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## briefs

### Feds find Harlan mine operator

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — A southeastern Kentucky coal mine operator was fined \$761,000 by federal regulators for safety violations found during a recent inspection.

Stillhouse Mining LLC, an operator in Harlan County, was fined for four "flagrant violations" at its Mine No. 1 near Cumberland, federal mine-safety officials said Friday.

"It was highly likely that a miner would have been seriously injured if these conditions were allowed to persist," Richard E. Stickler, assistant secretary of labor for mine safety and health, said in a news release.

A flagrant violation is defined as a "reckless or repeated failure to make reasonable efforts to eliminate a known violation" of a safety and health standard, and the failure to do so caused or could have been expected to cause death or serious injury.

A civil penalty of up to \$20,000 may be assessed for each flagrant violation.

Stillhouse Mining was fined \$212,700 apiece for two citations — failure to comply with main mine fan stoppage requirements and failure to comply with requirements for intentional changes in the ventilation system. It was fined \$177,600 for failure to comply with the approved roof control plan, and \$158,000 for failure to perform a pre-shift examination of the workplace.

A mine foreman reached at the operator's office Friday declined to comment on the fines.

## HRMC begins \$6 million ER expansion

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Highlands Regional Medical Center will soon be home to a \$6 million emergency department.

Hospital administrators and community members broke ground for the new project on Friday. The new emergency department will feature over 11,000 square feet, 19 private beds, new trauma rooms, isolation rooms, a staff lounge, physician quarters, expanded work area for staff, waiting area, registration area and a high profile entrance.

The goals for the project are to reduce waiting time in the emergency department, improve management of patient flow, and increase the level of

privacy for patients.

HRMC's current emergency department was designed to treat only 15,000 patients per year, but according to hospital officials, they treat upwards of 25,000 patients each year.

According to HRMC President and CEO Harold C. Warman Jr., this project will make Highlands one of the most well respected hospitals in the state.

"We are the envy of the 126 hospitals in Kentucky," said Warman.

With over 100 physicians on staff, 24-hour emergency care and numerous other services, Highlands is fast becoming a state of the art health care facility with new technology being added along with the expansion.

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Highlands Regional Medical Center broke ground Friday for a new \$6 million emergency department expansion.

photo by Jessica Hale

## STUDENTS REWARDED



photo by Jessica Hale

One hundred ninety-five Floyd County students received awards for perfect attendance for the 2006-07 school year at a special ceremony held Friday at the Mountain Arts Center.

## 195 have perfect attendance

PRESTONSBURG — Students recognized Friday for perfect attendance during a special ceremony at the Mountain Arts Center included:

**Adams Middle School**  
Clarissa Bryant, Thomas Osborne, Patrick Pitts, Joshua Stambaugh, Roy Burke,

Samantha Jones, Robert Osborne, Leanna R. Goble.

**Allen Central High School**  
Miranda Coburn, Matraca Collins, Candra Hicks, Bill Jones, Jaimie Mullins, Aaron Silas Crum, Terri Porter.

**Allen Central Middle School**

Joseph Cabrera, Brandon Carroll, Tyler Carroll, Wallace Coburn, Odessa Duncan, Ralph Hall, James Hampton, Kyle Layne, Alexis Parsons, Laken Parsons, Sharon Patton, Christopher Plummer, Robert Stacy, Tyler Bentley, Jacob

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## Group looks to find life for old computers

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Connect Kentucky met once again on Thursday in an attempt to gain more input on bringing broadband internet to the area, but a surplus of outdated computers from local businesses became the focus of the meeting.

Connect Kentucky develops and implements effective strategies for technology deployment, use and literacy in Kentucky, focusing on getting communities throughout the state up to date with all of the technological advancements available. However, Eric Mills, a representative with Connect Kentucky, brought an idea to the table which could possibly find new homes for outdated computers and a bridge to a successful future for children of low-income families at the same time.

Jackson County now offers a low-interest loan pool to families who meet

the income guidelines, allowing them to purchase refurbished computers provided by large companies or school districts who have updated their systems. Connect Kentucky enlists the help of the prison industry to refurbish the outdated computers.

Representatives from Highlands Regional Medical Center who attended the meeting said that the hospital has a turnover rate of about 300 computers every five to six years, but the problem is that they have a hard time figuring out what to do with the old ones. A program such as the one implemented in Jackson County would be a solution to their problem and would help many people in need of a computer.

Also discussed at the meeting was the possibility of giving refurbished computers to students who graduate from the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center in order to help them stay on

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## Candidates seek AG office that's vacant after one term

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — With incumbent Attorney General Greg Stumbo opting out of a bid for re-election, six candidates lined up this spring to seek his job as the state's top prosecutor.

Two Democrats and four Republicans are vying for their parties' nomination in the May 22 primary, for a chance to compete in the fall for the office Stumbo is vacating after a single term.

The Republicans are state Rep. Stan Lee of Lexington, Louisville lawyer Philip Kimball, Lexington attorney Jon Larson and Commonwealth's Attorney Tim Coleman of Morgantown.

Louisville Democrat Jack



### Election Preview

Conway faces Robert Bullock, a former longtime assistant attorney general in the primary.

Issues range from the attorney general's role in politics to how the state could crack down on drugs.

Coleman said he wanted to focus on combatting Internet and identity fraud. The state should do more — either through faith-based or non-

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Spirits soared and so did the balloons as Mayor Jerry Fannin visited the Riverview Health Care Center on Friday afternoon in recognition of National Nursing Home Week, which begins today. Special activities, lunches and entertainment are scheduled for the enjoyment of residents and their visitors throughout the week.

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Tomorrow



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# Regional Obituaries

## FLOYD COUNTY

■ David Carol Chaffins, 54, of David, died Thursday, May 3, in King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Deonna Thomsbury Chaffins.

Funeral services were held Sunday, May 6, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Curtis Clark, 61, of Harold, died Tuesday, May 8, in the Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by the wife, Gloria Faye Lynch Clark. Funeral services were held Friday, May 11, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ George E. Faine, 80, of Bevinville, died Wednesday, May 9, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Margot Latussek Faine. Funeral services were held Friday, May 11, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Willie C. (Bill) Fraley, 71, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, May 4, at the VA Medical Center in Huntington, West Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Mary Marie Maynard Fraley. Funeral services were held Monday, May 7, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Melvin Hall, 83, of Strunk, a native of Bevinville,

died Wednesday, May 2, at Scott County Hospital, Oneida, Tenn. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 5, under the direction of McCreary County Funeral Home.

■ Bill G. "Buck" Hall, Sr., 67, of Ashtabula, Ohio, a Bevinville native, died at home on March 27, after a battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Wood Hall.

■ Denny (Harrison) Hoover, 53, of Garrett, died Monday, May 7, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Healthcare. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 10, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Ned Keathley, 83, of Wyandotte, Michigan, a native of Harold, died Sunday, May 6, at the Oakwood Heritage Hospital, Taylor, Michigan. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, May 10, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Thomas Lee May, 66, of Lago Vista, Texas, a Prestonsburg native, died at his home on Tuesday, April 10. Funeral services were held Friday, April 20, under the direction of Cook-Walden Chapel of the Hills Funeral Home.

■ Brenda Lou Salyers Newman, a native of Eastern, died May 21, 2006, at Nottingham City Hospital in England following an extended illness. She is survived by her husband, Dr. Geoffrey Newman. Her funeral was held in England last year. A graveside ceremony was held at the Martin Cemetery at Eastern, on Saturday, May 12, to inter her ashes. Arrangements, by Hall Funeral Home.

■ Sue Ransdell Shields, 86, formerly of Prestonsburg, died on May 7, in Tyler, Texas, following a brief illness. She is survived by her husband, Jay Mirl Shields. A memorial service was held on Saturday, May 12, at the First Central Presbyterian Church, Abilene, Texas.

## PIKE COUNTY

■ Mark Anthony Akers, 41, of Dorton, died Sunday, May 6, at Norton Community Hospital, Norton, Va. Arrangements, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Clarica Sue Ball, 53, of Pinsonfork, died Thursday, May 3, at her residence. Funeral services were held Monday, May 7, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Hayden Burke, 54, of Weeksbury, died Wednesday, May 2, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Sharon Gale Bostic Burke. Funeral services were held Sunday, May 6, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

■ Francis Rosalind Collins, 73, of Shalbiana, died Saturday, May 5, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 8, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Wayne Harris, 43, of Feds Creek, died Saturday, May 5, at his home. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 8, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Harvey Hess, 85, of Sidney, died Sunday, May 6, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Thacker Hess. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 10, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

■ Orville Lee "Tony" "Roach" Hunt, 55, of Indianapolis, Ind., formerly of Pikeville, died Sunday, April 29. Arrangements, under the direction of Alpha Funeral Home of Indianapolis.

■ Norman E. Johnson, 84, of Pinsonfork, died Sunday, May 6, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Jones Johnson. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 8, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Carl William "Corky" Long, 82, of Vamey, formerly of Matewan, W.Va., died Monday, May 7, at South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Hatfield Long. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 10, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Services of Matewan.

■ Mary Newsome, 86, of Dorton, died Friday, May 4, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Monday, May 7, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Rodney Benton Sanders, 80, of Pikeville, died Saturday, May 5, at the Eastern Kentucky Veterans Center, Hazard. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 8, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ Frances Sowards, 91, of Virgie, died Friday, May 4, at Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Monday, May 7, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

■ Ada Stanley, 86, of Aflex, died Monday, May 7, at Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services

were held Thursday, May 10, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Ballard Wright, 84, of Pikeville, died Monday, May 7, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Faye Harmon Wright. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 10, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

## MARTIN COUNTY

■ Matt Luster, 90, of Inez, died Friday, May 4, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Sunday, May 6, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Wilma Jeanette Spence, 56, of Inez, died Saturday, May 5, at Martin County Health Care Facility, Inez. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 8, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

■ Eloise Spence, 68, of Inez, died Sunday, May 6, at St. Mary's Cornerstone Hospital. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 9, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

## JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Mary Margaret Arrowood, 81, of Mealy, died Sunday, May 6, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 8, under the direction of the Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ Wendell Combs, 57, of Staffordsville, died Thursday, May 3, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. He is survived by his wife, Cathy Pridemore Combs. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 6, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

■ Blanche Hall, 74, of Thelma, died Sunday, May 6, at her residence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 9, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

■ Dess Lee, 94, of Johannesburg, Michigan, a Johnson County native, died Sunday, May 6, at Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord, Michigan. Funeral services were held Thursday, May 10, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Mary Evelyn Peterson, 90, of Orlando, Fla., formerly of Johnson County, died

Friday, April 20 in Orlando. Funeral services were held Friday, May 11, under the direction of All Faiths Alternatives Funeral Services.

■ James H. Reed, 70, of Oil Springs, died Wednesday, May 2, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Lemaster Reed. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 5, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ Frances Murldean Ward Rice, 81, of Wittensville, died Friday, April 27, at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland. She is survived by her husband, Charley J. Rice. Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 2, under the direction of the Sunny Lane Funeral Home of Del City.

■ Orville "Bob" Swain, 78, of Boons Camp, died Tuesday, May 8, at his residence. Funeral services were held Friday, May 11, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

■ William Oliver Wheeler, 72, of Flemingsburg, a Johnson County native, died Tuesday, May 8, at Fleming County Hospital. Funeral services were held Friday, May 11, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

## Obituaries



### Sue Ransdell Shields

Sue Ransdell Shields, 86, beloved wife of Jay Mirl Shields, died on May 7, 2007, in Tyler, Texas, following a brief illness.

Sue was born on October 1, 1920, in Owenton, Kentucky. At an early age, she and her older sister, Helen, and her parents, Marvin and Lucy Ransdell, moved to Prestonsburg, Kentucky, so that her father could continue his medical practice as the county health officer of Floyd County, Kentucky. Sue was the prettiest girl at Prestonsburg High School, and also the smartest, graduating as the valedictorian in the class of 1938.

Sue left Prestonsburg to attend the University of Kentucky, where she was a member of Kappa Delta sorority, but in the interim, had met Jay, a young geologist who had taken a job in Prestonsburg, working for the Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company. Jay had obtained an ROTC commission in the United States Army in college, and when he was called up for

active duty in late 1940, he asked for and received Dr. Ransdell's permission to take Sue out of the University of Kentucky, so that they could marry and embark on their life together. Jay promised Dr. Ransdell if he was permitted to take Sue out of college for the purpose of marrying her, he would love her and take care of her for the rest of her life, a promise that he fulfilled in a manner that won the respect and admiration of all who observed their wonderful married life together.

After Sue and Jay were married on February 1, 1941, Sue lived the life of a young military wife, as Jay completed various assignments in Virginia, Washington, D.C., Texas, and California, before being discharged from the service a few months after the end of World War II. After the end of the war, Sue and Jay lived in Lexington, Kentucky, while Jay attended graduate school. In 1947, they moved to Texas, where Jay pursued his career in the oil business in Wichita Falls, Abilene, Fort Worth, and Midland, from the late 1940s until the early 1960s. In 1962, when Jay decided to leave the nomadic life of a geologist working for a large oil company, in order to become an independent geologist and oil operator, they returned to Abilene, which became their home for almost 50 years. Sue and Jay moved to Tyler, Texas on January 1, 2006, to be closer to their children.

Sue is survived by her hus-

band of more than 66 years, Jay, of Tyler, Texas; by her children: Dinah Ragsdale and her husband, Michael, of Lindale, Texas; her son, Todd Shields and his wife, Mary, of Houston, Texas; and her daughter, Sarah Perkins, and her husband, Steve, of Southlake, Texas. Sue is also survived by seven adoring grandchildren: Leigh Lyon and her husband, Larry, of Dallas, Texas; Todd Ragsdale and his wife, Christy, of Whitehouse, Texas; Tim Ragsdale of Ft. Meade, Maryland; Tyler Shields and his wife, Danielle, of Houston, Texas; Ben Shields of San Antonio, Texas, and Kate Perkins, and Will Perkins of Southlake, Texas. Sue is also survived by her sister, Helen Schroeder, and her husband, Phil, of Lexington, Kentucky, and by four great-grandchildren: Michael, T.J., and Paige Lyon of Dallas, Texas; and Alie Ragsdale of Whitehouse, Texas.

Sue's life will be celebrated at a memorial service commencing at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 12, 2007, at the First Central Presbyterian Church, 400 Orange Street, Abilene, Texas 79601, with Sue's pastor, Cliff Stewart, officiating.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, persons wishing to make a gift in Sue's memory do so by making a contribution to the Presbyterian Medical Care Mission, 302 Medical Drive, Abilene, Texas, 79601.

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**Election**

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profit organizations — to help drug abusers reintegrate into society, Coleman said.

"We need a better outreach into those areas," Coleman said.

Lee, who is making his first statewide run, said he wants to use the office to attack sexual predators and protect youngsters who use the Internet. Lee is known for his conservative

voting record as a member of the state House.

For example, he pushed unsuccessfully for legislation earlier this year that would have prohibited domestic partner benefits at Kentucky's state universities and community and technical colleges.

"I've got a proven record of doing and fighting for the ideals I think most of us hold

to," Lee said.

Larson, a Lexington lawyer, said the attorney general should encourage local prosecutors across the state to look for alternative forms of punishment for nonviolent offenders as a way to reduce the burdens on county jails. And, he believes an attorney general should not push a legislative agenda.

"The attorney general should not be a legislative leader, the attorney general should be a consensus builder," Larson said.

Kimball, who has never held office, has lost bids for the Kentucky Supreme Court and seats in the General Assembly. He did not return calls seeking comment for this story.

Conway, who unsuccessfully ran for Congress in 2002, said he would attack Internet crimes, including financial fraud and child sexual predators. He would also focus on "the scourge of drugs" by using the office as a means to push for laws that would help investigate drug cases.

Bullock, who was a prosecutor under eight attorneys general, said his experience with the top prosecutor's office makes him the best candidate. Bullock said one of his priorities would be set up panels across the state for citizens to weigh in on issues.

"There will be no political considerations in the decisions I make," Bullock said. "I want to be attorney general — it's a job I know, and it's a job I want."

Conway, who worked in former Gov. Paul Patton's

administration as an attorney and as deputy secretary of the executive cabinet, said Bullock was a "nice guy" but wasn't as qualified as he was for the job.

Whoever wins in the fall would take on an attorney general's office that has been at the heart of an intense investigation into Gov. Ernie Fletcher and allegations his administration steered protected state jobs to political supporters. Stumbo's office led the investigation that produced Fletcher's indictment on three misdemeanor charges that were eventually dropped in a deal with prosecutors.

Fletcher, a Republican, pardoned his entire administration and maintained Stumbo was pursuing the investigation based on politics. Stumbo is Democrat Bruce Lunsford's running mate in the governor's race.

**Attendance**

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Sabrina Gibson, Charles Lewis, Anthony Sturgill, Morgan Tackett.

**Osborne Elementary School**  
Joshua Bates, Andrea Cicchetti, Christopher Cicchetti, Steven Cicchetti, Dakota Justice, Toni Skeens, Savannah Meade, Trey Moore, Alex Tackett, Toby Tackett.

**South Floyd High School**  
Amanda Collins, Maria Curry, Elena Fouts, Christopher Gibson, Brianna Jones, Julie Jones, Kody Little, Kyle Ray, Britt Johnson, Faith Little, Corey Paige.

**Clark Elementary School**  
Zachary Blanton, Bradley Ousley, Catherine Walker, Seth Ousley.

**Prestonsburg Elementary School**

**South Floyd Middle School**  
Heather Little, Brandon Ray, Austin B. Tackett, Dustin B. Tackett, Austin Cook, Coby Ray, Cody Ray.

**Duff Elementary School**  
Brian Coburn, Dillon Lawson, Jonathan Layne, Morris Slone, Danielle Thornsby, Curtis Slone.

**May Valley Elementary School**  
Jacob Baker, Brianna Conley, Elizabeth Cordle, John Duncan, Deshea Elliot, John Thomas Hancock, Shawna Holbrook, Austin Johnson, Anna Smith, Santana Spradlin, Jason Warrens, Sarah Boyd, Victoria Carroll, Camilee Sparkman.

**Prestonsburg High School**  
Charles Adkins, Kelli Burchell, Charles Hammonds, Jerry Hicks, Kimberly Kilgore, Bridgette McBride, Brian Tackett, Aaron Ward, Shaunda Burchett, Jared Harmon, Brittany Hook, Isiah Jones, Carmen R. Maines.

**Stumbo Elementary School**  
Matthew Akers, Damian Brown, Kayla Gillespie, Johnathan W. Hall, Lindsay Hall, Samantha Hall, Samuel Hall, Lucas Hamilton, Terra Hamilton, Dalton Kidd, Deanna Kidd, Hunter Kidd, Shae Kidd, Tanner Martin, Bridget Mitchell, Amanda Newsome, Austin Newsome, April Spears, Braxton Stevens, Ava Thacker, Randy Adams, Alexis Hall, Casey Hamilton, Shalyn Hamilton, Gabrielle Mahan, Amy Newman, Alexandria Sisco.

**McDowell Elementary School**  
Nancy Dye, Austin Martin, Brittany Newman, Daniel Halbert.

**Opportunities Unlimited**  
Jennifer Hunt

**Allen Elementary School**  
Austin Blankenship, David Blankenship, Caitlin Burchett, Cassandra Burchett, Ashley Gillespie, Brandon Goble, Cameron Goble, Christian Goble, Leslie Hopkins, Jasmine Horn, Brittany Hurd, Christopher Sherman, Makayla Samons, Alexander K. Scott, Megan Scott, Brianna Slone, Robert Trafelet.

**Betsy Layne Elementary School**  
Ashley Akers, Megan R. Akers, Tabitha Akers, Tristan Case, Joseph Coleman, Sheila Conn, Roger Hall, Charla Hamilton, Kayla B. Hughes, Sylvia Justice, Savannah B. Meade, Lucas Rogers, Bambi Steffey, Dalton J. Tackett, Kayce Tackett, Zachary K. Akers, Tanisha Elkins, Holly Lewis, Brady Stevens, Drake L. Yates.

**Betsy Layne High School**  
Lacy Chambers, Carla Conn, Jason Hall, Jessica Kidd, Heather Lewis, Bradley Stevens, Matthew Tackett,

**Computers**

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top of the skills that they learned while there.

Prestonsburg City Economic Development Director Brent Graden said downtown Prestonsburg will

have access to wireless internet in about two months if everything goes as planned. More efficient websites for the city and county offices are also in the works.

**Highlands**

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During construction, patients will be directed to use the back entrance of the hospital to access the emergency department.

"We apologize for any inconvenience the expansion

may cause to our patients," Warman said. "We are doing everything possible to make sure our patients have a safe and clean environment when they come to Highlands Regional Medical Center."


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Guest view

## Performance not bonus-worthy

Thousands of servicemen and women have died overseas since 9/11 and countless more have been injured protecting our freedoms.

Those who have come home wounded have been met with inadequate health care hardly worthy of these men and women of honor.

Veterans of past wars and those who served their country in peacetime wait months for decisions on whether they will receive health care at VA facilities throughout the nation.

The disregard for the care of those who have served their country with pride and risked the ultimate sacrifice should be a source of shame for our government.

However, there are no words to describe the shame Washington should feel this week following the unfathomable news that those responsible for the foul-up resulting in a \$1 billion shortfall that put veterans' health care in peril received exorbitant bonuses.

The Associated Press reported that more than \$3.8 million in payments by the financially strapped agency went to those whose poor planning and misleading accounting has resulted in substandard medical options — if any at all — for veterans.

Some received performance payments of up to \$33,000, equal to about 20 percent of their annual salaries. The bonuses were awarded even though government investigators had determined the VA repeatedly miscalculated — if not deliberately misled — taxpayers with questionable methods used to justify Bush administration cuts to health care amid a burgeoning Iraq war.

Among those receiving a top bonus was the deputy undersecretary for benefits who helps manage a disability claims system that has a backlog of cases and delays averaging 177 days in getting benefits to injured veterans.

There is no logical explanation for this travesty unless the "performance" bonuses were based on extremely poor — borderline criminal — execution of job duties.

These payments are not only a slap in the face to America's veterans, but to its taxpayers who rely on their elected officials to oversee the proper spending of hard-earned dollars.

Washington needs to put legislation into place immediately that bases any bonuses by government officials on a very stringent set of goals and divvy out extra paychecks only when those benchmarks are reached and improve the government entity's ability to function properly.

That was not the case in this instance. These millions would have been much better spent on improved facilities or more care for our veterans.

We should be more concerned with rewarding our heroes, not the officials who put their lives at risk long after they have returned from the battlefields.

— Glasgow Daily Times



## Rich Lowry Column

### Fighting for farm subsidies

Spinach might not seem to have anything to do with military operations. But there it is, in an emergency supplemental bill to fund the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan: \$25 million for California spinach growers, whose vigorous, martiallike spinach-growing had heretofore not been seen as part of the war effort.

The war bill illustrates the axiom that guides the nation's agricultural policy: namely, that any principles of good government, common sense and fiscal sanity must always be abandoned in the cause of shoveling federal dollars at American farmers. Its \$4 billion for disaster relief, together with millions for peanut storage, sugar-beet production and the Milk Income Loss Contract Program, isn't unusual, except for the fact that it was used to buy votes for a pullout from Iraq. For House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, apparently, all geopolitics is local, and some of her members are happy to lose a war if they can win a subsidy.

Otherwise, the ag spending is unremarkable, part of the perpetual bi-partisan, farm-spending gross-out.

Disaster relief is always a rationale for giving money to farmers and ranchers, some of whom are so disas-

ter-prone that they must be living on the set of the biblical-plague movie "The Reaping." A study of the past 21 years of emergency disaster aid by the Environmental Working Group found that most farmers and ranchers rarely receive the aid, but a small minority "are chronically dependent on disaster aid and over two decades have collected it one year out of every two or three, if not more frequently."

Roughly 21,000 recipients collected "disaster aid more than 11 years out of 21, amounting to \$2.5 billion," or nearly 10 percent of the total disaster aid of \$26 billion in that period. This highlights another rule of federal agricultural spending — it tends to benefit very few farmers and ranchers.

Over the past decade, most farmers (66 percent) didn't receive subsidies, but among those who did, a select 10 percent received 73 percent of all payments, according to EWG. That means they raked in more than \$120 billion from 1995 to 2005 and received an average of \$34,000 a year. Some of them are very rich, and they effortlessly evade the notional

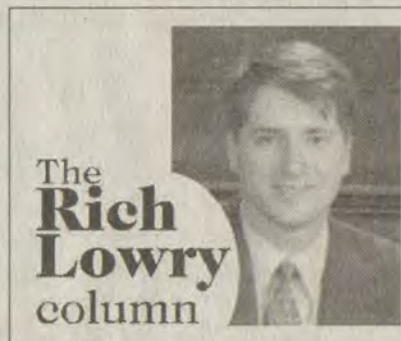
annual-income cap on subsidies of \$2.5 million.

With a debate concerning a new farm bill set for this year, the Bush administration is proposing ending subsidies for 80,000 rich farmers. It would reduce the income cap on subsidies from \$2.5 million to \$200,000, saving \$1.5 billion over the next 10 years.

It also would close loopholes exposed in a recent Washington Post series, including one that enabled corn growers to game the government for an additional \$3.8 billion in 2005 and one that makes it possible for nonfarmers to still receive subsidies.

The Bush proposal already is facing opposition on Capitol Hill. The president is about to get a lesson in congressional resolve. Facing down enemies overseas is too arduous for a Congress that wants us out of Iraq by next year. But if someone dare attempt to diminish farm payments? Well, then, Congress will fight on the beaches, in the fields and in the streets.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.



The Rich Lowry column

## beyond the beltway

### As Halberstam passes, so does an era

by DONALD KAUL  
TIMES COLUMNIST

David Halberstam, an iconic figure to journalists who came of age during the Vietnam era, died last week. He was being driven to yet another interview. One car made a turn, another car didn't, they collided and he was dead. The irony of so prosaic a death to one who had covered wars, riots and revolutions throughout the world would not have been lost on him.

Halberstam was one of those people who not only looked like a Big Deal and sounded like a Big Deal (his voice seemed as though it were on loan from God); he was a Big Deal. He was a key member of that small cohort of reporters who in the 1960s and '70s redefined war correspondence for the American public.

Until Vietnam, war correspondents were considered by government and public alike to be part of the war effort. They could report — and much good work was done in the World Wars and Korea — but criticism of the military, much less questioning the premise for the war, was considered unpatriotic.

Halberstam and his colleagues, Neil Sheehan and Malcolm Browne, broke the trail on a new kind of war reporting. Lacking inside sources or access to "high ranking officials," they went into the bush with troops to get the story firsthand. They soon found that the "information" the gov-

ernment was putting out — numbers of enemy killed, friendly troops trained — was largely fictitious; that our allies were hopelessly corrupt and inept and that instead of making steady progress in the war, we were steadily losing it.

President John F. Kennedy, enraged by Halberstam's early reporting, sought to have him reassigned. Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, the publisher of "The New York Times," not only refused but also canceled the reporter's scheduled vacation to make sure his sudden disappearance from the paper would not be misinterpreted. (It's stories like that that make you proud to be a "Times" reader.)

Halberstam went on to win a Pulitzer Prize (shared with Sheehan) for his Vietnam coverage and to a hugely successful career as a writer of big, important books, on war, business and baseball, among other things.

But those of us who first met him as a young war correspondent standing up to the Pentagon's propaganda machine will always think of him in that role.

It was perhaps appropriate that in the week he died, Bill Moyers aired a documentary, "Buying the War," that underlined the lack of Halberstams out there today.

Sad to say, the war in Iraq was sold to us not merely by a duplicitous government but by a willing, enthusiastic and lazy press.

Wait. That's unfair. There are dozens of fine reporters in Iraq doing heroic work under trying circum-

stances, but they lack the platform Halberstam had. There is no "New York Times" anymore, not really.

We get our news from television these days. Both network and cable television vied with each other to see who could be most "patriotic" — that is to say, jingoistic — in its coverage of the Iraq invasion. Fox News won, by the way, thereby ballooning its viewer-

ship. Phil Donahue, who had a talk show on MSNBC, tried to let a few war skeptics enter into the debate. His show was canceled 22 days before the invasion.

"Donahue represents a difficult public face for NBC in a time of war," a network memo said.

Cheerleaders, those are the proper network faces in time of war.

Here's what Halberstam had to say about Iraq in January: "I just never thought it was going to work at all. I thought that in both Vietnam and Iraq, we were going against history. My view — and I think it was because of Vietnam — was that the forces against us were going to be hostile, that we would not be viewed as liberators. We were going to punch our fist into the largest hornet's nest in the world."

Now he's dead. It's a rotten time to have so rare and valuable a voice stilled.

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## This Town, That World

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

The showers, this Memorial Day, haven't been even a little bit vexing to us. We have worked all day.

### THE DAY IS PERPETUATED

Some of our holidays, and special days, have just about petered out. Armistice Day became Armed Forces Day, and the silence that war-weary ears welcomed on November 11, 1918, is rarely, if ever observed these days. Even the grand and glorious Fourth has lost its identification in considerable degree with Independence Day. But Memorial Day will never lack for a reason for its observance. Automobile drivers, the wild, the drunken, the careless and foolish, will always provide new graves to be decorated.

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The better the cook the less danger of a man getting fed up (it says here).

### OF NECKTIES

I have always eschewed fancy neckwear, but it must be admitted there is a perverse notion which creeps in, once in a while, that maybe something a bit wild should be worn. I am reminded of this, just now, by a piece some unknown writer did on neckties, voicing his desire for neckties wild, telling of a yen to wear a tie so strong it would take two men to tie it, and winding up with:

Give me a wild tie, brother,  
One with a lot of sins—  
A tie that will blaze  
In a hectic gaze  
Down where the vest begins!

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Wonder what became of the high resolve of some of our officials to confiscate and sell cars, trucks, and buildings used for bootlegging purposes? It made good reading.

## Editor's Notice

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Those attending the banquet were treated to a delicious meal and entertaining and informative talks from guest speakers.

## ALC holds Floyd County Alumni Banquet

The annual Alice Lloyd College Floyd County Alumni Banquet was held Friday evening, April 27, 2007 at Jenny Wiley State Park. Approximately 95 people gathered for this wonderful event. Special remarks were given by Alice Lloyd College President Joe Alan Stepp and an alumni reflection by ALC alumnus, Dr. Anthony Yonts, originally of Bevinsville. Dr. Yonts is an Alice Lloyd College graduate, a graduate of The June Buchanan School, and a prestigious Caney Scholar. Joyce Whitaker, current ALC Alumni Association president, presided over the program. The Voices of Appalachia, under the direction of Richard Kennedy, performed during the event as well.

A special presentation was made to current ALC student, Whitney Hall, of Martin. She was recognized as the recipient of the Floyd County Alumni Chapter's Sarah Laven Purpose Road Endowed Scholarship for the 2006-07 academic year. Sarah Music Laven, who passed away in 2006, was formerly of Prestonsburg. A 1940 alumna of Caney Junior College (now Alice Lloyd College), was a life-long ambassador and supporter of her alma mater. Mrs. Laven was instrumental in establishing this Scholarship which provides financial assistance to an incoming Alice Lloyd College freshman from Floyd County during his/her first year of college.



Dr. Anthony Yonts, a native Floyd County, was the keynote speaker at a recent ALC banquet recognizing Floyd County alumni.

## New coordinator of Lindsey Wilson College program named

Micca Ratliff is excited about helping adults in the Big Sandy area realize their dream of earning a degree.

As coordinator for Lindsey Wilson College's School of Professional Counseling program at Big Sandy Community & Technical College-Prestonsburg, Ratliff is responsible for enrolling students in the baccalaureate and graduate program and mentoring them once they get into the program.

"I wanted to work for Lindsey Wilson College's School of Professional Counseling because I wanted to give back to a college that has given me so much," Ratliff said. "I enjoy going into the community and telling everyone about Lindsey Wilson's program and how it changes lives. It's a very rewarding job to have."

Because of an innovative partnership between Lindsey Wilson and Big Sandy CTC-Prestonsburg, students with an associate's degree can earn a bachelor's degree in



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human services and counseling or a master's degree in counseling and human development from Lindsey Wilson while attending weekend

classes in Prestonsburg. Many of the program's graduates remain in the region to serve as mental-health care workers.

Ratliff said a big reason Lindsey Wilson's program at Big Sandy CTC-Prestonsburg is so popular is because its courses are offered in a convenient weekend format, which accommodates busy adults' working schedules.

"It's a constant flow of students who come and want information about Lindsey Wilson's program," said Ratliff, who is a 2006 graduate of the Lindsey Wilson program in Prestonsburg and current graduate student. "Students are interested in how classes are set up. A lot of students enjoy the weekend format, as it allows them to get an education while maintaining a full-time job and family."

Another reason for the program's success is a strong partnership with Big Sandy CTC-

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## MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

### 'The Swarm'

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

Happy Mother's Day, everyone. To celebrate the occasion, the Lagoon is dredging up one of Irwin Allen's disaster epics that I saw with my mother back in 1978.

This wasn't one of her favorite films but a dedicated mom will allow her son to drag her to whatever the child fancies and so we salute you moms who have suffered through "Pokemon" and all manner of cinematic hijinks to make your children happy. I know for a fact that my mother hated this one but she soldiered on and suffered through inane dialogue, melodramatic acting and a ton of breakfast cereal (used to simulate the titular pest). At least she enjoyed the all-star cast that was assembled here to do battle with that bugaboo of the 1970's, the African Killer Bee.



Tom Doty  
Times Columnist

The story begins on a high note with a tense sequence during which a cadre of air force guys in radiation suits enter a nuclear silo after losing touch with the staff there. They find everyone dead at their stations except for six unconscious men and one civilian who claims to have arrived after the base was invaded by what he terms as a deadly force.

The air force sends in General Slater, who demands to know more. The civilian retorts that he is on the trail of a swarm of killer bees and shocks Slater by announcing that the White House will back him up. No one is more surprised than Slater when word comes back that the stranger is a doctor named Crane and that he is to be put in charge of the operation.

No sooner does this happen when radar picks up a mass moving away from the area at a comfortable speed of seven miles per hour. Slater puts two choppers into the air but they are destroyed when they get close enough to the swarm to yell out, "Ahh, bees!"

Crane goes to work quickly and presents his wish list to the general, which includes supplies, scientists and doctors from around the country, and one bag of sunflower seeds. Turns out that Crane has been preaching that this would happen for years and feels vindicated, though not particularly sad for all of the victims.

The swarm opts to nest locally in Marysville, Texas, which is (of course) gearing up for their annual flower festival. The bees attack a family out on a picnic, which turns out to be a crackerjack scene shot from the perspective of the family's adolescent son, who witnesses the carnage from the relative safety of the family station wagon.

Crane is first on the scene and extrapolates madly from some scant evidence, which includes bits of chewed up plastic. He hypothesizes that these bees have sharper teeth than

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## My adoption day

by REBECCA YAUGER

"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL:  
CELEBRATING MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS"

I was devastated as I left the attorney's office with my husband.

"I guess that settles that," I said as Bill opened the car door for me and I slipped inside. He climbed into the driver's side, but kept the keys in his hand.

"Settles what? We can still do this," he said.

"There's no way I'm going to ask

Suzanne for that. It's not worth me legally adopting her if we have to order a new birth certificate with my name on it. She remembers her mother. Having a new birth certificate is like asking her to pretend her mother never existed. I won't ask her to do that." I couldn't stop the tears from welling in my eyes.

I had been married to my husband for two years. We had long since been talking about my adopting his teenage daughter. Her mother had been killed in an accident several years before, when Suzanne was 10

years old. I had been so excited heading into the attorney's office to start the proceedings. Now my heart plummeted, all because of a piece of paper that would have my name on it.

"I know it makes sense when you adopt a baby," I told my husband, as he started the car, "it just never occurred to me that Suzanne would need a new birth certificate at her age. I won't do that to her. I won't make her choose between mothers."

"Babe, just let me talk to her, OK? I'll tell her what's going on. She's been supportive up to this point."

"I know. But I think this is too much to ask."

"Let me talk to her. Trust me." My husband squeezed my hand

affectionately, and for his sake, I smiled through my tears. But in my heart, I knew my dream was finished.

I consoled myself by knowing this wouldn't change my feelings for Suzanne, and maybe we didn't need this adoption after all. I loved her, and she was the daughter of my heart. That would have to be enough.

Several days later, my husband sat me down.

"I talked with Suzanne," he began. I looked at him, not understanding what he was talking about. My dream of adoption died the day we left the attorney's office the week before.

"About what?" I questioned.

"About the adoption. You'll never believe what she said."

I didn't reply, waiting for my husband to continue.

"I told her the situation

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# Does this oil-changing idea suck?

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

Before I retired, I was ASE-certified in several categories, a member of SAE, and held technical and sales positions with Mobil and Dana. I also grew up in a large, full-service auto shop. I was taught that oil should be drained, rather than siphoned out of the dipstick tube, to enhance removal of sludge, metallic particles and other contaminants. If not, persistent removal of used oil without pulling the drain plug would endanger the life of the engine. A major retailer (Wal-Mart) is now installing siphon-type oil-changing equipment in its auto centers and will not remove the drain plug. This might solve a problem with untrained employees leaving the plug out, but it sure won't save much time. What are your opinions on this? — Gary

RAY: Well, first of all, we don't know what Wal-Mart's plans are. So we'll limit our comments to the oil-change methods themselves.

TOM: We tend to agree with you,

Gary. You do get more oil — and, therefore, more crud and contaminants — out of the engine when you remove the drain plug at the bottom of the engine and let gravity do its job.

RAY: The devices that pump or suck out the oil via the dipstick tube certainly are adequate, but not quite as good, in our humble opinion.

TOM: The places that use suction devices don't do it just to save time, they do it to decrease liability. When you — as a mechanic — remove someone's drain plug from the oil pan, there's always the possibility that you might (A) strip it, (B) cross-thread it, (C) undertighten it, (D) overtighten it, (E) lose the gasket, (F) damage the gasket or (G) drop the drain plug into your bowl of black-bean soup and never see it again. If any of those things happens, the consequences for the car can be catastrophic.

RAY: And if the consequences for the car are catastrophic, the consequences for the oil changer's bank account, or his insurance company's bank account, are going to be equally

catastrophic. That's what the places that use the dipstick method want to avoid.

TOM: And you, as a car owner, want to avoid that, too. After all, even if you eventually got the place that forgot to tighten your oil plug to pay for rebuilding your engine, it would only be after an enormous hassle, and maybe not until after a small-claims-court appearance, and/or a threatening visit by a rented high-school football linebacker squad.

RAY: Now, there is another type of "oil suction" machine that we DO like. It's called an "engine flush," and it attaches where the oil filter is screwed in. It's an automated machine that uses high pressure to push out the old oil, clean the engine with a detergent and then refill the engine with new oil. That machine is very good, and it also limits liability. But it's designed for an occasional cleaning of engines that are thought to be sludged up. It's not for regular oil changes.

TOM: So, is using a regular suction device every bit as good as draining the oil via the drain plug? No. We don't think so. But if it's done right, done as thoroughly as possible and done while the engine oil is still warm, it probably does an adequate job.

RAY: Its biggest advantage is convenience. If it allows you to get your

oil changed cheaply, while you're picking up 16 pallets of Chinese-made, recycled toilet paper, it might encourage people who otherwise wouldn't change their oil regularly to change it more often. That has to be factored into the equation, even if the oil-change method isn't quite as good.

## Reader gets a green light for dream car

Dear Tom and Ray:

I've always wanted an Aston Martin — no kidding. And now, at age 72, my wife (who is younger) says it's OK for me to buy or lease one. BUT, I feel oh so guilty. To spend that kind of money on a toy — albeit a sumptuous one — seems, well, immoral (and the Vantage gets a measly 13 miles per gallon city). I currently drive an Acura TL, a very quick, very nice car. The lease is up soon. HELP! Should I accept my wife's offer — or is she just testing me? ("How irresponsible of you. What am I going to do with that thing later?") In this context, "later" has a very dark meaning. — Michael

P.S.: I love your column and radio show. I used to write books with athletes, so I got to scrimmage with the New York Giants and the Los Angeles Lakers, and to hit against Bob Gibson. Also, in an abortive relationship for a book about racing, I

got to register the slowest elapsed time ever recorded at Indy. A "blistering" 55.365 mph. How slow is that? So slow that the car started to slide down the side of the banked north turn.

TOM: Michael, go for it. Get your Aston Martin.

RAY: I agree. You sound like a reasonable guy, and you're not going to be a danger to anyone on the road.

TOM: You've always wanted one. What are you waiting for?

RAY: If your conscience really is bothered by the gasoline consumption, just drive less. If you drive 10 miles in your Acura, you'll probably use the same amount of fuel that driving five miles in your Aston Martin would use. And you'll probably enjoy those five miles in the Aston much more.

TOM: And if your wife is just testing you, well, so what? You're 72. How much longer are you going to have to put up with the ramifications of failing the test? Not long! So now's the time, Michael. Send us a picture of you in the Aston, with the wind blowing through your bald spot.

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## Odds & Ends

■ ATTALLA, Ala. — Wal-Mart doesn't want thieves on its property, including two convicted shoplifters ordered by a judge to stand outside with signs reading "I am a thief, I stole from Wal-Mart."

Attalla City Judge Kenneth Robertson said Wednesday that an attorney for Wal-Mart told him the shoplifters couldn't finish out their sentences in front of the store.

The judge had ordered them to spend two Saturday afternoons holding the signs.

Robertson said the attorney told him that the discount retail giant had safety concerns about the sign-bearing shoplifters outside the Supercenter, where they drew notice last Saturday.

The judge said the main concern was "that people might try to run them down or throw something at them."

He planned to have the two hold the signs outside the courthouse downtown on Saturday. But he said he preferred the penalty be served outside the store.

"I told them this takes away the tremendous impact of what we're trying to do," Robertson said.

Robertson said he had long tried to get the store to agree to the punishment, but had been turned down. Then, he said, company officials agreed, but changed their minds after the shoplifters actually stood outside.

Wal-Mart spokeswoman Sharon Weber said the sentence might be an effective deterrent. She said, "Upon further review, we simply would rather the punishment not be carried out on store property."

■ FRAMINGHAM, Mass. — Two female college stu-

dents who bared their bellies at a lacrosse game couldn't stomach a front-page newspaper photo of their stunt and now are in trouble for swiping copies, campus officials said.

They apparently felt the photo made them look fat, the paper's faculty adviser said.

The photo in the April 27 edition of The Gatepost at Framingham State College shows seven fans at a women's lacrosse game with "I (heart) N-O-O-N-A-N," the name of a friend on the team, spelled out on their stomachs. They are wearing hip-hugger shorts and abbreviated tank tops.

Campus police won't pursue criminal charges, but two students face possible disciplinary action, college spokesman Peter Chisholm said.

English professor Desmond McCarthy, the faculty adviser, said he was told by other students the women who took the papers thought they looked fat.

"This is the most stupid reason the paper has been stolen," said McCarthy, adding that editions of The Gatepost have been stolen four times in the past 15 years.

Megan Turner, The Gatepost's editor in chief, said about half of the 2,000-paper press run disappeared, though Chisholm said the number was far lower, perhaps 150.

"I just kind of got caught up in the moment and grabbed a whole bunch of copies," 18-year-old Jennifer Carsillo, a freshman from Salem, Conn., told The Boston Globe. She says she took around 130 copies, but then gave them to campus police and apologized a few days later.

Chisholm declined to identify the second woman.

Freshman Courtney Wall,

who was in the photo, told The Associated Press the other women in the photo thought the paper swipe was "dumb," and that she's upset to be associated with the theft through the picture.

"If I went out dressed like that, I don't care if it's in the paper, obviously," she said. "I don't see a problem with the picture. I see a problem with me getting in trouble for something I didn't do."

■ MARTINSBURG, W.Va. — Police responding to a report of a body hanging from a utility pole found a mannequin left from a power company's training exercise.

Allegheny Energy Inc. was using the mannequin for exercises on pole climbing, said Martinsburg police Sgt. B.L. Yost.

A caller Wednesday reported a possible suicide on the utility's property in Martinsburg.

"When we first got out of our cars, we thought it was real," Yost said. "We were, for a minute, wondering how we were going to get the man down off of the pole."

"It wasn't until we were able to walk to the side of the property that we realized it was a mannequin up there."

An Allegheny spokesman didn't immediately return a call for comment early Thursday.

■ GREENVILLE, S.C. — Someone left more than \$5,000 in cash in an envelope tucked into a pair of pajamas donated to Goodwill.

The note, signed with only a first name, said the donor had been saving it awhile and hoped the person who found the cash would spend it wisely,

said Bill Wylie, president and CEO of Goodwill Industries of Upper South Carolina.

Goodwill has placed the money in a safe, waiting to see if someone claims it. In one does, it will become a donation, Wylie said.

Kelli Owens found the money Tuesday morning while sorting through clothes as part of a job training program. The 21-year-old single mother of three children said she could think of plenty of ways to spend the cash. Instead, she took it straight to her supervisor, then returned to finish the final six hours of her shift.

"I'm an honest person," Owens said. "I was brought up that way. I'm always going to be that way."

Wylie isn't giving out the name or the exact amount of cash so that he'll have a way of identifying the person.

Goodwill also plans to honor the honesty of Owens, who lives with her children, Isaiah, 4; Jonathan, 3; and Emily, 11 months; as well as her mother and two younger sisters.

The organization will give her a few gift certificates and throw her a party, Wylie said.

"It's really nice to have somebody that's honest working for you," he said. "We're very proud of her."

■ DEARBORN, Mich. — A police officer will avoid criminal charges despite admitting he took marijuana from criminal suspects and, with his wife, baked it into brownies.

The police department's decision not to pursue a case against former Cpl. Edward Sanchez left a bad taste in the mouth of at least one city offi-

cial, who vowed to investigate.

"If you're a cop and you're arresting people and you're confiscating the marijuana and keeping it yourself, that's bad. That's real bad," said City Councilman Doug Thomas.

Sanchez, who resigned last year from the department in this Detroit suburb, declined comment Wednesday to the Detroit Free Press. Police Cmdr. Jeff Geisinger did not return calls seeking comment.

The department's investigation began with a 911 call from Sanchez's home on April 21, 2006. On a 5-minute tape of the call, obtained by the Free Press, Sanchez told an emergency dispatcher he thought he and his wife were overdosing on marijuana.

"I think we're dying," he said. "We made brownies and I think we're dead, I really do."

Sanchez later told police investigators that his wife took the marijuana out of his police vehicle while he was sleeping. In a subsequent interview, he admitted he got the marijuana out of the car himself and put it in the brownie mix, police said.

His wife also was not charged.

■ SAN MARCOS, Texas — Texas State University's plan to build the nation's largest "body farm" of cadavers is on hold over concerns

that buzzards could endanger nearby planes.

The university's scrapped its proposed site and began scouting a new location for what would be only the third body farm in the nation. The farms are used by scientists who bury cadavers to study human decomposition to help police better determine time and manner of death at crime scenes.

Texas State had hoped to begin burying bodies later this year on a 17-acre site on Texas Highway 21 near the San Marcos Municipal Airport. But after meeting with the airport's commission Tuesday, the university dropped the plan out of concern that buzzards would pose a risk to pilots.

"While the increased risk might be very small, it cannot be completely eliminated, and we cannot go forward with the Highway 21 site," Texas State provost Perry Moore said.

Plans for the site included a razor-wire fence around the property, vulture-proof cages to protect exposed bodies and a 70-foot grass buffer around the site to absorb rain runoff.

The University of Tennessee at Knoxville has operated a body farm since 1980. Western Carolina University in Cullowhee, N.C., opened the nation's second such facility last year.

## Soup

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about the birth certificate and how you felt about that. Her reply was: 'Why do I care what a piece of paper says? Mom wouldn't care what a piece of paper says. I want this to happen.'"

Tears poured from my eyes. I couldn't believe what I was hearing. Bonnie was choosing me. I knew I could never replace her mother, but I also knew that with the love I shared with her father, I was taking my place in their lives.

And now I understood how much it meant to me to have this little girl call me "Mom."

The joy I felt as the adoption day approached was boundless. Finally, the day we went to court arrived. I looked at my daughter and asked, "Are you ready to see the judge?"

She looked at me, her blue eyes shining, and said, "Yes. I'm ready, because today, I'm adopting you!"

## Ratliff

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Prestonsburg. "Everyone at Big Sandy is so supportive of helping this area's residents earn a four-year college degree," Ratliff said.

Most of the Lindsey Wilson students at Big Sandy CTC-Prestonsburg are non-traditional students, which Ratliff says is inspiring to her.

"I admire the nontraditional students because I see how determined they are to succeed and keep up with their family," Ratliff said. "It makes me realize that no matter what comes my way, I'm going to be able to finish school."

For more information about Lindsey Wilson's program at Big Sandy CTC-Prestonsburg,

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Founded in 1903, Lindsey Wilson is a vibrant liberal arts college in Columbia, Ky., affiliated with the Kentucky Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church. Lindsey Wilson offers a bachelor of arts degree in 20 career areas and a master's degree in counseling and human development. In addition to Columbia, the college also serves students at Kentucky campuses in Ashland, Cumberland, Hazard, London, Scottsville, Prestonsburg, Mayesville and Somerset, and students in Logan, W.Va.

## Lagoon

the American honeybee and surmises that they have used plastic to line their nest. Said nest gets abandoned in a hurry when the surviving child returns to the scene with two friends and a bag of Molotov cocktails that the boys hurl into the nest. Plastic or not it goes up in a hurry and the angry bees head for town and crash the flower festival — big time.

Once again you get a tense outing with the bees making mincemeat of the main street before tearing into the students of the town's elementary school. This leads to stunningly brutal moment wherein the principal witnesses the awful result of failing to bring in the class that was celebrating recess. The bees then blow town and head for Houston, but not before stopping to attack a nuclear plant. (Was Al Gore a consultant here?)

Crane gets together with his brain trust and they opt to use environmentally safe poison pellets on the bees (that tears it — Gore was definitely involved somehow). Unfortunately the well-fed swarm doesn't bite which, leads the president to put Slater in charge while Crane laments that the bees have become smarter.

The General heads for Houston after evacuating Marysville, but the train they put the townspeople on turns out to be a

beacon for the bees, who derail it by stinging the engineer to death before he can slow down for a wide turn. In Houston they set fire to the city and employ flame throwers to little effect, which prompts the general to ask, "Will history blame me or the bees?"

Crane shows up and has done some math. He announces that the two nuclear sites employed the same sonic alarm system which apparently mimics the mating call of the swarm. Before you can say hi-fi, they are able to draw the bees out to sea with a love call where they are easily flamed. Sorry about that, Houston.

What makes this a treat is the outrageous blend of disaster movie hijinks with scenes straight out of a horror movie. One classic bit devised for the film is that a sting from one bee imparts hallucinations on the victim and they begin to see everyone as a huge killer bee.

The fact is that any genre gets desperate as its popularity wanes, and this fact motivated Allen (who had two box office smashes with "The Poseidon Adventure" and "The Towering Inferno") to mix up his disaster formula (one part huge cast to two parts climactic events) with horror staples. He would try several more times with less success ("When Time Ran Out"

and "Beyond the Poseidon Adventure"), but you can't beat this one for sheer outrageousness.

The DVD incorporates an extra 40 minutes of footage that actually adds to the terror quotient. You also get to see a topnotch cast get slaughtered like hogs. Allen cuts a big round of paychecks here and enlisted the efforts of Michael Caine, Richard Widmark, Richard Chamberlain, Olivia di Havilland, Fred MacMurray and Katherine Ross. Henry Fonda pops up too and viewers will note that his oddball delivery of trite dialogue works well for the film and probably inspired Christopher Walken, who does a similar job in not-so-good movies by applying the same technique.

Fonda also gets the best death scene when he injects himself with the venom of six bees to test his antitoxin, which works about as well as Donald Trump's hairstyle.

All in all this is a lot of fun and can be enjoyed on several levels, though it works best as a comedy.

Thanks, mom.

Best line: "I never dreamed it would turn out to be the bees. They have always been our friend."

1978, unrated edition.



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## Farm Bureau Classic takes shape

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – The Kent Thacker Agency will present the 2007 Farm Bureau Classic on Saturday, Dec. 15 at the Eastern Kentucky Expo Center.

The Farm Bureau Classic is on pace to continue its tradition of bringing together top quality boys' high school basketball teams for a single-day event. The upcoming Farm Bureau Classic will include teams from across the nation, top Division I prospects and top-ranked squads from across the state, including the 2006 Kentucky state champion. The top two contenders for Kentucky Mr. Basketball – Mason County's Darius Miller and Scott County's Bud Mackey – will be in Pike County for the 2007 Farm Bureau Classic. Former NBA player Anthony Bonner and Vanderbilt All-SEC performer Drew Maddux will be among the high school coaches guiding teams during the Farm Bureau Classic. Paintsville, Shelby Valley and

Johnson Central will represent the 15th Region during the all-day boys' basketball event. Game times for the Farm Bureau Classic have not been released. The 2007 Farm Bureau Classic schedule follows.

**CUMBERLAND VS. JOHNSON CENTRAL** – Thirteenth Region member Cumberland will take on Johnson Central, a team just over a year removed from winning a 15th Region championship. Mark Starnes is set to enter his third season at the helm of the Johnson Central basketball program.

**PAINTSVILLE VS. SOUTH CHARLESTON, WVA.** – Defending 15th Region All "A" Classic Champion Paintsville is pitted against South Charleston, a West Virginia runner-up this past season. South Charleston will

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Paintsville Coach Bill Mike Runyon's Paintsville team is pitted against South Charleston (W.Va.) in the 2007 Farm Bureau Classic.

file photo

## Sandy Valley Conference to expand

by JAMIE HOWELL  
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PAINTSVILLE – After finishing the 2006 middle school football season with 11 teams, the Sandy Valley Conference has announced plans to expand the league to 14 teams during the 2007 season. Martin County claimed the conference title in 2006, defeating Perry County in the conference's championship game.

The league is divided into two separate divisions (North and South). Seven teams will make up each division. The North division includes Adams Middle (Prestonsburg), South Floyd, Betsy Layne, Allen, Magoffin County, Johnson County Seventh and Martin County. The South division includes Hazard, Paintsville, Perry County, Johnson County Eighth, Breathitt County, East Letcher and

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## Dates set for Runnin' Rebel hoops camp

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – Allen Central High School Coach John Martin has announced the dates for his annual Runnin' Rebel basketball camp. This year's camp will run June 4-8. The camp is open to all children in grades K-8.

Cost of the camp is \$50. The camp will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon each day.

Each camp participant will receive a trophy and a T-shirt. In addition, breakfast and lunch will be made available to all campers.

The camp will include individual instruction and team play. Camp events will include skills competitions of three-point, hot shot and free throw contests.

The ACHS basketball team is gearing up for another busy summer. The Rebels are scheduled to play in team camps at Hazard, Knott County Central and Clay County during the upcoming weeks.

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## P'BURG SOFTBALL



photos by Jamie Howell

BACK IN THE WIN COLUMN: Prestonsburg edged Magoffin County 8-7 Thursday evening, winning its seventh game in eight tries. Brittany Collins. Prestonsburg improved to 10-3 after claiming the win. Following the setback, Magoffin County dropped to 8-17.

Prestonsburg Lady Blackcat Brittany Collins is pictured below.

### PRESTONSBURG SOFTBALL RESULTS

- March 26 at Johnson Central 2-12 (L)
- March 27 at Belfry, 12-10 (W)
- March 29 at Knott Central, 9-8 (W)
- March 30 Pike County Central, 8-7 (W)
- April 9 Shelby Valley, 4-14 (L)
- April 10 at Betsy Layne, 13-3 (W) (5 innings)
- April 12 Allen Central, 18-15 (W)
- April 18 South Floyd, 19-4 (W) (4 innings)
- April 27 at Allen Central, 9-5 (W)
- May 1 Knott County Central, 17-14 (W)
- May 7 at South Floyd, 15-3 (W)
- May 9 Betsy Layne, 9-12 (L) (8 innings)
- May 10 Magoffin County, 8-7 (W)



## Ratliff signs with Cumberlands

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

Pike County Central High School senior basketball player Haley Ratliff made her college choice official Wednesday evening, signing with the University of the Cumberlands. Ratliff, who scored over 2,000 points during her high school basketball career, led Pike Central to the 2007 15th Region championship. She helped the Lady Hawks reach the Girls' Sweet Sixteen final four. One of the top girls' basketball players in 15th Region history, Ratliff earned a host of accolades, including 15th Region Tournament MVP and various All-State honors.

■ Perry County Central High School has a new boys' basketball coach. Earlier in the week, Perry Central higher-ups introduced Allan Hatcher as its new boys' basketball coach. Hatcher takes over for Al Holland, who resigned after the 2006-07 sea-

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## Newsome vacates Sheldon Clark girls' post

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

INEZ – Sheldon Clark High School will have new coaches leading both its boys' and girls' basketball programs next season. Earlier in the year, SCHS boys' basketball coach J.R. Hammond was notified that he would not be hired back to coach the Cardinals. Now, Robin Harmon-Newsome has announced she is leaving her position as SCHS girls' basketball coach.

One of the state's top girls' high school basketball coaches, Newsome was a standout player at SCHS before becoming a head coach. She played in Martin County then took her game to the next level at Morehead State University. As a player, Newsome helped Sheldon Clark reach four state tournaments.

When her time at Morehead State ended, Newsome returned home to Martin County and started coaching the Lady Cardinals. She had a stellar career in the

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## Kinzer finishes 13th in NALMS race

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LAWRENCEBURG, Ind. – Floyd County dirt Late Model driver Brandon Kinzer posted another top-10 effort Thursday night, finishing ninth at Lawrenceburg Speedway in the Northern Allstars Late Model Series (NALMS) race staged as part of the Indiana Late Model Speedweek. The Indiana Speedweek is being presented by JD Byrider.

The Indiana Dirt Late Model Speedweek was scheduled to consist of four separate \$2,500-to-win races at four Hoosier State speedplants. Twin Cities Raceway Park, located in Vernon, Ind., was scheduled to host the first feature event of the four-race series Wednesday evening. Mother Nature, however, intervened. Rain washed out the Twin Cities Raceway Park event.

Tennessee driver Mike Marljar, a veteran who pilots a Late Model for Flemingsburg-based Stephens Motorsports, finished

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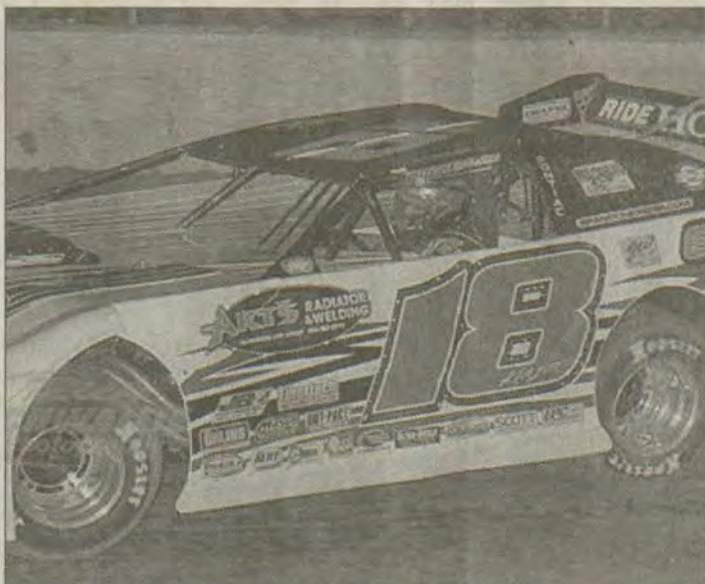


photo by Carlson Race Photos

Brandon Kinzer finished ninth Thursday night in the Indiana Speedweek race held at Lawrenceburg (Ind.) Speedway.

## Morehead State University teams exceed national average

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD – The NCAA has released its third-annual Academic Progress Rate report, and 11 of Morehead State University's 17 sports teams (rifle is counted as a coed team for APR purposes) exceeded the national average for public universities in their sports, and no Eagle squads are subject to penalties, such as scholarship reductions or post-season restrictions.

The women's indoor track, women's outdoor track and the co-ed rifle team led the way for MSU with 983 out of a possible 1,000 points, followed by women's basketball (982), women's cross country (980), softball and volleyball (978), men's indoor track (967), men's outdoor track (959), men's golf (958), and baseball (943). The marks represent three-year composite scores, covering the 2003-04, 2004-05, and 2005-06 school years, that measure academic eligibility and reten-

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**Expand**

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Whitesburg. East Letcher, Whitesburg and Allen are three newcomers to the league for the upcoming season. The 2007 season will kick off with the annual preseason grid on Saturday, Aug. 25.

The final preseason coaches meeting is slated for Wednesday, June 13 at 6 p.m. The Paintsville Recreation Center will host the last preseason meeting.

**Rebs**

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Allen Central is the defending 58th District champion. The Rebels finished the 2006-07 season 23-8, falling to Pikeville in the 15th Region Tournament Semifinals. Allen Central's record ranked as the 15th Region's third-best mark. The Rebels are also defending champions of Pike County Central's Coca-Cola Classic tournament. Allen Central finished runner-up to tournament host Paintsville in the 2007 15th Region All "A" Classic.

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son ended. Hatcher comes to Eastern Kentucky from the western part of the state. In his latest coaching stint, Hatcher served as both boys' and girls' basketball coach at Graves County High School. He is set to enter his 29th season of coaching. The new Commodore head coach owns a 616-197 record and has won 10 regional championships. Hatcher, who has led a pair of teams to the Boys' Sweet Sixteen final four, coached Williamson (W.Va.) High School to a state championship in 1983.

Teams have been selected for the 2008 WYMT/Whyne Supply Mountain Classic. Defending champion June Buchanan will return to defend its title. Other teams scheduled to play in the 2008 Mountain Classic are Clay County, Cumberland, Knox Central, Breathitt County, Hazard, Knott County Central and Pikeville.

The tournament will be played at Knott County Central High School's Morton Combs Athletic Complex.

**Newsome**

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coaching ranks, winning over 400 games and capturing three regional championships in 25 years.

Sheldon Clark finished the 2006-07 season 17-13, owning the 15th Region's seventh-best record. The Lady Cards compete in the highly-competitive 57th District along with Magoffin County, Johnson Central Paintsville and Lawrence County.

**Kinzer**

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first in the feature at Lawrenceburg Speedway. Greg Johnson, Steve Shephard, Jason Feger and Damon Eller rounded out the top-five.

Complete results from the NALMS race were as follows: 1 - 34 Mike Marlair; 2 - 4 - Greg Johnson; 3 - 5s Steve Shephard; 4 - 25 Jason Feger; 5 - 14 Damon Eller; 6 - 11 Wes Steininger; 7 - 55 Jeep VanWormer; 8 - 1C Duane Chamberlain; 9 - 18 Brandon Kinzer; 10 - 00 Randy Korte; 11 - 33 Jesse James Lay; 12 - 1H Don O'Neal; 13 - 17\* Greg Oliver; 14 - 11 Jerry Rice; 15 - 23 Patrick Sheltra; 16 - 99 Grant Heckenast Jr.; 17 - 91 Rusty Schlenk; 18 - 26 Rick Combs; 19 - 97 Mike Chilton; 20 - 24 Ryan Unzicker; 21 - 89 Steve Barnett; 22 - 9 Mike Jewell

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

In addition to having 11 teams exceed the national average for public institutions in their sport, two more Eagle squads were within three points of the national average in that category. Based on the 2005-2006 year, five MSU teams posted perfect 1,000 scores for the school year, including women's cross country women's soccer, women's indoor track, women's outdoor track and mixed (coed) rifle.

The NCAA's composite target score is 925 points. Only three MSU teams - men's basketball, football, and men's tennis were below that figure. However, none of the teams are subject to contemporaneous or historical penalties.

**Farm**

face a Bill Mike Runyon-coached Paintsville team led by seniors Landon Stone, J.D. VanHoose, Blake Bundy and Shane Grimm.

**SHELBY VALLEY VS. LOUISVILLE MALE** - Shelby Valley will face perennial powerhouse Louisville Male in a non-region game. The Wildcats are defending 15th Region champs. Shelby Valley is a frontrunner for one of the preseason's top 25 spots. Shelby Valley returns a good core

group of players from the 2006-07 unit.

**PIKEVILLE VS. KINGSPORT DOBYNS-BENNETT, TENN.** - Legendary Dobyns-Bennett Coach Charlie Morgan will guide Dobyns-Bennett, the nation's all-time winningest program, into its first Farm Bureau Classic. Pikeville, under the tutelage of head coach Bart Williams, finished last season runner-up to Shelby Valley in the 15th Region.

**MASON COUNTY VS. CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN ACADEMY NASHVILLE, TENN.** - Mason County Coach Chris O'Hearn will bring one of the state's top-ranked teams into the Classic. Miller is drawing the attention of the nation's leading NCAA Division I men's basketball programs. Division I prospect Zaccheus Mason leads Christ Presbyterian Academy, a team under the guidance of Vanderbilt alum Maddox.

**SCOTT COUNTY VS. ST LOUIS VASHON, MO.** - Defending Kentucky state champion and preseason number 1 Scott County will battles 11-time Missouri state champion St Louis Vashon. Mackey, who is headed to Indiana University once he's done at Scott County, ranks as one of the state's best boys' basketball players and a stout contender for the 2008 Mr. Basketball award. Bonner guides the storied St. Louis Vashon program.

**Reds 9, Astros 5; Griffey moves up career homer list**

by JOE KAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - Now that his hand is fully healed, Ken Griffey Jr. is climbing the home run list again.

Griffey hit his 569th career homer Thursday, a two-run shot that tied him for ninth place on the career list and helped the Cincinnati Reds get a breakthrough 9-5 victory over the Houston Astros.

Houston won the first three games of the series, improving to 5-0 at Great American Ball Park this season.

Pitcher Woody Williams and the Astros make themselves at home when they come here. Williams called a vendor over to the dugout and bought four bags of peanuts during the first inning, sharing them with teammates.

Griffey and Adam Dunn led the Reds to their elusive first win.

Cincinnati pulled ahead 7-0 after three innings against starter Matt Albers (1-2) and held on. Dunn hit a three-run homer, his sixth in the last 11 games, and added a triple and a double, coming up one single short of hitting for the cycle.

Griffey had a sacrifice fly and a two-run homer off Albers that left him tied with Rafael Palmeiro on the career list. Harmon Killebrew is

eighth at 573.

"Just keep plugging away," Griffey said. "My thing was I was just trying to get the guy home from third, and it just happened to go out."

The 37-year-old outfielder has been on a tear since he moved back into his accustomed third spot in the batting order. Griffey has hit safely in seven of those eight games, with four of his six homers.

He missed most of spring training because of a broken left hand, suffered last December. The injury wound up helping him as a hitter.

"I wouldn't recommend it as a way to learn patience, but when you break your hand, you don't want to be swinging at too many pitches early," Griffey said. "It hurt the first three weeks of spring training. Look at how I took batting practice. The first couple of times, I didn't swing at very many balls."

Aaron Harang (5-1) struggled to hold the early lead, giving up Chris Burke's three-run homer as Houston cut it to 7-5. Then, the Reds sweated out more bullpen drama.

The Astros loaded the bases with one out in the eighth off left-hander Mike Stanton. Closer David Weathers escaped the threat after a frightful moment - pinch-hitter Morgan Ensberg's potential grand-slam drive hooked foul down the

line.

Ensberg took a few steps from the plate and pointed fair with his right hand, then gave up when he saw the ball hooking.

"Not close enough," Ensberg said. "Off the bat, I thought I might have a chance. I could tell pretty clearly it was going to be foul halfway (toward the pole)."

Weather recovered by striking him out on the next pitch, then finished it off for his seventh save in eight tries. Cincinnati's bullpen has only two saves since April 15.

"I'm screaming, 'Go foul,' and he's screaming, 'Go fair,'" Weathers said. "Luckily, it went foul. It was a slider. Then I struck him out with a slider. Bad slider. Good slider."

Houston was trying to reach .500 for the first time since April 23 and finish its first four-game sweep in Cincinnati since July 17-20, 2003, nine days before the Reds fired manager Bob Boone and general manager Jim Bowden.

Four years later, the Reds are in another free fall, finishing a 2-5 homestand that dropped them into last place in the NL Central. They trail the first-place Brewers by an imposing 9 1/2 games.

For once, they managed to contain Lance Berkman, who homered in each of the first three games of the

series. Berkman has been a huge problem for the Reds throughout his career - 38 homers and 107 RBIs, his highest totals against any team.

The Astros couldn't overcome a poor start by Albers, who got hit hard in his first career appearance at the homer-friendly ballpark. Dunn hit his team-high 11th homer in the first inning to set the tone, and added a triple off Albers in his next at-bat.

"You'd like to win four, no question," Astros manager Phil Garner said. "We had a lot of momentum going into this game, but they took it away from us early."

Dunn doubled in the fifth off Brian Moehler, leaving him only a single away from the cycle. No Reds players has achieved it since Eric Davis on June 2, 1989, against San Diego. Dunn grounded into a double play in the sixth, his final plate appearance.

David Ross added a two-run homer in the fifth off Moehler.

Notes: The Astros are 7-2 overall against the Reds this season. ... Berkman went 6-for-14 during the series with three homers. ... Burke's homer was his 200th career hit and his first homer since Sept. 12 at St. Louis. ... Dunn has two triples this season, matching his career high. ... 2B Brandon Phillips extended his hitting streak to a career-high 13 games.

**With perks like this, Clemens might pitch until 50**

by JIM LITKE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

If Roger Clemens takes the mound for the Yankees on June 1 at Fenway, nobody on either team is going to care much whether he flew in on a private jet from Texas that morning or was beamed down just minutes before gametime from a UFO hovering above the ballpark.

Because for all the bellyaching about the deal Clemens just signed, the only thing that will matter by then is whether the man can still pitch.

"I don't think I would ever do it because of the fact I personally think it would disrespect the team and your teammates," current San Diego pitcher and former New York teammate David Wells said recently. A moment later, he added, "That's not the Yankee way."

The "Yankee way" doesn't mean pitching "half drunk," either, which is how Wells described himself - in a short-lived autobiography - when he threw a perfect game in 1998 for the Yankees. So the portly left-hander probably should disqualify himself as an expert on club decorum. But even someone as sober and steady as Greg Maddux questioned whether a deal that requires Clemens to show up only when he's scheduled to pitch would benefit either side in the long run.

"I can't imagine doing that," Maddux said. "I like the game. I like the atmosphere. I appreciate what it has to offer. I want to play the whole year."

From the sound of things, it's easy to get the impression that the "star system" just came into being, that every ballplayer was treated the same from the beginning of time until just before Clemens popped up in Yankee Stadium during the seventh-inning

last Sunday.

Please. Yet he's been roasted as disloyal by a band of fellow mercenaries who now wish they'd had the chutzpah to ask for more perks themselves. And Clemens has come in for even worse scorn from the pundits. Some gripe that he's escaped the abuse heaped on Barry Bonds for bending club rules, and that his commitment to the team hasn't been questioned, the way NBA star Allen Iverson was after his infamous "We talkin' about practice!" rant.

A few have even trotted out comparisons to Michael Jordan, saying the six-time NBA champion never took advantage of the special treatment his status accorded him. That's just wrong. The Bulls didn't make the trades Jordan was always throwing out, but then-coach Phil Jackson was smart enough to tailor just about everything else, from practice sessions to seats on the bus heading over to games, to accommodate his one-man team.

Soon after returning from the Barcelona Games in 1992, worn out by the rigors of Olympic duty with the Dream Team and playing late June the two previous summers in the NBA Finals, Jordan sat in a golf cart

one afternoon and detailed a plan to skip training camp and sit out the season until sometime in January. It never happened, mostly because the Bulls scheduled a charity contest midway through the exhibition season that Jordan decided he couldn't skip.

But when he retired from basketball the first time, in the fall of 1993, Jordan did it in part because a sabbatical was out of the question. All Clemens' deal now proves is that times have changed, that one man can be a market unto himself.

What he does share with Jordan, and Tiger Woods for that matter, is an outsized desire to win and enough clout to write his own ticket. It's not that big a departure from established tradition, since Clemens had much the same arrangement with the Astros



photo courtesy of UK Athletics  
**Roger Clemens has found a new workout home in Lexington. Earlier in the week, Clemens worked out at the University of Kentucky.**

**UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES**

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**Sheldon Clark High School senior big-man Millard Workman has signed to play basketball at Kentucky Christian University.**

photo courtesy of Sheldon Clark High School



# WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS: Bradbury named new Lady Eagle coach

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Mike Bradbury, a noted recruiter and a 15-year coaching veteran of the women's game, has been selected as the women's head basketball coach at Morehead State. Bradbury has spent the last five seasons as the top assistant coach at Xavier University. He has also had coaching assignments at University of Cincinnati, East Tennessee State, Virginia Commonwealth and his alma mater, Chattanooga. He is the eighth head coach in the 37-year history of the MSU women's basketball program.

"I am incredibly honored, excited and grateful to President Wayne Andrews and Director of Athletics Brian Hutchinson for giving me this opportunity to lead the Morehead State women's basketball program," said Bradbury. "My staff and I will

bring a passion for the game and energy to this program, and I can't wait to get started. I look forward to this opportunity."

Bradbury has become known as a gifted recruiter, and has landed several top 25 recruiting classes while at Xavier and Cincinnati. He signed the nation's top-ranked player at Xavier last season. While at UC, he signed three top 25 classes. In each of his last ten seasons as an assistant coach, his teams qualified for postseason play. In all, 12 of the 16 teams he has been involved with have made postseason appearances, and every team has posted a .500 record or better. His total record as a student assistant or assistant coach is 319-167 (.656 winning percentage).

"We are proud to announce Coach Bradbury as our new head coach. He comes from a program at Xavier that has established themselves as a peren-

nial women's basketball power," said Hutchinson. "Mike is an outstanding recruiter and has a reputation of being a great basketball technician. He understands and embraces the expectations we share for women's basketball at MSU, and we are happy to have him as part of the Eagle family."

Bradbury has spent five seasons at Xavier, and all five have resulted in postseason appearances, including two NCAA tournament berths. In his first season at Xavier, in 2002-03, the Musketeers went 20-10 overall and advanced the NCAA Tournament first round after posting a 12-19 record the season before. In 2006-07, Bradbury helped lead XU to a 26-8 record and another NCAA Tournament berth. In between, his teams made three consecutive WNIT appearances, including a quarterfinal game in 2004-05. In his five seasons, Xavier was 106-50 (.679 winning percentage).



Mike Bradbury is the new MSU women's basketball coach

# MSU women's basketball program earns OVC Team Sportsmanship Award

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — The Morehead State University women's basketball team is the 2006-2007 recipient of the Ohio Valley Conference Team Sportsmanship Award, the conference announced on Wednesday. The women's basketball squad is the third MSU team to earn the prestigious honor in the last two seasons, joining men's golf and men's outdoor track and field last year.

Voted on by the student-athletes and coaches of the respective sports, the team awards are bestowed upon

the Conference squads deemed to have best exhibited the standards of sportsmanship and ethical behavior as outlined by the OVC and NCAA. Included in the areas for evaluation are the conduct of student-athletes, coaches, staff and administrators and fans. The 2006-07 school year marks the second year the team sportsmanship awards have been awarded; Samford won the inaugural award last season.

"Sportsmanship is a core value of the Ohio Valley Conference," said OVC Commissioner Jon A. Steinbrecher, "and the team awards are a primary means of celebrating

those student-athletes and coaches who perform with distinction. Anytime you are recognized by your peers, it is truly an honor. Morehead State has proven that you can be successful on the court and do so in a sportsmanlike manner."

MSU finished the 2006-07 season with a 13-7 overall Conference record and earned the No. 3 seed in the 2007 OVC Tournament.

"We are proud of the sportsmanship exhibited by all our teams and individuals that present Morehead State Athletics," said Morehead State Director of Athletics Brian

Hutchinson. "The women's basketball group is very deserving of this honor."

Implemented in August 2005, the team honors are the most recent addition to an awards program that recognizes and celebrates sportsmanship within the Conference. In 1998, the league established the Steve Hamilton Sportsmanship Award, presented annually to a male or female student-athlete of junior or senior status who best exemplifies the characteristics of the late Morehead State student-athlete, coach and administrator. Five years later, the Conference added the OVC Sportsmanship Award, present-

ed annually to the member institution selected by its peers to have best exhibited the standards of sportsmanship and ethical behavior as outlined by the OVC and NCAA.

In 1995, the Ohio Valley Conference implemented a first-of-its-kind "Sportsmanship Statement," a policy promoting principles of fair play, ethical conduct and respect for one's opponent. The statement answered the challenge of the NCAA Presidents Commission to improve sportsmanship in collegiate athletics, and has become a model for others to follow across the nation

# Herrick helps Bellarmine to eighth at Super Regional

TIMES STAFF REPORT

JOPLIN, Mo. — The Bellarmine University men's golf team finished eighth in the NCAA Division II Great Lakes Super Regional golf tournament held at Twin Hills Golf and Country Club. Bellarmine went into the tournament as the No. 2 seed, and shot a six-over par 294 on the second day to stay in contention. However, the Knights had a rough third day, turning in a 309 to finish at 903.

Ferris State won the event with a final score of 864.

Bellarmine's best individual performer was senior Chris York (Louisville/Manual), who finished with a 73-73-76 222, good for 16th place. Sophomore Kyle Leach (Louisville/DeSales) was two strokes back, finishing tied for 23rd place.

Leach shot a one-under 71 yesterday, but ended up with a final tally of 74-71-79 224.

Freshman Brooks Herrick, a Prestonsburg High School graduate, ranked as Bellarmine's third-best golfer during the event, finishing with a 226 final total.

Ferris State's Jeff Carlson completed the event with an impressive 68-69-69 206 to take medalist honors by one stroke ahead of SIU-Edwardsville's Kyle Lickenbrock.

The event concluded Bellarmine's 2007 campaign.

The 2007 Great Lakes Super Regional Final Team Results: 1.

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294 883; 4. Grand Valley State +27 291 296 304 891; 5. Wayne State +28 300 299 293 892; 6. Findlay +29 295 299 299 893; 7. Northern Kentucky +36 295 306 299 900; 8. Bellarmine +39 300 294 309 903.

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Brooks Herrick

# Patriots run away with conference track honors

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG — University of the Cumberlands track coach Floyd Stroud has been named the Mid-South Conference Men's Track and Field Coach of the Year. Stroud is a native of Williamsburg and graduated from Cumberlands. He has been the head coach of the school's cross country and track and field teams since 1992.

The Patriots also received several other honors from the Mid-South

Conference. Jordan Jeffers, a junior, was named the Men's Track and Field Athlete of the Year. Earning All-Conference status were Brandon Griffin, Tyler Harris (Williamsburg), Jordan Jeffers, Kristen McKenna, Zora Beth Mefford, Brett Ratliff (Pikeville), Shelly Schnee, Kelly Seifert and A.C. Wright.

The Mid-South Conference also honors student-athletes with outstanding performance in the classroom. Whitney Brainard (Somerset), Melia Jewell, Kristin McKenna,

Susie Norris (Campbellsville), Kelly Schnee, Shelly Schnee, and Christina Stodghill (Owensboro) were named to the Women's Academic All-Conference team. The Men's Academic All-Conference team was comprised of Ronnie Bowling (Corbin), Brian Jones (Harlan), Josh Laughlin, Josh Patrick (Williamsburg), and Carl Roberts.

Several Patriots will compete in the NAIA National Championships to be held at the end of May.

# Maysville to host AAU Basketball national qualifier

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MAYSVILLE — Many of the nation's top basketball players will assemble in Maysville the first weekend of June hoping to take advantage of their last opportunity to qualify for the AAU Basketball National Championships in Orlando, Fla. this July.

The three-day Super Regional, to be held at Mason County Schools and Saint Patrick Schools gyms June 1-3, also represents a final chance to face top competition for teams that already have qualified for a National Championship tournament by virtue of playing and placing at their local District qualifying tournament.

The River City Super Regional Championship is open to all AAU-member basketball teams (9U-14U Boys) and each team will play a minimum of three games. Local AAU chapter River City will host the event.

River City (AAU) was formed in November 2006, following initiatives by the Maysville-Mason County Area Chamber of Commerce and Maysville Tourism Commission in conjunction with the Kentucky Sports Authority (KSA) to focus tourism efforts on attracting sporting events.

Co-chaired by Chris Bauer and David Hord, River City hosted its first tournament in March which attracted several state-ranked teams. The success of that event prompted state AAU representative Bob Blanford to contact River City in regards to hosting a national qualifier.

Bauer says this is a great opportunity for Maysville on a multitude of levels.

The Kentucky Sports Authority is the statewide agency responsible for working with individuals, communities, and other entities in the Commonwealth to attract, retain, create and promote professional and amateur sporting events, conventions, franchises and organizational headquarters for Kentucky.

In 2006, the KSA created TEAM Kentucky — a collection of communities from around the Commonwealth that serves as a marketing arm to the sports industry. Whether at trade shows, information gathering, sales appointments or through advertising, TEAM Kentucky allows Kentucky's communities to more competitive in bringing sports events to the state, and the economic impact they bring with them.

Maysville joined "TEAM Kentucky" at the National Association of Sports Commissions Conference held in Lexington last year. Since that time, Carpenter and Giffen has worked closely with KSA representatives Terry Hasseltine and Danielle Landolt to attract sporting events to Maysville.

The Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) is one of the largest, non-

profit, volunteer, sports organizations. A multi-sport organization, the AAU is dedicated exclusively to the promotion and development of amateur sports and physical fitness programs.

The AAU was founded in 1888 to establish standards and uniformity in amateur sport. During its early years the AAU served as a leader in international sport representing the in the international sports federations. The AAU worked closely with the Olympic movement to prepare athletes for the Olympic games. After the Amateur Sports Act of 1978, the AAU has focused its efforts into providing sports programs for all participants of all ages beginning at the grass roots level.

The philosophy of "Sports for All, Forever," is shared by over 500,000 participants and over 50,000 volunteers. The AAU is divided into 57 distinct districts. The districts annually sanction more than 34 sports programs, 250 national championships, and over 30,000 age division events.

Entry packages for the 2007 Super Regional Championship are available at [www.ausports.org](http://www.ausports.org) or by emailing Hord ([rdhsurveys@maysvilleky.net](mailto:rdhsurveys@maysvilleky.net)) or Bauer ([cjbauer@peoplepc.com](mailto:cjbauer@peoplepc.com)). Completed applications can be mailed to:

River City, Attn. — Stacy Berry, 2291 Hill City View, Maysville, Ky. 41056

For additional information contact Hord at 606-759-7309, Bauer at 606-883-3134, Stacy Berry at 606-759-0229 or Tony Sweeney at 606-759-0696.

## HS BASEBALL: Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association

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|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Lexington Catholic                | 21. Lawrence County   |
| 2. Paul Dunbar                       | 22. DuPont Manual Henderson County (tie)  |
| 3. Pleasure Ridge Park               | 24. Lafayette Oldham County (tie)   |
| 4. Owensboro Catholic                | Others receiving votes: Butler County, Butler, North Hardin, Boyle County, Franklin County, Somerset, Boyd County, West Jessamine, Owensboro, Hopkinsville, Logan County, Mercer County, Rockcastle County, Campbell County, Central Hardin, Perry County, Central, Calloway County, Elizabethtown, Estill County, Hancock County, Bryan Station, LaRue County, Male, Powell County, Seneca, Taylor County, Warren Central, Beechwood, Breckinridge County, Corbin, Harrison County, Hazard, Johnson Central. |
| 5. Trinity (Louisville)              |   |
| 6. Ballard                           |   |
| 7. Eastern                           |   |
| 8. Danville                          |   |
| 9. Tates Creek                       |   |
| 10. George Rogers Clark              |   |
| 11. St. Xavier                       |   |
| 12. Henry Clay                       |   |
| 13. Lexington Christian              |   |
| 14. Apollo                           |   |
| 15. Madisonville-North Hopkins (tie) |   |
| 16. Christian County                 |   |
| 17. Paintsville                      |   |
| 18. Russellville                     |   |
| 19. Ryle                             |   |
| 20. Covington Catholic               |   |

## HS SOFTBALL: Kentucky High School Softball Coaches Poll

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|-----------------------|---|
| 1. Ryle               | 22. Union County  |
| 2. Greenwood          | 23. Lexington Catholic  |
| 3. Christian County   | 24. Presentation  |
| 4. Owensboro Catholic | 25. Edmonson County   |
| 5. Ballard            | Others receiving votes: Lafayette, Montgomery County, Apollo, Oldham County, Woodford County, Beth Haven, Garrard County, Henderson, Rockcastle Co. 14, Ballard Memorial, Pulaski County, Warren East, Heath, Hopkins Central, Bullitt East, Livingston Central, Corbin, Rowan County, Murray, CAL, Hazard, Greenup County, Male, Raceland, Dixie Heights, Franklin County, Breckenridge County, East Ridge, Hickman County, Pikeville, Shelby County, Nelson County, Grant County, West Jessamine, Sacred Heart, Shelby Valley, Warren Central, Western Hills, Conner. |
| 6. North Laurel       |   |
| 7. Butler             |   |
| 8. Scott County       |   |
| 9. Grayson County     |   |
| 10. Allen County      |   |
| 11. Reidland          |   |
| 12. Assumption (tie)  |   |
| 13. Mercy             |   |
| 14. Anderson County   |   |
| 15. Dunbar            |   |
| 16. Marshall County   |   |
| 17. Manual            |   |
| 18. Clark County      |   |
| 19. Russell           |   |
| 20. North Hardin      |   |
| 21. South Laurel      |   |



HAP T-BALL: Cameron Wright of the Harold-Allen-Prater (HAP) T-Ball Indians took a cut during a game Tuesday.



HONORED: Alice Lloyd College senior baseball players were honored during Senior Day festivities near the end of the regular-season.



# MAJOR MOVE: Earnhardt to leave DEI after season

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOORESVILLE, N.C. — For Dale Earnhardt Jr., winning is everything. That's what his daddy taught him.

And by ditching his namesake company to find a more competitive ride, Junior gave his own lesson in life: Not even blood is thicker than winning.

NASCAR's most popular driver ended months of contentious contract negotiations with his stepmother Thursday, announcing he will leave Dale Earnhardt Inc. at the end of the season because he and Teresa Earnhardt can't agree on a common vision for the family business.

"It is time for me to continue his legacy in the only way I know I can — by taking the life lessons that he told me: Be a man, race hard and contend for championships," Junior said. "That's what I intend to do, and I feel strongly that I would have my father's blessing."

Earnhardt had tried to reach a new deal with his stepmother. But the bargaining turned tense after she publicly questioned his commitment, and Junior later said their relationship "ain't a bed of roses."

So he'll move on, starting what should be a frenzied free agency period that could shake the sport by caus-

ing long-term ripple effects in driver salary and sponsor deals.

He's already NASCAR's highest-paid driver, earning \$20.1 million per year, a million more than No. 2 Jeff Gordon.

And the bidding has already begun. "704-662-9642, tell him that's my phone number," said car owner Chip Ganassi, who lured Juan Pablo Montoya away from Formula One this season to drive one of his Dodges.

Perhaps Teresa Earnhardt should shout out her phone number, too, now that she must rebuild the company without its star.

"While we are very disappointed that Dale Jr. has chosen to leave the family business, we remain excited about our company's future," she said in a statement. "Dale and I built this company to be a championship contender, and those principles still apply. Dale Earnhardt Inc. will win."

The late Dale Earnhardt started DEI in 1980 as a little company he hoped to someday hand over to his four children. DEI had grown into one of NASCAR's elite teams when Earnhardt was killed on the last lap of the 2001 Daytona 500, but it slowly has deteriorated since. The team currently fields cars for Earnhardt, Martin Truex Jr. and rookie Paul Menard.

Despite 17 career victories, Junior

has never been a consistent championship contender. He flirted briefly with the title in 2004 but had a horrendous 2005 season, when his stepmother split up his crew and he finished a career-worst 19th in the standings.

Earnhardt rebounded slightly last season, when he made the Chase and finished fifth. He's yet to show any muscle this season, with three top-10 finishes through 10 races.

"At 32 years of age, the same age my father was when he made his final and most important career decision, it's time for me to compete on a consistent basis and contend for championships now," he said.

Earnhardt agonized over the decision and said telling DEI's employees on Thursday morning was one of the hardest things he's done. Underneath his party-boy persona, Junior cares terribly what people think and worries his father's fans will feel betrayed by this defection.

It's why he asked Darrell Waltrip, a friend and former rival of his father's, to fly in from Nashville.

His mother, Brenda Jackson, said her son struggles to understand his place in the sport.

"He never wants to upset anybody," she said. "As long as Dale Jr. is racing, the Earnhardt legacy is alive."

Earnhardt strongly believes his father's vision for DEI has been lost, and it's why he demanded 51 percent of the company during contract negotiations that started before the season began. His sister, Kelley Earnhardt

Elledge, had set a deadline to get the deal done by the end of the month.

"We never even got close," he said. "It's not the guy who gives me the biggest paycheck. There's some things you can't get with money — peace of mind and satisfaction in what you do everyday."

"I'm seeking to have that peace of mind and that comfort to be able to really be an asset to somebody. I want to go somewhere and really make things happen for somebody."

Although there's been speculation that Earnhardt will field his own Nextel Cup team out of JR Motorsports, his sister said it wasn't ideal.

"I believe our first choice would be to drive for another top, competitive team," Elledge said. "Our last choice would be to form our own Cup team. If that was necessary, that would be what we would do."

"We're going to listen to everybody," Earnhardt added.

Earnhardt will likely first look inside the Chevrolet camp, which boasts three of the top teams in NASCAR.

Richard Childress Racing, where his father won six of his seven championships, is an obvious suitor. Junior has maintained a close relationship with the car owner, who still holds the rights to Dale Earnhardt's black No. 3.

"I've got to do a little soul searching on how I feel driving the No. 3 car," Earnhardt said.

RCR could add him as the fourth

and final team NASCAR permits each owner, and it would team Earnhardt with Kevin Harvick, who replaced his father and has openly invited Junior to join the organization.

Hendrick would have to shuffle personnel to make room for Junior in its four-car stable, but could farm him out to one of the teams it assists. Ginn Racing has proved to be competitive this season using Hendrick motors, and Ginn general manager Jay Frye's intrigued.

"Will we be interested in talking to him? Absolutely. And so will everybody else," Frye said.

The wildcard could be Joe Gibbs Racing, another powerful three-car Chevy team that would pair him with buddies Tony Stewart and Denny Hamlin. Gibbs is coach of the Washington Redskins, and Earnhardt is die-hard fan.

But speaking after practice Thursday, Gibbs didn't sound as if his team is in the mix.

"I think anybody in the sport would be interested in Junior," Gibbs said. "It's just that I'm sure he's got a game plan and probably has a real good idea where he's going right now."

Earnhardt insists he and his sister will choose the team that gives him the best chance to win.

"I'll just have to see what's out there for us," Earnhardt said. "We're going to listen — it doesn't cost anything to listen — so we're going to listen to whoever has a conversation with us, and move from there."



Dale Earnhardt Jr.

# WEATHERING: Jarrett sticking with Waltrip through tough times

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Dale Jarrett knew his first season with Michael Waltrip Racing would be rough. But he never imagined he'd be sitting at home while a race roared on without him for the first time in 13 years.

It happened last week in Richmond, Va., when Jarrett failed to qualify for the first time in 424 races. Not since North Wilkesboro in 1994 had Jarrett missed the cut, but he bounced back that next week with a win at Charlotte and never looked back.

It would take nothing short of a miracle for Jarrett to rebound the same way.

The 1999 Cup champion headed to Darlington Raceway this weekend looking not for a fourth career victory at the South Carolina track. Jarrett instead would be thrilled with simply earning a spot in the 43-car field.

"It's not a situation where we expect miracles or anything," said Jarrett, who went to his son's baseball game and didn't watch a single lap of last week's race.

"I did realize they can have a race without me and it's not the end of the world. But you could see it coming, it was no great surprise. Even so, it's never fun whenever you are not a part

of what you do."

Out of provisionals and saddled in a struggling first-year team, Jarrett ultimately could miss more races than he'll make this season. It was hardly what he signed up for one year ago, when he and Waltrip announced their new partnership at Darlington.

Jarrett left his long-time home at Robert Yates Racing to drive a Toyota for Waltrip, and he took big-money sponsor UPS with him. It was like winning the lottery for Waltrip, but a bit of a leap of faith for Jarrett.

He trusted that Waltrip would have everything in order, and Toyota would blaze its way into the Nextel Cup series. But if either faltered, Jarrett still would have his past champion's provisional to fall back on.

Then NASCAR threw him a curve in January when it took away endless provisionals by changing the rule to a maximum of six. And the new team sputtered out of the gate, with Waltrip's crew getting caught cheating during Daytona 500 preparations.

The Camrys are slow, the team development is behind, and all three of

the MWR cars have struggled to make races. Waltrip has missed nine straight. David Reutimann has made seven of 10 and Jarrett used all six of his provisionals to make the nine races he started.

Knowing what he knows now, he insists he wouldn't change his decision to join MWR.

"No regrets whatsoever," he said. "This is what I chose to do, and I've been very, very fortunate in my career that pretty much every move I've made has been upward and positive. And this one, there is a lot of positives about it, and that will come later on. I know the benefits of this will come later, maybe even after my driving part is over."

So despite all the struggles, Jarrett remains committed to helping Waltrip and Toyota move far into the future.

It won't be easy, though, as Waltrip continues to shuffle personnel and figure out why his three-car operation is so far behind.

Waltrip, who lost David Hyder after the Daytona cheating scandal, is on his third crew chief of the season and Jarrett went to Darlington with a new leader in 28-year-old Jason



Dale Jarrett

# Hornish has new goals in defending Indy title

by MICHAEL MAROT  
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INDIANAPOLIS — Sam Hornish Jr. is growing into his celebrity status.

His face is plastered on media guides, on television, around the historic Indianapolis oval, and, of course, etched into the Borg-Warner Trophy. As this year's star attraction, the low-key 27-year-old still is adapting to his new role as defending Indy 500 champion.

"A lot more people know who you are," he said. "I thought after winning two championships in the IRL, I was about as recognizable as I ever would be. I've definitely been surprised by how many more people know who I am now."

Hornish's profile has risen so much in the past year that his name is banded about in NASCAR circles, and he's added a few Busch series races to his schedule.

Yes, winning Indy changes everything, and in Hornish's case it's even meant reassessing goals.

This year, Hornish hopes to join Penske teammate Helio Castroneves in the elite back-to-back winner's club. Although 63 drivers have steered into Victory Lane at Indy, only five have done it in consecutive years: Wilbur Shaw, Mauri Rose, Bill Vukovich, Al Unser and Castroneves. Unser and Castroneves are the only ones to do it in the last half-century.

But Hornish understands that while success can be defined on this 2 1/2-mile track, so can failure.

Until last year's win, Hornish's lifelong dream seemed more like the plot from "Groundhog Day" — a bad rerun. Each year, he'd come to Indy and agonizingly answer questions about his string of bad luck. Then, as if on cue, something else went wrong.

There were crashes in 2000, 2004 and 2005. He finished four laps off the pace in 2001 and 14 laps down in 2002. In 2003, an engine malfunction with five laps to go cost him his best finish. He settled for 15th.

So when Hornish pulled out of the pits in last year's race with a fuel hose still attached to the car, most people fig-

ured the jinx had struck again.

Instead, he rewrote the script. Hornish fought his way back from a one-lap penalty, finally catching leader Marco Andretti in the last half-mile with a daring pass to win the second-closest Indy. The margin: 0.0635 seconds.

It was a little too close for Hornish's liking, but enough to forever change his image.

"When you win here, it's like you're a made man," Team Penske president Tim Cindric said. "This place puts you in a different category. He'd seen that from the outside, and now he's getting to experience that for himself."

In the few weeks after last year's Indy 500, the celebration tour began.

There was a daylong celebration in his hometown of Defiance, Ohio. There were banquets, award ceremonies and the usual litany of requests for appearances on television shows and advertisements.

By shedding the title of best Indy Racing League driver to never win the "big one," Hornish seemed to relax and continue his history-making quest.

He started on the front row seven times in the final 10 races of 2006 and added three more wins to extend the IRL's career record to 18, and he eventually became the first driver to win three titles.

Cindric sees a different Hornish now.

"I can tell just in the difference with his demeanor, it was like a weight was lifted off his shoulders," Cindric said. "You could see after the race how much it meant to him."

Despite having no wins since August 2006, Hornish's return to Indy this week has come with all the usual winner's trimmings.

A banner of Hornish's winning car stretches across four lanes of traffic at the track's main entrance, and fans chase him for autographs. People wait outside the garage or the pits just to get a glimpse of the defending champ before he goes back to his tight schedule of interviews and meetings.

"Every time you accomplish one of your goals, you have to figure out what the next trick is," he said. "I figure the only thing that's better than winning Indy is winning it twice."



Sarah Fisher is one of many drivers looking to dethrone Sam Hornish Jr.

photo by Guillermo Cuenca

## NASCAR NEXTEL CUP REMAINING RACES

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.  
July 29 — Allstate 400 at the Brickyard, Indianapolis.  
Aug. 5 — Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.  
Aug. 12 — NEXTEL Cup at The Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.  
Aug. 19 — 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, Ga.  
Nov. 4 — Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas.  
Nov. 11 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.  
Nov. 18 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.  
x-non-points race



VICTORY LANE RESIDENT: Mike Marlara, a Late Model driver for Flemingsburg-based Stephens Motorsports, captured a feature win at Bluegrass Speedway on April 28 in the 10th annual Spring Sizzler.

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**Job Listings**

**JOB OPENING**  
 Heavy Equipment steam cleaning company needs employees. Must have valid drivers license and up to date surface mining papers. Mine emergency tech is a plus. Call Mon. thru Friday 9a-5p. 606-886-1759. If no answer leave message.

**JOB OPENING**  
 Minimum experienced loan officer minimum of 2 years experience necessary. Please send resume to: Bank of Hindman. Attn: Valerie Bartley PO Box 786 41822.

**JOB OPENING**  
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**JOB OPENING**  
 Part time office position available. Computer skills a must! Call 886-3773.

**JOB OPENING**  
 Security guards needed for the Pike county and Floyd County area. Please apply at S.W.A.T. Security at 805-633-3798, sign on bonus.

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needed must work weekends and have experience. Come by and apply at the Microtel Inn. M-F interviews on the spot.

**JOB OPENING**  
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 Someone to wash curtains, bed clothes, and other household duties. Call Russell Wallen 874-2512

**JOB OPENING**  
 Prestonsburg Health Care Center has an opening for a RESTORATIVE NURSE. LPN OR RN; Full time and part time positions are available. We offer competitive wages and excellent benefits. If interested please stop by or send a resume to 147 N. Highland Ave. Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (beside of Prestonsburg elementary) or call 886-2378.

**JOB OPENING**  
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 Contact LeighAnn 886-8506  
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**Yard Sale**

**YARD SALE**  
Hippo Community yard sale May 12, 2007 9-? Rain date May 19, 2007.

**YARD SALE**  
Continued at Bill Jack Compton Rt. 122 2 Prestonsburg, KY Spurlock Creek, across from Mountain Arts Center. Wed 16, Thursday 17, Friday 18.

**YARD SALE**  
2 Family yard sale Friday and Saturday weather permitting. Behind Nelson Frasure Funeral Home in Martin.

**FOR SALE**  
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**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
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**HOUSE FOR SALE**  
Route 122 Melvin, KY. Opening bid \$1,000 property sales 1:00pm Thursday May 17 on site. Home is open 1-4 pm. Sunday May 13. Visit [www.williamsauctin.com](http://www.williamsauctin.com) or call 1-800-801-8003. Dean C. Williams Broker RE # 46447 Tommy BARNES AUC # RP818.

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2 BR house, 1 bath. \$350 per month plus \$300 deposit. Allen area. Call between 5pm-9pm only 874-8122.

**HOUSE FOR RENT**  
3 BR 2 Bath Log Home in Oaklawn, Hager Hill. Central H/A low utility bills. Large covered deck, Large storage barn. Acres of privacy. \$980.00 month. 850-222-2226. Leave message. See pix at [www.washington-publishers.com/ForRent/index.htm](http://www.washington-publishers.com/ForRent/index.htm)

**Mobile Homes**

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2 BR MH minutes from Prestonsburg. Call 874-1991.

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MH lot 4.5 miles West of MAC on Rt. 114. Call 886-2288.

**LEGALS**

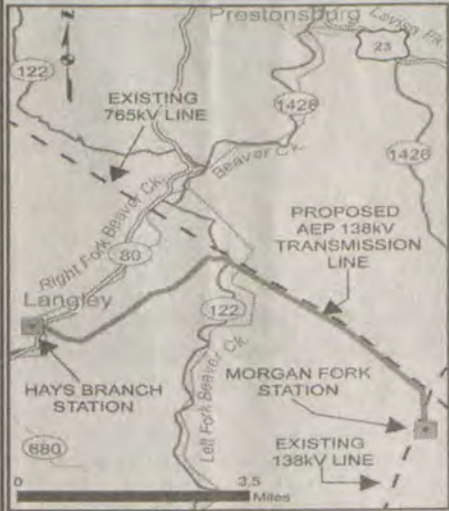
**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Southeast Floyd County Volunteer Fire Department area announces a special public meeting. Where: Wheelwright Cafeteria. When: May 25, 2007. Time: 6PM Special guests Judge RD (Doc) Marshall. This concerning the Fire Department going tax district. Everyone in the fire department area is urged to attend.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Kentucky Power Company (KPCo) gives notice that it will file an application seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity authorizing it to construct in Floyd County, Kentucky a 138-kV electric transmission line approximately 8.3 miles in length that will run between the new KPCo's Morgan Fork 138-kV Station and the new Hays Branch 138-kV Station. The proceeding has been assigned Case No. 2007-00155.

Interested parties have a right to intervene in these proceedings and to request a local public hearing. Should you have any questions concerning the case please contact the Executive Director of the Kentucky Commission, Elizabeth O'Donnell, Kentucky Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, KY 40602-0615, or call 502-564-3940. Questions concerning the project may also be directed to Errol K. Wagner, Director of Regulatory Services, Kentucky Power Company, 101A Enterprise Dr., P.O. Box 5190, Frankfort, KY 40602-5190 or call 502-696-7010.



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In Victory Assembly of God, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship Service, 11:00 & 6:30; Wednesday Evening, 6:30; Gary Stanley, Pastor.  
New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.  
Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

**BAPTIST**  
Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.  
Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.  
Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.  
Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.  
Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, J. 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.

Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.  
Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.  
Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.  
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.  
Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner Services; Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.

Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Jim Fields, Minister.  
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Church every Sun. Morning 11:15 a.m.; Wed. evening Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Third Sun. evening Service, 6 p.m.; First Sat. evening Service, 7 p.m. Hobert Meek, Pastor, welcomes everyone.  
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Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Expt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.

First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.  
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.  
First Baptist, Prestonsburg, 157 South Front Street; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 p.m.; Jerry C. Workman, minister.

Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.  
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
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Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branchman's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Willie Crace, pastor; Assist. Larry Patton. Phone 358-4275.  
Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.

Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Trusty.  
Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbot; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.  
Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.

Lancer Baptist Church; 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter.  
Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.  
Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.  
Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.  
Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Vamey, Minister.

McDowell First Baptist, McDowell, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.  
Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Eugene Cook, Minister.  
Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385

Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.  
Pleasant Valley Old Regular Baptist Church, Tinker Fork; Meeting time 1st Saturday & Sunday of each month, 3rd Sunday Evening at 6:00 p.m.; Moderator, Gary Compton; Assist. Moderator, Jimmy Conley.  
Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-3222.

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.  
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Jerry Manis, Pastor; Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.  
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2nd & 4th Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Allen Chaffins, phone 946-2123.  
Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Phillip Ramey, Pastor.  
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.  
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.

Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.  
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.  
Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari, Minister.

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

**Devotional Spotlight**  
**First Presbyterian**  
Rev. Vicki Poole Pastor  
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

Attention Church Organizations, send in a picture of your church, pastor, or youth leaders.

**CHRISTIAN**  
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.  
Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherm Williams, Minister.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.  
Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly and Nelson Kidder, Ministers.  
Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.

Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Vamey, Minister.  
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.

Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Gary Mitchell, Minister.  
Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.  
Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.  
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.

First Church of God; Sunday School; 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.  
Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.  
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.

Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.  
The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

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

**LUTHERAN**  
Our Savior Lutheran, Sipp Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLV (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Roland Bentrup, Minister.

**METHODIST**  
Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.  
Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.

Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.  
Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescosolido, Minister.  
Elliot's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.  
Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Proffit.

First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. U.M.Y.S. Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.  
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Larry J. Penix, Minister.

Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.  
Salisbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.  
Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Jack Howard, Pastor.

Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.  
Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.

Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.  
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.  
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.  
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Fike, Associate Minister.  
Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcom Stone, Minister.

Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 297-6262.  
Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

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

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.  
First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.;

Worship Service, 11 a.m. Rev. Vicki Poole, pastor.  
**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Church Service, 9:15; Sabbath School, 10:45; John Baker, Pastor, 358-9263; Church, 886-3459, leave message. Everyone welcome!

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Sacramento Mtg., 10:00 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:20 a.m.; Relief Society/Presthood/Primary, 12:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; Ken Carriere, Bishop.

**OTHER**  
Pastor Atha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY. Sunday school 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m.  
Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.  
Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg, (next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.  
Faith 2 Faith, Harkins Ave., West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m. Randy Hagans, Minister. 886-9460.

Faith Fellowship, Allen, Ky, Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6 p.m.; Wed, 7 p.m. Carl & Missy Woods, Pastors.  
Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.

Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 pm.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.  
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.  
Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just before Thunder Ridge; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.

Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.  
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.

Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.  
Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.

The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.  
The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel), Christian Educator, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Aiken.  
Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Darlene W. Arnette, Pastor

Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/4 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m. Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.

International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.  
Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.; Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor: D.R. Curry.

Church of God of Prophecy, Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m., Sunday Night - 6 p.m., Wednesday Night - 6 p.m. Pastor Glenn Hayes. West Prestonsburg.

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# FLOYD COUNTY Around Our Schools



## Pre-school class visits EKSC

Students from Tristan Parsons' Duff Elementary pre-school classroom visited the East Kentucky Science Center on May 1. The students enjoyed the hands-on exhibits and had a group photo made in front of the science center. Afterwards, they were treated to lunch at the Prestonsburg Pizza Hut.



The 14 users currently in the teen chat room.

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## John M. Stumbo student participates in District Band

Amanda Newsome, an eighth grade student at John M. Stumbo Elementary participated in the KMEA (Kentucky Music Educators Association) District 9 Junior High All District Band. The district band represents 10 counties in Eastern Kentucky and this year's band included students from 14 different schools. In order to participate in the district band, students have to pass an audition that requires students to play scales, sight read music and play a prepared piece.

Each year in May, the district band meets at the Ramada Inn (Carriage House) in Paintsville to prepare for a concert. Students begin practices on a Thursday evening, practice all day on Friday and some on Saturday morning to prepare for the concert. This year's concert was at 2:00 pm on May 5. Mr. Perry Ralenkotter from St. Leon, Indiana, conducted the band. The concert included the following selections: Liturgical Fanfare by Robert W. Smith, Valley Vista March by Steve Hodges, Buena Vista by John O'Reilly, Canadian Sketches by James Curnow, Black Forest Overture by Michael Sweeney



JMS student Amanda Newsome with Mr. Perry Ralenkotter.