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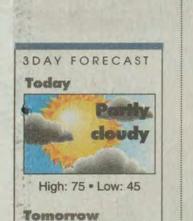
# **Registered** voter tally sets new records

#### **The Associated Press**

FRANKFORT - A record number of Kentuckians are registered to vote in the May 22 primary election, the secretary of state's office said Tuesday.

The new total of 2,795,013 tops the previous record set in 2004 by 28,725 voters

"It is my hope that this increase in registrations will encourage voters to turn out on Election Day," Secretary of State Trey Grayson said. The number of registered Democrats now stands at 1,591,091, while Republicans grew to 1,022,860.



Pair indicted in coke selling case by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE - Two Pike County residents charged with distribution of crack cocaine last month have now been indicted on four counts of distribution and one count of conspiracy.

The indictment supports previous accounts from a Federal Bureau of

Investigation task force officer who filed the original complaint, charging Toney Davis Jr. and Matia G. Burch with distribution of 50 or more grams of a "mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine base.'

From October 2006 through March 2007, the FBI officer allegedly witnessed several cocaine transactions conducted by the two and received help from a cooperating witness who provided investigators with even more information regarding meeting times and locations.

For counts one and five, the two will face a minimum of 10 years with a maximum of life imprisonment, a \$4 million dollar fine, plus five years of supervised release. However, if they have been charged with a prior drug

felony, the two will face not less than 20 years imprisonment with a maximum of life, and a 10-year term of supervised release.

Counts 2 through 4 will bring the two not less than five years with a maximum term of 40 years imprisonment, a \$2 million fine, and four years of

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# HELPING A CAUSE



photo by Jessica Hale

Our Lady of the Way Hospital employees and community members volunteer their time for numerous activities to raise money for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Last week they held a yard sale stocked with miscellaneous items donated by area citizens.

# **OLW** employees raise money for Relay for Life

# Father, son indicted on coke charges

#### by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A father-and-son duo have been indicted on distribution of cocaine, conspiracy and forfeiture charges.

James R. Hunter, the investigating Federal Bureau of Investigation officer on the case, filed a criminal complaint in U.S. District Court on April 11, alleging that with the help of a cooperating witness, he discovered that Roy Blankenship Sr. and his son Roy Blankenship Jr. had been selling cocaine to several individuals, including undercover investigators.

From April through June 2006, officers and cooperating witnesses allegedly purchased small amounts of cocaine from the two on several occasions, with most transactions occurring

white powder residue on the kitchen cabinet. Also, officers confiscated four metal lock boxes containing various records including titles, receipts and tax returns.

Through their investigation, it was discovered that Roy Blankenship Sr. and his wife allegedly had an unusually large amount of assets for which their income statements did not reflect. A horse trailer, horses, dump truck, mobile home moving truck and several other items were discovered to be in Roy Sr.'s possession. Roy Sr. maintained that the main source of his income came from selling horses and moving mobile homes, although investigators say it is not unusual for drug dealers to place assets in other family member's names to avoid seizure of

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High: 77 . Low: 50

Tuesday



High: 82 . Low: 57

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#### by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

MARTIN - Employees at Our Lady of the Way Hospital have been working harder than usual over the last several weeks, raising money for a worthy cause.

Through wreath decorating, cookouts, bake sales and car washes, just to name a few, employees at the hospital and other volunteers have raised

over \$6,000 for Relay for Life. Relay for Life is a fundraising organization sponsored by the American Cancer Society which operates year-round to raise money for cancer research. Relay for Life began in the mid-1980s with one doctor who was looking for a way to bring in more funds to his local American Cancer Society office. He decided to take it upon himself to raise money doing something he loved

running marathons.

He raised over \$33,000 at one point and the rest is history. Since then, teams across the country have participated in Relay for Life marathons and even those who can't choose to raise money in other ways.

OLW held a yard sale Thursday and Friday of items donated by local citizens. The team is also accepting dona-

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at the son's residence in Stopover.

Operation UNITE filed an affidavit seeking a search warrant and was granted the warrant on June 7, 2006. The same day, officers searched both homes. During their search at the father's home, officers uncovered over \$30,000, \$400 of which was discovered to be prerecorded utilized money by Operation UNITE, sandwich plastic bags and ties, and digital scales with

the items. In Roy Jr.'s residence,

officers allegedly found digital scales, plastic bags, ties and over \$2,000 in cash, \$180 of which was also prerecorded Operation UNITE money. Roy Jr. allegedly told investigators that he had cocaine inside his residence and that he was suffering from a longtime addiction to the drug. He admitted that he was selling the drug to support

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# Police aim to promote safety on motorcycles

by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

May is Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month and federal, state and local law enforcement agencies are teaming up to remind people to "share the road" with motorcycles and take extra caution while driving

Motorcycle riders now account for one out of every 10 road fatalities in the U.S. each year and those numbers have been on the rise the last eight years. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 4,553 motorcyclists lost their lives in highway crashes in 2005. Fifty-six percent of those involved another vehicle in addition

to the motorcycle.

Last year, there were 1,417 accidents resulting in injuries with 94 of those being fatalities. Unfortunately, a motorcycle's small design is what causes them to be associated with more collisions. They are often hidden in a vehicle's blind spot or missed in a brief glimpse due to their smaller size.

Motorcycles do not offer much protection when involved ina collision. Research shows that approximately 80 percent of motorcycle crashes injure or kill the rider, while only 20 percent of passenger car crashes injure or kill the driver.

The Kentucky State Police offer

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The latest LINKS house is nearing the finish line. Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall posed with his assistant Deputy Judge Barry Davis and workers after viewing the progress on the new house, which will soon be home to a single mother and her children.



# **Regional Obituaries**

#### FLOYD COUNTY

Peggy Jean Tendzieglosky Branham, 58, of Stanton, formerly of Ligon, died Thursday, April 26. She is survived by her husband, Bo Branham. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 29, under the directon of Wells Funeral Chapel, in Stanton.

William C. (Neal) Clevenger, 68, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, April 26, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Peggy Shortridge Clevenger. Funeral services were held Monday, April 30, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Freddie Collins, 92, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, May 2, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center emergency room. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 5, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Archie B. Dale, 58, of Tram, died Friday, April 27, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Stephens Dale. Funeral services were held Monday, April 30, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Fred Johnson, 77, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, April 26, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Kathryn Slone Johnson. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 29, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Dixie Cornett Lawson, 93, of McDowell, died Thursday, April 26, at her residence. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 29, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Ricky Lee Moore, 53, of McDowell, died Friday, April 27, in the McDowell

## Obituaries

Hayden Burke Hayden Burke, 54, of Jeeksbury died Wednesday

Weeksbury, died Wednesday, May 2, 2007, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

He was born in Pike County, October 19, 1952, a son of Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 30, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Brian Keith Prater, 35, of David, passed away on Tuesday, May 1, at his residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 5, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Marie Bradley Slone, 93, of Wayland, died Monday, April 30, at the Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, May 3, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Ruth Patton Slone, 86 of Langley, died Thursday, May 3, at her residence. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, May 6, at 1:00 p.m., under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Emma Alice (Collins) Thomas, of Missouri, a Prestonsburg native, died Wednesday, April 25. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 3, under the direction of McGilley & Hoge Chapel.

#### PIKE COUNTY

■ Alpha Bartley, 77, of Shelby Gap, died Monday, April 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 3, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home of Pikeville.

Joseph "Joey" Lee Belcher, 37, of Winchester, a Pike County native, died Saturday, April 28, at his home. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 1, under the direction of Rolan G. Taylor Funeral Home.

Mary "Mary B" Bentley, 79, of Phelps, died Tuesday, May 1, at her residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 5, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Services of Matewan.

■ June Bingham, 80, of Beaver Creek, died Wednesday, May 2, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 5, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Verona Caldwell, 79, of Pikeville, died Saturday, April 28, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 1, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home. Mildred Chapman, 56, of Phelps, died Tuesday, May 1, at Good Shepherd Community Nursing Home, Phelps. Funeral services were held Friday, May 4, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Services. Mattie Cundiff, 75, of Hatfield, died Monday, April 30, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 2, under the directon of Hatfield Funeral Home. Rubin Lee Fleming, 58,

of Elkhorn City, died Tuesday, May 1, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Rhonda Sue Hodge Fleming. Funeral services were held Friday, May 4 under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Sarah Ellen Adkins Gibson, 80, of Lower Providence, Pennsylvania, a Pike County native, died Sunday, April 29, at her home. Funeral services were held Friday, May 4, under direction of Volpe Funeral Home.

Betty Hughes, 68, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, May 1, at Pikeville Heath Care Center. She is survived by her husband, Gary Kent Hughes. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 5, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Everett Hunt Jr., 81, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, May 1, at Eastern Kentucky Veterans Center, Hazard. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 5, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

■ Loama Dodge Hunt, 81, of Hurley, Virginia, a Pike County native, died Monday, April 30, at the Bristol Regional Medical Center, Bristol, Tenn. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 3, under the direction of Grundy Funeral Home.

Tammy Lavonne Smith Lamb, 40, of Hiddenite, North Carolina, a Pike County native, died Friday, April 27, 2007, at Iredell Memorial Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Terry Lee Lamb. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 1, under the direction of Chapman Funeral Home of Stony Point, N.C.

Billie Lynn Livingston, 67, of Orlando, Florida, a Pikeville native, died Saturday, April 28. She is survived by her husband, John Livingston. Funeral services were held Saturday. May 5, under the direction of National Cremation Society, Oviedo.

Ronald Lee May, 79, of Ransom, died Monday, April 30, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Nora Hatfield May. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 2, under the irection of Hatfield Funeral Chapel of Toler. Billie Smith Phillips, 61, of Kendrick Fork Road, died Sunday, April 29, 2007, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Larry D. Phillips. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 3, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home. Jessie James Rowe, 67, of Kimper, died Thursday, May 3, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Janice Damron Rowe. Funeral services will be held Sunday, May 6, at 2 p.m., under the direction of Pikeville Funeral Home. Joseph Don Scott, 31, of

Belfry, died Thursday, April 26, at his residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 28, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Shelby Jean Meade Sergent, 41, of Virgie, died Sunday, April 29, at Speight. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 2, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

Daisy Slone, 57, of Raccoon, died Monday, April 30, at Pikeville Health Care Center. She is survived by her husband, Amos Slone. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 3, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Tom Stanley, 69, of Raccoon, died Monday, April 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Waverline Stanley. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 3, under the direction of Pikeville Funeral Home.

Langley "Fobby" Sword, 84, of Caney Highway, died Saturday, April 28, at Pikeville Health Care Center. He is survived by his wife, Lucille Robinson Sword. Funeral services were held Monday, April 30, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Don Raymond Thacker, 73, of Jeffersonville, formerly of Steele, died Friday, April 27, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Clarkie Jean Chaney Thacker. Funeral services were held Monday, April 30, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

Denver Williams, 79, of Kimper, died Wednesday, April 25, at his residence. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 29, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

K.H. "Hi" Williamson, 89, of Varney, died Thursday, April 26, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Pearl Taylor Ross Williamson. Funeral services were held Sunday, April 29, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

#### MAGOFFIN COUNTY

Temmie Gamble, 42, of Salyersville, died Saturday, April 28. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 1, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

■ Gayle Borders, 55, of Salyersville, died Sunday, April 29, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 1, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Nettie Borders, 83, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, a Salyersville native, died Tuesday, March 20, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. Funeral services were held Friday, March 23, under the direction Stark Funeral Service Moore Memorial Chapel.

Charles V. Keeton, 75, of Madison, Indiana, a Magoffin County native, died Monday, April 23. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 28, under the direction of Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre. Charles Russell Penix, 75, of Alabama, a Salyersville native, died Friday, April 20. He is survived by his with, Princess K. Hall Penix. Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 24, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Carol Bailey Scott, 91, of Salyersville, died Sunday, April 29, at the Paul B. Hall Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 2, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

#### JOHNSON COUNTY

James E. 'Shorta' Estepp, 80, of Marysville, Ohio, a Johnson County native, died Friday, April 27, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Martha "Ginny" Estepp. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 2, under the direction of the Underwood Funeral Home of Marysville.

Edna Geneva Hager Hammond, an East Point

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### **Card of Thanks**

The famiy of Michael Rice Jones, the infant son of Mekala Rice and Steven Jones, would like to take this opportunity to thank all friends, relatives, and neighbors who sent flowers, food, and spoke, kind words in our time of sorrow. Thanks to Clyde Cure for officiating, and Kip Kidd for the obituary. Special thanks to Hall Funeral Home for their loving care and hands of friendship to our family.

> THE FAMILY OF MICHAEL RICE JONES



Vonda Damron Burke, and the late Calvin Coolidge Burke. He was an Army veteran, and of the Pentecostal faith.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon Gale Bostic Burke.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by a stepdaughter, Terra Hall of Pineyview, West Virginia; a brother, Jeffery Burke of Weeksbury; a sister, Sonja Reed of Athens, West Virginia; and two stepgrandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 6, in the Weeksbury Free Pentecostal Church of God, with Jay Patton officiating.

Burial will follow in Lonesome Pines Cemetery.

Visitation is Saturday, May 5, after 3 p.m., at the church. Arrangements are under direction of Roberts Funeral Home of Robinson Creek.

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### Floyd County Schools Local Planning Committee Meeting

The Floyd County Schools' Local Planning Committee will conduct a meeting on May 7, 2007 at 6:00PM at the May Valley Elementary School, 481 Stephens Branch, Martin, Kentucky, 41649. This meeting is one of a series of meetings to develop a District Facilities Plan for the Floyd County Public Schools. The Public is invited.

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# **Pikeville College Commencements set for May 12**

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College will honor the academic achievements of 132 undergraduate degree candidates and 69 new physicians from the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine on Saturday, May 12. Several distinguished indi-Viduals, recognized for their significant contributions in education, journalism, cultural arts and medicine, will also be honored. The undergraduate commencement will be held at 2 p.m. at the Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center in Pikeville. 'The medical school commencement begins at 7 p.m., also at the Expo Center. On Thursday, May 10, graduating students in the College's Elizabeth Akers Elliott Nursing Program will be honbred during a nursing pinning ceremony at 7 p.m. in Booth Auditorium.

#### **Pikeville College** Undergraduate

#### Commencement

The keynote speaker for the undergraduate commencement will be veteran journalist <sup>1</sup>Albert P. Smith. In addition to hosting and producing Comment on Kentucky, now in its 33rd year as Kentucky Educational Television's (KET) longest running show, Smith is currently writing a memoir of politics and journalism.

He has been honored for his contributions in journalism, education and leadership, including the UK Hall of Fame of Kentucky Journalism, state electric rural co-ops' Distinguished Rural Kentuckian Award, Vic Hellard Award for public service from the Legislative Research Commission's Long Term Policy Center, KPA's Lewis Owen Award for Community Service, East Kentucky Leadership Conference Media Award, and Barren River Area Development District Tim Lee Carter Award for community service. The state's annual Al degree from Asbury College.

Smith Arts Fellowships honor his support of community arts programs.

In 1979 Smith was named federal co-chairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission. He has chaired or been active in several statewide civic and educational groups, including a Governor's Council on Educational Reform, the Kentucky Press Association (KPA), the Shakertown Roundtable, Governor's Scholars, the Prichard Committee for Educational Excellence, Leadership Kentucky and, recently, the founding of the Institute for Journalism Rural and Community Issues at the University of Kentucky.

Smith will join James C. Stratton in receiving an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree. Stratton, of Lexington, has distinguished himself by his tremendous faith and his deep commitment to improve the lives of others. He spent more than four decades as pastor of First United Methodist churches throughout the state, including Pikeville, Corbin, Lexington, and Middlesboro. He is chairman of the United Methodist Retirement Community Inc. Board of Directors and a member of the United Methodist Church's Committee on Ministry, Lexington District.

Stratton previously served on the Board of Trustees at Pikeville College, Pikeville Methodist Hospital, Habitat for Humanity and Helping Hand Ministries. He has also provided leadership on the boards of the Kentucky Methodist Home for Children Youth, Kentucky and Mountain Missions, and Henderson Settlement in Frakes. A graduate of Pikeville College Academy, Stratton earned his bachelor's degree at Asbury College and a master's degree at Asbury Theological Seminary. He also received an honorary Doctor of Divinity

#### **Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine**

The commencement address for the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine (PCSOM) will be delivered by F. Douglas Scutchfield, M.D., the Peter P. Bosomworth Professor of Health Services Research and Policy at the University of Kentucky's College of Public Health. Scutchfield has provided significant leadership as an advocate for public health throughout his distinguished career.

Born in Wheelwright, he earned his bachelor's degree from Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) and his medical degree from the UK College of Medicine. The founding professor and director of the Graduate School of Public Health at San Diego State University, Scutchfield also held faculty appointments at the University of California, San Diego and Irvine Schools of Medicine. At UK, he was founding director of the School of Public Health and the Center for Health Services Research and Management. He holds faculty appointments in the departments of Preventive Medicine and Environmental Health, Family Practice, Health Services and the Martin School of Public Policy and Administration. Scutchfield is editor of the American Journal of Preventive Medicine. His current research focuses on community health, public health organization and delivery, quality of care issues and democracy in health care decision making.

Scutchfield will join Ann Bolton Bevins and William B. Bevins in receiving an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

For Pikeville College alumnus William Bevins, helping others go to college has been a way to honor the sacrifices of those close to his heart. Earlier this year, he and his wife Ann established the Bevins Scholarship at the Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine. Their significant gift was made in honor of his father, Dr. H. Clinton Bevins, and his mother Anna Morrison Bevins and grandfather Milton Morrison Bevins, who were both teachers.

The Bevinses make their home in Georgetown, at "Hillbilly Hideaway Farm," aptly named as a reminder of his Pike County heritage. A descendant of William Robert Lesley, who in 1790 established the first permanent settlement on Lower Johns Creek in Pike County, the family's history is some of the best documented in the region and also includes a cornerstone of the Snivley Chapel, a historic landmark built by the family in the mid-1800s that still stands today.

A personal love of learning and a desire to help others has guided the Bevinses in their endeavors. Education is important to the couple and their support for Pikeville College, Georgetown College and the University of Kentucky - their family schools - has helped others pursue their dreams.

In addition to Pikeville, William Bevins holds B.S. and M.S. degrees from UK. After college, he taught school and later launched successful farming and business ventures, including the Bevins Motor Company, a company he started in 1946.

An alumna of Georgetown College, Ann Bevins has written extensively about genealogy and architectural history. A

### Indicted

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supervised release. Any prior drug felonies will increase that sentence to no less than 10 years with a maximum of life imprisonment, a \$4 million fine and an eight-year term of supervised release.

In total, Davis and Burch could possibly owe up to \$14 million in fines.

Relay

#### successful author, she is currently working on a follow-up to her first book, A History of Scott County (Kentucky) As Told By Selected Buildings.

The community is cordially invited to the nursing pinning

### Cycles

several tips to help keep motorcyclists safe on roadways; Kentucky's Remember that motorcycles are a vehicle with all of the rights and privileges of any other motor vehicle on the roadway, always make a visual check for motorcycles when changing lanes, always use a your signal light when making a lane change, remember that

ceremony and the commencements for Pikeville College and the School of Osteopathic Medicine. For more information, please contact the Office of Public Affairs at (606) 218-5270.

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road conditions which are minor annoyances to passenger vehicles pose major hazards to motorcyclists, and allow for more distance when following a motorcycle.



### **South Floyd High School** and **South Floyd Middle School Site Based Decision Making Parent Representative Nomination and Election**

South Floyd High School and South Floyd Middle School will accept nominations for Site Based Decision Making Parent Representative for School year 2007-2008, May 3, 2007, till May 10, 2007.

South Floyd High School has one parent position for a one-year term available. South Floyd Middle School has two parent positions for a one-year term available.

Turn nomination forms in at the school, to Linda Stumbo for SFHS parent representative, and Carol Johnson for SFMS parent representative.

Election will be held May 17, 2007, from 8 a.m., till 6 p.m.



Cocaine

his own habit. Investigators two on several occasions. An release. For counts two noted a newly purchased mobile home, several improvements to the home one count of conspiracy, six maximum of 30 years imprisalong with several equipment trailers, a bulldozer, horse trailer and several pickup trucks, all of which belonged to Roy Jr. and his father.

indictment handed down on counts of cocaine distribution,

through seven, cocaine distrib-Thursday charges the two with ution, the two could face a onment, a \$2 million maxi-

mum fine, and at least six

years of supervised release.

These penalties also depend on

any prior drug convictions.

Counts eight and nine call for

Pilgrim, died Sunday, April

29, at Three Rivers Medical

Center, in Louisa. Funeral ser-

vices were held Wednesday,

May 2, under the direction of

Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Mize, 80, of Palatka, Florida,

formerly of Inez, died Friday,

April 27, at the Putnam

County Community Hospital

in Palatka, Florida. Funeral

services were held Wednesday,

May 2, under the direction of

Richmond-Callaham Funeral

Francis Aileen (Goble)

forfeiture of listed assets.

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A cooperating witness

and two counts of forfeiture. For the one count of con-

spiracy, the two may face a maximum of life imprisonment, a \$4 million fine and at made several buys from the least eight years of supervised

### Obituaries

native, died Monday, April 30, under the direction of Young in King's Daughters Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 3, under the direction of Neal Funeral Home, Catlettsburg.

June Marie Kimbler McCarty, 77, of Paintsville, died Thursday, April 26, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, April 28, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

John Noren, 76, of Fairborn, Ohio, died Monday, April 23, at Wright Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Fairborn. He is survived by his wife, Pat Brown Noren. Graveside services were held Sunday, April 29, at the Brown Family Cemetery, in Flat Gap, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

 Margaret Goble Ramey, 70, of West Van Lear, died Monday, April 30, in Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. She is survived by her husband, Howard B. Ramey. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 2, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home. Douglas Smith, 33, of Paintsville, died Monday, April 23, at his residence. Funeral services were held Friday, April 27, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home, Inez.

#### LAWRENCE COUNTY

 Janet E. Brown Copley, 41, of Louisa, died Tuesday, May 1, in Cabell Huntington Hospital. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 3, Funeral Home.

Wilma Jean Parker Goble, 66, of Delbarton, West Virginia, a Louisa native, died Wednesday, May 2, at Williamson Memorial Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Clifford Goble. Funeral services were held Friday, May 4, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home

### MARTIN COUNTY

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tions on two Reno tickets and several other miscellaneous items. Team captains Debbi Bentley and Mary Martin say they have experienced a very good response from local citizens and they hope to raise even more money in the following weeks.

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# Guest view 100 percent is only fair number

House Speaker Jody Richards made some friends in eastern Kentucky with his proposal recently to return 100 percent of coal severance tax revenues to Kentucky's coal-producing counties within four years if he's elected governor.

Richards said after a forum in Pikeville that it would cost the state between \$100 million and \$125 million to return all the coal tax proceeds to coal counties, phasing it in over four years, according to an Internet report on Pol Watchers.

Kentucky now gives back to coal counties 50 percent of the tax proceeds.

Richards did not say how the state would recoup the money under his plan but said it was an important move.

"Once coal is depleted, you have a resource that is gone," Richards said. "They should take all that money now and build it for infrastructure so not to leave it as a vast wasteland."

Other candidates at the forum were quick to call the proposal unrealistic.

"The truth is I don't think you can get more than 50 percent out of the legislature," said Attorney General Greg Stumbo, who is running for lieutenant governor on a ticket with Louisville businessman Bruce Lunsford.

While changing the current funding level of 50 percent for coal-producing counties may be difficult, it is still the fair thing to do. Many of the counties producing coal remain among the poorest in the state, and even the nation.

Logic should demand that all the coal severance money be returned to the areas where miners risk their health and lives to extract coal while their communities often lack such basics as sewage service, clean water and safe roads.

— The Harlan Daily Enterprise



# -Rich *f*owry Column

### Misunderstanding and Iran

Iran wants to quit the international community, but the international community won't let it. No act of warfare against the civilized world, no defiance of the United Nations, no violation of international norms, no brazen lie is ever enough to mark Iran as unworthy of outreach, dialogue and the art of sweet persuasion.

When the Iranians seized 15 British sailors in a blatant hostagetaking, the commander of the British ship purred that it might be a "simple misunderstanding." If so, Iran is cursed with terrible luck. Another such misunderstanding lasted 444 days back in 1979-81. In the latest incident, the accident-prone Iranians have had the misfortune of showing the captured British sailors on television and of telling provable lies about where they seized them.

Showing the captives and coercing a confession out of one of them (a woman the Iranians have thoughtfully outfitted in a head-covering to protect her virtue) are violations of the laws of war, not to mention holding them in the first place. Where are the human-rights groups expressing their outrage? The liberal filmmakers readying their scathing documentaries? The European opinionmakers condescendingly tut-tutting?

Nowhere to be found, because they never want to give up their pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Engagement.

If talking with the Iranians doesn't

work, it is because we aren't talking them to enough, or the wrong people (i.e., not the U.S.) are talking to them, or when we're talking to them, we aren't saying the right things, or we haven't talked

> to them long enough, or maybe they don't realize just how very sincere we are in our talking. But, surely, sometime soon, if we just keep talking and offering to talk, all these 'misunderstandings" will fade away.

The old saw about a liberal being someone who won't take his own side in a fight applies here. When the Bush administration presented evidence that the Iranians have provided material used to kill American troops

To the contrary, Iran wants to destabilize Iraq so we will leave and Shia radicals will inherit the country It wants to acquire a nuclear weapon to become the hegemonic power in

the Middle East. And it wants to humiliate the States United and its allies a every opportunity. It can't merely be talked out of any of these goals. To the extent we try, we are ensuring the abject failure of diplomacy<sup>1</sup>, which can suc

ceed only after we demonstrate that we aren't to be trifled with.

The United Nations twice has passed resolutions sanctioning Iran for its illicit nuclear program. The first resolution banned nuclear-related exports to Iran but stopped shoft of banning travel by key officials. The second blocked Iranian armis exports and froze the assets of some officials and entities. Iran, under standably, is unbowed.



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# beyond the beltway Might \$400 haircuts doom Edwards' campaign?

#### by DONALD KAUL

It happens at least once every presidential campaign. A candidate will accidentally blurt out the truth or do something silly that his enemies and the press can use against him and...they use it. Once that happens, it is "adios chump" for the hapless candidate, though he often stumbles on, bravely.

I think that's what has just happened to John Edwards. The other week, it was revealed that Edwards, who has been labeled "the Breck Girl" by opponents jealous of his good looks, had gotten a couple of haircuts in Los Angeles this year.

They cost \$400. Each.

Now Ronald Reagan may have been able to get away with that because he was a Republican, a movie star and he campaigned on a platform of "Let the rich be rich."

But Edwards is a Democrat and one, moreover, who campaigns as an advocate of the poor. Theoretically, there is no reason a champion of the poor can't also get \$400 haircuts but it isn't the kind of thing you want to brag about at the soup kitchen. Did Mother Teresa get her nails done at Elizabeth Arden?

From now on, every time he lets his heart bleed a little for the poor, a little cartoon balloon will appear above his head reading "\$400 haircut."

As I said, this sort of thing happens in every election. I'm old enough to remember 1964 when

in Iraq with roadside bombs, Democrats exploded in outrage - at the Bush administration, for not being convincing enough, for having delayed the release of the intelligence, for being overly belligerent toward Iran, which just wants to talk to us.

If we think the current course will ever fundamentally change Iranian behavior, the misunderstanding is all ours.

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Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

nominee, said:

"I would remind you that extrem-

ism in the defense of liberty is no vice ... moderation in the pursuit of justice is no virtue!"

Which may sound pretty tame now in these dark days when torture and preemptive war are presented as legitimates acts of statecraft but back in the day it was enough to stamp Goldwater as

a certifiable right wing nut, not to be trusted with his thumb on the Doomsday Machine. He was overwhelmed by President Lyndon Johnson in the election that fall. (If Goldwater were in the Senate today he'd be considered a Libertarianleaning, moderate Republican.)

Four years later, Michigan Republican Gov. George (father of Mitt) Romney walked the plank. During the primaries, he explained his early support of the Vietnam War (later withdrawn) by saying:

"When I came back from Vietnam I'd just had the greatest brainwashing that anybody can get."

Which was true of most Americans (including members of the press) at the time, but from that moment on he became the brainwashed candidate, an intellectual lightweight. He came in sixth at the Republican convention that year.

In 1972, the frontrunner for the Democratic nomination was Maine Senator Edmund Muskie. During the New Hampshire primary, the "Manchester Union-Leader" (a rightwing rag you wouldn't use to line your birdcage, if you liked the bird) launched a scurrilous attack on Muskie's wife, saying that she drank

Barry Goldwater, the Republican excessively and used foul language.<sup>3</sup> Muskie, a volatile man, went to

Manchester and denounced the repoil

during a snowstorm in front of the paper. David Broder, a highly respected journalist, reported that Muskie had broken into tears during his speech. Muskie always claimed it was melted flakes from the falling snow. A lot of good it did him. He was

branded forever as the too-emotional candidate who cried in public. He lost to George McGovern who goe buried by Richard Nixon who...oh, you know the rest.

Subsequently we were treated to a revelation that President Jimmy Carter, a former nuclear submarine commander, was a wimp because he wacked an apparently rabid rabbit with an oar while boating. This became the "killer rabbit" incident, although I don't know what you're supposed to do with a rabid forest animal. Invite it into your boat?

Then there was Mike Dukakis, trying to out-man Reagan by getting a ride in tank with his grinning, helmeted head sticking out of the top, He merely looked ridiculous and ridiculous he remained during the campaign.

It happens all of the time and it will happen again. And the more trigial the moment, the greater its impact.

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Don't cry over possibly scratched paint

# This Town, That World

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

Sunday is Mother's Day-in case you sons and daughters have forgotten.

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Put three words together if you want to draw a guffaw from the blase, know-it-all set, these days. No words in the language claim less respect from some, because the insincere, the pseudo-patriotic politician, and the eye-rolling hypocrites have used them so loosely. But we still maintain these are good words. "Mother...Home ... Country."

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Haven't seen a boy playing marbles, this spring. It may be so because I haven't got around to the right spot, but time was when boys and marbles were as synonymous of Springtime, and as numerous as robins and dogwood.

It may be that boys, these-days, are too busy kicking up the dust to get down in it at marbles, but the fact is, there aren't many places for them to play the game, any more, baseball, basketball, and the more strenuous sports, claim most playgrounds.

Folks don't let youngster's peel off hard-won lawns to provide a ring. The youngsters can't play where an automobile can possibly travel, except at risk of life and limb.

Time was when the yard (not lawn) of most homes had a place for marbles. And if this wasn't avail-



The folks from Pampered Chef, pictured here in both photos, went all out with their display for the Home & Garden Expo and was a popular stop among attendees.

# 2007 Home & Garden Expo another successful venture by Floyd Extension Service

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

The 2007 Home & Garden Expo, sponsored by the Floyd County Extension Service, was held March 31, at the Jenny Wiley Convention Center. Several home and garden educational sessions including: were conducted Managing the Home Garden, conducted by Ray Tackett, Floyd County Extension Agent for Agriculture & Natural Resources; Woodland Invasive Species, conducted by Bill Knott of the Kentucky Division of Forestry; Community Hiking & Biking Trails, conducted by staff persons from the Big Sandy Area Development District; Home Fire Safety, conducted by Dan Ballman and Gary Mitchell of the Maytown Volunteer Fire Department; ATV Safety: Life, Death & Reality, conducted by Jason Hodge, coordinator, Kentucky Department of Agriculture Safety Program; and, Trash to Treasure, conducted by Theresa Scott, Floyd County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences. In addition to the educational sessions, numerous community businesses and organizations set up displays and information booths to inform and aid awareness of services offered within the local community. Among those set up in the display area were: Appalachian Christian Entrepreneur, Inc., Avon, Big Sandy Area Development District, C&K Health Enterprises, Drift Woman's Club, Floyd County Emergency & Rescue Squad, Floyd County Health Department - Smoke Free Public Space, local Girl Scout chapters, Kentucky Farm Bureau, Department Kentucky of Agriculture, Linda & Connie's Floral, Maytown Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Mt. Comp Care Regional Prevention Center, National Weather Service, Pampered Chef, Pike County Extension Service,





When Warner Brothers Studios allowed fans to vote on what films from their catalogue would finally make their DVD debuts, they were probably surprised that this effort from the director of "Enter the Dragon" made the cut. Aside from the odd mention on TV's Mystery Theater 3000, Science this action/gymnastics hybrid has been unheard from since it was a regular staple of cable television in the latter

half of the 1980s. American gymnastics champion

Kurt Thomas stars as Jonathan Cabot. When his dad apparently buys the farm after infiltrating a martial arts contest on the remote island of Parmistan, Cabot is brought in to be trained to finish

the job. He is recruited by a mysterious

CIA agent and handed off to two trainers who meld his gymnastic skills with karate to give birth to a new fighting style called Gymkata, hence the catchy title,

Cabot also meets Princess Rubali, who is anxious to see Cabot win the contest as it will allow him to force her dad, the Kahn, to allow the U.S. to set up a Star Wars satellite in Parmistan airspace and bring cable TV and other amenities to her stalled culture.

After a brief series of training sequences, Cabot is issued his license

**Tom Doty** 

**Times Columnist** 

able, kids drew a ring in the road and played, with never a care. An occasional horse or wagon would come along, but nobody was in a hurry, death did not come rushing down on youngsters amid a screeching of brakes. There weren't even any germs in that dust. If there were, we were immune to 'em.

Times do change, who would have thought marbles would give way to bowling, ante-over to basketball, and shinny to hockey? That sigh you heard is for the good old days before the airyplane had come to stay.

#### HONOR BOUND

I have pledged to the fund to help purchase a college site here. My pledge will be made good before May 15, even if it is high enough, to cause some discomfort, and though I may have to make a pledge to my banker to pay four months after date.

If I didn't believe in this college venture, I could use that money elsewhere. I could well spend it for my family, my church, or on my business. But I do believe in it, and I'm not being noble about this, either. I am not unaware of what the college will mean to the thousands of youngsters over the years, to their parents, this town, and county, and all eastern Kentucky. But I am also 'aware of what it can mean to me. I

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PRIDE Committee, Signature Events, Floyd County Conservation District, an exhibit on Lawn & Garden Safety, and the Floyd County Extension Service - 4-H Youth Development, Agriculture-& Natural Resources, Food and Nutrition Education program, Family & Consumer Sciences, Floyd County Cancer Coalition, and Floyd County Extension Homemakers.

Visitors to the Home & Garden Expo were treated to free flower, vegetable and herb seeds, as well as door prizes and goody bags. Special thanks are extended to the following for their donations of prizes and refreshments: 4-H Youth Development program Teen Council members, Avon, Floyd County Emergency & Rescue Squad, Floyd County Health Department, local Girl Scout chapters, Maytown Volunteer Fire PRIDE Department, and Committee.

Tackett, agent for Ray Agriculture & Natural Resources, Theresa Scott, agent for Family & Consumer Sciences, and Heather Nelson, agent for 4-H Youth Development, wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to all who participated as well as to all those who visited, helping make this year's Home & Garden Expo another wonderful success.

to maim and sent off with the Princess to attend the competition. First they meet up with agent Stork who outfits Cabot with various lethal gadgets that he forgets to pack.

While touring the city of Karibal, a bodyguard informs Cabot that Americans aren't popular here, just before an arrow thunks into his chest and underlines the message. Cabot pursues the goons and uses a conveniently placed high bar to engage in some gold medal-style butt whooping, but it isn't enough to save his bodyguards, though he does get the Princess out of there safely.

The first step of the contest proves to be entering the island and avoiding the ninjas that routinely patrol it. Cabot engages a band of the masked warriors and acquits himself well until an extra gets close enough to club him like a baby seal.

Cabot wakes up in time to watch a dry run of the game in which several convicts are allowed to run the course! It turns out to be along the lines of an obstacle course during which the ninjas shoot arrows at anyone who slows down. All three are quickly eliminated while the mainly toothless locals cheer from the sidelines.

Cabot gets extra incentive for the ordeal when he learns that Rubali is scheduled to marry the contest's overseer, Zamir, after the game is over.

Cabot and five others go for the gold as ninjas harass them and man-

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# **Picking your battles**

by LORILEE CRAKER "CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL: LIFE LESSONS FOR BUSY MOMS"

"NO PANTS! I want to wear my pajamas!" My 3-year-old was filled with righteous indignation over my suggestion that it was time to get on a shirt and pants for preschool.

His arms were folded over his chest, and his lip jutted out in defiance. Irritated and about to run late, I dug in my heels. "Ez, you have to wear clothes to school."

even stomped his foot at that statement. But he did have a point. It wasn't like he wanted to go flouncing off to school in his birthday suit, although that scenario was certainly possible. Let's cross that bridge when we come to it, I figured, hoping fervently we wouldn't.

Faced with this flannel-clad bundle of opposition and with about five minutes to put out this fire - or fuel it — I made a choice to let this one

"Ez, you may not talk to me like "I am wearing clothes!" The child that, but you may wear your Thomas the Tank Engine jammies if you ask nicely." Stunned that he could actually be allowed to do so, Ezra acquiesced. He unfolded his arms, unpouted his lower lip, and then asked nicely if he could please wear his pajamas to school.

The thought flitted through my mind that my mother never, under any circumstances, would have allowed her little child to attend school or any other public function wearing pajamas. She would have as soon burned her bra in a front-yard bonfire and declared herself a patriot of the women's liberation movement.

But I, semi-liberated and wearing a bra, picked a battle at that moment. Or rather, I picked "no" on fighting

finger painting and cookie bak-

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for the Sou

ing, an unstructured, winsome place where whimsy and wonder abound. I knew he would be sufficiently warm and decently clothed, and also that his whimsical teachers wouldn't blink an eye over Ezra's one-man pajama day. (Indeed, Miss

Susan and Miss Catherine celebrated his entrance with great fanfare and made a big fuss

that particular battle. Why? Well, it's over how silly and funny and wonpreschool, not the SATs. You know, derful Ezra was to wear his pajamas to school!)

> Motherhood is crammed with opportunities to pick a battle or to step out of the ring. could have forcibly stripped Ezra of his pajamas and then wrestled him into some school clothes. Or maybe I could have threat ened him with consequences. The thing is, I knew it would be a huge

> > (See SOUP, page six)

# Don't cry over possibly scratched paint

#### by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray: Does writing in the dirt/dust on a car scratch the paint? A teacher at my children's school today wrote "Clean Me" as a joke in the dirt on my new Suburban as I was parked in the school pickup line. (It was dirty only because we've had bad weather lately!) I had left it 'unat-'tended while I was visiting another mother ahead of me in line while waiting for the kids to come out of school. I'm a little surprised that an adult male would do this, and I don't

quite know how to bring up er, this is not something for the the subject with him. I donwant to hurt his feelings, but I do want him to know that I didn't appreciate the fact that he could have scratched the paint. I haven't had a new vehicle since 1999, and it really hurt my feelings to have someone do this the second week I've owned the vehicle. How can I give this fella an education about not messing with other people's cars, without offending him? - Linda

RAY: Well, first of all, Linda, you should never be surprised at what an adult male will do. In the big scheme of adult-male misdeeds, howev-

International Court of Justice in The Hague.

TOM: I know what I'd do. I'd write "Clean Me" on HIS car. With a nail!

RAY: You see what I mean about adult males, Linda? If there was nothing but dust or fine particles of dirt on the car, it's unlikely to have done any damage. However, if there was grit and sand on the car, it's possible that there are some slight scratches on your paint. In that case, rest assured that the scratches will easily come out with some polishing compound.

get scratches all the time. The back of someone's jacket rubs against your door in a parking lot ... someone puts a shopping bag on the hood ... your kid rubs her backpack against it while getting in ... you scrape up against a bush in a driveway. Scratches are inevitable, and there's no avoiding them over time. So don't lose sleep over it.

RAY: On the other hand, you can say to the fellow: "Listen, I know you were just joking around, but you probably didn't know that you can scratch the car that way. And since it's a brand-new car, I'm TOM: As you know, cars not emotionally ready to have

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it scratched up yet!"

TOM: "And, by the way, you owe me \$5,000 for a paint job!"

RAY: See? Adult males. Be nice about it, Linda, because I'm sure the guy didn't think he was doing any harm. But letting him know will make you feel better and will force him to find alternative ways to be destructive in the future.

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



#### Lagoon

age to pare the group down till only Cabot is left. After completing the obstacles he takes on Zamir mano-amano and Gymkatas him till he's pushing up daisies. It's the kind of happy ending Ted Turner would root for, with all of the locals getting cable television at the cost of human lives and a generous portion of chopsockey splatter.

What makes this work is the contest itself, which is well executed despite the fact that it doesn't make any sense. It is basically an obstacle course during which the gamers are constantly harried by ninjas who can apparently fire arrows at them whenever they please.

The highlight of the game, and indeed the film, is the scene where Cabot must pass through a village handles most of what passes for dialog

where the Parmistan government with boyish charm, though his 1980s deposits the criminally insane. The first guy Cabot runs into is a true loon who waves a scythe at him before becoming distracted and using the weapon to chop off his own hand. The rest of the village people turn out to be more organized and attack Cabot as a team with assorted cutlery. This leads to the best Gymkata sequence when a cement pommel-horse aids Cabot in doing a routine that takes out most of the gang and should have earned him a perfect score had there been judges present. Director Robert Clouse may not be big on logic but he sure can direct the heck out of the action sequences.

Thomas proves an amiable lead and

hairdo is a bit distracting. Thomas didn't make any more movies and that is a shame as he was a gifted athlete and a true patriot. When President Jimmy Carter asked athletes to boycott the Moscow Olympics, Thomas did just that and as a result he never got a shot at the Olympic gold. He would try again in Barcelona after a 10-year layoff but, unfortunately, didn't make the team. That said he has a field day here and proves he can handle stiff dialogue (as well as the parallel bars) and even makes for a convincing martial artist.

Best line: "It is not over yet, so put your hardware back in your pants." 1985, rated R.

#### Soup

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ordeal to force him to do what he so clearly didn't want to do. Was it easier to let him attend class wearing his jammies? Absolutely.

The child has a will so steely it boggles my mind. We could be in the ring all day long at times, duking it out over some disagreement or other. But if I turn every misdemeanor into a felony, I'll lose my maternal authority and probably my mind. Shaping and guiding a preschooler's moral character will be a long, hard slog, so I've learned to save my energy for the lessons he really has to learn.

Allen

have a youngster ready for high school next year. Four years later, barring unforseen turns of the wheel, he will be entering college. One year of college here at home, and I will have saved more than what I am giving toward buying the site for that college.

Besides all this, I am honorbound to honor my pledge.

#### WITH POSTOFFICE HELP

How do the folks at the postoffice know that mail addressed by Bob Harlowe to N.K. (Ink) Allen belongs to my box? Well, I'm glad they do, for an envelope so addressed, this week, brought the following:

#### WHAT IS A FISHERMAN?

A Fisherman is half man, half boy, with hooks in his hat, worms in his pocket, and a grin on his face, carrying equipment that smells like Fisherman's wharf in August.

He can get up 4:30 in the morning, without setting the alarm, yet he can never get to church on time, and he seldom makes the office before 9:30.

He is a liar in old clothes who wouldn't be caught dead with a spot on his tie, but wipes his hands on his pants after digging worms, and jumps on his hat to make it look seasoned.

He is a man who can remember in what stream, he used what fly, the exact spot where he caught that

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big one five years ago, but can't remember to mail that letter in his coat pocket.

Sometimes he is a bashful guy who, altho he never enters a general conversation, will talk to anyone who will listen after a fishing trip, and usually repeats at least twice, the story about the big one that evaded him, because some dope upstream sneezed.

He's the same old miser, who buys meat, supposedly for his dog and takes it home for his wife to make stew with, that blows his whole salary for a new spinner, charters the Queen Mary for a fishing trip, and feeds the fish better bait than he ever ate in his life.

While fishing, he's on the same level with bankers and bums, but back at the office is the same old drudge in the wrinkled, gray suit, that jumps every time the boss buzzes him.

Some species are so dumb about fish that they think a Big Mouth is an extrovert-a Rainbow is what has a pot of gold at the end-and a Northern Pike is a main road to Canada, but he's got heart, and is as eager as the proverbial beaver.

But usually, he's a lovable guy, with a pipe in his mouth. A liar sometimes, an optimist always, and, despite a few gross exaggerations, he's closer to God and all He offers, than at any other time-he is a Fisherman.

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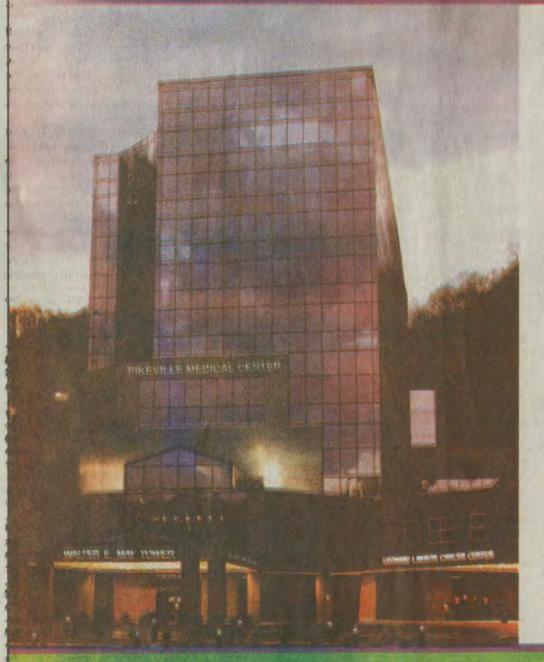
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#### by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN - Despite the rain, Allen Central and Betsy Layne hooked up Thursday evening in a Floyd County Conference/58th District matchup. Allen Central scored a season-high 23 runs versus the Bobcats. The Rebels prevailed, winning 23-2 in five innings.

Junior Scott Little pitched the first four innings for Allen Central. In four innings of work, Little struck out nine and walked three. The Allen Central

starting pitcher allowed two runs, neither of which were earned. Alex Hammonds pitched the final inning for the Rebels, fanning three Betsy Layne batters. Offensively, nine different Allen Central batters collected at least one hit each.

Allen Central's Josh Prater went three-for-four at the plate and drove in four runs. Chad Nelson and Ethan Conley each had two hits. Nelson provided one his biggest hits of the season when he belted a grand slam and drove in four runs.

"We brought our sticks tonight,"

Allen Central Coach Kenneth Johnson things we have to do to succeed. This commented following his team's win. "We really hit the ball hard. These guys are really starting to see the ball better and put a bat on it. Our young club is maturing and playing better. I think we're finally starting to find ourselves. The thing about these young guys, even though they're freshman, this makes their third year playing under me. So, it wasn't like they came in totally clueless, but rather, just inexperienced at the varsity level. They already knew the system, they knew the signs, and they knew the little

season has been about bringing that out in them.'

Hammonds, Little, Logan Crowder, Brett Shepherd, John Bryant and Hunter Crowder each had one hit for the Rebels.

According to Johnson, his young team still has some ground to cover, but the unit is showing much promise.

"We still have a long way to go, but we are starting to gel, and at the right time," said Johnson. It was a great accomplishment for our team to undefeated go throughout conference play. Of course, it always helps to have a great pitcher like Scott (Little) on the mound the majority of those games as well. But more players are starting to step up

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## Kentucky test session features 13 drivers

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPARTA - Three ARCA RE/MAX Series drivers unofficially topped the speed charts Monday afternoon at Kentucky Speedway. Alex Yontz, Michelle Theriault and Erik Darnell each clocked in at 31.29 seconds around the 1.5-mile oval. All three plan to participate in the May 12 Buckle-Up Kentucky 150 at Kentucky Speedway. "This is my first time in an ARCA car," said Yontz. "It's great. These cars are a lot of fun. I've never been in anything that has this much horsepower. We plan to come back for the race, and hopefully we will make it to three or four ARCA races this year. The schedule is kind of still in the air.'

Yontz, a veteran of UARA Stars Touring Late Models, is a native of Walnut Cove, North Carolina. He was joined on the speed charts by Theriault, who made her ARCA RE/MAX debut at Series USA International Speedway on March 24, and Darnell, who finished a career-best second in an ARCA race at Kansas Speedway ast weekend. The full day

**SOLID SEASON** 



photos by Jamie Howell The Prestonsburg High School track and field program is benefitting from having several different athletes - both old and new to the sport.

Patton a part of strong Pikeville signing class

> by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG Prestonsburg High School senior Trevor Patton will see some familiar faces later this year when he begins workouts with the Pikeville College men's base ketball team. Patton, who signed with Pikeville College during a signing ceremony held Thursday afternoon inside the Prestonsburg High School Gymnasium, joins Bears basketball program that just one day earlier had signed Hazard High sharpshooting guard Justin Hicks. Earlier in the spring, Pikeville College head coach Kelly Wells signed Belfry High senior Jamie Case - the 15th Region Player of the Year, Hicks is the 14th Region Player of the Year.

Patton gave Prestonsburg a strong defensive presence. The six-foot-six senior center aver aged eight rebounds and 3

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**Eldora's Dream** entries mailed out

ARCA Open Test session was in preparation for the May 15 Buckle-Up Kentucky 150, which serves as the season-opening event for Kentucky Speedway.

Other test participants included Bryan Silas, Ken Butler III, James

Buescher,

Richard

Johns, Steve

Blackburn,

Billy Tanner,

Gabi

DiCarlo,

Mark

Dimitroff,

Jesus

Hernandez

and Regan



STEVE BLACKBURN

Smith.

Blackburn, who races out of Prestonsburg, finished ninthfastest among the 13 drivers. The Prestonsburg driver timed in at 31.91 in his Dodge.

In addition to serving as an open test day for ARCA RE/MAX Series teams, the event provided an opportunity for Kentucky Speedway to introduce the May 12 ARCA RE/MAX Series race event sponsor via a

(See TEST, page eight)

# Numbers are up, results good for PHS track program

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - These days, Prestonsburg High School track and field coach Dewey Jamerson can't help but flash a smile at some point when engaged in a conversation about his program. It's been a successful season for Prestonsburg High track and field athletes.

Both Prestonsburg High track and field teams - boys and girls - boast winning records. The Prestonsburg girls' team' record is 41-12 and the boys' record is 38-15.

"It has been a bit of a surprise from the team aspect," said Jamerson." Locally, we have been very competitive finishing first or second in all but one meet here and at Pikeville. With our number of runners being up, I thought that we should do better as a team. You need numbers in track.

Numbers - of the lack thereof - has hindered the Prestonsburg track and field program's progress in previous years.

"We didn't have the numbers last year," Jamerson added. "The girls' team was really small."

The addition of Amber Whitaker, Whitney Bradley, Elizabeth Chaffin, Hannah Fitzpatrick, Alyssa Allen, Pam Gibson, Clara Osborne, Tiffany Allen, Allison Rowe, Amanda Keen and Ali Hopkins has helped. Putting these girls with those that returned from last year, Jackie Joseph, Ashley Moore, Emily Stanley, Kelli Burchell, Laken Keathley and Thalia Holland helps us be able to put two people in most of the events. Putting people in events is

(See TRACK, page eight)



#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

ROSSBURG, Ohio - Entry blanks were released this week for Eldora Speedway's highes paying Late Model event of the year - the 13th annual Dirt Late Model Dream. The lucrative two-day event (June 8-9) will again offer \$100,000 to the win ner of the 100 lap chase around Eldora's fabled one-half mile clay oval. Scott Bloomquist is the defending champion.

As in the past, the event will kick off on Friday evening (June 8) with a quick practice session, followed immediately by the time trial runs to determine the heat race lineups for Saturday' busy agenda.

On Saturday (June 9), six heat races will find the top three finishes from each transferring to the 100-lap finale, while finish ers four through six go into the B-Main and finishers 7-10 go into the C-Main.

Twenty-four starters will be awarded starting spots in the Dream - 18 from the heat races and 4 from the B-Main; with the

(See DREAM, page eight)

# Prestonsburg Little League: Mets defeat Yankees

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG - The Prestonsburg Little League Mets defeated the Prestonsburg Little League Yankees 12-11 earlier in the week in one of the most exciting Little League games ever played thus far at the Sportspark. The local subway series rivalry included six lead changes as the Yankees overcame an early 6-1 deficit to take an 8-7 lead into the top half of the fourth inning. The Yankees attack was fueled by a booming home run off of the bat of pitcher Evan Bays. The hit gave the Yankees a temporary lead.

The Mets fought back when catcher Jordan Bishop hit the second home run of the night over the centerfield fence, tying the score 8-8.

The Yankees retook the lead in the top half of the sixth inning following a clutch hit from Chad Bays. The hit gave the Yankees a 10-8 lead. In the bottom portion of the sixth inning, the amazing Mets rallied for three runs when Anthony Collins scored on a wild pitch. The Mets' rally included Bishop collecting his fourth hit of the night, which was followed by a line drive double from Derek Newsome and a clutch single off of the bat of Aaron Foley.

After the game, veteran Mets manager Ned Pillersdorf called the game one of the most intense games he had seen in his coaching career and noted that it is always significant when the Mets beat the Yankees. Pillersdorf

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TALENTED TUMBLERS: The ATTA power tumbling and trampoline team attended USTA state competition of Saturday, April 28 in Louisville The team is coached by Henry Young and based out of th Kentucky Power Tumblin Gym in Allen. Pictured, botton row: Camryn Sione, Hagga Sexton, Kaylee William Little and Madd Hannah Ousley. Top row: Morga Brittney Nunnery, Moore Mattison Greene, Crysta Moore and Jenna Little. Bac row: Colton Adams and Coac Henry Young. Not pictured Hannah Hunt, Courtney Kline Palge Caudill, Taylor Clark an Conner Newberry. The team received several first-, secondand third-place awards and has qualified to attend the national competition Daytona, Fla.

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### Rebels

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now and see their role. Josh Prater has really been playing well as of late, and has been key in some games. The and play of freshmen Logan Crowder and on Chad Nelson has been phenomenal this season. And freshman catcher, Hunter Crowder, has taken over behind the plate for an injured Ethan Conley and has really become a force ml back there. He has a great future if he works hard and stays focused. Even un our seniors have picked it up a notch and lately. John Bryant has really turned it on hitting wise, Ethan (coming back from an injury) has been hustling and making plays, and Jordan has taken over running the bases for us. I think we can make a good run in the postseason if we stay focused and keep doing the little things."

Sam Keathley took the pitching 16 loss for the Bobcats.

With the win, Allen Central improved to 7-12 overall and 5-0 in the Floyd County Conference/58th District. After taking the loss, Betsy 50 Layne dropped to 2-15 overall and 1-4 in the conference/district.

#### Patton

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blocks per game. Patton also averaged 10 points per game during his senior season.

Hicks signed with Pikeville College during a signing ceremony held Wednesday afternoon at Hazard High School. One of the state's most prolific high school basketball players, Hicks scored over 1,700 points during his career at Hazard High. The Hazard Bulldog averaged 21.5 points per game as a senior. Hicks is the WYMT/Whayne Supply Mountain Classic tournament's all-time leading scorer.

Wells guided the Bears to a 12-19 record this past season in his first campaign at the helm of the PC men's basketball program. Pikeville is scheduled to open the 2007-08 sea-

i 'son on Saturday, Nov. 3 against visit-- ing Johnson Bible College.

#### Dream

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final two spots being reserved for the quickest two drivers from time trials that didn't advance through their qualifying heat races.

Floyd Countians Paul Harris, Chuckie May, Shannon Thornsberry and Brandon Kinzer are among the area drivers who have all competed in past Dream events.

Advance tickets for the Dirt Late Model Dream may be purchased online at www.eldoraspeedway.com or by calling the track office at 937/338-3815. Teams not receiving an entry blank may call the office, as well.

### Track

one thing, but putting people in events that can score is another.'

The Prestonsburg boys' team added Jonathan Blair, Matt Blevins, Josh Craynon, Austin Gearheart, Mason Haywood, Cody McCoy, Josh Shepherd, Jared Wright and Nick Yonts to a fairly strong group of competitors. Taylor Clark, Devin Clifton, Justin Conn, Josh Holbrook, Clay Jamerson, Joseph Jamerson, Ryan Johnson, Chayse Martin,

Shane Poynter, Brad Stanley, Jordan Watkins, Shane Williamson and Wes Woods all returned for another season.

"Once again, the boys' team has good numbers, allowing me to cover more events," Jamerson added.

Several individuals have stepped up for the Prestonsburg track program. And there have been some surprises along the way.

'The biggest surprise from the

individual stand point has to be Hannah Fitzpatrick," said Jamerson. "Hannah has set six school records in two events. The first meet she ran, the 800 meters, she set a school record.

"Cody McCoy has put up good times in his events. Joseph Jamerson is running well in the hurdles. This is his first year of running the high school height 110 hurdles and the lowest he has finished has been fifth.

Rookie of the Year contender,

DiCarlo echoed Darnell's sentiments

put on my seat belt," said DiCarlo. "I

actually don't feel as safe in a street

car because I don't have my gloves

on or my helmet or any of the other

safety equipment that I wear in my

"Every time I get in a street car I

on seat belt safety.

racecar.

old.

He is only a seventh grader."

The veteran Prestonsburg track coach has enjoyed the 2007 season.

"With the new kids stepping in and the returning kids stepping up it has been a good year," Jamerson concluded.

Prestonsburg is scheduled to host another home meet Tuesday.

#### Test

press conference hosted by Kentucky Speedway's Tim Bray.

The Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP) is sponsoring the ARCA RE/MAX Series Buckle-Up Kentucky 150 race to raise awareness of the state's new primary seat belt law.

Kentucky State Police Captain Tim Lucas explained the importance of seat belt safety at the event.

'Seat belts clearly save lives," said Lucas. "But unfortunately too many folks still need a tough reminder, so we will be out in force making sure people are buckled up. Regular seat belt usage is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes.

ARCA RE/MAX Series competitors Darnell and DiCarlo also made appearances in the media center to stress the importance of seat belt

Positive target

ID is the basic

to avoid turkey

hunt accidents

**By STEVE VANTREESE** 

ASSOCIATED PRESS

hunter inexplicably seeing what he

wants to see that can get him - and

hunting and the potential problem is

obvious. To attract the targeted

turkey, a hunter obscures his identity

by camouflaging himself to the eye-

balls. Then he calls, making sounds

that turkeys make, albeit hen calls.

That is, he sounds like a turkey

while hiding his identity as a human

as other camouflaged people are out

there trying to coax turkeys into their

gun sights.

another hunter - in trouble.

FRANKFORT - It's a turkey

Think about the nature of turkey

safety and promote the upcoming Buckle-Up Kentucky 150 ARCA **RE/MAX** Series event.

Darnell, who competes under the Roush-Fenway Racing banner, is coming off a very busy weekend of competition. The Illinois native worked his way from last to second in an ARCA RE/MAX Series race at Kansas Speedway on Friday and earned his career first NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series victory on Saturday. He brought two cars to Monday's Open Test at Kentucky Speedway in preparation for the May 12 ARCA RE/MAX Series event.

"I know every time I get in a street vehicle I put on my seat belt right away," said Darnell. "I've been in some nasty wrecks in my racecar and I feel fortunate to have that fivepoint harness on when I race.'

The 2007 ARCA RE/MAX Series

#### a problem.

"It appears that the number one cause of turkey hunting accidents is the victim being mistaken for game," said Bill Balda, hunter education supervisor for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

But how is it possible that one hunter could confuse another with a turkey?

"Well, it probably has to do with camouflage that sort of hides someone and then movement, which attracts attention," Balda said. "If a turkey sees movement, he goes away, but if a turkey hunter sees movement and he's expecting a gobbler to show up, his first thought is that it's a turkey coming in.'

The problem lies with a hunter who would jump to conclusions and react to a sighting of movement, allowing anticipation to sway him, Balda said.

Balda said any hunter who would yield to excitement and decide to shoot upon seeing movement is taking a step toward a hunting violation along with reckless conduct.

a visible beard," Balda explained. "A hunter has to wait until he sees it's not only a turkey, but it has to be one with a visible beard before he

can legally take it. "Besides, it rarely hurts for a hunter to let the situation develop before he takes a shot," he added. "If it is a legal turkey coming in, a hunter would be better off to let the bird give him a good, open shot instead of pulling the trigger the moment a turkey's head pops out from behind a rock or tree.

While the responsibility for a "mistaken for game" turkey hunting accident is always on the shooter, there have been instances where the victims did things that probably confused the other guy and contributed to their own injury.

"We've had some people who were stalking turkey callers." he said. "You should never use a gobble call - that's almost asking for trouble. But some people have tried to approach hen calls just because it sounded like turkey activity."

Among other rules of defensive turkey hunting, one should never

"We've had some people make things worse by wearing the wrong colors, too," Balda said. "They wear something that shows some white or some red, and these are colors that are on a turkey's head. If a hunter gets a glimpse of one of these colors moving through the brush (with human lines obscured by camouflage), it can be a problem.

Turkey hunter mistaken-for-game accidental shootings are rarely fatal because they usually involve a vic tim being shot at some distance with No. 4 to 6 bird shot. That doesn't keep them from being serious injuries, however.

They don't happen often, perhaps two to four times a year out of thousands and thousands of Kentucky turkey hunt outings, Balda said.

'But every one of them is very avoidable," Balda said. "All a hunter has to do is keep his cool and positively identify his target before he shoots.

About halfway through Kentucky's spring turkey hunting season, which runs through May Balda had received no reports of any

DiCarlo, a native of Phoenix, Arizona, is quite used to wearing safety equipment in a racecar. She's been racing since she was ten years

"My career has sky-rocketed in the past year," said DiCarlo. "I came from open wheel stuff so this is all brand new to me. My first time on bigger tracks is here and at Kansas last weekend. The open wheel cars weighed a quarter of the amount that these do so the adjustment is huge.

The ARCA RE/MAX Series, now

in its 55th consecutive year of competition, will make the first of two 2007 appearances to Kentucky Speedway on May 12 for the Buckle-Up Kentucky 150. Former winners at the 1.5-mile Sparta, Kentucky-based speed plant include Frank Kimmel, Chad Blount, Ryan Hemphill, Kyle Busch, Brad Coleman, Ryan Newman, Tim Steele and Steve Wallace.

The ARCA Lincoln Welders Truck Series, now in its ninth year of competition, will contest a same-day feature on the .25-mile paved oval. Defending series champion Paul Hahn, rookie of the year contender Steve Cronenwett and 1999 series champion Bill Withers are among those expected to compete.

Tickets are available by calling Kentucky Speedway at 888/652 RACE.

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### Mets

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said he saw the ghost of Casey Stengel hovering near the Mets dugout near the bottom of the sixth inning. The Prestonsburg Mets manager said he took the sign that the Mets were likely to pull off the miracle comeback. The Prestonsburg Mets will be traveling to Great American Ballpark today to see the Cincinnati Reds entertain the Colorado Rockies. The Mets players have been informed that they will receive preferential seating if they can correctly identify why the Mets wear blue and orange. Hint: It has something to do with the history of baseball in New York City.

### Bengals sign 14 college free agents

#### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - The Cincinnati Bengals announced the signing of 14 college free agents on Wednesday, and also waived rookie linebacker Jason Berryman of Iowa State.

The signees, who will participate in this weekend's minicamp, are:

Bryan Andrews, DE, 6-foot-5, 262 pounds, Wake Forest; Daniel Coats, TE, 6-3, 257, Brigham Young; Earl Everett, LB, 6-3, 238, Florida; Jesse Holley, WR, 6-2, 219, North Carolina; Xzavie Jackson, DE, 6-3, 278, Missouri; Tony Kays, WR, 6-0, 194, California-Davis; Matt Muncy, LB, 6-1, 238, Ohio; Harrison Nikolao, G, 6-3, 305, Eastern Washington; Elliot Seifert, OT, 6-7, 308, Temple; Cameron Siskowic, LB, 6-1, 228, Illinois State; Jeff Smith, QB, 6-5, 235, Georgetown (Ky.) College; Dane Uperesa, OT, 6-4, 309, Hawaii; Stan White, FB, 6-1, 249, Ohio State; and T.J. Wright, CB, 5-10, 177, Ohio.

Hmmm. A possibility for confusion lies therein. It's taking action in that state of confusion that can cause

**Injured Bengals** 

MIDDLETOWN,

football.

me."

to play again.

want to play again."

linebacker hopeful

for recovery, return

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cincinnati Bengals linebacker David Pollack says he remains hopeful that

he can return to the playing field

after recovering from a neck injury.

Pollack said while signing auto-

graphs after a sports banquet here

Wednesday evening. "If I get cleared

to play football, I'm going to play

start thinking about something else."

ing the second game of the 2006 season. He was put in a protective halo

brace that immobilized the neck,

know that I am God.' And I had

never done that," Pollack said dur-

ing his banquet speech. "I couldn't

drive a car, couldn't exercise. All I

could do was sit in a recliner for

eight hours a day and listen to God.

I had never learned so much about

exercising five to six hours a day,

said he has come away determined

things to do out there," said the

Bengals' 2005 first-round draft

choice from University of Georgia.

"But I'm a football player. And I

And Pollack, who said he is now

"I know there are plenty of other

"The Bible says 'Be still and

then underwent surgery Jan. 3.

Pollack, 24, cracked a neck bone while making a tackle on Cleveland's Reuben Droughns dur-

"There is no Plan B," Pollack said. "It's all Plan A right now. If I get detoured from Plan A, then I'll

"Absolutely that's what I want,"

Ohio

"The regulation doesn't say it has to be a turkey gobbler to be legal game; it says it must be a turkey with

attempt to sneak up on a bird, Balda mistaken-for-game incidents. reminded. The odds are too high the "turkey" will be another hunter.





#### HAP LITTLE LEAGUE

Above: HAP Little League Cubs batter Dalton Frasure stood in at the plate on Monday in a Harold-Allen-Prater Little League game. Tyler Rogers is pictured catching for Diamondbacks. The Cubs defeated the Diamondbacks 5-1.

Left: Haley Wright, a second baseman for the HAP Little League Coach-Pitch Red Sox, is pictured.

photos submitted

# LOUISVILLE BASKETBALL: Pitino signs three-year contract extension

#### by WILL GRAVES ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE - Rick Pitino built his legend at Kentucky. He plans to cement it at Louisville.

Pitino signed a three-year contract extension with the Cardinals on Thursday that could keep him at the school through 2013, long enough for a highly anticipated downtown arena to open while he tries to lead the school to its third national championship

"I'm a very lucky, I was going to say young man, but I'm a very lucky

old man," the 54-year-old Pitino said with a laugh.

The new deal increases Pitino's annual salary from \$1.65 mil-

lion to \$2.25 million a year beginning next season and will pay him \$2.5 million a year if he stays until the end of the contract. The contract also boosted a loyalty bonus due Pitino on July 1 from \$1 million to \$1.75 million. He'll receive loyalty bonuses of \$3.6 million in 2010 and 2013 if he remains with the school.

probably double it," said Louisville athletic director Tom Jurich.

Pitino is 142-58 in six seasons at Louisville and led the aCardinals to the 2005 Final Four. Louisville went 24-10 last year, losing to Texas A&M in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. He is 494-182 in 21 seasons overall and won a national championship at Kentucky in 1996.

The deal comes a month "He's worth every penny of it, after the Wildcats signed new head

coach Billy Gillispie to a seven-year contract that will pay him \$2.3 million a season.

Pitino said he isn't thinking about retirement yet, but plans to finish his career with the Cardinals.

"You can never say never, but as long as Tom Jurich is here as the athletic director, I will always be here," Pitino said. "This is where I want to live. This is where I want to coach."

Pitino has been part of a concerted drive by the school to update its athletic facilities in order to compete in the Big East. Louisville is opening up a sparkling new practice gym in the

fall, and a 20,000-seat downtown arena is scheduled to open its doors in 2010.

The new buildings, plus a team that returns eight of its top nine players next season, have rejuvenated Pitino, who hired his son Richard as an assistant coach last month.

"When the day comes where I can't do every individual instruction, can't do practice, can't break down the film can't live on the road recruiting-wise, that's the time to retire and I'm a long way from that," Pitino said. "I'm more energetic today than I was 20 years ago.'

### NCAA men's basketball rules committee recommends extending three-point line starting in 2008

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS - After years of study and consideration, the Men's A. Basketball Rules Committee voted to recommend extending the three-point line to 20 feet, 9 inches starting with L1 the 2008-09 season. The dimensions of the lane will remain unchanged.

The Women's Basketball Rules Committee, which met concurrently with the men's committee in Indianapolis May 1-3, will maintain the current three-point line, which is 19 feet, 9 inches from the basket.

The proposal and all recommenda-

tions from the committees are not final until approved by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel, which will meet by conference call May 25.

The proposed change to the threepoint line comes following the 20th year of the line's implementation, which was first introduced into men's intercollegiate play for the 1986-87 season. The men's committee began studying a longer three-point shot in 1996 with an experimental rule. Since that time, the committee has tested the line at both 20 feet, 6 inches, the distance used in International competition, and 20 feet, 9 inches,

which is one foot removed from the current line. Experimental data collected by the men's committee over the last decade indicates that shooting percentages will not be significantly different from the extended distances.

The one-year implementation period is required by the NCAA to allow for member institutions to make adjustments to their court markings. Playing rules are the same for Divisions I, II and III.

The women's committee approved its points of emphasis for the upcoming season. Displacement, traveling, unsportsmanlike behavior and legal guarding position are the areas the committee will direct women's officials to pay particular attention to next season.

On the men's side, the committee will focus on the block or charge call, particularly near the goal; coaches' behavior and enforcement of the coaching box; rough post play; and palming the ball.

In other significant men's actions, the committee:

Voted to alter its free throw alignment. This change will eliminate the first lane space nearest the basket on each side of the lane and using the present second, third and fourth lane space on each side of the lane as an alignment for free throws.

Will allow the use of the courtside monitor to determine whether a flagrant foul occurred and require the use of the monitor to assess the situation if a fight is declared.

The women's committee also approved a recommendation to rewrite its rules that cover technical fouls. The guideline about the legal guarding position under the basket will be deleted, making the legal guarding position the same for the entire court.

## No Wildcat teams subject to NCAA penalties

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - The NCAA released its third-annual Academic Progress Rate report on Wednesday, showing that 14 of the University of Kentucky's 22 sports teams exceeded or tied the national average for public universities in their sports, and that no Wildcat squads are subject to penalties, such as scholarship reductions or post-season restrictions.

The women's soccer team led the way for UK with 990 out of a possible 1,000 points, followed by volleyball (982), women's swimming (977), women's golf (977), women's outdoor track (976), and men's outdoor track (971). The marks are a three-year composite score, covering the 2003-04, 2004-05, and 2005-06 school years, that measure academic eligibili-

ty and retention of student-athletes. Beginning next year, the APR will become a four-year composite score.

In addition to having 14 teams exceed or tie the national average for public institutions in their sport, three more Wildcat squads were within two points of the national average in that category

Six UK teams posted perfect 1,000 scores for the 2005-06 school year, including baseball, men's cross country, men's indoor track, men's outdoor track, gymnastics, and volleyball.

The NCAA's composite target score is 925 points and only one UK team, men's basketball, was below that figure. However, the men's basketball mark of 916 is within the statistical confidence interval, based on squad size, therefore the team is not subject to penalties.

Kentucky's 2007 APR scores for each sport, covering the 2003-04, 2004-05, and 2005-06 school years, include:

Men's Sports: Baseball\* - 931; Basketball - 916; Cross Country\* -969; Football\* - 946; Golf - 950; Soccer - 940; Swimming - 959; Tennis\* - 963; Indoor Track\* - 966; Outdoor Track\* - 971.

Women's Sports: Basketball\* -970; Cross Country - 956; Golf\* - 977; Gymnastics - 957; Soccer\* - 990; Softball - 942; Swimming\* - 977; Tennis - 949; Indoor Track\* - 969; Outdoor Track\* - 976; Volleyball\* -982

Men's/Women's Sport: Rifle\* 968. (\* Indicates teams that exceeded or tied the national average for public universities in their sports.)



photo courtesy of Marshall University IN HUNTINGTON: Paintsville High School graduate Jeremy Slone is playing well for the Marshall University baseball program. Slone is a starting pitcher for the Thundering Herd.



### Six students picked to attend NFHS leadership conference

#### TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Six students have been selected to represent the KHSAA and attend the 2007 National of High Federation School

and staff the KHSAA HYPE Student Leadership Conference scheduled for Aug. 29.

Congratulations to the following selected to attend: Raven Price (Henry Clay), Lauren Duvall (Bourbon County), Lauren Forsythe (Paris), Alex Boswell (Logan County), Trey Edwards (Lincoln County), Matthew Schumann (Model). The entire trip is funded by T-Mobile through a corporate sponsorship with the NFHS. UPCOMING KHSAA EVENTS: May 6-First Corbin/KHSAA Sportsmanship Recognition Banquet, Lexington; May 14-15-KHSAA Board of Control Meeting, Lexington;

May 14-19-Regional Tennis Tournaments; May 19-KHSAA Slow Pitch Softball State Tournament; May 21-26-Regional Track Meets; May 21-26-District Baseball & Fast Pitch Softball Tournaments; May 24-



Associations' Student Leadership Conference. The Conference is scheduled for July 19-22 and will be held in Indianapolis, Ind.

Over 300 students from throughout the United States will be in attendance. Attendees will hear from motivational speakers, perform community service and experience breakout sessions on topics such as hazing, leadership and safe practices. The students will also return to serve as advisors 26-Fifth Third/KHSAA Boys' & Girls' State Tennis Tournaments, Lexington; May 28-June 2-Regional Baseball & Fast Pitch Softball Tournaments; June 1-2-State Track & Field Meet, Lexington; June 6-8-Semi-State Baseball Series; June 8-9-Fast Pitch Softball, Jeffersontown; June 13-16-Fifth Third/KHSAA State Baseball Tournament; June 19-Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Golf Scramble (for 2008 Class).

### HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL KHSBCA COACHES POLL

Lexington Catholic Paul Dunbar Pleasure Ridge Park 4. Owensboro Catholic Lexington Christian Trinity (Louisville) 7. Ballard 8. Henry Clay 9. Danville 10. Tates Creek 11. Eastern 12. George Rogers Clark 13. Butler 14. Apollo

16. Christian County 17. Male 18. Somerset 19. Boyd County 20. Covington Catholic 21. Madisonville-North Hopkins 22. Daviess County 23. West Jessamine 24. Paintsville 25. Taylor County 26. Butler County 27. Hopkinsville

15. Henderson County

Others Receiving Votes - Boyle County 9, St. Xavier 9, DuPont Manual 9, Russellville 8, North Hardin 8, Lafavette 7, Hancock County 5, Owensboro 5, Warren Central 5, Campbell County 4, Franklin County 4, Harrison County 4, Lawrence County 3, Mercer County 3, Owensboro 3, Ryle 3, St. Mary 3, Powell County 3. Bishop Brossart 2, Bryan Station 2, Johnson Central 2, LaRue County 2, Perry County Central 2, Bowling Green 1, Greenup County 1, McLean County 1, Rockcastle County 1,



BIG TIME: The Perkins Center male basketball team recently participated in an exhibition game in mid-April against the University of Kentucky seniors at Allen Central High School. The Perkins Center students performed well in front of the approximately 500 attending fans and finished the exciting outing only 26 points down to the collegiate senior players with the final score being 106-80.

photo by Dewey Mosley

GOING STRONG: Prestonsburg's Alexis DeRossett, an eighth-grader, ranks as one of the 15th Region's top softball pitchers. At press time, Prestonsburg remained undefeated in the Floyd County Conference/58th District.

# **15TH REGION** SOFTBALL

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4-15
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1-8

# AUTO RACING BRIEFS: Marlin seeks a little history

#### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sterling Marlin plans to look for a little bit of history this week on his way to the NASCAR Nextel Cup race at Richmond International Raceway.

The two-time Daytona 500 winner, a Civil War buff, will make a side trip to Cold Harbor, one of the many parts of Richmond National Battlefield and the site of a battle between troops from the North and the South on May 31-June 12, 1864.

"I know a guy that owns a farm out there that hasn't had much hunting done on it, if any," Marlin said. "So, I thought I'd take the opportunity to go and see what I can find since I'm on my way to Richmond anyway.

"I've been up there to that area before, but this land is new to me, so it something more unique. His collec-

should be interesting."

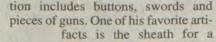
Marlin began collecting artifacts from the Civil War years

ago. But the longtime NASCAR star acknowledges that, as much as he enjoys hunting for the relics, many of the items in his collection have been gifts.

"I love going out and looking for this stuff, but I don't have the time to really get into it as much as I'd like," he said.

"Friends and fans give me some pretty neat things because they know I really enjoy it.

Marlin expects to find small things, such as bullets, but hopes to discover



sword, known as a scabbard. "The best thing anyone ever gave me was General Custer's gun," Marlin said. "It was a guy I knew that was kin to Custer. He said he didn't have any kids to hand it down to, so he passed it along to me. He knew I'd like it, and that was pretty neat."

TRACKIN': DIRT Stock-car racing is still new to Colombian rookie Juan Pablo Montoya. But dirt-track racing is something he hadn't considered until Tony Stewart came up with an invitation.

Montoya will join Stewart and a large group of Nextel Cup drivers June 6 on the dirt at Ohio's Eldora Speedway in the Nextel Prelude to the Dream exhibition race. The event, which will raise money for the Victory Junction Gang Camp in North Carolina and the Tony Stewart Foundation, will be presented live on HBO Pay-Per-View.

Also expected are Jeff Gordon, Kasey Kahne, Kevin Harvick, Matt Kenseth, Mark Martin, Denny Hamlin, Bobby Labonte, Ryan Newman, Bill Elliott, Clint Bowyer, Dave Blaney, Kyle Petty, Aric Almirola, Kyle Busch, Ron Capps, Red Farmer, Elliott Sadler, Ken Schrader, Kenny Wallace, Mike Wallace, J.J. Yeley and Ray Evernham. All will drive 2,300-pound

dirt late-model stock cars.

"This is going to be a fun but unbelievably competitive race," said Stewart, two-time NASCAR champion and owner of the Rossburg, Ohio track. "For Juan, it will be a brand new experience, but he's a great race driver and he'll catch on fast.

"Harvick tore up a car the first year he did it. It cost me \$10,000 to replace that thing for the team. But, now, he's one of the fastest guys out there."

NEW SOUND: Multi-platinum rockers Hinder will remake Steppenwolf's "Born to be Wild" as TNT's anthem for its 2007 NASCAR Nextel Cup Series coverage.

The network is producing the fulllength music video, which will debut June 6 on the NASCAR.com Web site.



**Sterling Marlin** 

# Hall of Fame quarterbacks find success without winning

#### by STEPHEN HAWKINS ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hall of Fame quarterbacks Roger Staubach and Troy Aikman both won multiple Super Bowls and have a hard time grasping a concept of success that doesn't include winning.

But the co-owners of a one-car NASCAR team are no longer playing for those great Dallas Cowboys teams.

"I don't particularly like celebrating coming in 19th, but that's a pretty good day for us," Staubach said. "It's very unusual to celebrate coming in 19th in anything."

Or being 22nd in the standings, which Hall of Fame Racing driver Tony Raines is after nine races of the team's second season.

Considering the multicar teams run by the likes of Rick Hendrick, Richard Childress, Jack Roush and Joe Gibbs, a Hall of Fame coach who has been involved in NASCAR since 1992, this has to be considered a successful season so far for the quarter-

backs-turned-car owners. No other one-car team is higher.

"I don't want to over-characterize it and say it's not going like we hoped. I just say we all feel like we can be better than where we are," Aikman said. "Our expectations for the remainder of this year are the same as what they were when we came into the season: top 20. I think that's still a relatively modest goal."

Raines is coming off a 22nd-place finish at Talladega, where he was running in the top 10 late before getting caught outside a line of cars. With no teammates to depend on for help, he quickly got shuffled back from ninth to 20th in one lap - with 10 to go.

Talladega ended a stretch of three straight top-20 finishes that included a season-best 13th at Texas - the "home" track for the former quarterbacks responsible for all five of the Cowboys' Super Bowl titles. Raines has finished lower than 24th only twice.

"Up until the day you win a race, you'll always want to finish higher,"

crew chief Brandon Thomas said. 'That said, it's obviously a lot more rewarding from a performance standpoint to come back and say, 'We finished on the lead lap the last couple of weeks."

Raines has finished every lap of the last four races, and all but 19 laps this season. The No. 96 DLP HDTV Chevrolet - the number was derived by multiplying the jersey numbers of Aikman (8) and Staubach (12), which were already taken in NASCAR - has been running at the end of every race.

"We're starting to hit a lot of the goals we set out for ourselves," Thomas said. "The key is to keep that mentality and that momentum rolling as much as we can and to improve on it as we go.'

Hall of Fame Racing finished 35th in owner points in its inaugural season, when Terry Labonte drove the first five races and ensured the car would get into fields with his standing as a two-time NASCAR champion.

better this season, but realize they're only a second-year team that's not in position to compete for the Nextel Cup title yet.

You want to take that leap, but it takes time," Staubach said. "We've worked real hard, Tony's driven well. We've got a very, very hardworking team, but still to get into the Chase someday, it's going to take some

"We're competitive and we understand how difficult the sport is to really run up front," he said. "So our goal was someday to be able to compete at the very top of the sport.'

The Super Bowls didn't come right away for either quarterback.

Staubach had to wait until his third season to become the regular starter for the Cowboys before winning two championships in the 1970s. Aikman lost all 11 of his starts as a rookie in 1989, then won three titles in a fouryear stretch in the mid-1990s.

Though Hall of Fame Racing remains a one-car team - Aikman and Aikman and Staubach expect to do Staubach say that will likely change -

they have benefited from a partnership with Joe Gibbs Racing that provides engines, equipment and technical help.

That's a huge difference from the NFL. Gibbs, the coach of the Washington Redskins, certainly wouldn't be sharing any information with the division rival Cowboys.

Aikman is the lead NFL analyst for Fox, and Staubach also the chairman of the committee working to get the 2011 Super Bowl played in a new billion-dollar stadium being built in Arlington, Texas.

Staubach is already becoming known as much for NASCAR as his playing days.

"Yeah, I've really found out that there's just a lot of people that are involved in racing that you didn't know about before," Staubach said. "When they see I'm involved in it, they bring it up all the time."

Maybe one day those Super Bowls trophies won't be the only ones he has to talk about.

### O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals to kick off 2007 season at Bristol Dragway

#### SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. -Bristol Dragway announced Wednesday that the 2007 Bristol drag racing season will open with the Seventh Annual O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals May 18-20. Dragway officials said all of this weekend's scheduled events will be postponed until after the NHRA national event to give the new launching pad additional curing time.

"After discovering an issue with

day back in March, we took the aggressive measure of digging up 210 feet of material and replacing it instead of trying to patch it," explained Jeff Byrd, president and general manager of Bristol Dragway. "The cure time for the new surface

was estimated to be 21 days. Tuesday, May 1, was the 21st day since the pour. After a careful evaluation, the engineers working on the project recommend giving the concrete another 10 days to cure. As difficult as it is to postpone this weekend's Street Fights Shootouts, we must agree with our engineers to make certain we give our racers the best possible racing surface.

We regret postponing Street Fights and the Sunoco Thunder Valley Shootouts this weekend but we are reworking our schedule to make up for these lost dates."

Gates open for the O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals on Friday, May 18 and Saturday, May 19 at 7:30 a.m. and on Sunday, May 20 at 9:30 a.m. The first rounds of professional qualifying are Friday at 5 p.m. and and four at 12:30 and 3 p.m. on Saturday. Final eliminations get under way at noon on Sunday.

Tickets are available for the O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals. Grandstand ticket pricing is as follows: Friday - Sections A - D \$25 Adult / \$5 Junior; Sections E - U \$30 Adult / \$5 Junior; Thunder Terrace \$30 Adult / \$5 Junior, Saturday - Sections A - D \$45 Adult / \$15 Junior; Sections E - U \$55 Adult / \$25 Junior; Thunder Terrace \$55 Adult / \$25 Junior, Sunday - Sections E - U \$55 Adult / \$25 Junior, Thunder Terrace \$55 Adult / \$25 Junior. Weekend combos are: Sections A - D \$85 Adult / \$40 Junior, Sections E - U \$110 Adult / \$60 Junior, and Thunder Terrace \$110 Adult / \$60 Junior.

Thunder Valley Club tickets also are available and are \$300 for adults and \$100 for children for the weekend. Bruton's Club suite seats are available for the weekend for \$425 per person.

To purchase tickets, call the Bristol Motor Speedway and Dragway ticket office at 423/989-6900 or go online to



### 27th Annual Dirt Track World Championship details announced

#### by DOC LEHMAN

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio - Even though it's a few months away race fans are anxious and excited about the 27th Annual Dirt Track World Championship (DTWC) and for those who had reserved seating last year have until July 1, 2007 to renew those same seats for this year's edition of one of dirt Late Model racing's true crown jewel events that will be held on Oct. 18-20 at Jim Nier's KC Raceway in Waverly, OH. General admission and pit passes are also being made available to the public at last year's prices. The DTWC will pay the winner \$50,000.

"It was only fair to last year's fans who reserved seats to give them the first chance at renewing them," commented DTWC founder & promoter Carl Short. "After the deadline is up the remaining reserved seats are available to anyone who would like to have them. It's apparent that the success we had from last October has translated into a renewed interest and excitement for the race.

"And as far as admission prices for the grandstands, pits and the entry fees, despite the cost of everything rising for everyone we have decided to hold the prices in line and only charge what we did last year. The only things being raised in price are the purses for the dirt Late Models and the Modifieds. We're going to increase the purses in both of those classes this year."

Short also indicated that there will be plenty of news to be released about this year's edition of the 27th Dirt Track World Annual "We're already Championship. preparing and working on some special promotions for the race that will benefit the teams and especially the fans," revealed Short. "Over the coming weeks and months our staff will be announcing some special promotions aligned with the race."

In addition to the full Dirt Track World Championship dirt Late Model program the 3rd Annual Jim Dunn Memorial for non-qualifiers will be held in addition to a full program for Modifieds.

Advance sale tickets, especially reserved seating, go swiftly and race fans are encouraged to order early. Presale prices for individual tickets are \$40 for adult general admission, \$10 for children general admission ages 6-11 with children under age six admitted free for general admission. The deadline for ordering pre-sale tickets is Oct. 1. A pre-sale three-day pit pass will be offered for \$50.

After the Oct. 1, pre-sale deadline expires tickets prices will be \$50 for adult general admission, \$15 children general admission ages 6-11 with children under age six admitted free for general admission. Three-day pit passes will be \$60.

Special reserved seating is also being made available for the 27th Annual Dirt Track World Championship. The top five rows of the grandstands, including the main grandstands and the new grandstands in turn four, will be mandated reserved seating. Pre-sale tickets for reserved seating are \$45 per ticket. After October 1 reserved seating will be \$55. Reserved seating ticket prices for children age 11 and under will be \$15 per ticket pre-sale and \$20 per ticket after Oct. 1. A seating chart is available on the KC Raceway website (www.kc-raceway.com) and race fans may pick their preferred seats on a first-come, first-served basis after July 1 when the deadline is reached for those who wish to reclaim their reserved seats from last year.

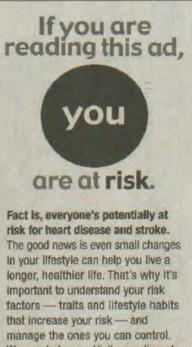
The 27th Annual Dirt Track World Championship will kick off on Thursday evening Oct. 18 with an open practice session. Qualifying and heat races will be held on Friday evening October 19 with the consolation race, a non-qualifiers race and the 100-lap Dirt Track World Championship to be held on Saturday evening October 20. Sunday October 21 will serve as the rain date.

Driver entry fee will be \$100 if pre-entered by Oct. 1. After Oct. 1 the driver entry fee will be \$200.

To purchase presale tickets and pit passes and/or to pre-enter a driver, money orders, cashier's checks and credit cards may be used. The DTWC will accept pre-sale credit card orders with Mastercard or Visa. To place a credit card order telephone the KC Raceway office at: 740/289-4114.

Tickets are also available via mail order by sending a money order or cashier's check to: DTWC, 340 Bailey Chapel Road, Piketon, Ohio 45661.

For more information contact DTWC promoter Carl Short at 865/945-3423. For marketing, special promotions, public relations or media inquiries contact Doc Lehman at: 330.669.9029 or via email at: DocLehman@sssanet.com



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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 – Dover 400, Dover, Del. June 10 - Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa. June 17 - Citizens Bank 400. Brooklyn, Mich. June 24 - Toyota/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. Ga. 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. Fla.

Aug. 19 - 3M Performance 400, 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 - Dover 400, 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 - Subway 500, Martinsville, Va. Oct. 28 - Georgia 500, Hampton, Nov. 4 - Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas. Nov. 11 - Checker Auto Parts 500. Avondale, Ariz. Nov. 18 - Ford 400, Homestead,



photo by Nancy Lane-Feldner VETERAN RACER: Floyd County Late Model driver Chuckie May has competed at Eldora Speedway in several previous races.

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# Mothers and Daughters

This Mother's Day, Experts Offer Creative Activities for Year-Round Relationship-Building

#### FAMILY FRATURES

ittle boys often want to "many their mommies." Even after they outgrow the infatuation stage, "Mom" certainly sets the standard for the other women in their lives. Motherdaughter relationships have perhaps even more stages, and sometimes more ups and downs.

Little girls wanting to emulate their role model play dress up with their mother's jewelry, heels and make-up. Then, over the next decade, Mom's glam-factor can fade when she inexplicably becomes an embarrassment to her teenage daughter. Fortunately, a decade or two later, a lot of mothers

and daughters become close friends again. No relationship is quite as primal as the one between a mother and her daughter. Each one craves love and approval from the other, and many may not realize the tremendous influence they have on each other.

"If you have a strong mother-daughter relationship, it strengthens all the other relationships in your life," said Mary Marcdante, noted mother-daughter relationship expert, inspirational speaker and author of "My Mother, My Priend." In her research, Marcdante interviewed 400 mothers and daughters to help provide women with the skills, confidence and language to deepen their mother-daughter relationships,

What means the most to mothers? "Appreciation" is the one quality moms grave most from their families, Marcdante found.

#### Mother's Day Can Provide Springboard for Expressing Appreciation

May 13, is certainly a day when more daughters and sons will put into words and actions their appreciation for their moms. Mother's Day is a top day for phone calls, flowers and restaurant reservations, but what moms want most is an emotional connection and quality time.

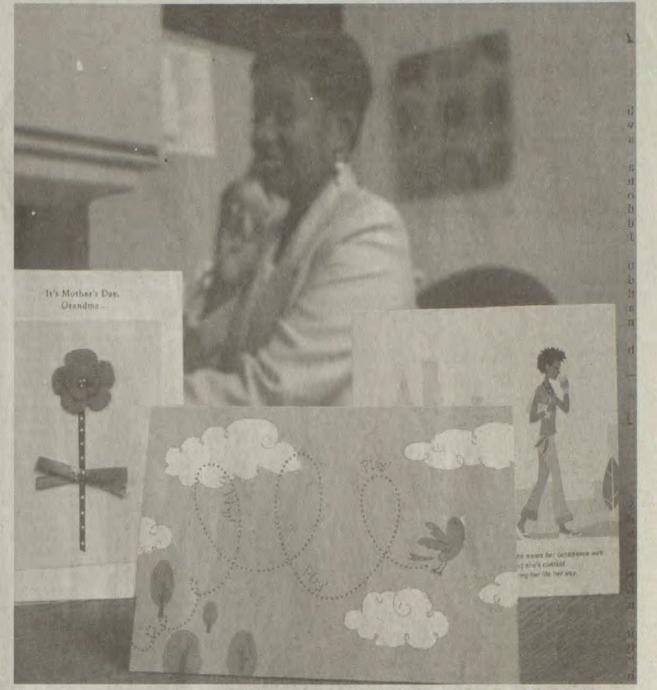
Mother's Day eards often take on the meaningful role of expressing thanks and praise that too often go unsaid during the year.

"Children of all ages, and especially grown children, want to express thankfulness, appreciation and even amazement for all moms do at home and even outside of the 'home. The challenge for us is they want to say it in a way that is comfortable for their age, their personal style and their relationship with Mom," said American Greetings card writer and editor Carolyn Koesters, who is part of a team that created new

Mother's Day cards for the company. "In addition to gathering outside research as we developed the new cards, our team looked to our own relationships with our moms and our kids for inspiration." The new reservices of

The new generation of American Greetings Mother's Day cards recognizes all the roles moms play, from CEO of the family to personal shopper and life coach, with clever messages like, "You're an inspiration to soperherces everywhere" and "You should consider franchising,"

Other cards in the Mother's Day line include those for expectant monits and a card from teens, acknowledging their moods and messy rooms by saying, "just close the door, Moni ..."



New American Greetings cards for Mom's special day acknowledge the entire woman, including her interests and career, in addition to her amazing contributions at home.

#### **Actions Show Mom You Care**

In addition to showing appreciation with cards and gifts, A Mother's Day can also be a great time for relationship d building. At what point do a mother and daughter become friends? For some women, it's after they have married or hado a child. For Mary Marcdante, it was the diagnosis of her mathed audion arrest.

mother's ovarian cancer. Mary explained "From the moment I learned of the diagnosis until Mom's death, I felt like I was in graduate school, cramming the night before finals for a course called 'Everything' You've Always Wanted to Know About Your Mother and Forgot to Ask. This experience prompted me to write my book to help others strengthen, heal and



Mary Marcdante

celebrate their relationships with their mothers." In Marcdante's research revealed that the things moms want<sup>11</sup> most from their daughters are: time together, kindness in



The "memory keeper" jewelry box and accent pillow can be personalized with mother-daughter photos and mementos. They're available at American Greetings and Carlton Cards gift shops or online at www.carltoncards.com.

### **Daughters Are Mothers, Too**

A s an adult daughter becomes a parent and Mom takes on the role of grandmother, the mother-daughter boud offen deepens. One of the special ways mothers can express love and support is through a special Mother's Day card for their daughters. One card from American Greetings features a sketch of a career woman juggling her briefcase while talking on her cell with a cityscape in the background with the message: "Day planner in hand, cell phone in your ear, meetings on your mind, home and family in your heart ... Daughter, you do it all so well." Other cards depict modern means sipping lattes and shopping and feature messages that compliment their prowess at scheduling and balancing home and work life.

For adult mothers and daughters who share a close connection like that of friends, illustrations depict moms lunching or shopping with their adult daughters and with wording like, "Give a girl a great mom and she can do anything," and "So much of the woman I am is because of the mother you are. Thanks, Mom."

It's a fact of life that parental relationships have their ups and downs. Many of today's Mother's Day cards even celebrate gencrational clashes with messages like "Mom you taught me that you didn't always have to understand me or agree with my decisions in order to love me."

It's the mother-daughter relationship that often takes center stage on Mother's Day. Daughters plan the special surprises of the day — reflecting both the special bond and the younger generation's acceptance of 'holiday keeper,'' as just one of the many roles they learned from Mom



This gift bag is specially designed to hold potted plants. The clever purse-shaped holder can be added to include a gift card to Mom's favorite garden center or spa.

words and actions, captured memories, and personal services fluctimprove the quality of life.

She offered these suggestions for mother-daughter activi-

Make a Scrapbook Together Preserve treasured photos<sup>24</sup> and honor memories through this wonderful outlet of creative ity and self-expression. It could be a "progressive scrapbook" in which mother and daughter contribute alternate pages. Or start the book with this year's Mother's Day card, photos and memories, and plan to add new pages annually.

Spa Days — Moms and daughters can pamper themselves together, scheduling manicures, pedicutes, facials and massage.

Record Favorite Memories of Mom — Whether in the form of a written journal, a memory box filled with keepsakes and photos or an audio or video recording, honor treasured if moments together.

Make an "Altered Book" My sister askedher grown children for an altered book for Christmas. They took a favoriæ printed book and added their own photographs, poems and thoughts.

> Send Grutilude E-mails — One year ny friend Dianne and I shared the things we were grateful for in daily of mails. For her birthday the following year I presented the e-mails to her in a journal. We both cried!

> Throw a Surprise Party Honor " Mom with a surprise party inviting tamily and friends on Mother's Day," her birthday or any day.

> Schedule "Mom & Me Time" — Whether it's attending a performance, a walk in the woods or a day trip, schedule quality time together.

> Four Seasons of Fun — Make out-12 ings a regular thing by scheduling one for each season ... gardening in the \_\_\_\_\_\_s spring, picnicking at the beach in the summer, pumpkin picking in the tally or antiquing in the winter. Don't wait for a crisis or Mother's Day to spendy time with Mom.

> Recipes for Smiles — Put together a collection of recipe cards, adding to each favorite dish memories of a time with Morn. 6

> For more information about Mary Marcdante's book or more tips and thought starting questions for many of these activities visit www.marymarcdante.com/mom.htm

Consider starting a mother-daughter scrapbook for Mom that the two of you can add to throughout the years to commemorate milestones and shared activities. The American Greetings Mother's Day cards pictured here have scrapbook-inspired attachments. For stores carrying American Greetings cards, call 1-800-777-4891.

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Physicians Assistant/Nurse Practitioner The position is fulltime and involves general Physician Assistant/Nurse Practitioner duties required within a clinical environment.

You will need to be motivated, enthusiastic and willing to help grow the practice. You must be a team player, be well organized, and have good computer skills

377-6042

remodeled

**AVAILABLE** 

285-9358.

Must be a graduate of an accredited Physician Assistant/Nurse Practitioner program. Experience is referred but would consider a self-starter with a wil



#### FOR SALE

Toyota 1998 Tacoma 4x4 Ext. cab. V-6, automatic, A/C. 190,000 miles and new tires! Runs great, perfect work truck \$5,800.00. Call 789-8747 or 367-1779 or 367-1551.

#### FOR SALE

Chevy '96 Suburban good condition, leather interior. \$4,500 call 886-6591.

#### FOR SALE

2002 Pontiac Firebird, 61K original miles, one Black/V6 owner. automatic, T-top, Monsoon speaker stereo CD Excellent condition. \$13,000. Serious inquires only. Call 226-6177 or 874-2240. Last year of Firebirds.

#### FOR SALE

Foot 2005 25 Dutchman Travel Trailer. Complete kitchen bath, queen bed TV/satelite/Stereo MANY EXTRAS! Priced to pay off

is also taking appli-Minimum experienced loan officer cations for a Heath minimum of 2 years Service Administrator, Must experience necessary. Please send be licensed in the state of employresume to: Bank of ment. Three years Hindman. Attn: Valerie Bartley PO of professional Box 786 41822. experience, which includes one year in JOB OPENING Now hiring at Best Otter Western Inn for

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a supervisory position required. Creek **Correctional Center** housekeepers. Apply in person.

#### **2 FULL TIME POSITIONS**

Will you earn \$30K - \$35K this year and more in Future years? A Fortune 500 Company in its 8th Decade of growth has 2 LOCAL positions open. Are you:

> Sportsminded \* Goal Oriented \* Ambitious

If so, we will provide minimum of 2 weeks expense paid training. Complete benefit package, 401K.

CALL Mon. - Tues. - Wed. 606-886-0001 ask for Ronnie Blankenship

JOB OPENING Part time office position available.

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#### Chesapeake Appalachia L.L.C.

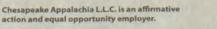
a division of Chesapeake Energy Corporation, is seeking a talented individual for the position below. Chesapeake is one of the largest independent producers of natural gas in the U.S. and the most active driller of new wells in the U.S.

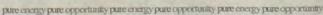
Project Engineering Technician - Operations - Prestonsburg, KY Responsible for well site and pipeline route selection for gas well location and pipeline activities. Facilitates communication related to regulatory compliance with local, state and federal agencies. Assists in coordinating and monitoring work of multiple contract surveyors, engineering consultants, and construction contractors to facilitate the drilling, permitting, titling and reclamation of wells

Must possess knowledge of earthwork activities including soil mechanics, slope stability, drainage structures and/or sedimentation control. Additionally, candidate should have a working knowledge and understanding of multi-state laws, codes, and regulations as they pertain to environmental, oil and gas law, permitting, and safety regulations. Requires high degree of interpersonal skills. Must possess tact and diplomacy under adverse circumstances. Working knowledge of earthwork/ construction contracts. Capable of executing assignments requiring independent judgment. Work independently without direct supervision. Prefer AS degree in Engineering or 4+ years of experience with Civil Engineering practices

Chesapeake Appalachia L.L.C. offers excellent compensation and benefit packages including a very generous equity compensation plan. For immediate and confidential consideration Interested applicants should apply on-line no later than May 14, 2007 at:

http://www.chkappalachia.com





Chesapeake



Morrison Drive, watch for signs and balloons. Tues-Thurs 8-12 items include small bathroom cabinet, 4 pc resin lawn furn, 4 mp digital camera, home interior, color tv, desk, baby stuff, photo printer, 1400 psi power washer, patio umbrella, toys, VHS movies, self propelled lawn mower, books on pressure tape. washer, mens and women's clothing and lots more. Don't miss it! 5/2 1wk

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Branch, Hueysville

area. Call 606-358-

HOUSE FOR SALE

3 BR 1 1/2 bath

located in Daniels

Creek subdivision.

Excellent neighbor-

hood, very child friendly. Call 874-

HOUSE FOR SALE

Newly constructed

house for sale locat-

ed at Abbott Creek.

Vaulted living room

ceiling, 3 BR, bonus

room, fireplace, with

floors and cabinets

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located in new sub-

divisions. \$210,00

asking price Seller

willing to help with

closing costs! Call

606-285-0054 606-

791-0719, evenings

hardwood

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#### YARD SALE

Huge yard sale Thursday, Friday May 10-11 9am-5pm. 1/2 mile on Salyers Branch Rd. Hueysville, KY 358-48935

#### YARD SALE

4 family yard sale on Rt. 2029 of Saltlick off Rt. 7. Clothes, adult and baby, toys, ect.. Call 358-4427. On May 5th and 6th

Misc.

**ITEMS FOR SALE** King size bed for sale with frame and head board! 100 CD Jute box.

Full size Pin Ball Machine. Call 606-226-6010

#### FOR SALE

Great business opportunity! A 15x15 Ninja jump inflatable bounce house. Two years old. Can be rented all year round, used for personal use, or for church events (VBS). Comes with the electric blower patch kit. and \$1200!!!! If interested, call 874-5157,

**ITEMS FOR SALE** Shot Gun, 1925 asking \$500, free wood fire cut! Apartment size refrigerator for sale. \$100. Colonial rug for sale, \$20. Call 285-3704

leave a message.

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and laundry room, 2 APT FOR RENT Now Renting Park storage Natural place Apartments. Rent starting at: gas, paved parking, chain link fenced 1BR - \$280, 2BR yard. 7/10 acre lot. \$304. All electric Very livable move in HUD accepted. Call condition. All for a 886-0039 Housing reasonable Equal price of \$42,000. Opportunity NO LAND CON-

#### FOR RENT

2 BR apt for rent. Unfurnished, nice, quiet neighborhood. Deposit and referrequired. ences 358-9123 Call Leave message.

Branham Heights ed on Right Beaver Apartments - Now accepting applications for 1 and 2 BR apts. Rent based on 30% of income. Appliances furnished. very nice, central heat and air, water, garbage and included. sewer Please contact the area to be disturbed manager 606-452-4777.

garage. Located 4 miles housing. 23.

APT FOR RENT 1 BR APT. Oak cabinets, Oak floors. \$500 per month, 2 miles up Abbott. Call 886-9 3 0 8

#### APT FOR RENT

1 BR APT on private lot. \$475 per \$250 month Includes deposit. TV cable, and utilities. Nice apartment partially furnished, located on 1428 between Allen and Prestonsburg. No HUD, serious inquires only. 859-

Furnished 1 bed

room Apt. Central

heat & air. Rent

1978 MH 12x60 2 BR 1 bath. \$3,500. Call 886-3836.

#### FOR SALE

Commercial property 12 acres next to Walmart & McDonald's in Prestonsburg. 886-3023 after 5pm.

FOR RENT Beauty shop equipt with 3 stations and

tanning bed. Would consider renting for commercial use other than beauty shop. Rt. 122 1 mile South of Martin across from Garth Technical School. Must have refer-

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FOR RENT

Prestonsburg.

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given that Consol of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky has applied for renewal of a permit for a preparation plant, located 0.67 mile northwest of Hueysville, in Floyd

County. The proposed operation will disturb mately 5.00 surface

acres. The operation is approximately 0.67 mile northwest from S.R.

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S.R. 550, and locat-Creek. The latitude is 37º30'04". The longitude 82°50'27 The operation is located on the U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle map. The surface

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is owned by Consol of Kentucky Inc. Equal Opportunity The operation will overlie land owned

### Sale or Lease

FOR SALE

606-377-6042

150 acres of land for sale, excellent timber and hunting. \$120,000. Serious inquires only. Call 205-367-8087.

FOR SALE

\$375 starting at month, \$300 + deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717

402-2756.

House

#### FOR RENT

Lancer- 2 BR. App. furnished plus washer and dryer. Nice neighborhood. \$550 per month plus deposit and utilities. Must have references. 791-1790

ences. 285-9112. HOUSE FOR RENT 3 BR 2 Bath Log Property for 'sale Home in Oaklawn, b e t w e e n Hager Hill. Central H/A low utility bills. Prestonsburg and Large covereddeck, Also, double wide for Large storage barn. rent. \$500 plus Acres of privacy. deposit. Call 606-\$980.00 month. 850-222-2226. 789-6721 or 792-792-6721. No pets. Leave message. pix See at www.washington-16 Acres with house publishers.com/For and barn on Right Rent/index.htm turner Branch road.

#### THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

be filed with the Director of Permits, No. Hudson U.S. 127 final advertisement of this application. All comments, objections 10 approxirequests for a permit conference must be received within proposed 30 days of this date.



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#### PUBLIC NOTICE **Budget Hearing**

#### Regarding proposed use of **County Road Aid and Local Government Economic Assistance** Funds

A public hearing will be held by Floyd County in the Courtroom of the Floyd County Courthouse on May 6th, 2007, at 6:00 p.m., for the purpose of obtaining citizens comments regarding the possible uses of the County Road Aid (CRA) and Local Government Economic Assistance (LGEA) Funds. All interested persons in Floyd County are invited to the hearing to submit oral or written comments on possible uses of the CRA and LGEA Funds. Any person(s) who cannot submit written comments or attend the public hearing, but wish to submit comments, should call the Office of the County Judge/Executive at (606) 886-9193, Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., so that arrangments can be made to secure their comments.



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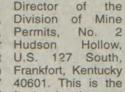
# **Poverty in America** www.povertyusa.org



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Kentucky 41501

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#### REAL ESTATE

#### Houses

HOUSE FOR SALE 3.5 acres 3 BR 2 bath, attached 2 car garage with work shop or 1/2 acre lot for sale. Prestonsburg, meadows branch area. Call 889-0149.

HOUSE FOR SALE 4 BR Brick house apx 1500 sq. ft. 2 baths, living room, family room, kitchen, utility room, large deck, double carport on nice corner lot. Hardwood floors in living room, kitchen, family room and one bedroom. New carpet in 3 bedrooms. Also has month w/ \$300 Gas log fire place, electric, heat pump. Located 2 miles up Abbott Rd. on Frasure Hill Dr. Prestonsburg, KY. 606-886-6778. Shown by appointment. www.sharphome.com

HOUSE FOR SALE 3 BR 1 bath, newly shingeled, carpet, alaminate flooring, central heat and air, fenced in yard. Paved drive way. \$75,000. Call 886-6591

PRICE REDUCED MUST SELL NOW! Two houses!!! One is 4 BR, living room, dining room, kitchen, bath. The other house is 2 BR, living, big kitchen, bath, built over garage work shop

**Mobile Homes** 

pond on property FOR RENT Call 606-768-3040. Rent to own, 1999 16x80 3 BR 2 bath trailer. 7 miles from Prestonsburg on Mt. Parkway. Call after Apartments 7pm 886-3451.

#### FOR RENT

Newly remodeled MH. 3 BR 2 Bath. 1 BD room furin Central heat and air. Prestonsburg. Call 2 inch metal top for insulation. Water, sewage, and garbage furnished. 3 BR 2 Bath apt. Located 2 miles For rent \$600 per from the new Food City. No pets, no deposit. No utilities HUD. Must have 2 furnished. years of good rental References records. \$475 per \$350 required. Call 285month, deposit. 874-2162

#### FOR RENT

1 BR apt. for rent, Mh for rent. No all utilities paid. \$450 per month, HUD. Call 889-0363

#### LOT FOR RENT MH lot 4.5 miles

1 BR apt near col-West of MAC on Rt. Extremely 114. Call 886-2288. suitable for

LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE **Pursuant to** Application No. 836-6015 **Renewal No. 4** In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby



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