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ACS to hold job fair

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg Office of Employment and Training will host a job fair for ACS of Pikeville on March 22, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ACS will be recruiting to fill approximately 150 positions. The company offers paid training, competitive pay with periodic raises and the opportunity to earn bonuses each pay period. Benefits available include medical, dental, vision, company paid life insurance, paid leave and more.

Applicants must be able to type 30 words per minute, have basic computer skills, and pass a data entry test, drug screen and background check.

Conference to honor Eastern Ky. leaders

by JESSICA HALE
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — Several topics will be addressed during the two-day 20th annual East Kentucky Leadership Conference scheduled to be held in Pikeville next month.

The conference will begin on April 26 at the East Kentucky Expo Center

and will include discussions on health issues, mountaintop removal and the candidates for governor.

On Thursday, April 26, sessions will include "Your Invitation to the World of Wellness" from 9 a.m. until noon and a youth leadership seminar entitled "Making a Difference Today" will take place from 1:30 until 4 p.m. Keynote speaker Dr. Grady Stumbo will address

attendees while reviewing the history of the conference and the awards showcase, honoring outstanding leaders in the region.

Sessions on the following Friday will be held at the Pikeville College's Booth Auditorium at 8 a.m. and conclude at the Pikeville City Park with a gubernatorial candidates' forum at 1 p.m.

Other sessions including a "Town Hall Meeting on the Health of Our Region: Why are Eastern Kentuckians Sicker than the rest of the State?" will feature a panel of leading health experts from throughout the state. A free health screening will be conducted by the Pikeville College School of

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TRAFFIC TIE-UP



photo by Jessica Hale

This accident on U.S. 23 at the Highlands Hospital exit held up traffic for quite some time on Friday. A flatbed truck and a small pickup collided in a head on collision. Details of the accident were not available at press time.

Magoffin business sued for back taxes

by JESSICA HALE
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A Magoffin County excavating company is being sued by the federal government for nearly \$200,000 in unpaid taxes.

According to the complaint, Chad W. Rice, the owner of Rice Brother's Excavating and Well Service, owes \$183,112.31 to the Internal Revenue Service for unpaid federal income taxes which have been accumulating since

1996. A tax lien was filed against Rice on Oct. 31, 2005. In March 2006, the IRS issued a Notice of Levy on Wages, Salary and Other Income upon the company. A final demand for payment was issued in June 2006.

Court documents say that the company has failed and refused to surrender payment. The government is seeking the full amount owed plus any additional interest that may apply now or incur in the future until paid.

GOP leaders split in Republican primary

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The woman who helped revive the Kentucky Republican Party will co-host a Lexington fundraiser for Gov. Ernie Fletcher's re-election campaign next week.

"I'm supporting Gov. Fletcher," said Ellen Williams, the former Republican Party chairwoman who was in charge when the GOP took majority control of the state Senate and when Fletcher was elected as Kentucky's first Republican governor in more than 30 years year.

Meanwhile, former Republican Party chairman

Darrell Brock, who left the job on March 1, is co-hosting a fundraiser in the same town next week for a Fletcher challenger, former U.S. Rep. Anne Northup of Louisville.

At least four other former heads of the GOP favor Northup, showing the divided loyalties in the Kentucky Republican Party with the May 22 primary approaching.

"I think Fletcher's poll numbers have deteriorated so far that I don't see any possible way for him to win in November against any of the Democrats," said Bob Gable, a Northup supporter who headed the Republican Party from 1986-1994. "I

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Complaint filed against Henry campaign

by BRETT BARROUQUERE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — A former campaign aide to gubernatorial candidate Steve Henry filed an election finance complaint Friday alleging Henry improperly raised money for his state race through a federal campaign committee.

Leslie Holland, who served as Henry's campaign manager and spokeswoman last fall, made the allegations in a complaint filed with the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance, according to Oliver Barber Jr., an attorney representing Holland.

Henry's campaign manager,

C.D. Marshall, said Friday he hasn't seen the complaint.

"It doesn't sound like it's accurate," Marshall said. "It doesn't sound like it's real. We've made every effort to follow the rules."

Marshall said Henry was not in the office. A message was not immediately returned.

Sarah Jackson, executive director of the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance, said she could not confirm if Holland had filed the complaint because complaints are not public until the accused has an opportunity to respond.

Barber, the attorney filing the complaint on behalf of Holland, said the alleged use of

funds raised for a federal campaign for a gubernatorial bid instead should be investigated.

"I think it casts a serious doubt on his campaign and the legitimacy of his fundraising tactics," Barber said. "I'm just asking the registry to do its job."

Henry is one of seven Democrats seeking the nomination in the May 22 primary.

Documents filed with Holland's complaint included lists of names, check numbers and dollar amounts, some of them handwritten. Holland's complaint said the lists contain donors who gave to Henry

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Record elk trophy on display at May Lodge

by JESSICA HALE
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A bull elk taken by Franklin Scott, of Floyd County, is now on display at the Jenny Wiley State Park Lodge in Prestonsburg.

Scott took the elk in Knott County during last year's annual draw hunt. Not only is this elk the new state record typical bull, but also Kentucky's first Boone and Crockett Club record elk.

According to the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, the bull's final score easily surpassed the former state record score of 319

6/8 with a whopping 361 4/8 score. The Boone and Crockett Club officially recognizes trophy elk when it scores at least 360.

"It's a once-in-a-lifetime thing," Scott said. "I'll cherish it, that's for sure."

In 1997, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife, together with the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, began restoring free ranging elk to Kentucky. An estimated 5,700 elk are now ranging freely throughout southeastern Kentucky.

"This is the first bull we've had that qualifies for the Boone and Crockett three-year awards

program," said Tina Brunjes, big game program coordinator for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. "Having Boone and Crockett caliber animals is indicative of the overall quality of our elk resource. We have a healthy elk herd now. It's time to grow it and manage it."

The massive bull elk is situated on a wall in the main building at the lodge. A plaque honoring Scott's accomplishment hangs below it.

"We are fortunate and very honored (Scott) chose to give us the opportunity to display it here at the park," said Park Manager Scott Ringham.



The taker of this record bull elk killed in Knott County donated the mount to the Jenny Wiley Lodge to display in the lobby in their main building.

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Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

■ Kathy Angela Brown Allen, 42, of Garrett, died Saturday, March 10, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 13, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Erika "Oma" Bales, 71, of Wellington, Kansas, died Tuesday morning, March 13, at the Summer Regional Medical Center, in Wellington. Funeral services were held Friday, March 16, under the direction of Hawks Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Wellington.

■ Edna H. Franklin, 83, of McDowell, died Monday, March 12, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Dr. Robert "Bob" Goodman, 71, of Harrodsburg, a native of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, March 11, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Janet Elizabeth Ward Goodman. A memorial service will be scheduled at a later date. Ransdell Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

■ Henry Harvey, 56, of Martin, died Thursday, March 8, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland. Funeral services were held Sunday, March 11, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Patricia Ann Brodwer Little, 63, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, March 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. She is survived by her husband, Rodney Little. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Kathleen Allen Litton, 76, of Martin, died Tuesday, March 13, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 17, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ William B. Maynard Jr., 59, of Endicott, died Sunday, March 11, at his residence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Margaret Gayheart Meade, 93, of McDowell, died Saturday, March 10, in the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, March 13, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Lois Perry Nemet, 86, of Riverview, Michigan, formerly of Wheelwright, died Monday, March 12. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 17, under the direction of Steen Funeral Home, Central Avenue Chapel, in Ashland.

■ Toby Sergent, 64, of Ashland, a native of Hueysville, died Sunday, March 11, at the Community Hospice Center in Ashland. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 13, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier

Funeral Home.

■ William C. Stumbo Sr., 87, of Cookeville, Tennessee, a Floyd County native, died Wednesday, February 28, at Cookeville Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 3, under the direction of Crest Lawn Funeral Home, Cookeville, Tennessee.

PIKE COUNTY

■ Jane Ford Adkins, 62, of Fords Branch, died Tuesday, March 13, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Fred "Toby" Adkins. Funeral services were held Friday, March 16, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

■ Billie Jean Brogan, 74, of Great Cacapon, W.Va., a native of Stone, died Friday, March 9, at Winchester Medical Center, Winchester, Va. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 17. Interment will follow later at the Brogan family farm.

■ Carmel Clark, of Pikeville, died Friday, March 9. Arrangements are under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ Arthur Gibson, 91, of Pikeville, died Thursday, March 8, at Cedar Creek Assisted living. He is survived by his wife, Myrtle Gibson. Funeral services were held Sunday, March 11, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ James Marvin Goff, 86, of Dandridge, Tenn., a native of Millard, died Sunday, March 11, at Jefferson Memorial Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Mildred Goff. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 13, under the direction of Farrar Funeral Home.

■ Charles Ivan "Chuck" Griffith, 48, of Pikeville, died Monday, March 12, at Feds Creek, the result of injuries suffered in a surface mining accident. He is survived by his wife, Lida Collins Williamson. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ Geneva Stamper Hamilton, 84, of Harold, died Wednesday, March 14, at Pikeville Health Care Center. Funeral services were held Friday, March 16, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ Lexie Tackett Hampton, 90, of Virgie, died Thursday, March 8, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, March 11, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

■ Adam Holloway, 42, of Pikeville, formerly of Little Mud Creek, died Monday, March 12, in Louisville. He is survived by his wife, Alice "Spencer" Holloway. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under direction of Community Funeral Home.

■ Joshua W. Johnson, 22, of Bowling Fork, died Friday, March 9, at his home. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 13, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Daniel Quentin "Danny" Justice, 62, of Pikeville, died

Monday, March 12, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Gatha Robinson Justice. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ Opal Adams Kious, 77, of Newark, Ohio, a native of Pike County, died Sunday, March 11, at the Licking Memorial Hospital, Newark. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 14, under the direction of Pikeville Funeral Home.

■ Jessie R. Meadows, 47, of Green Cove Springs, Florida, a native of Pikeville, died Sunday, March 11. He is survived by his wife, Caroline Meadows. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under direction of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home.

■ Aster Mullins, 82, of Beehive Road of Dorton, died Tuesday, March 13, at Jenkins Community Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Nobie Looney Mullins. Funeral services were held Friday, March 16, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

■ Audrey June Mullins, 73, of Jenkins, a native of McRoberts, died Thursday, March 8, in Lexington. Funeral services were held Monday, March 12, under the direction of Polly & Craft Funeral Home.

■ Eddy Putty, 60, of Fords Branch, died Wednesday, March 14, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Sandy Adkins Putty. Funeral services will be held Sunday, March 18, at 1 p.m., in the Lucas & Son Funeral Chapel.

■ George Ray, 72, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, March 13, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Blanche Newsome Ray. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 17, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Savanna Marie Stewart, 19, of Pikeville, died Thursday, March 8, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, W.Va. Funeral services were held Monday, March 12, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Judy Kay Stiltner, 56, of Steele, died Saturday, March 10, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 13, under direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Elmer K. "Buddy" Williams, 81, of Greasy Creek, died Wednesday, March 14, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Arlene Thacker Williams. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 17, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Alka Estep Arms, 94, of Staffordsville, died Friday, March 9, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home, Paintsville. Funeral services were held Monday, March 12, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Widson J. "Chick" Carroll, 81, of Paintsville, died Saturday, March 10, at Salyersville Health Care Center. He is survived by his wife, Vivian Hawkins Carroll. Funeral services were held Tuesday, March 13, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Donald R. Conley, 67, of Mount Sterling, a Johnson County native, Montgomery County's first transplant recipient, died Saturday, March 10. He is survived by his wife, Betty Collins Conley. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 14, under the direction of Herald & Stewart Home for Funerals.

■ Veneda Crum Driggs, 79, of Elyria, Ohio, a Johnson County native, died Friday, March 9, at Center Ridge Health Campus in North Ridgeville, Ohio. Graveside services were held Monday, March 12, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Paul C. Fraim, 79, of Campbellsville, a native of Paintsville, died Monday, March 12, in Campbellsville. He is survived by his wife, Anne Landreth Fraim. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 14, under the direction of Parrott and Ramsey Funeral Home.

■ Hardis Joel Hitchcock, 74, of Volga, died Saturday, March 10, at Edgewood Nursing Home in Port Clinton, Ohio. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ William H. "Bill" Runyon, 78, of Paintsville, died Monday, March 12, at the V.A. Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY

■ Ramey Wireman, died March 5. He is survived by his

wife, Bessie Allen Wireman. Magoffin County Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

■ Lula Ellen Kelley, 95, of Louisa, died Monday, March 12, in Three Rivers Medical Center in Louisa. Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 14, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

■ Irene Clark Sowards, 90, of South Shore, a Lawrence County native, died Tuesday, March 13, at her residence. Funeral services will be Friday, March 16, under the direction of Morton Funeral

Home, South Shore.

■ Lucy Hensley Young, 97, of Louisa, died Monday, March 12, in St. Mary's Medical Center in Huntington, West Virginia. She is survived by her husband, Ernest Allan Young. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

MARTIN COUNTY

■ Colleen Delong, 69, of Debord, died Saturday, March 10, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services

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Conference

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Osteopathic Medicine and Pikeville College's Elizabeth Akers Elliot Nursing Program.

Also, 20 outstanding leaders in the region's history will be honored during the conference.

According to Bill Weinberg, chairman of the East Kentucky Leadership Foundation Board, the board wants to increase knowledge about leaders whose lives have had a significant impact.

"We have no illusion that we can name the 20 outstanding leaders in our region's history," said Weinberg. "There are likely hundreds of people who could be included on the list."

In addition to honoring these 20 individuals, the leadership foundation will also honor several outstanding contemporary leaders in the fields of public individual, private individual, organization, cul-

ture/arts and media on Thursday evening at the Expo Center.

Registration for the conference is \$30 and will be accepted on both days of the conference.

Fate of runoff election remains uncertain in legislature

by BRUCE SCHREINER ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Lawmakers adjourned Monday night without reaching a decision on whether to abolish the state's runoff election.

The Senate had proposed eliminating the runoff, which would follow the May 22 primary if none of the candidates for governor received at least 40 percent of the vote. The House favored keeping the election.

The issue carries big political stakes in this year's crowded race for governor — which has attracted seven Democrats and three Republicans.

Uncertainty about the runoff's fate will linger for a couple of weeks. Lawmakers will return to the Capitol on March 26 for the final two days of the 2007 session, leaving the gubernatorial candidates in suspense until then.

The proposed repeal drew bipartisan support Monday night in the Senate.

Sen. Damon Thayer, R-Georgetown, said the repeal

would avoid an unnecessary election that would cost taxpayers between \$5 million and \$8 million.

Democratic Sen. Tim Shaughnessy of Louisville called it a "significant expense that frankly doesn't seem to be warranted."

Gov. Ernie Fletcher, who is running for re-election, later said he would be "inclined" to sign the runoff repeal if the bill reaches his desk.

The measure passed the Senate on a 31-4 vote and returned to the House, which

voted 90-7 last week to preserve the runoff and, to appease county officials, have the state pick up the entire cost of a runoff election.

House Majority Leader Rocky Adkins said Monday night that the House would likely reject the Senate version and send the matter to a House-Senate conference committee.

"Most of our members, I believe, feel more comfortable with keeping the runoff, but putting in the money to pay for it," Adkins, D-Sandy Hook, said in an interview.

He said the House might consider repealing the runoff for future elections.

But Adkins said there appeared to an unwillingness among House Democrats to alter the dynamics of a governor's race that's already under way.

"We're already in an election cycle, the rules are in place," he said.

Under state law, a runoff election would be held if a sin-

gle candidate for governor does not get at least 40 percent of the vote in the primary. The top two candidates would go into a runoff taking place 35 days after the votes are certified.

The provision has been on the books since 1992 but so far never used.

The odds of a runoff coming into play increased this year with the flock of candidates running in the gubernatorial primaries.

Convicted

before he filed to run for governor in January and selected Renee True, the Fayette County Property Valuation Administrator, as his running mate.

Kentucky law has no provision for exploratory commit-

tees for gubernatorial candidates — they must file to run in order to raise campaign funds.

Holland's complaint claims that Henry asked donors in December to make the contributions payable to "The Committee to Elect Dr. Steve

Henry to U.S. Senate."

Henry, the lieutenant governor from 1995-2003, told supporters the money would be refunded once he selected a running mate and a new check could be made out to the gubernatorial campaign, the

complaint said.

Henry, a Louisville physician, created his Senate campaign committee in 1997, when he unsuccessfully sought the Democratic nomination for the seat won by Republican Jim Bunning in 1998. Henry kept the committee open and active since then, while forgoing U.S. Senate races in 2002 and 2004.

At the end of 2006, Henry's Senate committee had \$104,464.09 cash on hand. From 2000 to 2006, the committee raised and spent a total of more than \$1 million, according to documents filed by Henry with the Federal Election Commission.

As of Dec. 31, the campaign committee owed a total of \$261,000, on a bank loan and a personal loan from Henry.

Marshall said the campaign committee has kept open because of the debt. Federal law prohibits closing a campaign committee as long as it owes money, Marshall said.

Primary

think it would be nice to have a Republican nominee who has a chance of winning."

Williams, who joined the Fletcher administration after resigning as head of the party, said she stands by the first-term governor. A former aide to President Reagan, Vice President George Bush and members of Congress over a 10-year period in Washington, Williams is listed as a co-host and \$1,000 contributor on an invitation to the fundraiser scheduled for Tuesday by Lexington homebuilders Don and Mira Ball.

Brock, also a former Fletcher administration official, is on the list of steering committee members and sponsors for a fundraiser set for Thursday at the home of

Lexington residents Dr. Byron and Judy Young.

Both Brock and Williams served as commissioner of the Governor's Office of Local Development and both left in the midst of a special grand jury investigation into the Fletcher administration's hiring practices. That grand jury indicted Fletcher on misdemeanor charges that he violated state hiring laws. The charges were later dismissed in a deal with prosecutors.

Other former heads of Kentucky's GOP who told The Associated Press they support Northup include Clyde Middleton, who served in 1975, and Joe Whittle, party chairman in 1984.

"I am certainly not for Ernie Fletcher," said Whittle,

a former U.S. attorney.

Whittle said he was repelled by Fletcher's issuance of pardons to everyone on his staff who had been or might later be indicted by the grand jury. Whittle said those pardons prevented Kentuckians from ever knowing the truth about the state hiring scandal.

"That really bothered me," he said.

Former Republican chairman Terry Carmack, who served 10 years as Northup's chief of staff, said the scandal has damaged Fletcher and the GOP needs a stronger candidate to face the Democrats.

"There's too much at stake to give that up after four very tough years," he said.

Obituaries

were held Wednesday, March 14, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Edward Lee Fannin, 53, of Tomahawk, died Saturday, February 24, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland. Memorial services were held Friday, March 2, under the direction of Jones-Peston Funeral Home.

■ Pearl Bowen Reed, 65, of Inez, died Monday, March 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Thursday, March 15, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Wilburn Sheridan Small, 88, a native of Lovely, died Friday, March 9, at the J.J. Jordan Nursing Home, in Louisa. Funeral services were held Monday, March 11, under

the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

■ Mary Miller Yost, 82, of Calif Creek, died Monday, March 5, at her residence.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 8, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

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Historic Cushing Hall wins award

Prestonsburg, Ky: Brandon Akers, Vice President and Partner of Alliance Corporation accepted the Historic Preservation award for the renovation of Cushing Hall on the campus of Alice



Lloyd College in Pippa Passes, Kentucky. The award for historic preservation (under \$5 million) was announced during the Associated General Contractor's annual banquet on Friday, February 9th, at the Lexington Center in Lexington, Kentucky.



Built in 1928, Cushing Hall is regarded as one of the most historically significant buildings on the Alice Lloyd College Campus. Alliance Corporation completely restored the facility which has served as the

campus hub for over 70 years. Project Manager, Derrick Akers said, "the Cushing Hall Renovation is a once in a lifetime project where you implement the technologies of today into a part of Appalachian history."

In addition to the Historic Preservation Award, Alliance Corporation also accepted the award for Building (\$11-25 million) and the Overall Best Project award, both for Royal Spring Middle School in Scott County, Kentucky. "This has been a great night for the employees and clients of Alliance Corporation," said Thomas E. Gumm, President and Co-Founder of Alliance Corporation.

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— Felix Frankfurter

Guest view

Time to face facts

Governor Fletcher bristles at the suggestion that Kentucky lags behind other states in economic growth. And he questions the source of studies that show Kentucky losing ground — studies like the Tax Foundation's annual State Business Tax Climate Index that shows Kentucky ranked 39th and falling.

The governor cites studies of his own that show Kentucky's economy rebounding, with thousands of new jobs, reduced state government, lowered taxes and new businesses moving into the Commonwealth.

Sitting down with us in his Capitol office ... the governor listed rapid-fire accomplishments to which his administration lays claim. In the battle of economic measures, Fletcher has good reason for choosing those that reflect progress — he's locked in a tight re-election campaign in the Republican primary.

But Fletcher also acknowledges that the state is not doing well as some southern states in attracting new business. He hesitantly mentions one by name — Tennessee. Our neighbor to the south makes Kentucky's growth seem anemic, and the governor doesn't want to draw attention to Tennessee's superior business climate — business owners looking to relocate might be listening.

Fletcher said Tennessee has two enormous advantages over Kentucky for businesses looking for a place to locate: Tennessee is a right-to-work state and it has no state income tax. ...

Fletcher considers his tax reform one of his chief accomplishments. He says his tax reforms have reduced taxes for 78 percent of Kentuckians. His reforms have shifted some of the tax burden from Kentucky residents to nonresidents. An example of that, he says, is the alternative minimum tax. ...

He admits the tax net has caught some small businesses it was not intended to, but he says the tax is being modified to exempt those businesses. Small businesses, those grossing less than \$3 million a year, are exempt, he says.

He said tax experts his administration consulted told him the alternative minimum tax would not stifle the economy but would stimulate growth. That is exactly what has happened, he says.

He says the state has created between 60,000 and 100,000 new jobs, attracted hundreds of new companies and reduced corporate income tax from 8.25 percent to 6 percent, which has resulted in more tax revenue for the state. "Corporate profits are up, and that's where the majority of the increased revenue is coming from," he said. "Our growth has been pretty good."

At the same time the state is creating private sector jobs, Fletcher says, he has cut the state payroll by 2,000 jobs (4 percent) through attrition.

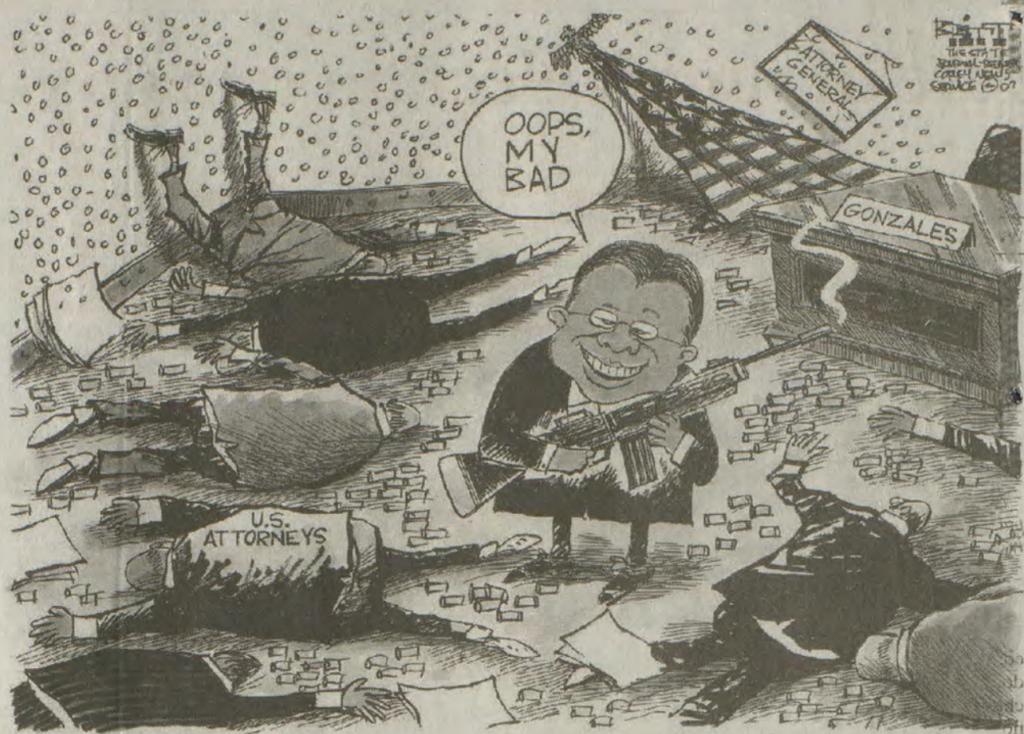
And after inheriting a budget shortfall projected at \$750 million, he has put the state in the black with repeated surpluses, included over \$400 million projected this budget cycle.

There's no denying that the governor, in his first term, has made strides in improving the state's economy. But while Fletcher is comparing Kentucky's economy today with Kentucky's economy yesterday, his opponents will be comparing Kentucky's economy today with other states in the region — today.

The governor needs to take an honest look at how Kentucky compares with other states using any objective source, including that Tax Foundation comparison. The foundation's index places 113 variables into five indexes that each measure a different sector of a state's business tax climate: corporate tax, individual income tax, sales tax, unemployment tax and property tax. Based on that index, Kentucky has dropped from 29th to 39th since 2004.

If Kentucky has indeed improved its tax structure to make it more attractive to business, it has done less than its neighbors. We may not be moving backward, but we're not keeping pace with states that are moving forward faster.

Facing up to that fact will be the first step toward catching up. — *The Paducah Sun*



— Rich Lowry Column

Obama runs on Obama

DURHAM, N.H. — You know you're at a Barack Obama rally when there is a student in the front waving a "Liberals Are Sexy" sign.

A couple thousand people are packed in the University of New Hampshire field house, tingling with anticipation over Obama's imminent arrival. When he finally comes out, there is a long, raucous welcome that almost seems to justify the lyrics of the Foo Fighters song blasting from the loudspeakers, "It's times like these you learn to live again."

The question for Obama is whether he can live up to the excitement around his candidacy and forge it into something solid. Tonight's performance — where the Illinois senator, at the end of his announcement tour, might have been tired — suggests the answer is "no."

He dodges a question about North Korea, and "ums" and "uhs" sprinkle his talk. Eventually, a kid gets up in the back and asks for "concrete examples of actions you're going to take." There's a smattering of applause for the pointed question.

Obama is smart enough to be able to talk intelligently about nearly anything, but it usually feels like he's a glib amateur. He has a troubled rela-

tionship to policy plans, which risks making his campaign of hope against cynicism seem merely hackneyed verbiage. It's hardly a new idea to attack the political process as too small-minded, money-grubbing and negative. In fact, it's commonplace.

Obama insists that he doesn't need more policy because he's written two books. But only if Obama were running on "finding himself" would his (beautiful) memoir of his early life, "Dreams From My Father," be a detailed manifesto. His new book, "The Audacity of Hope," has policy in it, but it's scattershot thoughts about addressing all of the nation's problems, not detailed plans.

It would be a simple thing for Obama to give a few policy speeches, but he seems to consider that beneath his inspirational style of leadership. "JFK said, 'Let's go to the moon,'" without knowing specifically how to get there, Obama explains to the crowd.

Ultimately, Obama offers himself — his reasonable and optimistic tone and his biography — as the salve for American politics. A critic will see here a characteristic self-involvement.

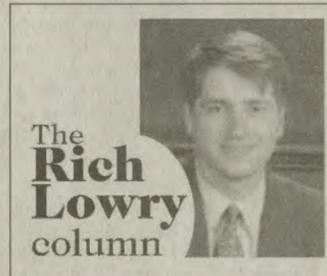
In "Dreams," a college friend tells him, "You always think everything's about you." In "Audacity," his wife similarly admonishes him, "You only think about yourself." And now his presidential campaign is all about him.

The unusual thing about the biographical basis of Obama's candidacy is how much of what makes it so compelling happened before about age 10 and was none of his doing. If his mother hadn't married a Kenyan and then an Indonesian man, if his background weren't so intriguing, he'd probably be just another ambitious senator.

Obama has strengths — he's winsome, a fresh face and has always been against the Iraq War. In his piling remark here, Obama says, "My rival in this race is not other candidates, it's cynicism."

But cynicism is not on the ballot. Other, formidable candidates are, whom Obama will not vanquish merely by the audaciousness of his audacity or the hopefulness of his hope.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



The Rich Lowry column

— beyond the beltway

The GOP has fallen into bad hands

by DONALD KAUL

Ann Coulter — she's that skinny blonde with the long hair and spooky eyes — makes her living calling people names. Liberal people, mainly, but she has other targets. Of the 9/11 widows of the victims of the Twin Towers attack she's said:

"I've never seen people enjoying their husbands' deaths so much. And by the way, how do we know their husbands weren't planning to divorce those harpies?"

You get the idea. She is the snowmobile of Conservative Republican politics — loud, raucous and polluting. She upheld that reputation in a recent speech to the Conservative Political Action Conference (the most important Conservative conference of the year).

As she neared the end of her "analysis" of Democratic presidential candidates, she said:

"I was going to have a few comments on the other Democratic presidential candidate, John Edwards, but it turns out that you have to go into rehab if you use the word 'faggot,' so I'm kind of at an impasse."

The line got a good laugh and some applause from the conservatives but not much of a rise from the press, which largely ignored it. But as word of the performance seeped out so did outrage. Edwards complained, Democrats complained, Republicans complained; even the Republican

presidential candidates complained. "Wildly inappropriate," John McCain called her comments.

She responded (on Fox News, naturally) by saying that "the word I used has nothing to do with sexual preference. It is a schoolyard taunt."

Oh, I guess it's OK then.

But the issue here isn't Ann Coulter. She is what she is. The real question is: Why were those people laughing? What in the world has happened to Republican Conservatives? Remember when the GOP was the party of nice people? When it was made up of men who wore white shoes in the summer and women who wore hats indoors?

Now its core is made up of lame-brained right-wingers who squirm with delight as a professional character assassin berates their political enemies with "school yard taunts."

The Coulter incident is just a minor symbol of what's happening to us. Of far more moment is the scandal over the way we're treating our wounded and maimed service people on their return to us.

A series of scathing articles in the "Washington Post" has revealed shocking conditions in the rehabilitation facilities of our nation's military and veterans hospitals. The returning vets have been subjected to rat- and cockroach-infested housing, inadequate counseling and an all-but impenetrable bureaucracy that resists providing any care at all.

The story isn't new; it was reported in "Slate" magazine several years ago, but not until the "Post" got after it did it spark the national indignation

we now witness. The public is mad, Congress is mad, the Pentagon is mad and, by golly, even Dick Cheney is mad.



"We're going to fix the problems at Walter Reed, period," he said, stamping his little foot. You have to wonder who he thinks has been in charge for the past six years.

The story is being reported as one of incompetence and it is that, but it's also about political corruption. Much of the administrative work at Walter Reed has been outsourced to companies with political connections. And they haven't done the job; they've merely cashed the checks.

The sad fact is that we really don't give a damn about what happens to our troops. If we did somebody would have been paying attention to our damaged soldiers, at least as much attention as has been paid to Anna Nicole Smith.

We think supporting the troops means putting a little sticker on our cars saying, "Support the Troops."

Tell that to a young woman trying to learn to walk on her artificial legs while a rat skitters across the room or to the young man whose head injury has left him half-blind and befuddled as he tries to find his way to his rehab session, unaided.

This is another shameful chapter in a shameful war.

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This Town, That World

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

Trying to get this column started, I begin to understand why a dog will turn round and round, and change ends, time after time, for no apparent purpose before lying down...The difference is, the dog is usually satisfied with his effort.

THE CHILDREN CARED ENOUGH TO GIVE

Did you read on this page, last week, of the difficulties faced by the Floyd County Emergency & Rescue Squad? And did you merely remark, "Too bad," turn to another part of the paper, and give the matter no further thought?

Well, the youngsters in Ms. Frankie Best's home-room at the Prestonsburg Grade School aren't old enough to get calloused. Their sympathies were touched, and they did something about it. The letter from them to the squad, tells the story:

"We read of your plight, just now in the Floyd County Times. The boys and girls in our room emptied their pockets and, by the help of our teacher, too, we were able to get together \$3.50. We hope this small contribution will help a little. We plan to have a bake-sale to raise further money for the squad. May God bless you all."

It may be that such an example set by children will lead some of us oldsters to part with a little money.

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If any April Fool's Day pranks were perpetrated last Sunday, we haven't heard of them—unless the capers the weather cut are to be counted.

A MATTER OF DIRECTION

Laugh if you will as those weird figures of speech, such as, "She cast her eyes to the ceiling," and wonder what happened to them when they came back down. You might also try this figure from an actual incident.

The man was drunk and he heard a remark at which his temper boiled higher than the proof of his liquor. "Why, I'll take my pistol, ram it down that so-and-so's throat and blow his brains out, he blustered.

HOP SCOTCHING ALONG

Ever see things through a stranger's eyes? Try it. But, if you want to be happy about the result, pick your spot. Last Friday, I walked from the office down Third Street, up Court to the corner of Lake Drive, and on for a "coffee break" with a visitor from Atlanta. The day was dark, drizzly, and as we hop-scotched along the sidewalks, dodging puddles of water, and hoping to land on dry, solid footing, I began to see our streets and sidewalks as I imagined this

(See ALLEN, page seven)



Attendees at the educational fair received goodie bags, attended informational seminars and were given the opportunity to have their questions answered by local health care professionals.

Parent 'Fun Fair' another success

The fourth annual "Fun Fair" for new and expectant parents and families was held this past Saturday, March 10, at the Mountain Arts Center; 57 expectant parents and families attended.

Attendees received information about various topics during the program including parenting tips, pre-term labor, jaundice, dental hygiene, car seat safety and Kentucky paternity rights. Each expectant parent received a diaper bag full of goodies and great door prizes including a rocking chair, stroller, high chair, baby monitors, and more were given away.

Guest speakers included Lola Ratliff, Dr. Rick Asconi, Dr. Kate Shutts, Dr. Eddie Clark, Chesa Shelton, and Cindy Murdock.

"We learned a lot of valuable information," said Martin Hall, an expectant parent. "We have so many questions being first time parents and it was nice to have someone be willing to take the time to answer them."

The Fun Fair committee would like to thank the following exhibitors and businesses for their contributions: Big Sandy ADD, Christian Appalachian Project, Eastern KY Child Care Coalition, First Commonwealth Bank, Floyd Co. Board of Education, Floyd County Health Dept., Floyd County Family Resource & Youth Services Centers, Highlands Regional Medical Center, Images by John Michael, KCTCS Family Literacy, Kentucky Paternity, Kentucky PIRC, Lad & Lassie, Little Rascals, Maytown Volunteer Fire Dept., Mountain Comprehensive Care, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Ritchie's Hallmark, Southeast AHEC, Tackett Furniture, Trends and Traditions, and the UK Cooperative Extension Service.

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How to properly install and place an infant in a car seat to ensure the utmost safety was one topic thoroughly discussed at the event.

the following community partners: East Kentucky Child Care Coalition, and Our Lady of the Way Hospital. Helping Floyd County parents become the best they can be is one of the goals of the informational fairs, held annually each spring.

MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

'Alien 3000'

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

A mixed crew of mercenaries, soldiers and paranormal investigators go toe-to-toe with a gold-chugging space creature in this low-cost effort that delivers a decent monster on a budget that wouldn't keep a family of three in Ramen noodles for one week.

The film opens with three hikers investigating a newly formed cave. To their surprise they find a cache of gold socked away inside, but the good cheer generated from their discovery soon evaporates when it turns out that the booty is guarded by an invisible alien who promptly chops two of them into julienne fries.



Tom Doty
Times Columnist

The lone survivor, Kate, is subsequently locked away in an asylum until another victim is discovered by a park ranger, which prompts a visit to Kate from a Scully and Mulder type pair of paranormal detectives. The pair convince Kate to join them in a search for the cave, which sounds good to Kate, who has spent the ensuing time plagued by nightmares and a creepy male nurse who spits out sexual innuendoes while perpetually noshing on bananas.

The group meets up with the rest of the team who turn out to be an eclectic mix of various levels of antisocial personalities, including a paintball champion (who nervously shoots at squirrels) and a pair of married mercs who are only interested in finding out whether there is any gold in them thar hills. The group also includes a true soldier, Sgt. McCool, who takes a shine to Kate and vows to protect her.

They find Kate's cave and the mercs immediately stage a distraction to keep everyone away from the gold which includes killing the Mulder member of the paranormal team and chalking the demise up to the monster. The plan becomes moot when the creature attacks their camp and puts them on the defensive.

The new plan becomes run for your life, which most of them fail to execute as the creature remains deadly after being made visible thanks to a paintgun cannon. If anything, the monster becomes more mean spirited as it pursues the group, only pausing to leap onto a helicopter bringing reinforcements. This sequence alone showcases the film's fiscal challenges, as we are expected to believe that two men would leap out of a helicopter without first donning parachutes.

Eventually it all comes down to a dust up with the creature in which the two survivors put enough lead into it to open a pencil factory. It's a well executed finale but wait around for the final scene, which shows that the creature, which had been waiting for a ride back home, hailed from a well populated planet.

This one is a throwback, though most would call it a throwaway, to those monster flicks of the 1950s that

(See LAGOON, page seven)

7:07 prayers

by LOUISE TUCKER JONES

CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE MOTHER AND SON SOUL

I sit with phone in hand, watching the minutes click by on the clock. 7:05. 7:06. 7:07. I hit the button and hear the beginning of a ring. My son answers before it is finished. "Hello, Mom!"

"Happy birthday to you. Happy birthday to you ..." I finish with my slightly revised version: "... Happy birthday, your mom loves you."

"Thanks, Mom," Aaron says, a

smile in his voice. We talk. He has been watching the clock too, waiting for the expected call. I tell him how much I love him. "I love you, too, Mom." We hang up. I say a special prayer for a blessed birthday for him and begin my morning activities. But my thoughts remain with him, my oldest son.

Thirty-six years old! How long have I been doing 7:07 birthday songs and prayers? I guess most of his life. I didn't plan it that way. It just happened. Aaron was born at 7:07 a.m. one cold, winter morning,

St. Patrick's Day, in fact.

When he was just a toddler, I would wake him at 7:07 and sing "Happy Birthday" and tell him about the day of his birth. It became a tradition. Even when he was away at college, I would hear a groggy "Hello, Mom" as soon as I called. The only time I missed calling was the first year after his marriage when Aaron and his wife, Amy, took a spring-break vacation. Certainly, I wouldn't interfere with this. Later that day, Aaron called.

"Why didn't you call at 7:07?" I could hear the disappointment in his voice.

"Honey, I didn't think it was appropriate, and I had no idea where

you were."

He quickly responded, "I told Dad the name of the motel where we would be staying."

Something in my heart began to sing. Our tradition would continue.

But it has become more than a tradition and birthday ritual. Though my prayers are always with Aaron, whenever I look at the digital clock and see 7:07, I know it is a special time to pray for him. No matter the day of the year, whether it

be morning or night, I stop everything and say a prayer.

Sometimes I awake at exactly 7:07 and immediately begin prayers for him, knowing God has called me to pray at this specific time. Through the years I found that Aaron was in great need of prayer at that particular time. Other times, it remained a mystery.

But that's OK. I count it a privilege to pray blessings on my son — any day or night at 7:07.





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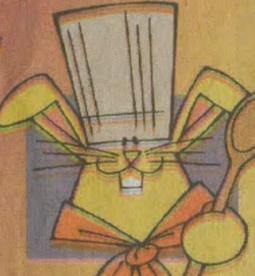
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Do you need that extra junk in your trunk?

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

I wanted to bring forth the expertise of the Solomons of the Sedan to the following: I drive a '92 Buick Roadmaster. I don't care; it was my dad's, and he loved it above all the vehicles that he owned. Anyway, the snows of a Michigan winter find me again putting an extra 100 pounds of "something" in the trunk to help keep this boat focused on the road. I also put an extra 100 pounds in my wife's front-wheel-drive '99 Chrysler Concorde, thinking that perhaps it is doing something positive in the realm of traction as well. My wife is sure that I am nuts and demanded that I remove the load from her car immediately, listing all sorts of very negative consequences both to the handling of the car and possibly to myself. And if I do not comply, I may very well be the extra 100 pounds of "something" in the trunk. Personally, I think she just wants more trunk space to store her shoes, but maybe she's right, and adding additional weight to either a front-wheel-drive car/truck/van or rear-wheel-drive car/truck/van is really a myth without substance. Could you please add something by way of your expertise?

Your answer may well determine if I wind up in a ditch or trunk. — Frank

TOM: Well, in general, Frank, the heavier the car, the better it does in the snow. The more weight you have pushing down on the tires, the more likely the tires are to cut through the snow and give you some traction.

RAY: But there are lots of good reasons why they don't just make cars as heavy as possible. For one thing, weight kills fuel economy. You don't want to get 14 miles per gallon year-round just so you can get around a little better on the few days it snows.

TOM: Actually, with a Roadmaster, you might be thrilled to get 14 mpg year-round!

RAY: But if you want to add weight on a temporary basis, the most helpful place to add it is directly over the driven wheels. So, in a rear-wheel-drive car, you want weight over the rear wheels — which usually means putting it at the forward-most wall of the trunk. So for your car, Frank, you're doing the right thing. Although 100 pounds is probably not enough weight to make a difference.

TOM: Right. You might need several hundred pounds to actually improve your traction. You might

need to drive around with your mother-in-law in the trunk. See how that goes over with your wife, Frank.

RAY: Now, in a front-wheel-drive car, like your wife's, there's already a huge weight directly over the driven wheels. It's called the engine and transmission. That's why, all things being equal, front-wheel-drive cars do better in the snow than rear-wheel-drive cars. So she has far less need for extra weight in her trunk.

TOM: If her car is having trouble stopping in the snow, or the rear end is sliding out easily, some weight in the trunk might help. But too much weight actually can be counterproductive. If you weigh down the trunk too much, the result is that you begin to lift the front wheels off the ground. Then you can't go, turn OR stop.

RAY: So I'd say go ahead and put a few hundred pounds of sandbags in your trunk, Frank, but leave your wife's car alone. And if either of you are still having trouble getting around in the snow, four good snow tires make a much bigger difference than a little bit of weight.

An idle compressor can cause problems

Dear Tom and Ray:
I am an 18-year-old guy, so natu-

rally I am trying to get as much performance out of my car as possible. I recently developed the bright idea of bypassing the air conditioner's compressor with a shorter belt — just for the winter (I couldn't do without AC in the summer). I thought it would give me a little more power. Now, my old man says that if the compressor isn't turning, it might cause problems when I hook it back up again. Is this true, or is he just afraid that more power means more speeding tickets? — Ryan

RAY: Both, Ryan. If it's an old compressor and you let it sit idle all winter, you take several risks. First, the seals and gaskets can dry out and crack because they won't get lubricated.

TOM: And worse, the whole unit could simply seize up due to lack of use. So we don't advise this route.

RAY: Plus, you won't increase your power. On every modern car, the engine-management computer auto-

matically shuts off the air conditioner when you call for maximum power from the engine. If you were to step on the gas to accelerate onto a highway, for example, the air conditioner would automatically be cut off during that acceleration anyway. So you're not gaining anything.

TOM: And you DO need the air conditioner in the winter. It's not there just to cool the cabin. It also removes moisture from the cabin air, and it's crucial in defogging your windshield. So in addition to not gaining any power, you won't be

able to see, either.

RAY: It's not speeding tickets your father is worried about, Ryan, it's hospital bills. Listen to the man.

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Social Security News: A wrong number can delay your tax return

by LISA K. HOPPER
SOCIAL SECURITY TECHNICAL EXPERT

If you expect a refund of your federal taxes, you can avoid a delay by making sure all names and Social Security numbers are recorded correctly on your tax return.

When processing tax returns, the Internal Revenue

Service (IRS) checks all names and Social Security numbers for accuracy. When the IRS discovers an incorrect Social Security number on your tax return, they send you a letter explaining the discrepancy. To fix the problem, you'll need to give the IRS the correct Social Security number before you can expect your tax refund.

If you don't have a number or you need one for a dependent, call or visit Social Security. You'll need to show your age, citizenship or lawful alien status and verify your identity. To learn more about the sort of information and documents you may need to

submit, visit Social Security's card and number website at www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber.

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hard of hearing, the TTY number is (800) 325-0778. You can also learn visit Social Security's website at www.socialsecurity.gov/ssnumber to learn more about Social Security cards and numbers.

Allen

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visitor was seeing them. He was very polite, and I was very discreet. Neither commented on the situation.

WHO, ME?

The other morning, I almost worked myself up to the point of writing something about the nation's newspapers, since they had given Liz Taylor and her latest love affair and run-out on her husband so much page one space. But just I was about to rise, pound my chest and roar, "O tempora! O mores!" I was brought up short, "look," said I to myself—look who's been reading all this guff about the

aforsaid Liz and her loves."

TAKIDEEZY

I have a feeling, I've reprinted what follows, some months or years ago. But, since I found it amusing again, we repeat this conversation which took place when two fishermen met:

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Lagoon

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threw rubber-suited creatures against struggling actors. The dialogue is trite and the prop department is downright lazy, as glimpsed in a scene where two actors are propped in front of a bank of electronic gadgets that are supposed to represent the interior of a helicopter.

The star here is the monster who sweats out the film in a decent suit that probably saw the actor lose about 100 pounds. In fact, there is only one extra on the DVD which amounts to a lame joke as you meet the monster in his office at Lions Gate Studios, where he rails against the studio system.

The real attraction here is the stunt casting. Lorenzo Lamas is top billed but only appears in a handful of scenes which see him eventually get ginsued by the creature in a decent torso-separated-from-legs attack that apparently saves audiences from suffering through "Body Rock 2." Priscilla Barnes shares the top spot but hangs around considerably shorter as a scientist

who fails to notice a pulse in one creature and finds herself stabbed by an alien arm that creeps up her spine and turns her into a meat puppet used to converse with Lamas.

The final bit of trick casting sees the director employ ex-child star Scott Schwartz as a sleazy male nurse. Rather than recognize Schwartz's signature role (as Flick, the boy who gets his tongue frozen to a flag pole in "A Christmas Story"), his character is a smarmy reminder that Schwartz spent his adult years in porno movies starring in titles like "New Wave Hookers 5," where he was billed as Dr. Hasachub.

Enjoy this one for its rubbery monster and intense gore scenes, but those who demand high production values and adequate thespians should look elsewhere.

Best line: "I can see the headline now: '300-year-old cockroach from space wrecks chopper.'"

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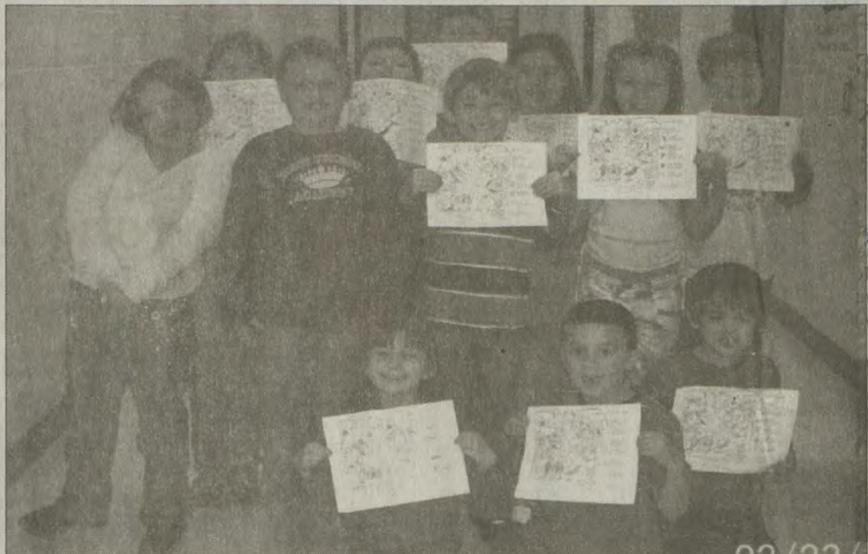
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FLOYD COUNTY Around Our Schools



Learning healthy habits

The month of March is National Nutrition Month and the primary classes at Clark Elementary School have been working hard to let everyone know that if they want to be healthy, they have to eat healthy. In the photos shown here, the students are displaying color pages on which they colored only the healthy foods shown. All the primary kids in Ms. Barrows', Ms. Blanton's, Ms. Allen's, Ms. Shepherd's, Ms. Belcher's, Ms. Hunsucker's, Ms. Warrix's, and Ms. Parsons' rooms wish everyone a "Happy, Healthy Life!" "Eat more fruits and vegetables," the children say.



Processing DNA

photo by Kathy J. Prater
Pam Slone, a senior from Prestonsburg High School, consulted with Dr. Tom Vierheller in the BSCTC biology lab on the process of DNA extraction on a recent field trip to the college's Prestonsburg campus.



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Case lone senior for young Ladycats

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – The start of the 2007 softball season is less than two weeks away for the Betsy Layne High School program. Just days before opening the campaign on the road at Johnson Central on March 27, Betsy Layne will take on the host Lady Eagles in a scrimmage. The scrimmage is set for Saturday (March 24).

Betsy Layne Coach Christina Crase has guided the Ladycat softball program to several wins. Crase will mentor a young Ladycat team – a squad that has shown much promise – through the upcoming campaign.

“We are still very young,” confided Crase. “We only have one senior this year, Kayla

Case, a few juniors, sophomores, and a lot of freshmen. We have spent most of our practice time hitting off the pitching machine and getting our defense set for this year. We’re also working on getting some players into some positions.”

Kayla Case is a veteran player for the Betsy Layne softball program. She’s been in her share of big games. In addition to Case, other players will be expected to step up and help lead the Ladycats.

“We have some incoming players who look to have a lot of potential,” Crase commented. “Hopefully, as the season goes, we will begin to see them step up their game and help deepen our bench a little bit.”

“It should be a very interesting season. We have a very competitive schedule and can’t

wait to see what’s going to happen.”

Betsy Layne is scheduled to host Magoffin County on March 29 in a home opener. Three of Betsy Layne’s first four games are scheduled to be played on the road.

The Ladycats drew 58th District rival Allen Central for a 15th Region All “A” Classic opening round game. The Betsy Layne-Allen Central small school regional tournament game is slated for April 16 at Pikeville. Allen Central is the defending 58th District champion.

Betsy Layne finished last season 6-16. Allen Central edged the Ladycats 12-10 in the opening round game of the 58th District Tournament.



ON DECK:
South Floyd will look to continue to improve during the 2007 softball season.

file photo

Tenn. track awaits Kinzer race team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

TAZEWELL, Tenn. – Brandon Kinzer will be behind the wheel of the No. 18 Kinzer Motorsports Super Late Model today as he and his raceteam look to get back in the winner’s circle in the Volunteer State.



Brandon Kinzer

After receiving a bit of a face-lift during the winter months, Tazewell Speedway is set to kick

off its 42nd racing season today with the Advance Auto Parts Thunder Series-sanctioned second annual \$3,000-to-win Thunder Thaw 50.

Thirty-two Super Late Models made up the 2006 Thunder Thaw 50 field as Steve Smith of Powell, Tenn., pocketed the \$3,000 winner’s check. Along

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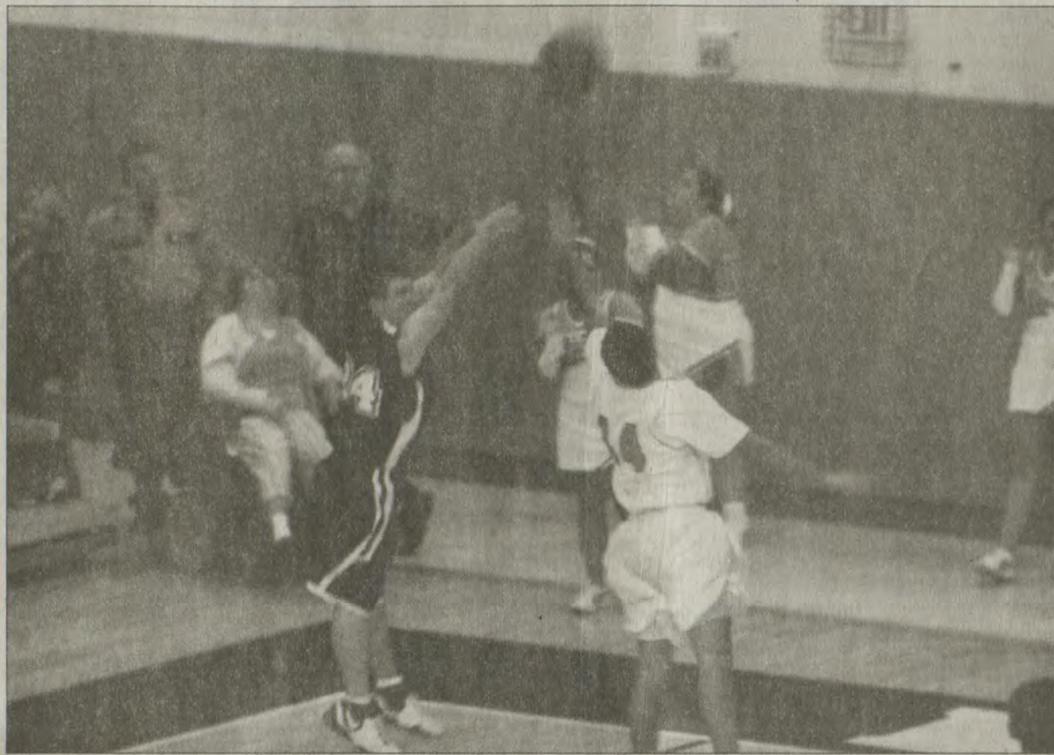
Lucas Oil LM Dirt Series announces rookie title contenders

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The class of contenders for the 2007 Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series Comp Cams Rookie of the Year award have been announced by series officials. A total of six drivers declared before the March 1 deadline with the top rookie for the Series in 2007, earning a \$10,000 cash award.

Those drivers that have announced their intentions to compete for the Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series Comp Cams Rookie of the Year title this season include Ricky Arms of Moss, Tenn., Garrett Durrett of Simsboro, La., Damon Eller of Crumpler, N.C., Mike Mataragas of De Kalb, Ill., Brad Neat of Dunnville, and Justin Rattliff of Campbellsville.

Arms, 37, was the 2003 UMP National Modified Champion and

(See **ROOKIES**, page ten)

photos by Steve LeMaster
Samuel Keathley, pictured firing up a three-point attempt during the 58th District Tournament, ranked as Betsy Layne’s second-leading scorer this season. Head coach Brent Rose guided the Bobcats back into the 15th Region Tournament.

Betsy Layne improved, got stronger as season went along

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – The Shelby Valley Wildcats will take the Rupp Arena floor Thursday evening for an opening round game against 16th Region champion Elliott County in the Boys’ Sweet Sixteen. That’s the same Shelby Valley Wildcats that found themselves on the verge of being eliminated in a 15th Region Tournament opener against the Betsy Layne Bobcats. Betsy Layne pushed the eventual 15th Region champ and gave a tremendous effort in the regional tournament opener. Shelby Valley managed to slip past the Bobcats 45-43. Despite the loss, every member of the Betsy Layne boys’ basketball program left the East Kentucky Expo Center hardwood with a certain amount of pride and feeling of accomplishment.

“This year’s team improved tremendously as the season went on,” said Betsy Layne Coach Brent Rose. “We lost several close games that

could have changed our record, but when you are really starting over with the amount of inexperience we had this season, you can expect that. I believe the experience gained this year will really help the team next

season.”

Betsy Layne finished the 2006-07 season 11-18. Rose saw his team gain confidence and improve down the

(See **BOBCATS**, page ten)

JBS pep rally set for Tuesday

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HINDMAN – Holly Hills Mini-Mall in Knott County will host a pep rally Tuesday as a send-off for the June Buchanan Crusaders. The 14th Region champion, June Buchanan will depart from Knott County on Tuesday for the Boys’ Sweet Sixteen.

June Buchanan, a high school with only 74 students, earned its first-ever trip to the boys’ state basketball tournament on Wednesday night following a 51-46 win over Hazard in the 14th Region Tournament championship game.

June Buchanan junior Clark Stepp ranks as one of the state’s top players. Other leading players for the Crusaders are freshmen Clint Stepp and Tate Cox, sophomore Garrison Collins and sophomore Trey Short.

The June Buchanan boys’ basketball team is made up of 15

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KCC to host annual Senior All-Star Game

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HINDMAN – Knott County Central High School’s Morton Combs Athletic Complex will play host to the Fourth Annual Gatorade Appalachian Senior All-Stars girls’ and boys’ basketball games on Saturday, April 14. According to Tri-State Sports Promotions Service co-director Ira C. Combs, rosters will be finalized and released for the games this week during the Boys’ Sweet Sixteen.

The event’s activities will be highlighted by a three-point-shooting contest and a slam dunk contest held among the All-stars.

The girls’ game will tip off at 6 p.m. with the boys’ contest to follow at approximately 7:45 p.m. Each game will have individual skills competition at halftime. The annual slam dunk contest will take place at halftime of the boys’

(See **KCC**, page ten)

photo by Steve LeMaster

AACHS SENIOR SPOTLIGHT: Allen Central High School senior Josh Martin (pictured) finished his final season as a Basketball Rebel strong. Martin and teammate Ryan Collins ranked as two of the 15th Region’s top players.

Blackcats await arrival of helmets

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG – Mother Nature cooperated this past week and allowed the Prestonsburg High School football program to get in some spring practice drills. The Blackcats conducted spring practice Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Blackcat Coach John DeRossett, his staff and team are still waiting for reconditioned helmets to make their way back to Prestonsburg.

“We haven’t received our reconditioned helmets and haven’t been able to practice in pads,” DeRossett commented. “Without the helmets – and not going in pads – we’ve been able to work on timing as well as fundamentals.”

The Blackcat football program has been practicing around the times of other Prestonsburg High spring sports teams such as the track and baseball squads.

“We support the baseball and track programs and are working around those teams and their practice times,” DeRossett added. “Not getting the reconditioned helmets in has been somewhat of an inconvenience, but at the same time has allowed us to work on fundamentals as well as timing and conditioning. We’ve had a great winter in the weight room. What we’re doing might not really be spring practice. At this time, we don’t know for sure when we’ll get the helmets back.”

Prestonsburg will resume offseason workouts this week.

■ Prestonsburg competed in the recent state weightlifting meet at Lexington Christian. Five Blackcats placed during the state weight meet.

“It was the first time in five or six years that we went and competed in the state weightlifting meet,” said DeRossett. “Out of around 25 schools, we placed in the Top 10. That’s not too bad for a Class 2A school.”

Pikeville was another area team that took part in the state meet.

■ Prestonsburg could host Class A power Beechwood during the 2007 season. DeRossett is working on finalizing his team’s schedule for the upcoming season.

Rookies

drives for car owner Tom Herron. The team utilizes both a C.J. Rayburn and MasterSbilt GTO Chassis powered by a RaceTek Engine. The sponsors of the 2006 Tennessee Thunder Series runner-up are Perfect Wall, Inc., White's Total Performance, Metal-Lite Inc. and NAPA Auto Parts.

Durrett is 22 years old and in 2006 finished 14th in the World of Outlaws Late Model Series final points standings. He was third in the rookie of the year chase in last season for that series. The Garrett Racing Team runs a Rocket Ford Fusion with a Larry Wallace Racing Engine under the hood. The 58 cent entry is sponsored by Davison Transport, Cizmar, Day Motorsports, Integra Racing Shocks, J&J Motorsports, JFR Graphics and Stucky Enterprises.

Eller drives the Independence Lumber Motorsports MasterSbilt GTO No. 14. The 28-year-old racer runs a Jay Dickens Racing Engine and is sponsored by Independence Lumber, Inc., Foxfire Realty, Grayson Farm and Leasing, Allstar Performance, Tiger Rear Ends, Motorsports design, WMF Racing Products, Torco Racing Fuels, Bert Transmissions and Carter Cat Machinery.

Mataragas, 22, finished third in the 2005 Northern Allstars Late Model Series final points standings. He pilots a Rocket Monte Carlo with a Pro Power Engine. His sponsors include Petersen Aluminum, JC Dobil, A to Z Motorsports, Tri-State Towing, Schomers Trading Post and Mid-America Underground.

Neat, 27, was the 2002 Late Model Track Champion at Bluegrass

Speedway in Bardstown. Neat drives the Greg Neat owned No. 41. The team will have both a MasterSbilt and C.J. Rayburn Chevrolet Monte Carlo at their disposal. The Cornett Racing Engines powered cars are sponsored by Neat's Service Center, Neat, Wilson and Roberts, Inc., Tarter-Roberts Insurance, Tarter Gate, Stephens Pipe and Steel, NWN Distributors, Tri-County Wood, Swafford Signs, Simpson and AFCC Racing Products.

Rattliff is the youngest candidate contending for 2007 Rookie of the Year honors. The 19-year-old is coming off of a season, where he was the 2006 O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass Rookie of the Year and finished second in that Series final point standings. Rattliff drives a C.J. Rayburn Monte Carlo with a Pro Power Engine. The team is sponsored by Rattliff Motors, Inc., Save-A-Lot, Dr. Ewing Ear, Nose and Throat, Medicine Centre, Tobacco Shed, Cox Wrecker Service, Wilson Plumbing, WaveLength Hair Salon, Gowens Auto Glass, Kirby Auctions, Grant Lee Farms, Williams and Tucker Auto Parts, B&W Auto Salvage, Freiji Auctioneers, Mill's Real Estate and Auction Company and Jet Pressure Washing.

The next time the Lucas Oil Late Model Dirt Series Comp Cams Rookie of the Year contenders can gain valuable points in the race for the 2007 title will take place on Saturday, March 31 at the Brownstown Speedway in Brownstown, Ind., for the running of the 10th Annual Indiana Icebreaker, paying \$10,000-to-win.

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Kinzer

with Kinzer and Smith, other competitors that are expected to be in action on Sunday include two-time AAPTS series champion—Anthony White, Jimmy Owens, Billy Ogle, Jr., Vic Hill, Tommy Kerr, Stacy Boles, Ricky Arms, Rick Rogers, Jason Trammell, Troy Eads, Jeff Wolfenbarger and Brian Smith.

Tazewell Speedway's Limited Late Model, Modified Street, Pure Street and Four-Cylinder divisions will also be in action.

The pit gate will open at 11 a.m.

with pit-admission set at \$30. The grandstand gate will open at noon with general admission costing \$15. All children under the age of 12 will be admitted free. Qualifying is set to begin at 2 p.m., with racing action to immediately follow.

Kinzer had a 14th-place finish in an O'Reilly Southern All-Stars event at Cherokee Speedway two weeks ago. The Floyd County-based driver and raceteam were due in action on Saturday at Cleveland (Tenn.) Speedway.

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KCC

game. Coaches for the Fourth Annual Gatorade Appalachian Senior All Star games are as follows: Girls North All Stars — Peggy Moore, Breathitt County; Girls South All Stars — Chuck Mitchell

Boys North All Stars — Steve

Banks, Breathitt County; Boys South All Stars — Eddie Whitaker, Bell County.

The All-Stars games are returning to Knott County after being held in Hazard at Perry County Central's John C. Combs Arena each of the last two years.

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JBS

players — two seniors, three juniors, four sophomores and six freshmen. Six of the team's top eight players have played together since the first grade. The Basketball Crusaders also keep up in the classroom. The Gary Stepp-coached team's GPA is 3.5.

June Buchanan will meet 4th Region champion Warren Central on Thursday at 8 p.m. in the final first round game of the Boys' Sweet Sixteen.

ABOUT JBS: The June Buchanan

School was founded in 1984 and is located on the Alice Lloyd College campus.

The school, accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, provides students with an environment that promotes learning, living and leading.

This private, co-educational, accredited college preparatory school for grades K-12 is unique in that it has an academically challenging curriculum and is located on a college campus.

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Bobcats

stretch. "Over the last three weeks of the season, the boys' confidence grew leaps and bounds and I believe that will carry over," said Rose. "I told our kids after the Valley game that I was more proud of them than any team I had ever coached. They had been dealing with adversity from day one and they continued to work hard and listen and try to get better. I told them their reward was getting back into the Regional Tournament and that experience will help them in the long run."

In a season-opener, Shelby Valley blasted Betsy Layne 74-44. That's nearly a 30-point turnaround from beginning to end.

Senior Justin Collins paced Betsy Layne in the scoring column, averaging 17.2 points per game.

"Justin had a great senior season and is a real competitor," Rose commented. "He carried us in the District play and sacrificed his scoring to help the team in the Regional."

Senior Trai Witt averaged 8.5 points and 7.2 rebounds per game in his final prep season.

"Trai had to learn a new role for this season, but really played well down the stretch and I hope he gets

the opportunity to play at the next level," Rose said.

Brennan Case and Samuel Keathley each averaged 12 points per game for the Bobcats. Case was one of the region's leaders in assists, dishing out 7.4 helpers per game. Both players will return for Betsy Layne next season.

"Brennan matured as the season went and I feel he is the best point guard in our region," Rose exclaimed. "Samuel is an excellent shooter and will surprise you rebounding the ball. He is already working on getting faster and stronger and that should help him next season."

Jerrold Newman combined with Trai Witt to give Betsy Layne two big players inside.

Newman averaged 7.5 points and 7 rebounds per game.

James Michael Lafferty and Brandon Blair rounded out Betsy Layne's list of leading contributors.

Shelby Valley, Betsy Layne, Pikeville, Belfry and Paintsville are the only boys' basketball teams to have played in the Expo Center in the 15th Region Tournament each of the last two years.

Lathrop accepted into Babe Ruth Umpires Assn.

TIMES STAFF REPORT

TRENTON, NJ — Babe Ruth League, Inc. has announced that

Christopher P. Lathrop of Paintsville is now a member of the Babe Ruth Baseball and Softball National Umpires Association.

The Baseball National Umpires Association of Babe Ruth League, Inc. was organized in 1982 for the purpose of improving the skill and quality of umpiring. The Softball National Umpires Association of

Babe Ruth League, Inc. was recently organized for the purpose of improving the skill and quality of umpiring. The NUA provides its members with rule interpretations, professionally done umpire manual, Umpiregram newsletters, BULLPEN Newspaper, rulebooks and affiliation with the world's largest regulation baseball program.

Rose: 'I bet on my team every night'

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Pete Rose bet on the Cincinnati Reds "every night" when he managed them and, despite his lifetime ban because of gambling, would like another chance in a major league dugout.

"I bet on my team every night. I didn't bet on my team four nights a week," Rose said Wednesday on "The Dan Patrick Show" on ESPN Radio.

"I bet on my team to win every night because I love my team, I believe in my team," he said. "I did

everything in my power every night to win that game."

In a wide-ranging interview, the banned Rose said he thinks he should be reinstated because "I believe I'm the best ambassador baseball has." He hopes a new exhibit in Cincinnati is a sign baseball will soften its stance toward him.

If reinstated, the 65-year-old Rose said he would like to again manage in the majors.

The career hits leader also said he supported Barry Bonds and Mark McGwire, who fell far short in his first time on the Hall of Fame ballot.

"Don't penalize McGwire because you think other guys are taking steroids," Rose said.

Rose finished his career in 1986

with 4,256 lifetime hits. He was managing the Reds in 1989 when he agreed to a lifetime ban after an investigation of his gambling.

The new Rose exhibit at Great American Ball Park includes more than 300 items and will be up for nearly a year. Major League Baseball had to give permission for the display.

"When you're in my position, you're happy with anything," Rose said.

Rose, however, said he would not be thrilled if a future reinstatement did not also include him becoming eligible for the Hall of Fame. Making it into Cooperstown, he added, was no longer on his mind.

"I quit worrying about it," he said.

Reds announce ticket management, secondary ticket market programs

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Reds have launched a new interactive platform called MyReds that gives season ticket holders more control and benefits to their accounts. As part of the MyReds rollout, the club also is introducing Reds Replay, a secondary ticketing platform that allows any fan to purchase tickets posted by full season ticket holders.

Season ticket holders who take advantage of this secure online program will be able to view a list of all their tickets, update account information and to share electronically tickets with friends, family, colleagues and others. Full season tickets holders will have to ability to sell their own tickets to other Reds fans.

"The Reds are delighted to offer this new technology," said Reds chief operating officer John Allen. "MyReds provides increased value and ease of use for season ticket holders, and Reds Replay creates a convenient, secondary purchase method for all Reds fans. Fans buy-

ing through Reds Replay can be certain they are getting a valid game ticket."

All Reds Replay transactions use electronic ticketing, eliminating the need for mailing or delivering hard tickets. Tickets are delivered via "print at home" technology or may be picked up at the ticket kiosks at Great American Ball Park in advance of or on game day.

The MyReds and Reds Replay programs are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on reds.com and are sanctioned by the Reds. For more information, contact the MyReds telephone hotline at 513/765-7300 or email myreds@reds.com.

Reds' top pitching prospect reassigned to minor league camp

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SARASOTA, Fla. — The Cincinnati Reds reassigned their top pitching prospect to minor league camp on Friday, but that was OK with Homer Bailey, the team's first pick in the 2004 draft.

He didn't expect to be on the

Reds' opening day roster.

"I'll go wherever they want me to go and work on whatever they want me to work on," Bailey said. "I just want to show them what I can do."

Bailey pitched just 3 2-3 innings this spring, allowing eight runs on six hits.

"He had a couple rough outings where he didn't have his command, but we're not down on him at all," manager Jerry Narron said. "It was good for him to get the experience and I think he knows that."

General manager Wayne Krivsky has refused to rush Bailey to the big leagues. Bailey, selected seventh

overall in the 2004 draft, was 57-1 with a 1.59 earned run average at Double-A Chattanooga last year, and the Reds had planned for him to start the season at Triple-A Louisville.

"When he comes to the big leagues, we want him to stay," Krivsky said.

Notes: The Reds' game Friday with Toronto was rained out. ... The club released RHP Brian Meadows and RHP Kerry Ligtner, optioned 1B Joey Votto to Triple-A Louisville and reassigned C Ryan Hanigan, LHP Michael Gosling and C Dan Conway to minor league camp.

American Idol Hicks to sing at Kentucky Speedway race

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPARTA — American Idol fifth-season champion and Arista recording artist Taylor Hicks will entertain race fans at Kentucky Speedway on July 14 with an exclusive concert before the green-flag start of the Craftsman Truck Series race.

The artist will also perform the National Anthem before the race which is televised on SPEED.

"I've grown up on NASCAR, so performing at the beautiful

Kentucky Speedway will be an honor for me," Hicks said. "I'm happy to go out and perform for new fans and support the great NASCAR legacy. I'm also looking forward to being there in person to watch those trucks battle it out on the speedway."

Hicks' self-titled album debuted at No. 2 on the Billboard top 200 album chart following its Dec. 12, 2006 release. The first single, Just To Feel That Way was just released to radio. The critically-acclaimed album features Dream Myself Awake written by Rob Thomas, along with Give Me Tonight which Hicks and two-time Grammy Award-winner Matt Serletic co-wrote with Kevin Kadish and hit

songwriter Kara Dioguardi.

Tickets for Hicks' only scheduled area appearance and the eighth NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series weekend in Kentucky Speedway history are available online at <http://www.kentuckyspeedway.com>

"Our region is one of the strongest American Idol markets in the country so we know our fans will embrace the opportunity to welcome Taylor to our NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series event for his only area appearance of the summer," Kentucky Speedway general manager Mark F. Cassis said. "Taylor will add an exciting element to what is sure to be a fun-filled and competitive weekend

NBS: Nemechek, Harvick chiefs fined for infractions

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — NASCAR announced Wednesday

that Mike Boerschinger, crew chief of the No. 87 Chevrolet driven by Joe Nemechek and Shane Wilson, crew chief of the No. 21 Chevrolet driven by Kevin Harvick in the NASCAR Busch Series, have been penalized due to rule violations at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

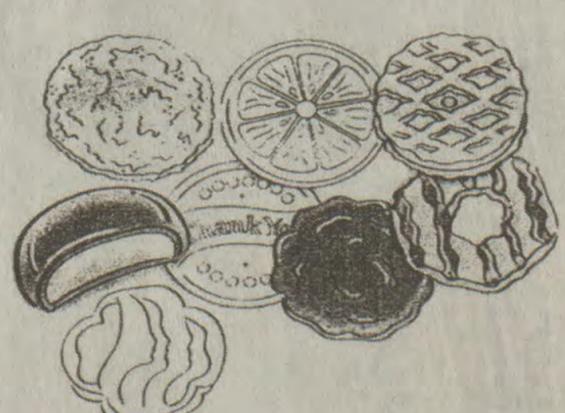
Both were fined \$1,000 for violating Sections 12-4-A (actions detrimental to stock car racing), 12-

4-Q (car, car parts, components and/or equipment used that do not conform to NASCAR rules) and 20A-12.1A: jacking bolt must be made of solid magnetic steel, of the 2007 NASCAR Busch Series Rule Book.

The infractions were discovered during opening day inspection on March 8.

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TAR HEELS TOP COLONELS: North Carolina 86, Eastern Kentucky 65

by AARON BEARD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — North Carolina built a big lead with the impressive up-tempo style that coach Roy Williams loves — only to watch a determined opponent nearly come all the way back.

In the end, it still wasn't enough to keep the top-seeded Tar Heels from advancing in the NCAA tournament or from adding another achievement to Williams' impressive resume.

Tyler Hansbrough had 21 points and 10 rebounds to help the top-seeded Tar Heels beat Eastern Kentucky 86-65 in Thursday's first round, giving Williams an NCAA-record 18 straight years with at least one tournament victory.



Tyler Hansbrough

Reyshawn Terry added 18 points on 8-for-9 shooting for the Tar Heels (29-6), who advanced to face ninth-seeded Michigan State in the second round of the East Regional on Saturday.

Still, it was an emotional day for Williams, whose sister died Wednesday night after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's disease. He was on the sidelines as always, surpassing mentor Dean Smith's mark of 17 straight years with at least one NCAA win.

He said he doesn't expect to miss any time with the team during the tournament, with funeral services expected to be held Sunday or Monday.

"It was a difficult day, no question about that," he said. "Right now basketball items are the things that keep me going."

His Tar Heels came out looking determined to beat down an over-

matched opponent, romping to a 27-point first-half lead against the 16th-seeded Colonels (21-12). But they ended up needing almost the entire game to put them away, a familiar weakness all season.

Eastern Kentucky clawed back in the game with its pace-slowng 1-3-1 zone and closed to within four points early after the break. But playing in front of a home-state crowd — where the majority of fans wore light blue and cheered their every move — the Tar Heels ultimately had the answer by getting back to their up-tempo attack and controlling the last 10 minutes.

But it still looked like a wake-up call about the dangers of letting their intensity waver in March.

"I think it was so easy (early) that we lost our focus and then all of a sudden we got a little sloppy and made some bad decisions," Williams said. "We have a really young team ... and I think we thought it was

going to be too easy."

Hansbrough led the way with his strongest performance since suffering a broken nose on a flagrant foul by Duke's Gerald Henderson on March 4. The 6-foot-9 sophomore went 9-for-11 from the field while wearing a new protective mask, which was more form-fitting than the one he wore during last weekend's Atlantic Coast Conference tournament.

Hansbrough said the old mask obstructed his vision, possibly part of the reason he averaged just 10 points and 6.7 rebounds in the three ACC tournament games. But the 6-foot-9 forward looked much more comfortable scrapping in the paint against Eastern Kentucky.

"I don't think I'm ever going to like a mask on my face after these couple of weeks, but I think the mask is a lot better," he said. "It fits tight on my face. I can see a lot better and it's just a lot more comfortable."

After Eastern Kentucky had closed to within 48-44, Hansbrough keyed the decisive run with two straight baskets and a three-point play that pushed North Carolina's lead back up to 60-48 with 10:47 left.

The lead grew to 26 points from there, with Terry scoring six of his baskets the rest of the way for a strong showing in his hometown. North Carolina finished shooting 65 percent while taking a 38-16 rebounding advantage against the smaller Colonels.

"I am incredibly proud of what our guys did here when we came back," Eastern Kentucky coach Jeff Neubauer said. "For us to outscore North Carolina in a 13-minute period by 23 points, I never would have anticipated that happening. Our guys kept competing."

Darnell Dials scored 17 points to lead Eastern Kentucky, which was in the NCAA tournament for the second time in three seasons.

Cardinals roll past Stanford In NCAA Tourney opener, 78-58

by WILL GRAVES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — The joy is back for Rick Pitino, and why not? It's March, and once again his team is rolling at Rupp Arena.

Only this time it's not Kentucky that Pitino is trying to lead to NCAA Tournament greatness, but archrival Louisville.

The sixth-seeded Cardinals rolled by Stanford 78-58 in the opening round of the South Regional on Thursday in front of a highly partisan crowd who made the short 80-mile trip from Louisville, giving normally blue Rupp Arena a splash of red.

"It's time to have fun because it's a very special time," Pitino said. "And I can tell you from not being in it last year that I was miserable the whole year."

Louisville (24-9) didn't waste time passing the misery on to the Cardinal

(18-13), taking an early 28-point lead and never looking back. Louisville was to take on third-seed Texas A&M (26-6) in the second round on Saturday after the Aggies pulled away late in a 68-52 win over Pennsylvania.

Standing on the sidelines, enjoying the final moments was a rare feeling for Pitino, who admits he still feels conflicted whenever he returns to Rupp.

"I dread coming here to play Kentucky because it meant so much to me," said Pitino, who won a national title with the Wildcats in 1996.

Maybe, but the Cardinals appear ready to make some memories of their own.

Edgar Sosa and David Padgett scored 16 points and Louisville used Pitino's trademark press to fluster the Cardinal into 21 turnovers.

The win sets up a matchup between two defense-oriented teams who stop opponents in different ways. While the

Cardinals like to harass opponents with a relentless series of traps, the Aggies suffocate opponents with a stifling man-to-man defense that makes up for in grit what it lacks in grace.

The Cardinals, however, believe they're ready. Louisville's four freshmen — Sosa, Derrick Caracter, Earl Clark and Jerry Smith — combined for 50 points and played with the kind of poise that helped the Cardinals become one of the nation's surprise teams.

"We were the force today," Sosa said.

A force that overwhelmed Stanford from the outset.

"The message before the game was, 'We have got to take more chances in the NCAA,'" Pitino said. "I said some teams come out tight. You can't be that way ... get out there and

be risk takers."

Stanford had to travel more than 2,400 miles across the country and was playing at 9:30 a.m. PDT. The Cardinal never found its footing against Louisville's aggressive full-court pressure that harassed the Cardinal all game long.

"Full-court pressure was not something we've seen in games, but we've worked on it in practice," said Stanford guard Anthony Goods. "We planned on attacking it, but we got out there and started thinking too much. We started playing to their advantage when we started thinking and they forced some turnovers."

Stanford twin brothers Robin and Brook Lopez both picked up two quick fouls, freeing up the middle for the Cardinals, who outscored Stanford in the paint 36-22 despite being at a significant size disadvantage.

Brook Lopez led Stanford with 18 points, but the Cardinal did little to validate their surprise at-large selection.

Pitino had worried about his fresh men-laden team's ability to adjust to the pressure of the NCAA tournament, but the Cardinals hardly seemed intimidated by the stage.

"Sosa, Earl and me are from the New York area and we're used to the big game like this," Caracter said. "We were just being focused."

With Robin Lopez languishing on the bench after collecting his second foul just three minutes in, the Cardinals feasted on a suddenly wide-open lane.

"Their big guys really came out and were using their bodies well," Brook Lopez said. "They were finishing strong even with contact. You have to give them all the credit for their play. They were aggressive attacking the rim."



Rick Pitino

Big Green Coaches Tour dates set

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Marshall University Thundering Herd fans in nine West Virginia counties, plus others in Ohio, Kentucky and Virginia will have the opportunity to meet and greet Marshall University coaches during the Big Green Coaches tour from May 3-June 14.

The 2007 Big Green Coaches Tour will begin with a visit to the Four Seasons Country surrounding the twin cities of Bluefield—Virginia and West Virginia.

The annual informational reception for the Putnam County fans at Sleepy Hollow Country Club will be the last stop for Herd coaches and athletic administrators on the tour.

"We've got 11 stops along the way," said tour director Sam Stanley of the Big Green. "We're returning to the nine areas on last year's caravan and we've picked up two new stops."

The 2007 Big Green Coaches Tour Schedule:

- Thursday, May 3 in Bluefield, W.Va., for a dinner (Upper Classman) hosted by the Four Seasons Big Green Club.
- Friday, May 11 for golf tournament (Riverview Golf Club) in Mason, W.Va., hosted by the MGM (Mason, Meigs, Gallia) Big Green Club.
- Sunday, May 20 in Cincinnati, Ohio, for a Big Green golf tournament and cookout (Legendary Run Golf Course) hosted by the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky alumni club.
- Monday, May 21 in Lexington, (Beef O'Bradys at Palomar Center) for a dinner hosted by the Central Kentucky Big Green Club.
- Thursday, May 24 in Ironton, Ohio, for a dinner (End Zone) hosted by the Ironton/Ashland Big Green Club.
- Tuesday, May 29 in Parkersburg, W.Va. (North End Tavern), for a cook-out hosted by the Wood County Big Green Club.
- Thursday, May 31 in Beckley, W.Va., for a golf tournament (Grandview Golf Course) hosted by the BACMU Big Green club.
- Sunday and Monday, June 3-4, in Charleston, W.Va. (Berry Hills Country Club), for a Sunday evening reception and Monday golf tournament sponsored by the Charleston Quarterback Club.
- Tuesday, June 5, in Mingo County for a golf tournament (Tug Valley Golf Course) and dinner hosted by the MAD4MU Big Green club.
- Wednesday, June 13, in Logan for a golf tournament and a dinner (Logan County Country Club) hosted by the Logan Area Marshall Athletic Club.
- Thursday, June 14, in Teays Valley, W.Va., for a reception and

informational meeting (Sleepy Hollow Country Club) hosted by Putnam County Big Green leaders.

Complete details (locations, times and costs) will be available soon on the Big Green web page at www.MUBigGreen.com. Contact information for all Big Green area representatives are also on the web page.

"Our coaches are excited about the opportunity to visit so many of our supporters," said Stanley. "The enthusiasm of Marshall fans is extremely evident at all our tour destinations."

RJ Gimbl, executive director of the Big Green Scholarship Foundation, said "The tour also gives us an avenue to provide information to hundreds of folks about our university, our student athletes and the Big Green. It's a win-win fun time for us all."

Besides the Big Green Coaches Tour, the Marshall University M-Club will be sponsoring two golf tournaments — on May 18 at the Scarlet Oaks Golf Course in Nitro and on Aug. 17 at Glade Springs near Beckley.

Marshall Athletics announces hoops screening committee

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Marshall University Director of Athletics Bob Marcum has announced the formation of an eight-person screening committee for the vacant head men's basketball coaching position at the University.

The committee, which will assist in the search for a new men's basketball coach and forward recommendations to Marshall University President Dr. Stephen J. Kopp includes individuals from both the Marshall and Huntington communities. The following list is in alphabetical order.

Robert Bookwalter — NCAA Faculty Athletics Representative.

Michael J. Farrell — Marshall University Board of Governors Athletics Committee Chair.

Larry G. Jarrett — Marshall University professor and Chair of Geography Department.

Bob Marcum — Marshall University Director of Athletics.

Tom Miller — President of the Big Green Foundation.

Jeff O'Malley — Marshall University Associate Athletic Director and Chief-of-Staff.

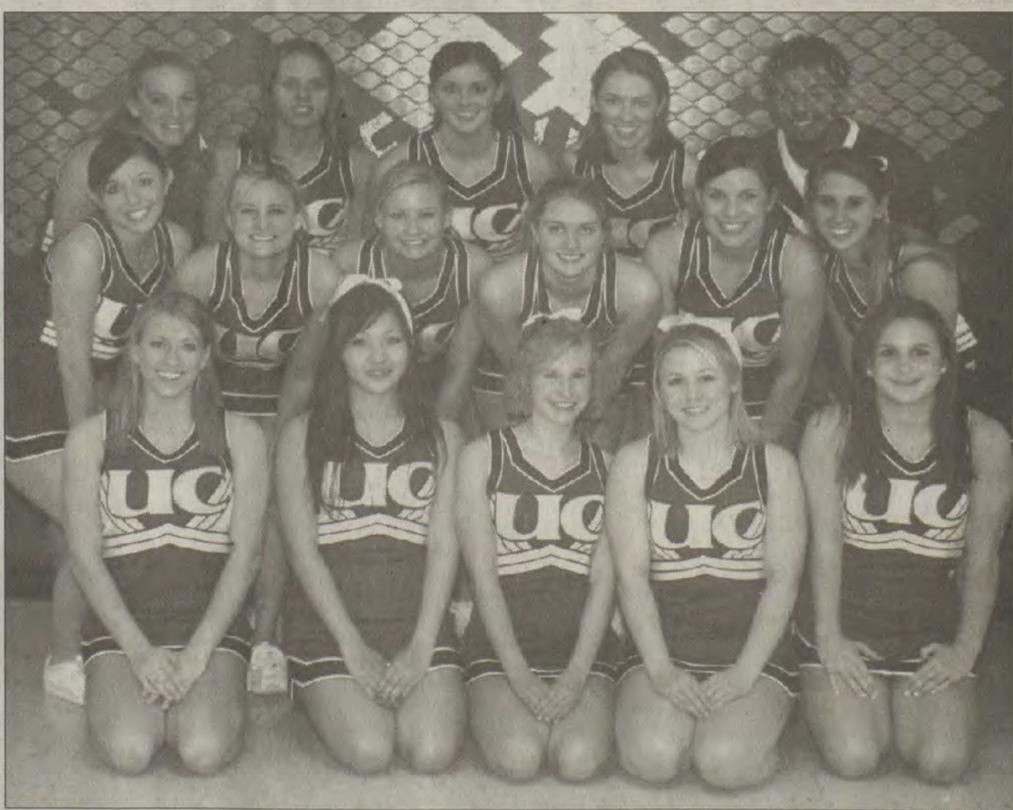
Senator Robert H. Plymale — Chair of the West Virginia Senate Education Committee.

Marshall T. Reynolds — CEO and Chairman of the Board of Champion Industries

The screening committee will be chaired by Marcum and co-chaired by Marshall Athletics Chief-of-Staff Jeff O'Malley.



HEADED TO RUPP: The June Buchanan School boys' basketball team claimed the 14th Region championship and will head to Rupp Arena and represent Knott County and all of Eastern Kentucky.



CHEERING AT THE NEXT LEVEL: The University of the Cumberlands cheerleading team includes several Kentuckians, including Prestonsburg native Michelle Lackey.

photo courtesy of University of Cumberlands

AREA RUNNING EVENTS: April 7 — Huntington Half Marathon and 5K, huntingtonroadrunners.org; April 21 — Hillbilly Days 5 Mile Run, tvrrc@hotmail.com; April 21 — Mountain Do Triathlon mountaindotriathlon.com; April 28 — Duathlon Training R/B/R; May 12 — Clinch River Sprint Triathlon; May 19 — Pro-Fitness Duathlon Training Runs (2x5K); May 26 — Buffalo Trails Duathlon/Tri, www.maysvillekentucky.com; June 2 — Flint Mill Triathlon riversway.org; June 9 — Hatfield McCoy Marathon/Half, tvrrc@hotmail.com; June 16 — Pikeville Medical Center 5K Training Run, 606/218-4664; June 23 — Bristol Challenge Tri Mountain Empire No. 4, girlsincbristol.com; Aug. 18 — Pikeville Medical Center 5 Mile Training Run 606/218-4664; Sept. 8 — Gingerbread 5K, Hindman; Sept. 15 Bad to the Bone Duathlon Big Bone Lick St Park, badtothebonerace.com; Sept. 30 — Appledays 5K Run Paintsville; Oct. 6 — Jenny Wiley 5K; Oct. 20 — Pikeville Med Center 10K, 606/218-4664; Oct. 27 — Mountain Heritage 6K Trail Run; Nov. 4 — Marshall Marathon Huntington, healthyhuntington.org; Nov. 17 — Turkey Trot 10K; Dec. 22 — Christmas StoneCrest 10K Run.

A ROUGH START: Toyota struggling to get into Nextel Cup races

by JENNA FRYER
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CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Everyone expected Toyota to storm into NASCAR and quickly buy its way to the top of the Nextel Cup series.

Top drivers explored Toyota's opportunities, and many a top crew member eagerly switched camps. It left rival car owners quivering, scared they wouldn't be able to compete.

Hardly! Forget about winning races, the Japanese automaker barely can get into them. Heading into this Sunday's race at Atlanta Motor Speedway, Toyota entries are a humbling 10-for-22 through three events this season.

Jeremy Mayfield is 0-for-3, as is rookie A.J. Allmendinger. Michael Waltrip hasn't raced since the season-opening Daytona 500, and teammate Dale Jarrett has used three of his six allotted provisionals to make the field.

Dave Blaney, the one guy to solidly make all three races, has failed to finish any of them.

It's a terrible start after such a balmy entrance into NASCAR's premier series, leaving Toyota's top officials somewhat frustrated.

"When we are three races into the season, and the percentages of the

cars that have run have been as low as they are, you've got to be concerned about it," said Jim Aust, president of Toyota Racing Development.

"But I think the teams can rally, and they have the wherewithal that they can pull their organizations together and get the job done. We would have liked to have a much better showing the last couple of weeks, but it shows what the competition is like and I don't think it's going to get any easier."

It will certainly only get harder as all seven Toyota teams slip deeper into a hole that will prove extremely difficult to climb out of. Because of NASCAR's complicated qualifying process that guarantees teams in the top 35 in points a spot in the field each week, the Toyota bunch could be looking at an entire year of qualifying nightmares.

Only Jarrett is currently in the top 35, but he's yet to make a race on speed. Once his six past champion provisionals are up, he could join Waltrip and rookie teammate David Reutimann on the sideline.

Mayfield and Allmendinger are in terrible holes — their zero points put them behind 49 other drivers in the standings.

"We know this is going to go on for another eight, nine, 10 races until

hopefully we can crack into the top 35," said Tommy Baldwin, team director for Mayfield and Blaney at Bill Davis Racing. "Missing three races, we know it's going to be pretty hard to even crack into that top 35. We might have to do it all year, that's unfortunately where we are at right now."

Mayfield never had a chance to make the Las Vegas race because of a loose plug, which frustrated him even more.

"There are over 50 full-time teams that show up every weekend now, and it's tough enough when you get beat fair and square by them," Mayfield said. "But when you show up and beat yourselves, that's when you can't help but get angry and disappointed in yourselves."

Waltrip understands the frustration. He was humiliated in Daytona when his team was caught using a fuel additive, a crime that cost him 100 points before the season started. After missing the last two races, he's currently -27 in driver points. And he only has 11 car owner points, which ranks 56th in NASCAR.

He said he's continuing his companywide investigation into who tampered with his fuel, to no avail. It's made it difficult for Michael Waltrip Racing to move on, and the

lack of on-track results hasn't helped matters.

Reutimann joined him on the sideline last weekend, and Jarrett has been far from competitive in his three races. As frustrating as it's been for Waltrip to miss the cut, he's having a harder time watching the cars he owns struggle.

"We've just got to look at every piece and part of our team to see how to improve, because Dale running last (at California) was just more than I can stand," Waltrip said. "And David not qualifying — we just have to adjust what we are doing as a team. There's no question: We've got to have better cars."

Team Red Bull isn't sure what it needs just yet.

Vickers made the field in California and finished 10th for Toyota's best showing of the season. And Allmendinger came close to making the race in Vegas — he was bumped out by the final car of the qualifying session.

It's left TRB wondering: If it can just make the show, perhaps the team can prove it's further along than it's perceived to be.

"This time last year we had just three employees," said general manager Marty Gaunt. "Now we have 140 employees and are racing full

time. In only 14 or 15 months, we turned a concept into a reality.

"Now we have to concentrate on qualifying. If we can get the cars into the races, we can have a better idea of where we are as a team."

The struggles perhaps are steeper than Toyota expected after a successful debut in NASCAR's Truck Series.

Reutimann gave Toyota its first NASCAR pole in the Tundra's second race, and Travis Kvapil scored the first win in July of the inaugural 2004 season. In three years of Truck Series competition, Toyota has 25 wins, 32 poles and a championship last year from Todd Bodine.

At this pace, it will take years for Toyota to match those benchmarks. But Aust insists its teams are up for the challenge.

"We knew it was going to be a difficult start," Aust said. "It's not like we started the season with three veteran organizations. We have two brand new teams ... we knew that was going to be a challenge. But we still have a very positive attitude that the owners are going to make it happen. The teams are aware of what they need to do and are sorting through their organizations to make the necessary changes."

"It just shows how difficult things are at this level."

TV coverage expanded for Grand National Division

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

NASCAR on Thursday announced an expanded and comprehensive television broadcast package for 2007 with the NASCAR Grand National Division, which includes the Busch East Series and West Series.

The television package features live coverage in high definition by HDNet, which began a partnership with NASCAR three years ago with its coverage of the NASCAR Grand National Division and thus provided NASCAR its first live television package for the series.

"NASCAR is proud to continue its relationship with HDNet and SPEED in providing coverage of the NASCAR Grand National Division to a national audience," said NASCAR managing director of racing operations George Silbermann. "NASCAR fans across the country will be able to follow the next generation of our sport as the NASCAR Grand National Division moves into a new era as a developmental series for up-and-coming future stars of NASCAR."

HDNet coverage will include seven consecutive races from the Grand National, West Series followed by seven consecutive races from the Grand National, Busch East Series. Bonus coverage of two combined races, featuring drivers from both series, will be featured in May. By

providing separate coverage of each series, fans will be able to follow the competition more closely.

"HDNet is very excited to extend our partnership with NASCAR and the Grand National Division," said Mark Cuban, president and co-founder of HDNet. "The new enhancements to the series, coupled with our high-definition coverage is going to create an amazing experience for our viewers."

In addition to its live coverage of the NASCAR Grand National Division, HDNet will re-air every NASCAR Nextel Cup Series race in high-definition each Thursday night following the race.

"NASCAR programming is an integral part of the HDNet experience and we are excited to extend our joint programming initiatives to include NASCAR Nextel Cup coverage," Cuban said. "Together we will make a lot of NASCAR fans excited they bought an HDTV."

In addition, SPEED will provide expanded coverage of the NASCAR Grand National Division in 2007, as the network will air 23 races as part of its Racing Across America series, re-airing all 16 of HDNet's live events while originally producing six others. SPEED's coverage of the division will culminate with live postseason coverage of the prestigious NASCAR Toyota All-Star Showdown in

October.

"SPEED is happy to be back with the NASCAR Grand National Division in 2007," said Frank Wilson, VP of production for SPEED. "It's always interesting to give our viewers a chance to see some of the best racers at this level, whether they are up-and-comers or simply weekend warriors. There is a true passion for the sport in the NASCAR Grand National Division."

Live coverage of the 2007 season will kick off with HDNet televising the NASCAR Grand National Division, West Series season opener at Thunder Hill Raceway in Kyle, Texas, on March 31. Meanwhile, SPEED will provide coverage of the season opener for the NASCAR Grand National Division, Busch East Series at Greenville-Pickens Speedway in Greenville, S.C., on April 28.

In addition to coverage of the NASCAR Grand National Division, HDNet will air the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour race at Mansfield Motorsports Speedway on August 25, while SPEED will air the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour race at New Hampshire International Speedway on June 30 and the combination event with the NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour and NASCAR Whelen Southern Modified Tour at Martinsville (Va.) Speedway on Sept. 1.

2007 NASCAR Nextel Cup Schedule/Results

Feb. 10 — x-Budweiser Shootout, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Tony Stewart)
Feb. 18 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Kevin Harvick)
Feb. 25 — Auto Club 500, Fontana, Calif. (Matt Kenseth)
March 11 — UAW-Daimler Chrysler 400 (Jimmie Johnson)
March 18 — Kobalt Tools 500, Hampton, Ga.
March 25 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.
April 1 — Goody's 500, Martinsville, Va.
April 15 — Samsung 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
April 21 — Subway Fresh 500, Avondale, Ariz.
April 29 — Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala.
May 5 — Crown Royal 400, Richmond, Va.
May 12 — Dodge Avenger 500, Darlington, S.C.
May 19 — x-NASCAR Nextel All-Star Challenge, Concord, N.C.
May 27 — Coca Cola 600, Concord, N.C.
June 3 — TBA, Dover, Del.
June 10 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.
June 17 — TBA, Brooklyn, Mich.
June 24 — Dodge/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
July 1 — LENOX Industrial Tools

300, Loudon, N.H.
July 7 — Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
July 15 — USG Sheetrock 400, Joliet, Ill.
July 29 — Allstate 400 at the Brickyard, Indianapolis.
Aug. 5 — Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.
Aug. 12 — NEXTEL Cup at The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Aug. 19 — TBA, Brooklyn, Mich.
Aug. 25 — Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
Sept. 2 — TBA, Fontana, Calif.
Sept. 8 — Chevy Rock-and-Roll 400, Richmond, Va.
Sept. 16 — Sylvania 300, Loudon, N.H.
Sept. 23 — TBA, Dover, Del.
Sept. 30 — Kansas 400, Kansas City, Kan.
Oct. 7 — UAW-Ford 500, Talladega, Ala.
Oct. 13 — Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.
Oct. 21 — TBA, Martinsville, Va.
Oct. 28 — TBA, Hampton, Ga.
Nov. 4 — Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
Nov. 11 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.
Nov. 18 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.
x-non-points race

DOUBLING UP: Several Cup racers to compete in Sharpie MINI 300

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Sweeps used to be a rarity at Bristol Motor Speedway. Before August of 2004, no driver had ever won both the Busch Series event and the Nextel Cup event in the same weekend.

However, since August of 2004 the tide has turned and a sweep has occurred three times in the last five race weekends.

Dale Earnhardt, Jr., became the first driver to dominate a weekend of racing on the World's Fastest Half-Mile when he won the Food City 250

on Friday and followed up with a win in the Sharpie 500 on Saturday night in the summer of 2004.

The following spring Kevin Harvick worked his magic and won both the Sharpie MINI 300 and the Food City 500 and last summer Matt Kenseth was the man to beat all weekend at BMS, capturing both the Food City 250 and the Sharpie 500.

With that kind of success, it's no surprise that all three plan to do double duty once again this spring, racing in both the March 24 Sharpie MINI 300 the Food City 500 on March 25.

"Winning the Busch race the day before definitely gives you some momentum but the Cup race is totally different," said Kenseth. "It's a lot longer and it's a very tough race. But it's pretty awesome and it's pretty cool to win two in a row at Bristol. I think that's a pretty good weekend."

Kenseth has three Busch wins at BMS while Harvick is tied with Morgan Shepherd for most wins in the series with four. Earnhardt Jr. has one Busch victory at Bristol.

The Sharpie MINI 300, which takes the green flag at 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 24, also marks the

16th consecutive time, dating back to August of 1999, that a crowd in excess of 100,000 will be in attendance for a Busch Series event at Bristol Motor Speedway.

Practice for both the Sharpie MINI 300 and the Food City 500, where the Car of Tomorrow debuts, will take place during Husqvarna Pole Day on Friday, March 23. Qualifying for the Food City 500 is set for 3:45 p.m. on Friday while qualifying for the Sharpie MINI 300 takes place on Saturday at 11:10 a.m. The race takes

the green flag later that afternoon at 3 p.m. The Food City 500 is Sunday with a 2 p.m. start time.

Tickets for Husqvarna Pole Day and the Sharpie MINI 300 are available online at www.bristolmotorsport.com.

Tickets for the Sharpie MINI 300 start at \$45 for adults. Tickets for children 12 and under are only \$10 when the child is accompanied by an adult. Pole Day tickets are \$15 for adults and when accompanied by an adult, children 12 and under will be admitted free.

Food City founder Jack Smith passes away at his home

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Bristol Motor Speedway lost a close and valued friend Thursday with the passing of Jack Smith, the founder and chairman

of longtime race sponsor Food City.

The 81-year-old Smith died Thursday morning at his home in Abingdon, Va., after a brief illness.

Bristol Motor Speedway president and general manager Jeff Byrd was extremely saddened by Smith's passing.

"Jack Smith was a great friend to all of us at BMS," he said. "He was a true gentleman and I've always felt that he and the rest of the Food City folks were just an extension of our

family here. We were in business together certainly but the relationship we had with Jack went far beyond that."

"He built a very successful business based on the same exemplary values and principals he lived by. He was an outstanding individual and we will miss him a great deal. All of us at BMS are thinking about the Smith family during this very difficult time and have them in our prayers."

In 1955 Smith opened his first

store in his hometown of Grundy, Va., and so began his storied career in the grocery business. Now more than 50 years later, Food City stands at the top among supermarket chains serving the Kentucky, Virginia and Tennessee Tri-State region and boasts nearly 100 stores.

Smith built his chain upon the premise of providing superior customer service — a principle that still rings loudly throughout the Food City chain today.

Food City joined Bristol Motor Speedway in 1992 and is celebrating its 15th anniversary as sponsor of the spring Nextel Cup race, The Food City 500. Food City, which also sponsors the Food City 250 Busch Series event in August, recently extended its sponsorship through 2010.

Farris Funeral Service in Abingdon is in charge of the funeral service. Arrangements, however, were incomplete at press time.

Currington to sing National Anthem at Bristol Cup race

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Georgia-born country music sensation Billy Currington will sing the National Anthem prior to the sold-out Food City 500 at Bristol Motor Speedway on March 25.

This will be Currington's first trip to the "World's Fastest Half-Mile," where he'll perform in front of nearly 160,000 fans.

"I am excited to be part of the tra-

dition at Bristol Motor Speedway and share in the excitement of a live NASCAR event," Currington said. "I have played in front of thousands of people before, but this is a very different experience that I am looking forward to."

Currington, who hails from Rincon, Ga., is one of country music's most popular singer/songwriters with a number of hits, including Walk a Little Straighter and I Got a Feelin, both of which were Top 10 on Billboard's country singles chart. Currington also partnered with Shania Twain on the hugely successful Party for Two.

Currington's latest CD, Doin' Somethin' Right, has spawned yet another hit in the title track. He also

co-wrote much of the album, including Why, Why, Why, Whole Lot More, Here I Am and She's Got A Way With Me, a duet with the legendary Michael McDonald of Doobie Brothers fame.

Currington's musical success has earned national media attention, including articles in both People magazine and USA Today, which named Currington an "On the Verge" artist. Nashville Lifestyles magazine also recently named the 33-year-old one of country's biggest sex symbols and selected him to its "25 Most Beautiful People" list.

The Food City 500 will take the green flag at 2 p.m. ET on FOX.



MARCH 25: Bristol Motor Motor Speedway (BMS) will host the Food City 500 one week from today.

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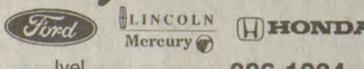
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Evening, 6:30; Gary Stanley, Pastor.

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Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.

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80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11
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Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship
Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner,
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Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby
Spencer, Pastor.

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School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.;
Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.

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10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7
p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.

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Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner,
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Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday,
7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.

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Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.

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Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School,
10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D.
Coleman, Minister.

Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.

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Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry
Lewis, Minister.

Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Jim Fields, Minister.

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School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Buddy Jones, Minister.

First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.

First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard,
Minister.

First Baptist, Prestonsburg, 157 South Front Street; Sunday School, 9:45
a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 p.m.; Jerry C.
Workman, minister.

Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY
41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.;
Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Grethel Baptist, Stale Rt. 3379, (Branch's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10
a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Willie Crace, pastor; Assist. Larry
Patton, Phone 358-4275.

Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.

Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinsville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Trusty.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.

Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.

Lancer Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:00
a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday
Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter

Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.

Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00
a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris,
Minister.

Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.

Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney,
Minister.

McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.

Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Eugene Cook, Minister.

Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10
a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp,
Minister. home phone 285-3385

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Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett,
Pastor.

Pleasant Valley Old Regular Baptist Church, Tinker Fork; Meeting time 1st
Saturday & Sunday of each month, 3rd Sunday Evening at 6:00 p.m.;
Moderator, Gary Compton; Assist. Moderator, Jimmy Conley.

Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-
3222.

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.

Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Jerry
Manns, Pastor; Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2nd & 4th
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Allen Chaffins, phone 946-2123.

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Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10
a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Phillip Ramey, Pastor.

Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday
School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.;
Chuck Ferguson, Minister.

Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00
p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody
Spencer, Minister.

Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water
Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and
Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth
Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.

United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.;
Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.

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a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari,
Minister.

CATHOLIC
St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.;
Sunday; Father Robert Darnon, pastor.

CHRISTIAN
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.

Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherm Williams, Minister.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST

Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears,
Minister.

Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m.
and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly and Nelson Kidder, Ministers.

Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.

Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.

Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lorie Meade,
Minister.

Mare Creek Church of Christ, Starville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Gary Mitchell, Minister.

Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley, Sunday Bible
Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship
6:00 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday
School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.;
Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.

Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD

Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.

Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.

First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.

Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.

Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10
a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth
E. Prater, Jr., Minister.

Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday
School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.;
Charles Heater Jr., Minister.

The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services, 7:00 p.m.;
Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL

St. James Episcopal; Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Study Group 6:00 p.m., Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m.
Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

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Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLV (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Rolland Bentrup,
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METHODIST
Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.

Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School,
10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn,
Minister.

Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.

Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and
Neeley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.;
Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescosoldo, Minister.

Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.

Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday
Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Proffitt.

First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contemporary
Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m.
UMYS Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.

Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday
Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.;
Larry J. Penix, Minister.

Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.

Salisbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Bobby G.
Lawson, Minister.

Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jack Howard, Pastor.

Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac,
Minister.

Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.;
Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C.
Love, Pastor.

Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10
a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster
Hayton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;
Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton,
Minister.

Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton;
Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.;
Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Pike,
Associate Minister.

Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm
Stone, Minister.

Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line;
Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 297-6262.

Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10
a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Ellis J.
Stevens, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Church, Dvale; Services Saturday, 6 p.m.; Sunday
School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11 a.m.; No Sunday Night Service.

PRESBYTERIAN

Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

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School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.

Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide
Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m.
and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister.

Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service,
11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.

Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old
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Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty,
Minister.

Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service,
12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby,
Minister.

Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just
before Thunder Ridge, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday
Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.

Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship
Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.

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