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## briefs

## Lawsuit challenges concealed weapons

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — A British national who has lived in Kentucky for 15 years is challenging a state law that bars non-citizens from carrying concealed deadly weapons.

The American Civil Liberties Union filed suit on Wednesday on behalf of Alexander M. Say, who contends Kentucky lawmakers should not have passed such a law last year.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Louisville, challenges the citizenship requirement.

"The federal government controls whether foreign citizens may live in the United States and on what terms," said Jack Harrison, the attorney representing Say.

Harrison said no federal laws require U.S. citizenship for people to be licensed to purchase, carry, transport, or carry a concealed deadly weapon.

"Kentucky's law discriminates against people who are lawful permanent residents," he said.

The lawsuit seeks an injunction barring the Kentucky State Police and Jefferson County Sheriff's Department — the two entities that would have to approve Say's license application — from enforcing the citizenship requirement.

"I believe that there are two Americas today, but I believe that tomorrow, there will be one America . . . America has always been a place where compassion is taught, character is expected and the ability to look beyond our own needs is required. As a country, we have worked tirelessly to extend the blessing of a few into the hands of all."

— John Edwards



# 'Road to One America' leads to Prestonsburg

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — It was a flurry of activity with all of the hustle and bustle that comes along with almost any presidential candidate to visit a small town such as Prestonsburg, as former Sen. John Edwards visited the city Wednesday for the last stop on his "Road to One America Tour" focused on ending poverty throughout the country.

Edwards made three stops during his tour on Wednesday with Prestonsburg being the location for the end of the tour.

"I'm proud to be in this great town, this great historic city," Edwards said as he began his speech on a platform near the Floyd County Courthouse steps. "This is a big city compared to the place I grew up."

Edwards' speech focused on strengthening the lives of American workers, through higher wages, education and tax cuts. Although he spoke frankly about the broad spectrum between "the very rich" and "everybody else," Edwards also said, "People who are highly educated do very well."



photos by Joshua Byers

Democratic presidential candidate John Edwards received an enthusiastic response following his speech in Prestonsburg.

## Many came curious, left impressed

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Circulating among the assembled crowd and polling the locals for their thoughts on the Edwards campaign Wednesday afternoon prior to the former senator's appearance, it seemed that most turning out for Edwards' speech on the old Floyd County courthouse grounds were eager to hear what Edwards had to say, but were some were still undecided.

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## 2 DAY FORECAST

Today



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## Fiscal court addresses water line extensions, request from new business

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County Fiscal Court met in regular session on Tuesday night, with only five resolutions on the agenda.

One of those five resolutions was payment on the water line extension project which has been the focus of the court for quite some time. Although the Big Sandy Area Development District says the project is not wrapping up as quickly as they had hoped, county magistrates were pleased

with comments provided by Southern Water and Sewer District regarding what areas were ready and which ones were not.

"I think it's going in the right direction," said District 2 Magistrate Donnie Daniels.

Magistrate Jackie Owens voted against a resolution to pay a bond payment on dump trucks purchased by the county, claiming the result of the bond was an \$80,000 loss.

During the citizens participation portion of the meeting, representatives from the UPS Emma location were present to ask for assistance

with a problem they are having with a neighboring property owner. According to UPS representatives Greg Mills and Wes Gilliam, the owners of the property adjacent to them have been dumping large amounts of horse manure brought in from another location. They say the smell and the accompanying flies are an extreme nuisance to both themselves and their customers.

"We've got a serious problem," said Gilliam. "I think the health risk for our employees is very

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## Hi Hat man killed in head-on collision

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

BEVINSVILLE — A head on collision in Bevinsville on Wednesday has claimed the life of a 24-year-old Hi Hat resident.

According to Kentucky State Police, Scottie Stumbo, 24, of Hi Hat, was traveling west on Route 122 when a vehicle traveling eastbound driven by Joseph Bakay, of Bypro, crossed the center line and struck Stumbo's vehicle head on.

Stumbo was pronounced dead at the scene by Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson.

Bakay was transported to McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital to be treated for his injuries.

The collision is under continued investigation by accident reconstructionist Eddie Crum.

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# Obituaries

## Lula Slone Hall Dulcie

Lula Slone Hall Dulcie, wife of Ralph Dulcie, 88, died Tuesday, July 10, 2007.

Born June 6, 1919, in Garrett, she was the daughter of the late Jonas and Nora Ellen Bolyn Slone.

Lula attended Garrett High School.

Her first husband, Ernest Hall, preceded her in death. He graduated from Garrett High School and was a good ball player.

Survivors include her sons: James Ellis (Nada) Hall of Avon Lake, Ohio and Edwin Jardine Hall of Newton Falls; stepchildren: Charles Dulcie, Phoebe Dulcie and Elizabeth Dulcie; a sister, Majorie Slone (Donel) Gibson; grandchildren: Donald (Barb) Hall, Chris Hall, Cathy Hall, and Joan Hall.

She was preceded in death by her twin brothers: Elder Lawrence Slone, and Raymond Slone; a sister, Ruth Blackburn; and a granddaughter, Sophia.

Funeral services were held Friday, July 13, at 1 p.m., at the Caney Fork (Old Regular Baptist Church), in Raven, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Jonas Slone Cemetery, in Raven, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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## Henry Jefferson

Henry F. Jefferson, 86, resident of Old Main St., Maysville, died Thursday, July 12, 2007, at 9:45 a.m., while a patient at Meadowview Regional Medical Center. He

was the son of the late Parker and Elizabeth Tucker Jefferson. He retired from the Browning Manufacturing Co. after 30 years of service and was a member of the Washington United Methodist Church. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Mary Follmer Jefferson; three sons: Bob Jefferson of Dry Ridge, Winston Jefferson of Auxier and Henry Jefferson Jr. of Maysville; and a granddaughter, Pam Jefferson Gillespie of Maysville who was raised by Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson.

Also surviving are 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his two brothers: Richard and Russell Jefferson; a sister, Ida Frazier and a great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m., at the Knox & Brothers Funeral Home. Rev. Michael Canada officiated.

Burial will follow in the Washington Baptist Cemetery. Visitation was on Friday, at the funeral home.

Serving as pallbearers were Tim Spencer, Kelly Jefferson, David Merrill, Steve Gillespie, Chris Gillespie, Jason Butler, Mike Jefferson and Mark Jefferson. Guestbook at [knoxbrothersfuneralhome.com](http://knoxbrothersfuneralhome.com)

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## Bobby Lee Messer

Bobby Lee Messer, age 40, of Prestonsburg, husband of Kristi Osborne Messer, passed away Monday, July 16, 2007, at Elkhorn City.

He was born January 31,

1967, in Kendallville, Indiana, the son of Edna Terry Johnson of David, and the late Adam Messer. He was a mechanic for Cam Coal Company.

Survivors include three sons: Austin Bailey of Prestonsburg, Adam Messer and Nathan Messer both of David, and a host of brothers and sisters.

Funeral services for Bobby Lee Messer will be conducted Friday, July 20, at 11:00 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Carlos Beverly officiating.

Burial will follow in the Shepherd Family Cemetery, in Gunlock.

Visitation is at Hall Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

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## Bernice Reynolds

Bernice Reynolds, age 75, of Hi Hat, wife of Arnold Reynolds, passed away Tuesday, July 17, 2007, at the King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland.

She was born September 3, 1931, in Teaberry, the daughter of the late Effort Hamilton and Lillie Mae Bartley Hamilton. She was a homemaker and a member of the Pilgrim Rest Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Arnold; a daughter, Debbie Lois Reynolds Newsome and her husband Billy; a brother, Henry Hamilton of Teaberry; a grandson, Franklin O'Neil Mathews and his wife, Sherry; and two step great-grandchildren, Cody Chaffins and Jacquelyn Chaffins.

Preceding her in death were her parents, and three brothers,

Earl Hamilton, Rufus Hamilton and Millis Hamilton.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, July 20, at noon at the Pilgrim Rest Regular Baptist Church, Price, with Regular Baptist Ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Burton Cemetery, in Ligon, with the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

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## Scottie A. Stumbo

Scottie A. Stumbo, 24, of Hi Hat, died Wednesday, July 18, 2007, at Hi Hat.

Born January 22, 1983, in Martin, he was the son of Glenda Sue Spears Stumbo of Hi Hat and the late Jimmy R. (Dickie) Stumbo. He was a auto mechanic for Bruce Walters, in Pikeville.

He is survived by his wife, Paula M. Curtis Stumbo.

Other survivors include two brothers and sisters-in-law: Keith and Michelle Stumbo of Hager Hill, Brian Stumbo and Stephanie Martin, both of Minnic; grandfather, Cecil Stumbo of Hi Hat; niece,

Hollie LaShae Stumbo; two nephews: John David Stumbo and Dalton Alan Stumbo; father-in-law, Wonnice (Toddy) Curtis of Flat Gap.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his grandparents; and mother-in-law, Lunna Mae Estep.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, July 21, at 11 a.m., at Pilgrims Rest Old Regular Baptist Church, in Price, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Stumbo Cemetery, in Hi Hat, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was Thursday at the funeral home and Friday, July 20, after 5 p.m., at Pilgrims Rest Old Regular Baptist Church, in Price. [www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com](http://www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com)

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## Margarett Anna Tackett

Margarett Anna Tackett, age 90, of Allen, wife of the late James Everett Tackett, passed away Tuesday, July 17, 2007, at her residence.

She was born March 27, 1917, in Pikeville, the daughter of the late Willis Terry Griffith and Martha Jane Justice Griffith. She was a retired nurse coordinator for Mayo Vocational School, a member of the St. James Episcopal Church, in Prestonsburg, and Daughters of the King and the Eastern Star.

She is survived by a son, Theodore Tackett of Ocala, Florida; one daughter, Carolyn Tackett Layne of Allen; one sister, Willie Martha Shepherd of

Columbus, Ohio; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, July 20, at 10:00 a.m., in the St. James Episcopal Church, in Prestonsburg, with Rev. Cannon Johnnie Ross officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at Hall Funeral Home.

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## Nellie Tackett

Nellie Tackett, age 78 of Beaver, was born August 13, 1928, at Beaver, the daughter of the late Noah and Liza Bentley Tackett. She passed from this life on Monday, July 16, 2007 at her residence.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Andy Lee Tackett; one son, Randall Lee Tackett; and one daughter, Wilma Tomblin.

Survivors include: one son, Thurman Lee Tackett of Beaver; two daughters: Connie Tackett and Elsa Mac Hobbs both of Lorain, Ohio; eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday, July 20, at 11:00 a.m., in the Samaria Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry, by Old Regular Baptist ministers.

Burial will be in the Tackett Cemetery at Beaver, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home of Martin.

(Paid obituary)

# Fletcher, Beshear continue squabble over gambling

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE

Kentucky's gubernatorial candidates on Wednesday took their squabble over gambling to an agricultural forum where farm policy mingled with talk about legalizing casinos.

At the forum sponsored by Kentucky Farm Bureau, Republican Gov. Ernie Fletcher and Democratic challenger Steve Beshear traded views on such core issues as health care and education as well as more specific farm-related issues like state regulations, rural development and new markets for crops.

But just like at a forum last week before many of Kentucky's county officials, the most pointed comments between Fletcher and Beshear came as the two disagreed over casino gambling.

Fletcher, a casino foe, claimed Wednesday that the casinos would change Kentucky's culture and wouldn't reap long-term revenues promised by his opponent. The governor said casinos would divert spending from existing businesses and raised concerns that it would result in organized crime infiltrating Kentucky.

"That is not consistent with your values," Fletcher told Farm Bureau officials.

Beshear, who supports casino gambling, said Fletcher had "flip-flopped" on the issue.

"This is an issue that I am willing to let the people make the choice on," Beshear said. "And until about a month ago, the governor was, too."

Fletcher recently said he opposes putting the issue on the ballot. Until then, he had

said he personally opposed gambling but was willing to allow Kentuckians to vote on whether to allow it.

Beshear said casino gambling should be limited to racetracks and two or three freestanding facilities.

He projects that casino gambling could generate at least \$500 million in additional tax revenues each year, which he says could be used to improve education, health care and economic development.

He accused Fletcher of relying too heavily on selling bonds to raise money to improve Kentucky.

"We don't need to borrow our way to prosperity because that's a false premise," Beshear said. "All we're doing is putting debt on our children and on our grandchildren."

Fletcher warned that gambling interests would become a well-heeled and powerful lobbying interest in Kentucky's Capitol. "How loud will your voice be compared to them?" he wondered.

Afterward, Adair County farmer Danny Wilkinson said he personally opposes expanded gambling but said he had no problem having the issue on the ballot. He expressed sympathy with Beshear's argument that Kentucky is losing money when some of its residents gamble at casinos in neighboring states.

"If we can keep it here, on a limited aspect, then I've got no problem with that," he said in an interview. "But I certainly don't want to see gambling in rural Kentucky."

Larry Thomas, a Hardin County farmer, didn't have an opinion about casino gambling and said he thinks the issue is overplayed. "I don't think it's a top issue with most voters in the state," he said. "I think they care about what's going on with health care and education."

On farm policy, both candidates stressed using tobacco settlement money to strengthen Kentucky agriculture. They promised to focus on nurturing ethanol and other alternative fuels that use raw farm products.

Both said they had no plans to raise Kentucky's cigarette

tax.

Fletcher took credit for putting more money into rural roads and making state parks a purchaser of Kentucky-raised foods. Beshear complained that the state has diverted tobacco settlement money supposedly earmarked for rural development to pay for unrelated things. He said the state hasn't done enough to attract agricultural processing plants that would use Kentucky products.

Agriculture is a \$4 billion industry in Kentucky.

In the latest forum, Beshear was more aggressive in hitting Fletcher regarding a hiring scandal in which Fletcher's administration was accused of illegally rewarding political supporters with state jobs.

A special grand jury returned more than two dozen indictments during the investigation and charged Fletcher with criminal conspiracy, official misconduct and political discrimination. Fletcher's charges were later dropped after an agreement with prosecutors. Fletcher issued a blanket pardon for everyone in his administration, other than himself, who could have faced charges stemming from the investigation.

"We've had an administration that seems to consider itself above the law," Beshear said.

Fletcher called the probe a "political witch hunt."

Beshear also accused Fletcher of a failed record as governor, noting rankings that put Kentucky near the bottom nationally in per capita income and high tech jobs and near the top in unemployment and health woes.

Fletcher responded that Kentucky's work force has grown under his leadership, and he took credit for increasing state spending on education, shoring up Medicaid and turning a budget deficit into a surplus. He said more can be done, adding, "You don't turn this large ship quickly."

In a swipe at his opponent, the governor linked Beshear with House Democrats in stalling a special legislative session that included an energy proposal offering incen-

tives for a company that has expressed interest in building a \$3 billion plant to convert coal

to synthetic natural gas. He said the bill also includes incentives to promote ethanol

and biodiesel production that would help Kentucky agriculture.

# Legislative leaders, Fletcher to meet with Peabody next week

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — House Speaker Jody Richards, Senate President David Williams and Gov. Ernie Fletcher will meet with Peabody Energy's chief executive officer next week about a \$3 billion plant to convert coal to synthetic natural gas that the company is planning.

Richards requested the closed meeting, which is to be next Wednesday, possibly in Bowling Green or Louisville, the Lexington Herald-Leader reported Wednesday.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher said in a statement Wednesday night that he is "happy to meet with Peabody executives again, along with any members of the legislature Peabody deems appropriate." Fletcher said he thought Frankfort would be a better location for the meeting

but that he would meet in Louisville if necessary and if Peabody is willing.

Fletcher had called lawmakers to Frankfort for a special legislative session earlier this month to deal with the Peabody issue.

However, House Democratic lawmakers, saying Fletcher's decision to call them back to Frankfort was unnecessary and too costly to be justified, adjourned the same day the session began without taking any action. Fletcher issued an executive order July 11 to give the Democratic-controlled House and Republican-led Senate a "cooling-off" period until July 30.

Williams, R-Burkesville, said he will attend the meeting at Peabody's request and also said he would like to see a "work group" set up with members from each chamber

to discuss energy incentive legislation.

Richards, D-Bowling Green, said he hopes to find out from next week's meeting with Peabody CEO Greg Boyce, "If we give incentives to Peabody, will they assure us they will come to Kentucky."

Asked whether the House would approve incentives for Peabody later this month if the company commits to locating the plant in Kentucky, Richards said, "I don't know how to answer that question at this time."

"Perhaps this could be done in January or a letter of commitment would suffice. We'll see."

Peabody is considering undisclosed locations in Kentucky, Illinois and Indiana and hopes to make a decision regarding the location by early October.

# State police investigating Beverage allegations

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT

Kentucky State Police investigators are looking at allegations made by a former high-ranking state transportation official regarding alleged improprieties in state government, a spokeswoman said Wednesday.

State police spokeswoman Maj. Lisa Rudzinski acknowledged Wednesday that the state attorney general's office had referred information to detectives regarding former highway engineer Sam Beverage's statement to prosecutors.

"We are reviewing it for any criminal violations," Rudzinski said.

Rudzinski said state police had been on the case for "less than a month."

Beverage claimed in a statement to prosecutors last year that Gov. Ernie Fletcher hand-picked certain road projects that should receive funding based on political motivations.

Beverage has also claimed the state transportation secretary wielded a \$42 million discretionary fund as a "large campaign chest" used to hand out favors to supporters and lawmakers who voted in line with the administration.

During the two-year probe, Fletcher issued a blanket pardon for everyone in his administration except himself. Fletcher, a Republican seeking re-election this fall, was

charged with misdemeanor counts stemming from the probe, but they were eventually dropped in a deal with prosecutors.

But Beverage was the only Fletcher administration official who continued to face criminal charges because his alleged crime occurred after the pardons. Beverage recently avoided possible jail time in a deal with prosecutors. Beverage was charged with felony perjury for allegedly lying to a special grand jury investigating charges that the Fletcher administration illegally rewarded political supporters with protected state jobs.

Beverage was sentenced to two years' probation and ordered to pay a \$500 fine, plus write an apology letter.





# Lawmakers looking to withhold special session pay

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Although state lawmakers haven't been working much lately, they're still getting paid nearly \$200 a day.

But legislative leaders may take a necessary step to stop collecting their special session pay, House Speaker Jody Richards said. The 16-member Legislative Research Commission is scheduled to meet on Friday and it may consider a plan that would allow lawmakers to forgo at least three weeks of pay, Richards said.

"It has been our position from the beginning that we did not want to be paid for any of this — what we thought was

an ill-called special session," Richards said in a telephone call this week. "We do not want to be paid and we will do whatever we can in a reasonable sense to stop the cutting of the checks."

During legislative sessions — even including special sessions — state representatives get an extra \$250 allowance for stationary, while senators get \$500. There are 100 members of the House and 38 senators.

When in session state legislators are paid, by law, at least \$180 per day plus about \$109 in daily expenses, according to the Legislative Research Commission. Higher ranking legislators get paid up to nearly \$226 per day.

That holds true during special sessions as well.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher called lawmakers into a special session in early July to deal with a number of issues, such as tax breaks for companies looking to build alternative energy power plants in Kentucky, a ban on domestic partner benefits for public university employees and funding for more than \$400 million worth of projects.

The Democrat-led House maintained the issues on Fletcher's agenda did not warrant the approximately \$60,000-per day special and adjourned without taking any action. Meanwhile, the Senate continued and passed legislation addressing Fletcher's special agenda.

Neither chamber, however,

could agree on whether to adjourn.

Fletcher then signed an executive order postponing the session for three weeks until July 30. Lawmakers, however, are being paid during that time.

LRC director Bobby Sherman sent lawmakers a memo on July 9 that the LRC, which handles research and administration for the legislature, would continue paying lawmakers until both chambers adjourn the special session for good. Sherman noted in the memo that it would be up to the Legislative Research Commission — which consists of legislative leaders — to change the policy.

Lawmakers have had varied reactions to the pay issue.

State Sen. Ernesto Scorsone, D-Lexington, has sent letters to Sherman's LRC office and the state treasurer's office asking to forfeit his pay. Scorsone said in his letter that the special session had been "an exercise in wasting time and money."

Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville, said "no one wants to get paid for days that they did not work" but doubted "very seriously" that the matter could be resolved Friday. Williams said he thought there were constitutional and statutory questions and was uncertain what the LRC could do as a panel to resolve the matter.

"It's the sort of thing that happens when people leave without thinking through what

we're doing," Williams said of the House.

State Rep. Stan Lee, R-Lexington, said he was not sure whether the LRC would consider the plan on Friday. However, Lee said, it was possible that lawmakers could have already completed their work by now if the House had not adjourned when it did.

"The pay issue is a red herring," Lee said, adding that he would consider donating his to charity. "It's nothing more than a political ploy by House Democrats to try to shift focus from the fact that they walked away from the table."

Richards said some lawmakers had already received checks for stationary and pay for the first part of the special session. Nevertheless, Richards said most legislators did not seem to want to be paid.

"We're trying every way in the world not to be paid, and we will keep trying," Richards said.

# MSHA cites coal mine after video showed cracked seals

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — Federal mine-safety officials have cited an eastern Kentucky coal mine after a miner's video showed some mine seals were cracked and leaking water.

The video, shot by miner Charles Scott Howard inside the Cumberland River Coal Co.'s Band Mill No. 2 Mine in Letcher County, was shown last week at a federal Mine Safety Health Administration hearing in Lexington on new mine seal regulations.

After Howard played the video, moderator Patricia Silvey said the

agency would investigate.

MSHA spokeswoman Amy Louviere said Tuesday that inspectors visited the Band Mill mine last Thursday and Friday to check the seals. MSHA cited the mine on Friday for failing to conduct a pre-shift examination of the seals, Louviere said.

"Other enforcement actions will be considered as appropriate," she said in a statement.

Cumberland River Coal Co. is a subsidiary of St. Louis-based Arch Coal. Last week, Arch spokeswoman Kim Link said problems at the mine were fixed shortly after Howard shot the

video in late April. Arch Coal officials did not return a call seeking comment to the MSHA action.

Mine seals, which shut off abandoned portions of coal mines from areas where miners are working, are supposed to be checked before each work shift begins. The inspections are intended to detect any problems or other hazardous situations involving the seals.

Attorney Tony Oppgaard told MSHA officials at last week's hearing that seal inspections often are not performed properly, or are not performed at all.

Oppgaard said Tuesday that a failure

to inspect seals at the Band Mill No. 2 mine would constitute a "serious violation," because the "next shift of miners going underground wouldn't have known if they were going into a hazardous situation."

Oppgaard is representing five widows whose husbands died in last year's Darby Mine explosion in Harlan County in eastern Kentucky. Problems with seals were cited in that disaster, as well as in the 2006 Sago Mine explosion in West Virginia. The two blasts killed a total of 17 miners, prompting MSHA to issue a new emergency regulation calling for stronger seals.

## Edwards

In a press conference following the public appearance, Edwards went on to say that he isn't against anyone who makes a lot of money; he's just concerned about the path those people choose to follow on the road to their monetary success.

His speech outside the courthouse brought out hundreds of people and judging by

the reactions of the crowd, nearly everyone liked what he had to say.

"Never in America will a person work full time and still live in poverty," Edwards said.

Perhaps he was informed of the current negotiations between union workers at Prestonsburg Health Care Center and their parent compa-

ny. Home Quality Management.

"We will strengthen the rights of unions," said Edwards, as both union members and others cheered him on.

Edwards has received some harsh criticism from some who think he is only trying to follow in the steps of Robert

Kennedy, who was the last presidential candidate to visit Prestonsburg back in 1968 and also worked diligently through the "War on Poverty."

"I do not deserve to be compared to Bobby Kennedy," Edwards said. "There's a lot of good that came out of the war on poverty."

Edwards claims we live in

two Americas, "one America where people don't even have to work to have everything they need, another America where regular people are worrying about how they'll get by, much less ever get ahead."

Edwards was questioned on his thoughts regarding current President George Bush.

"George Bush will never change course unless he's forced to change course," said Edwards.

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## Reaction

ed in regard to whether or not they were willing to give him their vote.

"We're here today to learn more about John Edwards and what he has to say," said Mimmie Hill, who along with mother, Tammy DeRossett, was busy handing out bottled water to the assembled crowd, courtesy of the Floyd County Democratic Women's Club.

"I'm here to see what he has to say," said Pete Grigsby Jr., assistant superintendent, Floyd County Schools. "I

think it says a lot that he's come to Eastern Kentucky. That shows that he at least knows that we're here."

Janice Allen, of the Floyd County Democratic Women's Club and a former state school board representative, said that she was backing Hillary Clinton in the race for Democratic nominee, but that she was "very interested" in what Edwards had to say.

Following Edwards' speech, which focused on building economic equality in

America and strengthening families and communities, the majority polled seemed to be overwhelmingly supportive of the Edwards campaign.

"Well, he certainly brought it down to earth, brought it home," said Navajo Austin, of Prestonsburg.

"I thought his speech was wonderful," said Lillian Baldrige, also of Prestonsburg. "I think he did a great job addressing the problems and concerns of the Floyd County area."

And former Hi Hat postmaster, Sarah Hall, had this to say in regard to Edwards: "Well, all I know is that if a man is going to come to Floyd County, I just might consider giving him my vote."

Edwards' "Road to One America" Appalachian campaign tour had stopovers in Wise, Va., and at Whitesburg, where he attended a youth forum at Appalshop before culminating in the address given Wednesday afternoon in Floyd County's county seat.

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## County

high." Judge Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall agreed with others behind the bench, saying they know there has to be a solution to the problem and they intend on looking at it very closely. Marshall says he will enlist the help of Code Enforcement and would be sure to work to alleviate the problem in a timely manner.

A representative with

Superior Well Service came to ask the county for help in acquiring a parcel of land for the business they plan to bring to the county. Superior showed interest in a spot of land on U.S. 23, which is owned by the county. Marshall said he would rather have the company at a different location, an area that has a higher need for employment. Marshall made a suggestion to the company to

view the old landfill site and consider it for their new location. According to Superior, they will employ approximately 30 people over a two-year period.

Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin was present to thank the court for their help with the area receiving the coal severance funds which have been of assistance to both the city and county.

Marshall proposed inviting all citizens within the area to attend a celebration on behalf of everyone who helped clean up and make improvements to the park at Weeksbury. The celebration, which will include a community cookout, will be held this Saturday at Weeksbury Park at 11 a.m.

"This is truly a community project," said Marshall.

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— Albert Einstein

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## Guest View

### Editorial roundup

*The Knoxville (Tenn.) News-Sentinel, on the Bush administration and the surgeon general:*

The Bush administration has long been accused of cooking the books, as it were, when it comes to science — suppressing and censoring reports on subjects like global warming and stem-cell research, for example.

Some of these claims have been overheated, but now comes Bush's first surgeon general, Dr. Richard H. Carmona, who served from 2002 to 2006, telling a congressional committee last week that top administration officials repeatedly squelched his efforts to express his views about pressing health issues.

Carmona said the White House wouldn't allow him to speak or issue reports on such topics as emergency contraception, sex education and global health issues, among others. ...

The notion, fashionable in some circles, that scientists are somehow the sacrosanct moral arbiters for society is a barren one.

Still, there is a difference between actively undermining the administration you work for and respectfully disagreeing with it.

Would it really have hurt the Bush White House to have let Carmona have his say?

*Sarasota (Fla.) Herald-Tribune, on food safety inspections and terrorism:*

Shortly after the Sept. 11 attacks, federal policymakers and security experts identified the nation's food supply as one of the many aspects of American life vulnerable to terrorism.

Congress and the Bush administration responded by bolstering funding for the Food and Drug Administration and passing the Bioterrorism Act of 2002, which included a call for substantial increases in the number of inspectors who monitor imported and domestic food supplies.

Unfortunately, the effort has been shoved to the back of the refrigerator, figuratively speaking, and now shows signs of serious decay.

The post-Sept. 11 initiatives added 600 inspectors to help ensure the safety of food brought in from other countries. But, as Newsweek's Sharon Begley recently reported, those positions have been gradually cut back. The number of inspectors has returned to pre-Sept. 11 levels.

Consumers won't have to search their memories long for examples of significant and, at times, deadly breakdowns affecting the safety of the nation's food supply. ...

Congress and the White House need to revisit food safety and take steps to ensure that the safeguards promised after Sept. 11 are put back in place and are kept in place.

If consumers can see the gaps in security, terrorists can, too.

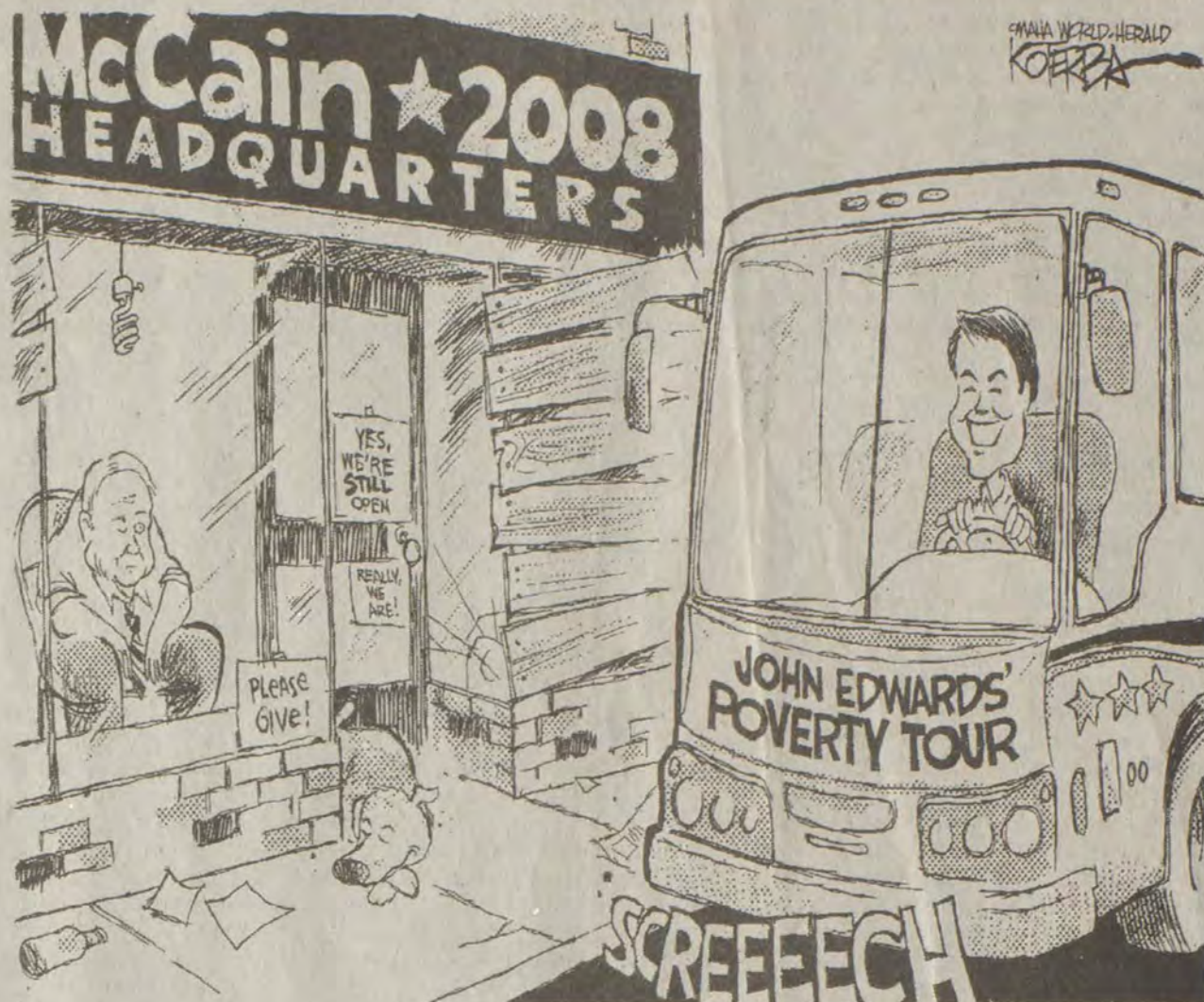
*Morning Journal, Lisbon, Ohio, on U.S.-Russian relations:*

Russian President Vladimir Putin clearly has studied his history — in particular the relationships among great-power leaders during World War II. In doing so, he probably has noted that Winston Churchill, then prime minister of Great Britain, was able to talk amicably with then-Soviet dictator Josef Stalin, but remained wary of Stalin's motives. At the same time, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt seemed to have been won over, at least to some extent, by Stalin.

It developed that Churchill's viewpoint was the correct one. ...

Earlier this month, Putin met with President George Bush at the Bush home at Kennebunkport, Maine. Analysts noted that it was not the first time the two leaders have held meetings stressing their personal friendship. Bush has made no secret of the fact that he believes he understands the Russian leader. "I looked the man in the eye. I found him to be very straightforward and trustworthy," Bush has said of Putin. ...

Policy, not personality, is the key to U.S.-Russian relations. We hope the president continues to remember that.



## Letters

### Volunteers thanked

During our busy lives these days, sometimes we don't have enough time or we simply overlook that some of our neighbors need a helping hand, such as home repairs or referrals for other needs. Like John Baker at 7th Day Adventist Church near 114 in Floyd County.

The Auxier Learning Center took time with the help of volunteers and supplies to help many of our neighbors including myself. As a recipient of their generosity, I would personally like to express my gratitude to this team of volunteers, who without a question, gave so much of themselves to help me and so many others to maintain our homes and prevent future problems and at no cost or obligation to us.

The volunteers were courteous, friendly and did everything they could to help. It's with great appreciation to all at the Auxier Learning Center and Pastor John Baker, that

neighbors like them are a blessing. With all my heart I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone for everything they did for my family and my home.

We need more good neighbors and less crime and sadness to read about in our Floyd County Times. Take time to be kind — it doesn't cost anything!

Terrie Woods  
Prestonsburg

### McConnell helps consumers

Consumers can breathe a sigh of relief (for awhile anyway) thanks to Senator McConnell. He and his clear thinking colleagues voted down an energy bill amendment last month that would have sent us a \$32 billion dollar tax increase.

This proposal would have placed a 13 percent excise tax on oil and gas from the Gulf of Mexico. Of course, regular Americans would have ended

up paying for it, every time we filled up our tanks or paid our home heating bills.

Maybe Congress is finally starting to realize that our energy problems cannot be solved by more taxes. It's pretty simple. Taxes raise production costs, and those costs are passed directly on to the consumer. They discourage investment in domestic energy production, increasing our dependence on foreign imports. They hurt our economy, working families and small businesses. They're bad.

Thank you Senator McConnell, good job - but you're not done yet. There's still an alarming number of politicians out there that want to see increased energy taxes, tax subsidies for inefficient alternative fuels and illogical government mandates to tell consumers what kind of fuel they have to use. Don't give up Senator, until we've seen all these counterproductive strategies tossed. We're depending on you.

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# Rental Central

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

A mixed bag of releases was saved from mediocrity with the DVD debut of Billy Wilder's darkest comedy/drama that has a field day with the press and should be required viewing at CNN.

■ "Ace in the Hole" — Kirk Douglas stars in this aforementioned classic which details the plight of a man trapped in a mine. Douglas is a disgraced reporter who was run out of New York and has landed at an Albuquerque paper, where he is soon dying of boredom. He sees his chance at a major comeback when he stumbles upon the story of a man trapped in a mine shaft while his gold digging wife plans to leave town. He quickly takes control of the situation and manipulates the scene in order to stretch out reader interest in the human

elements at the expense of the trapped man's safety. Wilder has a lot to say about the bad ethics of spinning a story and he does it 35 years before the term was even invented. Like many great films, this wasn't appreciated till years after its release.

■ "The Hills Have Eyes 2" — Wes Craven penned this sequel to his cult film after its remake was a box office success two years ago. Unfortunately, he churns out an effort that is even worse than his own sequel to the original film. Here the focus is on a military response to the events in the previous movie when a search party goes missing. All you get are better trained victims that still run into dark caves and shout out each other's names until the cast is whittled down to three victims. Completely and utterly useless.

■ "Premonition" — Okay ghost story

that benefits from the presence of Sandra Bullock as a woman having a "Twilight Zone" experience. She wakes up one day to find that her husband has been killed in a wreck, but things get even more bizarre when she subsequently wakes up on the day before the accident and then the day after. Don't expect a lot of sense, but you will have fun if you liked movies like "Ring" and "Jacob's Ladder."

■ "Perfect Creature" — Eastern European locations help add ambiance to this vampire saga. It concerns a male vampire who teams with a female cop to track a rogue bloodsucker who wants to ignite a war between humans and vamps. You have seen this plot in several films, though it does get a good treatment here.

Next week look for Jim Carrey in "The Number 23" and David Fincher ("Fight Club") checks in with "Zodiac."

## Lame 'Chuck & Larry' trots out obvious gay stereotypes, then turns preachy

by CHRISTY LEMIRE  
AP MOVIE CRITIC

As you've probably guessed from the TV commercials, or even just the billboards, "I Now Pronounce You Chuck & Larry" is a one-joke movie — and that joke might have seemed edgy back in 1977, when Billy Crystal was playing a gay man on "Soap."

(Speaking of which, and in case you were wondering, yes, there is a soap-dropping reference in here.)

Crystal's fellow "Saturday Night Live" alum Adam Sandler and likable lug Kevin James play Brooklyn firefighters who pretend they're a couple to receive domestic partner benefits. This sets up a litany of obvious gags and adolescent one-liners, followed by a swift, politically correct embrace of gay culture.

Director Dennis Dugan ("Happy Gilmore," "Big Daddy," say no more) wants to have it both ways but never gets either right. It might seem offensive if it weren't so lame.

Sandler's Chuck Levine and James' Larry Valentine try to convince the world they're gay by picking up Wham! and Barry Manilow CDs and professing that they're "riding the dude train." They do this because Larry, a widower, is concerned that his kids won't receive life insurance if he dies in a fire. (Among the flat subplots, Larry's young daughter is a tomboy who loves baseball, while his son is practicing his tap routine to audition for "Pippin.")

Suddenly, their fellow firefighters stop playing pick-up basketball with them and feel nervous about showering around them. And while a fraud inspector (Steve Buscemi in a weasly, unfunny role) starts snooping around suspiciously, their captain at the fire station (Dan Aykroyd) doesn't want to know the truth.

So Chuck and Larry enlist the help of attorney Alex McDonough (Jessica Biel) to help them defend their case. Trouble is, Alex is astonishingly hot and Chuck, before turning into a faux-mo, was a ravenous ladies' man. And so he agrees to be her buddy on shopping sprees and girlie wine nights, just to be close to her. Of course, because she trusts him so much, she lets him feel her breasts to prove that they're real — we all do that with our gay pals! And of course she will eventually find out he's straight and feel duped.

The most baffling part of all is that Alexander Payne and Jim Taylor, the Oscar-winning "Sideways" writers, are credited with having spruced up the script written a decade ago by Barry Fanaro ("Men in Black II," "Kingpin"). You'd never know that anyone capable of creating rich, full characters



"I Now Pronounce You Chuck & Larry," a Universal Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for crude sexual content throughout, nudity, language and drug references. Running time: 115 minutes.

One star out of four.

— characters with hearts and brains — had anything to do with this.

Ving Rhames gets maybe two laughs as a tough-guy firefighter with a big secret, and Sandler pals David Spade and Rob Schneider show up in the obligatory uncredited cameos. Schneider's actually is kind of offensive: He plays the wacky Asian minister in Niagara Falls who performs Chuck and Larry's commitment ceremony, with shades of Mickey Rooney as the landlord in "Breakfast at Tiffany's."

But in the end, Sandler literally stands up in a courtroom to proclaim that homophobia is bad. "Chuck & Larry" could play on a Pedantic Cinema double feature with

"Hairspray," which teaches us that racism is bad.

The only useful lesson comes during the scene in which Biel strips down to a bra and panties and shows off her famously toned backside. The sight of her in all her muscular glory is enough to make you immediately flee the theater and head to the gym for some squats and lunges.

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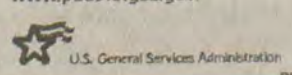
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# Scenes from Edwards visit



Having a presidential candidate in town had many in a patriotic mood. photo by Joshua Byers



While enthusiastic crowds sought autographs from presidential candidate John Edwards on everything from checkbooks to articles of clothing, one little girl settled for one on her arm. photo by Ralph B. Davis



Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fanning and Floyd County Judge-Executive R.D. "Doc" Marshall welcomed Edwards and read proclamations in honor of his visit. photo by Joshua Byers

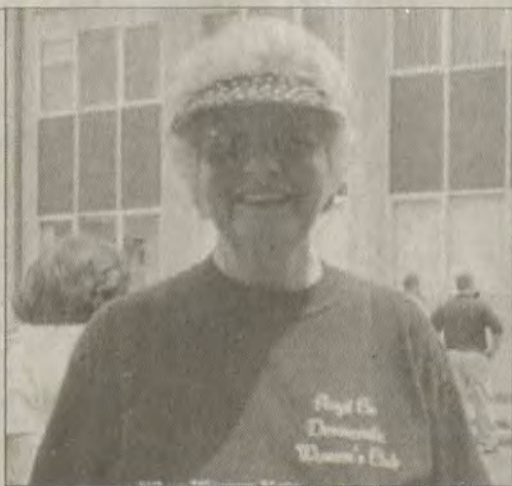


The Big Sandy Singers entertained the crowd prior to Edwards' speech. photo by Joshua Byers

## Local reactions



Navajo Austin, Prestonsburg: "Well, he certainly brought it down to earth, brought it home. I'm here, too, to document this visit for the Floyd County Historical Society. This is history in the making."



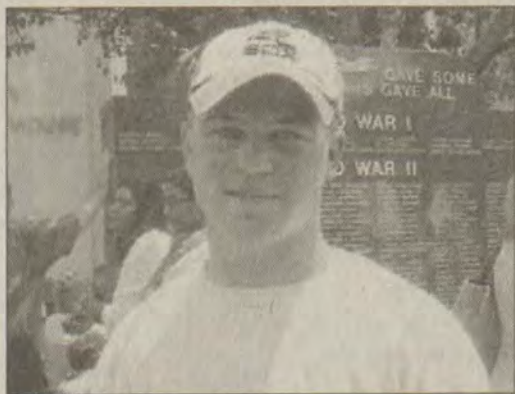
Lillian Baldrige, Prestonsburg: "I thought his speech was wonderful. I think he did a great job addressing the problems and concerns of the Floyd County area. I was fortunate enough to get to shake his hand and give the Floyd County Democratic Women's Club our regards to Elizabeth."



Kayla Dotson, Prestonsburg (holding son, Cameron, age 3 mos.): "I'm here because my dad wanted me to come and because I wanted to see what he has to say."



Fred James, LJ Productions: "Our residents came out today in support of a presidential candidate and they received him well. I am very proud of our people, for the attention and appreciative manner in which they received Sen. Edwards. Hopefully, this should give our community some national attention in the media, perhaps it will have a positive impact for our residents."



Jason Marion, Dublin, Ohio: "It's important to pull in the moderate conservatives to vote for Edwards, but I'm afraid Hillary and Obama will do that. I like Edwards and I'm here because a buddy of mine at MSU is working on his campaign. Whenever a candidate like this comes into Appalachia, it's got to show good character. It's important for the people here to vote."



Todd Mayo, Auxier: "It says a lot that a candidate for U.S. president would come to eastern Kentucky. We're usually passed up and this shows that he has noticed us. I'm in favor of programs like the old WPA, who cares if it's big government or little government, just make it work."



Pete Grigsby Jr.: "I'm here to see what he has to say. And I think it says a lot that he's come to eastern Kentucky. That says that he knows that we're here."



Mandy Stumbo, Executive Director, Floyd County Chamber of Commerce: "Well, I've made no decision yet as far as the presidential race, but this is a great opportunity for Floyd County to have Sen. Edwards visit Prestonsburg. We're certainly happy to have him here."

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### THROUGH MY EYES

## Wash him out of my hair ... not!

History in the making. That's what went down this past Wednesday on the steps of the old Floyd County Courthouse when former senator John Edwards brought his "Road to One America" campaign tour to our friendly county seat.



And friendly it certainly was. Smiling ladies from the Floyd County Democratic Women's Club handed out finger sandwiches, freshly baked cookies, chips and drinks to all in need of refreshment - completely free of charge.

And Laura Ford Hall was on hand with her talented Big Sandy Singers who welcomed one and all with song and smiles.

Old friends and new acquaintances mingled throughout the assembled crowd, with everyone seemingly tickled pink to see, and

(See EYES, page nine)

### DINNER DIVA

## Stir up some passion

by LEANNE ELY

When romance is on the menu, there is nothing like the right foods to heighten the mood and stir up a little passion. Sometimes a night out is not only unaffordable but undesirable as well, when you can make good food like this at home.

Good lovin' starts in the kitchen—everyone knows that. And with these recipes, your dinner for two will quickly end up leaving the kitchen!



Here are some fabulous recipes with aphrodisiac qualities to start your engines and get you purring—

### Ginger Mustard Chicken

Serves 2

Mustard is thought to stimulate sexual desire and ginger is also a circulatory stimulant. Sounds like things will be cooking soon enough with this dish!

- 2 boneless skinless chicken breast halves
- 1 tablespoon flour
- 1 teaspoon butter

(See DIVA, page eight)



Several young people turned out for the riding event which attracted folks of all ages.

photos by Kathy J. Prater

# 'Happy Trails'

Big Sandy Trail Riders look to provide recreation, tourism to area

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

Once it's in your blood, it's there to stay; and members of the Big Sandy Trail Riders Club are out to make it more easily accessible to all who want to join in.

"Trail riding is just a wonderful recreational activity," said club vice-president Denzil Allen. "We have the trails here in eastern Kentucky and we're working on getting access to more of them."

This past weekend, July 13-15, riders from as far away as New Jersey and North Carolina arrived at the German Bridge camp area, horses in tow, for a two-day ride and the opportunity to share their enthusiasm for the sport with others of like minds.

"We've kept horses for 30 years," said Della Stapleton, of Emma, who attended the event with husband, Keith, daughter Stacie Butcher and grandchildren Waylon and Haley.

"It's nice to be able to get out like this and be so close to home," Butcher said. "Especially with kids, it's just so much easier to enjoy."

Earlier this spring, club members



Bonita Jarrell, left, and Jimmy Goble, of the Big Sandy Trail Riders Club welcomed folks from as far away as New Jersey to a two-day ride held at the German Bridge campgrounds this past weekend.

scouted out the German Bridge area, finding the campground areas overgrown with weeds but realizing the potential that existed for recreational activity.

"Because of a shrinking budget," said T.C. Music, of the Dewey Dam U.S. Corps of Engineers, "the area had been closed. The club went in, mowed the weeds down, provided

sewage facilities and cleaned the area up.

"They're a very responsive group," he continued. "They treated the area like it was their own. They're a real good group to work with...it's nice to work with people who are good stewards of the land."

According to Allen and club President Jimmy Goble, the Big Sandy Trail Riders Club is interested in becoming good stewards to not only the German Bridge area, but other Floyd County areas as well.

"We have the trails," Allen said. "Some are on private property, but lots of mountain trails exist in the area. We want people to have the opportunity to have what they have at places like Mammoth Cave. I've seen what they have there, we can have the same thing here."

This past weekend, leaving from the German Bridge area, riders enjoyed an 18-mile ride through lush mountain trails, returning to enjoy the company of fellow riders around a potluck meal featuring leg of lamb provided by the Stapleton family.

"I know everyone had a great time," Allen said. "We had people

(See RIDERS, page nine)

### FLY LADY

## Clutter curators

When Robert and I married in 1996, I had a houseful of clutter and he had a houseful of clutter. We put our clutter together and then went to estate auctions to buy more. You could not walk in our home. In January of 1999, I began my quest to get organized.

You can't organize clutter; you can only get rid of it. I began to make daily donations to our local Humane Society Thrift Shop. Our clutter slowly went away. We still love to go to estate auctions but we only buy what we can't

live without and we have to decide where the item is going and what we will get rid of when we get it home. We don't go to these sales very often anymore. We love everything we have and it is hard to decide what to declutter if we buy something new since our home is now primarily filled with only things we love.

It is so nice to live in a small town. The other day I was at an open house for one of our fastest growing banks in North Carolina - Mountain First Bank.

At this open house, I ran into an old friend who is the auctioneer at our favorite auction. Jack Eubanks wanted to know why we had not been to one of his auctions lately. I told him that we had everything we needed and that if we brought something new home, we had to get rid of something old. He said that his wife, Robin, had the same philosophy. Their home was just they way they had always wanted it.

Eventually, we will all be faced with a big decision when it comes to dealing with our parent's belongings. My mother died in 2000. Our home was just the way we liked it, too, and I didn't want to merge mother's clutter and recreate the CHAOS we had lived in. I

was really scared of cluttering up our home again. I called Jack to come to see if there were any items that would be worth putting into one of his auctions. He told us what would sell and what needed to be donated. Not everything our parents own is worth money. If it doesn't have sentimental value to you, then holding on to it is nothing more than hoarding. We have to let it go to save ourselves.

Our parents and their parents are products of the Great Depression. As a result, they have held on to most everything. Their garages, storage sheds, basements and most every room in



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## Family Medicine

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**Q** About two months ago I noticed a small red spot on my face. From certain angles in the mirror it looks a little wax-like in appearance. I've made an appointment with a dermatologist, but I have to wait a few weeks before I see him. In the meantime, could you tell me the likelihood that a new spot like this could be cancerous?

**A** From your description, I would guess you might have a basal cell carcinoma. Fortunately, this is very curable. However, since skin cancers can be deadly, you made a wise decision to seek a medical opinion in a timely

fashion.

One important clue in telling when a spot - what we doctors call a lesion - might need further study is its history. That is, your doctor will ask when you first noticed it and how it has changed over the last few months. He will then visually inspect your lesion. Most non-cancerous growths have a smooth border where they join normal appearing skin and are symmetrical in shape. Their coloration is uniform across the lesion, and the growth is slow. This history and examination may be all that's needed to make a diagnosis. However, he may also remove all or part of the lesion to obtain a specimen

that can be studied under the microscope.

The most common form of skin cancer, and also the most prevalent cancer in humans, is basal cell carcinoma. These raised skin growths usually develop on the head, neck, hands and trunk - the areas that get exposed most to the sun. They are often described, as in your case, as "waxy" in appearance. These lesions have a rolled border with an open, un-healing sore in the center. Over a course of years, if left untreated, the cancer slowly gets larger. The Skin Cancer Foundation predicts more than one million cases of basal cell cancer this year.

The next most common skin cancer - squamous cell - will affect 250,000 people this year, predominantly those over 60. These growths are reddish or pink and appear as raised, irregularly shaped, scaly or ulcerated nodules. Often found on areas like the lips, face, mouth, hands and ears, they may appear as a new growth or inside of an

existing pre-cancerous skin lesion. Old scars or areas of chronic skin infection are also common sites. Left untreated, squamous cell cancer can spread to other parts of the body - a process called metastasis - and can cause new growths in other organs or tissues.

These two types of skin cancer are very curable and recovery is almost certain, if treatment is begun when the growth is small. However, failure to treat these common skin cancers can lead to serious problems and even death.

The deadliest of all skin cancers is melanoma. While it is still the rarest type, it has become increasingly common because of the popularity of sun tanning - including "parlor tans."

A melanoma, in its early stages, is a multicolored growth with a cobblestone-like surface that may be confused with a common mole. It may contain black, brown, blue and red pigments, or even areas of almost no pigment at all. The border between colors

is usually indistinct. As the melanoma enlarges, it becomes raised above the surface of the skin. At the same time, it penetrates more deeply into the skin. Melanoma that penetrates less than .75 mm (about 1/32 of an inch) is usually cured by simple removal. Deeper growth often indicates that metastasis has occurred, and a cure is less likely.

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## School Happenings

### Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ July 24 - Parent Volunteer and Confidentiality training, 6 p.m., in library. This training is required for volunteers and must be renewed each year.

■ July 26 - Parent Volunteer/Confidentiality training, 6 p.m., in school library. This training must be renewed on a yearly basis.

■ August 2 - Back to School Bash, 6-8 p.m. See our school, meet our staff, ask questions and enjoy refreshments with us!

■ Updated student health records may be dropped off at the center during the summer break.

■ The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will be open throughout the summer months. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297. Please call for information on center programs and services or if you need assistance during the summer.

### Allen Central High School

■ July 26 - Volunteer training, 6 p.m.

■ July 31 - 12th grade students may pick up their class schedules; 9th grade students will receive their class schedules on August 1 at Freshman Academy.

■ August 1 - Freshman Academy, 8:45 a.m. to 2 p.m., in school cafeteria.

■ August 23 - School pictures.

■ Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Sharon Collins, coordinator. Telephone 358-3048. Center provides services for all families regardless of income.

### Allen Central Middle School

■ July 26 - Volunteer training for parents/guardians who wish to volunteer in Floyd County schools. Training

will be held at Allen Central High School lunchroom, at 6 p.m.

■ July 31 - 6th grade Orientation, 6 p.m.; 7th and 8th grade Open House, 7 p.m.

■ Career Decisions and Job Development videos available in YSC lending library.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center offers services to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Marilyn Bailey, center coordinator, at 358-0134.

### Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

### Betsy Layne Elementary

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

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

■ Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

### Clark Elementary

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

■ Lost and Found located in

Resource Center.

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

### Duff Elementary

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

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

### May Valley Elementary

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

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

### McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ July 23-27 - Neva Francis, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, will conduct FREE summer activity sessions on nutrition, from 9-11 a.m., for all McDowell Elementary students.

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

■ Parent lending library available to all parents for video/book check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Family Resource Center is open weekdays, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Center is located upstairs in the old high school building, on the McDowell Elementary School campus. For further information, call Clara Johnson, director, at 377-2678. The McDowell FRC provides services to all MES students and their families, regardless of income.

### Mountain Christian Academy

■ Now accepting applications for enrollment for Preschool-8th grade for the 2007 fall semester. Tuition assistance and bus transportation is available. For more information or a tour of the school, call 285-5141 or 285-5142.

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

■ MCA is an accredited non-denominational Christian school.

### Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

### South Floyd Youth Services Center

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

■ SFMS parents with concerns

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

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

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

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

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

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

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

### W.D. Osborne "Rainbow Junction" Family Resource Center

■ July 23, 24 - 4-H Day Camp; 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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

■ The FRC accepts donations of children's clothing, shoes, belts, book bags, etc. May be used but need to be in good condition. Donated items will be appreciated and utilized by OES students.

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

### Wesley Christian School

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

■ For more information about Wesley Christian School, call 874-8328.

### Big Sandy Community & Technical College Adult Education and GED

Monday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC; Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC.

Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic; BSCTC.

9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Dixie Apartments

1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne FRYSC; BSCTC.

6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House; BSCTC.

6-8 p.m. - BSCTC.

Thursday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic; BSCTC.

8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Weeksbury CC.

1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC; BSCTC.

6-9 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.

Also, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays at Drug Court.

Kay Hale Ross - Manager of Adult Education, 886-7334

Lisa Pelfrey - Assistant

Ron Johnson, Stephanie Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, and Wayne Combs - Adult Education teachers.

## Diva

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- 1/3 cup chicken broth
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh ginger
- 1 teaspoon Dijon-style mustard
- 1 teaspoon grainy mustard
- 2 green onions -- minced
- Salt and freshly ground pepper -- to taste

Dust chicken lightly with flour. Melt butter in a skillet and sauté chicken over medium heat until brown on both sides, about 2-3 minutes per side. Remove chicken and keep warm. Pour broth into the skillet, increase heat and deglaze skillet by boiling and scraping loose browned bits on bottom of pan using a wire whisk. Add ginger and cook, stirring frequently, for 2 minutes. Stir in mustards and green onions. Season with salt and pepper. Spoon sauce over chicken.

*Per Serving: 167 Calories; 7g Fat (37.2% calories from fat); 21g Protein; 5g Carbohydrate; 1g Dietary Fiber; 50mg Cholesterol; 244mg Sodium. Exchanges: 0 Grain(Starch); 3 Lean Meat; 0 Vegetable; 0 Fat; 0 Other Carbohydrates.*

### Sexy Rice Pilaf

Serves 2 (with leftovers for 2)

The male hormone androsteron attracts women and is also found in celery. Basil is said to stimulate the sex drive and boost fertility. Almonds are thought to induce passion in women. Pass the pilaf, already!

- 1/2 tablespoon butter
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1/4 cup chopped celery
- 1/4 cup dried tart cherries
- 1/4 cup slivered almonds
- 1/2 teaspoon basil
- 1 1/2 cups cooked brown rice

In a skillet, heat butter over medium heat. Add onion and celery and cook till translucent. Add cherries, almonds, basil, salt and pepper to taste. Cook, uncovered, over medium heat 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add rice; mix well. Cook 3 to 4 minutes, or until thoroughly heated.

*Per Serving: 187 Calories; 7g Fat (32.5% calories from fat); 4g Protein; 28g Carbohydrate; 3g Dietary Fiber; 4mg Cholesterol; 25mg Sodium. Exchanges: 1 Grain(Starch); 0 Lean Meat; 1/2 Vegetable; 1/2 Fruit; 1 Fat.*

Serve your meal with steamed asparagus (the ultimate aphrodisiacal vegetable).

For dessert, try some chocolate dipped strawberries. Both the chocolate and the berry itself are full of sexy qualities. The Aztecs called chocolate the "nourishment of the gods" and the berries, well, they're described in erotic literature as fruit nipples. The combination is hot stuff when it's time for romance.

To make the chocolate covered berries, simply heat water in a double boiler and melt the chocolate (use quality semi-sweet chocolate). Dip your strawberries in the hot chocolate and allow the strawberries to cool till hardened on a piece of wax paper. For fun and the perfect end to a very romantic dinner, feed your sweetheart his strawberry one bite at a time.

## Engagement



### Tackett-Anderson

Ray and Sue Tackett, of Harold, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Ashley Sue, to Jonathon Michael Anderson, the son of Red Salisbury, of Harold, and the late Artie May Salisbury.

The bride-elect is a 2004 graduate of Betsy Layne High School. She is currently employed by Mikrotec Internet Services. She is the granddaughter of John and Inez Rogers, of Harold, and Andy and Doris Tackett, of Grethel. The prospective groom is also a 2004 graduate of Betsy Layne High School. He is employed by Universal Wells.

The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, August 4, 2007, at half past three o'clock in the afternoon, at Ford's Branch Church of Christ, in Pikeville.

A reception will follow in the church fellowship hall. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed. The newlyweds will spend a honeymoon vacation in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Following, they will return to reside in Toler Creek, at Harold.



# New Arrivals

## Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center

June 18, 2007

A son, Logan Eric, to Cassandra Honeycutt, of Salyersville.

June 20, 2007

A son, Jason Nathaniel Risner, to Betty Mullins, of Royalton.

June 23, 2007

A son, Braden John, to Amanda and John Russell, of Salyersville.

## Highlands Regional Medical Center

July 3, 2007

A daughter, Megan Leigh Ann Short, to Johnny & Kathy Short, of Wheelwright

July 4, 2007

A son, Benjamin Marshall Brown, to Lola & Timothy Brown, of River

A son, Michael Daniel Dawson Feltner, to Jennifer Smith, of Hazard  
A son, Ian Tyler Sweeney, to Angelena Rose Whit, of Beauty

July 5, 2007

A son, Gabriel James Logan Osborne, to Antonia Carol Osborne, of Flat Gap

July 6, 2007

A daughter, Corey Rayon Craft, to Shelby & Claude Craft, of Salyersville

July 7, 2007

A son, Kaleb Gray Lynn Hackworth, to Amanda Jo & Daniel H. Hackworth, of Salyersville

July 8, 2007

A daughter, Kaiden Issac Lynn Harvey, to Misty Dawn Maynard, of Beauty

July 11, 2007

A daughter, Olivia Grace Maynard, to Amanda & Tommy Maynard, of Inez  
A daughter, Larry Caleb Shepherd, to Christy & Larry Shepherd, of Wayland  
A daughter, Isabella Francis Brianne

Case, to Veronica & Jeffery Case, of McDowell

A son, Zachary Ryan Shell, to Brandy Griffith, of Prestonsburg

A daughter, Mackenzie Tia Paige Back, to Misty Gail Auxier, of Jackson

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A son, Baylor Rex Jarib Hignite, to Tamara Jean & Taylor Wayne Hignite, III, of Busy

A daughter, Riley Elizabeth Howard, to Lisa Diane Howard, of Paintsville

A daughter, Kaylee Elaine Ritchie, to Kanessa Elaine & Brendon Dale Ritchie, of Mousie

A son, John Brayden Perry, to Amanda Brianne & Rodney Joe Perry, of Viper

A daughter, Caleigh Tenae Nickles, to Crystal Dawn Nickles, of Pinetop

A son, Heston Gage Bryant, to Julia Combs, of Hazard

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A son, Hunter Lee Fannin, to Kevin & Melissa Fannin, of Keaton

A daughter, Jouette Alyssa Grace Yeary, to Barbie Samons, of Garrett

# Engagements



## Meade-Little

Tony and Holly Meade, of Dana, are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Samantha ReeDonna Meade, to Jonathan Ira Little, the son of Jack and Dorsia Little, also of Dana.

The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, July 21, 2007, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, at the Betsy Layne Church of Christ, in Betsy Layne. All friends and family members of the couple are cordially invited to attend.

# Birthdays



## Happy Birthday, Taylor!

Taylor Banks celebrated her 10th birthday on May 28, 2007 with family and friends. Her mom, dad and Lindsay send her love and best wishes for the year ahead.



## Look who's 3!

Veronica Hope Rodriguez turned three years old on July 6, 2007. She celebrated her birthday with all of her friends at KIDDIE-LAND Daycare on July 6. Veronica is the daughter of Cindy Rodriguez and Tim Hampton, of Martin.



## Meade-Combs

Mr. Shawn W. Combs and Ms. Melissa Meade, both of Harold, are happy to announce their recent engagement and forthcoming wedding.

Melissa, the daughter of Crate Meade, of Pikeville, and the late Charlotte Meade, is the owner of Headz to Toe Hair Salon, in Pikeville, where she works as head stylist. Shawn, the son of T. A. and Duna Combs, of Langley, is an engineer employed with E.D.C., Inc., in Pikeville.

The couple plan a September wedding, to take place in the beautiful Dominican Republic. Following, they will return to reside in Harold.

## Riders

from Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia, New Jersey and North Carolina, as well as riders from right around here in our own area."

Eventually, according to Allen, club members want to be able to provide water and electricity hook-ups at the campsite in order to make campers more comfortable. "With the cooperation of other agencies, we'd like to see the campsite restored to its original state," he said.

The Big Sandy Trail Riders Club was organized in March as a non-profit organization with a mission of identifying and developing campsites and trails within the Big Sandy region. "There's work to be done," Allen said. "Not only do the trails have to be marked and identified, but maps to them have to be made available, as well."

Allen says that the progress that has been made so far has been helped along by not only Music, of the Corps of Engineers, but with the assistance of Rusty Hamilton, of the Department of Fish and Wildlife, Floyd County Judge-Executive Robert "Doc" Marshall, Rep. Hal Rogers, and the Floyd Fiscal Court. Judge-Executive Marshall

said that he was pleased with the turnout of the weekend event and also said that he and the members of the fiscal court plan to continue working with the club, the Corps of Engineers and other interested agencies in the further development of the German Bridge and other riding trail areas in Floyd County.

"Not only will this provide additional recreational opportunities for our local citizens, but it will provide an additional attraction to bring tourism dollars to the area," Marshall said.

Jerry Sydnor, of Ripley, Ohio, who attended the weekend ride with his wife, Sandy, said that he would be "more than willing" to come back to Floyd County with his tourism dollars. "We like it down here," he said. "We like the mountains, we like the people. Yeah, we'll be back."

The Big Sandy Trail Riders Club meets monthly with the express purpose of planning a sponsored monthly trail ride in various locations throughout the region. Those interested in membership may contact club officers Jimmy Goble, Bonita Jarrell, or Denzil Allen for more information.



Floyd County Court Clerk Chris Waugh and wife, Angie, rode the trails courtesy of horses provided by club vice-president Denzil Allen.

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Keeping the home fires burning while family members were off on a ride, were Della Stapleton, daughter Stacie Butcher, and grandchildren Haley and Waylon.



## Eyes

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chat with, the other. Many of the older folks in the crowd spoke of another time when Floyd Countians gathered at the old courthouse to see another young Democratic presidential nominee - Robert F. Kennedy.

That was a time to remember, and this week's recent event is also. I, like our local tourism director, Fred James, think Floyd County did a fine job of welcoming Mr. Edwards to our fair town.

I'm not sure if I can sway

myself away from supporting Hillary in her quest for the presidential seat, but I have to admit, I liked Edwards a few years back and I liked what he had to say this past Wednesday on our courthouse steps.

And, ladies, don't you agree - with that tanned face, boyish smile, and those Levi jeans, he's mighty easy to look at, isn't he?

And I don't care what they say about his hair.

'Til next week...keep smiling my friendly town.

## Fly Lady

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their homes have collections of junk, good clutter and more stuff. Many times we have no clue what is there. These things were items that they thought would be worth something someday or at the very least they would not have to repurchase them when something broke. You know the mentality: "I might need it someday."

Now imagine trying to incorporate their stuff into your home. Are you getting scared enough to call a professional to help you? I talked with Jack this afternoon and asked him what things were worth more than others. One item he mentioned was that old Christmas cards did well at auctions. He explained that people could send him an email or check out his website to see what like items have been sold for at previous auc-

tions. His website is www.JackEubanks.com. He can help you release clutter so that you can live in your home and not be the curator for your family's museum of clutter. Don't be imprisoned by their clutter the way they were! You deserve to live and not just spend your time trying to organize their clutter! Release it by using an auctioneer to help you!

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From left: Pam Pure, President of McKesson Provider Technologies; Pam May; Walter May, PMC President/CEO; Bernie Galla, PMC Chief Information Officer; Cheryl Hickman, PMC Chief Nursing Officer; and Sunny Sanyal, Chief Operating Officer of McKesson Provider Technologies.

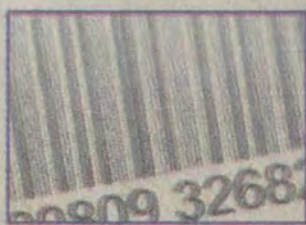
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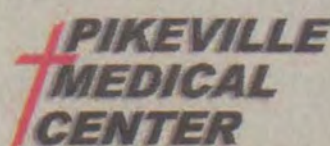
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# For the Record

### Marriage Licenses

Ashley Danielle Stumbo, 23, of Prestonsburg, to Billy Joe Hunter, 29, of Prestonsburg.

Martha J. Davis, 49, of Prestonsburg, to Randall C. Burchett, 57, of Prestonsburg.

Joy Lynn Howard, 40, of Hueysville, to Keith Jones, 32, of Hueysville.

Lisa Ann Lowe, 36, of Prestonsburg, to Avery Lowe Jr., 37, of Prestonsburg.

Jill Renee Little, 34, of Wheelwright, to Don Hall, 43, of Wheelwright.

Samantha Reedonna Meade, 20, of Dana, to Jonathan Ira Little, 20, of Dana.

Ashley Nicole Johnson, 21, of Pikeville, to Scottie Edward McPeck, 30, of Prestonsburg.

Kimberly Angela Maxey, 35, of Eubank, to Bryan Edward Watkins, 25, of Harold.

Debra Kendrick, 35, of Sidney, to Norman Henry Chaffins, 33, of Sidney.

Bossie Kidd, 77, of East Point, to Bill A. Hall, 78, of Teaberry.

Lakisha Kaye Hall, 20, of McDowell, to Kennel Joe Dye, 38, of McDowell.

### Civil Suits Filed

James Fields vs. Landrum McCoy, et al

Norma Jervis vs. John D. Jervis

Jeffrie Jones vs. Brian J. Jones

Alison Conley vs. Harold Conley

Rebecca Kidd vs. Dennis Matthew Kidd

Tate Boyd vs. Brandy Gail Boyd

Lela Maynard vs. Greg Maynard

Safeco Insurance Co. vs. Calvin Risner

Crown Asset Management vs. Brenda Burchett

Geico Indemnity Co. vs. Toney Newsome

Barbara Skeens vs. Wendy R. Fugate

Maggie Hamilton vs. Levisa Fork Resources, LLC

Citibank South Dakota vs. Anita F. Lafferty

Action Petroleum Co., LTD vs. Skyline Excavation, Inc., et al

Kenneth Pennington vs. Gary Ousley, et al

LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Laura L. Phillips

Palisades Collection, LLC vs. Amanda Lewis

Raymond Collins vs. Janette Collins

Robin Humphrey vs. Eric Vanderpool

Americredit Financial Services vs. Dillard Boyd, et al

Mallory Ousley vs. Ronnie Shepherd

Deutsche Bank vs. Keith Akers, et al

Collins Financial Services, Inc. vs. Robert Stevenson

Crown Asset Management, Inc. vs. Tom Reynolds

### Small Claims Filings

Prestonsburg Housing Authority vs. Alexandria Johnson

Prestonsburg Housing Authority vs. Diana Price

World Finance Corporation vs. Michael Frasure

First Financial Credit vs. Angela Hall

McDowell ARH vs. Krystal Compton

Midland Funding vs. Jeffery Gayheart

Portfolio Recovery Association vs. Patricia Osborne

Arrow Financial Services vs. Sherry Mitchell

Palisades Collection LLC vs. James Hackworth

Pete Grigsby Jr. vs. Jermie Conn, et al

Jeneine Jarrell vs. Phillip G. Miller

Ralph R. Martin vs. Damon Newsome

Paragon Way, Inc. vs. Donna R. Yates

TX Collect/Thrift vs. Solomon Caudill Jr.

Capital One Bank vs. O.C. Hall

First Resolution Investment vs. Rebecca A. Goff

Capital One Bank vs. Alan Adkins

Capital One Bank vs. Craig J. Dudrick

### Charges Filed

Steve Tackett, 34, of Virgie, alcohol intoxication, public

place; disorderly conduct.

Teresa M. Akers, 25, of Betsy Layne, public intoxication, controlled substance.

Denver Ray Evans, 56, of Grethel, assault, 4th degree; domestic violence.

Melissa Carol Kestner, 34, of Paintsville, creel and size limits for fish.

John M. Poe, 31, of Blue River, drinking alcoholic beverage in public place; criminal littering.

James Clayton Conley Jr., 49, of Mousie, hunt/fish/trap without license.

Gary Sparks, 40, of Augusta, Georgia, drinking alcoholic beverage in public place.

Michael R. Hutchinson, 49, of Charleston, West Virginia, non-resident hunt/fish/trap without license.

Sabrina Carol Harris, 26, of Wayland, hunt/fish/trap without license.

Corinna Garner, 30, of Printer, drinking alcoholic beverage in public place.

Ricky B. Hughes, 42, of Van Lear, hunt/fish/trap without license.

Joey Lewis, 23, of Banner, disorderly conduct.

Tracy Lewis, 25, of Ivel, disorderly conduct.

April Lynn Slone, 29, of Blue River, possession controlled substance, prescription not in original container.

Timothy D. Wallen, 37, of Blue River, operating motor vehicle on suspended driver's license; possession marijuana; failure to maintain required insurance; no/expired Kentucky registration receipt; failure to execute proper assignment and warranty title.

Rhonda Clay, 46, of Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, public place; resisting arrest; disorderly conduct; terroristic threatening.

Benjamin L. Spurlock, 29, of Endicott, alcohol intoxication, public place.

Tony G. Baril, 46, of Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, public place; disorderly conduct.

Michael Dwayne Kimmel, 33, of Betsy Layne, receiving stolen property.

Stephen Clark Vanover, 23, of Auxier, assault, 4th degree.

Jennell Smith, 36, of Drift, terroristic threatening; theft by failure to make required disposition.

Stephanie Shepherd, 33, of David, harassment.

Luther O'Neal Wooten, 24, of Scuddy, hunt/fish/trap without license.

Brandy N. Carroll, 22, of Langley, public intoxication, controlled substance; failure to wear seat belts.

Randall G. Boyd II, 36, of Stanville, alcohol intoxication, public place.

Austin Clark Shepherd, 25, of Allen, drinking alcoholic beverage, public place.

Keith Wayne Blankenship, 32, of Happy, drinking alcoholic beverage, public place.

Daniel R. Cundiff, 52, of Mt. Sterling, riding in high rise bass seat at greater than idle speed.

### Inspections

Prestonsburg Exxon Tiger Mart, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all refrigeration and freezer units have conspicuous thermometers, chemical test strips not available at three compartment sink, exterior section of ice machine in need of cleaning and repair, no hand towels available at food prep or hand wash sink, clothing items observed stored in contact with single service eating utensils. Score: Food, 95, Retail, 98

Wayland Quick Mart, Wayland, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easily seen thermometers not provided for all refrigeration and freezer units, chemical test strips not provided at three compartment sink, wiping cloths not properly stored after use, single service articles not properly stored (in contact with floor), faucet at three compartment sink in disrepair, garbage containers not properly covered. Score: Food, 93, Retail, 98

Wayland Fountain, Wayland, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easily seen thermometers not available in all refrigeration and freezer

units, proper hair restraints not

in use, garbage containers not properly covered, lights in food prep area not properly shielded. Score: 95

Pizza Den, Evil, regular inspection. Violations noted: Proper hair restraints not in use, food contact surface in disrepair, non food contact surfaces in disrepair, wiping cloths not properly stored after use, floors in disrepair, walls and ceilings in disrepair. Score: Food, 93

The Perfect Setting, McDonnell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Proper hair restraints not in use, chemical test strips not available at three compartment sink, food contact blade in need of cleaning and sanitizing. Score: 95

Step Ahead Daycare, Bevinsville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Clean eating utensils improper stored, staff restroom door not self closing. Score: 97

The Market Place Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easily seen thermometers not available in all refrigeration and freezer units, food items improperly stored, proper hair restraints not in use, reach in refrigerator gaskets in disrepair, food contact areas in need of cleaning and sanitizing, non food contact areas in need of cleaning and sanitizing, non food contact areas in need of cleaning and sanitizing, single service items stored in contact with the floor, floors in disrepair, walls in disrepair, cleaning utensils improperly stored plus back storage area junked up. Score: Food, 90, Retail, 95

Property Transfers

Dixie Adkins to Charlotte and Jerry Case, property located at Brush Creek.

Byron Keith Akers to David and Lois May, property located at New Allen.

Connie Akers to David and Lois May, property located at New Allen.

Johnnie Akers to Daron Dale Akers, property location undisclosed.

Phyllis Amburgey to Laura Johnson, property located at Frozen Fork Road.

Charles David Bailey to Mark Bentley, property location undisclosed.

Deloris Blevins to Bobby R. Collins Sr. and Michelle L.

Collins, property location undisclosed.

Ernie Blevins to Bobby R. Collins Sr. and Michelle L. Collins, property location undisclosed.

Michelle Blevins to Bobby R. Collins Sr. and Michelle L. Collins, property location undisclosed.

Ricky Blevins to Bobby R. Collins Sr. and Michelle L.

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Collins, property location undisclosed.

Jan Chaffins to Gregory Scott Jenkins and Jan Jenkins, property located at Copperas Creek.

Minnie Conley Unified Credit Trust to Charlotte and Jerry Case, property located at Brush Creek.

Joyce Crase to Kenneth Ray Marsillett, property located at Stephens Branch.

Kenneth Crase to Kenneth Ray Marsillett, property located at Stephens Branch.

Daniels Creek Development Company to Christine Goble and Lowell Sherman Goble, property located at Daniels Creek.

Denmark Properties LLC to Gregory Michael Hodge Jr. and Kristic Hodge, property location undisclosed.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company to Marilyn and Thomas Halbert, property located at Prestonsburg.

Elizabeth Duff to Charlotte and Jerry Case, property located at Brush Creek.

James A. Duff to Charlotte and Jerry Case, property located at Brush Creek.

Terence Fitzer to Angela Colleen Fitzer, property located at Copperas Lick Fork.

Linda Clark Gearheart to SGSNPDG LLC, property located at Laynesville.

Paul Douglas Gearheart to SGSNPDG LLC, property located at Laynesville.

Paul R. Gearheart to Paul Douglas Gearheart and Susan Gearheart Schmoltdt, property located at Stumbo Second Addition.

Arie Hamilton to Gladys Mitchell, property location undisclosed.

Billy Hamilton to Bobby R. Collins Sr. and Michelle L. Collins, property location undisclosed.

Diana Hamilton to Bobby R. Collins Sr. and Michelle L. Collins, property location undisclosed.

Charlene C. Howard to David and Lois May, property located at New Allen.

Robert D. Howard to David and Lois May, property located at New Allen.

Ruby J. Hutchinson to Joyce and Kenneth Idle, property location undisclosed.

Gregory Scott Jennings to Gregory Scott Jennings and Jan Jennings, property located at Copperas Lick.

Jan Jennings to Gregory Scott Jennings and Jan Jennings, property located at Copperas Lick.

Melissa Ousley Little to Ramona Ousley, property located at Mudlick.

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Michael Little to Ramona Ousley, property located at Mudlick.

Michael Little to Ramona Ousley, property located at Mudlick.

Wilma Mayo to Dennis and Nancy Mayo, property located at Left Beaver Creek.

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Dale McKinney to Tommy Cordle, property located at Spurlock Creek.

Hilda B. McKinney to Tommy Cordle, property located at Spurlock Creek.

Minnie Conley Unified Credit Trust to Charlotte and Jerry Case, property located at Brush Creek.

Adele Morrison to Kenneth Ray Marsillett, property located near Stephens Branch.

Robert Morrison to Kenneth Ray Marsillett, property located near Stephens Branch.

Steven Morrison to Kenneth Ray Marsillett, property located near Stephens Branch.

Yolanda Morrison to Kenneth Ray Marsillett, property located near Stephens Branch.

Diana Ochala to Melissa Belcher, property location undisclosed.

Roger Ochala to Melissa Belcher, property location undisclosed.

Tlene C. Oram to David and Lois May, property located at New Allen.

Valoric Osborne to Billy S. Osborne, property location undisclosed.

Kera Ousley to Ramona Ousley, property located at Mudlick.

Kera Ousley to Ramona

Ousley, property located at Mudlick.

Matthew Brandon Ousley to Christy Lea Ousley, property located at Little Creek.

Michael Ousley to Ramona Ousley, property located at Mudlick.

Michael Ousley to Ramona Ousley, property located at Mudlick.

Crystal Puckett Trustee to

Gregory Scott Jennings and Jan Jennings, property located at Copperas Lick.

Rita Ridgeway to Beulah and Emerson Brown, property located at Drift.

Devon Scalf to Rocky Hamilton, property location undisclosed.

Patricia H. Scalf to Rocky Hamilton, property location undisclosed.

John C. Schmoltdt to SGSNPDG LLC, property located at Stumbo Addition.

Susan Gearheart Schmoltdt to SGSNPDG LLC, property located at Stumbo Addition.

Lillie Fay Slone to Bonnie and John Albert Owens, property location undisclosed.

John Tackett to Ray Hall, property location undisclosed.

Linda Kay Wallen to

Kenneth Ray Marsillett, property located near Stephens Branch.

William Wallen to Kenneth Ray Marsillett, property located near Stephens Branch.

Carlotta Williams to Carlotta and Paul J. Williams, property location undisclosed.

Novania Akers Wright to David and Lois May, property located at New Allen.

Ricky D. Wright to David and Lois May, property located at New Allen.

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# FLOYD COUNTY Sports

Friday, July 20, 2007

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## NBA-bound Moon played under Keathley

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

One of the NBA's newest players has direct ties to East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley. Jemario Moon, the 2006-07 CBA Defensive Player of the Year, recently signed a two-year contract with the NBA's Toronto Raptors.

Moon played two seasons with the Albany Patroons and was named to the All-CBA First Team for the 2006-07 season.

Moon finished the 2006-07 season seventh in scoring (18.8), fourth in rebounding (7.8), third in steals (2.0) and second in blocks

(2.4) in the league. He also ranked fifth in the league in three-point field goal percentage at .401 (73-182), shooting .503 percent (316-628) from the field. Before starring in the CBA, however, Moon played for the Keathley-coached Kentucky Colonels. The former Meridian (Miss.) Community College stand-out averaged a dozen points per game during his time with the Kentucky Colonels.

"During my time with the Kentucky Colonels we had a player named David Scott who was a veteran player of pro basketball, specifically he played the majority of his career overseas," Keathley

recalled. "He was offered a lot of money to return to his foreign squad, so we gave him a release on his contract. In the process, I had one of our scouts at the time - Brandon Paquin - give me list of guys who were out there that had similar skills on the basketball floor. Jemario was one of those guys on the list, he was an unknown player who was playing for the Harlem Globetrotters and we took a chance on him. Right away, we could tell he was a special talent. Jemario came off the bench for us in a sixth man role and played well."

Following his stint with the

Colonels, Moon continued to progress through the pro ranks.

"After his time with us, he was drafted the next season in the NBA-D-League and has continued to mature as a basketball player," Keathley added. "I'm very proud of Jemario and hope he spends the rest of his career in the NBA. On a personal note, Jemario is a good person. One particular gesture stands out as before practice one morning he (Jemario) surprised me with tickets to go watch the Harlem Globetrotters with my kids."

Moon made an impact through-

(See NBA, page four)



photo by Chuck Miller/Albany Patroons  
Jemario Moon played for East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley with the ABA's Kentucky Colonels.

## Experiencing calm before the storm

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

Can you hear it?

Listen. Listen real close. There ... hear that? It's out there. It's coming. It's not here yet. Not yet. We still have a little wait. But if you listen, listen real close, you can hear it.

It's out there.

It's coming. It'll be here before you know it.

Are you listening? Good.

Because it's coming, coming our way.



Rick Bentley

What is it?

You know. You know what it is. It's what we've been waiting on since the night at Johnson Central when East Ridge surprised Shelby Valley on the softball field and Johnson Central closed down Fyffe Field with a win over Lawrence County on the baseball diamond.

Then came the break. The time off. Vacation time. Thank you, Lord, for that. We needed it, more than we needed the bounce of another ball or the clap of shoulder pads banging together or the sound of a volleyball being spiked off the hardwood.

Rest is good. The Bible talks about it. God worked six days. The seventh? He rested. We need rest. Without it, we'll exhaust ourselves before our time.

Have you rested yet? You still have time. It's not here yet. But it's on its way, and it'll be here before you know it. Let there be no doubt, it's in the air.

So rest while you can. You've heard it said, there's no rest for the wicked. We'll, we may not be wicked per se, but our period of rest, our vacation, it's just about over.

And then ...

Then it'll be here. It'll come like the bulls in Spain, like the water over Niagara Falls, like the sunrise on Sunday morning.

And when it comes, there'll be no time to rest. There is no respite. With the exception of Christmas Day, maybe Christmas Eve, when we'll have a day to catch our collective breath. But other than that, it'll be here. It'll be on.

No rest. Not for us.

Because it's coming.

(See STORM, page four)



## P'BURG 11-12-YEAR-OLD SOFTBALL ALL-STARS

**BACK FROM STATE:** The Prestonsburg 11-12-year-old softball All-Star team arrived back home earlier in the week after competing in the State Tournament in Russell Springs. Facing some of the state's top teams, Prestonsburg dropped three games. Adair County defeated the Prestonsburg team 12-0 in an opener. North Oldham outlasted Prestonsburg 13-10. In another tournament game, Woodford County prevailed 8-2 over Prestonsburg. Enjoying a breakout season, the Prestonsburg 11-12-year-old All-Stars had a successful run through the district tournament. Tiffany Wertz (pictured batting in a State Tournament game) ranked as one of the Prestonsburg team's leading players. Jamie Howell and Kenny Scarberry coached the Prestonsburg 11-12-year-old All-Stars.



## Kinzer finishes 10th at Southern Nationals Series race at Cherokee Speedway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GAFFNEY, SC - Allen driver Brandon Kinzer claimed a 10th-place finish Tuesday night in the O'Reilly Southern Nationals Series race at Cherokee Speedway. Chris Madden recorded his second straight win in the series, outlasting Jonathan Davenport to the finish line. One night earlier, Madden claimed a win at Wythe Raceway in Rural Retreat, Va.

Forty cars were entered in the second of 10 series races.

Results of O'Reilly Southern Nationals Series Event No. 2 of 10 at Cherokee Speedway follow: 1. (1) Chris Madden, \$3,500; 2. (2) Jonathan Davenport, \$2,000; 3. (3)

Dennis Franklin, \$1,000; 4. (6) Benji Colc, \$800; 5. (5) Eddie Carrier, Jr., \$700; 6. (7) Ricky Weeks, \$600; 7. (15) Tony Knowles, \$575; 8. (20) Royce Bray, \$550; 9. (18) Shane Tankersley, \$525; 10. (16) Brandon Kinzer, \$500; 11. (4) Randy Weaver, \$480; 12. (23) John Blankenship, \$470; 13. (14) Brian Booze, \$460; 14. (9) Anthony White, \$450; 15. (21) Josh McGuire, \$440; 16. (8) Furman Parton, \$430; 17. (17) Rick Rogers, \$420; 18. (19) Chesley Dixon, \$410; 19. (12) Jeremy Clements, \$400; 20. (24) Casey Vitale, \$390; 21. (13) Mike Duvall, \$380; 22. (22) Jake Harrell, \$370; 23. (10) Damon Eller, \$360; 24. (11) G.R. Smith, \$350.

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## P'burg baseball program holds annual banquet

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - The Prestonsburg High School baseball program held its annual banquet Tuesday night at the Mountain Arts Center. Prestonsburg, which made a move to a new field during the 2007 season, celebrated a campaign that included a 58th District runner-up finish and an appearance in the 15th Region Tournament. The Blackcats, under the guidance of head coach Bob Shepherd, finished the season 15-16. Allen Central defeated the Blackcats 6-1 in the 58th District championship game. Pikeville edged Prestonsburg 5-3 in the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament. Prestonsburg ranked as one of the 15th Region's hottest teams during the second half of the season. The Blackcats ended

the campaign with the region's sixth-best record.

The following Prestonsburg players earned individual honors at the banquet:

Josh Rodebaugh - Most Outstanding Offensive Player.

Nathaniel Stephens - Best Defensive Player.

Dustin Fitch - 100-Percent Award

Chris Schoolcraft - Most Outstanding Pitcher.

Bobby Hughes - Mr. Hustle.

In addition, Fitch was honored as the team's lone senior. Finishline Catering catered the banquet, which included 19 PHS players.



Josh Rodebaugh was named the Most Outstanding Offensive Player during the annual Prestonsburg High School baseball banquet held Tuesday night. This year's banquet was held at the Mountain Arts Center. More photos from the banquet appear inside today's edition.

## East Kentucky Miners website launched

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

PIKEVILLE - Fans of the East Kentucky Miners can now find the professional basketball team online at its official Internet home. The official website of the East Kentucky Miners, www.ckminers.com, has been launched. By visiting the site, fans can access current and past press releases in addition to obtaining other in-depth information. While various portions of the website remain under construction, www.ckminers.com continues to be updated daily. When construction is complete, the official East Kentucky Miners website will allow those visiting the site the opportunity to obtain vast information about the expansion CBA team.

"Our website will be the best place to get the latest info on Miners Basketball as well as all of our off-court activities," said East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley. "It's first class and I

(See WEBSITE, page four)

## UK leads nation in men's basketball attendance - again

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Just as fans routinely pack Rupp Arena to watch the Wildcats play, Kentucky annually leads the nation in average attendance. The NCAA's recently compiled attendance figures from this past season reveal that in 2006-07, for the 11th time in 12 years, UK's average crowd of 23,421 led all of Division I men's basketball.

It marks the 19th time in the 31-year history of Rupp Arena that Kentucky has had the top attendance figure. A total of 374,737 fans passed through the turnstiles in downtown Lexington for 16 Wildcat games during the 2006-07 season. Syracuse, with an average crowd of 21,516, was second, followed by North Carolina (20,693), Tennessee (19,661) and Louisville (18,488).

Nationally, a record 27.7 million attended Division I men's games last season, an average of 5,548 per game. The Southeastern Conference was second among all conferences in average attendance, drawing 11,972 fans, behind only the Big Ten's 12,760 average.



# COLLEGE FOOTBALL: Cards picked to finish second in BIG EAST

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

NEWPORT, R.I. — For the second straight season, the University of Louisville was picked to finish second in the BIG EAST Conference football standings in a pre-season poll of media representatives who cover the league teams on a regular basis during the conference's 2007 media day activities on Tuesday. West Virginia was tabbed as the league favorite by the media earning 20 of

the 24 first-place votes in the preseason poll.

Louisville was picked to finish second, receiving three first-place votes. In 2006, the Cardinals won their first BIG EAST title by finishing with a 6-1 league mark. The UofL earned the conference's automatic BCS bid and went to the FedEx Orange Bowl where the Cardinals defeated Wake Forest 24-13. Louisville registered a 12-1 overall record and finished sixth in the final

Associated Press Poll and seventh in the final USA Today Poll. Steve Kragthorpe begins his first season as head coach in '07 and returns a talented corps of players led by senior quarterback and Heisman Trophy candidate Brian Brohm.

West Virginia received 20 of a possible 24 first-place votes in the preseason poll. Last season, the Mountaineers — under the guidance of head coach Rich Rodriguez — posted an 11-2

overall record and a 5-2 mark in BIG EAST play. WVU defeated Georgia Tech 38-35 in the Gator Bowl and finished the season ranked 10th in both the final Associated Press and USA Today Polls. The Mountaineers return 18 starters, including nine on offense. Among those returning are a pair of Heisman hopefuls — junior quarterback Patrick White and junior running back Steve Slaton. Rutgers was selected to

finish third in the league and received the other first-place vote. Coach Greg Schiano's Scarlet Knights won the program's first bowl game in '06 — a 37-10 victory over Kansas State in the Texas Bowl. RU finished 11-2 overall and 5-2 in league play. The Scarlet Knights finished 12th in both of the final national polls. In '07, Rutgers returns seven starters on offense and six more on defense. The Scarlet Knights possess one of the

nation's top offensive threats in junior tailback Ray Rice — another Heisman hopeful in the BIG EAST.

- BIG EAST FOOTBALL PRESEASON POLL**
1. West Virginia
  2. Louisville
  3. Rutgers
  4. USF
  5. Cincinnati
  6. Pittsburgh
  7. Connecticut
  8. Syracuse

## Website

encourage all basketball fans to bookmark the site as one of the places they visit on a daily basis."

The East Kentucky Miners, an expansion team in the Continental Basketball Association (CBA), value fans and their support. In addition to game coverage, the East Kentucky team's website will feature the latest information concerning upcoming events such as team appearances, youth basketball camps and community outings.

"I'm very pleased with the layout of www.ekminers.com and think fans will appreciate the effort we have put into it," Keathley added. The entire Miners organization has made a

commitment to being involved in communities throughout East Kentucky. Having a strong presence in Pikeville and other East Kentucky communities is a top priority for the professional basketball organization.

Ticket, sponsor and contact information along with dance team details are among the other features currently in the process of being updated on the recently-launched East Kentucky Miners site.

The Store portion of the East Kentucky Miners website will be fully-functional at a later date. Once up and running, the Store portion will allow Miners fans the opportunity to view and purchase team merchandise.

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## TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley joins former University of Kentucky standout and NBA World Champion Tayshaun Prince on this week's edition of Kenny & Kenny Sports Show Plus, a one-hour syndicated radio program that airs on stations throughout Kentucky. The upcoming show will air on many radio stations around the state July 20-22.

Prince, who starred at the University of Kentucky, remains one of the leading players for the NBA's Detroit Pistons. He was a key member of Detroit's 2004 NBA title team.

# Keathley joins Prince on Kenny & Kenny Sports Show Plus

"I have a great amount of respect for Tayshaun Prince," Keathley commented Tuesday afternoon after taping his segment on the syndicated radio program. "Tayshaun is one of the greatest University of Kentucky basketball players of all-time. When thinking of Tayshaun, I fondly remember Kentucky's game against North Carolina in 2001 and the tremendous effort he gave, hitting five consecutive three-pointers and scoring 31 points."

During his appearance on the popular Kenny and Kenny show, Keathley fielded questions from co-hosts Kenny Rice and Kenny "Sky" Walker, two longtime Kentucky sports figures. The East Kentucky Miners mentor and the co-hosts

discussed Kentucky's newest professional sports franchise and the CBA (Continental Basketball Association).

"It was a lot of fun talking East Kentucky Miners Basketball with Kenny Rice and Kenny "Sky" Walker," Keathley added.

The East Kentucky Miners will begin play in the CBA later this year. Headquartered in Pikeville, the East Kentucky professional basketball franchise continues to gain fans, building a strong fanbase to go along with its stout foundation.

Locally, the Kenny & Kenny Sports Show Plus, airs each Sunday at 7 p.m. on Q95 FM (WQHY).

## Storm

Soon, the talk won't be about NASCAR. It won't be about Barry Bonds chasing Hank Aaron, about Junior Griffey staying healthy or Michael Vick and his dog pound.

We'll still keep an eye out for them — well, at least on Griffey and maybe the boys turning left on Sundays — but they'll take a step back. They'll be on the inside pages, the back page, the C block and not the lead story.

We'll care, just not as much. Why? Because it'll be here then. And when it comes, it'll be about all we can handle for 10 more months.

It'll be here, and it'll be here soon. It's coming. It's on the way. It's like Johnny Cash sang, "I hear that train a-coming, it's rollin' around the bend."

It's on its way. It'll be here before you know it. You'll wake up one morning not expecting it, maybe not prepared for it, but by that evening, it'll be upon you. You'll think you aren't ready, aren't rested

up from the last time, but it'll be too late for rest then.

Because it'll be here. And when it gets here, it'll be on.

If you listen, listen real close, you can hear it coming. It's on its way. You can hear the rumble if you pay close enough attention. It's almost here. It is, as they say, nigh.

So enjoy what's left of the break. It won't last long. The natives, as they say, are getting restless. The seas are churning. The clouds are swirling.

And if you listen real close, you can hear it off in the distance.

It's coming. It's not here yet, but it's on its way. What's coming?

The storm. It's brewing. It's approaching. It's coming.

It'll begin with our Super Bowl and run through the cold winter nights and into the warm air of spring. It'll be here soon.

The storm is coming.

It's almost here. If you listen, maybe you too can hear.

Because it's coming. And it's coming soon. I'll see you then. I'll see you there.

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ATLANTA — Brandon Phillips was happy when he thought he was getting a day off, and ready when the Cincinnati Reds needed him the most.

Phillips' two-run single off rookie Jose Ascanio in the 15th inning gave the Reds a 5-4 victory over the Braves on Wednesday and their first three-game sweep in Atlanta since April 1990.

"There's never a day off in the National League," said Phillips, who entered the game as a pinch hitter in the ninth before taking his usual spot at second base. "I didn't even take any batting practice. I've learned my lesson."

Phillips' hit drove in Norris Hopper and Ken Griffey Jr. and helped the Reds improve to 8-3 in their last 11 games. Hopper reached on second baseman Kelly Johnson's error to lead off the inning and Griffey singled to right with one out.

"I was just trying to hit the ball up the middle," Phillips said. "He left one hanging, and I was lucky enough to hit it up the middle."

Ascanio (0-1), the seventh Atlanta pitcher, gave up two hits and two unearned runs in two innings. The Braves have lost three straight.

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out the CBA. "Jamario is a unique talent that I was glad to have in

Jeff Francoeur singled in Andruw Jones to cut it to 5-4 in the bottom half of the 15th. Atlanta went on to put runners on first and second with two outs but Michael Gosling (1-0) struck out pinch-hitter Kyle Davies, a starting pitcher, to end the game.

Cincinnati employed an unusual defense in the 10th to extinguish a Braves rally.

With Chipper Jones standing on third with one out and Francoeur about to hit, Reds interim manager Pete Mackanin moved center fielder Ryan Freel in front of the bag at second, and the strategy paid off.

Phillips made a leaping catch of Francoeur's liner before throwing to third baseman Jeff Keppinger to force out Jones, who had moved down the line to score the winning run. Jones' RBI double earlier in the inning off David Weathers tied it at 3.

"When I hit it, I thought the game was over," Francoeur said. "He got it, and that stunned me. And then of course he threw out Chipper. It was like a nightmare, and then the game went on for another two hours. As the game went on, it didn't seem like we were supposed to win."

Scott Hatteberg gave the Reds a 3-2 lead with an RBI single off Tyler Yates in the 10th.

Rafael Soriano came in to pitch the eighth and wasted a strong start by Braves right-hander John Smoltz, who was activated from the 15-day disabled list before the game after he missed one turn in the rotation with right shoulder inflammation.

The Braves were leading 1-0 when Smoltz left for a pinch hitter, but Adam Dunn hit a two-run drive off Soriano for his 26th homer.

"I was basically just trying to get a pitch to hit and get on base," Dunn said. "I wasn't trying to hit a home run."

Smoltz struck out a season-high 11, allowing just five hits and two walks in seven innings. The right-hander now has 41 career games with 10 or more strikeouts. His previous double-digit game was Aug. 21, when he had 10 in a 3-0 win over Pittsburgh.

"I mentally was as good as I've ever been," Smoltz said. "The physical part will kick back in when I get in the five-day routine."

Aaron Harang allowed two runs and 10 hits in 7 2-3 innings for Cincinnati. He struck out eight and walked two. The last batter he faced, Francoeur, made it 2-2 with a sacrifice fly to score Andruw Jones.

"Those games are great to win," Mackanin said, "but you hate them when you lose."

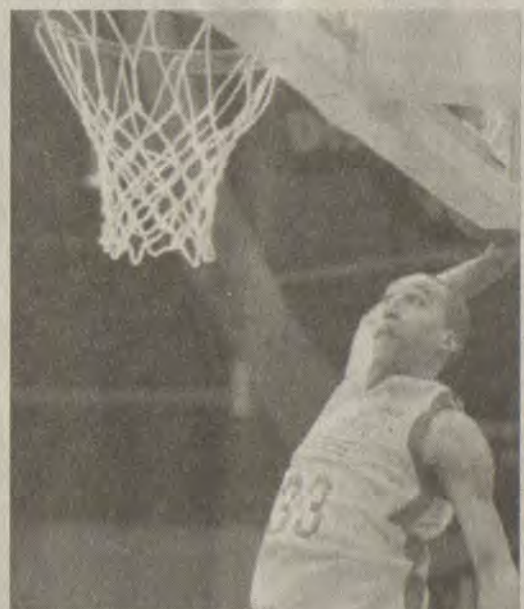


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Former Kentucky Colonels Jamario Moon has signed a two-year deal with the NBA's Toronto Raptors. First-year East Kentucky Miners head coach Kevin Keathley coached Moon during his stint with the Colonels.

# Bengals extend contract with Georgetown College

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals on Tuesday extended their training camp agreement for another year and will train at Georgetown

College in Georgetown, Ky., through 2008.

"We believe a traditional training camp environment is still the best way to get our team prepared for the challenges that the NFL season presents," said head coach Marvin Lewis.

The Bengals have trained in Georgetown since 1997.

Players and coaches are scheduled to report July 26, with the teams first practice the following day.

# Warriors re-sign former Wildcat Azubuikwe

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OAKLAND, Calif. — The Golden State Warriors re-signed guard Kelenna Azubuikwe on Tuesday.

Azubuikwe played in 41 games with Golden State as a

rookie last season, starting nine times while averaging 7.1 points and 2.3 rebounds. The Warriors picked up the former Kentucky player in January from the NBA Development League, which he led with 26 points per game at the time of

his callup. Azubuikwe also played on the Warriors' summer league team in Las Vegas earlier in the month, averaging 21 points, 6.0 rebounds and 2.5 assists in two games.

# IN THE DOGHOUSE: Vick to miss opening day of training camp next week

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RICHMOND, Va. — This much we know: Michael Vick won't be on the field when the Atlanta Falcons open training camp next Thursday. He'll be in a federal courtroom.

What happens after that was anyone's guess, and there

was no shortage of opinions.

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For the time being, that's what the NFL intends to do with the star quarterback — let him play.

After consulting with the

Falcons, commissioner Roger Goodell and top league officials agreed to let the legal process determine the facts.

ONLINE: To read Michael Vick's indictment, go online to www.floydcountytimes.com.



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Tori Nairn (Prestonsburg 11-12-year-Old Softball All-Stars)



# MSU re-establishes women's golf program, names Stephanie Baker head coach

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**MOREHEAD** — Morehead State University has re-established its women's golf program and has named Stephanie Baker, former professional golfer and experienced collegiate coach, Women's Head Golf Coach. After a year to recruit, fill a roster and complete a schedule, Baker's team will begin competition in 2008-09.

The Eagles last competed in women's golf in 1981-82 and 1982-83. Baker, who comes to MSU after six seasons as women's head golf coach at the University of Kentucky, will be only the second women's head golf coach in the University's history.

"Coach Baker is widely recognized as a top recruiter and teacher of golf," said MSU Director of Athletics Brian Hutchinson. "Her eight

years experience as a head coach at the Division I level will certainly aid our infant program in its re-establishment.

"Stephanie's personality and work ethic are great fits for our efforts in MSU athletics."

During her tenure at Kentucky, Baker's Wildcat squads consistently finished among the nation's top 60 teams. Her teams captured three tournament titles, and three UK individuals won tournament individual titles. The 2005 Kentucky team was one of the finest in school history, finishing in the top-five in five of its 10 regular season tournaments.

Twenty of her Wildcat players earned Southeastern Conference All-Academic Team honors and two were named Academic All-America. Under Baker's tutelage, Beth Felts became

UK's first-ever SEC Golfer of the Week and also was named Southeastern Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year.

"I am extremely honored and excited to be selected as the new Morehead State women's head golf coach," Baker said. "The chance to build a team into one of the top programs in the conference is an incredible opportunity and something I have dreamed of doing."

"I am very impressed with Morehead State University and the community, as well as the athletic department. The vision and commitment to all of the programs that Brian (Hutchinson) has communicated to me was an important factor in my decision. It will be a privilege to work with everyone at the University and in the community."

Before joining the Kentucky coaching staff, Baker was named 2001 Big

Sky Conference Women's Golf Coach of the Year after leading Cal State-Northridge to a second-place finish in the Big Sky, the school's best finish since the program was re-established in 1996.

Prior to joining the coaching ranks, she played professionally on the LPGA, Australian, Futures and European LPGA Tours. She posted two top-20 finishes on the European Tour, two top-25 finishes on the Australian Tour and two top-40 finishes on the LPGA Tour. In 1995, she was a qualifier for both the Women's U.S. Open and the Women's British Open. She has been a member of the LPGA teaching division since 1996. Baker won the 1996 Colorado Open.

A native of Carmel, Calif., and a graduate of Oklahoma State University (1994), Baker was a four-time NCAA Championships qualifier for

the OSU women's golf program. She earned First-Team All-America honors and was a three-time Academic All-America honoree. As a junior in 1992, she received the Edith Cummings Munson Award, which is given to the First-Team All-America golfer with the highest grade point average (3.67). After her senior season in 1993, she was named OSU Woman Athlete of the Year and Woman Athlete of the Year for the state of Oklahoma. In her four-year college career, Baker placed in the top-10 in 23 of 44 tournaments and finished in the top-five in all four of her Big VII Championships. She currently ranks fourth in all-time single-season scoring average at the school.

Baker was a member of the Rio Mesa High School (Oxnard, Calif.) boy's golf team. She led the team to two

conference championships and won the Southern California High School Championship in 1989.

In addition to the bachelor's degree she earned at Oklahoma State, Baker recently completed a master's degree in kinesiology and health promotion at Kentucky. She and her husband, Jamie, have three children, Alec Lee, Zack and Bailee. The Barkers will be relocating to the Morehead area.

As with the Eagle men's golf team, the MSU women will practice and host tournaments at Eagle Trace Golf Course in Morehead. The University recently purchased the championship layout which opened in 1995 and has hosted the men's state amateur championship, the women's state amateur championship and the Kentucky boy's high school championship.

## Gillispie to host final camp of year

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**LEXINGTON** — There is just one session of the Billy Gillispie Basketball Camps remaining for the summer of 2007. The final session of the summer is an overnight camp, to be held July 29-Aug. 2, 2007 on the campus of the University of Kentucky.

The camp will provide participants the opportunity to develop their

skills on the basketball court in a team setting through skill development stations, daily competitions and league games. The camp stresses the importance of team play while allowing campers to develop a positive attitude and instill confidence in himself as a player and a person.

Campers will have the opportunity to play in the Joe Craft Center, the new \$30 million practice facility of the Kentucky Basketball program and have the opportunity to tour Rupp Arena and the UK Basketball

Museum.

For more information on the final session of the summer, potential campers should call 859/257-1916. Online registration is available at [www.ukathletics.com](http://www.ukathletics.com). Those visiting the UK site should click on Camps. Enrollment is limited.

Billy Gillispie, one of the nation's top college basketball coaches, is headed into his first season at the helm of the UK men's basketball program.

## Woodson to work Elite 11 Camp

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**LEXINGTON** — University of Kentucky senior quarterback Andre' Woodson will be a guest coach at the EA Sports Elite 11 quarterback camp in California on July 22-24.

The camp showcases some of the nation's top high school quarterbacks who are entering their senior season. Other college quarterbacks who are helping coach at the camp include Chase Daniel (Missouri), Colt Brennan (Hawaii), Nate Longshore (California), Chad Henne (Michigan), and Bobby Reid (Oklahoma State).

Woodson attended the EA Sports

Elite 11 camp following his junior year in high school, along with other quarterbacks such as JaMarcus Russell, who went on to LSU and became the No. 1 pick in the NFL Draft, and Chris Leak, who won the national championship at Florida. Woodson is looking forward to the event and hopes to be a positive influence on the high school players.

"It's a chance to help the guys with their footwork, where to position the ball, where to release the ball, things like that," Woodson said. "We watch film with them and give them tips on what to look for and what plays work. It's also a chance to build relationships with the other quarterbacks."

Kentucky Football Calendar:

Wednesday, July 25 — SEC Football Media Days in Birmingham, Ala.

Thursday, July 26 — Governor's Cup luncheon/news conference.

Saturday, July 28 — Women's Football Clinic; cost is \$50 per person, call 859/257-3611.

Tuesday, July 31 — Kickoff Luncheon, presented by Kroger, at Radisson Plaza Hotel; individual tickets are available for \$30 by calling Leslie Bray at 859/257-2589.

Thursday, Aug. 2 — Players report. Friday, Aug. 3 — UK Media Day at Commonwealth Stadium; first team practice.

Saturday, Aug. 4 — Fan Day at

## Single-game tickets available for four Wildcat FB games

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**LEXINGTON** — Single-game tickets for Kentucky's home football games against Eastern Kentucky (Sept. 1), Kent State (Sept. 8), Florida Atlantic (Sept. 29), and Mississippi State (Oct. 27, Homecoming) are now available for purchase.

Single-game tickets cost \$30 each and may be purchased: via the internet at [Ticketmaster.com](http://Ticketmaster.com) over the phone at 800-928-CATS or (859) 257-1818

in-person at the Joe Craft Center ticket office; open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Season tickets still available: UK season tickets — for what might be the most exciting home schedule in America — are still available.

Sideline season tickets for the eight games are \$248 each and end zone season tickets cost \$199.

UK's 2007 home schedule includes games against Southeastern Conference opponents LSU, Florida, Mississippi State, and Tennessee, along with non-conference games versus Eastern Kentucky, Kent State, Louisville, and Florida Atlantic.

The home schedule includes: Six opponents that won at least six games last year (Eastern Kentucky, Kent State, Louisville, LSU, Florida, Tennessee).

Four teams that are receiving pre-season Top-25 mention (Louisville, LSU, Florida, Tennessee).

Three teams that won BCS bowl games last season (Louisville, LSU, Florida)

The defending national champion (Florida).

Two opponents coached by former UK players (Doug Martin at Kent State, Howard Schnellenberger at Florida Atlantic).

Annual events such as Military Appreciation Day (Kent State game), UK Athletics Hall of Fame Day (Florida Atlantic game), Homecoming (Mississippi State game) and Senior Day (Tennessee game).

Season ticket sales surging: With the enthusiasm created by UK's eight wins and Music City Bowl championship from last year, along with the sparkling home schedule, season-ticket sales for 2007 are up significantly. Wildcat fans have accounted for almost 45,000 season tickets, an increase of more than 17 percent from a year ago. Those numbers will continue to increase with six weeks remaining until the opening kickoff.

## Former Boyd County standout signs with Pikeville College

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**PIKEVILLE** — A former Boyd County standout will take her game to the collegiate level next year at Pikeville College.

Kendra Badgett, a 6-0 forward who was a member of the Class of 2007, has signed a letter of intent to play for the Lady Bears.

Badgett was a three-year starter for the Lady Lions and finished her

career with 967 points and 545 rebounds. As a senior, the two-time all-district and all-area standout averaged 10 points and seven rebounds a game.

"We're very excited to have Kendra in the fold," said Coach Bill Watson of Pikeville College. "She's a talented player and we believe her better days could still be ahead of her on the basketball court. Her size and athleticism will be valuable assets for

her at our level."

Badgett lettered at Boyd County for five seasons.

Badgett will be one of 10 newcomers added to a revamped Lady Bear roster from last season. Those players, along with the return of senior Heather Dillon-English, will mean a new look for the Lady Bears in the 2007-08 season.

**Pikeville College women's basketball coach Bill Watson has added another player to his program. Watson recently signed former Boyd County High School standout Kendra Badgett. Badgett scored nearly 1,000 points during her high school career. The Boyd County standout also pulled down over 500 rebounds during her prep stint.**



Prestonsburg High School baseball players were honored Tuesday night during the Blackcat program's annual banquet. Chris Schoolcraft (Above) earned the team's Most Outstanding Pitcher Award. Additional honorees are pictured below.



Nathaniel Stephens: Best Defensive Player.



Bobby Hughes: Mr. Hustle.



Dustin Fitch: 110-Percent Award.

## Paintsville natives to meet as coaches in college exhibition game

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

Campbellsville University will play the University of Arkansas in a men's basketball exhibition game on Nov. 6 in Fayetteville, Ark. The game, which will be played in Bud Walton Arena, will be the first-ever meeting between the two schools.

Kentucky native John Pelphrey coaches Arkansas. He was a high school teammate of Campbellsville Coach Keith Adkins at Paintsville. Pelphrey graduated from Paintsville High School in 1987. Adkins is a 1988 graduate. The game time will be announced at a later date.

Pelphrey took over the University

of Arkansas men's basketball program earlier in the year. He spent the past five years as the head coach at South Alabama. After going 14-14 in 2003, 12-16 in 2004 and 10-18 in 2005, his 2006 squad had the best turnaround in the nation, finishing 24-7. USA won the Sun Belt Conference West Division title and the tournament championship to give the Jaguars their first NCAA Tournament bid since 1998. This past season, despite losing his top three scorers from 2005, USA went 20-12 and won the Sun Belt regular season title at 13-5 before losing in the finals of the conference tournament and then falling at Syracuse, 79-73, in a first-round NIT game.

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# Struggles behind him, Gordon off to best start in years

by MIKE HARRIS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Just two years ago, Jeff Gordon and his famed No. 24 Hendrick Motorsports team were struggling, his crew chief was on the verge of leaving and doubts were beginning to creep into the mind of the four-time NASCAR champion.

All that is behind him now as Gordon is just past halfway through one of his best seasons yet. And that fifth championship may be there for the taking.

After 19 of 36 races this season, Gordon has four wins — tied with teammate Jimmie Johnson for the most in the Nextel Cup series — 12 top fives, 17 top 10s and has been leading the points since Bristol, the fifth race of the season.

Not even being docked 100 points by NASCAR after his team was caught with unapproved front fenders last month at Sonoma has slowed him down. Enjoying a rare weekend

off for the Cup series, Gordon leads runner-up Denny Hamlin by 303 points.

That's a long way from where Gordon and his team were midway through the 2005 season.

After finishing no worse than ninth — and posting eight top-four finishes, including all four of his championships — during the previous 11 seasons, Gordon slipped to 11th in the points that year. He started strong, winning three of the first nine races, but was barely competitive with the top teams the rest of the way.

Late in the season, Robby Loomis, who was Gordon's crew chief for his fourth title in 2001, left to rejoin Petty Enterprises. Longtime team member Steve Letarte was promoted to crew chief and worked with Gordon through the final 10 races of 2005, trying to get their magic back.

Gordon acknowledges he wondered at times if his skills had slipped,

"Sometimes you wonder, 'OK, have I gotten the best out of my career? Do I not have maybe what some of these other young guys have? Am I not pushing hard enough? What is it?'"

"But there's also that little bit inside there of confidence, of winning four championships and winning 70-plus races that you're constantly searching to try to get that back and get that feel that you're looking for," Gordon said. "I think what happened to us is we got a little bit off on our game. (So) we started focusing on what was working at Hendrick so well with Jimmie and the other teams that we said 'Well maybe we need to do that to go faster.'"

The chemistry between Gordon and Letarte, who is halfway through a six-race suspension for the Sonoma violation, was almost instantaneous.

"I've been around the Hendrick team for a long time and Jeff and I were already friends," Letarte said.

"It was just a matter of learning what works for both of us and continuing to develop the communication."

"Working with a driver that has Jeff Gordon's talent is a privilege. Getting him back up front was just a matter of giving him what he needed to go fast."

One thing that has worked particularly well for the Gordon-Letarte combination is figuring out how to get the most out of Gordon's driving style with the ever-evolving cars and constantly changing tires.

"You'll hear some guys say they drive off the right rear (tire) and some guys drive off the right front," Gordon said. "So, when you see your teammate running really fast (and) doing well, then you go 'Well just put what he has in' and that doesn't always work and that's what I think we really started to learn just before Robby left and when Steve came in."

"Jimmie's car is set up looser and it's just because that's the way he drives it. I can make my car tighter and

still go just as fast and, this year, I think we've been able to prove that and that's why we focus on what's working for us and using the general information from all the other teams that they're learning to go faster and make the cars better and applying it to our setups and my driving style."

While his big lead will melt away with the start of NASCAR's 10-race Chase for the championship in September, Gordon is confident that he and his team can carry their momentum to the end.

"I think that we just try to always find the areas that we can be better, whether it's the performance of the cars, whether it's our pit crew, whether it's a feel that I'm looking for or something that I'm doing as a driver," Gordon said. "And I think, most of all, it's just great communication with a lot of great people that have stepped up and brought a great chemistry within this team onto the race week in and week out."

## NASCAR field catching up with Hendrick Motorsports team

by CHRIS JENKINS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

JOLIET, Ill. — Hendrick Motorsports is still the 800-horsepower gorilla in the NASCAR garage area. However they've slipped in recent weeks, and the rest of the field is starting to catch up.

Under normal circumstances, it wouldn't be a big deal that one team has been shut out of victory lane for five consecutive races. That's a relatively short stretch in a 36-race season.

But the first half of the 2007 Nextel Cup season has been anything but normal for Hendrick Motorsports, as drivers Jeff Gordon, Jimmie Johnson, Kyle Busch and Casey Mears combined to win a stunning 10 of the first 14 races.

Gordon still leads the points standings by 303 points going into the off weekend, but Johnson slipped three spots to seventh after his hard crash at Chicagoland Speedway on Sunday — the latest in a series of speed bumps for Hendrick that might indicate that the rest of the pack is catching up.

Gordon said Tony Stewart's win for Joe Gibbs Racing on Sunday is a reminder that despite Hendrick's early dominance, the season is anything but over.

"You know that some team is going to step it up, and by getting them a win, that's just going to give them some momentum," Gordon said. "Right now, we're leading the points, but we've got to be better for sure."

Gordon was frustrated by his ninth-place finish on Sunday, as he and the No. 24 team couldn't quite get his car to handle properly — a byproduct, perhaps, of the recent NASCAR suspension handed

down to Gordon's crew chief, Steve Letarte.

Gordon and Johnson both will be without their crew chiefs for three more races because their cars failed a NASCAR technical inspection at Infineon Raceway last month.

This is nothing new for Johnson's No. 48 team, which has shown in the past that they can rally without having crew chief Chad Knaus at the track. But this is fairly new territory for Gordon's No. 24 team.

Gordon said he was "frustrated" after the Chicago race, which he won last year.

"We just really struggled on getting the balance on the car and getting the grip that we needed and we were pretty much a ninth or 10th-place car," Gordon said.

That's not the only problem facing Hendrick. While team owner Rick Hendrick pulled off one of the biggest free-agent coups in NASCAR history by landing Dale Earnhardt Jr. for next season, the move created a lame-duck driver, Busch, who is beginning to become a distraction.

Busch criticized his teammates for not helping him win at Daytona two weeks ago, and continued his criticism throughout last weekend. On Friday, he said he felt alienated from his teammates. On Saturday, he second-guessed a strategy decision by his Busch Series team.

His teammates aren't amused.

"Hopefully, as he moves into a new team, he can grow and do the right things to have a very promising and successful career," Johnson said. "I really think he's probably one of the fastest guys on the track week in and week out, but he just needs to grow a little bit and mature in some other areas to be a team leader and kind of

have some stability in his racing career."

As the Hendrick team tries to overcome some struggles, other teams are finding their stride.

Stewart broke a 20-race winless streak on Sunday, but he didn't seem to think the fact that it took him so long to win was an indication that his team had fallen far behind Hendrick or any other team.

"It just goes in cycles," Stewart said. "If it was a situation where we couldn't run up front and there were two or three teams that had stuff figured out and we couldn't compete with them and we were running 20th or 30th every week and couldn't figure out what to do to get in the top five again, then you would be worried about not winning races."

And, after an uncharacteristically quiet first half from Roush Fenway Racing, driver Carl Edwards believes the team has gained on Hendrick in recent weeks.

"Obviously, the Hendrick cars and the Chevys got off to an unbelievable start," Edwards said. "I think we've been working really hard and we've been gaining a little ground. I feel like we had a car that could win the last five races, or something, which is way better than the beginning of the season — I didn't feel like that. So hopefully it continues and by 10 races to go we'll be even better."

But catching Hendrick is one thing. Passing them is another.

Roush Fenway driver Matt Kenseth is third in points entering the weekend, but he still believes they have some work to do to catch Hendrick.

"I feel like we're still just a little bit off to be able to beat them every week — that's how I feel myself," Kenseth said. "But we're getting closer."



photo courtesy of Kentucky Speedway

Veteran driver Mike Skinner was all smiles in Victory Lane Saturday night following a hard-fought win at Kentucky Speedway. Skinner and his crew rank as one of NASCAR's top raceteams.

## FULL-THROTTLE: Drivers set to invade Bristol Dragway for Pinks All-Out

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Bristol Dragway will play host to a wide-range of personalities when 400 drivers descend on Thunder Valley for the filming of PINKS ALL OUT, today through Saturday.

Drivers will come from 17 states, and one driver will make the trip from Canada, to take part in an episode of the pressure-packed television reality show.

On Saturday, July 21, the drivers will make two qualifying runs in front of Rich Christensen and his crew from the PINKS. The PINKS team will compare times to determine the 16 cars with the closest performance numbers. The final group of cars will compete for the \$10,000 grand prize.

Mark Bronatzky, from Cavan, Ontario, will travel over 12 hours to represent his nation as the lone Canadian in the field.

Bronatzky is excited to race his car at Bristol Dragway, and looks forward to having a good time with his fellow drivers.

"I think getting together with 400 racers that just want to race their cars and have a good time is awesome," said Bronatzky. "Judging by pictures I have seen on the internet, the track looks like a great place to race and hang out."

Although he is excited about the trip, he isn't worried about failing to make the final cut. He's just glad to be in the show.

"I tried to race at other tracks, but the entries sold out too fast," he said. "I kept calling Bristol weeks in advance trying to get into the race. With this many drivers, making it into the final 16 cars will be like winning the lottery."

Bruce Greene, part of the Mopar Mob from Clifton Forge, Va., says he hopes someone from his group will make the race. With 12 cars entered in the event, chances are good that a Mob member will be racing on Saturday night.

"I feel the chances are very good of getting one car in the show," boasts Greene. "The PINKS people usually pick 10-second cars, so we have cars scattered throughout that time range in hopes of getting into the race."

Even if no one from the Mopar Mob is picked for the show, the group still will enjoy the atmosphere.

"I've been to tracks throughout the area and Bristol is the best around," said Greene. "It is a beautiful setting, and when you hear the cars fire up, you know why it's called Thunder Valley. Even the showers in the campground are great."

Another driver aiming to make the final round is Erwin's Jon Phillips. Phillips may have the most television experience of the drivers in the field. Phillips competed in a PINKS simulation at Bristol Dragway's Street Fights last season. He also participated in a filming of the original PINKS show, which aired earlier this year. In addition to

his PINKS appearance, Phillips just completed racing on ESPN's King of the Strip, scheduled for broadcast throughout the summer.

Phillips admits the television cameras can add to the intensity level of the event.

"The pressure is always on me to be the best driver I can be. Knowing that my sponsors, family, friends and complete strangers are watching increases that pressure significantly," said Phillips.

Phillips echoes his fellow competitors' sentiments about the venue at which he will be competing.

"I am lucky to live so close to Bristol Dragway," Phillips says. "Bristol, in my opinion, is one of the best facilities in the country. My wife and I have visited drag strips from Florida to Canada and out West, but none can compare to what Bristol and its staff has to offer."

While the competitor field is full, there still are tickets available for fans who want to take part in the filming of the exciting PINKS ALL OUT, where emotions can run high, and at times, low. Spectator tickets are only \$20. Children 12 and under will be admitted free.

A Test and Tune on Friday will give registered drivers the opportunity to make sure their cars are performing at top level. Spectators can see the action for \$10, with children 12 and under free. If fans want to see both days of racing, they can purchase a two-day combo ticket for only \$25.

## Labonte to sub for Waltrip in No. 55 at Indianapolis

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CORNELIUS, N.C. — Michael Waltrip Racing announced Wednesday that two-time Cup Series champion Terry Labonte will again step into the No. 55 Toyota for the Allstate 400 at the Brickyard at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

"While we've planned to bring Terry back for the Watkins Glen road course event, I felt having him in the car next weekend at Indianapolis would be a great opportunity for me to continue to evaluate my entire organization from an owner's perspective," Waltrip said.

"The feedback related to road-course racing that Terry was able to provide my team after Infineon Raceway was very valuable. We look forward to more of the same input after Indy."

Labonte piloted the No. 55 car last month at Infineon Raceway, where he started 25th and finished 35th.

"It felt good to get back in the car in Sonoma and while it wasn't the finish I had hoped to deliver to the guys at MWR and NAPA, I believe we learned quite a few things in which we can

build on," Labonte said.

Labonte has 11 starts at Indianapolis. His best finish came in 1996 when he finished third.

Waltrip returns to his No. 55 for the Pennsylvania 500 at Pocono on Aug. 5.

**Shepherd's crew chief fined for Chicago violations**

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — NASCAR announced Tuesday that Chad Beahr, crew chief of the No. 89 Dodge driven by Morgan Shepherd in the NASCAR Busch Series, has been fined due to rule violations this past weekend at Chicagoland Speedway.

Behr was fined \$1,000 for violating Sections 12-4-A (actions detrimental to stock car racing), 12-4-Q (car, car parts, components and/or equipment used that do not conform to NASCAR rules) and 20A-12.1A(8) (jacking bolt must be made of solid magnetic steel) of the 2007 NASCAR Busch Series Rule Book.

The infraction was discovered during opening-day inspection on July 1.

**Kvapil, Beam penalized for infractions on No. 6 truck**

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — NASCAR announced Tuesday that Mike Beam, crew chief for the No. 6 Ford in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series, has been fined \$10,000 for violating Section 12-4-A (actions detrimental to stock car racing), 12-4-Q (track parts, components or equipment that doesn't conform to NASCAR Rules) and 20B-12.8.1A (minimum roof height).

Driver Travis Kvapil has been penalized with the loss of 25 championship driver points and truck owner Jack Roush has been penalized 25 championship owner points due to their crew chief's infraction.

The infraction occurred during post-race inspection at Kentucky Speedway on July 14.

The penalty drops Kvapil, who was tied with Todd Bodine for third in the standings, to fourth at 313 points behind leader Mike Skinner.

## TURNING LANE: Gibbs grants Almirola release to drive for Ginn

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HUNTERSVILLE, N.C. — Joe Gibbs Racing has granted Aric Almirola his release, allowing the 23-year-old development driver to compete for Ginn Racing in select Nextel Cup Series and Busch Series races this year. Almirola will still compete for JGR in the five remaining Busch Series races that were a part of his original 2007 racing schedule. In 2008, Almirola's entire racing slate will come via Ginn Racing.

Almirola, a Tampa, Fla., native of Cuban descent, came to JGR via the diversity program founded by JGR owner Joe Gibbs and the late Reggie White. It's an initiative that traces its roots back to May

2003.

In partnership with White, a Hall of Fame defensive end who played in the National Football League, JGR formed the diversity program to create a grassroots stock car team that would identify and assist minorities with the desire and talent to make a career in motorsports. And in January 2004, the diversity program became reality, thanks in large part to the support of JGR's sponsors.

Almirola was one of JGR's first prospects.

Almirola began his JGR career driving a Late Model in the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series at the 4-mile Ace Speedway in Altamahaw, N.C., in 2004. After scoring two wins, six top-fives and 15 top-10s, Almirola traversed

the Southeast competing in regional Late Model races. By the end of 2005, Almirola was running a limited schedule in the Craftsman Truck Series, which led to a full-time Truck Series ride and a nine-race Busch Series schedule in 2006.

Three years after racing Late Model stock cars, Almirola had a slate of 18 Busch Series races and a handful of Nextel Cup races on tap for 2007.

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Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.

Auxiliary Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.

Ball Branch Regular Baptist Church, Mousesy Ky; Worship Service, 9:30; Every third Sat. and Sun. of each month; Roger Hicks, Pastor; Ralph Howard, Asst. Pastor. Contact Kemil Newsome 606-377-6881 for more information.

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, 888-3863, 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.

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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.

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

First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 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.

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Grethel Baptist, Slate Rt. 3379, (Brancham'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.

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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.

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

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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.

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#### Wheels/Misc

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**FOR SALE**  
 1996 OLDSMOBILE CUTLESS SUPREME, GOOD CONDITION, NEW TIRES, CD PLAYER ASKING \$3,200.00 CALL 285-4827 FOR MORE INFO.

**FOR SALE**  
 2002 Honda Shadow, 750 Ace Deluxe, Lots of chrome and extras, sharp pain, great condition. \$4300. After 5pm 886-0323.

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 1994 Lincon Contential, needs repair \$750.00. Call 886-1473

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 Submergible deep well Meyer pumps. Half 3 quarter and 1 horse power. Call 358-2000.

#### EMPLOYMENT

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

#### Job Listings

**Immediate Opening:** Local industrial distributor serving the mining industry requires the services of an experienced DELIVERY TRUCK DRIVER. Minimum Class B CDL required. M-F. Local Delivery. Competitive pay with excellent benefits, including: health, dental and life insurance, 401k and life insurance, and bonuses. High school grad preferred. Experience with a forklift is use-

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**JOB OPENING**  
 Office Manager for Home Sales Co. Bookkeeping, Loan Packaging, Payables, Payroll. Computer skills a must. Full time Mon-Fri. Bluegrass State Home Showcase, 3646 US 23 South, Banner, Ky 41603 606-874-1050.

**JOB OPENING**  
 Battery repairman needed, underground mining papers required. Pay depends on experience. Call 377-2032.

**JOB OPENING**  
 PT Truck Driver needed CDL W/air brake endorsement. Must be willing to learn how to repair mine batteries. Pay depends on experience. Call 377-2032 Mon-Fri 8am-4pm.

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 Mountain Manor of Painstville is taking applications for LPN positions. Excellent wages and benefits. Apply in person at 1025 Euclid Avenue, Painstville, Ky, Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

**JOB OPENING**  
 Baby sitter needed in Prestonsburg for 1 year old, must be available 11am-11pm 2 days per week and every other week. Friday and Saturday. Must have references and transportation. If interested call 889-8744 or 791-4723.

**JOB OPENING**  
 Mountain Manor of Painstville is taking applications for CNA positions. Excellent wages and benefits. Apply in person at 1025 Euclid Avenue, Painstville, Ky, Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

**JOB OPENING**  
 Legal Secretary at the Law Office of Larry D. Brown, 143 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg. If interested, please mail a resume to PO Box 550, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653. Experience preferred, but not required. Must be proficient on computer (Word and WordPerfect), friendly, work well with public, possess good communication skills and be organized. Sa;ary commensurate with skill level and experience.

**JOB OPENING**  
 100 Workers needed. Assemble crafts, wood items. To \$480/wk.

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 Company seeking caring staff to work with individual with mental retardations, developmental disabilities in a residential setting. Staff training will be provided. Benefits include 1week paid vacation and Holiday and Birthday bonus. Must be able to pass drug screen and criminal background check. To apply please call 606-946-2078 pr 606-377-1009.

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 Renos Roadhouse in Prestonsburg is now hiring for all positions. Shifts-Day and Night. Apply in person only.

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#### MERCHANDISE

**BOOK FOR SALE**  
 Korners of inspiration (A collaboration of Kim's Korner). Priority mail \$13.30, shipping UPS \$20.00, allow 2-4 weeks for delivery. To order send check or money order to Kim Frausre 955 Abbott Mountain Road Prestonsburg Ky 41653, or email klfrasure@bell-south.net

**BOOK FOR SALE**  
 A book by Donald Crisp "Growing up on Bucks Branch". In Floyd county, on sale now!!!! \$12.50 plus shipping and handling. Contact Donald at 285-3385.

#### Animals

**CKC Registered**  
 York, 14 weeks old black and tan, great with children, \$500. Call 606-874-2802

#### Yard Sale

**ESTATE SALE**  
 Nick-Nacks to Antiques. Complete 12 place setting of Havland and Sango china. 575 Mays Branch, Prestonsburg off Hwy 23 turn at Pizza Hut. 11:00 to 4:00, Friday and Saturday. Cash only. Bring a box.

**YARD SALE**  
 Huge yard sale! Items include: Fun home accessories, Home furnishing, Furniture, Outdoor

exercise equipment, Bicycle, moped, Portable ball goal, Pictures. Serious buyers only. 8:30-? Located at 475 Wood Land Hills off 114, Look for signs!

**YARD SALE**  
 4-6 family yard sale July 1-10 and August 1-10 at Wayland Kwik Mart parking lot.

#### Misc.

Wants to buy timber Call 452-2078 or 452-9511

#### REAL ESTATE

#### House's

**TWO HOUSES FOR SALE**  
 income producing property 2 BR house. \$550 per month. 3 BR house rented \$650 per month. Third rental unit can also be completed. Upstairs would rent for \$500 per month. Can see four lane from house property location at lvel, Ky. Call 437-6507 or 434-9008.

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 Beautiful newly built 2 story 3 BR, 3 Bath Capecod style home located directly off Rt. 80 just West of Martin. Home includes several exciting features such as hardwood flooring throughout, central vac, heated in ground pool. Property also has a nice 30x60 2 story building, another 1 story home is also located on the property which may serve as a great business location or rental. All for one price. Will not separate. Call 285-1450 for additional information or viewing.

**FOR SALE**  
 Morgan County 7 Acre farm with home 24x24, attached garage, 24x48 metal horse barn, pond, fenced pasture, back top drive way. Very nice call 743-1509

**FOR SALE**  
 2003 16x80 mobile home. Fire place, dishwasher, garden tub, walk in shower, shingle roof, gutters, used for short time. Good price. Central air. Located outside City limits. Call 886-2474

**GOOD PASTURE**  
 land available with two mares on site!! Will allow stud horses. Call 874-8979

**FOR SALE**  
 Special FHA finance program. \$0 down if you own land or use family land. We own the bank, your approved! Call 606-474-6380.

**FOR LEASE OR RENT**  
 Commercial building for rent. Approx. 1700 sq ft on left Hillside Center just before Mountain Arts Center. Owned by Ed Ousley (formal-

ly Curves) Available immediately call 886-2163.

**FOR SALE**  
 2001 26X72 Patreat MH and 2002 Buick Park Ave. 28,000 miles call 874-9289.

**FARM FOR SALE**  
 Looking for the perfect secluded place to hunt, hike, horse back ride, or just get away? Then this ones for you! First time offer for sale. 300 acres more or less. 2 miles off blacktop road on good gravel road. Located 20 miles North of Jackson, Ky 15 miles East of Campton and Lee city area of Wolf County off 205 just 3 miles from Mountain Parkway. Contains 3 barns, frame house, approx 75 acres cleared. A hunters paradise with lots of Turkey, Deer, Grouse, ponds, and natural springs. Many trails ready for 4-wheelers or horse back riding. All mineral rights, a great recreational area 7:00 pm. 606-725-5725 or 606-725-4771.

**FOR LEASE**  
 Established business, Prime location in Prestonsburg, 240 Front Rd. 791-3663.

**FOR LEASE**  
 2 BR Bath and 1/2 townhouse. Also, 1 BR apt located near Prestonsburg. No pets! Call 886-8991.

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 1 BR furnished APT for rent at Harold, utilities paid, rent \$475 per month plus deposit. completely furnished, call 437-1997 or 434-0050.

**FOR RENT**  
 2 BR Duplex, total electric. Central heat and air, newly built. Located on US 23 North of Prestonsburg. No pets, call 889-9747 or 886-8003.

**APT FOR RENT**  
 Now Renting Park place Apartments. Rent starting at: 1BR - \$280, 2BR - \$304. All electric HUD accepted. Call 886-0039  
 Equal Housing Opportunity

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 2 BR mobile home for rent at Betsy Layne and Garrett. Call 432-9110

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 Floyd county 75 acres more or less, rt. 1100 off US 23 East Point Upper Little Paint. Lum Derossett Branch. Call 606-325-4430 or 606-325-2809. Level- Sloping and timber.

#### RENTALS

#### APARTMENT

**FOR RENT**  
 1 OR 2 BR apt. Furnished and unfurnished. Some utilities paid. Call 886-8366.

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 Female roommate to share rent/expenses on 3 BR 2 bath home located near Heritage house inn. If interested please call 886-1744

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**HOUSE FOR RENT**  
 3 BR house at Eastern. \$550 per month plus deposit. Call 358-4515 after 6pm.

**FOR RENT**  
 3 BR house at Allen. \$700 per month plus deposit. 794-0249.

**HOUSE FOR RENT**  
 Country Cottage, 2 BR, bath and 1/2, W/D hookup, large living room, dining room, and kitchen. \$450 per month plus deposit. Must have references. Days call 886-6219 or evenings call 886-8459

**HOUSE FOR RENT**  
 1 BR located in Prestonsburg \$500 per month plus \$300 deposit. 1 year lease required, for more information call 606-886-1263 references required. Also another house for rent, 2 BR, 1 bath located in Prestonsburg \$750 per month plus \$375 deposit. 1 year lease required. Call 606-886-1263 references required.

**FOR RENT**  
 House for rent in Ned's fork. Call Sam Hamilton. 317-353-2725.

#### Mobile Home

**FOR RENT**  
 16X30 Storage Building for rent at Allen. \$200 per month. Call 794-0249

**FOR RENT**  
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#### LEGALS

#### INVITATION TO LEASE OFFICE SPACE

The Finance and Administration Cabinet of Kentucky desires to lease approximately 5,516 square feet of office space with 50 reserved parking spaces to be located in Floyd County, Kentucky.

Proposals for existing property must designate the type of building and street address of the property, the name, address and phone number of the property owner, the date of availability; and a scaled or dimensioned floor plan showing the interior layout of the existing building to include walls, doors, windows, columns and any other structural considerations; that may affect design of the interior space. Proposals for new construction must include the name, address and phone number of the property owner; the date of availability, verification that the property is properly zoned for the proposed use; a scaled plot of the site identifying the location of the proposed building and parking area(s) with a vicinity map indicating the location of the site; and a scaled or dimensioned floor plan showing the exterior layout of the pro-

posed building to include walls, doors, windows, columns and any other structural considerations that may affect design of the interior space. Arrangements will be made to view all properties meeting the general specifications of this lease project. A representative of the Leasing Branch will contact you so that an appointment may be made to inspect the proposed facility. For any additional information, contact John Brawner of the Division of Real Properties at 502 564-2205, ext. 237.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT  
**Unclaimed Vehicle Notice**  
 The following vehicles will be sold as is/where is to the public if not claimed by registered owner on or before July 27, 2007:  
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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0292, Amendment No. 1**

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that The Raven Co., Inc., P.O. Box 547, Bluff City, Tennessee 37618 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and auger coal mining and reclamation operation located at Grethel in Floyd County, Kentucky. The amendment will add 97.94 acres of surface disturbance will underlie an additional 215.58 acres of which 119.73 acres underlies surface or auger area and is not included in the total making a total area of 641.35 within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.15 miles south from KY 979's junction with KY 1426 and located on Big Mud Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Harold and McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the contour and auger methods of surface mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Ballard and Magdalene Ray, Curtis Wilburn, Combs Brothers Investments Company and David Betscher, Paul and Edna Conn, Zachery D. and Bonita A. Akers, and Jake and Melvina N. Akers. The operation will underlie land owned by Ballard and Magdalene Ray, Curtis Wilburn, Combs Brothers Investments Company and David Betscher, Paul and Edna Conn, Zachery D. and Bonita A. Akers, and Jake and Melvina N. Akers.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0292, Renewal**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that The Raven Co., Inc., P.O. Box 547, Bluff City, Tennessee 37618 has applied for renewal of an existing permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 262.16 acres of surface and 478.76 acres overlying auger of which 293.77 acres underlie surface acres for a total of 447.15 acres located at Grethel in Floyd County, Kentucky.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.15 miles south from KY 979's junction with KY

1426 and located on Big Mud Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Harold and McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the contour and auger methods of surface mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Eula H. Scott and Peggy A. Steele, Danny and Tammy Jarrell, John W. Sturgill, Combs Brothers Investments Company and David Betscher, Zachary and Bonita Akers, Oscar Newman Heirs, William Newsome, Jr. and Josephine K. Newsome, J & N Land Company, Inc., Dwayne and Julie Kidd, Gerald, Kathy, and Andy Newsome, Curtis Marvin and Marie Tackett, Charles, Sola, and Palestene Akers, Richie and Bonita Newsom, Pauline Green, Ocie Alley, Wesley Boyd, and Jake and Melvina Akers. The operation will underlie land owned by Eula H. Scott and Peggy A. Steele, Danny and Tammy Jarrell, John W. Sturgill, Combs Brothers Investments Company and David Betscher, Zachary and Bonita Akers, Oscar Newman Heirs, William Newsome, Jr. and Josephine K. Newsome, J & N Land Company, Inc., Dwayne and Julie Kidd, Gerald, Kathy, and Andy Newsome, Curtis Marvin and Marie Tackett, Charles, Sola, and Palestene Akers, Richie and Bonita Newsom, Pauline Green, Ocie Alley, Wesley Boyd, and Jake and Melvina Akers.

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0317**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 3.6 miles northeast of Lancer in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 454.15 surface acres and 165.26 acres of underground area, making a total permit area of 619.41 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 2.9 miles east from Corn Fork Road's junction with KY 3 and is located on Corn Fork of the Levisa Fork.

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Clark Pergrem and Jesse

Rudd, Steven Todd and Bonnie Harris, Floyd Harris Heirs, Bill Monroe Thompson, and Bill Monroe Thompson Heirs. The permit area will underlie land owned by Floyd Harris Heirs, Clark Pergrem and Jesse Rudd, Steven Todd and Bonnie Harris, Bill Monroe Thompson, Bill Monroe Thompson Heirs, Holly Rose, Mike and Teresa Stratton, Evan and Mary Rose, John Hunt, Lewis and Emma Hunt, Mary Lucille Willis, Jewel Crider, Donald L. and Joyce Goble, Rhonda Gail Goble Ousley, Ransom Hunt, and Lewis Hunt. The operation will use the area, contour, underground, and auger/high wall methods of mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0306**

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 0.50 miles west of Hi Hat in Floyd County. The amendment will disturb 23.0 surface acres and will underlie an additional 3,513.0 acres, making a total area of 3,536 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.50 miles west of KY Route 979's junction with KY Route 122 and located 0.05 miles west of Newman Branch of the Left Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elkhorn Coal Co., LLC, Progress Land Company, Enerpro, Inc., James McQuire, Jack Martin, John C. Frazier, Charles Reed & Wilford Johnson, John Bryant, John Bryant Estate, James Kent & Rita Dye, Kennel Dye, and Jared Hall.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg,

Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

**PUBLIC SALE**

Date and time of public sale: July 27, 2007.  
Type of Collateral: 2004 Hyundai Sante Fe S/N 7293  
Contract Date: 10/21/04  
Location: First Commonwealth Bank  
311 North Arnold Ave.  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653  
Any questions call Mike Haney 606/424-6453 or 606/886-2321, ext. 1269

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0331 Amend. #3**

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Wolverine Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 77, Ivel, KY 41642, (606) 889-8440 has applied for an amendment to an existing road only permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.2 miles southeast of Marshallville in Floyd and Magoffin County. The amendment will add 2.45 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie 0.0 acres making a total area of 55.35 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.1 miles East from State Route 1766's junction with Jake Fork County Road and located 0.0 miles Southeast of Jake Fork. The latitude 37°39'29". The longitude 82°05'14". The operation is located on the Ivelton U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Fork Farm Inc. C/O Della W. Burke. The operation will be a haul road only permit.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3410 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, phone (606) 889-1746. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Casey Duncon, 70 Bethany Drive, Printer, Ky 41655 had filled an application with The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to fill property. The property is located 4 miles from route 80/122 intersection at Martin, Kentucky. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Kentucky Director, Division of Water Resource Branch,

14 Reilly Road, Frankfort office park, Frankfort, Ky 40601. Phone (606) 564-3410.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Roy Duncon, 1875 Abbott Creek Road, Prestonsburg Ky 41653 had filled an application with The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to fill property. The property is located along Ky route 1427 approximately 1.5 miles West of the intersection Ky 1427 and US 23 on the North side of Abbott Creek. Written comments or objections must be filed with The Kentucky Director, Division of Water Resource Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort office park, Frankfort, Ky 40601. Phone (606) 564-3410.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

The following item will be offered at public sale on July 27th, 2007, at 11:00 a.m., at First Guaranty Bank, 39 Main Street, Martin, Kentucky.  
1999 Ford Mustang, Serial Number 1FAFP4048XF195035

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

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