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MSU faculty visit David School

The David School will be welcoming students back to classes on Tuesday, Sept. 4. For the past several years, new faculty members of Morehead State University have visited The David School in late August. As a part of their orientation to Morehead, the purpose of the visit is to introduce the new faculty members to the principles and ideas of The David School as well as the education system in the Appalachian region. This year, The David School hosted Morehead's new faculty members on Saturday, August 25. After hearing a short presentation about the history and mission of The David School, visitors heard from Jessica Hale, a 2001 graduate of The David School and currently a staff writer at The Floyd County Times. She shared the difficulties she experienced in high school prior to attending The David School. Speaking with gratitude, she said The David School provided her with the help she needed to succeed in earning her high school diploma and to pursue higher education. The visit ended following a tour of the school. Dr. Karla Hughes, provost of Morehead State, and Dr. Lawrence Albert, director of the Center for Teaching and Learning, were among the visitors that arrived with Morehead.

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CVB approves money for parks

Future funding still at issue

by RALPH B. DAVIS MANAGING EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg Parks Commission received nearly all the funding it was seeking from the Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau for the 2006-07 fiscal year, but the squabble over the amount of funding the parks commission receives in the future appears likely to continue. During a special meeting

Wednesday, the CVB approved \$68,000 of the \$75,000 the parks commission had been seeking, saying that was all the money left in the commission's account from the previous fiscal year. However, that approval was not given easily or without scrutiny. The CVB had previously asked parks commissioner David Baldrige to submit a list of tourist activities to

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Prestonsburg city councilman B.D. Nunnery attempted to explain to members of the Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau board how state laws give first authority over how tourism tax money is spent to the city council. That issue remained at a stalemate at the end of Wednesday's meeting, although the CVB board did approve \$68,000 in immediate funding for the parks commission.

photo by Ralph B. Davis

YOUTH SUMMIT



photo by Steve LeMaster

Students from Bath, Breathitt, Estill, Floyd, Harlan, Johnson, Knott, Lawrence, Leslie, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, Menifee, Morgan, Perry, Pike, Powell, Rowan and Wolfe counties attended a "youth summit" sponsored by Operation UNITE Thursday at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg. The purpose of the summit was to inform and motivate elementary, middle and high school students to become involved in the anti-drug educational mission of Operation UNITE.

Former aide pleads guilty to abuse

by JESSICA HALE STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A former teacher's aide at May Valley Elementary has pleaded guilty to incidents of abuse of several students at the school in 2001 and continuing into the next year. Marty Mullins, of Mallie, entered his plea of guilty Wednesday in Floyd Circuit Court. The charges against him originated from incidents which occurred at May Valley Elementary in which Mullins was later charged with criminal abuse.

According to a superseding indictment filed this year, Mullins committed or caused torture, cruel confinement and punishment when he locked students in the bathroom, twisted their arms behind their backs and applied pressure points on the children on numerous occasions from September 2001 through October 2002. The indictment charged Mullins with the abuse of six children under the age of 12. Mullins had also been charged with perjury after Commonwealth's

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Labor Secretary says administration committed to mine safety

by TRAVIS LOLLER ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — U.S. Labor Secretary Elaine Chao said Wednesday that the Bush administration is committed to improving safety for miners under legislation passed last year after a string of fatal mining accidents. Chao did not discuss any specific safety issues related to the recent Utah mine collapse,

where rescuers were drilling a seventh hole deep into a mountain to learn the fate of six miners trapped since Aug. 6. "Our hearts and prayers go out to the families of the miners in Crandall Canyon," she told the International Mine Rescue Conference in Nashville. "We also remember the families of the mine rescuers, three of whom lost their lives, and six others who were injured in the rescue effort."

Chao did not take any questions and left quickly after the speech. The head of the Mine Safety and Health Administration, Richard Stickler, was scheduled to speak, but Chao said he was in Utah. Chao said many safety improvements, such as requiring additional stores of oxygen and better tracking equipment,

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Fletcher signs energy bill

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Political leaders in Kentucky, worried about the future of coal amid ever-increasing environmental demands, have taken action that they say is critical to protecting a mainstay of the state's economy. In a move widely

opposed by environmentalists, Gov. Ernie Fletcher signed a bill into law on Thursday that will provide hundreds of millions of dollars in incentives to companies that build high-tech plants to convert coal into cleaner-burning alternative fuels. Lawmakers say the mea-

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Beshear, Fletcher outline plans on higher education, health care

by BRUCE SCHREINER ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Kentucky's gubernatorial candidates reached out to voters on core issues Wednesday by outlining plans to make college and health care more affordable. Democrat Steve Beshear said it's his goal to double the number of college graduates in Kentucky by 2020 and proposed a scholarship program and other initiatives to make it happen. "There's an old adage, 'The more you learn, the more you earn,'" Beshear said at a news conference at a

downtown Louisville park. "I couldn't agree more." His opponent, Republican Gov. Ernie Fletcher, released his plan to reduce the number of uninsured Kentuckians and to make health coverage more affordable. Fletcher's proposals include assisting more small businesses in paying health insurance premiums under an existing state program, expanding the Kentucky Children's Health Insurance Program to provide coverage for more families and children and offering tax credits for businesses offering employee wellness programs.

"We want every Kentuckian to have the choice of affordable and available health care," Fletcher said in a statement. More than 550,000 Kentuckians have no health insurance, including 81,000 children. Fletcher didn't offer a price tag for his plans. Health and Family Services Secretary Mark Birdwhistell said the administration would work with lawmakers "on final dollar amounts." Beshear's higher education plan includes creating a scholarship program aimed at keeping more college graduates in Kentucky, encouraging

more high school students to take college-level courses and enticing more adults to go back to school to complete college degrees. Beshear said Kentucky lags near the bottom nationally in workforce education and the number of adults with college degrees and blamed Fletcher for not improving the situation. "Ernie Fletcher has underinvested in education, in our people and our economy," Beshear said. "And our economy has suffered as a result." Fletcher campaign manager Marty

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Obituaries

Janie Jarrell

Janie Jarrell, 64, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, August 29, 2007, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland.

Born October 24, 1942, in Betsy Layne, she was the daughter of the late Bud and Helen Howell Crum. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Benedict Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Woodrow Jarrell.

Survivors include four sons: Woodrow Jarrell Jr., and Ercel Jarrell and Larry Jarrell, all of Prestonsburg, and Jackie Jarrell of Pikeville; a stepson, James Jarrell of Prestonsburg; three daughters: Janie Blanton and Crystal Howell, both of Prestonsburg, and Linnie McKinney of Ft. Knox; a stepdaughter, Joann Goble of Prestonsburg; two brothers: Anthony Howell of Colorado, and Hayes Howell of Prestonsburg; a sister, Linda Harvey of Michigan; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, he was preceded in death by a son, Buddy Jarrell; a daughter, Marie Jarrell; and three sisters:

Connie Dale, Joetta Howell, and Carolyn Howell.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, September 1, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Gordon Fitch officiating.

Burial will be in the Jarrell Family Cemetery.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

(Paid obituary)

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Judy Clay Justice

Judy Clay Justice, 58, of Canada, died Tuesday, August 28, 2007, at the Appalachian Regional Hospital emergency room.

Born December 22, 1948, in Johnson County, she was the daughter of Earl D. Collins of East Point, and the late Jessery Osborne Collins. She was a homemaker and was of the Freewill Baptist faith.

She is survived by her husband, Larry Justice Sr.

In addition to her father and husband, survivors include three sons: David Hopson of Prestonsburg, Michael Justice of Columbus, Ohio, and Larry Justice Jr., of New Mexico; a daughter, Sherry Williams of Paintsville; a brother, Wendell Collins of East Point; a sister,

Earlene Hughes of East Point; and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at noon, Friday, August 31, at the R.E. Rogers Funeral Home, Belfry, with Clifford Austin officiating.

Burial will be in the Whitaker Cemetery, East Point, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

Visitation, after 6 p.m., Thursday, at the funeral home, with special services at 7 p.m.

Family members will serve as pallbearers.

www.rerogersfuneralhome.com

(Paid obituary)

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Janice Little

Janice Little, 70, of Martin, died Tuesday, August 28, 2007, at her residence.

Born June 25, 1937, in Wheelwright, she was the daughter of the late Henry and Virginia Roop Little. She was a cosmetologist and member of Senior Citizens of Martin.

Survivors include three sons: Bruce (Sherlyn) Mullins and Mike Mullins, both of Springfield, Missouri, and Stanual Dean (Jeri Robin) Mullins of Maryville, Tennessee; two daughters: Teresa (Robbie) Lawson of Martin, and Mary Ann

Endicott of Flatwoods; a brother, Larry Dean Little of Austin, Texas; four sisters: Charlotte Channey of Columbus, Ohio, Kathy Little, Mary Souleyrette, and Sandy Hall all of Wheelwright; eight grandchildren: Todd Endicott, David Endicott, Erica Endicott, Carlye Mullins, Chelsey Mullins, Seth Mullins, Asher Mullins, and Austin Lawson; and two great-grandchildren: Wesley Ray Endicott and Sydney Collier.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Gary Litte; and a grandchild, Tiffany Mullins.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, September 1, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Lori Vannucci officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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Edgar Tackett

Edgar Tackett, 80, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, August 28, 2007, at the Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville.

Born January 1, 1927, in

Craynor, he was the son of the late Ben and Armina Hamilton Tackett. He was a retired coal miner and a member of the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Teddy Ray Tackett of Prestonsburg; two daughters: Betty Sue Courtney and Peggy Tackett, both of Adamsville, Alabama; and a grandson, Jonathan Gibson and a great-grandson, Andy Gibson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by seven brothers and three sisters: Oscar Tackett, Earnel Tackett, Arthur Tackett, Irvin Tackett, Kenas Tackett, Estill Tackett, Delmer Tackett, Nora Tackett, Goldie Hall and Virgie Hamilton.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, September 1, at 10 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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Industry notes increase in air pack thefts from mines

by TIM HUBER
AP BUSINESS WRITER

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Underground coal miners are facing a new and apparently growing safety threat: the theft of emergency air packs.

Authorities say noticeable numbers of the devices have been disappearing from mines, particularly in West Virginia, the nation's largest underground coal producer. The thefts come at a time when manufacturing backlogs have created a desperately short supply of air packs, or self-contained self-rescuers. Mine operators have taken delivery of 86,000 air packs and are awaiting another 100,000 to meet government mandates adopted after the Sago Mine explosion and other disasters that killed 19 miners last year.

While authorities say it's tough to quantify the extent of the problems, thefts seem to be growing.

One West Virginia mine operator

reported 30 stolen air packs this month and Pittsburgh-based Consol Energy reports losing about 10 per month, as have a half dozen other operators, said Randy Harris, engineering adviser for the state Office of Miners' Health, Safety and Training.

"Most likely the market is out of state for the big quantities," Harris said.

Richmond, Va.-based Massey Energy Co., the nation's fourth-largest producer by revenue, says it's lost at least 100 to 200 air packs. Other West Virginia coal companies say they've lost smaller quantities of the devices, which sell for upward of \$800 apiece, and Kentucky mines have reported scattered thefts as well.

"That's a lot, especially at the cost of each one of them," Massey spokesman Jeff Gillenwater said. "It's a noticeable problem."

And one without an obvious solution.

Government regulations have

forced the industry to store tens of thousands of extra air packs in unlocked, unguarded boxes underground so they'll be readily accessible to escaping miners in an emergency.

That also leaves them vulnerable.

"Sooner or later somebody's going to show up at a cache in an emergency and it'll be empty," Harris said. "That's why we made it a felony in the first place."

Jim Kiser of Greenbrier Smokeless Coal, which lost 21 new air packs in a single theft, said the company has stepped up security, recorded serial numbers and is checking caches weekly.

"We constantly have a few things disappear," he said. "We've put every control we know to mankind in place to hold onto them."

Yet air packs still disappear occasionally, often in the hands of an ex-employee who takes a job at another mine, Kiser said. In response,

Greenbrier is making sure everyone knows West Virginia made it a felony last year to steal an air pack.

Massey is considering alarms and easily torn plastic ties on storage boxes, but Gillenwater, like others, hopes a new Web site, www.minetheft.com, that lists the serial numbers of dozens of missing air packs helps, too.

"We think, quite honestly, that it's a good thing the industry is doing it themselves," Harris said. "That may be a very viable solution."

Theft has become enough of a problem that the leading air pack manufacturer, Monroeville, Pa.-based CSE Corp., is adding detectors similar to the gear used at retailers. CSE controls about 60 percent of the U.S. market.

"We have working models now, prototypes, and we'll be displaying that to the industry shortly, within a matter of months," President Scott Shearer said.

Campaigns

Ryall called it "another baseless comment," saying that Kentucky's education spending has risen sharply during Fletcher's term.

Anchoring Beshear's proposal would be a "Kentucky First Scholarships" program, which would offer forgivable loans for tuition at Kentucky colleges and universities.

For every year a recipient worked in Kentucky following graduation, a year of tuition would be forgiven. The loan would be on top of other scholarships or grants students receive.

Recipients not working in Kentucky after graduation would have to pay back the loan.

Beshear's campaign estimated the program would cost \$27 million in the first year. The cost would increase in the next few years, it said, but could become self-sustaining depending on how many students stay in Kentucky after graduation.

Ryall dismissed it as "another program that would never see the light of day unless he gets casino gambling." Beshear favors a proposal for a referendum to allow voters to decide whether to change the state Constitution to allow casinos. Fletcher has taken a strong stand against casino gambling.

Beshear insisted Wednesday he could pay for

the scholarship program without casino revenue through his plans to create more jobs and make government more efficient.

Beshear also proposed creating "Early College High Schools" allowing students to earn up to two years' worth of college credits before graduating from high school.

Beshear said he would emphasize the "Bucks for Brains" program, which matches public money with private donations to attract top researchers to Kentucky universities. He said the program has been underfunded in recent years.

Meanwhile, Fletcher proposed allowing businesses

with as many as 50 employees to seek assistance with health insurance premiums under an existing state program. Currently, the program offers help for businesses with up to 25 employees.

He also proposed creating a system to make sure small businesses are aware of health coverage options and possible tax advantages.

Fletcher also proposed funding to build a new facility to replace Eastern State Hospital in Lexington, which is one of the nation's oldest psychiatric facilities.

"Our strong financial situation allows us to do more to help every Kentuckian be healthy and have access to

health care when they need it," Fletcher said.

Beshear's campaign said Fletcher's plan doesn't go far enough. It said "measures need to be put in place to control the cost of health care coverage across the board" to give financial relief to families struggling with rising insurance premiums.

Beshear's health plan includes providing coverage to uninsured children, allowing families to purchase coverage through KCHIP, assisting older Kentuckians with prescription costs and allowing young adults to stay on their parents' health plans up to age 25.

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Tourism

justify the funding, and the list submitted Wednesday evening included events such as horse shows, family reunions and softball tournaments.

In considering the funding request, some members of the CVB board questioned whether all of the activities were truly related to tourism.

Scott Ringham, manager of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park and a member of the CVB board, said he would have no problem granting the requests for funding the horse shows, because he had seen the direct impact of the events through horse show patrons staying at the park's hotel. However, he said he could not point to any such impact from the family reunions and softball tourna-

ments. Baldrige noted that the tournaments drew teams from areas outside the region, such as Ashland, Ironton, Ohio, and Delbarton, W.Va., and that the reunions also drew family members from outside areas. CVB board member and former parks commissioner Ralph Little also noted that he personally knew that the events generated hotel stays in the area, as well as sales at local restaurants.

Tourism Director Fred James suggested that Baldrige provide the CVB with a list of activities hosted by the parks commission so that their impact could be more easily tracked.

In the end, the CVB board

voted 3-3 to approve the funding, with James breaking the tie in favor of the proposal.

However, despite Wednesday's funding approval, the issue of CVB funding for the parks commission appears far from settled.

Prestonsburg City Council members Shag Branham, B.D. Nunnery and Morris Copley and Mayor Jerry Fannin attended the CVB meeting to question the CVB board about the holdup in funding.

"Why are you making us jump through hoops?" Branham asked the board.

Branham said the funding should have already been given to the park, because the city council had already directed that one-third of money col-

lected through the city's tourism tax on hotel stays and restaurant sales be given to the parks commission.

Several members of the CVB board, however, disputed whether the council has final say over how the money is spent or whether state law allows funding for parks at that level.

Nunnery, who is also an attorney, attempted to show how state statutes give the city council first authority in how money collected from the tax is spent, but not all members of the CVB board appeared swayed.

Wednesday's meeting ended with no agreement on future funding for the parks commission.

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Conley-Lafferty

Stanley and Teresa Conley, of Swamp Branch, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Ashley Conley, to Edward Lafferty, the son of Ironton Lee and Carol Lafferty, of Martin.

Ashley is the granddaughter of Lovella Baldwin and the late Raymond Baldwin, and Ruby Conley and the late James Conley. She is a graduate of Johnson Central High School and Big Sandy Community and Technical College. She is employed by the Johnson County Board of Education.

Edward is the grandson of Pollie Lafferty and the late Ironton Lafferty, and the late Bonnie Tyson. He is a graduate of Allen Central High School and Pikeville College. He holds an MBA from Sullivan University. He is employed by American General Finance Company.

An open church ceremony will be held on Saturday, September 8, 2007, at half past one o'clock in the afternoon, at the Riceville New Bethel Free Will Baptist Church.

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Bill

sure is critical to Kentucky's future because it could keep coal a viable source of fuel for generations to come despite a push for stricter federal limits on emissions of so-called "greenhouse gases" from coal-fired generating plants.

"It puts Kentucky in a position to be the national leader in the energy arena," said House Floor Leader Rocky Adkins, D-Sandy Hook, a coal executive and one of the chief architects of the new law. "It puts us in a position to really grow our economy and expand our ability in research and development in the energy field."

Public debate of the measure centered primarily around its effects on coal, a \$4.8 bil-

lion state industry that employs 15,000 miners. But the measure also provides incentives for developing wind, hydro, solar and biomass technologies.

Teri Blanton, a member of the environmental group Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, said promoting renewable forms of energy like wind and solar power is laudable, but she still disapproves of the new law because she said it will lead to the destruction of more Appalachian mountaintops by mining companies in search of coal.

Blanton said she objects to providing tax breaks for companies that destroy the environ-

ment.

Fletcher, who signed the measure at a Louisville hotel on Thursday, said it will help Kentucky compete with other states in trying to land new energy projects.

"I disagree with any of the naysayers," Fletcher said. "I think this is very important. I think it will move Kentucky forward."

Legislative leaders developed the initiative behind closed doors over the summer after executives from St. Louis-based Peabody Energy said they were considering building a \$3 billion coal gasification plant in the state. Early estimates put the value of the proposed Peabody incentives

under the new law at \$300 million with breaks on sales taxes, income taxes and coal severance taxes.

Adkins said the law puts Kentucky on equal footing with other states that already offer incentives for companies that development cleaner-burning fuels from coal. He said the measure has the potential to improve national security by reducing dependence on foreign oil with investment in production of ethanol and biodiesel plants, even hydrogen fuel cells.

Bill Caylor, president of the Kentucky Coal Association, said he believes vast U.S. coal reserves, which already supply half of the nation's electricity, hold the key to cutting dependence on foreign oil. He said encouraging companies to invest in technology to convert coal to gas and liquid fuels is crucial.

"This country is in such a rush to satisfy environmental activists and their perception of environmental doom that it is jeopardizing our future," Caylor said. "We need to be more energy independent."

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Safety

have already been ordered under the mine safety bill signed by the president last June after explosions at West Virginia's Sago and Kentucky's Darby mines left 17 miners dead.

"The (Labor) Department will continue to implement the MINER Act on time and according to the schedule that Congress has set," she said.

The MINER Act of 2006 required that all mines have MSHA-approved emergency response plans in place. The plans also dictate where extra breathable air should be stored in case of an accident.

Although most of the plan for Crandall Canyon was in place by June 13, MSHA gave the mine operators until August 12 — six days after the accident — to meet the breathable air requirement.

Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., is pressuring Chao to

make sure all mines have adequate emergency response plans and are fully implemented. In a letter last week, he asked her to give him a detailed list showing which mines have approved plans and whether each mine has fully complied.

Attendees at the conference, as well as the National Mine Rescue Competition being held at the same location, spoke of the need for better communications that will work deep below ground.

Bruce Watzman, vice president of the National Mining Association, which represents mine operators, urged policy makers to be patient and wait for the results of the investigation into the Utah mine disaster before developing new regulations.

"We need to get it right," he said. "We need to know the facts."

Watzman said he thought the current requirement for quarterly mine inspections was sufficient, adding that for a big mine one inspection can last an entire three months.

"There are mines in this country where you have a federal inspector underground every day that mine is operating," he said.

Asked about Crandall Canyon mine owner Bob Murray — who has been accused of threatening federal safety officials by using his political connections to have them fired — Watzman said Murray was committed to the future of mining as an industry and to the safety of his workers.

"Everybody has a different way of going about things," he said. "Some people like the way he operates, others do not."

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Kateland Opal Margalee Hall

Hall enrolls at UK

Kateland Opal Margalee Hall, a 2007 graduate of South Floyd High School, has enrolled as a freshman student at the University of Kentucky, where she will pursue a major in biology.

Following, she plans to pursue a degree in dentistry. Katy graduated at the top of her class at SFHS where she was named class valedictorian.

In addition, she has been granted a full scholarship to

UK through the Robinson Scholar program. She was also awarded the Consol of KY Scholarship, as well.

Katy is the daughter of Kenneth and Sherry Hall, of McDowell. She is the granddaughter of Raymond and Margie Hall, and Willie and Opal Moore, all of McDowell. Her siblings are Kodi, Korri, Kennedy, Kenton, and Kage. Her family wishes her the very best during her college experience.

Plea

Attorney Brent Turner says he falsely testified during a deposition hearing in July 2004.

Mullins pleaded guilty to one count of perjury and five counts of criminal abuse. The commonwealth is recommending the maximum sentence for each count, which is a five-year sentence for the perjury charge and ten years on each criminal abuse count.

Mullins is not expected to serve any additional time behind bars, however. The commonwealth also recommended the sentences be suspended for time served and probated for five years of supervised probation.

Under the terms of the agreement, Mullins shall not be employed in any setting that would place him in contact with a child.

Mullins is scheduled to be sentenced on Sept. 28.

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

The News Tribune, Tacoma, Wash., on Iraq:

Checkmate? The latest intelligence report about Iraq — a convincingly cold-eyed assessment — shows that the United States has almost no moves left to make in Iraq. Reinforced U.S. troops to their immense credit — appear to be making real gains in securing cities and winning the support of local Sunni sheiks, according to the assessment vetted by all 16 American intelligence agencies.

If the recent "surge" of additional combat brigades is showing signs of success, it's yet another indictment of the decision to invade Iraq without enough troops to effectively control the country. Then-Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld adamantly refused to deploy sufficient forces to seal borders, secure arms depots, hold cities, enforce order and suppress the insurgency in its infancy. The result has been years of tragedy.

The recent glimmer of good news from the fighting is hardly a promise of success. ...

America cannot succeed unilaterally in Iraq; it can only give Iraqis enough breathing room to succeed themselves. Security may buy time, but the ultimate solution must be political. ...

The Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn., on obesity:

It's often called an epidemic, but it isn't treated like one. So, naturally, obesity rates continue to rise across the country, and the South still leads the way. ...

Southern eating habits take some of the blame for the region's scale-busting ways. But the rankings are what one might expect for states where more than 30 percent of the population hasn't engaged in physical activity in the past month, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The problem is a financial burden on states, as well. Obesity produces an increased risk for diabetes, heart problems and other chronic diseases.

Southern governors have launched campaigns to combat the problem, placing much of the focus on cafeteria offerings, mandated physical activity in schools and the like.

Still, there is little indication that such measures are given the attention they need to succeed. And it will take action on many fronts to get a handle on the problem — the development of more walkable neighborhoods, more trails for pedestrians and cyclists, more education about the benefits of a healthful diet and exercise.

It's all about the choices that people make, and if obesity is going to be taken seriously as an epidemic, government has a role to play in helping children, especially, make the right choices.

Chicago Tribune, on chocolate:

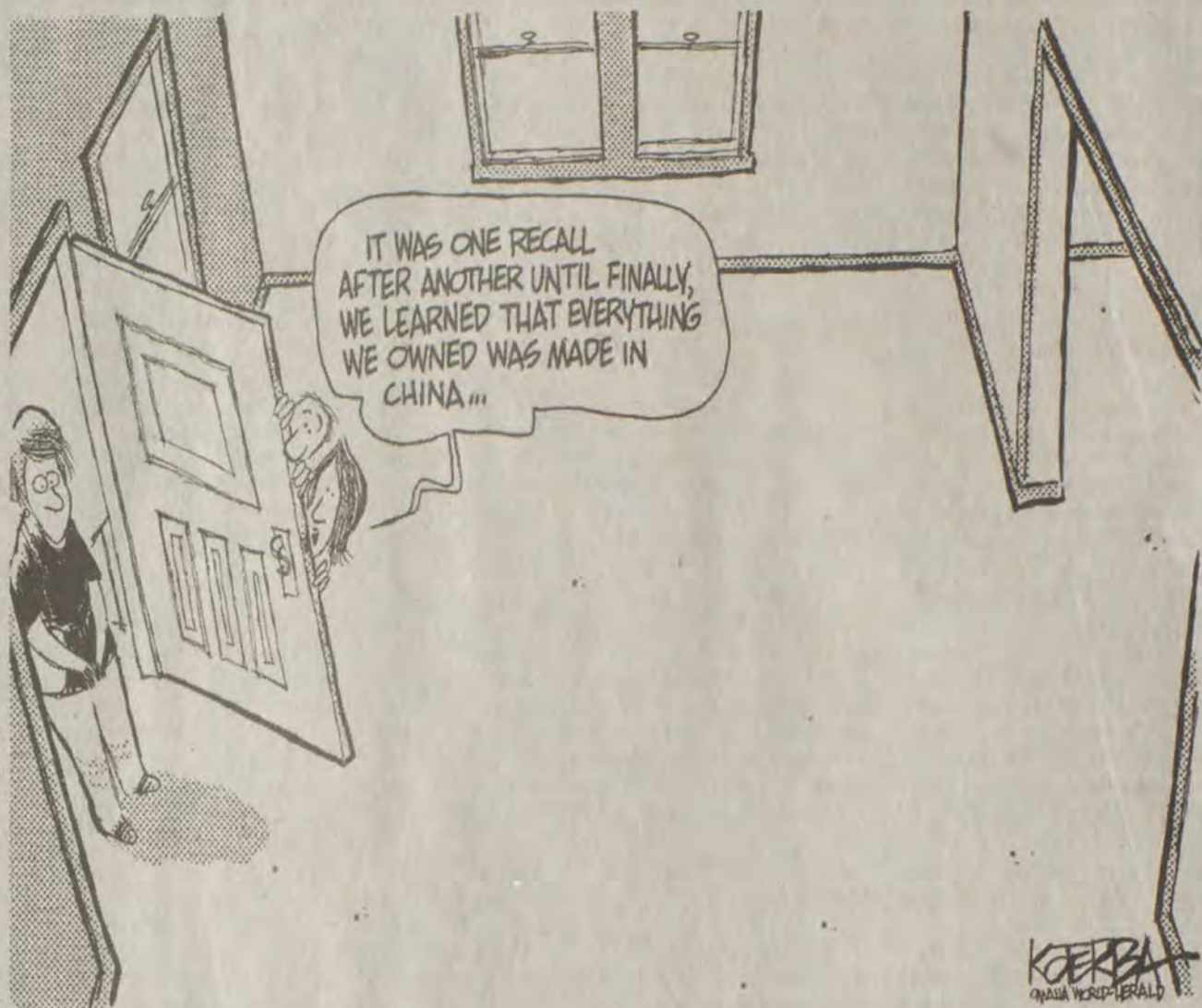
Is there a sinister plot afoot to despoil the purity of chocolate? Some chocophiles suspect there is. They're alarmed that a bunch of culinary industry groups, including a grocers' association and the chocolate lobby, are asking the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to allow a change in the standards for what can be called chocolate.

Right now, the federal standard says chocolate must include a certain percentage of cacao fat — also known as cocoa butter. That's what largely gives chocolate its texture and richness. The proposal would allow manufacturers to substitute vegetable oil for at least some cocoa butter and still call the final product chocolate.

Why might some chocolatiers want to do that? One big reason: Vegetable oil is a lot cheaper. ...

As chocophiles, we're concerned. But we're not rushing to the barricades to defend the sanctity of truffles just yet. We figure nothing's going to happen for a while. This is the FDA we're talking about. The folks there like to take their time on big decisions. (Approval for a "standard of identity" for white chocolate consumed 10 years, according to the Chocolate Manufacturers Association.)

The FDA knows that meddling with chocolate is like juggling knives. It's easy to get hurt.



Guest column

Autocracy comes to America

by SHELDON RICHMAN

We appear to live in a republic. But look closely; it's clearer every day that we live in a de facto autocracy. President Bush has managed to amass an astounding amount of power simply by scaring the American people and Congress into thinking that our continued existence as a society depends on giving him carte blanche.

It's important not to be fooled by the institutional façade. Yes, the Congress still exists, and it sometimes seems to execute its constitutional responsibilities. But appearances are misleading. For example, President Bush's repeated practice of issuing "signing statements" when putting his signature on legislative bills is well known. This is the president's way of saying, "I will carry out — or not carry out — this law as I, and I alone, see fit." So much for the Constitution's requirement that he "shall take care that the laws be faithfully executed."

The emasculation of Congress is even worse than that. Congress has passed major legislation pushed by the president without debating or even reading it. Hard to believe, but true. Recently, Congress gave the president near-blanket authority to conduct warrantless eavesdropping on American citizens' and residents' communications with people outside

the country. It turns out the president may have gotten more power than he asked for, and how this happened is frightening. As the Washington Post reported, "Broad new surveillance powers approved by Congress this month could allow the Bush administration to conduct spy operations that go well beyond wiretapping to include — without court approval — certain types of physical searches on American soil and the collection of Americans' business records, Democratic Congressional officials and other experts said."

How could Congress, especially one controlled by the opposition party, have given the president such ominous power? The Post explains: "The dispute illustrates how lawmakers, in a frenetic, end-of-session scramble, passed legislation they may not have fully understood and may have given the administration more surveillance powers than it sought."

Do you know why your so-called representatives were in such a scramble? Because they were adjourning to go on vacation. Run-of-the-mill legislation might have been left until they returned in September. But this was "anti-terrorist" legislation. And so a scared Congress voted without thinking. The next time you hear someone rhapsodize about government "of the people, by the people, for the people," remember this episode.

Finally, there are the executive orders. Here the president can issue decrees without even the appearance of congressional authority. Any president can hand down far-ranging

executive orders thanks to emergency legislation passed during wars fought long ago. Randolph Bourne was right: war is the health of the state.

Only July 17 President Bush issued an order "Blocking Property of Certain Persons Who Threaten Stabilization Efforts in Iraq." Covered under this order are those who are "(A) threatening the peace or stability of Iraq or the Government of Iraq; or (B) undermining efforts to promote economic reconstruction and political reform in Iraq or to provide humanitarian assistance to the Iraqi people."

This may sound like nothing to be concerned about. But some people are concerned that the language is broad enough to cover those who dissent from the president's policies. Conservative constitutional scholar Bruce Fein says the order violates the Fifth Amendment protection against deprivation of property without due process and "empowers the president to destroy anyone he says [poses] a significant risk of undermining the rehabilitation or political reform in Iraq."

"[This] is a stunning assertion of executive power that creates a Sword of Damocles over anyone opposed to the war or otherwise who might come under the umbrage of the president," Fein told Jerome Corsi of WorldNetDaily.

Thomas Jefferson said, "An elective despotism is not what we fought for." Well, we got it anyway.

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Yard Sale:::Saturday
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 Has an opening for a full-time Licensed Practical Nurse in a physician's office. Job Qualifications: Candidate must have valid Kentucky nursing license with prior experience in a physician office setting preferred; ACLS within one year of employment. Qualified candidates should apply at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Human Resources Department, P. O. Box 910, Martin, Kentucky 41649, fax: (606) 285-6409, email HYPERSLINK "mailto:dbentley@olwh.org" dbentley@olwh.org, call (606) 285-6420 or Teresa Bailey at (606) 285-6780. Deadline for applications: August 24, 2007

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LEGALS

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Teresa James, 111 Williams Branch, or P.O. Box 1502, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, to fill a hole in creek. The site is located on the Left Fork of Abbott, "Little Abbott Creek." Comments or objections concerning this application should be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

ADVERTISE- MENT FOR BIDS
Southern Water & Sewer District, 245 KY Route 680, McDowell, KY 41647.

Separate sealed Bids for the construction of Eastern Sewer Project will be received by Southern Water & Sewer District at the McDowell Business Office, until 3:00 p.m. (Local Time) September 14, 2007, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

This project constructs one (1) 25,000 GPD package wastewater plant, 9,790 LF of small diameter HDPE force main, one (1) duplex pump station, and 40 residential wastewater pump stations.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:
Southern Water & Sewer District, McDowell, KY 41647;

Summit Engineering, Inc., 120 Prosperous Place, Suite 101, Lexington, KY 40509

Summit Engineering, Inc., 131 Summit Dr., Pikeville, KY 41501
Copies of the Contract Documents may be purchased from Lynn Imaging upon payment of a non-refundable charge of \$150.00 per set, cash or check, payable to Lynn Imaging. Documents may be

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Contract Documents will NOT be issued after 2:00 p.m., on September 12, 2007.

Federal wage and hour provisions DO NOT apply to this project. State wage and hour provisions DO apply in this project. This project is being funded, in part, with Coal Severance funds.

A MANDATORY Pre-Bid Conference will be conducted by representatives of Summit Engineering, Inc. Interested parties are to meet at the Eastern Chevron Station at 3:00 p.m., on Monday, September 10, 2007.

Invitation to Bid

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, Prestonsburg, KY, is accepting bids for the replacement of windows in the female dorm. The deadline for bids will be Friday, 9/7/07. Late bids will not be accepted. For more information, please contact Tracy Reichenbach at (606) 886-1037 ext. 131 or Thomas Rainey at (606) 886-1037 ext. 104 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

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The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center, Prestonsburg, KY, is accepting bids for the installation of additional ductwork in the gym. The deadline for bids will be Friday, 9/7/07. Late bids will not be accepted. For more information, please contact Tracy Reichenbach at (606) 886-1037 ext. 131 or Thomas Rainey at (606) 886-1037 ext. 104 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday - Friday. The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center reserves the right to reject any or all bids received.

NOTICE OF PERMIT CONFERENCE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5493 RN#3

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that a permit conference is scheduled for September 18, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Prestonsburg Regional Office for

the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, concerning the above application filed by FCDC Coal, Inc. P.O. Box 77, Ivel, Ky, 41642. The operation has applied for a renewal of a permit for a surface and underground coal mining operation located 2.0 miles Southeast of Teaberry in Floyd County. The operation disturbs 8.78 surface acres and underlies 685.00 acres for a total area within the permit boundary of 693.78 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 7 mile Southeast from KY 979's junction with KY 3380 (Tinker Fork County Road) and located 2.0 miles east of Big Mud Creek. The latitude is 37°23'32"±. The longitude is 82°37'40"±.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell/Pikeville U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area disturbed is owned by Turner Elkhorn Mining Company and Ballard Martin. The operation will underlie land owned by Bruce Hall Estate, Ellis

Keathley, Walter and Oma Keathley, Emery & Tilda Ray, Martha & Andy Hamilton, Annie Hamilton, Wellmore Coal Corporation, Delmar Kiser, Harvey Tackett, Henry & Rosie Hamilton, Evan Hamilton, Milford Bryant, James Lowell Hamilton, James & Arlene Hamilton, Donna & Emma Hall, Turner Elkhorn Mining Company, Robert Mitchell, Frank

Hamilton, Ovel & Margaret McKinney, Chester Hamilton, The Elkhorn Coal Corporation, John Jack Adkins, William Howel and Ballard Martin. The operation will affect an area with 100 feet of public road, Tinker Fork County Road. The operation will involve relocation of the public road during the life of the mine. The application

has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Ste. 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Any person whose interest may be adversely affected by the issuance of the proposed permit may present information relevant to

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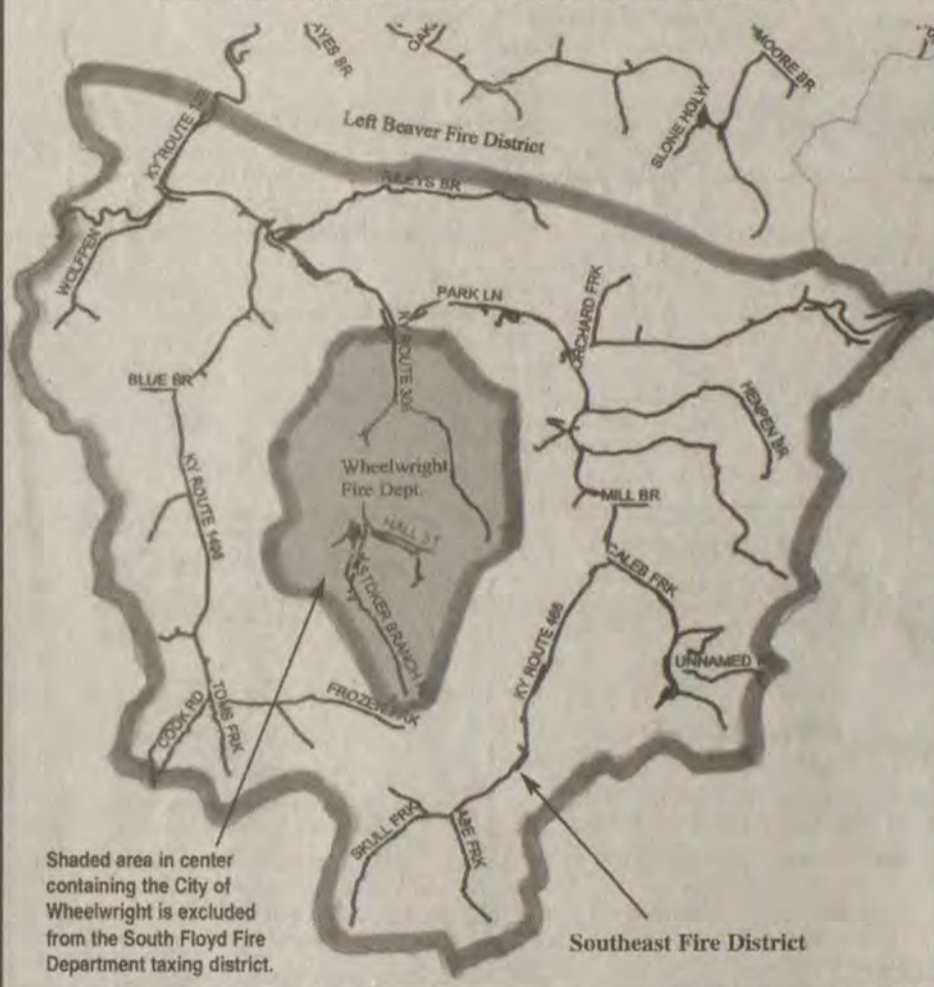
Kentucky Department for Employment Services
138 College Street
Pikeville, KY 41501

Premier Elkhorn Coal Company is an EOE.

NOTICE

Per KRS 65.182 (3) and KRS 424, this is to notify the residents within the boundaries of the below map that there will be a hearing on September 11, 2007, at 6:00 p.m., at the old Wheelwright lunchroom, concerning the South Floyd Fire Department proposal for the creation of a taxing district.

FLOYD COUNTY FISCAL COURT CLERK



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LEGAL NOTICE

In compliance with the provisions of Chapter 65 and 424 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the Floyd County Conservation District Board of Supervisors does hereby give the public notice that the financial records of the District may be examined by the general public at our office, located at 18 Mayo Branch Brandykeg, Prestonsburg, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 17, 2007, through Thursday, September 27, 2007. The Floyd County Conservation District Board of Supervisors meets the third Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m., in the District office.

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SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Floyd County Conservation District

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Beginning Cash on hand	\$ 54,416.87
Receipts	
Fiscal Court	\$ 99,066.70
State Aid	\$ 22,900.00
Equipment Usage & Rental	\$ 45.00
Reimbursement & Contributions	\$ 30.00
Federal Aid (Special Projects)	\$ 0.00
Other	\$ 3,799.60
Interest	\$ 414.45
Total Receipts	\$ 180,672.62
Expenditures	
Salaries	\$ 87,951.76
Office Operations	\$ 13,890.46
Education & Promotion	\$ 19,499.72
Supervisors Expenses	\$ 6,915.41
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0339

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 77, Ivel, Kentucky 41642, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining auger and reclamation operation affecting 423.30 acres, located 1.00 mile southeast of Printer, in Floyd County.

The proposed permit area is approximately 1.10 mile southeast from Ky. 122's junction with Ky. 2030, and located on Shop. The latitude is 37°31'36". The longitude is 82°44'04".

The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour, area and auger Highwall mining method of surface mining. The surface area is owned by Black Diamond Mining Company, LLC, Tandy L. Spurlock, James Irvine Halbert Heirs, John A. Salisbury, Bruce Salisbury, Gena Salisbury Moore, Salley Halbert and Tamara G. Robinson Heirs, Denver Meade, Ruby Slone Halbert, Irvine Halbert, David May, Donald Ray Halbert, Merlene Dingus, Sherree

and Jeanie Wright, Bonita Belle Terry, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Belva Jean Crews.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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

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area, contour, underground, and auger/highwall 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Prestonsburg Church of Christ has filed an application with the Environmental and Public Protection Cabinet to construct approximately 100 ft. of fill. The property is located at 102 Ky. Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, approximately 100 yards northeast of the intersection of Rt. 1428 and Rt. 302. Any comments or objections concerning this application, shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601, Phone: (502) 564-3410.

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 Nationstar Mortgage, LLC vs. Melissa Hall, et al
 Jennifer Blankenship vs. Robert Blankenship
 Margaret Akers vs. Joseph C. Akers
 Jennifer Boyd vs. Michael A. Boyd
 Phyllis Marshall vs. William Marshall
 Barbara Porter vs. Glenn R. Moore
 Midland Funding vs. Matthew Taylor
 Capital One Bank vs. Tommy Spears
 Countrywide Home Loans vs. Leroy Akers, et al
 Nelva Lawson vs. Frank Gillespie
 Rodjette Smith vs. James Smith
 Jimmy D. Johnson vs. Judy Skeens
 Theodore Stephens vs. Rodney Stepp
 Liquidation Properties, Inc. vs. Marilyn Hall, et al
 Bank of New York vs. Jerry Hall, et al
 Rhonda Campbell vs. Jefferson Spears
 MRC Receivables Corp. vs. Matthew Edwards
 Nationwide General Insurance Co. vs. Henry Hook
 Discover Bank vs. Phillip Butler, et al
 Tabitha Shepherd vs. Mitchell Shepherd
 Birdie Spears vs. Richard O. Carter
 Birdie Spears vs. Christine Assel
 Wenda and Jackie Conley vs. Carey Conley
 Amy Wright vs. Charles

Wright
 Julie Nicole Case vs. Meade & Shepherd Coal, et al
 Bradley R. Akers vs. David L. Mullins, et al

Small Claims Filings

Midland Funding, LLC vs. Jamie Meeks
 Capital One Bank vs. Thelma R. Shepherd
 Midland Funding, NCC vs. Tracy Crum
 Asset Acceptance, LLC vs. Willie Crase
 LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Sonia Moore
 Asset Acceptance, LLC vs. Robert G. Cyrus
 Cumberland Financial Services vs. Kenneth W. Patton
 Asset Acceptance, LLC vs. Lisa R. Crum
 Security Credit Services vs. Cecilia Meade
 Security Credit Services vs. Delores Howell
 Velocity Investments, LLC vs. Angela D. Conley
 AFS Household Bank vs. R.J. Kidd
 Central Financial Services vs. Paul Salisbury
 Central Financial Services vs. James Crabtree
 DeMoris Martin vs. Greg Carroll
 DeMoris Martin vs. Nicole Moore
 Cash In Hand vs. Amanda Cornett
 Cash In Hand vs. John Barker
 Erin Capital Management vs. Inez Clark
 Nu Island Partners vs. Michael L. Lee
 Discover Bank vs. Joetta L. Stone
 Palisades Collection, LLC vs. Drusella Shepherd
 Midland Funding, NCC vs. Connie Scott
 Collins Financial Services

vs. Shawn Conn
 Drusella Shepherd vs. Roger D. Sammons
 Pioneer Credit Co. vs. David E. Rich, et al
 Asset Acceptance, LLC vs. Benny Hopkins
 LVNV Funding, LLC vs. Leonard Conn, Jr.
 Asset Acceptance, LLC vs. Tony Harris

Charges Filed

Rita S. Boyd, 40, of Tram, terroristic threatening.
 Diane M. Farris, 45, of Langley, harassment.
 Lois Wicker, 42, of Garrett, theft by deception.
 Stephen Watson, 34, of Langley, theft by deception.
 Elda Collins, age not listed, Minnie, theft by deception.
 Edie H. Judd, 55, of Martin, assault.
 James Gregory Baldrige, 30, of Garrett, assault; alcohol intoxication, public place.
 Rogie Darrell Case, 29, of Martin, public intoxication, controlled substance.
 Venice G. Young, 32, of Betsy Layne, alcohol intoxication, public place; resisting arrest.
 Jimmy D. Hall, 36, of Prestonsburg, assault.
 Eddie Scarberry, 27, of Langley, assault.
 James Gregory Baldrige, 30, of Garrett, theft by unlawful taking, auto.
 Scarlett K. Pinson, 22, of Phelps, alcohol intoxication, public place.
 David Meeks, 20, of Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking, shoplifting.
 Lance Edward Owens, 33, of Prestonsburg, harassment.
 Kelli Spriggs, 23, of McDowell, harassing communications.
 Glenda Sue Blanton, 49, of McDowell, alcohol intoxica-

tion, public place; disorderly conduct.

Darrell S. Damron, 44, of McDowell, alcohol intoxication, public place; criminal trespass; fleeing/evading police.

Jeannie L. Sparks, 22, of Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, public place.

Gary L. Hale, 26, of Martin, wanton endangerment.
 Ronnie Blackburn, 50, of Allen, alcohol intoxication, public place.

Trena K. Stewart, 32, of Prestonsburg, criminal trespassing.

Inspections

Meade Stop-N-Go, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Non food contact surfaces not properly maintained, cloths used for wiping spills on food contact surfaces being used for other purposes, improper storage of single service articles, toilet room doors not self closing, attached equipment on walls and ceiling not in good repair, light fixtures not shielded as required, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: Food, 92, Retail, 97

Double Kwik #2065, Grethel, Follow up inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, operators not providing or using chemical test kits where chemical sanitization methods are employed. Score: 98

Our Lady of the Way, Martin, field inspection. Violations noted: Boil Water Advisory. Water service not operable at facility upon arrival. Advised management to procure portable water and ice from an approved source. Clean water should also be provided for use in restrooms. Facility was also advised to continue to boil municipal water when service is returned until boil water advisory is lifted. Score: 100

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Census shows slight increase in Kentucky poverty

by SAMIRA JAFARI
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — The number of Kentuckians living in poverty rose slightly in 2006, according to Census data released Tuesday.

In 2006, 17 percent of Kentuckians lived below the poverty level, compared with 16.8 percent in 2005. The state jumped from the ninth poorest state in the nation in 2005 to tying Oklahoma at No. 7 in 2006.

The shift counters the national trend: 12.3 percent — or 36.5 million Americans — were living in poverty last year, down from 12.6 percent in 2005.

"We still have a high ranking in poverty," said Ron Crouch, director of the Kentucky State Data Center at the University of Louisville. "We still need to deal with it."

Kentucky remains 45th in the nation in terms of median household income, though Kentuckians are making a bit more money: \$39,372 in median household income in 2006 compared with the \$37,369 in 2005.

The Census Bureau data found that a slightly larger percentage of Kentucky children and senior citizens lived in poverty in 2006. Ranked 10th (tied with Tennessee) in the country, 22.3 percent of the state's children lived below the poverty level in 2006, compared with 22.1 percent in 2005. Kentucky residents age 65 and older rank fourth nationally, with 13.5 percent living below the poverty level in 2006, compared with 13.3 percent in 2005.

Poverty in Kentucky is concentrated in the southeastern portion of the state — an area that has historically struggled with a lack of jobs and health care. More than 26 percent of the people in that region, defined as the 5th Congressional District, are living below the poverty level.

Nearly a third of the children, 32.5 percent, and 19.8 percent of senior citizens in that region are living in poverty.

The problem is compound-

ed by the fact that more than a half-million Kentuckians don't have health insurance. The Census Bureau reported that in 2006, 13.8 percent of the state isn't covered — a slight increase from the 13.5 percent in 2005.

Kentucky fell below the national average of 15.8 percent. The number of uninsured Americans went up from 44.8 million in 2005 to 47 million in 2006.

"I don't see this as an appreciable increase — 13.5 to 13.8," said Mark Birdwhistell, secretary of the Health and Family Services Cabinet. "That's consistently under the national average and indicative of many of the initiatives

we've had implemented over the last three years."

For example, he cited a recently implemented program that helped give 1,100 people employed in small business health care coverage.

However, Dr. Baretta Casey of the University of Kentucky Center for Rural Health said access to health insurance remain a huge problem, especially for eastern Kentucky.

"I truly believe it's very difficult for people to get health insurance," Casey said. "Many times on a fixed income, they have to make the decision between food and clothes and health and medication."

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Britta Deneene Fraley, a 2005 Allen Central High School graduate recently was selected to the East Kentucky Miners "Diamond Girls" Dance Team on Sunday, August 26th.

Britta danced for Allen Central Middle School and Allen Central High School for a combination of seven years. She has taught dance camps for approximately five years. Britta is currently attending college at BSCTC.

Among many 1st place awards for individual competition, Britta has been named All-American.

The Diamond Girls will be entertaining for the East Kentucky Miners basketball team at the Expo in Pikeville with their season beginning in November.

Britta is the 20-year-old daughter of Recilla Shepherd and the late Fred Shepherd of Langley, KY.

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'Balls of Fury' a copy of sport comedies, with only some slapstick smarts

by JAKE COYLE
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

You, with scripts of badminton drama, kickball glory, and tiddlywinks tragedy: Hurry to Hollywood.

From 2004's "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" to this year's "Blades of Glory," comedies of unlikely sports are being churned out. But "Balls of Fury," the new pingpong romp, may signify the twilight of the trend.

There's no Will Ferrell here, no Ben Stiller. But, there's Dan Fogler, a Tony winner for Broadway's "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee."

Written by "Reno 911!" co-creators Thomas Lennon and

Ben Garant (who also directs) "Balls of Fury" may be conventional for its mock athleticism, but there is a natural, fresh comedy about Fogler.

With long, thick curly hair, pointy mutton chops and portly body, he has the look of someone who accidentally wandered onto a movie set, shrugged, and decided to play along.

Fogler plays Randy Daytona, a former pingpong prodigy haunted by his loss in the 1988 Olympics. Now washed-up, he's performing table tennis tricks at a Nevada casino. "I get introduced by a cockatoo," he explains.

Besides wearing Reebok Pumps, Daytona is clad in Def Leppard T-shirts, the de facto



"Balls of Fury," a Rogue Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for crude and sex-related humor, and for language. Running time: 90 minutes.

Two stars out of four.

costume of ex-prodigies.

Because of his "unique skills," Daytona is called upon by an FBI agent (George Lopez) to infiltrate the lair of a criminal mastermind: the pingpong-loving Feng (Christopher Walken).

Daytona must first improve his pingpong skills so that he's invited to Feng's annual underground tournament. He turns to Chinatown's resident master, Wong (James Hong), who dispenses such platitudes

about the game as: "She is like a fine, well-aged prostitute. It takes years to learn her tricks."

By teaching a white person, though, Wong risks banishment from Chinatown, "and, by extension, Orange County."

It's this kind of "Naked Gun"-style nonsense that is the best of "Balls of Fury."

Once Daytona completes his rigorous training and proves himself by beating the menacing Dragon (an 8-year-old girl), he gains entry to

Feng's (literally) sudden-death tournament with the receipt of a Wonka-like "golden paddle."

It should come as a surprise to no one that Walken is well-suited to playing a diabolical pingpong enthusiast. He greets his guests ominously, but departs by bidding them "toodles." He says - in his trademark pronunciation - that his extravagant lair is "not much, but it's homey," and confesses he has no idea how to care for his panda: "I'm not really sure what they eat."

At the main event, a number of ridiculous champions of pingpong converge, most notably Daytona's rival, the German Karl Wolfschtagg (Lennon). These scenes, like many in the film, are an exercise in comedy excess, featuring dual-paddle Siamese twins and a hulking, pecs-flexing giant with a soft touch.

Here and elsewhere, "Balls of Fury" reverts to "Matrix"-like camera zooms, pointless action sequences and as much double entendre as it can manage.

That may sound fine to some, but for others, it overshadows the movie's smarter slapstick surprises.

Once the match is finished and "Balls of Fury" is over, the cast sways to a rendition of Def Leppard's "Pour Some Sugar on Me," joining in the tradition of the conclusions of films like "There's Something About Mary" and "The 40 Year-Old Virgin."

But the movie hasn't earned such an encore and you're again reminded of the film's copycat genesis.

Sell your sport scripts if you can; the genre's end may be nigh.

Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Comedy fans got an ample serving of entertainment this week with three titles, though action fans weren't left out with the season one release of a popular series which blends drama with super-heroics.

■ "Blades of Glory" — The appeal of Will Ferrell and Jon Heder ("Napoleon Dynamite") almost redeems this lackluster comedy. The pair star as rival figure skaters who get banned from the sport when they engage in a fistfight during a gold medal ceremony. The twosome discover a loophole in their punishment and must skate as a team if they want to ever compete again. The laughs are hit-and-miss here and both actors manage to rise above the sophomore material.

■ "Kickin' It Old Skool" — A man attempts to bring back breakdancing after he recovers from a 20-year coma that was induced by some sloppy moves he was executing to a stunned crowd. Jamie Kennedy is pretty funny here, though the laughs don't come anywhere near as often as in the Ferrell/Heder movie. That said, there are some inspired turns by 1980s icons like David Hasselhoff, Erik Estrada and Rowdy Roddy Piper.

■ "Year of the Dog" — A 30-something secretary with social interaction difficulties gets a new lease on life when she is propelled to get out in the world after her dog, and only companion, dies. Turns out there are plenty of other challenged people in her sphere and they all get ample

screen time in this comedy from Mike White ("Chuck and Buck"). This one succeeds thanks to strong performances and a respect for the characters, who rise above being mere caricatures. It is in no small part due to the quality of the actors, which include Molly Shannon, Laura Dern and John C. Reilly.

■ "Cracker: A New Terror" — Robbie Coltrane ("Nuns on the Run") returns for another outing as troubled police psychologist Fitz, who has earned the moniker of "Cracker" for his eerie ability to get inside the heads of suspects in criminal investigations. This time he's up against an angry ex-IRA terrorist who gets arrested after he kills an American while in the grip of an intense rage. The freedoms that have been sacrificed in a post 9-11 society get plenty of airtime here but do not detract from the overall story, though it's obvious that writer Jimmy McGovern has plenty of bones to pick with Britain's response to the Sept. 11 attacks.

■ "Heroes" — NBC's surprise hit series features plenty of action and drama as a diverse group of people find out they have inherited super-powers and super-problems from a shadow group aimed at eliminating them. This one gets points for making everyone a real person with all-too-real problems who also happens to have inherited a super-power. This is your chance to catch up with the show before the second season premiere.

Next week expect more comedies with the release of "Delta Farce" (featuring Larry the Cable Guy) and "Georgia Rule."

Kings Island upgrades FearFest to Halloween Haunt

KINGS ISLAND, Ohio — There's an all-new level of fear in town this October! The "Scare-Masters" from Knotts Berry Farm that originated and perfected theme park Halloween haunts are bringing a bigger, better, badder and scarier experience to Kings Island this fall. Nothing and no one is off limits!

Halloween Haunt at Kings Island will feature twice the number of monsters, a longer haunt time, new highly-intense and terrifying attractions including chain link mazes, frightening wooded trails, demented clowns in 3D, and some of the most hair-raising rides on the planet.

Gates to the underworld for Halloween Haunt will be open from 7 p.m. until 1 a.m. every Friday and Saturday night Sept. 28 through Oct. 27 and daily from 7 p.m. to midnight Oct. 28-31.

Halloween Haunt will include graphic scenes, suggestive themes and intense imagery and is intended for mature audiences. Parents, please be advised.

Additional event information, including locations where tickets can be purchased, will be announced at a later date.

Scare Fairs are held every Friday and Saturday from 2-6 p.m. through Sept. 8 at Kings Island. Ghouls and ghosts who transform the park from a sunny summer destination into the Midwest's largest and scariest haunted event can earn up to \$10 per hour.

For Scare Fair information, contact the Kings Island Employment Office at (513) 754-5748 or visit www.pki.com/haunt.

Cedar Fair Entertainment Company (NYSE: "FUN") is a publicly traded partnership headquartered in Sandusky, Ohio. The Partnership, which owns and operates twelve amusement parks, five outdoor water parks, one indoor water park and six hotels, is one of the largest regional amusement park operators in the world. Its parks are located in Ohio, California, North Carolina, Virginia / District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Minnesota, Missouri, Michigan, and Toronto, Ontario. Cedar Fair also owns and operates Star Trek: The Experience, an interactive adventure located in Las Vegas, and operates Gilroy Gardens in Gilroy, California under a management contract.

Reader's Choice

The Floyd County Times wants to encourage and acknowledge excellence in the Floyd County Area. The Floyd County Times is conducting its annual ballot of readers so they can let us know whom they consider to be best in the county. Winners receive a certificate suitable for framing and will be featured in a **SPECIAL SECTION** September 28, 2007
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Ballot Rules:

- Only ballots from the Floyd County Times will be counted. No copies accepted.
- Businesses nominated have to be in the Floyd County area and individuals nominated have to live and work in Floyd County.
- Entries may be mailed to The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonburg, KY 41653 (Please allow 7 days for mail delivery) or drop off at our office at 283 South Central Avenue.
- All entries must be at The Floyd County Times by Wednesday, September 14, 2007 (mailed or delivered).
- Limited to 5 copies per person available for sale at front desk. up to normal press run copies. No extra forms will be printed.

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!!

Schools, Churches, Clubs... anyone... do all you can do, see that your favorite people and places win! It's part of the fun! Remember, vote as many times as you wish using an original ballot. No copies of this ballot will be accepted.

Winners to be published in the Friday, September 28th edition of the Floyd County Times.

BoB Series headed back to 201 Speedway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The O'Reilly Battle of the Bluegrass Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts is set to invade 201 Speedway in Sitka on Saturday for the second and final time of the 2007 racing season. Earlier in the season, 2006 Cruise with the Champions Rookie of the Year Justin Rattliff picked up his first-ever series win at the high-banked facility after a late race duel with local favorite Paul Harris.

On tap for this Saturday is a complete program for the nation's most competitive regional racing series with Racing Optics Time

Trials, Arizona Sport Shirts Heats, Design 500 B-Mains and the O'Reilly Auto Parts A-Main paying \$3,000-to-win. Past O'Reilly NARA, Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series winners at 201 Speedway include inaugural series champion Eddie Carrier Jr. (twice), Paul Harris (twice), Whitney McQueary (twice), 2004 series champion Aaron Hatton, Tyrel Todd, defending Series Champion Mike Jewell, 2005 Series Rookie of the Year Chris Combs, Rod Evans and Justin Rattliff.

Payout for Saturday's BoB feature race is as follows: 1. \$3,000; 2. \$1,500; 3. \$1,000; 4. \$800; 5. \$750;

6. \$700; 7. \$650; 8. \$600; 9. \$550; 10. \$500; 11. \$450; 12. \$400; 13. \$350; 14. \$350; 15. \$325; 16. \$325; 17. \$300; 18. \$300; 19. \$300; 20. \$300; 21. \$300; 22. \$300.

Heading into the event, the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass points battle intensifies as Stanford's Victor Lee remains in first-place ahead of Cruise with the Champions Rookie points leader Jason Keltner. Tyrel Todd is currently just 61 points behind Keltner in the third-place position. Jerry Rice and Tim Tugate round out the top five. David Webb, Mike Marlar,

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photo by Steve LeMaster

East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley (third from left) and Brian Levy (second from left), a member of the pro team's marketing department, are pictured with the Prestonsburg football program's coaching staff prior to the kickoff of the season-opener versus Betsy Layne last Friday.

Lady Rebs beat Adams for RBC C-Team title

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN – Host Allen Central held Adams scoreless in the first half and played even with the Lady Blackcats in the second half on Saturday in the Right Beaver Classic C-Team championship game. Allen Central improved to 3-0, defeating Adams 20-9 for the tournament title.

Krista Parsons paced Allen Central with seven points and 10 rebounds. Parsons earned game-high honors in both the scoring and rebounding departments. Desha Elliott added five points, nine rebounds, six steals and a pair of assists for the Lady Rebels.

Jayla Spurlock, Jeni Dingus and Megan Layne each had two points for the Allen Central C-Team. Dingus also ranked as one of Allen Central's top rebounders, pulling down four boards.

Allen Central blanked Adams 3-0 in the opening quarter. The Lady Rebels entered halftime out in front 11-0.

Three different players accounted for the Adams scoring. Allison DeRossett pushed in a team-high six points for the Lady Blackcats. Haley Howell scored two points, connecting on a pair of free throws. Kierra Shelton rounded out the Adams scoring with one point.

Howell earned the tournament's individual free throw award.

South Floyd rolls past Stumbo

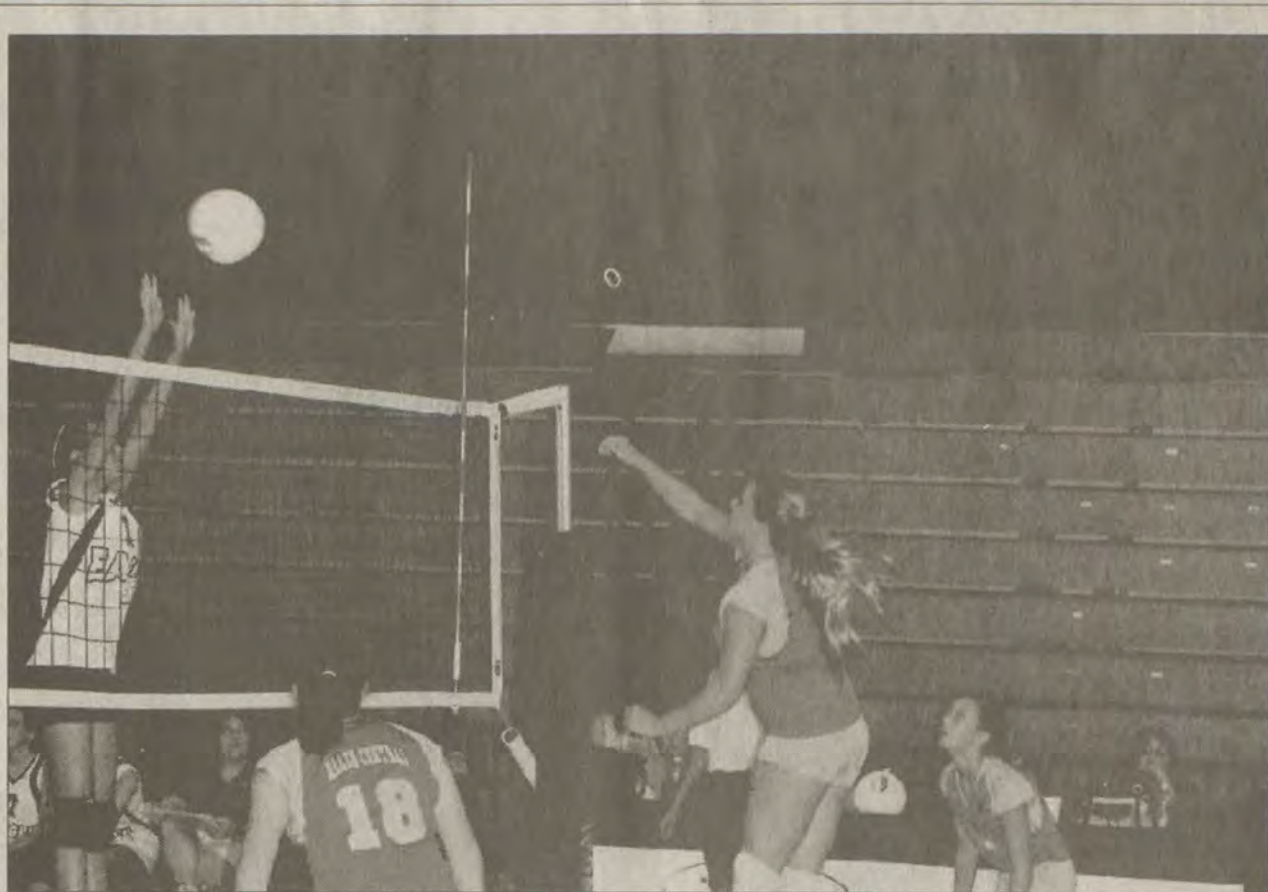
HI HAT – South Floyd guard Kiana Hall scored a game-high 30 points on Monday as the Lady Raiders defeated longtime rival John M. Stumbo 61-20 in a middle school A-team girls' basketball matchup.

Kelsey Dye dumped in 13 points and Gabby Bailey added 12. Chelsea Stone aided the South Floyd scoring effort with six points of her own.

South Floyd dominated the A-team game, outscoring Stumbo in each quarter. The Lady Raiders outscored Stumbo 20-7 in the opening quarter and took a 36-12 lead into the intermission.

South Floyd finished strong, outscoring Stumbo 14-5 in the final quarter.

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Kelsey Jones delivered a return back over the net for Allen Central during a match last week. Allen Central ranks as one of the 15th Region's top teams.

Rebs sweep Hawks, Dores

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – Allen Central outside hitters Brittany Hodge and Tiffany Clark combined for 12 kills, Monday, and Koko Martin's consistent serving barrage that tallied nine aces gave the Rebels a 2-0 win (25-17, 25-22) over the visiting Pike Central Hawks at J.E. Campbell Arena.

Allen Central improved to 8-4 following the win.

Rebel middle blocker Kimbo Blevins registered three kills and two blocks and setter Hannah Howard was credited with three kills and seven assists. Martin and rightside hitter Kelsey Jones slapped in a kill apiece. Junior defensive specialist Brittany Smith had a team-high 18 digs for the Rebels. Hodge and Clark recorded eight and seven stops, respectively.

"Our defense was extremely good tonight and we played well at the net – causing the Hawks to commit 16 unforced errors from a blocking and defensive standpoint," Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard commented. "Brittany Smith really stepped up tonight and we were able to neutralize a good attacking team like Pike Central."

Allen Central's Koko Martin was

cool under pressure and placed 12 serves in play – earning six aces.

"She has always been one of the best, if not the best server for the AC squads," Maynard commented. "She

example of her ability. Again, this was a team effort. Everyone stepped up when they needed to but Koko iced them."

The Rebel varsity unit earned its

ninth win on the season Tuesday, dominating the host Perry County Central Commodores throughout the match, winning 2-0 (25-11, 25-14).

The Allen Central JV team rolled over the Commodore junior squad, winning 2-0 (21-1, 21-6) and improving to 8-1.

Allen Central also prevailed 2-0 in the freshman game. The AC freshman team won 15-0, 15-2.

Allen Central was hosting Prestonsburg in a 551th District/Floyd County Conference meeting Thursday



Allen Central's Kimbo Blevins sent an offering over the net during a recent match versus Johnson Central.

is consistent and can really turn it around for us. Tonight is only one

Local, state leaders show support for East Kentucky pro basketball team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE – Professional basketball has been welcomed with open arms in the City of Pikeville and throughout Eastern Kentucky. The East Kentucky Miners, an expansion team in the CBA, continue to gain the support of veteran basketball fans. Kentucky is known for its basketball-savvy residents and diehard fans. Those residents as well as local and statewide government leaders value the brand of basketball that is two-plus months away from hitting the hardwood and representing East Kentucky and the entire Commonwealth. Members of the East Kentucky Miners professional basketball organization have made a commitment to being community leaders themselves. Local and statewide government leaders took early notice of the CBA expansion team's commitment and strong work ethic. The East Kentucky team's work ethic is very similar to that of many hardworking Kentuckians.

The support from local and statewide leaders was evident at the team's first press conference held on Thursday, July 19. During the event, Pike County Judge-Executive Wayne T. Rutherford awarded members of the Miners organization with a proclamation, commemorating the arrival in Pikeville. Jay Fiedler and Demetrius Ford, co-founders of Trinity Sports & Entertainment Group, Inc., owners of the East Kentucky Miners, also accepted a Key to the City from Pikeville City Manager Donovan Blackburn. Pikeville Mayor Frank Justice was also present at the debut press conference, joining many local dignitaries in welcoming the CBA expansion team.

In early-August, shortly after the East Kentucky Miners professional basketball organization arrived in Pikeville on an official note, State Representative Keith Hall (District 93, Pike) delivered another proclamation. Hall has served in the House since 2001.

"To have the House of Representatives give us its stamp of approval speaks vol-

(See LEADERS, page four)

TONIGHT'S HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL GAMES

Ashland Blazer-Pikeville
Belfry-Lawrence County
Betsy Layne-Jackson Co.
Breathitt Co.-Prestonsburg (KRAMC Honey Bowl)
East Ridge-Grundy, Va.
Harlan-Lee County, Va.
Hazard-Clay County
(C. Vernon Cooper Pride of the Mountains Classic)
Johnson Central-Conner
Knott Central-Perry Central
Leslie Co.-Pike Co. Central
Magoffin Co.-Allen Central
Paintsville-Phelps
Sheldon Clark-Fairland, Ohio
South Floyd-Evangel
Christian

NFL Punt, Pass & Kick Competition open to area youth

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE – The Paintsville High School football program will host an NFL Punt, Pass and Kick Competition on Saturday, Sept. 1 at Memorial Field. This year's punt, pass and kick competition is scheduled to get underway at 10 a.m.

The competition is open to eligible area youth.

Participants must be between the ages of 8-15. In addition, all participants must

provide a valid birth certificate.

Division age is determined as of December 31 of the current year.

The program includes four age divisions – 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15. Boys and girls compete separately and there is no entry fee.

For more information, contact Paintsville High School Coach Jim Tom Allen (phone: 606/789-2656, e m a i l : james.allen@paintsville.kyschools.us.).



VOLLEYBALL SPOTLIGHT: The Betsy Layne High School volleyball program continues to show improvement. Coach Christina Crase (standing, left) guides a young, talented team.

Mike Jewell, Chris Combs and Doug Smith make up the rest of the top-10.

Chuckie May's 201 Speedway is a 3/8-mile high-banked clay oval. The track is nestled in a hill located just 5.5 miles north of US 23 on SR 201, just outside Paintsville. For more information, call the track at 606/265-5201.

For more information on the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series,

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go online to www.battleofthe-bluegrass.com or call the Series office at 859/433-5707.

FOR ADDITIONAL RACING NEWS:

Go online to www.floydcountytimes.com

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umes in terms of the support we have received since announcing our arrival," said East Kentucky Coach Kevin Keathley. "I couldn't be more happy to be a part of the Commonwealth. Getting the state government's acceptance is important to our organization on many fronts."

Both Pike County and the City of Pikeville have expressed support for the CBA expansion team.

"(Pike County) Judge-Executive (Wayne T.) Rutherford has been very supportive since day one," Keathley commented. "I firm-

ly believe he has the community's best interest at heart. It was an honor to have him speak at our press conference. I've had the opportunity to speak with the county judge on a couple of different occasions and he has always been more than willing to help in any capacity."

The Miners are Kentucky's only professional basketball team.

"We look forward to building a lasting relationship with the City of Pikeville as well as the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a whole," Keathley said.

UK receiver has driving problems; is accused of resisting arrest

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
LEXINGTON - A receiver for the University of Kentucky football team was arrested and charged with four driving offenses, plus resisting arrest, according to Fayette County Detention Center spokesman, Lt. Randy Jones.

Records show Steve Johnson, a senior, was arrested at 9:18 p.m. EDT Wednesday night in Lexington, but was released on bond at 11:15 p.m. after

paying a fine of \$572, which included his bond, a previous fine of \$189 from a traffic court case and court costs, Jones said.

In addition to the warrant for non-payment of the \$189 fine and resisting arrest, Johnson was charged with having no insurance, failure to have his driver's license in his possession, not wearing a seat belt and having no registration plate, Jones added.

Johnson was scheduled to be arraigned at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jones said.



SOUTH FLOYD GIRLS' BASKETBALL 2007

Below: Kelsey Dye (24) led South Floyd Middle to a win over John M. Stumbo earlier in the week. Dye is one of Floyd County's top young girls' basketball players.

Above: South Floyd Middle Coach April Bradford talked with her team during a time-out.

Coaches are urged to fax scoresheets from their games to The Times at 606/886-3603.

AC finishes runner-up in Cougar Classic

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

WHITESBURG - Allen Central finished 3-2 in the Cougar Classic held on Saturday at Letcher County Central.

The Rebels amassed 110 kills, 90 assists, 49 aces, 228 digs, and 36 blocks while defeating host Letcher County Central, Belfry and Leslie County on their way to the second place finish.

Letcher County Central is the defending 14th Region champion. Belfry is the

reigning 15th Region title-winner.

"I am proud of this team and the way they performed," said Allen Central Coach Larry Maynard. "They are quickly learning that they can compete and play with anyone. Of all the teams, this one has the heart and determination to succeed."

During the tournament, Kelsey Jones earned 31 kills, Brittany Hodge smacked in 27, and Brittany Clark slapped in 23 for the Rebels.

Allen Central featured a balanced

attack. Koko Martin earned 48 assists and Hannah Howard dished up 37. Howard led all servers with 17 aces, while Hodge was credited with 12, Martin and Clark had six each. Blevins earned five aces for the runner-up team. Defensively, Brittany Smith dug up 53, Hodge stopped 45, Howard turned back 34, Jones denied 30 and freshman Rebekah Potter scooped 24.

Kimbo Blevins recorded 24 blocks and Clark denied 12 for the Allen Central varsity squad.

Aaron Harang throws 2-hitter, Reds blank Pirates 8-0

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH - Aaron Harang threw a two-hitter for his fourth career shutout, Ken Griffey, Jr. and Brandon Phillips homered and the Cincinnati Reds beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 8-0 on Wednesday night.

Alex Gonzalez and Javier Valentin had three hits and Phillips, Scott Hatteberg and Edwin Encarnacion each had two for Cincinnati, which had won six straight before getting swept in a doubleheader by the Pirates on Tuesday.

Harang (14-3), who pitched at least eight innings in a game for the ninth time this season, walked one and struck out eight in improving to 11-3 lifetime against the Pirates. It was his 10th career complete game, and his first shutout since June 23, 2006, at Cleveland.

The Pirates, who had won six of seven coming in, had been the majors' best offensive club during August. The Pirates led all teams in runs and had tied the team record for most home runs in a month with 43. But Harang shut them down, fac-

ing just two batters more than the minimum and limiting Pittsburgh to three baserunners.

The first four batters of the game reached against Pirates starter Ian Snell - including Griffey, whose three-run shot to right scored Josh Hamilton and Gonzalez. It was the 592nd homer of Griffey's career and 29th of the season.

The Reds made it 5-0 in the fifth when Gonzalez hit a sacrifice fly to score Hamilton and Phillips hit his home run to center. An inning later Hamilton drove in a run with a sacrifice fly and Gonzalez singled in Hatteberg.

Snell (8-11), who has lost six of his last seven decisions, gave up seven runs and 10 hits in 5 1-3 innings. He walked two and struck out four.

Valentin added an RBI double in the seventh.

Notes: Phillips has at least two hits in each of his past six games. The last Cincinnati player to do that was Todd Walker from Sept. 4-10, 2002. ... Snell is the 377th pitcher against which Griffey has homered. ... Thanks to Jason Bay's

double, Pittsburgh kept alive a club-record streak of 88 consecutive games with at least one extra-base hit.

Coutlangus back with Reds, Ramirez sent down to farm club

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH - The Cincinnati Reds recalled left-hander Jon Coutlangus from Triple-A Louisville on Wednesday and optioned right-hander Elizardo Ramirez to their top farm club.

Coutlangus was 4-1 with a 3.93 ERA in 57 appearances before being optioned to Louisville on Aug. 7, where he was 2-0 with a 6.35 ERA in nine games.

Ramirez allowed six runs and nine hits in five innings during the Reds' 6-4 loss in the opener of a doubleheader in Pittsburgh on Tuesday. He was 0-2 with a 7.71 ERA in four games, including three starts.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

KELSEY JONES,
Allen Central High School Volleyball:
Registered 31 kills during Cougar Classic at Letcher County Central.

ALAN CRAYNON,
Prestonsburg High School Football:
Rushed for 134 yards and 2 touchdowns on 11 carries vs. Betsy Layne.

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final quarter.

T.J. Tackett paced Stumbo with a team-best 11 points.

Stumbo defeated South Floyd 23-14 in the B-team game. Tackett led the Stumbo B-team with a game-high 16 points.

Lady Rebs sweep Betsy Layne

EASTERN - In middle school girls' basketball Wednesday evening, Allen Central hosted and swept Floyd County rival Betsy Layne. The Lady Rebels took a tripleheader from the visiting Ladycats. More on each game follows.

A-TEAM - Allen Central 64, Betsy Layne 6; Allen

Central outscored Betsy Layne 20-1 in the opening quarter of the A-team game, setting the tone early. The Lady Rebels led 38-4 at halftime and outscored Betsy Layne 13-2 in the third quarter.

Nine different Allen Central players broke into the scoring column.

Amber Shepherd paced Allen Central with a game-high 21 points. Megan Jones followed with 13 points for the Lady Rebels. Caitlin Kidd also reached double figures in the scoring column for host Allen Central, tossing in 10 points.

Allen Central managed to hold Betsy Layne scoreless in the final quarter.

Christy Lykins had three points for Betsy Layne.

B-TEAM - Allen Central 40, Betsy Layne 10; Amber

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Shepherd scored a game-high 10 points and teammates Desha Elliott and Krista Parsons netted eight apiece to lead a balanced Allen Central B-team scoring effort.

Paige Watkins was Betsy Layne's leading scorer, pushing in a team-best six points.

C-TEAM - Allen Central 31, Betsy Layne 2; Jeni Dingus and Katerina Poston scored six points apiece as Allen Central rolled past Betsy Layne in the C-team game.

Brooklyn Martin and Krista Parsons each had four points for the Allen Central C-Team, which improved to 5-0.

The Lady Rebels connected on 16 field goals. Allen Central led Betsy Layne 15-0 at halftime.

Kelsie Hackworth scored Betsy Layne's two points.



ALLEN CENTRAL captured the Right Beaver Classic C-Team Tournament championship following a win over Adams in the title game.

photo by Jamie Howell



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OF THE WEEK



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UK women's basketball program adds two players

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - University of Kentucky head women's basketball coach Matthew Mitchell has announced the addition of two players to the 2007-08 roster in walk-on Ali Lomax and former Lexington prep star Chelsea Chowning.

Lomax is a 5-9 freshman guard from Lake Oswego, Oregon. She was a second-team all-state selection as a senior after averaging 10.0 points, 5.5 rebounds and 5.0 assists per game for Lake Oswego High School. She was a four-year letterwinner for Coach Jason Fawcett, helping the Lakers chart an impressive 25-5 overall record last season, including a 12-1 mark in conference play.

"We are very excited to have Ali join our team," Mitchell said. "She is a very strong player and a very good athlete. She has a lot of intangibles

and is always around the ball defensively. She just has a real, almost a sixth-sense on defense. I'm excited to work with her and I think she's going to develop into a good player."

Lomax comes from a family of athletes as father Neil played 10 years in the NFL as a quarterback for the Arizona Cardinals and older brother Nick (21) is a red-shirt sophomore quarterback for the Boise State Broncos. Her two younger brothers also are involved in athletics. She chose to walk-on at UK over several scholarship offers from schools in the Pacific Northwest.

Chowning, a native of Berea, and former standout at Lexington Catholic High School, competed last during the 2003-04 and 2004-05 seasons for Atlantic 10 member Xavier, appearing in 52 games with four starting assignments. She averaged 2.7 points and nailed 22 three-pointers

during her two-year career.

After playing two seasons for the Musketeers, she decided to hang up her basketball shoes. Chowning, who had a 4.0 grade point average in her two years at Xavier, was accepted to UK's nationally ranked College of Pharmacy for the 2005-06 school year. She earned a spot on the UK Dean's List for three consecutive semesters, posting a 4.0 GPA each semester. Chowning then took a break from school, traveling to Germany in spring 2007 to play amateur club basketball while her fiancée, former Vanderbilt and Xavier standout Brian Thornton, played professional basketball there as well.

"I came to UK to focus on pharmacy school and my future career," Chowning said. "But basketball had been such a huge part of my life for so long that and I wanted to take advantage of my final year of eligibility. I

have been around UK's program with great coaches and players for the last two years and I feel very blessed to be given the opportunity by Coach Mitchell to be a part of this team."

During her prep career, Chowning was named Miss Basketball runner-up as a senior at Lexington Catholic. She led the Lady Knights to the state Final Four three of her four years and was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player as a sophomore as she led her team to the state title. She was a three-time first-team all-state choice and Regional Player of the Year, averaging 17.5 points, 8.0 rebounds, four steals and four assists as a senior. The McDonald's All-American nominee also was named Lexington Catholic Girl of the Year as a freshman and junior. She graduated third in her class of 221 as a 4.0 student.

"I think Chelsea sensed something

special was happening here and she told me she sensed an energy around the program that she wanted to be a part of," Mitchell said. "She's a player that I've admired for a long time and have watched a lot. Chelsea is a great shooter, passer and a student of the game. I'm thrilled to have her join our team."

Chowning will have one year of eligibility remaining, the 2007-08 campaign.

The pair joins Catina Bett, a 6-5 center (Gadsden, Ala./Gadsden City HS), Victoria Dunlap, a 6-1 forward (Nashville, Tenn./Brentwood Academy), Carly Morrow a 5-11 guard (Chattanooga, Tenn./Chattanooga Girls Preparatory), and Amber Smith, a 5-5 point guard (Winter Haven, Fla./Winter Haven HS), as newcomers for the 2007-08 season.

Report: Documents link QB Tim Couch to steroids

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Former No. 1 NFL draft pick Tim Couch had doping regimens that called for anabolic steroids and human growth hormone, according to documents obtained by Yahoo.com.

Couch, who starred at Kentucky in the 1990s and was cut by the Jacksonville Jaguars earlier this month, told Yahoo.com he used HGH for about a week, under a doctor's care, in hopes it would help him recover from shoulder surgery. He denied using steroids or any other banned

drugs and said he had never seen the documents.

Yahoo.com reported Tuesday it had obtained documents from an anonymous source with Couch's name printed across the top that called for extensive use of drugs banned by the league. The Web site identified the source as a former associate of Brian Yusem, a nutritionist in Boca Raton, Fla., who Yahoo.com said has worked with Couch since January 2006.

"Just because somebody prints something and says this is the protocol I would suggest

doesn't mean somebody has the obligation to do it or did it," Yusem told the Web site, calling the documents "worthless."

Couch's agent, Tom Condon, didn't return a phone call from The Associated Press, and the NFL had no comment.

The documents detail three regimens - 72-day, 80-day and 55-day programs - dated Jan. 26, 2006, Sept. 18, 2006, and Nov. 27, 2006, according to Yahoo.com.

Although Yusem said nothing illegal took place, the source told Yahoo.com that he saw Couch pick up steroids

and HGH, as well as get injected with steroids in Yusem's office.

Couch, the No. 1 pick in the 1999 draft, signed with the Jacksonville Jaguars on July 29, and coach Jack Del Rio said then that the former Cleveland Browns quarterback was merely giving the team another quarterback to use during training camp and that he had an outside shot to make the team.

Couch was released three weeks later.

Jaguars spokesman Dan Edwards said Tuesday that Couch's release had nothing to

do with the drug allegations.

"It was strictly a personnel decision based on performance," Edwards said.

Couch, who had two shoulder surgeries since February 2005, was 2-of-4 passing for 11 yards in one preseason game and was sacked twice. He also missed practice following that game with a sore back.

Couch told Yahoo.com that he passed a drug test when he signed with the Jaguars. Edwards said the NFL's drug-testing policy is confidential, and results are not shared with teams. Teams are only notified

when players are suspended for violating the policy, he said.

Couch said "there's no way in hell" he would have passed a drug test in Jacksonville had he taken what was outlined in the steroid regimens.

"It doesn't matter what that (steroid regimen) says," Couch told Yahoo.com. "It matters what I took. I know what I took and what I didn't take."

Couch starred at Leslie County High School where he set

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Prestonsburg vs. Knott County Central
Monday, Aug. 27

Varsity (Julianne Frye, Captain)

Final Score, Game 1 - 21-09 (Prestonsburg)

Serving: 21/24 (Aces served by Rikki Hughes (1) and Lakan Lowe (1))

Hits: 15/16 (Successful hits by Whitney Caudill (5), Julianne Frye (4), Rikki Hughes (4) and Crystal Reed (1))

Final Score, Game 2 - 25-21 (Prestonsburg)

Serving: 17/21

Hits: 14/19 (Successful hits by Whitney Caudill (6), Julianne Frye (2), Rikki Hughes [x4], and Lakan Lowe (2))

JUNIOR VARSITY (Crystal Reed, Captain)

Final Score, Game 1 - 21-16 (Prestonsburg)

Serving: 15/18 (Aces served by Tiffany Reed (2); served 9 in a row)

Hits: 11/14 (Successful hits by Whitney Layne (2), Crystal Reed [x4], Tiffany Schall (3), Tiffany Reed (1) and Julie Compton (1))

Final Score, Game 2: 21-07 (Prestonsburg)

Serving: 20/21 (Ace served by Whitney Layne (1); served 8 in a row)

Hits: 7/9 (Successful hits by Crystal Reed (2), Tiffany Schall (4) and Holly Whitaker (1))

FRESHMEN (Audra Hall, Captain)

Final Score, Game 1: 15-12 (Prestonsburg)

Serving: 11/14

Hits: 2/3 (Successful hits by Julie Compton (1) and Kalan Wells (1))

Final Score, Game 2: 15-07 (Prestonsburg)

Serving: 11/14 (Aces served by Audra Hall (2) and Ashley Mullins (1))

Hits: 2/5 (Successful hits by Ashley Mullins (1) and Kalan Wells (1))

Prestonsburg vs. Paintsville
Tuesday, Aug. 28

Varsity (Julianne Frye, Captain)

Game 1 - Prestonsburg Starting Lineup: Lakan Lowe, Whitney Caudill, Tayler Bragg, Julianne Frye, Rikki Hughes, Crystal Reed.

Final Score: 25-14 (Prestonsburg)

Serving: 22/25 (Ace served by Rikki Hughes (1))

Hits: 11/11 (Successful Hits by Whitney Caudill (3), Julianne Frye (4), Rikki Hughes (2) and Crystal Reed (2))

Game 2:

Prestonsburg Starting Lineup: Lakan Lowe, Whitney Caudill,

Tayler Bragg, Julianne Frye, Rikki Hughes, Crystal Reed.

Final Score: 25-17 (Prestonsburg)

Serving: 19/23 (Ace served by Whitney Caudill (1))

Hits: 11/16 (Successful Hits by Whitney Caudill (3), Julianne Frye (4) and Rikki Hughes (2))

JUNIOR VARSITY (Tiffany Reed, Captain)

Game 1 - Prestonsburg Starting Lineup: Whitney Layne, Holly Whitaker, Tiffany Reed, Tiffany Schall, Tori Hunt, Audra Hall.

Final Score: 21-16

Serving: 18/19 (Aces served by Whitney Layne (2) and Tiffany Reed (1))

Hits: 6/11 (Successful Hits by Brittany Peppi (2), Tiffany Reed (1), Julie Compton (2))

Tori Hunt (1) and Holly Whitaker (2)

Game 2 - Starting Lineup: Whitney Layne, Tiffany Reed, Audra Hall, Kalan Wells, Julie Compton, Holly Whitaker.

Final Score: 21-12

Serving: 17/20 (Aces served by Whitney Layne (2))

Hits: 5/5 (Successful Hits by Whitney Layne (4) and Tiffany Reed (1))

Jones out following appendectomy

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Kentucky junior cornerback David Jones will be sidelined at least two weeks because of an emergency appendectomy, Coach Rich Brooks announced following practice Wednesday morning.

Jones - a Belfry High School graduate - was on the second team at cornerback and also plays a key role in kickoff and punt coverage.

Brooks also announced that starting free safety Marcus McClinton is

being evaluated day-to-day because of a sprained ankle.

Senior running back Rafael Little has been named to the preseason watch list for the Doak Walker Award, given to the nation's top running back.

Little has led the Wildcats in rushing the last two seasons, going for 1,065 yards as a sophomore in 2005 and 673 yards while being hampered by injuries last year. The multi-talented Little is an accomplished pass receiver and holds the school single-

season and career records for punt return average. He averaged 22.4 yards per punt return last season and would have led the nation in that category, but did not play in enough games to qualify.

The award is named in honor of Doak Walker, the great running back who starred for Southern Methodist University and the Detroit Lions. It is presented by the Guaranty Bank SMU Athletic Forum of Dallas, Texas.

P'burg track and field athletes honored

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG - A host of Prestonsburg High School track and field athletes have earned All-Area 9 honors. The PHS track and field program, under the guidance of head coach Dewey Jamerson, sent a host of athletes to the state meet earlier in the year. A breakdown of the PHS track and field athletes honored follows.

All-Area 9 First Team: 100 Meters - Kelli Burchell; 200 Meters -

Amber Whitaker, Taylor Clark; 400 Meters - Cody McCoy; 800 Meters - Jordan Watkins; 110 Meter Hurdles - Joshua Holbrook, Joseph Jamerson; 300 Meter Hurdles - Joseph Jamerson, Brad Stanley; 4x100 Meter Relay - Whitney Bradley, Kelli Burchell, Emily Stanley, Amber Whitaker; 4x200 Meter Relay - Whitney Bradley, Kelli Burchell, Emily Stanley, Amber Whitaker; 4x400 Meter Relay - Taylor Clark, Joseph Jamerson, Chayse Martin, Cody McCoy.

All-Area 9 Second Team: 200 Meters - Kelli Burchell; 100 Meter Hurdles - Emily Stanley; 300 Meter Hurdles - Emily Stanley; Discus - Ashley Moore; Javelin - Josh Shepherd; 3200 Meters - Joshua Holbrook; 4x100 Meter Relay - Taylor Clark, Clay Jamerson, Chayse Martin, Cody McCoy; 4x200 Meter Relay - Taylor Clark, Clay Jamerson, Chayse Martin, Cody McCoy; 4x800 Meter Relay - Joshua Holbrook, Brad Stanley, Shane Williamson, Jordan Watkins.

Rodebaugh turns in par effort in P'burg home match

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG - Prestonsburg High School senior Josh Rodebaugh shot par at StoneCrest Golf Course Monday evening when the Blackcat golf team hosted Betsy Layne for a home match. Rodebaugh shot a 36 as

Prestonsburg defeated Betsy Layne 176-203.

Senior Dane Sizemore and junior Craig Cooley each fired a 46 for Coach Marc Shepherd's Prestonsburg golf team.

Prestonsburg hosted its annual tournament Saturday. The tournament featured 18 teams from various

parts of the state. Prestonsburg finished 16th with a 367 team effort.

State powerhouse Trinity won the tournament, producing a 298.

Rodebaugh shot 85 in the tournament while Sizemore ended the event with an 88.



RBC RUNNER-UP: The Adams Middle School girls' basketball team finished runner-up in the Right Beaver Classic C-Team Tournament. Haley Howell (pictured below) won the tournament's individual free throw award.



CHAMPIONS: The Prestonsburg High School Dance Cats brought home a first-place trophy for their hip-hop routine during the NDA Championship at the Kentucky State Fair. The team is pictured. Top row: Kalan Wells, Chelsea Hereford, Alyssa Allen, Nikki Bradley, Kaitlyn Minix. Bottom row: Lindsay Maggard, Maura Minix, Emily Stanley and Charlotte Hale. Amy Trusty and Ashleigh Dotson coach the Prestonsburg dance team.



The South Floyd Middle School girls' basketball cheerleaders posed for a team photo during a recent game.

Villeneuve looks to jump-start career in truck series

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — little over a year ago, Jacques Villeneuve had finally found peace in politically charged Formula One.

He was newly married with a baby on the way, his ride with BMW-Sauber seemed secure and he had just launched his second career as a recording artist. Things were so good, he dismissed ever returning to the United States to compete in one of its three racing series.

"Perhaps if I was a young man again," he said at his hometown Canadian Grand Prix last June. "But as a family man, it's just too much."

How things have changed. Villeneuve lost his F1 seat shortly after, then spent the rest of the year working the NASCAR garages trying to find a way into America's top racing series. He finally put together a deal last week with Bill Davis Racing, and spent Monday and Tuesday testing a Toyota Tundra.

He's scheduled to run the final seven Truck Series events of this season, beginning with the Sept. 22 race in Las Vegas.

So why the change of heart? "I needed to do something in racing that was at an extremely high level, which NASCAR is, but something different," he said. "And I was missing the ovals also, so it sounded like a great challenge. I really wanted to get into it."

Villeneuve was the one who paved the path that current Nextel Cup rookie Juan Pablo Montoya also took through American racing into F1.

Villeneuve won the 1995 Indianapolis 500 and CART championship, then jumped the next season into a competitive F1 ride with Williams. He was world champion one year later.

It quickly made him a national hero in Canada, which had been searching for an auto racing star to replace the void created when his father, Gilles Villeneuve, was killed in a 1982 crash at the Belgian Grand Prix.

But Villeneuve was never able to match that early success in F1. He openly feuded with Michael Schumacher, left Williams for a tumultuous five-year stint with BAR-Honda and then found himself out of racing for most of 2004.

When he returned with Sauber the next season, everyone knew it was his last chance. He didn't make it two full seasons.

"I don't know how it is in NASCAR yet, but I'm sure there's politics everywhere," Villeneuve said. "But it was hard to beat the high level of politics of Formula One ... most of the time it overshadows the sport. This is a shame as a racer."

"As long as you're winning, it's great. But as soon as you're not winning, then the politics take over, and it does make racing not fun at all."

Montoya cited similar complaints with F1 when he made the jump to NASCAR last summer, and the Colombian has been thrilled with the relaxed atmosphere and focus on competition. He believes Villeneuve will thrive in the series.

"I think here people are a little more friendly," Montoya said. "All the drivers, you can talk to people. You can go to X-guy and Y-guy to the motor homes and you talk to them and you see them and I think that's really nice."

Villeneuve right now is scheduled to finish the Truck season and drive an ARCA car at Talladega in October.

Davis said he wants Villeneuve in the Cup series next season, but Villeneuve said they don't have a deal yet.

Agreeing to terms is the just first hurdle Villeneuve must cross. Unlike Montoya, who was able to make the adjustment with a competitive team, Bill Davis Racing lags behind the competition in the Cup Series.

Although Dave Blaney has only failed to qualify for two races this season, Jeremy Mayfield has missed 14 of 24 events and earlier this month asked to be released from his contract. Villeneuve would likely fill Mayfield's spot in the BDR lineup, and would face the same qualifying struggles Mayfield did.

And he's yet to even drive a stock car. Villeneuve's two-day test at Chicagoland Speedway was in a truck, his first time ever in any sort of NASCAR vehicle.

"It was quite different, but at the end of the two days it felt natural," Villeneuve said. "It takes some getting used to, but it was good."

Montoya said Villeneuve will have to show extreme patience during the adjustment period.

"There's going to be good, bad

and evil races — especially at the beginning," Montoya said. "At the beginning you've got to give a lot and see how people run and you'll learn. People at the beginning don't give you too much room and then when they see you give your room, they'll give you room and it works pretty good."

Although Montoya has rankled opponents this season with aggressive driving, Villeneuve isn't afraid of automatic reprisal against the newest F1 defector. He said their styles are so different, competitors must judge them independently.

But he still expects a little hazing. "No matter what you're driving, nobody likes the new boy," Villeneuve said. "Any time anybody got into F1, we didn't like it, and we made their life hard. "But (Montoya) was like that in Formula 1, extremely aggressive and got on people's nerves. I guess he kept the same personality going into NASCAR, which once he settles in, it will be all right."

"But I've never been as aggressive as him, I would say. But at the same time, NASCAR is a different ball game. So if and when I get in there, I'll figure it out."

Kahne's first Food City 250 win becomes instant Bristol classic

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Kasey Kahne outlasted the field in one of the most exciting Food City 250 Busch Series races ever at Bristol Motor Speedway last Friday night, earning his first-ever win on the newly resurfaced half-mile oval.

Kahne took the lead in the waning laps of the race after

Ryan Newman, who appeared to have the win in hand, suffered a cut tire while battling Kahne and Jason Leffler on a three-wide bid for the lead.

"We got to Newman at the end and just started battling Ryan," said Kahne. "We went back and forth and then finally (Jason) Leffler got there and I knew I had to do something because he was better on the bottom.

"We bounced off the wall, other cars, and still won the race. The track was awesome. It's such a fun race track with the new banking. They really did a great job. The way you drive is different. It's still Bristol with all the bumping and banging but you can race three wide, where you couldn't race that way in the past."

"Before it was possible (to race three wide) but only when

you were around slower traffic. Tonight we were three-wide for about a full lap battling for the lead and that's tough to do anywhere."

Leffler finished second, followed by David Reutimann, Kyle Busch and Scott Wimmer. Rounding out the top 10 was David Ragan, Brad Keselowski, Clint Bowyer, Jamie McMurray and Eric Almirola. Newman ended up

in 28th place.

It was the second Busch win of the year for Kahne, who had a banner Saturday at BMS after winning the pole for the Sharpie 500 earlier in the day. It was Kahne's first pole ever at BMS.

The Bristol win is special for Kahne.

"My first pole and my first ever win here. That's just incredible," he said. "To me

this is the kind of track where you dream of winning because it's such a tough place to win. When you get the opportunity to win here, it feels good; I had the chance a couple of years ago and I screwed up and lost to Newman.

"The atmosphere here is different than anywhere we go so to win a race at Bristol is just unbelievable."

Smith working toward deal to drive 01 for DEI in '08

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Regan Smith was finalizing a deal Thursday to drive the No. 01 for Dale Earnhardt Inc. next season.

Smith has verbally agreed to a one-year contract that includes a team option for two more seasons. The deal is expected to be announced next weekend at Richmond International Raceway, where DEI is planning to announce its entire 2008 lineup.

DEI president Max Siegel did not immediately return a phone message Thursday. But

he has previously said that Smith was on his short list of candidates for the No. 01, which DEI acquired in last month's merger with Ginn Racing.

"Since the merger, Regan's first choice has always been to stay with DEI," said agent Jeff Dickerson of Motorsports Management Inc. "We are working hard to make that happen."

Siegel has previously said he's trying to put together a split schedule for Mark Martin and Eric Almirola to share the No. 8 next season. That deal is being held up by sponsorship

negotiations.

DEI has been working on its 2008 lineup since early May, when Dale Earnhardt Jr. said he was leaving his late father's company at the end of the season. The team was unsuccessful in its bid to sign Kyle Busch as Earnhardt's replacement.

The merger with Ginn expanded DEI's stable from three cars to four, and put Martin, Almirola and Smith in DEI's driver rotation. But it also left Smith in limbo without a secure seat.

Smith started the year splitting the No. 01 with Martin,

who has been an enthusiastic mentor to the 23-year-old. But a week before Bobby Ginn sold his team to DEI, he shuffled his lineup and gave Smith his own full-time Nextel Cup ride while signing Almirola to split the rest of the season with Martin.

Once the two teams merged, Smith's ride went away and he was left without a car to drive in the Cup Series. He's raced just three times since the merger, in the Cup race at Watkins Glen, and in Truck Series events at Indianapolis and Bristol.

Martin, meanwhile, was

working the garage to help Smith land a full-time ride.

Siegel has said he did not want to sign a driver to a long-term deal for the No. 01 because he wanted to leave DEI's options open for next year's free-agent class. Greg Biffle, Ryan Newman and Bobby Labonte are all in negotiating years with their respective teams, and could become available to DEI if Smith does not work out.

In six career Cup starts, Smith's highest finish was 24th at Talladega. He has six top-10 finishes in 102 Busch Series starts, and one top-10 in

14 Truck Series events.

NASCAR Nextel Cup Driver Standings

1. Jeff Gordon, 3,582
2. Tony Stewart, 3,233
3. Denny Hamlin, 3,229
4. Matt Kenseth, 3,163
5. Carl Edwards, 3,160
6. Jimmie Johnson, 3,059
7. Jeff Burton, 3,054
8. Kyle Busch, 3,024
9. Clint Bowyer, 2,944
10. Kevin Harvick, 2,888

NHRA: Mac Tools U.S. Nationals set for Saturday

Mac Tools U.S. Nationals Site: Clermont, Ind.

Schedule: Friday, qualifying, 6:15 p.m.; Saturday, qualifying, 1 p.m. (ESPN2, 12:30 a.m., tape); Sunday, qualifying, 11 a.m. (ESPN2, 2 p.m.; ESPN2 12 Mid., tape); Monday, eliminations, 11 a.m. (ESPN2, Noon).

Track: Indianapolis Raceway Park.

Last event: Doug Herbert ended a nearly three-year winless streak to earn the final spot in the Countdown to the Championship, defeating "Hot

Rod" Fuller in the rain-delayed final of the Toyo Tires NHRA Nationals at Maple Grove Raceway on Aug. 22. Funny Car's Tony Pedregon, Pro Stock's Dave Connolly and Pro Stock Motorcycle's Matt Guidera also scored big wins in the final regular-season race.

Last year: Tony Schumacher topped Brandon Bernstein in the Top Fuel final at Indianapolis Raceway Park. He joined other winners, Robert Hight (Funny Car), Greg Anderson (Pro Stock),

and Matt Smith (Pro Stock Motorcycle). Anderson also won for the fifth time at Indy, including four straight.

Fast facts: Heading into the U.S. Nationals, the top eight racers are placed in a new points pool — called Countdown to Four — and separated by just 10 points each from top to bottom. These eight racers are the only ones left eligible to win the championship. Four races later, the field is reduced to the top four and regrouped in the points for a final push to the champi-

onship. Dubbed Countdown to One, this final sprint takes place over the final two races of the year. ... John Force's final-round appearance in Funny Car at the Toyo Tires NHRA Nationals was the 200th of his career, making him the first NHRA racer to reach that milestone.

Next event: O'Reilly Mid-South Nationals, Sept. 16, Memphis, Tenn.

On the Net: <http://www.nhra.com>

— The Associated Press

file photo
BEAVER JUNCTION MOTOCROSS hosts riders in various divisions. The track is located at Dwale and has hosted riders from many Kentucky counties as well as surrounding states. Beaver Junction Motocross has three races remaining in the 2007 season.



Beaver Junction Motocross hosts races

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DWALE — Beaver Junction Motocross hosted its latest set of races Sunday afternoon.

The track has three race-days remaining: Sept. 23, Oct. 7 and Oct. 21.

Beaver Junction Motocross race results from Aug. 26 follow. Small 4-Wheeler: 1. Matt

Cox; 2. Dalton Pigg. 25-Plus: 1. Scott Varney. 30-Plus: 1. Johnnie Osborne; 2. Ricky Crider. 40-Plus: 1. Danny Stewart; 2. Gene Campbell; 3. Kenny Mullins. 250 D: 1. Kyle Ousley; 2. Chase Coleman; 3. Dave Harris. 125 C: 1. Johnnie Osborne; 2. Josh Bolen; 3. Tyler Newsome. 65 Beginner: 1. Dawson Hamilton; 2. Cory

Sizemore; 3. Andrew Hilton. 85 Beginner: 1. Michael Adams; 2. Justin Ousley; 3. Brian Watkins. 250 B and C: 1. Scott Varney; 2. Kyle Hinkle; 3. Ryan Rowe. 250 C: 1. Greg Dawson; 2. Gene Campbell. 85 Open: 1. Myles Minix; 2. Gary Adams; 3. James Campbell. C/D Unlimited: 1. Josh Bolen; 2. Donavon Jones;

3. Justin James. 50 Four Stroke Oil Injection: 1. Jesse Brown; 2. Tyler Haggins; 3. Trey Francis. 65 Open: 1. Dawson Hamilton; 2. Christian Crider; 3. Andrew Hilton. 125 D: 1. Chase Coleman; 2. Shane Hamilton; 3. Bruce Smith. 50 Open: 1. Jesse Brown; 2. Ty Francis; 3. Trey Francis.

NASCAR GLANCE

by BRIAN KACHARABA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASCAR NEXTEL CUP
NASCAR Nextel Cup Series 500
Site: Fontana, Calif.

Schedule: Friday, qualifying (Speed Channel, 6 p.m.); Sunday, race (ESPN, 8 p.m.).

Track: California Speedway (D-shaped oval, 2 miles, 14 degrees banking in turns).

Race distance: 500 miles, 250 laps.

Last race: Carl Edwards picked up another 10 bonus points to use in his pursuit of the Nextel Cup title with a dominating victory at Bristol Motor Speedway. Edwards passed Kasey Kahne for the lead with 166 laps to go and wasn't challenged the rest of the way as he drove to his second victory of the season.

Last year: Kasey Kahne earned his series-leading fifth win of 2006 after taking the Sony HD 500 at California Speedway.

Fast facts: Kurt Busch is still holding down the 12th and final position with two races to go. Dale Earnhardt Jr., despite a strong run at Bristol, is 158 points back. ... Kahne will be inducted into the California Speedway Walk of Fame on Saturday. ... In the previous 14 Cup races at California Speedway, the pole-sitter has yet to win. ... Matt Kenseth won the Auto Club 500 here on Feb. 25.

Next race: Chevy Rock-and-Roll 400, Sept. 8, Richmond, Va. On the Net: <http://www.nascar.com>

NASCAR BUSCH
Camping World 300
Site: Fontana, Calif.

Schedule: Friday, qualifying, 8 p.m. (Speed Channel, 11 p.m., tape); Saturday, race (ESPN2, 10 p.m.).

Track: California Speedway (D-shaped oval, 2 miles, 14 degrees banking in turns).

Race distance: 300 miles, 150 laps.

Last race: Kasey Kahne passed Ryan Newman with eight laps to go, then held off several charges from Jason Leffler to win at Bristol Motor Speedway. The race was marred by a NASCAR scoring error against Kyle Busch that cost him a chance to run for the win. Busch was penalized with 77 laps to go and had to forfeit his second-place position, a penalty NASCAR later said was incorrect.

Last year: Kahne outdueled Paul Menard in an exciting shootout that ended with Kahne in California Speedway's Victory Lane and Menard coasting across the finish line out of fuel. The top two swapped the lead several times in the final 10 laps, with Kahne moving on top for the final time on lap 148. It looked like Menard was ready to make another run at the leader on the final lap when he suddenly slowed on the backstretch, out of fuel.

Fast facts: Television viewers missed the ending of last week's race because ESPN lost its satellite feed with three laps to go. ... Matt Kenseth won the Stater Bros. 300 on Feb. 24 for his fourth Busch win at California Speedway. ... In the previous 14 Busch races at California Speedway, the pole-sitter has yet to win. Three winners have come from position No. 2, including two of Kenseth's four wins.

Next race: Emerson Radio 250, Sept. 7, Richmond, Va.

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Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloca, Minister.

BAPTIST
Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.
Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
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First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship 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.

Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Gretel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branham'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; Asst. Larry Patton. Phone 358-4275.

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

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Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Huysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.
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First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.
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CHURCH OF CHRIST
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.
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Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley; Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.
Little Point First Church of God, 671 Little Point Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.
The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL
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Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
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Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.
Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neely St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescosolido, Minister.
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Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Proff.

First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contemporary Service, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. JUMYS Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.
Hom Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Larry J. Penix, Minister.
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Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.
Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
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Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Mah St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.
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Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

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Faith 2 Faith, Harkins Ave., West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m. Randy Hagans, Minister. 886-9460.
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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.
Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just before Thunder Ridge; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.

Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.
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The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel), Christian Educator, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Alken.

Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Darlene W. Ametta, Pastor

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

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