for their many personal kindnesses to our family. Most of all we thank God for giving us such a wonderful Mother, and for letting her stay here with us for so many years. We know Daddy is happy to have her back with him.

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## Family holds funeral for woman slain in 2000

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cardiologist, Olawale Olatunji, M.D.

to their Medical Staff.

The Associated Press

MIAMISBURG, Ohio -More than six years after she disappeared, Patricia Ann Phillips' family was able to have a funeral for her

"We've been wanting this," said Donna Newton, Phillips' Miamisburg house where her daughter was raised in southwest Ohio, about 25 miles north of Cincinnati.

Hunters found skeletal remains on a Floyd County mountainside Dec. 23. After matching the skull to Phillips' dental records, authorities

notified her family Jan. 2.

more than two years ago of killing his wife, is serving a life sentence in a Kentucky prison.

On Saturday, the victim's mother and children, ages 12 and 6, held visitation and a funeral at the Brough-Getts mother, who lives in the Funeral Home in Miamisburg Burial followed at Highland Memorial Cemetery.

> Elizabeth Phillips, who will be 7 next month, is the daughter of the slain woman and Marcus Phillips. She was a few months old when her mother vanished and lives with her uncle and aunt, next

door to Newton's home. Marcus Phillips, convicted Patricia Phillips' older child, father in Kentucky.

> Marcus Phillips, who was from Pikeville, had been living in Miamisburg. After 10 months of marriage, he and his wife left together on a road trip on May 16, 2000.

More than a year later, he walked into the Hollywood,

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Fla., police department and confessed to killing his wife. Coty Greene, lives with his He told authorities he and Patricia had argued on the drive from Ohio and that he held her face underwater until she drowned.

A Floyd County jury convicted him of murder in October 2004.



# Card of Thanks

The family of Brian Samons would like to express heartfelt appreciation to family and friends who helped comfort us during our time of sorrow. Thank you to all who sent flowers, cards, prayers, or who spoke a kind word.

A special thanks to Roy Robinson and the Arkansas Creek Church of Christ; the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home; the Floyd County Sheriff's Department; and the Riverview Nursing Home in Prestonsburg.

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# Community Calendar

### Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to 11 The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg; or mail to: The Floyd County Box 390. Times, P.O. Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3603; or email features@floydcountytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the tele-. phone. All items will be placed non a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

### Public forum on wellness, health and nutrition plans

Parents and citizens are invited to attend a public forum discussion about Health. Wellness, and Nutrition plans in Floyd County Schools. This forum will be hosted by the Floyd - County Board of Education Health, Nutrition and Physical Activity Committee. meeting will take place January 22, 2007, 5:00 PM at May Valley Elementary.

### SS Representative to visit Mud Creek Clinic

Social Security Representative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic, located on Route 979 in Grethel, to assist people in filing claims for Social Security Retirement, Disability Social Security, and Survivors Benefits. People can also apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Black Lung (BL), and a Social Security Number (SSN).

The Representative will also assist in filing appeals and answering questions:

The Social Representative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic on the following dates for the next quar-

February: Tuesday, February 13; and Tuesday, February 17

March: Tuesday, March 13; and Tuesday, March 27.

**HRMC** Calendar

Jan. 11, 18, and 25 Kiwanis, Meeting Place B, 12-1:30 p.m.

Jan. 9 - Sr. Advantage, Meeting Place A & B, 9-11:00

Jan. 13 - Childbirth classes, Board Room, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00

Jan. 25 - Living Well With Diabetes Support Group, Meeting Room A & B, 5-6:00

For more information concerning the support groups, contact the Highlands Educational Services Department at 886-7424.

### Hillbilly Travel Club

Now scheduling trips for the upcoming year to: Myrtle Beach (Golf), March 11-15; Washington, DC, Memorial Day weekend; Niagara Falls, Canada, Labor Day weekend. All trips include roundtrip motorcoach, lodging, selected meals. Others include rounds of golf (with cart), guided tours, entry to area attractions (Maid of Mist boat ride, IMAX theater, and more). Call Ed at 452-4149 for more information.

### ACHS Class of '96

The Allen Central High School Class of 1996 will be holding their 10-year reunion. For more information, call Amanda at 285-9491 or Leslie at 886-8003.

### PHS Class of '97

The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1997 is currently planning their 10 year reunion. The reunion is scheduled to be held on July 14, 2007 at the Best Western, Prestonsburg. Those wishing to attend should please send in all of their personal information including name, address, phone number, occupation, spouse, children, and pets.

All teachers from 1993 to1997 are also welcome. Classmates may send their information to phs97@bellsouth.net or mail to Mark McKinney, 69 Hospital St., Martin, KY 41640

### Hope in the Mountains

Hope in the Mountains will host public meetings on Mondays, at 9 a.m., at the junction of U.S. 23 and Rt. 80, on Watergap Rd., behind the Trimble Chapel Church.

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society.

Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

### **Prestonsburg Rotary Club**

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

Each weekly program is devoted to community service and its application to the Rotary Motto: "Service Above

"Lunch is served at noon and programs begin promptly at 12:40. Contact Mike Vance at 226-2075; David Kraus at 886-3082; or Nancy Johnson at 886-1156 for more info.

### UNITE

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

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

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

### Free Body Recall classes

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

### Earn While You Learn'

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

### Senior employment program

Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce?

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### External Diploma Program

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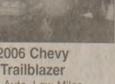
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— John Greenleaf Whittier

# Guest View War: What a bummer

President George W. Bush was interviewed Tuesday on PBS' "NewsHour with Jim Lehrer." Lehrer asked the president the following question: "(W)hy have you not, as president of the United States, asked more Americans and more American interests to sacrifice something? The people who are now sacrificing are, you know, the volunteer military - the Army and the U.S. Marines and their families. They're the only people who are actually sacrificing anything at this point.'

Here is the president's reply: "Well, you know, I think a lot of people are in this fight. I mean, they sacrifice peace of mind when they see the terrible images of violence on TV every night. I mean, we've got a fantastic economy here in the United States, but yet, when you think about the psychology of the country, it is somewhat down because of this war.'

Really. That's what the president said: Americans are sacrificing their peace of mind when they see the war on television. And even though we've got iPods and plasma TVs and sport utility vehicles and all the other glories of a \$13 trillion economy, the war is taking some of the fun out of it.

William T. Sherman: "War is hell." George W. Bush: "War's a bummer."

If anyone still doubted that Bush is out of touch with the realities of his war, this should erase it. Not since he landed on the Gulf Coast in the middle of the chaotic response to Hurricane Katrina and said "Heck of a job, Brownie" has his cluelessness been so exposed. The president has been accused of "living in a bubble," but bubbles let light in. The man is living in a sensory deprivation chamber.

In World War II, gasoline, rubber, meat and hundreds of other commodities were rationed. Nearly every American family had a brother or son or father in uniform. In Korea and Vietnam, draftees from upper- and middle-class families fought and died alongside enlistees from the working class who were making the military a career. The enormous costs of all these wars were financed out of the general U.S. budget. One way or another, Americans fought these wars together, and we gave up a lot to do

The Iraq war is being fought by an all-volunteer military drawn mainly from poor and working-class families. Only 13 of the 535 members of Congress have sons or daughters who have fought or are fighting in the war. In a war with shared sacrifice, the healthy young Cardinal baseball champions who posed for pictures with Bush before his appearance with Lehrer Tuesday would fill a couple of Stryker combat vehicles.

The half-trillion dollar cost of the war is being financed not with taxes, but with borrowed money, mostly from foreign banks. Instead of asking everyone to share the costs, Bush cut taxes and passed out most of the benefits to the richest 10 percent of Americans.

To the extent that it has cost the average American anything, the war may have added about a nickel to the increased price of a gallon of gasoline. And we whine about that - unless we are an oil company enjoying record profits.

Indeed, the war actually has helped the "fantastic economy" Bush bragged about. The Wall Street Journal reported Wednesday that earnings at defense companies continue to outpace the Standard Poor's index, with no let-up in sight.

There is sacrifice ahead, of course, and not only for the troops and their families. Eventually, the cost of the war will have to be repaid, although it is our children and grandchildren who will bear the burden. Think of what all that money could have bought: health care, scientific research to cure disease, college

But don't think too much about it. It's a bummer. - St. Louis Post-Dispatch

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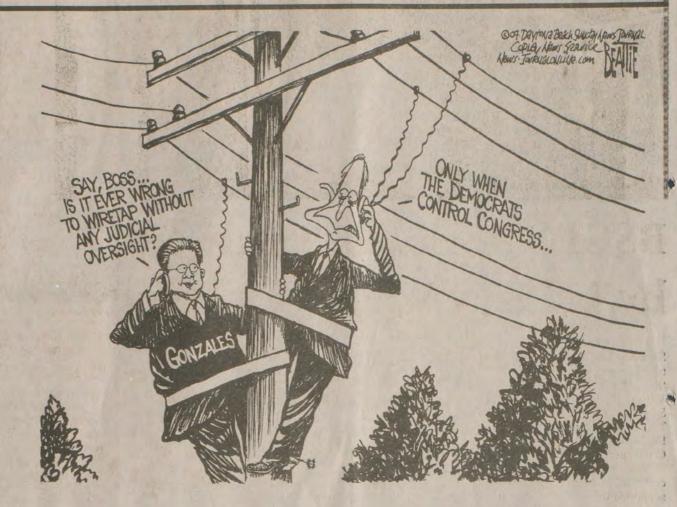
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### Guest Column

### Food from clones: Too many drawbacks

by MARGARET MELLON MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Despite the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA's) recent announcement that it considers cloned animals safe for eating, weighing the costs and benefits of cloning animals for food shows that the practice is unnecessary and dam-

Cloning — the production of young animals genetically copied from adult animals - cannot add new traits to the species. But breeders hope to use cloning to move desirable traits like increased milk production into the food supply mor rapidly than they can with sexual breeding. Even if this practice pans out - and at this stage it is far from a given - marginal increases in productivity seem unnecessary in a food system in which the government routinely pays millions to buy surplus milk

On the downside, the price for the increases in productivity will be an almost certain increase in animal suffering. Most attempted clones are grossly defective and are lost early in development. Defects among cloned animals include overly large fetuses, placental disorders, and inflammation of the brain and spinal cord.

These defects occur at a higher rate among cloned animals than with other assisted reproductive technologies, like in vitro fertilization and artificial insemination. The FDA dismissed defects from cloning because they are not unique. But an increase in animal suffering and deformities doesn't seem justified by the pursuit of tenuous benefits.

Also, there is still a small chance that subtle genetic defects in apparently normal clones may prove dangerous to humans. Many of the studies the FDA cited in its recent announcement were not specifically designed to look at food safety, and the Union of Concerned Scientists is calling on the FDA to con comprehensive safety studies.

Once the FDA lifts the voluntary moratorium on selling food from cloned animals and their offspring, the agency does not plan to test, monitor, or label such food. Without labeling, consumers will have no way of knowing whether the food they're buying comes from a cloned animal or one of its descendants. Food companies are concerned that consumers

might begin to avoid milk or meat products if they are uncertain about which products came from clones.

The FDA hopes its declaration that food from cloned animals is safe will avoid the discussion of the legal infirmities in its authority to regulate cloned food. The truth is, the FDA has no authority to collect and review safety data on cloned animals before they go to market, or to readily remove products from the market if something goes wrong. FDA's inability to regulate cloning, even if warranted, intensifies concerns about let-

ting the technology go forward.

One last note: The process for cloning is essentially the same for all mammals. Technical advances made, in cloning food animals will be readily transferable to attempts at cloning humans. Opening up cloning to commercial food interests will speed the development of cloning technology, bringing us closer to the day when we must confront the ethical dilemma of a human child being cloned.

The potential benefits from cloning animals are scant and the drawbacks are considerable. This is technology that we can do without.

Dr. Margaret Mellon is the director of the Food and Environment Program and the Union of Concerned Scientists.



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Community and Technical College President George Edwards, center, was named a Lindsey Wilson College School of Professional Counseling Community Advocate at Saturday night's pinning ceremony held at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. At left is Lindsey Wilson **Associate Angelia Bryant** and at right is Lindsey Wilson Dean John Rigney.

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# **BSCTC** president honored by Lindsey Wilson College

PRESTONSBURG — On Saturday, Jan. 13, during a pinning ceremony at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Lindsey Wilson College honored Big Community and Technical College President, Dr. George D. Edwards with the Community Advocate Award.

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### Federal indictment scuttles plea in murder case

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — A federal firearms indictment short circuited a plea agreement of an Eastern Kentucky charged with murder.

Arthur "Artie" Adkins of Ashcamp was set to take a plea and a recommended 10-year sentence on Friday for charges related to the slaying of Gregory Fleming

The federal indictment charges Adkins with possession an unregistered machine gun. In Pike Circuit Court, Adkins is charged with murder, robbery, tampering with physical evidence and convicted felon in possession of a

Fleming's skeletal remains were found in June 2005 at Alleghany in Pike County.

Adkins' public defender, Harolyn Howard, said a guilty plea in state court could be taken as an admission of guilt to the federal charges.

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# Bunning endorses Northup in governor's race

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — U.S. Sen.
Jim Bunning broke with the sitting governor from his own party on Monday, throwing his support behind Anne Northup's campaign to unseat Gov. Ernie Fletcher in the Republican primary.

Fletcher has garnered endorsements from a number of Republican politicians, but Bunning became the biggest name to back a candidate in the May GOP primary. Fletcher said he didn't consider it a snub.

"I'm very confident that this is just all in the family, if you will, and after the primary we'll all come together as a family again," Fletcher told reporters in Frankfort after Bunning's announcement.

Meanwhile, House Speaker Jody Richards, who unsuccessfully sought the nomination in 2003, was planning to enter the race later this week with former Secretary of State John Y. Brown III as his running mate, Brown told The Associated Press. Richards and Brown are planning to officially announce their entry

"I'm very confident that into the race at 9 a.m. CST wednesday in Bowling Green, u will, and after the primary Brown said.

"I had not planned on getting back into politics in 2007, but the governor's race sort of shaped up in an unorthodox and unanticipated manner and I was asked by Speaker Richards to be his running mate," Brown said in a telephone interview, "After sizing up the field, I thought that we would have the best chance of winning in November."

In Washington, Bunning, R-Ky., revealed his support for Northup, a former five-term congresswoman from Louisville, during a breakfast sponsored by the Kentucky Right to Life Association in Washington.

"Lately, I have put a lot of thought into how important it is for Kentucky to have a strong Republican that shares our values leading our commonwealth," Bunning said. "And today I would like to announce that I think Anne Northup would be the best Republican pro-life candidate to lead Kentucky forward."

The endorsement comes days after Northup entered the governor's race and introduced Jeff Hoover, the top Republican in the Kentucky House, as her running mate. Northup offered herself as an alternative to Fletcher, who she said was politically damaged by his troubles in office, including his indictment — and subsequent dismissal — on misdemeanor state hiring charges.

Northup lost her congressional seat last November to Democrat John Yarmuth.

Meanwhile, the field of Democrats running for governor is expected to grow Tuesday with a scheduled announcement by former Lt. Gov. Steve Henry at a kickoff event at a Louisville union hall. Gatewood Galbraith said Monday he plans to file his

candidacy papers Tuesday in his fourth run for governor.

State Treasurer Jonathan Miller, former Lt. Gov. Steve Beshear and Otis Hensley Jr. of Harlan have announced their candidacies in the Democratic primary. Candidates have until Jan. 30 to officially enter the race.

In the GOP race, Bunning became the highest-ranking Kentucky Republican to make an endorsement in the May GOP primary, which also includes Paducah businessman Billy Harper.

In 2003, Fletcher ran with the GOP establishment firmly behind him in becoming Kentucky's first Republican governor in a generation. But Fletcher's term has been marred by an investigation into whether his administration illegally rewarded political supporters with state jobs after he took office.

The governor maintained the investigation was political-

ly motivated and gave a blanket pardon in 2005 to anyone except himself who could be charged in the probe.

A Franklin County special grand jury indicted Fletcher on misdemeanor charges that were eventually dropped last year in a deal with prosecutors. The grand jury's report found that Fletcher had approved a "widespread and coordinated plan" to skirt state hiring laws.

Northup said Monday she was "thrilled" by Bunning's endorsement.

"Senator Bunning has the respect and affection of Republicans across the state,

(See NORTHUP, page ten)

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# Former lieutenant governor announces bid for governor

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Former Lt. Gov. Steve Henry entered the governor's race Tuesday and introduced Fayette County Property Valuation Administrator Renee True as his running mate.

Henry, a Democrat who served as the state's second in command from 1995-2003 under former Gov. Paul Patton, stressed health care, education, jobs and veterans' issues in announcing his candidacy at a union hall in south Louisville.

Henry said that if elected, he would push to raise Kentucky teachers' pay to the national average and expand math and science curriculums. He said he would lead efforts to develop and expand alternative fuels to boost Kentucky's coal and agricultural sectors.

Other Democrats who have announced their candidacies in the May 22 primary are State Treasurer Jonathan Miller, former Lt. Gov. Steve Beshear and Otis Hensley Jr. of Harlan. House Speaker Jody

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Richards plans to announce an entry into the race Wednesday in Bowling Green, according to John Y. Brown III, a former secretary of state who said he will be Richards' running mate. Candidates have until Jan. 30 to officially enter the race.

Henry said he would not shy away from talking about the Patton administration's record and took a jab at Patton's successor, Gov. Ernie Fletcher, a Republican who is seeking a second term.

"We fundamentally changed Kentucky," Henry said. "And what we have seen occur since that time is back-sliding on almost every issue."

Henry mentioned the rising cost of health care and college tuition as examples of the backsliding.

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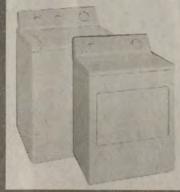
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### Council

the mayor, by municipal order based upon what seems to be from the legislative body with approval of council."

Debate on the matter centered solely on how the sentence in question was worded. Webb attempted to offer his advice to the council, which was to take another look at the ordinance and how it should go along with a state statute that defines the powers and duties of the mayor and council. According to Webb, the ordinance may inadvertently cross into executive boundaries, which a few city council members argued otherwise.

"These are not boards," said council member Shag Branham. "These committees will help the mayor and council with day-to-day operations."

The council voted to review the ordinance and continue discussions at a later date.

In other news, members of the Little League were present to ask for an update on whether or not the playing fields near Stonecrest Golf Course will be ready for competition when the season begins April 14. Workers are currently waiting for block to be laid for the dugouts and the decision on what type of surface will be used on the fields has yet to be made. Council members decided that it would be best to confer with other programs throughout the region and make a decision

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the most popular.

Prestonsburg Economic Development Director Brent Graden brought forth several resolutions during the meeting, all of which gave him the authority to seek grant money from various organizations.

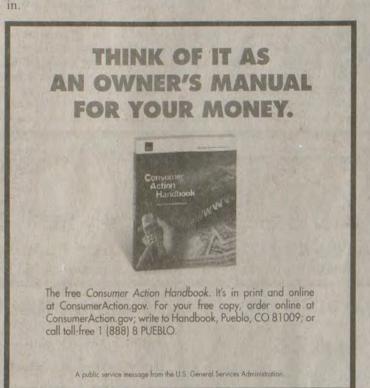
"I think grant writing is very important because if you don't ask, you don't get it," Graden said.

Bringing Monday's meeting to a close, Shag Branham stood before the audience and members of the council to make a formal apology to council member Kelly Moore. Apparently, differences between council members have already begun to surface just weeks after being sworn ■ Continued from p1

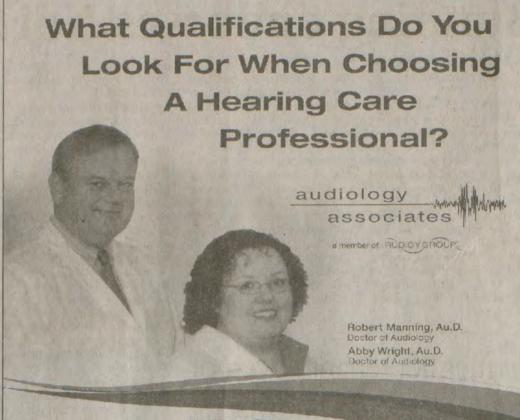
"Council member Kelly Moore and I had words the other day and I apologize for the crude words that came out of my mouth when you (Moore) stormed into my office," said Branham. "I've apologized to my staff and I apologize to you.

Moore interrupted Branham during his apology to defend himself, saying, "I didn't have words with you, you had words with me.'

Although it's not clear as to how the confrontation came about, Mayor Jerry Fannin attempted to put out the flames that have been ignited between the two by saying, "We need to do the right things together for the good of the city of Prestonsburg.'







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# Johnson woman indicted for forging prescriptions

STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE -Johnson County woman who was arrested last Thursday for forging prescriptions at several pharmacies in Johnson, Martin and Floyd counties was indicted in Johnson County Monday for fraudulently obtaining a controlled substance.

The investigation is ongoing and she faces additional charges in both Floyd and Martin counties pending grand jury action.

Kimberly K. Walters, 32, of Hurricane Branch at Boons Creek, was arrested by detectives from Operation UNITE after a month-long investigation into her alleged use of forged prescription notes at area pharmacies.

Walters was arrested Jan. 18 and charged with three counts of unauthorized procurement of a controlled substance and one count of possession of a forged instrument for a legend drug.

The investigation began exactly one month before, when the UNITE drug diversion unit was notified by Walters' doctor that she had used a forged prescription at a local pharmacy. Throughout the last month, with the help of several pharmacies and local doctors in all three counties, detectives were able to determine that Walters had used the forged prescriptions on numerous occasions.

A Johnson County grand jury indicted Walters Monday on 16 additional charges, including 15 counts of attempting or obtaining a controlled substance by fraud or false statement and one count of forgery of a prescription. She remains lodged in Big Sandy Regional Detention Center on two separate \$5,000

### Board

the board for a second time, in support of allowing the school to keep their Confederate symbols and to "clear up" any misconception in regard to a basketball game scheduled last week between Allen Central High School and the David School, which has one black player. "The game was not canceled," Hatcher said. "It was postponed."

Lowell Parker, Wheelwright, also appeared before the board to inform that as an African American citizen of Floyd County, he felt that "we have advanced in the past 34 years." Recognizing that "many of us never lived under the Confederacy," Parker said that he felt that African Americans "no longer have to be thought of as relating to slavery.

Parker suggested to the board that the school be allowed to keep their Rebel mascot as a reminder of their history in regard to rebelling against the consolidation that merged several county schools in the early 1970s, but perhaps do away with their display of the Confederate

Supt. Paul Fanning again reminded those in attendance that the decision in regard to the Rebel and Confederate flag symbols had been referred to the sitebased councils of Allen Central High and Middle Schools. He also commented that he was prepared, if necessary, to ban spectators from future Allen Central ball games "if that's what it takes to allow these kids to play ball."

Fanning also honored a request from Rev. Louis Coleman, of the Justice Resource Center, Louisville, to distribute copies of a letter he had drafted in December and sent to the Floyd County Board of Education and Allen Central High School principal Lorena Hall requesting that the use of the Confederate flag and Rebel mascot symbols be dismissed. "Copies are available, on the

table. Anyone who wants one, can get one," Fanning said.

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The Allen Central High School and Allen Central Middle School site-based councils are due to report their decision in regard to the school symbols "by mid-March," according to Supt.

However, it is expected that' the issue may be discussed by the state board of education when it meets, Feb. 7 in Frankfort.

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### Water

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transfer, the PSC laid out a Sandy Valley customers will number of conditions, includbe frozen for at least one year, as specified in an inter-local ing that Pikeville and Southern Water are each to establish an agreement entered into in early office in the current Sandy January by Sandy Valley Water District, Southern Valley service area to receive payments and answer cus-Water, Pikeville and Floyd tomer questions and com-County Fiscal Court. plaints, Sandy Valley's employees as of Jan. 1, 2006, will remain in their current

Pikeville and Southern Water and Sewer District will also take over Sandy Valley's debt, assets and construction of a sewer system.

### Drug court

Brenda B., kept her speech short but was visibly grateful to the court as she held back tears while she spoke.

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"I just want to repeat what Brandon said," Brenda said as she turned to face the workers for the drug court in attendance. "I just want to thank the drug court. You all did save my

To close the ceremony Judge Hall thanked the Floyd County Coalition of UNITE for supporting the program for the last three years. He told the graduates that no one who has completed the program has returned to jail, but also reminded them that each day

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and convenient schedule

degree without negatively

affecting my family or my job Jessica Mulberry

allowed me to earn my

■ Continued from p1 brings new challenges, which he believes they are now pre-

pared to face. 'You can't look beyond today, you need to take it one day at a time, that's how recovery happens."

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### Henry

ly motivated and gave a blanket pardon in 2005 to anyone except himself who could be charged in the probe.

A Franklin County special grand jury indicted Fletcher on misdemeanor charges that were eventually dropped last year in a deal with prosecutors.

The grand jury's report found that Fletcher had approved a "widespread and coordinated plan" to skirt state hiring laws.

mary against former U.S. Rep. Anne Northup and Paducah businessman Billy Harper.

Henry, a Louisville orthope-

Fletcher faces a GOP pri-

dic surgeon, encountered some troubles at the end of his term as lieutenant governor. In 2003, he reached an agreement with the U.S. attorney's office after he was investigated for charging for surgeries he did not attend. Henry maintained his innocence but paid the gov-

ernment \$162,000 in a settle-

When asked if he worried that his opponents might bring up his medical misbilling settlement, Henry said "everybody's got an Achilles heel."

"There are no secrets about Steve Henry, or Heather for that matter," Henry said. "Everything that could be written has been written."

Henry also said he would name a state surgeon general to

spearhead efforts to reverse Kentucky's high national rankings in cancer and cardiovascular deaths.

Henry also said he would push to improve care for the state's veterans - an issue also dear to his wife, former Miss America Heather French

Henry. He proposed building more veterans nursing homes and expanding existing ones. Henry said he would elevate

the Department of Veterans Affairs to a cabinet, which his wife would lead.

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Henry's pairing with True gives the ticket strong ties to

the state's two largest cities. True, a Lexington native, has been the Fayette County PVA since 1992.

The announcement kicked off a two-day statewide tour that will end Wednesday night in Owensboro, Henry's boy-

### Northup

and his endorsement is another great step forward for our campaign," Northup said.

Fletcher said he remained confident of winning renomination for another term.

"As I've traveled around the state, the support is very strong out there," he said.

Stan Pulliam, Harper's campaign manager, said the endorsements for Northup and Fletcher are a reaction to Harper's willingness to "shake up politics as usual."

"Our campaign wants to change the way things are done in government," Pulliam said. "So government officials who want to change the way things are going, we invite their endorsement. And politicians who want to stick with politics as usual, they should probably find another candidate.'

Bunning said that primaries can be a "healthy part of our representative government," adding that he rarely has gotten involved in Republican primaries.

"We each have to make our own choice, but I wanted to share with my close friends here today that I think Anne and Jeff will win the primary in May and carry the gover-nor's office in November," Bunning said.

thanks to Creed Pettigrew,

M.D., professor of Neurology

(senior investigator), for con-

ception of the grant and said,

"I cannot emphasize enough

that Dr. Pettigrew deserves the

credit for the NETT applica-

tion and will be an enormous-

ly important part of this joint

Medicine, Neurology, and

the UK NETT Clinical Site

Hub will be Chris Carter,

D.O., assistant professor of

Emergency Medicine (co-

investigator) and Byron

Young, M.D., professor and

chair of the Department of

Network Development, made

vital contributions to the

recruitment and incorporation

Other faculty supporting

project shared

Emergency

research

between

Neurosurgery.'

Hoping to show it has broad Republican support, the governor's campaign has said Fletcher picked up endorsements from 15 of the state Senate's 21 Republicans. Notably absent from the list was Senate President David Williams of Burkesville. Fletcher's campaign also has touted support from various

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county judge-executives. Mitch U.S. Sen. McConnell, the state's senior senator, previously said he wouldn't endorse anyone in the Republican primary but added that Northup would be "a formidable opponent."

### Trials

Hospital in Mt. Vernon, Kentucky River Medical Center in Jackson, and Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Hospital in Hazard.

UK competed within a pool of 40 applicant institutions to be designated as a NETT Clinical Site Hub. The total cost of the five-year NETT Clinical Site Hub grant awarded to UK will be \$1,396,324.

The principal investigator of the UK NETT Clinical Site Hub is Roger Humphries, M.D., associate professor and chair of the Department of Emergency Medicine. Dr.

### Indictment

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Rick Bartley said he was willing to trade a guilty plea and 10-year sentence for a dismissal of the murder, robbery and tampering with physical evidence charges.

Adkins and a former codefendant, Corey Chaney, 19, were both indicted for Flemings murder, but Chaney was found not guilty at the conclusion of his trial.

Pike Circuit Judge Eddy Coleman postponed the plea hearing until March 9 to give Howard time to review federal sentencing guidelines.

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first six months of 2007.

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Other academic medical centers that have been awarded NIH/NINDS NETT Clinical Site Hub grants include the University of Cincinnati, the Medical College of Wisconsin, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Minnesota, University of Arizona, Temple University, the University of California/San Francisco, Henry Ford Hospital, Emory University, and Wayne State University. The University of Michigan has been awarded a grant to serve as the central coordinating center of the NETT Network and the Medical University of South Carolina has received funding to support a statistical coordinating center. The NETT Clinical Site Hubs will begin subject recruitment during the

### Neurosurgery (senior investigator). Joe Claypool, associate vice president for Clinical

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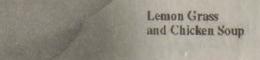
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- Pepper 1. Grill steak to desired doneness. Set aside.
- 2. Combine cherry tomatoes, cucumber, red onion and salad greens.
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- pound baby spinach 6-ounce salmon fillets
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- tablespoons white wine
- 2 tablespoons Gourmet Garden
- 1. Melt butter in a skillet over high heat. Add spinach and toss 2 to 3 minutes,
- until wilted. 2. Brush an indoor grill pan or outdoor grill grates with oil. Preheat on medium-high. Grill salmon 3 to 4 minutes per side.
- 3. Meanwhile, in a bowl whisk olive oil, vinegar and basil and season to taste.
- 4. Serve salmon on a bed of wilted spinach drizzled with basil vinaigrette. Accompany with mashed or baked potatoes, if desired.

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Serves: 4 to 6

- 4 cups chicken stock
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- 1 11-ounce can cream-style corn 1 tablespoon Gourmet Garden
- Lemon Grass
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce 12 fresh asparagus tips
- 1. Bring chicken stock to a boil.
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- mer 20 minutes. 3. Stir in lemon grass.
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**Defendants** 

**RE-NOTICE** 

OF

COMMISSION-ER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF Summary/Default

Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 31st day of October, 2006, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$23,227.08,

together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central

Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at

public auction, on Thursday, the 1st day of February 2007, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 4 North Roberts Drive,

Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Lying and being in Goble-Roberts Addition to the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and being Lots Nos. 1, 2 and 3 in Block G as shown by plat or map on file in the office of the Clerk of the Floyd County Court, to which reference is hereby made, and all improvements located and situated

thereon. Being the same property conveyed to Michelle Roth by deed dated October 22, 1997, of record in Deed Book 417, Page 647, in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of

sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with balance credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a judgment.

(b)The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, and City

Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2006, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, and City Paintsville, Kentucky, estate taxes will be paid from the sale

proceeds. (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of Master the Commissioner, and any real estate

assessed

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estate. Any announcements made on rangle map. date of sale take precedence over printed matter con-

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tained herein. Plaintiff's Attorney are Hon. Frank Heaberlin 119 East Court Street Prestonsburg, KY 41653 William S. Kendrick Maste

NOTICE OF work **PUBLIC SALE** 1998 Ford Eddie **Bauer Expedition** VIN# 1FMPU18LOWLB28 698 1998 Chevrolet Cavalier VIN# 1G1JF52T7W710543 9

release.

All items are sold "as is where is." Seller reserves the right to bid and to reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements are made with the seller. Announcements at the sale take priover ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees.

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NOTICE OF **BOND RELEASE** In accordance

with KRS 350.093. notice is hereby that King Coal Brothers Company, Inc., P.O. Box 524, Hindman, Kentucky 41822. has applied for Phase I Bond Release on permit number 836-5459. Increment #1 and #2, which was last issued on 01/09/06. The application covers an area of approximately 5.1 surface bonded acres, located 0.5 mile south of Price.

2. The operation is State Route 122's junction with State Route 979, and located 0.1 mile east of Left Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees 23 minutes 21 seconds, and the longitude is 82 degrees 44 minutes 42 seconds. The operation

in Floyd County.

against the real is located on the County. McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quad-

3. The bond now in effect for permit number 836-5459 Letters Credit: Increment \$4,600.00 Increment \$26,000.00 Approximately 60% of the original bond is included in the application for

Reclamation performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching, completed October 15, 2006. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to provide adequate growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife.

5. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or an informal conference must be filed with Director, the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement. #2 Hollow, Hudson U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by February 28, 2007.

6. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for March 1, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter at the Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office. 3140 South Lake Drive Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no requests for a hearing or informal conference are received February 28, 2007.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5334 Amendment No. 4

In accordance with the provisions of 350.070. approximately 1.90 notice is hereby Inc., 439 Meadows days of this date. Branch; Prestonsburg Kentucky 41653 has applied for an amendment to an existing ground/refuse storage coal mining operation located 2.0 miles north of Emma in Floyd

amendment will add additional 1521.0 acres of underground area for a total area within the permit boundary of 2648.16

acres. proposed The amendment area is approximately 1.0 miles east from Ky Route 1428's junction with Sugarloaf Branch Road and located 0.1 miles north of Sugarloaf Branch. The proposed

is

amendment

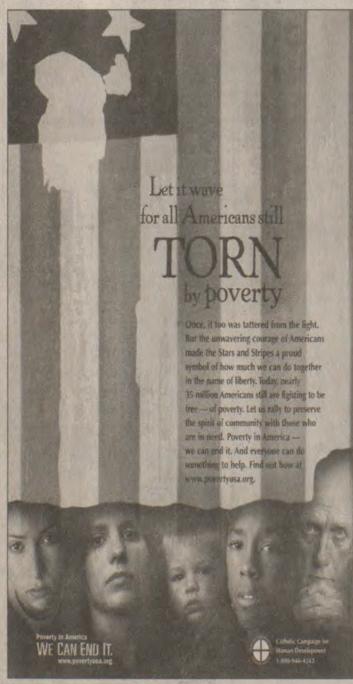
the located on U.S.G.S. Lancer 7?1/2 minute quadrangle map. The amendment will use the underground method. mining The operation will underlie land owned Jewell Crider, Lon Goble Estate, Donald L. & Joyce Goble, Bud Goble Estate. Wayne & Wright Barbara Mary Lucille, Willis, Lewis & Emma Hunt, Evan & Mari Rose, Linda Jervis, Floyd Harris Heirs, Jimmy & Ramona Burchett, Rudy Harris. Vivian Franklin. John Harris, Martha Johnson. Bill Monroe Thompson, J.G. Porter et. al, Charles Landon Heirs, John Hunt, Branham, John Clark Pergrem and Jesse Rudd, and Mary Crawford & Charles Porter Trust.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department Natural Resource's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake i v e Prestonsburg, Ky Written 41653. comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections and/or requests for a permit conference must be received

> NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0324

within thirty (30)

accordance with KRS 350.055,



notice is hereby given that GCAS Corporation, P.O. Box 2886, Pikeville, KY 41502, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.0 mile north of the community of Dana, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 24.27 surface acres, and will underlie 9.34 acres. 6.24 acres of the underground acreage rests beneath proposed surface acreage, and is included in surface the acreage. The total acreage to be peris 24.27 mitted acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.2 mile southeast from Fork Johnson Road's junction with Cecil Branch Road, and located within Johnson Fork. The latitude is 37º33'57' and the longitude is 82º41'13"

The operation is located the Harold on U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Randy Hayes, et al. The permit area will underlie land owned by Sylvia Hall. The operation will use the surface area and surface contour methods of mining. The application

has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's London Regional Office, 85 State Police Road, London, Kentucky 40741. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director. Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow. U.S. 127 South Frankfort, Kentucky 4 0 6 0 This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections and/or requests for a perconference must be received within thirty (30) days of this date.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE

In accordance with the requirements of the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Kentucky as set forth in 807 KAR 5:007, Section 3, of the Rules and Regulations of the Public Service Commission, notice is hereby given to the member consumers of Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation of Public Service Commission on January 29, 2007, Case No. 2006-00473. The rates are being revised to reflect a change in wholesale rates pursuant to KRS 278.455(2). This adjustment will result in a general rate increase to the member-consumers of Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. The amount and percent of increase by rate class are listed below:

Sch A-1 Farm & Home	\$704,526	4.90%
Sch A-1 Off-Peak Energy Charge	\$143	6.37%
Sch A-2 Commercial & Small Pwr	\$53,704	4.07%
Sch LP Large Pwr Service	\$124,057	5.33%
Sch LPR Large Pwr Service	\$97,640	5.68%
Sch YL-1	\$29,996	
The effect of the proposed rates on the average	monthly bill by rate class	s are listed below:
Rate Class	\$ Increase	Percent Increase
Sch A-1 Farm & Home	\$4.92	4.90%
Sch A-1 Off-Peak Energy Charge	\$2.38	6.37%

Sch A-2 Commercial & Small Pwr Sch LP Large Pwr Service \$75.00 5.33% \$8,137.00 Sch LPR Large Pwr Service 5.68% 4.65% The present and proposed rates structures of Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperat

Rate Class	Present	Proposed
Sch A-1 Farm & Home	\$7.00	\$7.00
Customer charge per month	\$0.06163	\$7.00
Energy charge per kWh	\$0.00103	\$0.06556
Sch A-1 Off-Peak Energy Charge	\$0.02/00	\$0.0000
Off-peak energy charge per kWh	\$0.03698	\$0.03934
Sch A-2 Commercial & Small Pwr	\$15.00	61500
Customer charge per month	\$15.00	\$15.00
Energy charge per kWh	\$0.05510	\$0.05903
Demand charge per kW	\$4.00	\$4.00
Sch LP Large Pwr Service	0510	***
Demand charge	\$5.10	\$5.10
Secondary meter energy charge per kWh	\$0.04248	\$0.04641
Primary meter energy charge per kWh	\$0.04179	\$0.0457
Customer charge per month	\$50.00	\$50.00
Sch LPR Large Pwr Service	****	1 4000
Demand charge	\$5.10	\$5.10
Secondary meter energy charge per kWh	\$0.04020	\$0.0441
Primary meter energy charge per kWh	\$0.03954	\$0.04347
Customer charge per month	\$75.00	\$75.00
Sch YL-1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	
175 Watt Mercury Vapor	\$6.57	
400 Watt Mercury Vapor	\$9.40	
500 Watt Mercury Vapor	\$10.78	\$11.61
1,500 Watt Mercury Vapor	\$23.67	\$26.15
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Sch IND 1		
Demand Charge	\$5.39	\$7.29
Secondary Meter Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.03563	\$0.03563
Primary Meter Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.03506	\$0.03506
Customer charge per month	\$150.00	\$150.00
Sch IND 2		
Demand Charge	\$5.39	\$7.29
Secondary Meter Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.03063	\$0.03063
Primary Meter Energy Charge per kWh	\$0.03018	\$0.03018
Customer charge per month	\$1,069.00	\$1,069.00

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. However, the Public Service Commission may order rates to be charged that differ from the proposed rates contained in this notice. Such actions may result in rates for consumers other than the rates

Any person may examine the rate application at the main office of Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation at the following address:

> Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation 504 Eleventh Street, Paintsville, KY 41240-1422 (606) 789-4095 - bigsandyrecc.com

Any person may also examine the rate application at the office of the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky.

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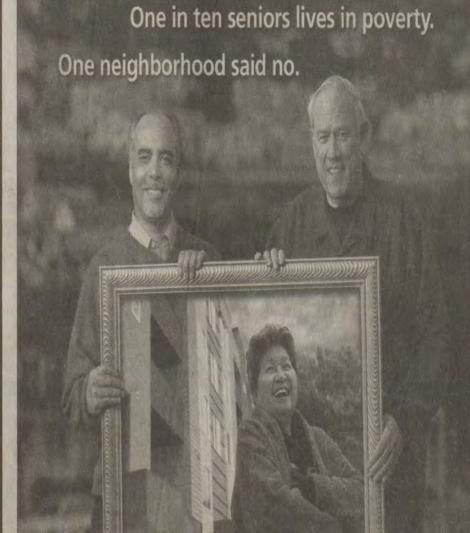
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# Odds & Ends

LOUISVILLE - A judge ordered a new trial in a case in which a juror sipped vodka throughout the trial.

Jefferson County Circuit Judge Geoffrey Morris said in his order that new trials may be granted only in the most extreme circumstances.

But he said "the inexcusable, disruptive behavior of this juror was so extraordinary as to render this relief appropriate."

The case involved a lawsuit brought by a woman who claimed she was injured when a garbage truck ran into her

The jury foreman told Morris that the juror had been disruptive and uncooperative during deliberations, and eventually became so inebriated she could not participate.

After the verdict came in, Morris discovered that the clear liquid the woman had been sipping all day from a plastic water bottle was

Morris said he discovered the juror was drunk only after the jury returned its verdict. He dismissed her from jury duty and made her husband come to the courthouse to pick her up. She was not named in the court's order and she was not sanctioned.

TULSA, Okla. -Organizers of a coming out party for a brand new 1957 Plymouth Belvedere could use some help.

The car, buried under the lawn of the Tulsa County Courthouse in 1957, is scheduled to be unearthed June 15 as part of the Oklahoma Centennial.

Promoters are looking for people who helped lower the car into its crypt in 1957 to perhaps shed some light on what to expect when the car is unearthed.

There's speculation the car may have turned into a pile of rust. Or that it's in pristine condition and worth thousands

of dollars. Sharon King Davis, who has chaired Tulsa's centennial efforts, looked at photos of the people responsible for burving the car in 1957 and found her grandfather.

"I wish grandpa had left me the Tulsa World.

The car had been largely forgotten until Davis and her group started work on the centennial. Files on the car have vanished, so it's not clear what to expect when the lid is lifted.

What's known is that the car is on a steel pallet with jacks under the axles. Efforts were made to preserve it, but it's unclear if moisture has gotten to the metal and caused

"There's a kind of Rip Van Winkle reaction," Davis says. "Most people had long ago. forgotten the buried car, but as the time to dig it up nears. they are waking up and wondering about life in 1957.

Another unknown is who will be able to claim the car.

When the car was buried, a contest was announced to award the car and a \$100 savings account to the person who came closest to guessing Tulsa's population in 2007.

Organizers concede that finding that person or his or her heirs may not be easy.

At the time, the guesses were recorded on microfilm and sealed in a steel container buried with the car

■ NEW YORK — A newcomer to the city became hopelessly lost for five days after going for a walk.

Damon Mootoo was staying at his brother's house in South Jamaica, Queens, when he decided to go for the stroll last Wednesday — 12 hours after arriving in New York for the first time, the Daily News reported Monday.

The 32-year-old man quickly got disorientated by the confusing streets of Queens.

On Sunday night, after a good Samaritan came to his aid, he was recovering at Jamaica Hospital from dehydration and frostbite.

Mootoo, who is hard of hearing but can communicate in English, said he didn't ask for directions because he was afraid he'd be deported and because he had heard many scary stories about New York. He recently had received his permanent resident card.

The Samaritan, Michael Bharath, was walking home from church when he spotted Mootoo shivering on the street. After he and his wife made him a sandwich, Mootoo opened up and told them his

Luckily, Mootoo found a piece of paper with his stepmother's address in his pocket, and Bharath drove him

When I see people in need, I try to help them," Bharath told the News. "He was in need, and I'm pretty sure that within a couple more hours he would have been a dead man."

Mootoo had begged for water, but was too ashamed and shy to ask for food or directions, his worried brother, Roger Miller, told the News. He slept in an abandoned car or sought shelter under a piece of wood in a stranger's yard. Temperatures dropped into the low 20s on some nights.

"When we saw him, he was just crying," said Miller, who had plastered flyers with Mootoo's photo all over South Jamaica.

'He said he was trying to find his way back," Miller said. "He said he was just walking all over. He was scared. He heard all the stories about New York."

"I want to go home," Mootoo told the paper. "I'm thinking about going back to

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — A 75-year-old woman and three students at a Scottsdale high school were arrested for simulating a shooting and kidnapping, police said.

The incident marks the second time police responded to what they believed was an actual crime involving Desert Mountain High students but turned out to be a video project for a criminology class.

Last January, Scottsdale police were called to a simulated cariacking near the high school and officers ended the production when they arrived with their guns drawn.

On Sunday, three 15-yearold girls who are sophomores some instructions," she told at Desert Mountain were arrested on suspicion of disorderly conduct after a concerned neighbor called 911.

> Police said 75-year-old Marilyn Miller, who was videotaping, also was arrested on suspicion of contributing to the delinquency of minors.

> FREEPORT, N.Y. - A gun-toting bicyclist tried to rob a man early Monday and then shot him before pedaling away, police said.

> The victim was out walking just before 2 a.m. when a man on a bike stopped in front of him, pointed a handgun at him and told him to hand over his cash, Nassau County police

> The victim turned and ran away but was shot in his left foot. He hobbled to a pay phone and called police.

The cyclist rode off.

The wounded man was taken to a hospital for treatment and was expected to survive, said police, who were looking for the cyclist.

LA CROSSE, Wis. -"Earl" ate the stolen ice cream 35 years ago, but the guilt has been eating at him ever since.

The Green Bay-area businessman decided to atone for his sin by returning to the scene of the crime, his former middle school, and treating students to an ice cream party Friday.

The donor preferred to remain anonymous. But staff members at Lincoln Middle School in La Crosse have dubbed him Earl after title character Earl Hickey on NBC's "My Name is Earl" in which Earl sets out to right his past wrongs.

Vice principal Jacque Durnford lauded the man's attempts to do the right thing more than three decades after the crime. "I think his statute of limitations is up," she

The man and a friend had stolen ice cream from the school cafeteria when he was a student.



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# Blackcats scratch Lawrence

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LOUISA - Behind a game-high 24 points from junior guard Bobby Hughes, Prestonsburg won its fifth game in six outings Saturday night on the road at Lawrence County. The Blackcats, after trailing at the end of each of the first two quarters, established a double-digit lead and kept some distance between themselves and the Bulldogs in the second half en route to a 66-61 win.

The 24 points is a career single-game scoring high for Hughes.

"Bobby (Hughes) played a great game," said Prestonsburg Coach Jackie Day Crisp. "We played well on the road. It was important for us to go and win on the road. Beating Lawrence County gave us two wins for the week."

Hughes hit a trio of three-point field goals for the Blackcats.

Senior Chayse Martin and junior Bobby Hall, Hughes' running mate in the Blackcat backcourt, added 12 and 10 points, respectively.

Seniors Trevor Patton and Mason Vance and junior Nathaniel Stephens each had five points for Prestonsburg.

Lawrence County struck first, leading 15-12 at the end of the opening quarter. The Bulldogs held a slim 32-30 lead at halftime.

Hughes, who had 10 points in the first half, scored 10 points in the third quarter as Prestonsburg outscored Lawrence County 21-12. The Blackcats led 51-44 at the start of the fourth quar-

(See BLACKCATS, page two)



Prestonsburg senior Chay Martin went up for a shot Saturday night against a Lawrence County defender.

photo by Jamie Howell

# Raiders turn back **East Ridge**

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT - After suffering ur straight losses, South Floyd enjoyed its third win of the season Friday night at home inside Raider Arena. The homestanding Raiders outscored East Ridge 21-13 in the fourth quarter. The strong finish put South Floyd over the top for a 62-52 win.

South Floyd senior Lyle Johnson scored a game-high 28 points as the Raiders posted the win. Ethan Johnson added 14 points for the Raiders. One of the 15th Region's top players, Ethan Johnson scored his 1,000th career point on a free throw with est 14 seconds remaining.

South Floyd jumped out in front and led 17-11 at the end of the first quarter. The Raiders were ahead 30-27 at the half. Before picking its offensive pace back up near the end of the game, South Floyd led 41-39 at the conclusion of the third quarter.

The loss was East Ridge's second straight defeat.

Wes Akers scored eight points and Kyle Brown added six for

(See SOUTH FLOYD, page three)



file photo by Steve LeMaster South Floyd senior Ethan Johnson (10) scored his 1,000th career point in Friday night's win over East Ridge.

### COUNTY CHAMPS



Betsy Layne Elementary beat South Floyd Middle Friday night for the 2007 Floyd County A-Team grade school championship.

# Betsy Layne beats South Floyd, claims A-Team championship

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - Throughout the 2006-07 season, the Betsy Layne Elementary School boys' basketball team dominated its Floyd County opponents. On Friday night, Betsy Layne completed one of the best seasons in Floyd County grade school history when it captured the A-Team county championship with a 59-37 win over South Floyd Middle at The Dome.

Dylan Maldonado was red-hot for tournament host Betsy Layne, scoring eight points in the first quarter. Maldonado, who finished with a game-high 21 points, led Betsy Layne out to a 15-5 lead at the end of the opening quarter. The Bobcats jumped out in front and never trailed in the A-team championship game. Betsy Layne led 6-0 before South Floyd struck for its first points.

Nathan Martin and Casey Adkins joined Maldonado in double figures for the Bobcats. Martin scored 14 points and Adkins added 13 for Betsy Layne.

Betsy Layne, under the tutelage of head coach Harold Tackett, hit five three-pointers in the tournament triumph. This particular Betsy Layne team has played hundreds

(See CHAMPS, page two)



Eighth-grader Dylan Maldonado scored a game-high 21 points for the Bobcats.

# **Panthers** pounce **Piarist**

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - After visiting Piarist was able to stay within striking distance in the first half, host Pikeville blew the game open in the third quarter Saturday. The Panthers outscored Piarist 29-10 in the third quarter and eventually won 80-52.

The game served as a final tuneup before the 15th Region All "A" Classic for each of the

(See PIARIST, page two)

### Lady Tigers repeat as region All 'A' champs

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE Paintsville High School girls' basketball program has captured a second straight 15th Region Girls' All "A" Classic championship. Paintsville repeated as 15th Region small-school champion Friday night when it outlasted 57th District rival Sheldon Clark in double overtime. The Lady Tigers outscored Sheldon Clark 7-3 in a second overtime, and as a result, won 59-55.

Kendra Carroll Paintsville with a team-high 20

(See TIGERS, page two)

# Rebs capture B-Team title

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - Micah Harlow hit the game-winning shot with just eight seconds remaining Friday evening to lift Allen Central Middle over Betsy Layne Elementary 38-36 in the Floyd County Grade School B-Team Fournament championship game.

Braxton Tackett led Allen Central with a team-high 17 points. Tackett scored 10 points for Allen Central in the opening

Sheldon Rice added nine points for the Rebels. Harlow finished with eight points as Allen Central prevented Betsy Layne from win-

ning a second county title. Jacob Prater and Jon Ross Gibson rounded out the Rebel scoring with two points apiece. Betsy Layne fell behind early

on and trailed for each of the first three quarters before battling back. Allen Central limited the Bobcats to just one first quarter field goal. The Rebels led 14-3 after the initial quarter. After connecting on a trio of three-point field goals, Betsy Layne was back in contention in the second quarter. Allen Central led 22-17 at halftime.

Allen Central shot free throws well in the championship game. The Rebel B-team - under the guidance of head coach Brad Short - was 10-of-12 from the charity stripe.

Allen Central led 29-28 at the

end of the third quarter. Andrew Roberts paced Betsy Layne with a game-high 19

points. Roberts drained four three-pointers in the championship tilt. He was the only Betsy Layne player to reach double figures scoring. Dylan Hamilton scored eight points and Kory Jarrell added four. Chase Hall and Blake Rogers rounded out the Bobcat scoring with three and two points, respectively.

The Bobcats were five-for-11

from the free throw line. UP CLOSE WITH THE **REBELS:** Members of the Allen Central Middle B-Team are Braxton Tackett, Jacob Prater, Sheldon Rice, Micah Harlow, Jon Ross Gibson, Sean Jackson, Jordan Pinson, Josh Handshoe, Blake Patton, Austin Barnett, Junior Handshoe, Corey Terry, Odie Walker, Stephen Goble, Josh Crum.



Allen Central Middle edged Betsy Layne 38-36 for the Floyd County grade school B-

# Bears edge Tech in overtime thrill ride

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MONTGOMERY, W.Va. -There really is not much more that can be said for the first Mid-South Conference meeting between the Pikeville College men's basketball team and the Golden Bears of West Virginia Tech. Not only did it take overtime to decide the contest, but also controversy surrounded the end, as the Bears came away with an exhilarating 76-75 victory to open their MSC schedule on

The early portion of the game belonged to Tech, who opened the contest with a 15-3 run over the first seven minutes. Pikeville countered with a 10-2 run of its own, capped off by a layup from Brad Lowe (Pikeville) at the 8:27 mark, but Tech still held a 23-19 lead.

The win also snapped a long road losing streak for the Bears, which had reached 18 in games played on their oppo-

nents' home floor. The last win the game, launched another dated back to Feb. 16, 2005. when the Bears won at Campbellsville by a 58-55 final.

The Bears would took their first lead of the game when Tech's Louis Rome committed a technical foul, and Pikeville's Will Holloman (Jacksonville, Fla.) knocked down both free throws, giving the Bears a 32-31 lead. A steal and a layup from sophomore Robbie Spears (Shelbiana, Ly.) at the 0:41 mark gave the Bears a 34-31 lead going into the half.

For the next 20 minutes, the two squads were deadlocked, with neither team leading by more than five points. The Bears held a 64-61 lead with under a minute left, when Tech's Brent Butler connected on one of his six three-point buckets, tying the game at 64. Pikeville's Steve Sickler (Green Bay, Wisc.), who had hit a pair of threes earlier in

from 22 feet, only to see it hit the iron.

Tech ran the floor, looking to win the game by taking the clock down and getting off the last shot. Butler let a jumper fly, only to see it bounce off, and the game moved to over-

After 40 minutes of nailbiting basketball, it was no wonder that the overtime was equally nerv-wrecking. The Bears took a quick lead on a pair of free throws from Holloman at 66-64. Again, Tech tied it on a layup by Armand Ivory at the 4:20

With Tech pressing, sophomore Bo Harris (Winchester) split two defenders and put one in for the 76-73 lead. Tech countered with a bucket to make it 76-75. A missed three from Harris gave Tech one last chance with only 17 seconds

Jody Poole, who had hurt

the Bears all night with his left-handed shooting, shot a wide-open jumper from the block for the win. But Harris was there with one of his four blocks, swatting away a shot that looked as if it was headed for the basket. Tech pleaded for goaltending call, but it was to no avail, as the Bears held

on for the 76-75 win. "What a game!" remarked an exhausted Coach Kelly Wells, who picked up his first win in the Mid-South Conference. "You have to give Tech a lot of credit; they played tremendously. But we're extremely proud of our guys' effort. Bo and Will really stepped up tonight and led us."

Harris had a double-double, picking up 23 points and a game-high 15 rebounds. Meanwhile, Holloman poured in a game-high 26 points, going along with five assists. Senior Donald Thomas (Baltimore, Md.) also had 10

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points and six assists in the Bears' win.

"We talk about it everyday: You don't win championships with offense, you win with rebound and defense," the coach said. "It was a great win for our program, but again, you've got to give Tech cred-

Tech (8-11, 0-1 in the MSC) was led by 24 points from Butler and 16 points from Ivory. Still, the fact that Tech poured in 10 blocks against the Bears, and forced

19 Pikeville turnovers, may be the most impressive attributes of a team playing its first sea son in the Mid-South Conference.

The win snapped a twogame losing streak for the Bears, who improved to 9-10 overall and 1-0 in conference play. The Bears will return home to face the Tigers of Georgetown College in a Mid-South Conference double2 header on Thursday, Jan. 251 Tip-off for the men's game is scheduled for 8 p.m.

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### Piarist

teams.

Daniel Harmon (22) and Matt Clevenger (21) combined for 43 points for the Panthers. Jacob Sword scored 11 points. and Tim Honaker added nine for Pikeville. Nine different Pikeville players broke into the scoring column in the 59th District game.

Pikeville outscored Piarist in every quarter. The Panthers led 17-15 at the end of the first quarter and 33-26 at the half.

Caleb Hoskins led Piarist with a team-high 22 points. Hoskins was one of two double-digit scorers for the Knights. Jake Moak followed

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with 12 points for Piarist. Chris Barker tossed in eight points and Josh Ousley added seven for the Knights.

The loss was Piarist's sixth straight setback.

For Pikeville, Saturday's win snapped a three-game losing streak. Shelby Valley beat the Panthers 48-35 Friday night in another district game.

Pikeville 80, Piarist 52

PIARIST (3-18) - Ousley 7, Moak 12, Baker 8, Hoskins 22, Hatfield 2, Hicks 1. PIKEVILLE (7-5) - Harmon 22, Honaker 9, Sword 11, Clevenger 21, Shockey 2, Brinker 2, Branham 2, Boyd 6, Baker 5. Piarist......15 11 10 16-52 Pikeville.....17 16 29 18-80

### Champs

of games together.

This is a special group," ckett commented after the hampionship victory. 'They've worked hard to get to where they are now."

Four different players broke into the scoring column for the Bobcats. Nick Conn and Jason Case each had four points for the Bobcats. Andrew Roberts, Betsy Layne's leading scorer rounded out the Bobcat scoring with three points.

Betsy Layne enjoyed one of its biggest leads of the game when it was ahead 48-27 at the end of the third quarter.

The Bobcats were six-ofeight from the free throw line. South Floyd, despite play-

ing from behind for most of the game, never showed signs of conceding to the bigger, faster Betsy Layne team.

Brandon Marson led the Raiders with a team-high 16

■ Continued from p1 points. Marson knocked down a trio of three-pointers in the championship game.

Dakota Hall followed Marson in the South Floyd scoring column, adding 10 points of his own. Luke Rhea scored four points and Shannon Turner tossed in three for the Raiders. Kyle Bailey and Tyler Moore each had two points for South Floyd.

The Raiders hit six three pointers and connected on seven-of-12 free throws.

UP CLOSE WITH THE BOBCATS: Members of the Betsy Layne Elementary A-Team are Nathan Martin, Dylan Maldonado, Casey Adkins, Casey Adkins, Derek Tackett, Nick Conn, Jason Case, Andrew Roberts, Kory Jarrell, Dylan Hamilton, Chase Hall, Brian Watkins, Brady Hall, Makenzie Hamilton, James Case, Kory Meadows.

### **Tigers**

Three different points. Paintsville players scored more than 10 points. Laura Carroll scored 13 points and Jesikah Russell added 11 for the Lady Tigers. Lorrin Welch finished a field goal shy of double figures, adding eight points for the Paintsville team.

Paintsville led at the end of each of the first three quarters. Paintsville outscored Sheldon Clark 14-6 in the first quarter and led 24-22 at halftime. The Lady Cardinals outscored host Paintsville 14-12 in the fourth quarter to push the game into an extra session. The two teams were tied at 44 at the end of regulation. It was 52-52 at the end of the first overtime.

Three different players reached double figures scoring for the Lady Cards. Ashley Sumpter paced Sheldon Clark with a game-high 23 points.

Paintsville will meet 10th Region champion Paris next Wednesday (Jan. 31) at noon in the opening round of the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic at Eastern Kentucky University's McBrayer Arena.

15th Region All "A" Classic Championship at Paintsville Paintsville 59,

Sheldon Clark 55 (2OT) PAINTSVILLE (9-6) - K. Carroll 20, Welch 8, Russell 11, Adams 4, Jarrell 3, ■ Continued from p1

SHELDON CLARK (12-8) - Sumpter 23, Preece 13, Cornett 2, Booth 12, McCoy 4, Dalton 1.

Paintsville.....14 10 8 12 8 7-59 Sheldon Clark.....6 16 8 14 8 3-55

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### Blackcats

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Chet Pelfrey led Lawrence County (7-8) with a team-high 17 points. Tyler Brewer scored 13 points and Lewis Michael added 12 for the Bulldogs. Corey Newsome netted 10 points for host Lawrence County.

Junior Taylor Clark and freshman Michael Burchett rounded out the Prestonsburg scoring with three and two points, respectively.

Stout defensive and rebounding efforts helped Prestonsburg to win over 57th District member Lawrence

"I thought our pressure got to Lawrence County," Crisp confided. "We were also able rebound well inside. It was just a matter of us going with what lineup worked best. Sometimes we had to go with a bigger lineup."

At press time, Prestonsburg (6-10) was back in action on the road at Johnson Central. The Blackcats will continue their road swing Friday in Pike County versus Pike County Central

Prestonsburg 66, Lawrence Co. 61

RESTONSBURG (6-10) - Hall 10, Hughes 24, Patton 5, Stephens 5, rtin 12, Clark 3, Vance 5, Burchett 2. LAWRENCE CO. (7-8) - Wilks 4, Brewer 13, Baldwin 1, Michael 12, Pelfrey 17, Lester 1, Newsome 10,

Prestonsburg......12 18 21 15-66 Lawrence County.....15 17 12 17-61

### South Floyd

the Raiders. Kory Henry and

Adam Slone rounded out the South Floyd scoring with three points apiece. Slone pulled down 10 rebounds and dished off eight assista for the Raiders. Brown was South Floyd's leading rebounder with a game-high 15 boards. Mark Bartley paced East

Ridge with a team-high 20 points. Anthony Coleman added 15 points for East Ridge, a team is in its first season under the direction of head coach Erik Ratliff. Jordan Mullins just missed double figures for East Ridge with nine points.

South Floyd traveled to Morgan County on Saturday for the Commercial Bank Showcase and didn't fare nearly as well as it had Friday night. Scott defeated the Raiders 99-60 at Morgan County.

South Floyd was taking on tournament host Paintsville Tuesday night in the 15th Region All "A" Classic. Results from the South Floyd-Paintsville game were unavailable at press time.

South Floyd 62, East Ridge 52

EAST RIDGE (6-10) - Mullins 9, Coleman 15, Bartley 20, Webb 2, Ratliff SOUTH FLOYD (3-12) - E. Johnson 14,

Henry 3, L. Johnson 28, Akers 8, Slone 3. Brown 6.

East Ridge.....11 16 12 13-52 South Floyd....17 13 11 21-62

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# Lady Golden Bears shine against Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MONTGOMERY, W.Va.-After winning three out of five during its last homestand, the Pikeville College women's basketball team went on the road and opened up conference play against the West Virginia University Institute of Technology Saturday afternoon. The Lady Bears could not stop the faster, stronger Lady Golden Bears, who rolled to a 76-56 win.

The two teams were even for much of the first half, as neither team led by more than three during the first eight minutes. A layup from senior Tonya Amburgey (Pinetop) gave Pikeville a 14-11 lead, but it would prove to be the last time the Lady Bears held a

lead during the game. Tech used a 23-10 run over the final 12 minutes, capped off by a three from Shantelle Mathews at the 1:01 mark, and took a comfortable 37-24 lead into the locker room.

The second half was no different. Tech began the half on a modest 5-0 run, but the Lady Golden Bears' strength would soon take over and wear the smaller Pikeville five. Steals and fast break points slowly padded the Tech lead. Eventually, with 8:01 left, a layup from Marche Westray gave Tech its largest lead of the game at 68-36.

The Lady Bears attempted to claw back into the game, but it was too late. The Lady Bears would get no closer than 20 points, and Tech breezed to the 74-54 victory.

The theme of the afternoon was offensive rebounds and turnovers. Tech out-rebounded the Lady Bears 50-38, but 30 of those 50 were on the offensive end. Tech also forced 25 Pikeville turnovers and picked up 12 steals.

"We just couldn't match up with them," said Pikeville Coach Bill Watson. "And you can't give up 30 offensive rebounds and expect to win."

The Lady Bears were led by Amburgey's game-high 15 points, while sophomore Beth Patterson (Middleburg) provided 12 points in the loss.

Tech, playing in its first season in the Mid-South Conference, improved to 16-3 overall and 1-0 in conference play. Tiowana Spann, Sabreen

Lanier, and LaChante Jacobs all scored in double figures in the win for the Lady Golden

The defeat drops the Lady Bears to 7-13 on the season and 0-1 in the MSC. The Lady Bears return to the PC Gymnasium on Thursday to take on conference foe Georgetown College. Mid-South Conference doubleheader will begin when the women tip-off at 6 p.m.



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Lovie Smith and Tony Dungy advanced to the Super Bowl with their teams on Sunday and gave the NFL a historic moment that was 41 years in the making.

As the first black head coaches to make it to the nation's uber sporting event, they couldn't help mentioning how special it was to be there together.

"It means a lot," Dungy said after his Indianapolis Colts beat New England 38-34 in the AFC title game. "I'm very proud of being an African-American. I'm very proud of Lovie."

Smith got there first, when his Chicago Bears won the early game and the NFC title by rolling over the New Orleans Saints, 39-14.

Asked who he'd like to play on Feb. 4 in Miami, Smith didn't hesitate with his

"We have to play someone and, in my perfect world, I would like to see the Colts be

"Tony Dungy has done an awful lot for our game," Smith said. "He hasn't had a chance to coach in the Super Bowl. I would love to see it.'

Four hours later, it was a done deal.

"I'm happy for both coaches," Colts defensive end Dwight Freeney said. "I hope

we get to the point we don't have to hear about it."

Las Vegas oddsmakers made Indianapolis the early favorite by a touchdown.

"I'll feel even better to be the first black coach to hold up the world championship trophy," Smith said.

It won't be easy, though, especially the way Peyton Manning and the Colts are playing.

"I just wanted to do my job and do my job well," the Colts quarterback said. "I didn't think I needed to be super. I just needed to be good."

Manning has been dogged for years by critics who said his greatness was diminished by the fact he couldn't win a big game. After leading his team back from an 18-point deficit, he finally has the chance - on football's biggest

"It sounds good," a beaming Manning said. "It really does.

Smith and Dungy figure to be in the spotlight as much as Manning, perhaps more so.

Smith was one of Dungy's assistants when they were with Tampa Bay from 1996-2000, and they established a friendship that has grown in the years since.

When Dungy started in Tampa, there were just three black head coaches in the NFL. This season, there were

Now, there will be two in the Super Bowl.

"Any time you're the first person to do anything, regardless of your race or anything like that, it's special," Bears running back Thomas Jones

Chicago will play for the NFL title for the first time in 21 years, after Mike Ditka's Bears shuffled through the regular season and playoffs and routed New England.

This year's Bears put up

For the next two weeks, one of the league's most impressive records during the regular season. Unlike those dominant '85 Bears, this year's squad was secondguessed nearly all season.

"We've overcome a lot of doubters, but we're here, we made it and it's definitely a great feeling," Jones said.

Whether it was the inconsistent play of quarterback Rex Grossman or the sudden vulnerability of its traditionally tenacious defense, believed the Bears (15-3) had what it would take to get to Miami.

None of that matters now. Not after the Bears made enough big plays on defense and used a steady running game in the sleet and snow of Chicago to beat the Saints.

"This is why we play the game, to get to the Super Bowl and win," All-Pro linebacker Brian Urlacher said. "This

overshadows everything." Manning and the Colts (154) know the feeling. The All-Everything quarterback from one of football's most talented families had two league MVP titles and a handful of records but never got a shot at a Super

Bowl ring - until now. "It could still be, 'Can he win a Super Bowl?' and then if he does, everyone will shut

up," Dungy said. The Colts are playing in the Super Bowl for the first time since they beat Dallas in 1971, when they were still based in Baltimore. After beating threetime Super Bowl winner Tom Brady and the Patriots, Manning has that chance to

silence his critics. "I don't get into monkeys and vindication," he said. "I" don't play that card. I know how hard I worked this season, I know how hard I worked this week. It's always nice when you can take the hard work, put it to use and come away with a win'

### Lady Eagles upset No. 17 Berea

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES - The Alice Lloyd College Lady Eagles got two conference wins last week. On Tuesday night, Alice Lloyd traveled to Berea to play the 17th-ranked Lady Mountaineers. The Lady Eagles managed to come away with a 91-82 win. Freshman center Becky Thomas, an Allen Central High School graduate, had a double-double effort of 27 points and 12 rebounds for ALC. Sophomore forward Kaylan Richardson finished with 14 points, nine assists and three rebounds. Junior Whitney Lykens (Betsy Layne HS) also had a double-double, scoring ,12 points and pulling down 11 rebounds for the Lady Eagles. Elisha Hall scored 10 points and pulled down nine for Alice Lloyd. Senior point guard Chastity Fox had nine points, five rebounds and five assists

in another solid outing for Alice Lloyd. Junior Taran Cody had eight points and seven rebounds for the Lady

On Saturday afternoon, the Lady Eagles hosted Spalding University. The Alice Lloyd women's team led 45-38 at halftime and came away with an 88-75 win over visiting Spalding. Thomas had another big game with 34 points and nine rebounds. Richardson had 19 points, five rebounds and five assists for the Lady Eagles. Lykens (14 pts., nine rebs.) and Hall (11 pts., nine rebs.) also made strong contributions in the ALC win.

The Lady Eagles were hosting Asbury College Tuesday evening. Results were unavailable at press time.

# Eagles lose to Berea, Spalding

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES - The Alice Lloyd College Eagle basketball team had a tough week last week. On Tuesday, ALC traveled to Berea to play the Mountaineers. The Eagles trailed 32-31 at halftime. Spalding eventually won 82-72.

Sophomores Rodney Mitchell (22 pts., eight rebs.) and Corey Hairston (18 pts., 10 rebs.) led the way for the Eagles. Sophomore Eric Mullins was also in double figures with 11 points and six rebounds for the Eagles. Sophomore point guard William Dillard chipped in seven points and had nine assists for ALC.

On Saturday afternoon, the Eagles hosted Spalding University from Louisville. The Eagles trailed 41-37 at halftime and lost the game 84-69. Four players were in double figures for ALC. Hairston led the way for the Eagles with 18 points and eight rebounds. Mullins had 14 points and three rebounds for the Alice Lloyd team. Mitchell had 12 points and two rebounds in a strong role for the Eagles. Dillard had 10 points, five rebounds and five assists for the Alice Llovd unit.

The Eagles were back in action at press time on Tuesday against visiting Asbury College.

Mitchell named KIAC Player of the Week

PIPPA PASSES - Alice Lloyd College's Rodney Mitchell, a 6-7 sophomore center, was named the KIAC Player of the Week for the week ending Jan. 14. During the week, Mitchell had 19 points and seven rebounds in a 91-49 win over the Saint Louis College of Pharmacy. He also had 19 points and two rebounds in an 80-74 loss to Indiana University-Southeast. Mitchell is from Manchester and Clay County High School. He is averaging 16 points and five rebounds per

### South Floyd cheerleaders hosting pageant

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HI HAT - The South Floyd High School Cheerleaders are preparing for an upcoming fundraiser. The (Sweetheart Pageant, hosted by the SFHS cheerleaders, will be held at South Floyd High [School Feb. 11, beginning at 1 p.m. Categories (listed with entry fees) are Beauty (\$25); Photogenic (\$10); Prettiest Eyes (\$10); Prettiest Dress (\$10); Prettiest Smile (\$10); Best Personality (\$10) and Sportswear (\$10). Entry for all .categories is \$75.

Age divisions are 0-12 months; 13-18 months; 19-24 months; 3-4 years; 5-6 years; 57-8 years; 9-10 years; 11-12 , years; 13-14 years; 15-16 years; and 17-18 years.

Each participant receive a participation award and trophies will be awarded in all divisions. A high point trophy will also be awarded.

e Each participant will receive a participation award. Trophies will be awarded for all divisions. High point trophy. For more information or -to register, contact Denise ¿Isaac at 452-9606 or 377-0469. If there's no answer, leave a message. Depending on the number of entries, the younger age divisions may be moved up to Feb. 10 at 1 p.m.

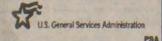
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### KIM'S KORNER Out of the Mouths of Babes

By: Kim Little Frasure

May the words of these tiny tots bring a smile to your face:



Kim Little Frasure

STORY OF ELIJAH

The Sunday school teacher was carefully explaining the story of Elijah the Prophet and false prophets of Baal

explained how Elijah built the altar, put wood upon it, cut the steer in pieces, and laid it upon the altar. And then, Elijah commanded the people of God to fill four barrels of water and pour it over the altar. He had them do this four times. "Now, said the teacher, "can anyone in the class tell me why the Lord would have Elijah pour water over the steer on the altar?" A little girl in the back of the room started waving her hand, "I know! I know!" she said, "To make the gravy!"

(See KORNER, page eight)

### POISON OAK

### Want not, wart not

by Clyde Pack

Maybe it's because living in a society of adults, as opposed to living in the world of



Clyde Pack

children, in which I existed some 60 years ago, has made the difference, but I seldom hear people having warts these days.

Not boy! then, Nothing would make a coal-camp

kid prouder than to all at once notice a big seed wart developing on his hand. We wore those things like a badge of courage, often comparing ours to some other fortunate kid's, who may have been doing a little bragging about his.

I read somewhere recently that some doctor, who's supposed to know about stuff like that, said that three out of four people will develop a wart or two sometime in their lifetime, and it's the second most common dermatological complaint, after acne. Interestingly, the article also said that warts would go away-on their own-within a few months, as your body's immune system kicks in.

Of course, by now everybody knows that instead of being caused by playing with toads, warts are simply caused by a virus.

I guess when I was a kid, wart doctors were scarce, and warts were attributed to some other mysterious cause (including toads, of course) and were often sent upon people as some sort of curse, or something.

But not to worry. Those who looked upon them as something other than a source of pride, could get rid of them by rubbing a bean pod on the

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# A walk up a hot, dusty road

By Ralph Hall

One summer morning, I stayed around the house until around 9 a.m., then I called to Mother, "I'm going to take a walk up to Grandma's house." Mother called back, "Okay, Ralph, go on!"

I walked through our yard and out the gate and began my walk up the dirt road through Melvin. The first house I passed was the Wallen's house. Old man Bill was sitting on the porch. I said, "Good morning, Mr. Wallen."

"Ralph, what are you getting into today," he asked me.

"Going to Grandma's," was my

I kept walking, passing by John Burger's and Fannie Bryant's houses, noticing that some of their kids were out playing in their yards.

At Fannie's house, I crossed the road and the railroad tracks that lead to a small store just across the tracks. Scorcher and Dally Hall owned the store. On this day, I had two pennies in my pocket and was aiming to buy me two sticks of licorice. What I really wanted was some of that sugar butter that came in the little four pound buckets,

Dally was working in the store and when I walked in, she said, 'Good morning, Ralph.'

'Good morning, Aunt Dally," I "I want two pieces of licorice."

"Where you going today," Aunt Dally asked me as she got my candy.

"To Grandma's," I told her. "Oh," Aunt Dally said. "Where's

"Mutt stayed home today," I told

I left the little store with my candy sticks and crossed back to the dirt road I had been on earlier. As I

recall, it was the latter part of summer. A hot August day, near the end of what folks called the "Dog Days" of summer. It wouldn't be much longer until Labor Day rolled around and school would begin the next day. I thought about Mutt and

wondered what he was doing.

I had old Sooner with me that day. Old Sooner was our dog. One day, someone asked Daddy, "Why'd you call that old hound dog Sooner?" Daddy told them, "Because he had just as soon lay around all day and do nothing SO Sooner just seemed to fit him real good." I laughed to myself thinking about this and said, "Come on, Sooner, you old lazy dog."

Sooner and me crossed the railroad tracks again, at Lawrence's house, just past the little three-room schoolhouse that was on Hen Pen Creek. Grandma's sister, Aunt Jannie, lived in schoolhouse bottom. I had to stop at her house - one of the reasons being that there were two big plum trees in her front yard and I loved them there plums!

Aunt Jannie was a sweet old lady who loved everyone. When she saw me, she said, "Come on in, Ralph." I asked her, "Can I get me some of them plums and sit out here in your

yard in one of them big rockin'

Aunt Jannie told me that I could. "Eat all them plums you want, son,"

I could hardly wait to sink my teeth into one of those big old purple

> plums. I bet I ate five or six of them. Aunt Jannie sat and talked with me for awhile until I said, "Well, I guess I better get on up to Grandma's house. See you on the morrow, when I stop for some more of them good old sweet plums." "Be sure and stop, boy," she said.

As I walked up that hot dirt road in my bare feet, it hit me all of a sudden - licorice and plums don't sit too good together. Oh, no! As I thought of this, my belly began to ache just a little bit. Old Sooner never ate even one plum, he just laid under the shade tree with his tongue hanging out all the time were at Aunt

Jannie's.

J.J. Hall, the author's

grandson, takes a walk up

a hot, dusty road himself.

I was kin to everyone who lived on Hen Pen, in one way or another. I walked down through the creek just below Uncle Johnny's house. The cool water felt so good to my bare feet. I never passed by Uncle Johnny's house without stopping in to see my first cousin, Arthur. He loved me a lot and it made him so happy to have me stop by. He had a nervous condition called Saintvitis Dance. I visited with him for about fifteen minutes - I didn't want to tire him out.

I had waded the creek below his

house and above his house, too. So, once again, I waded the creek just before I walked up the little hill that took me through the beech bottom. If there was ever a famous place on Hen Pen, it was the beech bottom. Beech Bottom got its name from the big beech trees that were always full of beechnuts each fall.

Many a young lover had carved the name of a sweetheart in one of those trees. There was a hole of water at the foot of the largest tree. It was where many of us boys had taken a dip in the large "sea of joy." I looked on the ground to see if I could find some beechnuts, but I never found so much as even one. It was too early for them to fall.

I always took my time through the beech bottom. There was a large pasture on one side of the creekbed that was filled with cattle. On the other side was a corn field for as far as I could see. At the last beech tree, I stopped to watch the suckers and horny heads as they swam upstream. I walked around the little curve that some called "the bend in the road." Uncle Sylvian lived off to the right. Between his house and Grandma's house was a large garden about 300 feet long and 75 feet wide. The field corn was as high an elephant's eye. This corn would be used to grind corn meal from and to feed the farm animals.

I stopped about halfway between Uncle Sylvian's and Grandma's houses at the "draw bars" and rail fences that lead to the cow pasture. Right inside the draw bars, on Grandma's side of the garden, was where the large rhubarb plant had stood as long as I could remember. 1 broke me off a stalk, chewed on it a moment or two, then spit it out. I never much liked the stuff, anyway.

(See WALK, page seven)



Welcome to the UCM

Dr. William B. Drake, president of Midway College, is welcomed into the University Center of the Mountains by Ron Daley (on left), UCM director. The six UCM partners now offer a total of 25 degrees.

### Midway joins UCM in offering classes

Midway College formally joined the University Center of the Mountains (UCM) in signing ceremonies in Hazard on Jan. 11 and will bring four accelerated bachelor degree completion programs to the Kentucky River Area Development District (KRADD). The degree offerings are:

Bachelor of Arts in Health Care Administration on the Hazard Campus of Hazard Community & Technical College (HCTC)

Bachelor of Arts in Homeland Security Assessment on the Hazard Campus of HCTC Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Management on the Hazard Campus of HCTC

Bachelor of Arts in Teacher Certification Education, Elementary Education (P-5) with additional Certification Options in Middle School (5-9) and Learning and Behavior Disorders (LBD, P-12). These UCM Teacher Education

programs will continue to be offered Midway College on the Whitesburg Campus of Southeast Kentucky Community Technical College, in conjunction with a partnership with Southeast.

Midway classes are offered in cohorts, accelerated; meet once per week, evenings and/or weekends, for four hours. Cohorts, except for teacher education (which start in August and January) start when a sufficient number of students are registered. Midway offers the major, usually 45 semester hours, that satisfies both upper-division and residency requirements. The host KCTCS institution offers the other courses required for the degree. Students are provided class meeting schedules for the 15 or so courses that make up the 45 semester hour major, which can usually be completed in 18 to 24 months.

Students in Midway College accelerated degree completion programs will be "full-time" insofar as their eligibility for state and federal

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### **CRITTER CORNER**

# Looking for a Dog Trainer?

The Humane Society of the United States warns: Beware of Abusive Training Methods

Dog owners often seek professional advice when it comes to training their animal companion and there are many options available. From DVDs, books and television programs, to local dog trainers offering private lessons and group classes, consumers have choices about the methods and styles in which they want to

raise their pup.

Are you supposed to be your dog's parent or pack leader? Do you want your dog to be an obedience champ or do you just need him to stop jumping on strangers? What are the boundaries you want set?

According to Stephanie Shain, director of outreach for companion animals for The HSUS, "Just like with human communications and psychology, there are varied philosophies, methods and approaches when it comes to communicating with your dog. It is important to define your goals and find a system that works best - and safely - for you. Unfortunately, we know of many cases in which a private trainer's methods were

(See CRITTER, page seven)



"C.C." is all wrapped up in her Christmas blanket, a gift from Santa. C.C. enjoys getting lots of gifts all year round. "She is very special," says her owner, Mary Mosley, of Wheelwright.

# School Happenings

### Youth Services Center

receipts! Receipts may be given to any AMS student or dropped off at the school office.

Thursdays, after school until 5 p.m. New members can still sign up in the YSC office.

JSC office.

☐ Jan. 26 - "Dangers of Body Piercing and Tattooing," presented by Carol Jo May, Our Lady of the Way

Hospital; for 7th graders.

Feb. 13, 27 - Magic Me, 3:30-

4:30. Feb. 14 - Advisory Council

meeting, 4 p.m., in center office.

Members are encouraged to attend and all others are invited.

Feb. 22 - Parent Support Group, 8:30 a.m., in center. Topic: "Wellness." Refreshments, door prizes. Adams and Clark parents welcome to attend.

Respect Society for 6th grade girls now going on. Those interested may stop by the center.

Exercise class for adults now in session. Classes conducted by Floyd County Health Dept. staff. Those interested may contact the center for smore information.

Exercise class for students also being offered. Those interested may contact the center to sign-up.

The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297. Please call for information on center programs and services.

### Allen Central High School

p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Sharon Collins, coordinator. Telephone 358-3048. Genter provides services for all families regardless of income.

### Allen Central Middle School

\*\*Collect Food City receipts and "Box Tops for Education" and turn

them in to homeroom teachers!\*\*

Jan. 24 - Respect Class, 7th grade girls

Jan. 30 - WYMT-TV's "Do As I Say, Not As I Do," 4 p.m.

grade girls

Career Decisions and Job
Development videos available in YSC

The ACMS Youth Service Center offers services to all families,

regardless of income. For more information, call Marilyn Bailey, center coordinator, at 358-0134.

### Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

### Betsy Layne Elementary

Lost and Found items will be located in the center. Items not claimed within two weeks will become FRYSC property.

Center hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Center offers services to all families, regardless of income.

The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 7th and 8th grade wing. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550.

Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

### Clark Elementary

F.I.T. Club meets each Tuesday and Wednesday after school, 3:15-4:15 p.m. (Fitness activities for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students.)

\*\*Fridays are "School Spirit" days! (All year long!) Wear Clark colors (green and gold) or Clark tshirts. Students, staff, parents - show your support for CES!!

Nurse services: Floyd County Health Department nurses will be in the Resource Center on selected dates. Now taking appointments for 6th grade exams, WIC, and well-child exams for birth-18 years. Flu shots may also be scheduled. Call 886-0815 for an appointment.

Lost and Found located in Resource Center.

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

### Duff Elementary

\*\*School is collecting Food City receipts again this year! Please drop off your receipts at the school, or mail them to: Duff Elementary School, P.O. Box 129, Eastern, KY 41622.

■ Yearbooks on sale - \$22.

FRC is also in need of clothing, sizes 3T thru adult, for emergency clothing use and burnouts. If you have clothing to donate, please call the FRC.

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

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

### May Valley Elementary

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

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

### McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

### Mountain Christian Academy

■ Call 285-5141, Mon. thru Fri., from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

MCA is an accredited nondenominational Christian school.

# Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family

Resource Center or its programs.

### South Floyd Youth Services Center

Feb. 12 - Open House. Food will be served. Teacher and parent visits, 6-8 p.m. Date subject to change. Watch school marquee.

Parents needing assitance with daycare may contact Mable Hall for information, or the "A Step Ahead" daycare center, at 452-1100.

about your child's grades, visit the STI Home! site at http://iiod.ssts.com and click on the STI program. Select state, county, school, child's pin number and password. You may view your child's attendance record, class average, schedule, grades, and discipline referrals. Questions? Call 452-9607.

SFHS and SFMS will be participating in the Apples for Students program. Please save and turn in your Food City receipts.

Floyd County substance abuse counselor will be on the South Floyd campus half a day on Mondays and for a full day on Fridays. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

Call center for: list of visiting speakers and presentations to be held throughout year; to make appointments to attend Parent Volunteer Training sessions; or for information in regard to Adult Education programs.

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

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

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

For more information call 452-9600 or 452-9607, ext. 243 or 153.

# Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

Jan. 25 - Family Read Night, 6-7 p.m.

Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

The Mud Creek FRYSC is located on the right, by the school gymnasium. Services are offered to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

W.D. Osborne

### "Rainbow Junction" Family Resource Center

Monthly meetings: "Nutrition/Plan Healthy" - second Tuesday of each month, 10 a.m., in library; "OES Homemakers" - second Tuesday of each month, 11 a.m., in library.

Resource Center is now taking sign-ups for those students attending OES who would like to participate in the "Eagle's" basketball program. Deadline to sign-up is Friday, Feb. 9. Late sign-ups cannot be accepted!

Lost & Found located in the Family Resource Center. Items not claimed within 3 weeks become the property of the FRC.

The FRC accepts donations of children's clothing, shoes, belts, book bags, etc. May be used but need to be

bags, etc. May be used but need to be in good condition. Donated items will be appreciated and utilized by OES students.

The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. Those wishing more information about the center are welcome to visit, or call. Ask for Cissy (center coordinator). Center telephone and fax: (606) 452-4553.

### Wesley Christian School

■ WCS Learning Center accepts toddlers, preschool age (2-4). Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

### BSCTC Adult Education & GED

Mondays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC, Martin Comm. Ctr., Auxier Learning Ctr., and BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House, BSCTC; 4:30-9 p.m., Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Tuesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Dixie Apts., Betsy Layne FRYSC, BSCTC; 6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Wednesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning
Ctr.; BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - David
Craft Center, BSCTC; 6-9 p.m. -

BSCTC.

Thursdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. BSCTC, Mud Creek Clinic,
Weeksbury Comm. Ctr.; 1-4:30 p.m. BSCTC, Betsy Layne YSC.,
Weeksbury Comm. Ctr.; 4:30-9 p.m. -

Martin Comm. Ctr.

Adult Education teachers are:
Ron Johnson, Stephania Conn, Lynn
Hall, Nancy Bormes, Vanessa Adkins
and Susan Stephens.

■ Program manager: Kay Hale Ross (886-7334).

# YESTERDAYS

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### **Ten Years Ago**

(January 29 and January 31, 1997)

Floyd County needs to attack illegal dumping 'in'the county, ecology officer Lon May said at the Floyd County Solid Waste Commission regular meeting Monday, but first he needs some help. He's concerned about the environmental impact, May said. "Illegal dumping is appalling"...Bobby Joe Crum of Martin, was convicted in March 1992 of having sexual contact with an eight-year-old child. He was sentenced to 20 years in prison. A motion was denied, Monday, by Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill to set aside the conviction...At Prestonsburg council's meeting, Monday, second reading of an ordinance to establish the E-911 service in the city was approved by council. A search is expected to begin, immediately to find a firm to map the city of Prestonsburg for the implementation of E-911 emergency serwices...Just moments after being told, Monday, he could not represent his son on a drunk driving charge, former Supreme Court District Dan Jack Combs was arrested on a theft by deception charge for allegedly writing a bad check. Combs is accused of failing to make good on a check for over \$500 to a coal company, which reportedly was restitution for a theft committed by his younger son...Two separate requests made by the Floyd County Times to inspect certain city records have been denied by city officials. The first request, for a list of employers or businesses, within the city that are delinquent in paying occupational taxes, was formally denied by City Attorney Paul Burchett. A second request to inspect police department incident reports was verbally denied by Police Chief Darrell Conley. This denial was later reversed by city attorney Paul Burchett...Ricky Goble, 32, of Prestonsburg, is accused of beating the husband of Jamie Nelson with a baseball bat on January 8. A not guilty plea was entered, Monday, for charged with second-degree assault....Patsy Ryan, a long-time housing

authority employee, will replace former director Julia May, who died earlier this month. She has been named interim director of the Floyd County Housing Authority at a special housing authority meeting, Tuesday...A counterfeit \$100 bill has turned up in Floyd County and the Kentucky State Police say there may be more...Floyd County school board attorney Phil Damron has resigned from his post effective midnight tonight. Damron's resignation comes two days after the board of education ignored his advice to appeal a state appeals board ruling concerning a special education unit at Betsy Layne High School...Floyd County's school system could have an \$800,000 contingency fund for the 1997-98 school year, but at Tuesday's meeting, board members did not want to hear about the cuts and tax increases it would take to make it...Against the advise of its attorney, the Floyd County Board of Education voted, 3-2, Tuesday, not to appeal a state appeals board decision to reopen a special education unit at Betsy Layne High School...Lewis Newman, 58, of Bevinsville, pleaded guilty to three counts of first degree sexual abuse allegedly having sexual contact with two underage females...Many Martin residents may have left the city council meeting, Tuesday night, with little hope of having police and fire protection to the near future. After a council member requested that the city no longer impose a license fee on insurance premiums. Mayor Alan Whicker, said the police and fire departments may have to be eliminated and the city may even be forced to shut down without the revenue from the tax... There died: Veronica Karen Moore, 36, of Prestonsburg, Sunday, January 25; Crit Johnson, 83, of McDowell, Tuesday, January 28, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Joe Cooley, 67, of Houston, Tennessee, formerly of Prestonsburg, Saturday, January 25, at Veteran's Hospital, in Houston, Texas; Henrietta "Jet" McKinney, 62, of Printer, Tuesday, January 28, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Charles Edward Murphy, 87, of Wayland, Sunday, January 26, at the Slone Family Health Care at Estill; Ollie Mable Parsons Simpson, 71,

of Harold, Monday, January 27, at her residence;

Jamima "Mima" Ousley, 97, of Sidney, Indiana, January 23, at The Oaks in Columbia, City, Indiana; Dustin McKinney Mitchell, infant son of Malen Jr., and Olivia Ann Roberts Mitchell, of Hi Hat, Thursday, January 23, at U.K. Medical Center, Lexington; Denver Tackett, 68, of Bevinsville, Sunday, January 26, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Ralph Stephen Banks, 43, of Wayland, Saturday, January 25, at Hueysville; Warren G. Kinney, 75, of Boise, Idaho, Wednesday, January 6, in Rogers Arkansas; Ernest Collins, 90, of Wayland, Saturday, January 25, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Alice "Idie" Tuttle, 43, of Kite, Saturday, January 25, at her residence; Leland Layne, 75, of Willard, Ohio, Thursday, January 23, at Mercy Hospital, Willard; Delta Newsome, 89, of Martin, Saturday, January 25, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Sarah Ann Collins, 76, of Pierceton, Indiana, Tuesday, January 28, at her residence; Darkie Evans, 72, of Grethel, Thursday, January 30, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Willie Hamilton, 78, of St. Petersburg, Florida, December 20, at Colonial Care Center; Dorsie Robinson, 90, of Pikeville, Tuesday, January 28, at her home; Mirtie Mae Curry, 66, of Hindman, Tuesday, January 28, at her residence; John Gillespie, 67, of Pikeville, Thursday, January 30, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Dora Bailey Sparkman, 82, of Hueysville, Wednesday, January 29, at Saint Joseph Hospital, Lexington; Alice Roberts, 95, of Banner, Wednesday, January 29, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg; Pluma McCoy Johnson, 91, of Pikeville, Tuesday, January 28, at Parkview Manor Nursing Home, Pikeville; Alex Vasvary, 81, of Bevinsville, Wednesday, January 29, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Edith Henson, 76, of Carrol, Ohio, formerly of Beaver, Tuesday, January 28, at Riverside Methodist Hospital, Columbus, Ohio; Corbett Caudill, 71, of Winchester, Wednesday, January 29, at his residence.

**Twenty Years Ago** 

### (February 4, 1987)

Dallas Shepherd, 54, was killed, and Russell Neeley, 30, was injured after an argument broke out and escalated to a gunfight between the two cousins around 10 p.m., Sunday...Within the next two years, the Prestonsburg Job Corps Center is scheduled to open its doors to women...Two of three Floyd residents, who took a state test now required of candidates for circuit court clerk, were successful...The 1985 verdict of a Floyd jury, which sided with a Grayson coal operator in his dispute with a Prestonsburg bank, was reinstated recently by the Kentucky Court of Appeals...Professional dancers-male or female, fully clothed or otherwise-need not apply for work at Floyd nightspots, County Attorney David Barber made it clear, this week, and for the time being, at any rate, night club owners appear willing to toe the line...Although the U.S. Supreme Court refused, last week, to hear an appeal from William Okie Bevins, who faces the death penalty for killing five men in an Allen truck parts store in 1981, his legal battle to avoid execution is far from over...There died: Josephine Adams Stanley Hill, 88, of Prestonsburg, last Thursday...Raymond D. Hall, 64, of Allen, Monday...Mary Elizabeth Davis, 96, of Price, last Wednesday...Kate Whitt, 86, of Sugar Loaf, Sunday...Betty Prater, 45, of Hueysville, Sunday...Mickey Lee Jarvis, 49, of Ivel, last Wednesday...Rev. Malcolm Hobert Collins, 68, of Town Branch, January 26...Lora Lee Allen, 92, of West Prestonsburg, Saturday...and Clara Martin Bates, 65, of Bevinsville, Friday.

### **Thirty Years Ago**

(February 2, 1977)

A school vacation, which began December 17, for Christmas, but which continued through the entire month of January because of snow, cold and treacherous road conditions, ended

(See YESTERDAYS, page seven)

Tuesday...County and city government offices here will close Mondays in compliance with Governor Carroll's urgent request that a statewide effort be made to conserve fuel...The Floyd County Emergency & Rescue Squad was called, late Tuesday, to Wheelwright, to evaculate a reported 100 residents to the W.D. Osborne school, following a gas failure...More fortunate that many communities in the valley, Prestonsburg has suffered no loss of natural gas service, but citizens were asked, Monday, by Mayor Harold Cooley, to lower the thermostats in their homes and businesses to conserve fuel, and

Yesterdays

prevent emergencies...Enrollment Prestonsburg Community College for the 1977 spring semester is the largest in the history of the college, with 623 students taking credit courses...The 10-day search for 17-year-old Richard Hicks, who has been missing from his home, at Garrett, since January 20, ended, Monday night, at an abandoned Breathitt County coal tipple, where his frozen body found...There died: Harrison Terry, 86, of Garrett, January 25, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Paul Harris, 54, of Topmost, January 26, at the VA Hospital, Lexington; Gladys Jones Hamilton, 66, formerly of East McDowell, January 21, at Green Memorial Hospital, Xenia, O., Georgia Harris Campbell, formerly of Prestonsburg, at a hospital in El Paso, Tx.; Green Gray, 67, of Water Gap, Jan. 26, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Frank Hale, 36, formerly of Magoffin County, January 20, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Dewey Little, 65, of Weeksbury, Jan. 31, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

### **Forty Years Ago**

(February 2, 1967)

The Sandy Valley Water District is nearing the construction stage of its \$1,283,000 undertaking to supply

water to nine Floyd and Pike county communities, and has scheduled two community meetings, next week, of all who are interested in the water service...Major Larry W. Biediger, pilot of an F-105 fighter with the U.S. Air Force in Vietnam, was shot down, Saturday, by Viet Cong anti-aircraft fire, his wife was notified, here, Sunday...Dry forces concluded their main testimony, Wednesday, in the local option contest suit filed by Wet adherents, and the seven-day period for Wet rebuttal was scheduled to begin immediately. Ten-year-old Gary Mullins, was electrocuted Sunday morning, while at play with other children on the hillside overlooking the home in Drift Hollow, of his parents, and Annie Caudill Mullins...Forty-two persons lost their lives during 1966 in traffic accidents in the area composed of Floyd, Pike, Johnson, Martin and Magoffin counties, and 11 of these tragedies, occurred in this county...Married: Miss Dianna Evelyn Elliott of Cliff, and Mr. Michael Donahoe of Prestonsburg, Dec. 17, at Our Lady of the Mountains Chapel, Paintsville; Miss Karen Michele Conley of Salyersville, and Mr. Larry Douglas Herald of Prestonsburg, Dec. 26, at First Methodist Church, Paintsville...There died: S. M. Hayes, 57, of Martin, last Thursday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Alice Osborne, 54, of Drift, Monday, at an Ashland hospital; John Martin, 74, of Grethel, Saturday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Lucreacy Tackett, 78, of Teaberry, Wednesday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Mrs. Minnie Owens, 69, of Martin, Tuesday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Clarance W. Salyer, 60, of Allen, last Thursday, at Martin; Oscar H. Goodin, 74, of Martin, Friday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Green Amburgey, 72, formerly of this county, January 13, in a Columbus,

### **Fifty Years Ago**

(February 7, 1957)

A great part of Floyd County and eastern Kentucky, this week, was digging out of the mud and slime, left by last week's flood, the worst in the memory of any now living. The Big Sandy caused untold damage from its headwaters in Virginia, to a point past Paintsville, and while no estimate of the damage throughout the county has been undertaken, some damage estimates in Prestonsburg have been placed near \$10,000,000...Although the flood waters have abated, threat of an epidemic of disease is still hovering over the community, Russell E. M.D. warned. Teague, Monday...Prestonsburg lost contact with the world last Wednesday for 14 hours, and for another 41 hours had only one improvised telephone line to the outside...The midnight dynamiting, here, of Sheriff Gorman Collins' automobile, and that of Deputy Sheriff Silas DeRossett on Bull Creek, remained an unsolved case this week...Married: Miss Joyce Maxine Burchett, of the Auxier Road, and S-Sgt. John I. Stepp, recently at Elgin Air Force Base, Florida; Miss Juda Rae Bowser, of Brenen, Ind., and Mr. Jack D. Burke, formerly of Prestonsburg, January 11, at Silver Lake, Indiana...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Ken Miller, of Dayton, O., formerly of Maytown, a son, John VanLear, Jan. 23; to Mr. and Mrs. Harry LeViers, of Paintsville, a son, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Mrs. Kate Leslie Harris, 89, January 29, at her home at West Prestonsburg; Mrs. Maggie Yates, 43, of Drift, Saturday, at the McDowell Memorial Hospital; Cleve Ramey, 70, of Beaver, Friday, at the McDowell Memorial Hospital; George Tackett, 82, of East McDowell, Tuesday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Mrs. Arminda Amburgey, 89, of Betsy Layne, Tuesday, at the home of a daughter; Mrs. Zona Nelson Wallen, at Ypsilanti, Michigan.

### **Sixty Years Ago**

(January 30, 1947)

The Kentucky Court of Appeals, Tuesday, reversed the prohibition order of Circuit Judge Edward P. Hill, and directed that the legal sale of whiskey and beer in Floyd County may be continued until a final decision in the contest case, attacking the legality of the September local option election is reached in the courts...Stewart C. Cable, 35-year-old Wayland miner, was instantly killed, last Wednesday, when he was run over by a mine car inside the Elkhorn Coal Corporation mine at Wayland...Alex Goble, 70, Buffalo Creek native, was struck and killed, Saturday evening, when he ran across the highway here in front of the automobile of F. D. Ward, Prestonsburg news dealer...E. R. Burke, district conservation supervisor, said this week, that he had the promise of the Floyd Fiscal Court that, beginning July 1, it will include in its budget an appropriation necessary for county-wide forest fire prevention service...Noah Floyd Conn, 24, of Osborne, died Tuesday morning, a few minutes after he had fallen from a power line pole at Mouthcard, Pike County...Married: Miss Naomi Goble, formerly of Prestonsburg, and Mr. Lawrence H. Gagle, of Fort Wayne, Ind., January 18; Miss Cynthia Chappell, of Southampton, England, and Mr. Richard Layne Dingus, of Little Paint, December 31, at Little Paint...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sandige of Prestonsburg, a daughter-Harriet Ann-January 28, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Alexander of David, a daughter-Neva Mae-January 16, at the Paintsville Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Ola Gayheart of Maytown, a daughter, January 17, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. Kent Rose of Prestonsburg, a daughter, Saturday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Toy Sammons, 35, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, at St. Hospital, Huntington: Mary's Melvina Porter Fields, 50, of Allen, last Thursday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Betty Davidson, 62 at home, at Hueysville, Friday; Joe Terry, 61, of Wayland, Friday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; George McKennis, 70, of Left Beaver, Thursday, en route to the Stumbo Memorial Hospital, Lackey; Mrs. Jake Meade, 25, Saturday, at the home of her father, Bob Elliott, on Town Branch; Jackson (Hoss) Prater, 73 father of 28 children, last Thursday, at his home on Brush Creek; Susan Robinson Wright, 73, of Allen, last Thursday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin.

# **Seventy Years**

(January 29, 1937)

Harlan Childers, 23 years old, of Auxier, was killed, late Saturday night, when the auto in which he was a passenger collided with another on Mayo Trail near here, left the highway and plunged over an embankment, into the Big Sandy...In another tragedy, Saturday night, at approximately the same hour. Mrs. Cora Collins Tervie, 48, fell over an embankment into the backwaters of Beaver Creek, as she was walking along the edge of the road in Martin; Mrs. Tervie, a blind woman, was a resident Prestonsburg...Dorothy Layne, 15, of Betsy Layne, this week, became the third fatality of a highway tragedy which occurred January 10, when a hit-run truck struck a group of school girls on the highway at Betsy Layne. She died Saturday night at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville...There

### Oak

wart, then digging a little hole in the backyard and burying the pod. By the time the pod rotted, the wart would be gone.

You could also chop the head off an eel, rub it on the wart and then bury it, too. Same deal. As it rots in the ground, good-bye wart.

A few months ago, after I'd written a column about old-time cures, I received a letter from a lady in West Virginia who said when she was a little girl she had heard of kids wearing a live toad wrapped in a rag and hung by a string, around the wart-owners neck until the toad died. Then the

O., hospital.

wart would go away.

I also read, somewhere, that if you see a funeral procession, rub the wart and say, "Wart, wart, follow the corpse." Within a few months, the wart will be gone.

56, native of Floyd County, Saturday,

Of course, there are the old standbys: stump water, spitting on it every

morning, wrapping it with a hair from a horse's tail (or mane); or blowing on it nine times in the light of the

Since I've been writing about oldtime cures (and superstitions) for more than 20 years, I guess of all the wart-removal recipes that readers have suggested, this is the one I liked best: Make a face in the mirror at the stroke of midnight for three nights in

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died: Fair Allen, 35, at his home, at

West Prestonsburg, Thursday; Mrs.

Emma Ousley Napier, of Myrtle,

Friday, at the Paintsville Hospital."

If you know any more good cures, send them along in care of this news-

### Critter

abusive and the animal was injured or killed."

Shain warns that if people do choose to work with a trainer, they must be sure that the trainer's methods are safe. The HSUS offers these tips to help ensure that your dog is trained safely and successfully, as well as the red flags that may signal abusive training.

### **Red Flags:**

Trainers should never use electronic aids like shock collars which will hurt your dog and can damage your bond with him.

Rubbing your dog's nose in an "accident" will never work and will only confuse your dog. This method is harmful, unnecessary, unsanitary, and shows your dog that you do things to him that are scary and unpleasant.

Screaming is not training. While a confident tone of voice is helpful, yelling may work against you by instilling fear in the dog. Dogs will learn better when they feel safe and secure. Screaming takes that feeling away.

If your dog is afraid of a trainer, you should be, too. A dog who is not normally fearful should not be cowering or whimpering around a trainer. If your dog is not comfortable, the training will not be successful and you should stop the session immediately.

Never let a trainer dominate you or your dog. People who try to physically dominate their dogs may get bitten. Trainers should never sit on, kneel on, or otherwise force your dog onto his back. Do not allow anyone to talk you into doing this. Your dog may try to bite or could get seriously injured from this process.

■ Choking is not training. Always avoid the use of choke-type collars and trainers who would lift a dog off of the ground by his collar. Recent scientific studies show that choke collars cause injury. Even if the trainer uses a regular collar or harness, they should never yank your dog Continued from p5

around on the leash. ■ "Don't worry, he's fine," is something a trainer should never have to say. If your trainer is constantly reassuring you that their methods are safe, it's time to look for another trainer. Training techniques should always appear safe without reassurances.

Physical violence is unacceptable. This may seem obvious, but never let a trainer hit or kick your dog. Such methods are ineffective, dangerous, and possibly illegal. Training should never be abusive.

■ Bleeding is bad. Your dog should never bleed, vomit, or foam at the mouth as the result of a training session. If any of these things occur, contact your veterinarian immediately. Injuries should not be a part of a

training session. ■ Trust your instincts. If you are ever concerned or uncomfortable with anything that your trainer is doing to your dog, end the session. Your dog depends on you to keep him safe, and you have an obligation to speak up to protect him.

For more information visit www.humanesociety.org



### Walk

The only way rhubarb was any good was in a strawberry and rhubarb pie.

I looked up on the hill at the cows picking grass. I was a little worried about the bull - it weighed easily a good 900 pounds. Thankfully, he never paid me any mind. I guess the only thing he cared about was the

Well, I walked to the draw bars, put them back up and headed on up the road to Grandma's house. I noticed the family pet groundhog that we all called a "whistle pig," digging in the garden. Grandma loved that old groundhog to death. She would say, "Come her, whistle

pig" and he would come to her. As I walked up that hot, dusty road, I said to myself, "I'll see Grandma soon now, but there's one more thing I must do before I go in the house. That being to go over to the hen house in the big bottom and gather the eggs." The reason I thought about the eggs was them old chickens were cackling away and I knew when you heard hens a-clucking, you would find eggs in their

That Grandma! She had all kinds of chickens - Rhode Island Reds, White Half-leggens, and domers, to name a few. But she didn't even have one game chicken on the place. She never cared about them and said they were "good for nuthin." She liked them big old fat hens for chicken and dumplings and she sure knew how to cook them.

Well, I opened the gate to the chicken lot and went to the hen house, where the door stood open. I just walked right on in and picked me up two eight pound lard buckets and started gathering eggs. You may think I'm lying, but I gathered a bucket and a half. Then I walked back across the dirt road and opened the gate that lead up to Grandma's house.

When I opened that gate, I knew I had entered into that world where I would be bragged on. I knew Grandma would say, "Here comes my little blue-eyed, blonde-headed boy!" Grandma liked to say that I was "the prettiest boy in all the

world." Well, I was right. Grandma saw me, she stopped what she was doing and said, "Here comes my little blue-eyed, blondeheaded boy! You sit down them eggs

and come and give Grandma a hug!" I sat my buckets down and ran over to her and she hugged me so

tight I thought I might break! Grandma said, "Goldia let you come up to stay all night?"

I said, "Yes, Grandma."

She said, "When did you leave

I told her around 9 o'clock. She said, "Lord-a-mercy, what have you been doin'? It's 12 noon, now!" Then she said, "Never mind, I know you stopped and talked to everyone you saw! Here, let me look at you!" I thought to myself, "I'll have to take a bath and wash behind my ears after Grandma looks me over!"

Sure enough, she said, "It's time to take a bath. I'll get the bathtub."

The bathtub was a big long wash tub made like a bathtub. Grandma went out behind the house and took the tub down off the house from where it was hanging. That tub always hung on a 20-penny nail at the back of the house. In fact, there were three tubs hanging on nails back there. One being long and the other two being round.

An old time wood and coal burning stove was used for cooking and heating water. There were two reservoirs at each end of the stove that held about eight gallons of water in each end of the cook stove. So, the stove was for cooking and was the family water heater, too.

Grandma pulled back the curtain to a little room where she kept canned food, food like sauerkraut and beans that she had canned herself, and placed the bathtub in the middle of the room. I offered to carry the hot water for her because I knew it was heavy.

Once the tub was filled, Grandma brought me some clean clothes, a

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clean towel and a washcloth. Then she gave me a big bar of homemade lye soap that I had helped her make last fall at hog-killin' time. We used it to bathe with and to wash our hair.

dishes with. I took off my dirty clothes and jumped into the nice, warm water. I took a large cup and poured water on my head and began to wash my hair with that dark vellow bar of homemade soap. That soap made a per-

It was also used to wash clothes and

son's body feel so soft and clean! After awhile, Grandma said, "Ralph, it's time to get out of the tub now. Put on your clothes and come

on back out." My grandma was one of the cleanest people I have ever known. She never had a hair out of place and her house was neat as a pin. As I ate the food she had prepared for me, I thought about the long day I had had walking up that dusty road. A'fifteen minute trip that always seefned to take me about three hours!" I thought about the people I had seen and visited with and about the birds

I had heard singing. I knew every tree, remembered every big rock in the creek. I always noticed the things around me and I asked a lot of questions. I talked a.... lot and loved living. For the rest of that afternoon, Grandma just let'melay around like the lazy old hound dog that had come with me, on her front porch. Every day I was there.... Grandma's house was like an escapefrom reality. I looked at my Uncle Virgil's comic books, drew stick people on a brown paper "poke," and catnapped, dreaming about my journey up that dusty road. Every boy should take at least one barefooted walk up a dusty dirt road at some time in his life.

### **Jenny Wiley Theatre 2007 SUMMER SEASON Schedule**

orever Plaid - All Performances inside the Wilkinson/Stumbo Convention Center. Rated G

Disney's High School Musical - All Performances on the Amphitheatre Stage. Rated G

West Side Story - All Performances on the Amphitheatre Stage.

Children's Production All Performances on the Amphitheatre Stage. Rated G

Forever Plaid Opening Dinner Theatre

Forever Plaid Performance Only - 4 for \$40

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Forever Plaid Performance Only

Forever Plaid Luncheon Matinee

Disney's High School Musical Preview

Disney's High School Musical - 4 for \$40

Forever Plaid Performance Only - 4 for \$40

Children's Production (TBA)

Children's Production (TBA)

Disney's High School Musical

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Children's Production (TBA)

West Side Story - 4 for \$40

Forever Plaid Dinner

Disney's High School Musical

West Side Story

Children's Production (TBA) Disney's High School Musical

Forever Plaid Luncheon Matinee

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Forever Plaid Luncheon Matinee

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Korner LOT'S WIFE

Saturday 18

The Sunday School teacher was describing how Lot's wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Jason interrupted, "My Mummy looked back once, while she was driving," he announced triumphantly, "and she turned into a telephone pole!"

### GOOD SAMARITAN

A Sunday School teacher was telling her class the story of the Good Samaritan, in which a man was beaten. robbed and left for dead. She described the situation in vivid detail so her students would catch the drama. Then, she asked the class, "If you saw a person lying on the roadside, all bounded and bleeding, what would you do?" A thoughtful little girl broke the hushed silence, "I think I'd throw up."

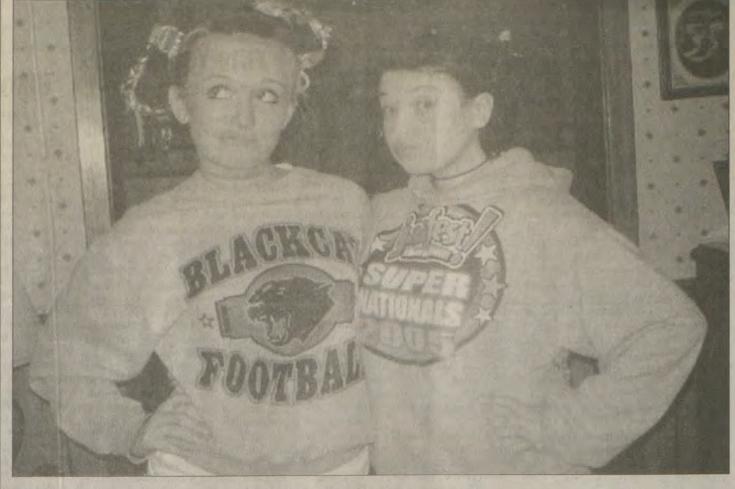
DID NOAH FISH? A Sunday School teacher

■ Continued from p1 asked, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark?" "No," replied Johnny. "How could he, with just two worms?"

### THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible; Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the verse. Little Rick was excited about the task - but, he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Rickey was nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, "The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know.'

Til Next Week God Bless



I enjoy being a girl ....?

Spending some time together and studying the art of "beauty," PHS students Nikki Bradley, left, and Liz Baldridge, right, ponder the necessity of it all. Editor's Note: It's brains, not beauty, girls, that will matter most! (But neither of you are lacking in either category, so rest well, lovely lasses!)



### 55 local students perform in The Little Mermaid

The Greater Hazard Area Performing Arts Series attracted 55 kids from six different school districts and 14 different schools in the region for the Saturday, Jan. 13 performance of The Little Mermaid, presented by Missoula Children's Theatre. The following performers participated in the show. Following each name is the school they attend. The code for

the schools is: Big Creek Elementary (BC), Buckhorn School (B), Dennis Wooton Elementary (DW), Hazard High School (HHS), Home School (HS), Jackson City Schools (JC), Knott County Central HS (KCC), Marie Roberts-Caney Elementary (MRC), tha Jane Potter Elementary (MJP), Perry County HS (PCC), Robinson Elementary (R), Roy G. Eversole Middle

School (RGE), Walkertown Primary School (W), Viper (V). The actors were: Brittany Claussen (BC), Sierra Kiser (MJP), Cassandra Combs (PCC), Hannah East (RGE), Jacob Woods (HHS), Chase Stamper (KCC), Stephen Bailey (PCC), Kristin Commes (BC), Amanda Ashworth (V), Katie Driskill (HS), Paige Gray (R), George Hall (V), Taylor Miniard (RGE), Maddison Niece (RGE), Heather Reynolds (HS), Katie Smith (HHS), Tori Wells (RGE), Ryan Williams (V), Cillesha Ashworth (V), Amanda Barnett (DW), Dylan Cole (RGE), Gabby Collins (DW), Megan Evans (RGE), Hannah Gabbard (B), Sara Gibbs (JC), Marjorie Hammonds (RGE), Trevor Herald (RGE), Jasmine Jent (RGE), Seth Lewis (V),, Saloani Malhotra (RGE), Kelly Martin (RGE), Whitney Noble (SMS), Hailey O'Hair (MRC), Mariah Tiller (DW), Kelly Ashworth (V), Britney Bolling (HS), Hannah Claussen (BC), Mary Daniels (RGE), Adnan Koura (RGE), Hannah Melton (DW), Frank Claussen (BC), Zachary Combs (DW), Braxton Cottongame (W), Alexa Davidson (W), Grace Driskill (HS), Alex Gibbs (JC), Cassie Gray (R), Morgan Martin (RGE), Vada Miller (W), Marryn Mobelini (W), Elly Morris (RGE), Rachel Noble (RGE), Allie O'Hair (MRC), Hope Watts (W), Hannah Whitaker (V) Assistant Directors, Ashley Bradley (HS), Dan Wilcox;

accompanist, Letha Patterson; Professor Thumper Dumper, Mr. Merman, Royal Marriage Broker & Starfish, Chris Harbur, Shirnest Tolbert, MCT Tour Actor/Director.

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Although he needs no introduction, we'll go ahead and give him one anyway. Ralph was born in Dickenson County, Virginia, where he still resides when he's not on the road. After 55 years in the business, he's still the best banjo picker and tenor singer in bluegrass music. As a recording artist, he has performed on more than 170 albums, tapes, and CDs. He's also written many songs himself and with his brother, the late Carter Stanley. Ralph's played throughout the United States and in many foreign lands, too, including several tours of Japan. In addition to the many honors Ralph has received as a bluegrass musician, including membership on the Grand Ole Opry, he is also a Shriner, a member of the Primitive Baptist Universalist Church, and active in his local community, having served on the Dickenson County School Board. Ralph is married to Jimmi Stanley, and they have two daughters, Lisa and Tonya, and, of course, one son, Ralph II.

The Clinch Mountain Boys currently live in scattered communities in the mountains of Virginia, Tennessee, and Kentucky. They meet up in Coeburn, where their tour bus is parked and head out on the road. Their typical work week starts on Wednesday or Thursday and wraps up on Sunday, when they normally head in home for a couple days of welldeserved rest before starting out all over again.

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financial aid programs.

"We are very honored and excited to have Midway College join our partnership,' stated Ron Daley, director of the UCM. "Midway offers quality degree completion programs now in 20 sites across the Commonwealth creating access to bachelor degrees for students of all ages including working adults. Midway is responding to community demand to offer these accelerated bachelor degree completion programs through the UCM.

According to Dr. William B. Drake, president of Midway College, "Forming a partnership with the UCM allows us to expand our current relationship with the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) and continue our mission to bring our programs to students who want to continue their education. We feel that bringing our accelerated bachelor degree completion programs to the students allows them to maintain their normal schedule of work and family life and earn a degree that will provide innumerable benefits for both their families and their communities.

Dr. James R. Wombles, Midway's Vice President and Dean of Admissions, added, "We have been aware of the excellent work and successes by UCM in providing bachelor degree programs in the Kentucky River Area Development District, and we

are particularly pleased to be partnered with Hazard Community and Technical College, KCTCS, and the

other fine institutions that

make up UCM." In addition to President

Drake and Dr. Wombles, the other Midway College officials in attendance were Dr. William Brown, the VP and Dean for the Midway School of Career Development and Dr. Charles Roberts, the chairman of the education department.

The four new degree completion programs bring the total to 25 degrees offered by the six UCM partners, which include Midway College, Eastern Kentucky University, Hazard Community College, Technical Kentucky Community and Technical College System, Lindsey Wilson College and Morehead State University.

The UCM partnership began in July 2003 with the four public partners: Eastern Kentucky University, Morehead State University, the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, and Hazard Community Technical College. Following the procedures to add partners and degree programs based on needs in the region, independent institutions, Lindsey Wilson College and Midway College have joined the part-

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