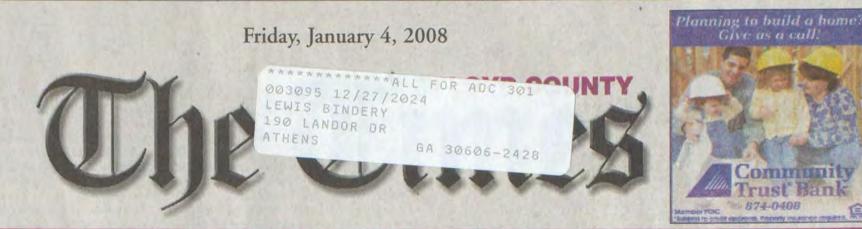
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briefs

32 miners killed in accidents in 2007

The Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. - Federal statistics show that last year was the second deadliest since 2002 for U.S. coal miners.

According to the Mine Safety and Health Administration, 32 miners died on the job in 2007. That was down from 47 miners killed on the job in 2006, matching the total who died in 1995.

By comparison, 27 miners died in job-related mishaps in 2002, 29 miners were killed in 2003, 28 miners died in 2004 and 22 miners were killed in 2005.

Among the deadliest years since 1995: 2001 with 42; and 1996 and 2000, each with 38.

Most of the fatal accidents in 2007 involved one or two miners. However, six died after a cave-in at Utah's Crandall Canyon mine.

2 DAY FORECAST

High: 44 . Low: 28

Mostly

sunny

Today



by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

FRANKFORT - Gov. Steve Beshear signed an executive order for a Writ of Elections last Friday for both the 95th House seat and the 30th senatorial seat

seats is to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 5. James Brandon Spencer, a Democrat, resigned his seat on Dec. 18, citing a lack of time with his family. "As a husband and a father of three children, I have a God-given responsibility to serve their welfare as well."

Daniel Mongiardo's senatorial seat The special election to fill the two became vacant when Mongiardo was

elected lieutenant governor.

According to Keith Bartley, the nomination convention to name the Democratic representative in the special election will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday at the old courthouse in Prestonsburg. Bartley urges all Democratic Executive Committee members or anyone interested in seeking the nomination to come.

So far, former seat holders Greg Stumbo and Charles "Chuck" Meade, have both stated that they would be happy to accept the committee's nomination. Meade has already announced his candidacy for next year's regular

(See ELECTION, page two)

ICED OVER

photos by Jack Latta A city utilities crew worked to replace a water pipe on Abbott Mountain that burst early Wednesday morning.

One killed after arctic blast freezes area roads

Hamilton files for rematch against Turner

by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

Eric Shane Hamilton, of Knott County, announced his candidacy for the state Senate Wednesday afternoon.

"I want to represent the 29th Senatorial District," Hamilton said. "I promise to be honest, to respect the intelligence of our people, to obey the laws, and not bring disgrace to the good people of East Kentucky.'

Hamilton lost his last bid for the 29th District seat in 2004 to current Sen. Johnny Ray Turner in a closely contested race. Early reports had Hamilton winning the election, but a final count of absentee ballots saw him fall by margin of 24 votes. "We can have a better

quality of life, but we must (See HAMILTON, page two)



Hamilton



by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

Icy roads and whiteout conditions kept highway crews busy, and led to one fatal traffic accident on Wednesday.

Snow fighters from the Department of Highways District 12 had their hands full Tuesday night and Wednesday as snow and subfreezing temperatures descended on the mountains.

According to reports from District 12, whiteouts slowed motorists and snow plow operators Tuesday night, as visibility was reduced at times to zero.

"We kept all the state roads open except for a brief time on KY 317 in Letcher County,

(See ICY ROADS, page two)



Department of Highways snow plows worked non-stop trying to keep the roads clear during Wednesday's snow storm.

Highway death toll down across state

by BRUCE SCHREINER ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE

Kentucky's highway death toll reached a six-year low in 2007, which police attributed partly to a tougher seat-belt law allowing drivers to be ticketed simply for not buckling up.

A total of 852 people died in traffic crashes, Kentucky State Police said Wednesday, citing preliminary statistics. The statewide traffic death count was down by 61 from 913 in 2006.

"A lot of folks think

(See DEATHS, page two)

Sago explosion continues to buffet mining industry

by TIM HUBER AP BUSINESS WRITER

CHARLESTON, W.Va. - Two years after an explosion tore apart the Sago Mine and killed 12 men, the aftershocks still rumble through the nation's coal mining industry.

The blast that investigators say unleashed unprecedented power deep inside the Upshur County mine loosed equally strong forces for change in Congress and the government agencies charged with keeping the more than 42,000 men and women who work in the nation's 670 underground coal mines safe.

Though much of the work begun

after Sago and two other high-profile fatal accidents in 2006 remains unfinished, the impetus for change shows no signs of abating. If anything, it may be strengthening after another deadly year punctuated by a high-profile accident that left nine dead in Utah.

The federal Mine Safety and Health Administration is working on reams of new rules and its own safety innovations, including an escape system. So, too, are regulators in West Virginia, the nation's No. 2 coal producer and largest producer from underground mines.

(See SAFETY, page three)



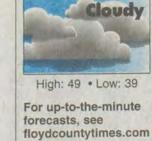
Highlands Regional Medical Center welcomes the first little miracle of 2008. **Travis Blake Mollette** arrived at 12:59 a.m., weighing 8 pounds and 4 ounces and measuring 18.75 inches long. Travis's proud parents are **Brandy Fannin and** Mark Mollette of Inez. **Travis's parents** received a Highlands **Diaper Bag filled with** baby clothing, stuffed animals and many other gift items given from the Highlands. The family will also receive a \$500 savings bond from Highlands **Regional Medical** Center.



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Where to find information about the General Assembly

The Associated Press

Information about the cies Kentucky General Assembly:

The text and status of bills can be found on the General Assembly's Web site at http://www.lrc.ky.gov or by calling the Legislative Research Commission at 502-564-8100.

Information about lawmakers and their e-mail addresses can also be found at http://www.lrc.ky.gov. They can also be reached by calling 502-564-8100.

Details about Gov. Steve Beshear's office can be found at http://www.governor.ky.gov

Hamilton

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work together and we must bring politics to a higher level of respect for our laws, our heritage and our people," said Hamilton.

Sen. Johnny Ray Turner officially filed papers last month to run for re-election.

Alan Wade Crum

December 31, 2007, at his res-

Born May 20, 1965, in

McDowell, the son of Roxie

Robinson Crum of Martin, and

the late Tommy Crum. He was

a disabled coal miner and a

member of the Church of

He is survived by his wife,

Other survivors include a

Joanna Hamilton Crum.

Martin,

idence.

Christ.

Alan Wade Crum, age 42, of

died Monday,

or by calling 502-564-2611. Adirectory of state agen-

is posted at http://www.kentucky.gov and a telephone directory of state employees can be found at http://phone.ky.gov/

The Legislative Ethics Commission Web site has information on opinions and about lobbyists at http://www.klec.ky.gov or by calling 502-573-2863.

Election

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election. No information of the Republican nominating convention or possible candidates was known at press time.

The Kentucky General Assembly convenes next Tuesday. This will be the second time in four years that the legislature will begin without a representative from the 95th house district. Stumbo did not resign his House seat until shortly before he took his post as attorney general.

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Deaths

that's just a number, but it's not," state police Lt. Phil Crumpton said in a phone interview. "There are 60-some less grieving families in Kentucky right now."

The decline was even more dramatic compared to 2005, when 985 people died in crashes on Kentucky roads.

The lower 2007 death toll coincided with the first full year for Kentucky's primary seat-belt law, which allows law enforcement officers to stop motorists solely for not being strapped in.

Previously, people could only be cited for not buckling up if they were stopped for other offenses.

Crumpton said the primary seat-belt law was a key factor in reducing the carnage on the roadways.

Icy Roads

where an accident slowed traffic, and on KY 3 in Martin County, where a tractor-trailer slid crossways in the road and we spent some time helping the driver get straightened out."

Kentucky State Police reported a traffic fatality that took place Wednesday morning on Route 119.

Marvin Mayhorn, 46, of Edgarton W.Va., and his passenger Shellia Hurley, 47, of Freeburn, were traveling northbound on Route 119 in Pike County, when Mayhorn lost control of the vehicle as they rounded a curve, causing the car to run off the road and overturn in a creek. .

According KSP, to Mayhorn was pronounced dead at the scene.

The death count was the

state's lowest since 2001,

when 843 people died on

Rep.

Hoffman, a lead sponsor of the

primary seat-belt legislation

that passed the 2006 General

Assembly, said predictions

that it would protect motorists

proves that Kentucky can be

perceived as a progressive

state when it comes to imple-

menting proven lifesaving

measures," said Hoffman, D-

enforcement with an educa-

tional campaign promoting

Kentucky has increased since

the tougher law took effect,

seat-belt compliance.

Seat-belt

State police have coupled

usage

in

"It not only save lives, but

Charlie

Kentucky roads, he said.

State

had come true.

Georgetown.

Hurley was transported to Pikeville Medical Center where, according to hospital officials, she was treated and released.

The accident was a single vehicle accident and both driver and passenger were wearing their seat belts.

Joe Stanley, maintenance engineer at District 12's snow and ice headquarters, said ice is the biggest problem. "There are patches of ice on bridges and on some stretches of roadway, especially those that do

rising from 67 percent in 2005 to about 74 percent in 2007, according 10 state Transportation Cabinet statistics. But Kentucky has lagged behind the national average,

which was 81 percent in 2006,

the cabinet said. Meanwhile, the number of Kentucky traffic fatalities among people not wearing seat belts has declined - from 507 in 2005 to about 380 last year, according to cabinet figures.

Last year's death toll included 163 people who died while on motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles, bicycles or were pedestrians, Crumpton said. Authorities could not determine if another 45 victims wore seat belts.

Kentuckians were reminded of the scat-belt requirement thanks partly to a strong

not normally get a lot of sun."

Information Officer, said the

'roads throughout the district

ranged from wet or icy pave-

ment to partly covered with ice

snow melts, there is a real

potential for black ice devel-

oping overnight as tempera-

tures drop, and that people

should not assume that the

There are 198 snow fight-

"pavement is merely wet."

George said that when the

or snow."

Sara George, District 12

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enforcement push by state police in the last half of 2006. when officers could only give drivers a warning.

'We were very aggressive on that," said state police Trooper Ron Turley.

Starting in 2007, motorists faced a \$25 ticket if they didn't fasten their seat belts.

"Maybe it will be a lesson learned that will, in the long run, save their lives or a lot of misery in their life," Holfman said.

The lower traffic death toll also came in a year when the speed limit was raised to 70 mph on rural stretches of interstate highways and parkways in Kentucky. Crumpton said the higher speed limit had little impact because most crashes occur on secondary roads where speed limits are lower.

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Letcher), with each operator possessing a commercial driver's license and receiving thorough training by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet on the use of their vehicles and traffic safety.

They (the operators) can't begin to completely remove all the snow until it stops." said George, who cautioned motorists that weather like this is "not the time to be multitasking while driving. Buckle up, pay attention ... and be safe out there."

Prestonsburg City Police responded to two noninjury accidents during Wednesday's winter storm.

Obituaries

1939, in Printer, the son of the Survivors include his wife,

Tackett.

Survivors include three sons: Earl Douglas Tackett and Gary Dean Tackett, both of Marion, Ohio; and James Arthur Tackett of Drift; three daughters: Carolyn Belcher of Paintsville; Artie Sue Thornsberry of Martin; and Diane Pratt of Hindman; a brother, Andy York of Lebanon, Ohio; and a sister, Mertie Caperton of Dayton, Ohio; 13 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

for storytelling, and children loved her. Cora also loved gardening, travel and watching forensic science shows. She attended Trinity had Church Missonary in Constantine.

Her home in Kentucky, and the mountains there, held a special place in her heart.

Survivors include her daughters: Celia (Theo) McDuff of Wichita, Kansas: Patricia Straw of Nashville, Tennessee: Linda Slone of White Pigeon; Karen Taylor of Constantine: and Dawn (Jayson) Cates of Indianapolis, Indiana; and a son, Troy E. (Arlene) Taylor of Elkhart, Indiana. Also suriving are her grandchildren: Chris (Jenella) Straw, Angie (Eric) Harrison, Stephanic (David) Hamby, Andrea Taylor, and Aaron Taylor; a stepgrandson, Chad Slone; great-grandchildren: Taylor Hamby, Logan Hamby, Mason Cates, Gavin Cates, Trinity Harrison, Austin Harrison, Chris Straw Jr., Joshua Straw, Alexis Straw, Nicholas Straw; and a nephew, Danny Ray (Anna May) Conn. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son-in-law, Bill Slone; a sister, Juanita Conn, and a brother, Gayland Harrington. Relatives and friends were received Wednesday, from 6-8 p.m., and Thursday, 11 a.m.-1:00 p.m., at Eley Funeral Home in Constantine. Religious services were Thursday, at 1 p.m., at the funeral home.



Herman C. Porter Herman C. Porter, age 102, of Allen, widower of Bernice O'Neil Webb Porter, died Wednesday, January 2, 2008, at his residence. He was born February 15, 1905, in Alphoretta, now Martin, a son of the late Henry and Katie Osborne Porter. He was a member of the Allen Baptist Church, a Mason, and a member of the Zebulon Lodge, Prestonsburg, Scottish and York Rites, a Shriner and a retired self-employed Businessman. He is survived by two sons: James Henry Porter of Campton, Thomas Edison Porter of Allen; 13 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and 15 great-great-grandchildren. In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by one son, Paul F. Porter; one daughter, Kathryn Grace Porter Elliott, one brother, Harry Lou Porter and one sister, Goldie Short. Funeral Service for Herman C. Porter will be Saturday, January 5, at noon in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Arnold Turner Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in the Grace Allen Webb Cemetery, in Allen, with Hall Funeral Home caring for those arrangements. (Paid obituary)

age 68, of Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, husband of Janice Adkins Salisbury, passed away Tuesday, January

1, 2008, at the Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw, Indiana. He was born November 8,

late George Salisbury and Arizona Hamilton Salisbury. He was a lab technician with Uniroval/Spar-Tech. Warsaw, Indiana for 43 years. He was a U.S. Air Force veteran, a lifetime member of the Disabled American Veterans and a member of the American Legion Post No. 49, Warsaw, Indiana Janice; a sister, Frances Meade of Printer; a brother, Joe Salisbury of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee; a host of in-laws, nieces and nephews and his co-workers at Uniroyal/Spar-Tech.

ers, with an average of 12 years experience, in District 12's seven counties (Lawrence, Johnson, Martin, Knott, Floyd, Pike and

son, Tommy Alan Crum of Mousic; four daughters: Shelia Lynn Morgan of Mousie; Shianna Mae Crum, LaTisha Thompson, and Breanna Mullins, all of Martin; brothsisters-in-law: and crs Mitchell and Teresa Crum of McDowell, Jocy Crum and Steven Crum, both of Martin; sisters and brothers-in-law: Hedy and Larry Sexton of Garrett: Nancy and David Scott of Inez: Luci Mae and Quintin Gearheart, Mona and John Dean, Sparkle and Jonathan Conn, all of Martin; two grandchldren: Eric Morgan and Gavan Julius Morgan; and several nicces and nephews.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Timothy Crum and Tommy Dean Crum; and a brother-in-law, Henry D. Napier.

Funeral services were held Thursday, January 3, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Church of Christ ministers officiating. Burial was in the Crum

Family Cemetery, in Martin, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com

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Sharon Kay Risner Damron

Sharon Kay Risner Damron, 63, of Ivel, died Monday, December 31, 2007, at Salversville Health Care.

Born December 5, 1944, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late James and Melba Prater Risner. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by her husband, Ralph Damron.

Survivors include a son and Darren daughter-in-law; Douglas and Suc Damron of Ivel; a daughter and son-inlaw, Latta Jo and Jeff Knapp of Concord, North Carolina; three brothers: Curtis Risner and James Lee Risner, both of

Madison Lewellen. Funcral services were held Thursday, January 3, at 2 p.m., Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Rev. T. J. McNew officiating.

Prestonsburg; and Gary Risner

of Galion, Ohio; four sisters:

Geneva Bates and Betty Lou

Olmstcad, both of Galion,

Ohio: Karen Howard of

Salyersville; and Kimberly

Renee Goble of Ivel; her

Lewellen, Dustin Damron,

Bobby Blevins, Kaleigh Jo

Knapp, and Wesley Theodore

Knapp; great-grandchildren:

Jerrid Charles Lewellen,

Allison Paige Lewellen and

Jeremy

grandchildren:

Bural was in Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com (Paid obituary)

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Eddie Dean Lowe

Eddic Dean Lowe, age 52, of Betsy Layne, died Sunday, December 30, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born November 21, 1955, in Williamson, West Virginia, he was the son of the late Harvey and Helen Mullins Lowe. He was a disabled logger.

He was survived by his wife, Collady Ruth Eplin Lowe.

Other survivors include a son, Eddie Dean Lowe Jr., of Betsy Layne; daughters and sons-in-law: Kristy Michelle and Ray Parsons of Betsy Layne; and Misty Rence and Jose Diaz of Ivel; brothers and sisters: William Lowe of Johns Creek; Milford Lowe of Stone; Kathy Slone of Ligon; Sue Owens of Blackberry: Grethel Damron of Waverly, Ohio; and Alisha Crabtree of West Virginia; and a grandchild, Xenith Gabriel Chase Diaz.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, James Edward Lowe.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, January 2, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funcral Home, in Martin, with Tracy Patton officiating.

Burial was in the Keathley Cemetery, in Harold, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home

www.nclsonfrazierfuneralhome.com (Paid obituary)

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Card of Thanks

The family of Georgia Faye Hall Conn thanks everyone who helped us mourn her passing with their prayers, cards, condolences, stories, songs, testimonies, food, gifts, and especially their presence during the visitation, funeral and graveside services. Special thanks to Pastor Bob Wireman and the members of Faith Bible Church who ministered to us with the word, song and a bounteous meal. Thanks also to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home and the sheriff's department for their professional assistance. The compassion and concern expressed were comforting during this trying time. May God bless cach of you as you've blessed us!

THE FAMILY OF GEORGIA FAYE HALL CONN

Preceding him in death were his parents and a brother, Lee Arnold Salisbury.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, January 5, at 2:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with the Rev. Bobby Lawson officiating.

Burial will follow in the Salisbury Family Cemetery, in Hunter, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Kentucky.

Visitation is from 5-9 p.m., Friday at Hall Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

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Georgina Y. Tackett Georgina Y. Tackett, age 86, of Martin, died Saturday, December 29, 2007, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born June 7, 1921, in Williamson, West Virginia, she was a daughter of the late Julius and Susan Gibson York. She was a homemaker, and a member of Drift Pentecostal Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Luther

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Robert Lee Tackett; two brothers: James York and Earl York; and two sisters: Sarah B. Miller and Mary Justice.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 1, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial was in the Green Lawn Cemetery, at Louisa, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home

Pallbearers: Jason Tackett, Kevin Tackett, Evan Tackett, Shannon Thornsberry, Steven Belcher, Kyle Tackett, and Derric Patrick.

www.nelsonfrazierfuneralhome.com (Paid obituary)

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Cora Lee Taylor

Cora L. Taylor, age 75, of Constantine, Michigan, passed away Monday, December 31st, 2007, at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo.

She was born in Auxier, on March 10, 1932, the daughter of Aaron and Caroline (Marshall) Harrington.

She attended school in Toler.

On February 13, 1948, she married Troy Taylor; he preceded her in death on February 25, 1998.

Family was important to Cora, and she spent most of her life taking care of her family and home. She had a gift

Interment was at Constantine Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 5110 S. Sprinkle Rd., Portage MI 49002, or St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Online condolences may be sent to:

eleyfh@comcast.net (Paid obiluary)

Note of Thanks

The family of Edd Bentley would like to thank you for the prayers, flowers, and cards received during the time of his passing. We greatly appreciate the caring and giving from the people of Floyd County.

> Sincerely, EDD BENTLEY FAMILY

For the Record

Marriage Licenses

Kayla Case, 19, of Pikeville, to Matthew Irick, 20, of Betsy Layne. Samantha Jackson, 20, to

Sonny Haskins, 22, both of Stanville. Rita Hall, 66, of Pikeville, to

Shular Hurd, 75, of Ivel.

Christa Sheperd, 32, of David. to Trenton Ward, 34, of Martin.

Amanda Jarvis, 17, of Allen, to Wallace Calhoun Jr., 19, of Prestonsburg.

Dottic Allen, 45, to William Potter, 35, both of Prestonsburg.

Civil Suits Filed

Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc. vs. Scottic M. Prater

Charges Filed

Carol J. Hawks, 75, of Prestonsburg, failure to produce insurance card; no/expired KY registration receipt; possession of more than one operator's license.

Robin Campbell, 41, of Shelby Gap, theft by deception/cold checks, 12 counts. John Edward Reed, 32, of Martin, public intoxication, con-

trolled substance; disorderly conduct. Rickey Newsome, 49. of McDowell, fleeing/evading police; alcohol intoxication, pub-

lic place; resisting arrest; disorderly conduct. Shannon Keith Newsome, 31,

Likewise, Congress contin-

ues to consider legislation

designed to add more protec-

fatal mining accidents in 2006.

is a sustained effort," said

James Dean, who ran the West

Virginia Office of Miners'

Health, Safety and Training

for six critical months follow-

ing the Sago accident. Dean

now leads an influential state

task force that evaluates

advanced fire sprinklers, car-

bon monoxide detectors and

much effort is being put into

requirements for brawnier methods of sealing abandoned

mines. Nor has the agency

safety 24 months after Sago.

Some question just how

MSHA hasn't finished final

other safety equipment.

"What remains to be done

of Grethel, theft by unlawful tak-

Safety

Mark L. Tackett, 29, of Grethel, theft by unlawful taking. Angelia Sue Tackett, 31, of Harold, theft by deception, cold check

Harold Johnson III, 34, of Weeksbury, operating motor vehicle under influence of alcohol/drugs; failure to produce insurance card; first degree poscontrolled session lo substance/unspecified; second degree possession controlled substance/unspecified - two counts; controlled substance prescription not in original container - three counts; failure to notify change of Dept. address to of Transportation.

Robin Coleman, age not listed. of Shelby Gap, theft by deception, cold checks - six counts.

Michael Jason Akers, 27, of Grethel, theft by deception, cold checks - two counts; forgery.

Inspections

Jerry's Resturant, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food not protected during storage, Lack of effective Hair restraints, temperature of mechanical hot water sanitization of equipment and utensils is less than 180 degrees, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored and rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, garbage and refuse containers no covered as required,

light fixtures not shielded as required. Score: 89.

Stumbo Elementary School, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Base boards found in disrepair of big hallway in boys restroom. Score: 98.

Allen Elementary School, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: Girls restroom jr. high building in ned of cleaning, room 203a found with floor tile in disrepair, room 103 student desk and table in disrepair. Score: 94.

Stumbo Elementary School Cafeteria, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Nonfood contact surfaces not properly constructed, nonfood contact surfaces not properly designed, presence of insects, Score: 95.

Riverview Health Care, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: In use food (ice) dispensing utensils not properly stored, Food contact surface of equipment and utensils not free of abrasive, food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, all plumbing not installed according to law, all plumbing not maintained according to law. Score: 96

Allen Elementary Cafeteria, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food not protected during storage, food not protected during preparation, nonfood contact surfaces not properly maintained, nonfood contact surfaces not properly constructed,

walls, ceiling, attached equipment not in good repair, employee personal items not stored properly. Score: 95

Coyote Den, Auxier, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, food contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean. nonfood contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, floors not clean, floors not in good repair, walls, ceiling, attached equipment not clean, walls, ceiling, attached equipment not in good repair, lighting not provided as required, employees personal items not stored properly. Score: 92.

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Dining, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods. Score: 99.

Prestonsburg SR, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Garbage and refuse containers not covered as required. Score: 98.

Allen Central High School Cafeteria, Eastern, regular inspection. Violations noted: Nonfood contact surface of equipment and utensils not clean, all plumbing not maintained according to law, floors not in good repair, walls, ceiling attached equipment not in good repair. Score: 96.

Silver's. John Long Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: food not protected during storage, lack of effective hair restraints, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored and rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, garbage and refuse containers not covered as required, floors not in good repair. Score:

Property Transfers

James Adkins to Brenda Smith: location undisclosed.

Alicia and Steven Dawson to Alicia Dawson Family Foundation Inc., Steven Dawson Family Foundation Inc., Steven and Alicia Dawson Family Foundation Inc., Frasures Creek. Billy Evans to Anna Stumbo;

location undisclosed. Freda Goble to Ricky

Gillespie; Still House Branch. Carlos and Darlene Huff to

Matthew Short; Pen Hook Branch near Harold.

Clarence and Deborah Johnson to Janey Salisbury; location undisclosed.

Anna, David, Gary, Latesha Lovely to Marjorie Lovely; Right Beaver Creek

Amanda, Benjamin, Carolyn Mahan to Clyde and Reba McKinney; Estep Branch.

Gary Meade to Rhonda Meade; Frasures Creek.

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ticularly in Congress, where

pending legislation would

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Mara and Rex Music to Mara and Rex Music; Martin.

Melodie Newsome to Edward Kendrick: Melvin.

Geneivene and John Perry to Floyd County Fiscal Court; Martin.

Michelle Ramey to Charles Ramey: location undisclosed.

Charles and Elizabeth Salyers to Sabrina and William Rose: Auxier. Brenda Smith to James

Adkins: location undisclosed. Elizabeth and Steve Spears to

Karen and Kermit Rowe; location undisclosed.

Betty and Paul Steffey to Anna Stumbo; location undisclosed.

Claudette Stumbo to Edward Kendrick; Melvin.

Wanda Stump to Brenda Smith; location undisclosed.

Helen Wells to Susan and Walter Holderby; location undisclosed.

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mines are expected to spend purchasing airtight emergency tions atop a sweeping mine shelters. While West Virginia's safety law adopted after Sago and two other high-profile

Virginia's 250 underground

actions are commendable. MSHA's inaction is lamentable to United Mine Workers President Cecil Roberts. He blames the mining industry for lobbying against similar measures nationally and MSHA for a lack of leadership on new rules and enforcement of existing ones

"MSHA, quite frankly, for some time now, since about 2001, has not been the agency that it was mandated to be by Congress to protect the coal miners in this country," Roberts said. "MSHA, I think, has gone backwards."

Stickler sees it differently.

To him, MSHA has made sections of underground progress in the face of a shortage of trained mine inspectors, the time-consuming process of crafting new regulations, and accidents such as the Aug. 6 collapse at the Crandall Canyon mine near Huntington, Utah. Six miners were trapped and never found, and three rescuers were killed trying to find them.

difference. So, too, have a 42 percent increase in the number of citations issued from 2003-2007 and a 102 percent increase in temporary shutdown orders over the same period, he said.

"You've got to wonder where people are coming from when they say you're being soft on enforcement," Stickler said.

Likewise, MSHA has hired more than 270 new inspectors as well as a small contingent of new instructors to help provide 18 months of mandatory training. The agency has come under withering criticism from the UMW and others for failing to perform quarterly inspections at every underground mine.

"Until we get these folks fully trained and on board, it's very difficult to achieve what we want," said Stickler, who doesn't expect to have most

mines engaged in so-called retreat mining, where pillars of coal left to support the roof are shaved down and sometimes removed altogether.

Still, Stickler says the agency is looking ahead. He hopes to propose rules for refuge chambers and alternatives such as hardened rooms by June. Rules addressing fireresistant belts and a recommendation that mines be allowed to ventilate working faces with air sucked through belt tunnels also are due by June.

"That's going to take a lot of work with the small shop we have here," Stickler said. Roberts, however, says

address so-called belt air and issues such as a possible increase in black lung disease. "We need to improve the agency with better leadership and enforcement," he said. "We also need some new



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issued final rules designed to give mine rescue teams better equipment, more training and quicker response times, a requirement of sweeping mine safety legislation Congress adopted in mid-2006.

That legislation also required MSHA to work on rules requiring wireless underground communications and to consider airtight refuge chambers for trapped miners. Both remain undone, as do rules requiring fire-resistant conveyer belts.

The National Mining Association estimates the industry has ordered or installed 200,000 emergency air packs since government regulators required mines to store extras underground after Sago. MSHA director Richard Stickler, however, thinks all mines won't have enough devices until sometime in the first quarter.

Meanwhile, West Virginia has forged ahead. State safety chief Ron Wooten says mines have enough air packs to meet new rules. And mines have begun installing high-tech communications and tracking equipment and airtight refuge chambers designed to keep trapped miners alive for at least four days.

The changes haven't come cheap for the mining industry, which struggled with sluggish demand and weak domestic prices for coal used to generate electricity in 2007. MSHA has estimated it will cost the industry \$39.7 million a year to meet seal requirements. That comes atop an estimated million that West \$50

"Nothing gets done as fast as I would like," Stickler said. "I think progress is being made."

For instance, Stickler says adopting stiffer penalties for certain violations is making a

them fully trained until late this year.

"Unfortunately, a lot of what we've been doing is sort of focusing on yesterday's fires," Stickler said. "That takes away a lot of resources to do that. Where we want to get is looking ahead."

Crandall Canyon, for instance, prompted MSHA to re-examine roof control plans at all areas prone to the kind of ground shift believed to have caused the collapse and at all

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-Guest View-Editorial roundup

The Daytona (Fla.) Beach News-Journal, on Congress, consumer credit and high interest rates:

It's the time of year when many Americans confront irresponsible spending — but now, the days of reckoning are taking on an air of desperation in many households, as families face bills they can't pay.

Nobody forced these families to spend beyond their means. And many debtors acknowledge that they are, themselves, to blame for much of their problem. But credit-card companies also must take responsibility for extending credit without a firm indication that debts could be repaid — and most certainly deserve blame for predatory practices that make the plight of many families far worse than it would otherwise be.

These companies' profits still are running high. In fact, many card companies have adopted policies that make it likely that the default rate will continue to spike, and purposefully target highrisk debtors, loading on fees that assure the accounts will be profitable even if the borrowers default. ...

But Congress and federal regulators also should examine the costs of high default rates on a wider scale, especially when coupled with the still-developing mortgage-foreclosure boom.

...Federal regulators should face reality: Too much of the U.S. economy is based on high-risk debt, much of which probably should never have been extended in the first place.

Greeley (Colo.) Daily Tribune, on the assassination of Benazir Bhutto:

Yes, her name looks strange. And the images of violence in the aftermath of her death come from far away.

But the assassination ... of Pakistan's popular opposition leader Benazir Bhutto is important. ...

Her assassination is a blow to a core value we all hold dear. In an area of the world fraught with violence and oppression, she represented a voice of hope and democracy.

The civil unrest in the wake of her assassination is another tragedy in a violence-plagued region, and gives us all reason for concern. Her death may push the nuclear-armed nation into outright chaos.

Pakistan, and its president, Pervez Musharraf, are key allies for the United States in the war on terror. ...

Islamic fundamentalists may flourish in the discord sewn in Pakistan by the death of the woman officials say they killed. ...

However, there are good reasons to believe the nightmare scenarios in Pakistan may not materialize. The country's fundamentalist Islamic parties are not widely popular, and most Pakistanis



– Guest column John Quincy Adams – if only he were running

by DANIEL M. SMITH MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Surfing television and the Internet can be an exercise in screndipity.

Bored with the incessant rerun of "A Christmas Story" on Christmas day, I discovered C-Span's presentation of an October 2007 State Department Forum on "U.S.-Soviet Relations in the Era of Détente 1969-1976." The commentators were two men who were central figures in that period, former Secretary of State former Henry Kissinger and Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger. What caught my attention was not the discussion of U.S.-Soviet relations but a comment by Kissinger about another key figure of the time: President Gerald Ford, the only occupant of the Oval Office who was never elected to the presidency or vice-presidency. President Nixon "nominated" and the Senate approved Ford as vice-president after Spiro Agnew resigned in disgrace in 1973, a scenario repeated in 1974 when Nixon resigned and Ford became president. In the context of the Nixon-Ford "transition's" effect on détente, Kissinger said: "Ford had never run for the presidency. He was as close to a normal human being as we'll ever get in that office." Surfing the Internet Dec. 26, 1 found the web page of the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. The first item

noted that the embassy had accepted a statue of John Quincy Adams to mark the anniversary of the start of formal diplomatic relations between the U.S. and Russia in December 1807. Adams was the first U.S. diplomatic representative (1809-1814) to the court of Tsar Alexander I in St. Petersburg,

Adam's public service stretched 51 years beginning in 1797 as U.S. envoy to Berlin and ending with his death in 1848 while in the U.S. House of Representatives — 100 years before Gerald Ford's first election to the House In between, Adams: served six years (1803-1809) in the U.S. Senate;

■ was Secretary of State under James Monroe (1817-1825), where he crafted the Monroe Doctrine;

Adams was not a prisoner of partisan politics but a man of principle what I take to be the meaning of Kissinger's description of Ford as a "normal human being." Throughout his 17 years in the House, Adams stood as a genuine "people's representative," opposing slavery and the 1846-1848 Mexican-American War the first war of America's "Manifest Destiny." And although Adams is remembered most of all by diplomatic historians for crafting, as Secretary of State, what came to be known as the Monroe Doctrine, it seems most appropriate that his postpresidential service was in the "people's chamber," both because of his stand on war and on slavery and because his election in 1830 was, according to historians, unexpected. The 1911 Encyclopedia Britannica said of Adams: "Few men in American public life have possessed more intrinsic worth, more independence, more public spirit and more ability than Adams." History judges John Quincy Adams' presidency as a failure, but not the man. It may well be too soon to judge objectively the efficacy of Ford's presidency, but there is no doubt that Ford, like Adams, was a success as a human being.

don't support the fundamentalist agenda.

But nonetheless, the events that have already transpired should give us pause. ...

Everyone who cherishes democracy will feel the loss of Bhutto.

The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer, on the presidential race:

Here we have a presidential race with huge fields in both major parties, and with such long campaign periods both before and after the first primaries straining candidates' war chests to the point that most have to win early or bow out quickly.

Or more to the point, here we don't have it. Now, far be it from us ... to whine, but a couple of states whose importance lies in nothing more than dates on a calendar are poised to have a ridiculously outsized impact on the rest of the nation's presidential choices.

The numbers from the U.S. Census Bureau, the Iowa Caucus Project 2008 and The Associated Press tell the tale eloquently:

175 million U.S. registered voters

■ 850,836 registered voters in Iowa and New Hampshire, combined

Any way you look at it, the primary process is terribly skewed. Either we're asking too much of lowa and New Hampshire, or we're conceding too much to them.



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ran for president in 1824 against Andrew Jackson, Henry Clay, Secretary Monroe's Treasury William Crawford, and Secretary of War John Calhoun. Jackson won both the popular and the Electoral College polls, but failed to gain a majority in either count. The decision moved to the House of Representatives, where Clay threw his support to Adams, who was selected as the sixth U.S. president on the first ballot over Jackson, Jackson supporters cried foul when the new president then appointed Clay as Secretary of State;

■ was elected to the House of Representatives in 1831, serving until his death 17 years later.

Again, like Gerald Ford, Adams owns a distinction no other occupant of the Oval Office can claim: he is the only president to serve in Congress both before and after his election as president.

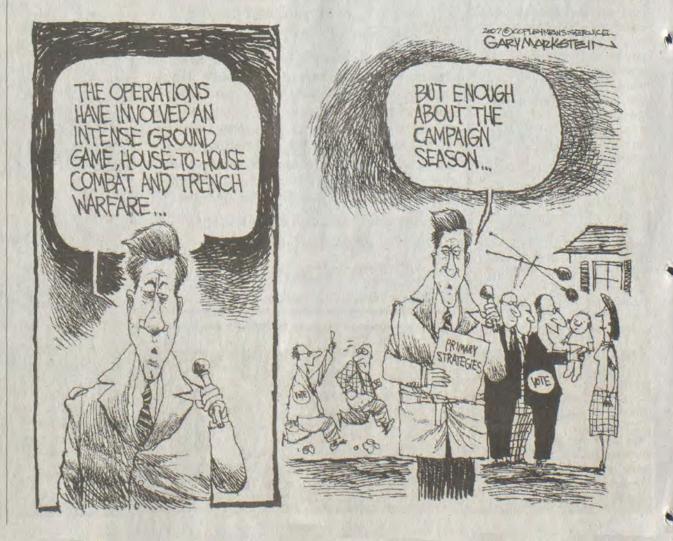
Despite his Federalist pedigree,

Would that the same can be said of the person elected our next president.

More to the point, may the same be said of each of us in 2008 and beyond.

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THROUGH MY EYES

But it sure was fun

Back at my desk following four - count 'cm, four! - blissful days away, I was none too happy to wake up to a thick carpet of snow this past Wednesday morning!



Not that 1 have anything against snow, really Actually, love the stuff. I just love it a lot more when I can stay home snuggled up

Kathy Prater under a warm Lifestyles editor throw on the

sofa while watching a good tear-jerker on Lifetime.

I spent my days off cleaning up all the after-Christmas mess around the house (and making a mental note to get to that one hallway closet in the next couple of weeks!), shampooing my carpets and organizing clothing. I'm still trying to incorporate the "Flylady" lifestyle into my life but I'm still a "Flybaby" taking baby-steps and doing the best I can. My friend,

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Enjoy another childhood tale by a Floyd County writer as we wait for warmer weather.

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Baby Buckeyes

From the Molly's Cabin series - The Adventures of Locus Krumb

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by LEANNE ELY

There are times when you cannot help but feel disheartened when you read what's happening at home and in the rest of the world. It's times like this when we need to keep our home fires burning, regardless of what is going on. The



one place where we do have some control is in our homes. We cannot control Middle the East, we can-

not control the winds of war or the price of gas, but we

Leanne Ely can control the

environment around us that we call "home."

Your home is a gift. Likewise your family is a gift, too. And with these gifts comes blessed responsibility. Every time you feed your family a meal, it is an expression of your love and nurture for them. That meal says that you love them, you care about their needs and that you're there for them. One of the first things a woman is able to do

(See DIVA, page six)

by LANCE GREENLAY

"Locus, Locus, wake up!," my brother Arlie said as he shook me hard. "Momma has breakfast ready," he informed me.

I could smell that wonderful breakfast - fried ham, eggs, gravy, and Momma's big "cornerstone" biscuits! Now that's the way to wake up! Of course, we had almost the same thing for breakfast every morning except for the occasional flapjacks or oatmcal. But Momma's biscuits were my favorite. I almost always took an extra one in my pocket to eat for later while I was out playing.

After breakfast, I stuck a biscuit in my pocket and headed outside. Almost in a begging way, Momma said, "Locus, please be a good boy and be home at suppertime. Please don't get hurt or in any kind of trouble and don't stump those awful looking toys of yours, anymore," she half-instructed, half-pleaded.

"And," she added, "don't forget that today is fried chicken day. And I'm gonna fix the feet, too, just for you! Supper will be on time and we have to cat it while it's hot so the grease won't set up into lard."

"Momma always thinks of everything," I thought to myself as I leaped into the back yard and off on a day of play and adventure.

Arlie had already headed off to where the big boys were playing, so I was left alone to find something interesting all by myself.

In 1947, it was hard for the pop bottle company to get their empties back so they would give you a return ticket when you purchased your soda pop. One empty bottle, one ticket and one nickel would get you a new bottle of favorite pop - mine was orange.

I went around the upper camp trying to work out an extra ticket and empty bottle. My plan was to get two tickets and two empty bottles to rcturn. Maybe, I figured, that would get me a big orange pop without the need of that nickel - nickels were awful hard to come by.

I finally got the extra pop ticket but no empty bottle. I carried two wash tubs of water for washing clothes outside for Aunt Nettic. It took me an hour or so to get that one extra ticket. I walked all over looking for an extra empty bottle for I knew that without it, there would be no orange pop for a little thirsty boy today.

I walked to the creek bed to take a look and walked a long ways in that cold water. Finally, I came upon a pile of cardboard and some dry sticks

that had gotten caught in a curve in good?" the creek. I dug through it every bit all the way down to the bottom. "Boy," I thought to myself, "if Momma caught me doing this, she'd tell Pop and he'd lean hard on my behind.'

Finally, though, my determination paid off - a pop bottle! "Okay!," I velled out in my happiness. Then, I washed that bottle off real good and ran back home to get my other bottle and two tickets.

Then I headed out for the "Commissary," or as the older folks called it, "The Company Store." Almost there, a man stood by an old red mule selling cabbage, lettuce and fryer chickens he had tied to his saddle bags. I noticed an old coffee sack bulging out with something in it. Turned out he was eating some oddlooking nuts that he had in that sack.

"What'cha got, boy?," he asked mc.

"Got me two pop tickets and two empties to trade in at the commissary," I said. "Gonna get me a big orange pop."

"Want to trade them for two pockets full of these here nuts," he asked.

He called the nuts "chestnuts." I knew nothing about such nuts.

"I don't nuthin' about them there nuts, mister," I said. "They taste

"Here, try one," he offered as he took his pocket knife and peeled one back for me.

"Got brown fuzz on it," I said.

"Peel it off and eat it." the stranger said. "See here, do it just like me." He put one in his mouth and started chewing. "Mmm, mmm," he said, "sure is good."

I put mine in my mouth and started chewing. I had to agree. "Gee," I said, "this is good."

A couple minutes later, I walked away with my two front overall pockets bulging with chestnuts. I ate about two handfuls and forgot all about my big orange pop. I had never eaten a nut before that tasted as good as these did. I knew I had made a good trade.

I made my way home and was pleased that I was in no trouble, nor was I hurt. "Momma will be proud me," I thought.

I sat down at the kitchen table and emptied my pockets out to show Momma all the wonderful nuts I had traded for.

"I got somethin' to show you, Momma," I said. As Momma's eyes fell upon the pile of nuts, she wanted to know why I had brought them

Old habits die hard

by MARLA CILLEY

Here we are in a brand New Year! The world is full of opportunities and surprises. We are excited about all the possibilities. But we do not have to wait for the year to change on our calendars to see a transformation in our own lives.

Many of you were seeking a new way of living when you found us in your newspaper or on the internet. We have all heard the proverb; when the student is ready the teacher will come. We had to be willing to take what we

were taught and apply it to our lives. Learning is not easy! Especially when the lessons we are given call for looking deep inside ourselves. We can only do this when we quit blaming others for the problems we have and take that look inside of us to discover our reaction to them in the present.

Each day I receive thousands of emails. Many are whining and blaming people in their family for their messes. can't help the others in your family; they did not join our group. I can only help you to see that the blaming and

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whining doesn't do a thing to change the situation. I can give you new ways to look at the circumstances and teach you the gift of forgiveness. I don't force it down your throats or make you pay large sums of money for these lessons. They are free for the taking. All you have to do is use them. But you have to take action to make those changes occur

Albert Einstein said once that the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results. We have a new opportunity to see a different outcome if we will stop what we have been doing for so many years and try something new.

This week we have been introduced

to a new concept. Many of you have been using this way to communicate all your life. It is what your mothers were taught by their mothers. It is what your husbands and brothers were also taught by their mothers. This type of miscommunication has been going on for centuries

Now is the time for us to quit blaming others and see our own faults and attempt to improve upon them. Maya Angelou said, "We do the best we can with what we know, and when we know better, we do better.'

The problem with learning something new is that many times we get



⁽See BUCKEYES, page seven)



I'm a 42-year old male. Over the past couple of weeks I've noticed the smell of my undersweat has changed from "norum mal" to a sort of onion type of smell. I am not a dirty person, and I am horrified and totally embarrassed by this. There are no other symptoms. I don't feel any changes in me on the whole. Hope you can help.

Generally, sweat, itself, is odorless until it mixes with the bacteria on the surface of your body. Sweating is a very normal bodily function with the primary purpose of cooling the body. Hence, when you are in hot weather or exer-



Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A. Associate Professor of Family Medicine

> cise strenuously, you tend to perspire. Since you've noticed this just recently and describe the odor as sort of an "onion type of smell," the first thing I might suspect is a change in your dict. Onions are one food that has been implicated as a possible cause of diet-induced body odor. Other foods that might cause body odor problems for some people include garlic, curry, certain spicy foods, coffee and alcohol. The reason onions and garlic can be problematic, for instance, is that they contain oils that are odorous when they are excreted through the skin.

'Smelly sweat' could result from diet, poor hygiene or other cause

because they can act to increase organic molecules that are quickly sweating.

Before I answer your question more fully, it would help if I told you a little about the two distinctly different kinds of sweat that the human body produces. Only one of these types of sweat is a major contributor to body odor problems. Most sweat comes from eccrine glands located throughout the body. This type of sweat is produced by heat stimulation and by emotional factors. It's 99 percent water and has almost no smell at all. The other kind of sweat does smell. It comes from the apocrine glands that are located primarily in the underarm area - but are also found about the ears, nipples, navel and genital region. They are stimulated solely by your emotions - especially stress and sexual stimulation - and produce a thicker, slightly milky liquid.

The reason apocrine sweat smells Caffeine and alcohol are problems is because it's composed of complex

decomposed by the bacteria on the skin. Further, the underarm environment is ideally suited for the growth of this bacteria. It's warm and supplied with additional moisture from eccrine sweat glands that are also located there.

Type of sweat and diet are, however, only two issues that affect the smell of sweat. Other common cause of body odor are emotional factors like stress and anxiety - as well as bad hygiene, antibiotics, certain other medications and calleine consumption. Also, certain underlying medical illnesses - such as diabetes and cancer - can cause body odor problems.

Once you are sure there is no underlying medical condition causing your body odor, the next thing you should do is to adjust your diet. Try eliminating caffeine, alcohol and the foods I mentioned previously. If this doesn't solve your problem, there are still some things you can try.

Charcoal or chlorophyll tablets can help eliminate body odor, as can sage tea. Using powder to keep moist underarm areas dry, can help decrease odors. Some antiperspirants that contain aluminum chloride will stop excessive sweating.

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School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

*Lending Library available for student/parent use. Pamphlets. videos, books and more on a variety of topics available.

•A nurse from the FCHD is currently available at the school to provide services including: School physicals, immunizations, WIC, wellchild exams, etc. Call 886-1297 to schedule an appointment. Child does not have to be a student at AMS to receive services. HPV vaccines and flu shots currently available.

•The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and later by appointment. Services offered to students and families regardless of income. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297.

Allen Central High School

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

Allen Central Middle School

*Please have your Food City Valu Card scanned for ACMS! Points help purchase school merchandise.

•Career Decisions and Job

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

•Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

Duff Elementary

*The center is in need of gently used clothing, shoes, belts and backpacks.

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

•The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the area where the old main office used to be. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator.

garten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

•Parents of 5th grade students are urged to call the FRC and make an appointment for their child's 6th grade physical exam!

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

*Parent lending library available to all parents for video/book checkouts. A variety of topics are available.

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

Mountain Christian Academy

· Call 886-7088 for information and referrals regarding GED classes, preschool child care, and other programs or services offered to the community.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

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

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

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

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

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

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

*Yearbooks are \$22 and will be on sale January 1, in school office.

·Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

ed on the right, by the school gymna- Ctr.; BSCTC. sium. Services are offered to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

Ask for Cissy (center coordinator). Center telephone and fax: (606) 452-4553.

Wesley Christian School

•WCS Learning Center accepts toddlers, preschool age (2-4). Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. •For more information about Wesley Christian School, call 874-8328.

Big Sandy Community & Technical College

Adult Education and GED

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

1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC; Martin Comm. Ctr.

1:30 - 5 p.m. - Wheelwright Baptist Church.

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

9:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. - David Craft Center.

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

1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC; Mud Creek Clinic; Floyd County Jail.

6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.; Martin Community Ctr.

Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. •The Mud Creek FRYSC is locat- Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning

Development videos available in YSC lending library.

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

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center.

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

May Valley Elementary

*May Valley is currently accepting applications for the May Valley Elementary Early Childhood Program (3-4 year olds). Fee for services is \$18/per day. Services available Mon. thru Fri, Contact school at 285-0883 for more information. Slots will be filled on first-come, firstserve basis. Remaining applicants will be placed on waiting list.

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

•Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services •Center hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., include Head Start physicals, kinder-

•Tuition assistance and bus transportation is available. For more information or a tour of the school, call 285-5141 or 285-5142.

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

•MCA is an accredited nondenominational Christian school.

Prestonsburg Elementary and **Family Resource Center**

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

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

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Lisa Pelfrey - Assistant, 886-7397 Ron Johnson, Stephania Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, Cindy Justice and Wayne Combs - Adult Education teachers.

*All centers will re-open on Jan. 7.

Eyes

Bonnic, is a full-fledged Barb, I have to mention that "Flyer," however - right down to dressing to shoes, putting on her face first thing in the morning and tending to daily routines.

Ah, well, learned long ago that I'll never be the woman my "heroes" Bonnie and Aunt Barb arc! Both these women are completely awesome! Both manage to do it all and do it well and keep radiant smiles on their faces the entire time! One of these days, I'm gonna have to introduce these two.

So, in speaking of Aunt

she has kept me and mine quite well-fed through the holidays. From all those Thanksgiving meal left-overs to a wonderfully generous "care basket" filled with everything from holiday ham to one of those gigantic, cheery popcorn tins from she and her wonderful sisters, right down to the most "splendiferous" Christmas dinner rivaling even the fare spread out at the country's best hotels and eating establishments. these staples Dr. Alzadon snapped inside my head are

nearly ready to burst right out gone to my "waist-ed"! at the seams!

Oh, mc, oh my - Weight Watchers here I come?

Just HAD to share the following - read on and you'll see why! (And thanks, Pam, for sending it along!)

After Christmas Shock

'Twas the week after Christmas, and all through the house

Nothing would fit me, not even a blouse!

The cookies I'd nibbled, the eggnog I'd tasted,

At the holiday parties had

do battle with dirt, I said to myself, as only I When I got on the scales, can -

"You can't spend the winter disguised as a man!"

So away with the last of the sour cream dip,

every cracker and chip!

like must be banished!

ounces have vanished!

I won't have a cookie - not even a lick.

I'll be happy only to chew

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on a long celery stick ... I won't have hot biscuits,

or corn bread, or pic,

I'll munch on a carrot and quietly cry.

I'm hungry, I'm lonesome, and life is a bore,

But isn't that what January is for?

Unable to giggle, no longer a riot.

"Happy New Year" to all and to all a good dict!

~Author Unknown~

Diva

after giving birth to a baby is feed it. The privilege of feeding our children and families goes beyond infant care and into the very fabric of our families' lives at the place we call our dinner tables.

The meals you prepare for your family is how you can bless them. We live in uncertain, scary times. We need the comfort of hearth and home and you have the privilege of bringing that comfort to your family with the meals you serve. Make your menu, put it on the fridge and keep at it! You CAN do this! If you need a little help with menus, go to my website for a prepared menu and shopping list already made out for you www.savingdinner.com

I read once that the only wound a soul can never recover from is regret. The past is the past--but you don't have to live in regret. You have the opportunity of doing something different tomorrow. Big changes come about by little choices and sometimes, it

comes in the form of a sliced (1/2 cup) recipe-enjoy!

Fiesta Casserole Serves 6

1 pound lean ground beef 1(15 ounce) can spicy chili beans (15 to 16 ounces) -undrained

1 cup salsa (jarred, your favorite)

2 cups coarsely broken tortilla chips

1/2 cup reduced-fat sour cream

4 medium green onions --

1 medium tomato -chopped (3/4 cup) 1/2 cup shredded Cheddar or Monterey Jack cheese Tortilla chips - if desired Shredded lettuce -- if

there arose such a number!

"No, thank you, please."

When I walked to the store

desired Salsa - if desired

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Cook beel in 10-inch skillet over medium heat 8 to 10 minutes, stirring occasionally, until brown; drain. Stir in the beans and salsa. Heat to boiling, stirring occasionally.

Place broken tortilla chips in ungreased 2-quart casserole. Top with beef mixture. Spread with sour cream. Sprinkle with onions, tomato and cheese. Bake uncovered 20 to 30 minutes or until hot and bubbly. Arrange more tortilla chips around edge of casserole. Serve with lettuce and salsa.

Per serving: 381 Calories; 15g Total Fat; (34% calories from fat); 25g Protein; 6g 39g Dictary Fiber; Carbohydrate; 61mg Cholesterol; 770mg Sodium

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Food Exchanges: Grain(Starch); 2 1/2 Lean Meat; 1 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 1 1/2 Fat; 0 Other Carbohydrates

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As I dressed myself in my husband's old shirt, And prepared once again to

(less a walk than a lumber), I remembered the marvelous meals I'd prepared; Out with the fruit cake, The gravies and sauces and beef nicely rared!

Each last bit of food that I The wine and the rum

balls, the bread and the cheese, 'Till all the additional And the way I'd never said,

New Arrivals

Highlands Regional Medical Center

Nov. 12, 2007 A son, Ethan Alexzander Houston Howell, to Ricky Jr. & Salcena Howell, of McDowell

A daughter, Riley Brooke Collins, to Ronald & Amanda Collins, of Raccoon

Nov. 13, 2007 A daughter, Kendra Lynn Adkins, to Alan Landale & Stephanic Kay Adkins, of Pikeville

A son, Miles Dwayne Shortridge, to Jodie & Michael Shortridge, of Prestonsburg

A daughter, Gabriella Faith Marcum, to Stephanie Howell, of Inez A daughter, Brecana Crace,

to Daphne Demas, of Auxier A son, Jacob Lee Collins, to

Isadore & Stephanie Collins, of Topmost

Nov. 14, 2007 A son, Nathan Jay Goble, to Melissa Marie Mills, of Inez A son, Jonathan James Tyler Carroll, to Johnny &

Reil to vie for title of Miss Kentucky Teen USA

Shannen Reil, 15, of Paintsville, will compete for the title of Miss Kentucky USA 2008 on January 4 and 5, 2008, at the Center for Rural Development, In Somerset.

Miss Reil is the daughter of Richard and Brenda Reil. She attends Johnson Central High School where she is involved in the following activities: Cheerleading, FCA, DECA, and Spanish Club.

Sponsoring her in the Miss Kentucky USA 2008 Pageant are: Big Sandy Broadband, Dairy Queen of Paintsville, Big Sandy Heating & Cooling, Brenda Shepherd Photography, John Gray Pontlac-Buick-GMC, Tropical Isle Tanning & Fitness Center, Premier Motor Sales, Paul Pelphrey State Farm Insurance, Patco Pools, Village Boutique, Atty. Larry D. Brown, and a multitude of family and friends.

Shannen is the recipient of a variety of modeling scholarships and has been profiled in the book, "100 Young Americans.

The Miss Kentucky Teen USA and Miss Kentucky USA asked. Pageants are the official preliminaries to the Miss Teen USA Miss USA, and Miss Universe Pageants, owned by Trump Productions. The young woman chosen as Miss Kentucky USA 2008 will go on to represent the state of Kentucky in the 2008 Miss USA competition, to be broadcast live on NBC television, one of the most anticipated television events of the year.

Jennifer Carroll, of Printer A daughter, Olivia Ruth Mullins, to Tabitha Lee Tyler,

of Hi Hat A son, Isaiah Wilson Turner, to Sammie Todd & Tina Dulsena Turner, of Booneville

Nov. 15, 2007

son, Chase Riley A Shepherd, to Jason Wayne & Christal Gale Shepherd, of Banner

A daughter, Abbigale Rose Deaton, to Granville Ray & Opal Michelle Deaton, of Altro

A daughter, Carley Isabella Watts, to Bryan Scott & Jessica Ellen Watts, of Hazard

Nov. 16, 2007

A son, Lamar Edwin Rohrer, to Harold & Joanna Rohrer, of Mousie

A son, Christian Charles Douglas Johnson, to Charles Misty Johnson, of Weeksbury

A daughter, Emily Jane Brown, to Dusty & Kathy Brown, of Salyersville

Buckeyes

things into the house.

"They're nuts, Momma. And they taste the best ever was," I said.

Momma screamed so hard I had to grab hold of my ears! "Locus!," she yelled, "Son, you didn't eat none of them little buckeyes, did you?" 'Yeah, Momma, they's good," 1 answered. "But they ain't called buckeyes, Momma, they's called chestnuts, 'Cause the man I got 'em from said

they was chestnuts," I said. "Oh, my Lord!," Momma exclaimed. "You're poisoned, Locus," she screamed. "You're poisoned! Oh, my Lord, oh my Lord!"

Well, I didn't know what poisoned" meant, but Momma sure made it sound awful bad. I was scared!

"Stay in that chair and don't you movel," Momma directed me.

Over the stove, she began to melt some fresh rendered hog lard. "What you gonna do with that lard, Momma?," I

A son, Brett Lee Spears Jr., to June Kelly Fick, of Langley A son, Chancey Ray A Hurley, to April Dawn Moore,

of Chavies Marissa A daughter, Abigail Hamilton, to Brad & Leigh Ann Hamilton, of Ivel A son, Jaxon Randall Pratt, to Hiram Randall & Kristy Lea Pratt, of Viper

Nov. 17, 2007 A daughter, Kylie Michelle Couch, to Jessica Combs, of Hazard

Nov. 19, 2007

A daughter, Skyla Montae Hammond, to Kala Dawn Hammond, of Inez

A daughter, Rebecca Jolene Hall, to Tara Hall, of Tram

Nov. 20, 2007

daughter, Morgan A Rebecca Meek, to Rebecca Carol & Elbert David Meek, of Tutor Key

A son, Dontaye Franklin Samons, to Leslie Ann & Benjamin Samons, of Martin A son, Jacob Matthew

about to find out just how bad

ingredients into that hog lard

and filled a glass full of it all

and then headed in my direc-

tion. "Sit here in my lap,

Locus," she said. I did, and

before I knew it, Momma had

pushed my head back like she

was about to play one of them

saws I had seen the old men

She grabbed my nose and

pinched it shut and threw my

head back and commenced to

pouring that awful tasting con-

coction down my throat. 1

gagged as it went down but

Momma kept pouring until

that glass was empty. She

finally turned me loose and

then she started praying real

hard and asking the Lord to

please just let her little boy be

door and dived into the yard so

fast 1 must have skipped the

porch altogether. I was really

sick now for sure as I gagged

and coughed. 1 thought 1 was

I shot out that back kitchen

make music on!

all right.

Momma added some other

my new troubles really were.

Sandline, to Kayla Nicole & Jason Sandline, of Viper

daughter, Jayda Mackenzie Johnson, 10 Rebecca Paige, of Prestonsburg

A son, Gaven Goble, to Kimberly & Otis Goble, of Prestonsburg

A son, Brayden Jo Reed, to Stacie Marie & Robbie O'Bryan Reed, of Staffordsville

Nov. 21, 2007

A daughter, Cheyenne Dakota Slone, to Naomi & Craig Slone, of Wheelwright

A son, Noah Ryan McCloud Carter, to Christine & Richard Carter, of Estill

Nov. 23, 2007

A son, Dakota Richard Scott Johnson, to Linda & Johnny Johnson, of Combs A son, John Derek Bryan

Horn, to Stacy & Paul Horn, of Prestonsburg

Nov. 24, 2007

A son, Bradyn Allen Stacy, to Jessica & Brady Stacy, of

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now, son," she said with tears still in her eyes. She took me to the big, long chair she sat in all the time and I laid there for a long time until I finally drifted off to sleep.

After about two hours had passed, Arlie came home for supper. I awoke and heard Momma explaining to him that I had been real sick. All I could remember was that I hadn't been sick at all until Momma had given a dose of her cure.

"Locus, oh, Locus,' Momma softly called. "It's time for supper, son. We're having your favorite - fried chicken."

All at once, all I could smell was that melted hog lard in that frying pan and all I could see was that big glass of cure-all that Momma had poured down my throat. I dived out the back door once again.

"What's wrong with Locus, Momma?," I heard Arlie ask. 'Why'd he dive out the back door like that? What's a matter with him?"

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daughter, Katelyn

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Conley, of Hindman

Never you mind, Locus, never you mind," she said. "Just stay still in that chair." Don't you dare move."

It seemed I was in trouble and I began to fear that I was

going to die. Momma ran out into the yard behind me and cried while she held my head over 'til I was done with my

part. "I think you'll be all right

Baby buckeyes," Momma said. "Baby buckeyes."

Editor's Note: Lance Greenlay is the pen name of Stephens Branch resident, Carl Lavne.

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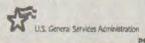
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Fly Lady

defensive and lash out against the teacher. It is only when the concept is brought to our attention that we realize the problems that surround it. Robert and I opened your eyes to the miscommunication we choose to call "womanspeak." It does not matter what you call it to yourselves as long as you quit blaming others for the words that are coming out of your own mouth. Along with this type of miscommunication are other actions that are not nice.

Did you ever ask a question and not get the answer you were expecting? At that point, any answer that could be given (except the one you wanted) would be assumed to be impolite. You may have replied with a hostile note of sarcasm. Sarcasm is a nasty form of womanspeak and miscommunication. Say what you mean and mean what you say. We would all be nicer people if we lived by this simple rule. Kindness trumps all values. You may, however, at certain times have to take a walk until the kindness comes back to you!

character flaw to our attention, one member has had her eyes opened to why she was abused as a child. She and her brother didn't understand the meaning behind the unrelated words that came from their mother's

mouth. They were slapped and put into the closet. She told me that all of her life she thought that she must be stupid because she did not understand her mother. This woman is one of the smartest people I know and has been my muse for almost eight years! Flylady group members know her as Vickie, I know her as "Dear Friend"! One day, I will get to meet her.

When we speak to our fam-As a result of bringing this ily in womanspeak we might as well be speaking a foreign tongue. If you want something; say it in plain and simple language. Say what you mean and mean what you say. You may actually get what you want! All the pouting, sarcasm, yelling,

punishing and praying will never take the place of a simple request made with a "please" and a "thank you".

Now is the time for changing the way you speak to your family. This one simple action can bring you into a new year of happiness. You get to stop the centuries of hurt feelings and double-talk. The buck stops here! Happy New Year! FLYing is all about LOVE!

For more help getting rid of your CHAOS; check out Flylady's website and join her free mentoring group at www.FlyLady.net or her book, Sink Reflections, published by Bantam and her New York

by TOM DOTY TIMES COLUMNIST

Violence ruled in the first releases of the new year, with four bloody tales hitting the racks. These efforts may jump genres, but each bears an R rating for some brutal content.

War" - British tough guy Jason Statham ("Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels") goes toc-to-toe with martial arts king Jet Li in this tense actioner which benefits from some superb fight chorcography by Corey Yuen ("The Transporter"). Statham stars as an FBI agent whose investigation of Triad and Yakuza crime families gets his partner killed. Three years of bitterness follow until a mob killing puts him on the trail of a high paid assassin named Rogue (Li). When he learns that Rogue killed his partner, it gets personal. This one's pretty good and defi-

Shoot 'Em Up" - British tough guy Clive Owen squares off against the diminutive Paul Giamatti in this action fest which appears inspired by the works of John Woo. This one has some impressive sequences and a cartoon feel that appears to have been borrowed from the Road Runner show. Owen gets to do all manner of cool stuff here as he protects an infant by a mob led by Giamatti. You'll love the jaw-dropping stunts that include a midair gun battle and lots of things going boom. The dialogue is appropriately cheesy in this exercise in style over

"Resident Evil: Extinction" — Milla Jovovich returns for this third entry in the video game franchise that caught on with viewers hungry for zombie action. Here she joins the survivors of Raccoon City as they journey across the Nevada desert to

reach the safety of Alaska. Meanwhile, zombies and the top secret Umbrella Corporation mean to leave no witnesses. Lots of action in this entry which merges zombies with "Mad Max"-style stunts for 90 crazed minutes which will leave you entertained, though you probably won't remember much about it after a week.

September Dawn" — This drama has its share of historical violence as it concentrates on the massacre of 140 settlers by native Mormons in Colorado, circa 1857. Apparently no one cracked a history book here and this manages to be less than believable despite the fact that it actually happened. Jon Voight comports himself well as the lead, but this hooey drops the ball, violently.

Next week look for Russell Crowe in the remake of "3:10 to Yuma," and check out the sci-fi drama "Sunshine" from the makers of "28 Days Later."

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Local horse trainer honored at RMHA Banquet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG - The weather was seasonable, a raw day proceeded by several winter like days. After all it was the middle of December and the bad weather was due. However, nothing was to dampen the enthusiasm that surrounded the 19th Annual Rocky Mountain Christmas Dinner and Awards Banquet. There were over 100 people anxiously awaiting the annual affair. They had been gathering all day, arriving from Michigan, Georgia, North Carolina and the local tri-state area. The dinner and awards

honor the best horses and riders that competed in the Rocky Mountain Horse Show circuit the previous year.

With over 100 awards to be given out, RMHA president Pat Brandenburg opened the meeting with a brief statement before moved into the awards presentation.

Board member and Chairman of the Show Committee Denny Begley was brought to the podium to handle the awards. He opened with a brief recap of the 2007 season.

Prince Albert Stables of · Floyd County played a big role

banquet is an annual affair to in the 2007 RMHA show season, having competed in all of the shows during the 2007 season - shows that start in Florida in mid-February and conclude in late August in Indiana.

The Rocky Mountain Horse is a product of the Mountains of Eastern Kentucky having been saved by the establishment of a breed registry and the urgency to find, catalogue and preserve the horse. Prince Albert Stables works exclusively with the Rocky Mountain Horse.

Prince Albert Stables trainer Josh Murdock was awarded the 2007 Trainer of the Year award. The association presented

Murdock, a Floyd County resident, with a personalized jacket embroidered with his 2007 accomplishments. Murdock is married to Heather Gray Murdock and resides at Water Gap. He is a Prestonsburg High School graduate.

Murdock is one of three trainers working out of the stables, delivering over 35 horses to the show circuit. He has been active with the Rocky Mountain Horse and Prince Albert since his teen age years.

The young and lovely juvenile Lucy Belcher earned the Juvenile Show Pleasure award.



Josh Murdock claimed the 2007 Trainer of the Year award (See TRAINER, page two) during the recent RMHA Banquet.

National Guard to sponsor IRM's No. 5 SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOORESVILLE, N.C. -The Army National Guard will continue its involvement in the Nationwide Series in 2008 with a 21-race primary sponsorship of the No. 5 Chevrolet with drivers Landon Cassill and Dale Earnhardt Jr. The team will be fielded by JR Motorsports in partnership with Hendrick Motorsports.

Cassill, 18, will pilot 19 events in the No. 5, beginning Feb. 23 at California Speedway. The campaign will mark the most extensive racing action for the Cedar Rapids, Iowa, native and 2008 Raybestos rookie of the year candidate since he Hendrick with signed Motorsports in December 2006.

Providing bookends to the 2008 schedule, Earnhardt will drive the "Guard Car" in the Feb. 16 season opener at Daytona International Speedway and the Nov. 15 season finale at Homestead-Miami Speedway. The two-time circuit champion has earned five Nationwide-level victories at Daytona.

"The National Guard is very pleased to be sponsoring the No.



KNIGHTS WIN

The Piarist School boys' basketball team worked its way into the win column for the first time in the 2007-08 season Saturday, defeating J. Frank White Academy (Harrogate, Tenn.) 61-60 in the Small School Classic held at Riverside Christian in Breathitt County.



BluegrassPreps.Com Rankings

Boys' Basketball: 1. Mason County; 2. Lexington Catholic; 3. Bryan Station; 4. Scott County; 5. Jeffersontown; 6. Covington Catholic; 7. Male; 8. University Heights; 9. Adair County; 10. Ballard; 11. Elliott County; 12. Holmes; 13. Paul Dunbar; 14. Paducah Tilghman; 15. Pleasure Ridge Park; 16. Corbin; 17. Shelby Valley; 18. Hazard; 19. June Buchanan; 20. Manual.

Girls' Basketball: 1. Iroquois: 2. Paul Dunbar; 3. Lexington Catholic; 4. Lexington Christian; 5. North Hardin; 6. Manual; 7. Montgomery County; 8. Pike County Central: 9. Elizabethtown; 10. Henry Clay; 11. Henderson County; 12. Muhlenberg North; 13. Franklin-Simpson; 14. Rockcastle County; 15. Butler; 16. Boone County; 17. Lafayette; 18. Calloway County: 19. Clay County; 20. Simon Kenton.

Nationwide Series car in 2008," said Lt. Col. Diana Craun, deputy division chief, strength maintenance division, National Guard bureau. "The Guard's presence at Nationwide Series races will honor America's finest citizen-soldiers in an exciting way by featuring a unique unit patch on the hood, deck-lid and rear quarter-panels of the car. Additionally, army guard soldiers from these honored units will be invited to watch the No. 5 car as it reaches Victory Lane.

In 2007, the National Guard backed 25 Nationwide-level races, including each of Cassill's six starts in the series. The 2008 season will mark the kickoff of Earnhardt's relationship with the Guard, which will also be a co-primary sponsor of his Sprint Cup Series efforts.

JR Motorsports and Hendrick Motorsports officially combined Nationwide Series operations following the conclusion of the 2007 racing season. The No. 5 Chevrolet will be fielded fulltime under the JR Motorsports banner in 2008.

"We are extremely proud to have the Army National Guard

(See SPONSOR, page two)

The Knights are pictured above -Back row: Coach Greg Friend, Michael O'Shaughnessy (So.), Jordan Friend (Jr.), Caleb Hoskins (Sr.) and Brandon Hal! (So.). Front row: Matthew Prater (fr.), Zach Parsons (Sr.), Seth Perry (So.) and Joseph Kidd (Fr.) Parsons is pictured lofting a shot for the Knights.

Alice Lloyd defeats Miami-Middletown

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARBOURVILLE -

from Miami-Middletown

University, Alice Lloyd

College soared for a 73-68

win in the first contest

Eagles returned to the win

column following a loss to

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for the Eagles with a double double. He grabbed a Despite the best efforts game-best 16 rebounds and poured in 12 points. Harmon also blocked a pair of shots.

William Dillard and Rodney Mitchell led Alice Lloyd (3-11) with 15 points apiece. Eric Mullins added 13 points for the Eagles.

Miami-Middletown (13-5) also saw a player register a double-double in points and rebounds.

Britten Alexander scored Robby 15 points and pulled down Middletown fought back to

Harmon had a career day 10 rebounds. Greg Tillman cut the deficit down to two and Terry Heard netted 14 points each.

> The first half saw six ties. The two teams entered halftime deadlocked at 33-33. Also, the lead changed hands on four occasions in the first 20 minutes. The fifth lead change, when Dillard scored the first two points of the second half gave Alice Lloyd the lead for good.

The Eagles would eventually build a 10-point advantage. Miami-

points twice, but it was not enough.

Alice Lloyd is under the guidance of veteran head coach Gary Gibson.

The Union College/Best Western Wilderness Trail Inn Holiday Classic also included host Union College and Lincoln Memorial University.

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Elliott County outlasts Ladycats by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

SUMMIT - Elliott County dealt Betsy Layne a second and final loss on Saturday in the consolation bracket of the Boyd County Invitational. Shae Ferguson scored 19 points and handed out eight assists as Elliott County defeated Betsy Layne 73-68.

The Lady Lions performed well offensively, hitting 27 shots and recording 22 assists.

Kelsey Ferguson added 18 points for the Lady Lions. Elliott County improved to 6-5 after winning the tournament game.

The Lady Lions ended the tournament with a fifth-place billing.

Walton-Verona beat Pendleton County 61-53 to grab seventh-place in the Boyd County tournament.

Megan Hamilton led Betsy Layne with 18 points. Hamilton was one of three Betsy Layne players to reach double figures in the scoring column. She also made the all-tournament team.

ELLIOTT COUNTY 73. **BETSY LAYNE 68**

BETSY LAYNE (68) -Lawson 4, Krista Flannery 16, Megan Hamilton 18, Hott 15, Tackett 4, Meade 9, Ray 2.

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All-Tournament Team: Brandy Middleton (Moore), Ashmere Woods (Moore), Aisjah Ruan (Moore), Katie Hunter (Boyd County), Rainey Mosely (Boyd County), Holly Jude (Boyd County), Katrina Holmes (Russell), Samantha Sparks (Russell), Breslyn Harris (Minford, Ohio), Kelsey Ferguson (Elliott County), Shae Ferguson (Elliott County), Megan Hamilton (Betsy Layne).

Pace considered for player of the week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - East Kentucky Miners guard Josh Pace received consideration for the CBA American Conference Player of the Week honor for the week ending December 30, 2007. Pace earned the league's American Conference Player of the Week honor for the week ending November 26, 2007.

Ronnie Fields of the Minot Skyrockets was named CBA American Conference Player of the Week honor for the week ending December 30, 2007. Fields is the second Skyrocket to earn the award during the 2007-08 season. John Strickland was named CBA American Conference Player of the Week for the week

ending December 3, 2007.

In two games against the Albany Patroons, Fields, a 6-4 guard from Farragut Academy, scored 39 points. He had a teamhigh 23 points and three steals in Minot's 102-92 victory over Albany. Fields currently has 5,471 points, placing him among the top-10 scorers in CBA histo-

In road games last week versus Atlanta, Pace netted a total of 47 points. Pace is averaging 24 points per game.

Other players receiving consideration for the latest American Conference Player of the Week award were Jason Williams (Albany), Zach Marbury (Atlanta) and Carl Krauser (Pittsburgh).

Butte guard Aaron Cook was named CBA National Conference Player of the Week for the week ending December 30, 2007. Other players receiving consideration for National Conference Player of the Week included Moochie Norris (Yakama); Judson Stubbs (Oklahoma); Nate Green (Great Falls) and Rod Nealy (Rio Grande Valley).

The East Kentucky Miners are in Butte, Mont., playing the host Daredevils in a two-game series. Thursday night's East Kentucky-Butte game ended too late to make this edition. More on the Miners appears inside today's edition.



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Josh Pace continues to rank as one of the CBA's top players.

Fiesta Bowl: WVU 48, OU 28 Trainer

by ANDREW BAGNATO ASSOCIATED PRESS

GLENDALE, Ariz. - Bill Stewart didn't have to lobby to become West Virginia's next coach.

Led by elusive quarterback Pat White, the 11th-ranked Mountaineers gave him a resounding endorsement in a 48-28 Fiesta Bowl victory over No. 3 Oklahoma on Wednesday night. Stewart served as interim replacement for Rich Rodriguez, who bolted for Michigan last month.

"They gave me my marching orders to get this team ready, and that's what we did," Stewart said.

Stewart later said he'd "cherish" the job but would support whomever the university hires.

His players say it should be Stewart. White, who ran for 150 yards and threw for 176 and two touchdowns in a 48-28 victory, began stumping for Stewart on the field after the game.

"He deserves it," White said. "A great man. A great coach. All the players respect him and all the players love him. You couldn't ask for a better man to lead us to victory today."

Fullback Owen Schmitt, who scored on a 57-yard run called Stewart the "glue" that kept the Mountaineers together during a rocky month.

"We're a family," Schmitt said. "That's why we prevailed."

An emotional Stewart relished what he called "a colossal win for our program."

"I never had a Gatorade bath," said Stewart, a native West Virginian who has been an assistant for most of his career. "It was special."

The Mountaineers didn't need Rodriguez. They had White, a relentless defense and a rushing attack that raced for 349 yards, most allowed by Oklahoma in a bowl game.

Since arriving in the desert last week, the Mountaineers (11-2) said they had bonded behind Stewart. And they vowed to rebound from a 13-9 loss to Pitt that knocked them out of the Bowl Championship Series title game.

The Mountaineers were right on both counts, turning in an emotional effort and overcoming the loss of star tailback Steve Slaton to a first-quarter leg injury. Noel Devine replaced Slaton and ran for 108 yards and two touchdowns - a 17-yarder and a 65varder that clinched the game in the fourth quarter.

The Mountaineers

"never, ever quit believing." Oklahoma (11-3) endured

another disappointment on the same field where the Sooners lost a classic Fiesta Bowl to Boise State one year ago. The Sooners have dropped four straight BCS games.

"It's not very positive," said coach Bob Stoops, who led OU to the 2000 national title. "You get to this position, you're obviously doing a lot of things positive and good. But you need to finish out and play well in these games."

The Sooners had no answer for White, whose 79-yard touchdown pass to Tito Gonzales in the fourth quarter was the longest in Mountaineers bowl history.

Meanwhile, West Virginia's fourth-rated defense limited the potent Sooners to well below their scoring average of 43.4 points per game, third in the nation.

"That was very impressive," Stewart said. "Our guys fought hard."

The Mountaineers harassed Oklahoma quarterback Sam Bradford, sacking the nation's top-rated passer three times and intercepting him in the end zone. Bradford completed 21 of 33 passes for 242 yards and two touchdowns.

"I just wasn't myself," Bradford said. "I wasn't going through the reads. I was forcing things.'

The Sooners rallied from an 18-point deficit against Boise State last January, taking a late lead before the Broncos forced overtime, where they won on a trick play.

This time, OU trailed 20-6 at halftime. But the Sooners cut it to 20-15 on Chris Brown's 1yard run midway through the third quarter.

Then Stoops made two curious calls. First, he decided to go for two points. But Bradford's pass fell incomplete.

Then Stoops ordered an onside kick. The ball didn't go 10 yards, and West Virginia took over on OU's 39.

"We had the momentum, so if you get the onside kick, you have the chance to really give them a blow," Stoops said. "I thought we had the momentum. The opportunity was there. We just didn't execute."

The Mountaineers needed six plays to capitalize, scoring on Devine's 17-yard run.

West Virginia made it 34-15 on Darius Reynaud's 30-yard run with 20 seconds to go in the third quarter. The Mountaineers went 75 yards in three plays -42 on an electrifying run by White, who weaved through tacklers along the left sideline. After the Sooners scored on a 19-yard pass from Bradford to Quentin Chaney, White found Gonzales down the middle for a 79-yard TD that made it 41-21. "People doubt us all the time," White said. "But we work hard, and we did the job."

The young Belcher rides out of the stables and has been active with her mother Mary Ann, and the Rocky Mountain Horse.

Awards were given to several horses for their accomplishments as well. Mountain Motion - owned by Bucky Burchett of Prestonsburg was awarded the 4 Year Old Stallion under Saddle High Point Award. Mystic Magic was given the 3 Year Old Award. Magic is owned by Chuck Blackburn of Delaware, Ohio.

Other awards were given to Red Iron for the Gelding High Points, Red Iron is owned by Jess Ross of Cattletsburg. Choco-Lot's Fancy Dancer for the 3 Year Old Filly's. Dancer is owned by Allen Bond of

Minford, Ohio holds off Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

SUMMIT - Minford, Ohio enjoyed a successful start Thursday night, defeating Betsy Layne 60-55 in the Colonel's Classic at Boyd County Middle School gymnasium.

Whitney McManus led Minford, Ohio with a game-high 21 points. Breslyn Harris followed with 17 points for the winning team. Ally Connard added 12 points for the Lady Falcons as part of a balanced scoring effort.

Megan Hamilton led Betsy Layne with 20 points.

Minford outscored Betsy Layne 17-8 in the opening quarter. The Lady Falcons carried a 30-24 lead into halftime.

Minford stayed a couple of possessions ahead of Betsy Layne in the third quarter, outscoring the Ladycats 16-12 in the period. Hamilton hit a pair of three-point

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awarded the High Point Mare, and

Lady of Night claimed the Trail and

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field goals for the Ladycats.

Betsy Layne defeated Pendleton County 51-36 on Friday in a game played as part of the Boyd County Touyrnament. The Ladycats - with the win over Pendleton County snapped a two-game losing streak.

MINFORD 60. **BETSY LAYNE 55**

BETSY LAYNE (55) Lawson 4, Flannery 9, Hamilton 20, Martin 10, Huff 12.

MINFORD (60) - McManus 21, Martin 3, A. Donahue 3, Justice 3, Connard 12, Harris 17.

BETSY LAYNE 8 16 12 19-55 MINFORD.....17 13 16 14-60

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ACROBATIC MOVE: East Kentucky guard Bryant Northern went up with a shot versus a Pittsburgh Xplosion defender. The Miners will return to action at home on Sunday against the Yakama visiting Sun Kings.

Miners hats set to hit retail shelves

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALBANY, NY - CBA Properties, LLC has Time collecting the Show Pleasure announced that it has signed an agreement with Top and Show Pleasure Stallions awards. Of the World Hat, Inc. to produce CBA brand and team hats to be sold in various retail outlets including Wal-Mart Stores. Terms of the deal include the launch of Wal-Mart stores throughout Kentucky to The night came to an end with showcase the East Kentucky Miners, the only profesphotos and a dinner provided by the sional basketball team in the state.

Top of The World (TOW) was founded in 1986 in Norman, Oklahoma and sold imported hats at the University of Oklahoma football games. Peter Wilson, the company's founder had a vision to grow the company nationally through collegiate sales, and in the early 1990s were ranked first by the collegiate licensing company. The company is known for its innovative designs and quality products. Tow has brought successful designs to the marketplace, such as "Graffiti", "Tidal Wave" and the patented "Cappello" cap and visor.

'The league is very strategic on selecting our partners as we continue to build on our 62 year history of operation in professional basketball," stated Ricardo A. Richardson, CBA Properties President & CEO. "Our goal has been to build a strong league with controlled expansion, then focus on uniformity on and off the basketball court. We are now beginning to focus on national partnerships and quality strategic alliances.

"The CBA is one of the oldest leagues in the United States, and have continued its tradition of shaping coaches and athletes that go on to compete at the next level," stated Peter Wilson, TOW CEO. "TOW has grown slowly and steadily similar to the CBA, and is now one of the most successful hat manufacturers in the world. Our licenses include the NCAA, Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Major League Soccer, AFL, and now the CBA brand. We look forward to building a national launch for the CBA."

'This partnership for the East Kentucky Miners and the CBA is the beginning of several national programs that the league is developing," stated Demetrius Ford, Miners CEO. "The Miners are proud to lead this launch in the state of Kentucky, and the innovative designs by TOW hats have been popular at our games this season."

"We're excited about this partnership and the focus and direction of the league," said Miners cofounder and former NFL quarterback Jay Fiedler. 'CBA Properties is announcing strategic partnerships that have substance and will be beneficial to all teams in the league, and the Miners will have the opportunity to showcase these hat designs throughout Kentucky.

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the first of six teams to win under an interim coach this bowl scason. They improved to 2-0 in the Bowl Championship Series.

"It's a great night to be a Mountaineer," Stewart said as he accepted the Fiesta Bowl trophy while thousands of West Virginia fans celebrated in the grandstand. Stewart said his players

Dairy Queen

Alex Hammonds, Allen Central **Boys' Basketball**

Megan Hamilton, **Betsy Layne Girls' Basketball**

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as such a prominent partner with us, not only in support of the No. 5 Nationwide car in 2008, but also as a co-primary for Dale in the Sprint Cup Series," said Kelley Elledge, vice president and general manager of JR Motorsports. "They have an unquestionable commitment to this program, and the enthusi-

asm they exude with both JR Motorsports and Hendrick Motorsports is extremely gratifying.

"I know Dale and Landon will represent the men and women of the National Guard well as drivers of the No. 5 Chevrolet, and we look forward to an exciting 2008 season for JR Motorsports."

Herd defeats San Diego, 76-60

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. - The Marshall University men's basketball team bounced back from its first home loss of the season in grand fashion as it never trailed in its 76-60 win over visiting San Diego on Monday at the Cam Henderson Center.

Thundering Herd freshman Tirrell Baines (Laurens, S.C.) scored a team- and career-high 19 points on a 6-for-8 shooting performance (7-for-9 from the FT line) with six rebounds in 27 minutes. The forward netted 12 firsthalf points, including Marshall's initial five points, while dominating the paint to get the Herd on track early after its loss to Lipscomb on Saturday.

Marshall (7-4) jumped all over the Torcros (7-9) from the opening tip and established a doubledigit lead just seven-and-a-half minutes into the contest in a dominating first-half performance. Up 10-8, Marshall went on a 10-0 run thanks to some defense and nifty passing. Forward Robbie Jackson (Aberdeen, Md.) kick-started the run with a jumper in the post before guard Taurean Marshall (Fort Washington, Md.) picked USD guard Devin Ginty's pocket on back-to-back possessions that led to uncontested layups for the senior.

A thunderous, two-handed dunk by Markel Humphrey (Atlanta, Ga.) off a nice drive and dish from Darryl Merthie (Lake Mary, Fla.), followed by two Jackson free throws, capped the MU run for a 20-8 Herd lead with 12:40 remaining.

A Brandon Johnson 3-pointer on USD's next possession sliced the Toreros' deficit to nine points, but that's as close as they would get the rest of the game as Marshall built as much as a 22point lead in the first half. Marshall entered halftime up 43-24.

MU freshman Matt Walls finished with 12 points, two assists, two rebounds and a steal off the bench.

"The guys came back with a great focus and they had great compassion," Marshall Coach Donnie Jones said. "We knew (San Diego) played terrific against Kentucky and we just tried to take away some things. One of them, which was very difficult to take away, was Brandon Johnson. He's a very good player, but we managed to keep everyone else out of double figures."

Marshall maintained control in the second half and grabbed its biggest lead, 54-29, at 15:36. The Toreros would get no closer than 17 points the remainder of the game.

Marshall will play its final non-conference home game on Saturday, Jan. 5, when it welcomes Big South champion Winthrop to the Henderson Center. Tip-off is set for 2 p.m.

Bears push win streak to

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MANSFIELD, Ohio - Leading 59-24 at recess, the Pikeville College Bears opened the second half with a 24-8 run to pull away for an easy 115-85 win over The Ohio State University-Mansfield Wednesday night.

The run pushed the Bears in front 86-32, which turned out to be the biggest lead of the game. The remainder of the night saw the lead bounce between 46 and 52 points.

Pikeville improved to 13-2 and ran its winning streak to 10 straight.

Five players reached double digits for the Bears, with senior Jeff Ferguson leading the way with 26. Freshman Justin Hicks followed with 21, sinking five three-point shots, to go with nine assists and three steals.

Junior Ewan Linton followed with his eighth double-double of the season, scoring 14 and pulling down 11 rebounds. Junior Haakim Johnson finished with 13 and sophomore Adam Simmons came off the bench to toss in 10.

Mansfield, 2-15 with only eight players in uniform, got 15 from Kevin Murphy, who was perfect in six free throw attempts. Andrew Rice tossed in 14.

The Pikeville College men's basketball program has enjoyed a successful run under head coach Kelly Wells.

The 24th-ranked Bears, playing their first game since Dec. 15, will have another 10 days off before returning to action on Saturday, Jan. 12, when they travel to Berea to play the Mountaineers in a 7:30 p.m. contest.



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Meeks, Bradley lead healthy past Florida International Wildcats

by WILL GRAVES ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Suddenly, 2008 doesn't look so bleak for Kentucky. Ramel Bradley scored 22 points and Jodic Meeks added 21 as the Wildcats raced by Florida International 92-49 on Monday at Rupp Arena.

Injuries and inconsistent play have haunted the Wildcats (6-6) through most of the early season, including embarrassing home losses to Gardner-Webb and San Diego.

But playing with a full complement of players for the first time all year, Kentucky had little problem of the year while healing from offdispatching the Golden Panthers.

Russell Hicks led Florida International (3-9) with 17 points and 11 rebounds, but the Golden Panthers couldn't keep up, losing their sixth straight.

The Wildcats began the game with their 11th different starting lineup, but it didn't take long for coach Billy Gillispic to bring some familiar faces off the bench.

When Joe Crawford and Derrick Jasper entered the game less than two minutes in, it marked just the second time this season the Wildcats put their best five players on the floor at the same time.

Jasper missed the first 10 games season microfracture surgery on his games with a stress fracture in his pelvis and a strained hip flexor.

Jasper was rusty in the loss to San Diego, but appeared just fine while playing 28 minutes. He finished with four points, five assists and a team-high 10 rebounds.

More importantly, once he took the floor it didn't take long for the Wildcats to find some much-needed cohesion.

Kentucky reeled off 10 quick points, spreading the floor with the four guards while Patrick Patterson worked the middle. Florida International managed to briefly make it competitive, but the Wildcats broke it open with a 15-3

left knee while Meeks sat out seven run fueled by some hot 3-point shooting. The Wildcats made five of their first seven 3-pointers, and the energy translated at the other end of the floor.

> A steal by Meeks led to a layup by Mark Coury. Seconds later Coury stepped in front of a pass, leading to a 3-pointer by Crawford. A 3-pointer by Meeks pushed the lead to 21, and Kentucky ended the half with a flourish as Bradley hit an acrobatic layup in the lane and added another one at the first half buzzer after the Panthers threw it away while trying to deal with the Wildcat press.

> The crowd roared its approval as the Wildcats raced to the locker

room, a marked difference from the quict groaning that signaled the end of Saturday's loss to San Diego.

The second half brought more of the same, as the Wildcats withstood a brief flurry by the Golden Panthers, putting them away with a 14-2 run that gave them a 59-32 lead and allowed the Wildcats to start thinking ahead to Saturday's game against rival Louisville.

Kentucky held the Golden Panthers to 31 percent shooting and played with the kind of spirited effort that it has lacked at times this vcar.

The Wildcats forced 17 turnovers, leading to 27 points and had little trouble pushing the pace.

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by WILL GRAVES ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE - Mick Cronin's rebuilding plan at Cincinnati appears to be ahead of schedule.

Deonta Vaughn scored 13 points, including the go-ahead free throws with 1:14 remaining as Cincinnati knocked off Louisville 58-57 on Tuesday.

A year after Cronin inherited a program shaken by the departure of former coach Bob Huggins, the Bearcats (6-7, 1-0 Big East) stunned the Cardinals (9-4, 0-1) with gritty play and the kind of defensive intensity that has long been the school's trademark.

'It's not last year with football players playing," Cronin said. "Our record is bad, but we're 25,000 times better.

Those days are over." Are they ever.

The Bearcats held the Cardinals to 36 percent shooting - including 3-of-23 from 3-point range - to help Cronin post his first win over mentor Rick Pitino.

Cronin downplayed beating his old boss, instead focusing on his team's resiliency after posting just two conference wins a year ago.

"We wanted to get that first Big East win," Cronin said. "We were so outmanned last year, we really didn't play in the Big East. It was unfair. Those guys didn't have a chance."

These Bearcats, however, do. After a tough December that included narrow losses to Xavier, Memphis and N.C. State, Cincinnati kept its composure in the final minutes. The teams traded the lead

six times in the second half, and Louisville had two chances to win after Vaughn turned it over with 10 seconds remaining

The Cardinals rushed up the floor but held the ball up at halfcourt. Pitino called timeout and planned to get the ball to guard Jerry Smith, who led all scorers with 17 points.

It never happened. Guard Edgar Sosa received the inbounds pass and was forced to his right, putting up a 20footer that was partially blocked. Louisville's Terrence Williams' acrobatic putback bounced out as time expired, halting the Cardinals' fourgame winning streak.

"Certainly, the last play of the game was not a good shot, a double-teamed 3," Pitino said. "We certainly rather would have dribbled left and got a foul.

Instead, the Cardinals will head to Lexington on Saturday to face rival Kentucky trying to figure out how to play with confidence, something the Bearcats had in abundance down the stretch.

"We were patient and poised," Vaughn said. "They didn't do much we hadn't seen. We were prepared, and we exe-

cuted the game plan." Louisville had hoped to start hitting its stride with the return of center David Padgett, who missed more than six weeks with a fractured kneecap.

Padgett played well, scoring 13 points and grabbing four rebounds in 26 minutes. But the Cardinals let Cincinnati shoot 47 percent from the field and get open shots when it needed one

"We've just got to learn from our mistakes," Padgett said. "They just came out and

executed and did what they needed to do to get a win."

Neither team led by more than six, as the two longtime enemies played with the typical physical intensity that has marked their rivalry over the years.

points from the Bearcats, who answered every time the Cardinals appeared to be ready to take over the game.

"Ain't nobody thought we could win this game," Cincinnati guard Jamual Warren said. "But we hung together and played smart."

Cronin attributed some of the mental toughness to the team's brutal December schedule.

"(It) gave us the edge we needed, playing in some tough environments against highquality teams," he said. "Although we didn't win those games, it got us ready for today."

Padgett entered the game to a rousing ovation less than two minutes in, and his presence gave the Cardinals an immediate lift.

Louisville reeled off eight Marvin Gentry added 10 · straight points once Padgett checked in, as their press rattled the Bearcats.

Cincinnati, however, kept its composure, eventually taking a 30-26 halftime lead behind some hot 3-point shooting. Gentry and Warren hit consecutive 3-pointers during a 10-3 run that gave the Bearcats the lead, and Marcus Sikes hit a difficult 3-pointer as the shot clock expired at the end of the half.

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off short-handed Seminoles Wildcats hold

by JEFFREY McMURRAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. -Andre Woodson began his career four years ago at a probation-saddled Kentucky program and ended it with the school's single-season touchdown record and back-to-back bowl victories, the latest against a legendary coach.

"It's been a long, long journey," said the senior quarterback, who took MVP honors for the second straight year in the Wildcats' 35-28 victory over Florida State in the Music City Bowl.

The senior quarterback threw a record-setting four TDs against Bobby Bowden's depleted Seminoles defense.

"I was worried about getting worn out," Bowden said. "We've always played a lot of people, and we simply couldn't play a lot of people in this ballgame."

Woodson capitalized on the missing players with 358 yards passing and finished the season with 40 touchdown throws, breaking Tim Couch's schoolrecord 37 set in 1998. It was the 19th consecutive game with at least 200 yards passing and a scoring touchdown for Woodson, a senior who figures to be among the first quarterbacks taken in the NFL draft.

"He's got an NFL body, an NFL arm and he clearly has an NFL mind," Kentucky coach Rich Brooks said.

The Wildcats took the lead

for 38 yards for his second TD reception. Johnson led all receivers with 126 yards.

Weatherford would add a TD pass to Greg Carr with just over 2 minutes remaining, and Florida State got the ball back at the 1-minute mark behind by one score.

"I've never questioned the character on this team and the integrity of these guys," Weatherford said. "We worked extremely hard in the ball game and we fought, but moral victories can only take you so far."

Linebacker Micah Johnson appeared to come up with a clinching interception, but a fumble gave the Seminoles another chance. Weatherford's last-second pass fell incomplete in the end zone.

up missing a field goal - he didn't make any in the game and finished the season with 27. tied with Schastian Janikowski for the Atlantic Coast Conference record.

Florida State got the ball right back after Carr's penalty, recovering a second fumble by Little. Kentucky ended that possession with a goal-line stand, but the Seminoles' Tony Carter picked off Woodson's next pass and returned it 24 yards to tie the game.

"He did a good job of mickcl and diming us down the field, and that wears out the defense," Carter said of Woodson.

Kentucky appeared to pull ahead at the end of the half on



OFFENSIVE MOVE: Caleb Hoskins drove to the basket for the Piarist School Knights.

Lincoln Memorial rolls past a field goal by Lones Seiber. Alice Lloyd, 83-66

The Wildcats hadn't ended consecutive seasons with bowl wins since 1951-52 under Bear Bryant, but they pulled off the feat in Nashville one year after surprising Clemson, coached by Bowden's son, Tommy.

As for the elder Bowden, who has led the Seminoles to 26 straight bowls and two national titles, his December bowl record dropped to 7-1-1. Bowden is major college football's winningest coach with 373 victories - one ahead of Penn State's Joe Paterno.

Florida State was playing three dozen players short due to injuries and suspensions stemming from an academic cheating scandal, and Bowden acknowledged the lack of depth answered, dumping off a short had an impact.

for good midway through the third quarter on Woodson's 2yard slant to Rafael Little, who ran for a season-high 152 yards on 28 carries. It was the 13th 100-yard rushing game for the senior running back, tying him for second on Kentucky's career list.

Antone Smith had a careerhigh 156 yards rushing for the Seminoles.

Florida State quarterback Drew Weatherford pulled the Seminoles to 28-21 with 8 minutes left on a 1-yard bootleg run - his first career game with two rushing TDs. Weatherford completed 22 of 48 passes for 276 yards, a TD and two interceptions.

immediately Woodson

"That's one of the biggest things that has changed about Kentucky football," Wildcats tight end Jacob Tamme said. "Guys, no matter what the situation, no matter what the score, no matter what the down, believe we're going to win the game."

Kentucky improved to 4-1-1 against the Seminoles in their first matchup since 1965. It was the first meeting ever between Bowden and Brooks, friends for nearly three decades.

The score was 14-all after a first half in which Bowden and others on the Florida State sideline gave the officials an earful after two close calls.

The Seminoles disputed an offensive pass interference call on Carr that negated a touchpass that Steve Johnson took down. Gary Cismesia wound make it 7-all.

but Florida State was called for personal foul on the play. Brooks decided to try for the TD rather than keep the points, and Seiber eventually missed from 39 yards.

Kentucky scored first, taking advantage of a blocked punt. Woodson soon connected with a wide-open Tamme from 14 yards out,

The next time Kentucky had the ball, Little fumbled just short of the goal line. Carter grabbed the loose ball and ran 51 yards, stopped only after colliding with teammate Andre Fluellen.

Weatherford, not known for dashing speed, scampered 27 yards on Florida State's first play of the next drive and later ran it in from 6 yards out to

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARBOURVILLE - After the Lincoln Memorial University Railsplitters gained control halfway through the first half Saturday night, they never looked back en route to an 83-66 win over Alice Lloyd College in the nightcap of the Union College/Best Western Wilderness Trail Inn Holiday Classic.

Wadner Joseph put Lincoln Memorial in front, 18-16, when he hit a three with 11:43 left in the half. The Railsplitters (4-5) would push the lead out to ten points on two occasions before taking a 31-21 lead after the first 20 minutes.

Joseph finished with 15 points. Terry Delancy led Lincoln Memorial with a game-high 35 points. Delaney was 11-for-16 from the field and 13-for-16 at the free-throw line. He also grabbed 10 rebounds, finishing with a double-double,

Rodney Mitchell led Alice Lloyd with 24 points. Corey Hariston accounted for a double-double for the Eagles, finishing with 15 points and 10 rebounds.

Both teams made 26 shots apiece. Lincoln Memorial (4-5), however, held the advantage at the free throw line. The Railsplitters went 28-for-43 from the free-throw line. Alice Lloyd (2-11) was 12-for-19 from the stripe.

With back-to-back bowl wins, Kentucky looks forward to 2008, beyond

by JEFFREY McMURRAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - In the final drill of their Kentucky football careers, NFL-bound linebacker Wesley Woodyard finally got to deliver a punishing hit on NFL-bound quarterback Andre Woodson.

Well, OK, technically it wasn't Woodson himself that suffered the bruising, just a tackle dummy adorned with his red No. 3 practice jersey. That was all the coaches would allow.

"I made him fumble," Woodyard joked.

Perhaps more than anybody else, Woodson and Woodyard epitomize the giant strides the Wildcats program has made in their four years in college. As freshmen, Woodyard was considered undersized for a linebacker and Woodson too sluggish in the pocket, but the two have developed their skills and helped change the fortunes of Kentucky football, including back-to-back Music City Bowl victorics.

The last time the Wildcats finished two straight seasons with postseason wins was 1951-52, under legendary coach Bear Bryant.

Now, Woodson and Woodyard are almost certain to play on Sundays next year, along with potentially several other members of their senior class - receivers Keenan Burton and Steve Johnson, tight end Jacob Tamme and running back Rafael Little.

After Kentucky's 35-28 season-ending victory against Bobby Bowden's Florida State Seminoles Monday in Nashville, Tenn.,

was finally over.

"The only disappointing thing about the entire night is knowing we'll never suit up again together," Woodson said. "That happens when a journey comes to an end. When we look back and look at these times, there will be plenty of memories. This is why we play the game, for the love of it and for the friendships."

Perhaps the best evidence of what Kentucky has accomplished the past two years comes with coach Rich Brooks' soaring popularity in Lexington. Brooks used to begin each season by joking with the media about whether they were surprised he hadn't been fired. Now, if he shows up at a basketball game, he gets the loudest ovation.

That's what happens when your team makes history, as the Wildcats did by knocking off then top-ranked LSU along with archrival Louisville earlier in the year. Kentucky almost downed its over major rival, Tennessee, but lost in triple-overtime.

Kentucky found itself ranked among the nation's top 10 teams - a first in the history of the Bowl Championship Series, so a return trip to Nashville might have been considered a letdown, although the players insisted it wasn't.

"It means a lot to the program," Woodyard said. "The seniors put in a lot of hard work. It means a lot to go out on the last game of the season on top and to know that for the first game of next season, we have left the guys with a victory on their hands.'

Although his job appears secure again,

Woodson said it was hard to believe the ride Brooks realizes the larger challenge in changing a program riddled by probation when he inherited it is proving that he can do it with several classes, not just one.

"Turning the program around means we need to be in postseason next year," Brooks said.

The Wildcats seem to have the talent to do it again, although there are plenty of questions particularly on offense. Next year, the vertical passing game could be a far cry from the one Woodson featured this year with his schoolrecord 40 TDs.

Two lanky redshirt freshmen, Mike Hartline and Will Fidler, were behind Woodson on the depth chart this year but saw little action, and speedster Curtis Pulley, who missed the season with academic troubles, could give the team a completely new look if he gets the nod as next year's starter.

The Wildcats will lose three of their top four receiving threats - Burton, Johnson and Tamme - but return playmaker Dicky Lyons Jr. and DeMoreo Ford, an experienced backup. Little is gone, but the running game retains tremendous depth with Tony Dixon. Alfonso Smith and freshman burner Derrick Locke.

Defensively, Woodyard and end Dominic Lewis are among the only major losses from a unit that was dramatically improved over the nation's second-to-last defense from 2006. Micah Johnson appears ready to fill Woodyard's shoes as a roving linebacker, Trevard Lindley is among the Southeastern Conference's best defensive backs and Jeremy

Jarmon will lead the defensive line.

Tamme says he expects the success to continue when he's gone because the turnaround is about mindset, not personnel.

"Guys, no matter what the situation, no matter what the score, no matter what the down, believe we're going to win the game," Tamme said. "Three or four or five years ago, when the program is coming off probation, it's tough for that to happen and for everybody in the bottom of their soul to believe we can win the game against Florida, Georgia, Tennessee and Florida State. We do now and we showed it. It's going to continue.

One of the biggest potential defections could be offensive coordinator Joker Phillips, who figures to be on the short list for several head coaching positions. Phillips wouldn't confirm this week whether he expects to stay or go, but he acknowledged it will be difficult to watch such a closeknit group break up.

"It'll be tough seeing these guys go," Phillips said. "So many of them have been a huge part of the success we've had here. So many of them bought into the dream that we sold them on when we went into their living room."

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SEASON FINALE: Bengals beat woeful Dolphins 38-25

by STEVEN WINE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIAMI - Disbelief gave way to relief

The Miami Dolphins concluded the worst season in franchise history with yet another loss Sunday, and they became only the eighth team to go 1-15.

It was enough to make the Dolphins glad not to be playing in January.

"As far as the nightmare and the losing we've had to endure this season, it will be a relief to not have to worry about losing a game next week," defensive end Jason Taylor said.

Carson Palmer threw for 316 yards and three touchdowns to help the Cincinnati Bengals finish off the Dolphins 38-25.

It was an inauspicious start to the Bill Parcells era. The new Dolphins boss watched the game from a press box suite with retired Green Bay Packers general manager Ron Wolf.

"You can't help but know Parcells is here, with the Jumbotron flashing up above, and you, see Parcells and Ron Wolf sitting next to him," defensive tackle Vonnie Holliday said.

"Interesting. You know there's going to be some change. You know things are going to get moving in the receptions to tic New England's Wes

who's going to be a part of it."

The biggest question is whether coach Cam Cameron will return for a second year. He's expected to discuss his status with Parcells soon.

"We'll meet this week and see where it takes us," Cameron said.

General manager Randy Mueller's future is also uncertain. Parcells declined to talk to reporters, but everyone agrees sweeping change is needed for a team that avoided the NFL's first 0-16 season thanks to an overtime win against Baltimore two weeks ago.

"I need a vacation," said receiver Marty Booker, dressing quickly at his locker. "All that's left now is to sit around and see what happens."

The Bengals' offseason also may be eventful. They went 7-9, their first losing season since 2002, the year before Marvin Lewis took over as coach.

"There are things around here that are a little stale," Lewis said. "Get rid of them. You know how you go to your garage and say, 'I've got to get rid of this junk.' We just need to freshen up a bit."

One keeper is Palmer, who went 23-for-32 and finished with 4,131 yards passing to break the Cincinnati record of 4,035 he set last year.

T.J. Houshmandzadeh made nine

Bengals record, but dropped the final pass thrown to him.

"The coaches were trying to help me," Houshmandzadeh said. "I should have caught the last one. It's a catch that I make every day in practice.'

Chad Johnson had four catches for 131 yards to reach 1,440 yards, another team record. Playing in his hometown for the first time since turning pro, Johnson caught touchdown passes of 2 and 70 yards.

Palmer also threw a 4-yard scoring pass to Antonio Chatman with 4 seconds left in the first half, which left the Dolphins trailing 21-10.

"They got down and realized that their season is over and stopped playing hard," Palmer said.

Dolphins quarterback Cleo Lemon left the game in the third quarter with a bruised hip. On the next play, rookie replacement John Beck fumbled a snap from the shotgun, and Chinedum Ndukwe scooped up the ball and ran 54 yards for a touchdown.

"A very frustrating season." Holliday said. "This game was another example. You hate to say it - we just weren't a very good team.

NOTES: The Dolphins' defense started a different lineup in every game. ... The Bengals allowed 17 record of 21 set in 2005. ... Cincinnati K Shayne Graham went 31-for-34 in field-goal attempts, a team record.

Bengals fire defensive coordinator, linebackers coach

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - The Cincinnati Bengals, saddled with a defense that again finished near the bottom of the league, fired defensive coordinator Chuck Bresnahan and linebackers coach Ricky Hunley, the team said Wednesday.

"These are very difficult decisions that affect the lives of coaches and their families," head coach Marvin Lewis said in a statement. "But after meeting with all our coaches, I determined that it was necessary to make these changes."

The Bengals finished 7-9, the team's first losing season under Lewis.

Bresnahan was with the Bengals for four seasons. He joined the team as an assistant coach in 2004 after

right direction. It's just a matter of Welker for the NFL lead with 112, a sacks this season, breaking the club serving as defensive coordinator for the Oakland Raiders. Bresnahan was defensive coordinator for the Bengals for the past three seasons.

Hunley had been the Bengals' linebackers coach for the past five seasons.

Cincinnati signs free-agent safety from CFL

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - Free-agent safety Kyries Hebert signed a two-year contract with the Cincinnati Bengals, the team said Wednesday. Terms of the contract were not

released. The 6-foot-3. 220-pound Hebert played the last four seasons in the Canadian Football League. He spent

last season with Winnipeg, which advanced to the Grey Cup championship game and lost to Saskatchewan.

Hebert was a three-time team tackling leader at Louisiana-Lafayette and signed his first pro contract as a college free agent with the Minnesota Vikings in April 2002. He was briefly on Tampa Bay'

Latest losing season underscores Bengals' need for change

by JOE KAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - This losing season sure got the Cincinnati Bengals' attention.

For the first time under coach Marvin Lewis, the Bengals took a big step backward. Their 7-9 finish was a stark reminder that there are long-standing problems with the franchise that haven't been resolved.

'This year has been an eyeopener for everybody," receiver T.J. Houshmandzadeh said. "We expected, worst-case scenario, that we were going into the playoffs as a wild card. It kind of wakes everybody up, myself included."

A team with a lot of talent on offense and top draft picks on defense sank fast and couldn't break even despite a favorable schedule and record-setting seasons by several players.

It wasn't quite the bad old days - 7-9 would have been cause for celebration during the team's lost decade of the '90s. But it felt a little bit like old times as the Bengals imploded.

selfishness in the locker room and problems with the practice facility. Coaches couldn't figure out how to get it turned around until it was too late. Fans wondered whether the insular front office was dragging down the franchise the way it did before Lewis arrived.

It tasted familiar.

"Things have to change," Lewis said Monday. "We need to start anew. We've got to do that. There's got to be revisions in things we do. There's got to be an urgency, and sweeping it clean."

The question is whether there will be sweeping changes, or nothing more than the usual offseason moves that suggest a stay-the-course. The 7-9 finish suggests that wholesale change is needed.

Lewis is safe, but change could be coming to the coaching staff. The defense again finished near the bottom of the league, a common occurrence during Lewis' five seasons. The offense went stale, scoring fewer than 20 points in four of the last five games

ing staff could take this team to the next level, quarterback Carson Palmer said, "I don't think so."

Lewis acknowledged that the team went stale, but defended his assistant coaches.

"I'm very pleased with what our coaches have done this year." Lewis said. "They went through some trying times with new players and injuries and so forth, so it's very difficult. Each and every week, you're looking at a different group of guys and moving guys from position to position. I thought they handled that very well.'

The front office can't avoid. the introspection. Palmer and others complained about the poor quality of the team's grass practice field and the lack of a covered facility for when the weather turns nasty.

When the Bengals moved into Paul Brown Stadium before the 2000 season, ownership had the option of covering a practice field at its expense. There is still no covered field, which is a drawback in recruiting free agents.

Players grumbled about he thought the current coach- ager also came under scrutiny when the team struggled to replace injured players. Decisions are made in a group setting, with owner Mike Brown having the final say. Lewis won't talk whether change is needed in the front office operations.

Players assume there will be more significant changes this offseason, given the way they underachieved as a group. Houshmandzadeh tied for the league lead in catches, receiver Chad Johnson set a club record with 1,440 yards, and Palmer set another club record by throwing for 4,131 yards.

Didn't matter. The Bengals still finished below .500 against a schedule that was as favorable as any in recent years. They faced only four playoff teams this season, including Pittsburgh twice, but scuttled their chances by losing six of their first eight games.

"A lot of guys weren't attuned to winning," safety Dexter Jackson said. "They were attuned to getting a certain amount of yards or a certain amount of this instead of winning the game."

said the same thing: The locker room has some players who were more interested in themselves than the outcome. At times, they played like a team that wasn't very focused on

So many things went into the 7-9 record. So many things have to change.

"I thought about that a lot. man," Houshmandzadeh said. "It's almost like trying to do a Rubik's Cube."

NFL PLAYOFFS

Wild Card, Saturday, Jan. 5: Washington at Seattle, 4:30 p.m.: Jacksonville at Pittsburgh, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 6: N.Y. Giants at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.; Tennessee at San Diego, 4:30 p.m.

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what had to be done.

Asked on Monday whether

The lack of a general man-

Defensive end Justin Smith

Ranking the National Football League playoff teams

by DAVE GOLDBERG ASSOCIATED PRESS

Any handicapping of the playoffs starts, of course, with the Patriots, the first team ever to finish a regular season 16-0 and only the second to go unbeaten in the modern era. Indianapolis is right behind them, and the rest of the AFC is follows.

But Terrell Owens' injury and Dallas bad form lately makes the NFC a free-for-all, a conference where an argument might be made for any of the six playoff entries. Yes, Dallas and Green Bay probably have the edge, but none of the teams that play the first week is out of it.

Here, by conference, is a team-by-team rundown.

AFC

1. New England (16-0, top seed). There's no way to argue against the Patriots. But Bill Belichick and his players will concede they needed a little luck to finish unbeaten. There were three 3-point wins, including one against 5-11 Baltimore when they needed a couple of fortuitous late calls, one against them that wound up to their benefit.

Then there was Saturday finale at the night's Meadowlands, when they trailed the Giants by 12 points in the third quarter. Simply the most memorable game of this season and many others.

That 38-35 win was what makes the Patriots so formidable

Until anyone proves otherwise, the clear favorite to head to Arizona and win a fourth title this decade.

2. Indianapolis (13-3, second seed). Still the team with the best chance of knocking off New England, even if Marvin Harrison is iffy. Led the Patriots by 10 points with 10 minutes left at home before losing 24-20.

equipped than in the past for winter weather, especially because New England's wideopen offense might not be ideal for a blustery day in Massachuseus. Last season's Super Bowl ring supplies the confidence the Colts didn't have in previous playoff trips there. But to get there, they probably have to get by San Diego in the second round, which won't be easy.

3. San Diego (11-5, third seed). Should get by Tennessee and get to Indy, where the Chargers have had success before by putting pressure on Peyton Manning.

The big question is Philip Rivers, who has had a so-so season at quarterback. The Chargers lost in Foxborough 38-14 in Week 2. Another game there would be closer, but there's no real reason, short of a 250-yard game by LaDainian Tomlinson, to think the Chargers can win.

4. Jacksonville (11-5, fifth seed). The Jaguars are trendy because they are a southern team with a northern offense, which they will need in Pittsburgh and again in New England if they get by the Steelers. They won 29-22 in Pittsburgh on Dec. 16, rushing for 224 yards against a team that's supposed to be solid against the run.

They opened as 1-point underdogs against Pittsburgh, then took enough money to become 1-point favorites. Another sign of the perception they're a better team.

The Jags won't be favored if they get to New England. But they have a chance if QB David Garrard keeps his composure. A chance is all anyone can ask for against the Patriots.

5. Pittsburgh (10-6, fourth seed). RB Willie Parker is out with a broken ankle. Aaron Smith, the unsung defensive OB Ben Roethlisberger and star safety Troy Polamalu aren't at full strength.

Yes, there's tradition and experience; this is a team that won a Super Bowl two years ago. But it just seems worn out and if it has to go to New England, it's returning to a place where it lost 34-13 three weeks ago - with Parker.

6. Tennessee (10-6, sixth seed). Jeff Fisher would never say "just glad to be here." But that's what the Titans are after getting in by beating the Colts' B Team. It's not a reflection on Tennessee, simply the fact that in the stronger conference, the Titans don't hold up. In the NFC, things might be different.

If Vince Young's leg is OK, the Titans have a slight chance in San Diego. Slight.

NFC

1. Dallas (13-3, top seed). Very shaky top seed, largely because T.O. is a question mark. The dreaded high ankle sprain often takes four to six weeks to heal, which means he might not be ready for the first game.

Without T.O., it's harder on tight end Jason Witten and WR Patrick Crayton as well as quarterback Tony Romo, whose thumb may still be hurting. The Redskins beat the Cowboys 27-6 Sunday and scared them in their first meeting in Dallas, 28-23, in which a replay ruling and a late interception allowed Dallas to pull out the game.

In any case, the Cowboys haven't been playing very well on offense lately.

2. Washington (9-7, sixth seed). Not really a stretch. Closed with four straight wins. Todd Collins, who sat and watched for 10 years, brings stability to quarterback that the younger and more athletic Jason Campbell doesn't. And Joe Gibbs, whatever his

The Colts are better end, is out with a torn biceps. coaching faux pas this season, still has three Super Bowl rings.

Beyond that is emotion. Scan Taylor's death seems to have instilled a new purpose in the Redskins. They will have to go coast-to-coast on a short week, Sunday to Saturday, so they may not get by Seattle. But if they win there and get to Dallas ...

3. Green Bay (13-3, second seed). Maybe the loss in Chicago two weeks ago was simply a case of losing focus in a rivalry game. Or a problem of special teams mistakes that can be corrected. Or maybe an indication that a team that is one of the NFL's youngest beyond its 38-yearold quarterback isn't quite ready for prime time.

First-round winners might determine the Packers' fate. They might prefer the Scahawks in the second round more than any other team because Seattle doesn't run the ball, a necessity at Lambeau Field in January. The Packers don't run well either, although Ryan Grant has provided a lift.

4. New York Giants (10-6, fifth seed). The question is whether the supreme effort against the Patriots gives the Giants momentum. Or did it mentally exhaust them?

A positive: The Giants are 7-1 on the road and can run, always a plus in the playoffs. The X factor is Eli Manning. If he plays as he did against the Patriots, the Giants have a shot. But it's easy to see Ronde Barber picking off a pass, returning it for the winning TD in Tampa, and watching brother Tiki chortle.

5. Seattle (10-6, third seed). No momentum after clinching the West on Dec. 9 and resting folks. Sometimes that works and sometimes it doesn't, especially against a hot team like Washington.



photo courtesy of Dusty Layne Photography/East Kentucky Miners East Kentucky forward Marcus Heard chased down a loose ball during the recent Miners home game versus Pittsburgh.

CBA: Mining City Challenge resumes in Butte as Miners visit

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - The East Kentucky Miners will take on the host Butte Daredevils again today at the Butte Civic Center as part of the Mining City Challenge. Butte and Silver Bow County officials challenged Pike County and Pikeville officials earlier in the year. After a two-game series played in Pikeville at the Expo Center in December, both teams own one victory apiece. Last night's East Kentucky-Butte game ended too late to make this edition.

Both Continental Basketball Association teams call traditionrich mining towns home. Butte is a copper town. Pikeville is known for its coal mining.

The games in Butte will determine the winner and who will receive the local dish of choice for the miners. If Butte wins, its officials will receive fried potatoes and biscuits. if Pikeville wins, its officials will receive pasties.

East Kentucky went 1-1 last week in Atlanta in a two-game series versus the Krunk. The Miners are 10-11 and ranked fourth in the American Conference. Minot (12-5) leads in the American Conference standings.

Butte is 12-7 and ranked second in the National Conference. The Daredevils are behind CBA frontrunner Yakama (18-1) in the National Conference standings.

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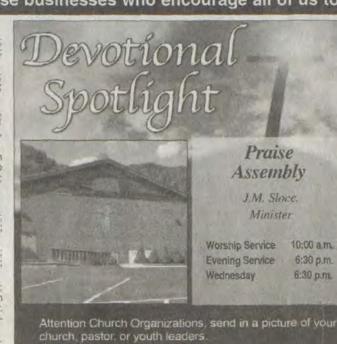
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Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

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

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

Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley, Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday moming 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.mm.; 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

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

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PRESBYTERIAN

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

First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Rev. Vicki Poole, pastor.

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OTHER

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

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Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 pm.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.

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

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

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

Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister,

Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.

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The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright. Minister

The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel), Christian Educator, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Alken.

Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

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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. Curry. Church of God of Prophecy, Sunday School 10 a.m. Service 11 a.m., Sunday Night - 6 p.m., Wednesday Night - 6 p.m.

House of Refuge, Rock Fork: Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm, Monday Bible Study 7:30 pm, Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 pm,

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

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

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

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Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 3:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p..; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.

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EPISCOPAL

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

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

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

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

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

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

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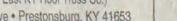
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Road junction with

U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour strip and highwall/auger methods of mining. The surface area is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company. LLC. Stelton & Eugenia Reynolds, Parson Bobby Heirs, Lawson. Thomas Kidd, Palmer Hamilton, Lewis Moore Heirs. Richard Moore. Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, Greeley Newsome, and Miller Bros. Coal, LLC et al. The operation will underlie surface area owned by The Elk Horn Coal LLC, Company, Stelton & Eugenia Reynolds, Parson Heirs, Thomas Kidd. Palmer Hamilton, Lewis Moore Heirs. Richard Moore, Miller Bros. Coal LLC. Greelev Newsome, and Miller Bros. Coal LLC, et al. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road, Frasure Branch County Road, but no closer than 0' of Frasure Branch County Road. The operation will not involve relocation or temporary closure of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources. Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg KY Route 979, and Regional Office, located in Frasure

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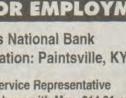
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Applications will be taken until January 11th, 2008.

Anyone interested can pick up an application at the Utility Office in Wheelwright, between the hours of 8:00 a.m., and 4:00 p.m. The phone number to call with any questions is (606) 452-4273.



Drive Prestonsburg Kentucky 41653 Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 2 No. Hollow, Hudson U.S. 127 South. Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

> NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5508 Renewal

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(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 587 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for a renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 1.0 mile southwest of Blue Moon, in Floyd County. The operation disturbs 8.07 surface acres, and underlies 1,113.81 acres and the total area within the permit boundary is 1121.88 acres. (2) The operation is approximately 1.1 mile southwest of Little Mud Creek Road's junction with the Morgan Fork Road, and located adjacent to and 0.50 mile north of Morgan Fork of Little Mud Creek The Latitude is 37 degrees, 29 minutes, 28 seconds The Longitude is 82 degrees, 42 minutes, 33 seconds. (3) The proposed operation is located

on the McDowell and Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The operation underlies land owned by The

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Company, LLC, Hamilton, Reevis Reclamation Leon Greer, Charles McKinney Vernedith Meade, William and Dorothy Martin, Paintsville, Roy Estill Spurlock Mullins, David Flatwoods, Meade, Ella Martin, Clayborne Bailey, Ida Mae Newsome, et al., Sola Williams. Vannie Kidd. Charlie Elliot, Caner Hunter. John tion. Hunter Willie Lawson Earl mile Watson, Roger Lee and Patricia Hunter, Lee and Katherine Hall, and Ted Meade. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of Morgan Fork be 126.70 acres. Road. The operation will not involve mately 0.8 mile relocation of the south of the junction public road. (4) The application of CR 1426 and the has been filed for Justice public inspection at Road, and the Division of Mine approximately 0.3 Reclamation and south mile Justice Branch. This Enforcement's Prestonsburg revision is for a land use change and to Regional Office, 3140 South Lake leave a road and Drive, Suite No. 6, pond as permanent. Prestonsburg, The proposed oper-Kentucky 41653. ation is located on Written comments. the Harold U.S.G.S. objections, 7 1/2 minute quad-Or requests for a perrangle map. mit conference must surface area to be be filed with the affected is owned Director of Division by of Mine Permits. Coleman Hudson Charlie Akers. 2

Hollow Complex, The application has been filed for public South, Frankfort, Kentucky inspection at the Department Natural Resources, NOTICE OF Division of Mine Reclamation and PERMIT Enforcement's CONFERENCE Regional Pursuant to 3140 South Lake Application Ste. Drive. Number 836-Prestonsburg 5332 Kentucky 41653.

MA No. 1 Any person whose In accordance with interest may be KRS 350.055, adversely affected notice is hereby by the issuance of given that a permit the proposed permit conference is may present inforscheduled for mation relevant to January 23, 2008, the permit, in oral or at 10:00 a.m., at the written form, at the Prestonsburg time of the confer-Regional Office for ence. the Department of

Division of Mine NOTICE OF and INTENTION Enforcement, con-TO MINE cerning the above Pursuant to application filed by Application V & M Mining Co. of No. 836-5507 Inc. Amendment 6 1509 Napier St. In accordance with KY KRS 41139. The operais hereby notice tion has applied for given that FCDC a revision to a sur-Inc., Coal, face and under-North Lake Drive, ground mining and Prestonsburg, KY reclamation opera-41653, has applied located for an amendment approximately 1.2 an to north of underground coal Honaker, in Floyd mining and recla-County. The operaoperation, mation tion will disturb 4.94 located 1.3 mile surface acres, and southeast of Drift, in will underlie 121.76 Floyd County. The acres, and the total amendment will add permit boundary will 0 acres of surface disturbance. The proposed operwill underlie an ation is approxiadditional

making a acres. total of 2204.90 acres within the Branch amended permit is boundary. The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.6 mile southwest from Morgan Fork's junc-

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tion with Little Mud Creek Road, and located 0.2 mile south of Simpson Branch. The amendment will underlie land owned by Jamie Ray and Lisa Powell, Edith Huff, Roland Moore, Lewis Jr. and Susie Knott, Charles and Wallen, Carolyn Rudolph Parsons, Vernon and Pamela Stumbo. Everett Gayheart, and

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Russell Shelton. The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map.

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application been filed for public inspection at the Department Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Office, Regional 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits. No. 2 Hudson Hollow. U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments. objections. requests for a permit conference must

The City Wheelwright will be taking sealed bids until January 15, 2008, to lay blocks to build a 26'x40' addition to an existing structure. Will need to pour a 26'x40' floor 4-6" thick. Call 452-4202 or stop by City Hall to get full details.



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