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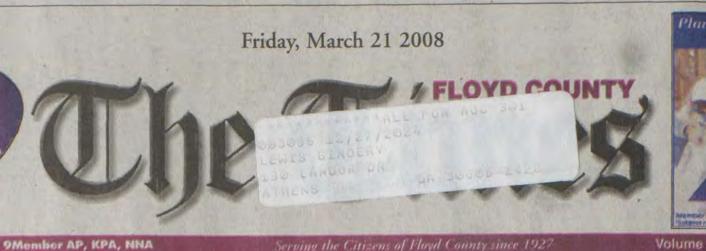
PIKEVILLE -Kentucky State Police say the remains of a man found in Eastern Kentucky are of a Nashville man reported missing in 2002.

Authorities identified 41-year-old Robert Wayne Chadwell on Wednesday as the skeleton found in Beaver, about 10 miles south of Pikeville.

Kentucky State Police says it investigated Chadwell's disappearance back in 2002, when his partially burned truck was found on Beaver Mountain. His remains were found last month by two juveniles who were riding ATVs there.

Authorities say Chadwell was last seen at a construction site in Nashville on Aug. 29, 2002. He was believed to be traveling to Memphis.





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County receives \$250K from clerk

by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - The Floyd County Fiscal Court received a nice gift from the County Clerk Chris Waugh Thursday during a special meeting.

The Floyd County Clerk's Office ject for the deed room," Waugh said, returns the excess fees generated by its office to the fiscal court every year, though Waugh estimated that the nearly \$250,000 the clerk's office turned over this year was probably a record.

"I had marked about \$150,000 to go toward my imaging and indexing pro-

adding that because the county was facing a tough time financially, he decided to give that money back to the county instead. Magistrate Jackie Owens commend-

ed Waugh for his operation of the clerk's office, saying, "You run a tight

ship."

Several other resolutions were passed by the fiscal court Thursday, including a bond payment toward the cost of three dump trucks. Owens announced during the vote that while

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HOLY WEEK

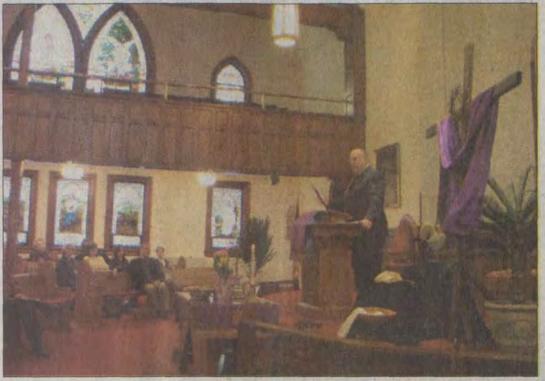


photo by Kathy J. Prater

Rev. Charles Heater, of the Little Paint Church of God, spoke during Holy Week services Wednesday afternoon at Prestonsburg's First United Methodist Church. The services are held each Easter season to celebrate the holiday and to bring community residents and churches together in faith fellowship.

Floyd County churches observe Holy Week

Toddler killed in Pike fire

by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

KIMPER - Tragedy, struck a Pike County community on Tuesday when a house fire claimed the life of a a 23-month-old child.

According to Kentucky State Police, the Pikeville Post received a call around 11:40 p.m. on March 18, of a structure fire near Prater Bottom in Kimper.

Phoebe Reportedly, Leedy and her 4-year-old son were able to escape the burning residence without injury, though another child, 23-month-old Patrick

Pinion, was unaccounted for.

After firefighters from both the Phelps and Johns Creek Fire Departments had extinguished the fire, the body of Patrick was found inside the remains of the home. The boy was pronounced dead at the scene by Pike County Coroner Zeb Hampton.

According to KSP, the cause of the fire has not been determined, though foul play is not suspected.

KSP Det. Kevin Newsome and arson investigator Don Parker continue to investigate the fire.

Beshear, lawmakers meet to work on casino amendment

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Wilkey said the state FRANKFORT - With faces sharp cuts in govern-



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by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG

Though His birth was a miracle that brought hope to the world, it was perhaps His death, and subsequent victory over such, that brings even the mightiest to their knees. And this week, Floyd Countians of varying faiths celebrated the basic principles that ultimately unite them as one during Community Holy Week Services, held at First United Methodist Church.

The Holy Week observance, celebrated March 16-23, has become a tradition in the

Prestonsburg community, having first begun in the mid-1980s. Two downtown churches, First United Methodist and First Baptist (Irene Cole Memorial), alternate on an annual basis as to where daily, noontime services will be held. This year was First United Methodist's year to host.

On Wednesday, Tom Riddle, president of the Floyd County Ministerial Association, welcomed worshippers to the impressive church, which boasts some of the most beautiful stained glass windows and artwork in the region. "We're glad to offer these services to

you," he said as he invited those in attendance to join together in prayer and song before listening to the inspiring message offered that day by visiting pastor Rev. Charles Heater, of the Little Paint Church of God.

In his message, Rev. Heater spoke of the human dilemma of combining faith with the daily quest of making a living. "I don't know everything," Rev. Heater said, "but I do know that if we don't take those 'Sunday' Christian principles out with us into the week, into our lives,

(See HOLY WEEK, page three)

year's legislative session, Gov. Steve Beshear and House leaders are beginning a final push to legalize casinos in Kentucky.

"We're devising a strategy," Beshear told reporters on Wednesday following a meeting with Democratic House leaders. "I think our strategy will become clear

in the next few days." Lawmakers have only 11 working days remaining in the legislative session to pass a proposed constitutional amendment. House Majority Whip Rob Wilkey, D-Scottsville, said that's ample time for the proposal

makers agree on ways to increase state revenues, and legalizing casinos, he said, may be the most palatable option for doing that.

"I think it is going to become apparent to the members that this is an issue we need to consider," Wilkey said.

Although Kentucky has a long tradition of wagering at horse tracks and bingo halls and through a state lottery, the constitution specifically forbids casinos.

Beshear made casinos a major issue during last

(See CASINOS, page three)

Senate honors rescue squad

FRANKFORT Kentucky State Senate adopted Senator Johnny Ray Turner's resolution Wednesday commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Floyd County Emergency Rescue Squad.

Floyd County The Emergency Rescue Squad was formed on April 27, 1958, in the wake of the horrific school bus crash that claimed the lives of 26 children and the bus driver. Local residents took the initiative to create emergency response capabilities in the community so that such an inci-

- The dent in the future would not result in such a tragic loss of life. Among the 13 Floyd Countains who took the lead in creating the squad was James Goble, who lost all three of his children in the bus crash.

The Prestonsburg School Bus Crash of 1958 is still one of the deadliest school bus crashes in United States history. Only the Carrollton Bus Crash of 1988 equals the accident. The National Safety Council calls the 1958 incident the worst

(See SQUAD, page three)



State Senator Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, recognized the Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad on the Senate Floor Wednesday to commemorate the organization's 50year anniversary. Turner said that the squad was a good thing that resulted from a tragedy the Prestonsburg School Bus Accident of 1958. The accident was the worst school bus wreck in the nation's history. Twenty-six students and the driver died after the bus plunged into the Big Sandy River. The rescue squad was formed two months later on April 27, 1958. The squad, which is voluntary and receives no city, county or state funding, was recently cited as a national model rescue squad. The Senate was adjourned Wednesday in honor of the 32-member squad. Shown on the Senate floor behind Senator Turner (left), who is the Democratic Caucus Chairman, are Capt. Tim Cooley, 1st Sgt. Adam Lafferty, 1st Lt. Debbie Collier and Sgt./Chaplin Sister Judy Yunker.



Obituaries ARC promotes Appalachian trails

Wilma Hall

Wilma Hall, 86, of Pikeville, died Monday, March 17, 2008, at her residence.

Born July 28, 1921, in Galveston, she was the daughter of the late William and Molly Adkins Keathley. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Little Rachel Old Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Claude Hall. Survivors include her sons

and, daughters-in-law: Ray Hall and Cecil Hall, both of Ohio; Ned Hall of Galveston; George and Mary Hall of Grethel; Carlos and Jeanette Hall of Prestonsburg; and Wendell and Karen Hall of Hi Hat; daughters and sons-inlaw: Naomi and Homer Edmonds of Pikeville; Arizona Davis of Tipton, Ohio; Verda and Harold Music of Van Lear, and Alberta Bowen of Stanton; 13 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by two brothers: Ellis Keathley and Walter Keathley; and a grandson.

Funeral services will be held Friday, March 21 at 1 p.m., at the Little Rachel Old Regular Baptist Church, in Galveston, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Hall Cemetery, Family in Galveston, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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Maxine Reynolds

Maxine Reynolds, 74, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, March 18, 2008, at the Riverview Health Care, in Prestonsburg.

Born August 28, 1933, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Charlie and Marie Zetta Justice Goodman. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Debbie and Carl Lafferty of Prestonsburg.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a

plenty of scenic beauty along its roads and highways and now some of the most beautiful areas are featured in a new trail guide map and website that the trails and in the eight interstate rest promotes travel and tourism in the Appalachian region. Developed through a partnership between the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) and National Geographic Traveler magazine, the trail guides include 28 driving tours in 13 states, including two in eastern Kentucky.

The two Kentucky trails, the Kentucky Artisan Heritage Trail and the Kentucky Music Highway Trail, are part of a special map insert for the April issue of National Geographic Traveler magazine and a new section on the website www.visit-

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copies of the insert will be distributed in Traveler and Kentucky will make available 20,000 maps from sites along stops. The interactive map on the website allows information to be accessed by state, by route and by theme and will be linked to the state tourism website www.kentuckytourism.com plus other states.

The Kentucky Artisan Heritage Trail is a series of 17 smaller trails along which about 300 artists live and work. The Kentucky Music Trail, which runs along U.S. Highway 23, marks the birthplaces of well-known country music artists.

The debut of the website coincides

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Washington D.C. sponsored by National Geographic. The driving trail map project is the second in a series to promote the Appalachian states and is a project of the Tourism Advisory Council for ARC.

Mike Cooper, commissioner for the Kentucky Department of Tourism, said the map highlights lesser known travel sites in the region which stretches from to New York. Mississippi "Geotourism is a growing area in the industry," he said. "Travel based on geographical distinctiveness and a strong sense of place are both things that Kentucky's Appalachian region has in abundance.'

Pennsylvania, Virginia, West with the distribution of the map in the Virginia, Ohio, North and South

FRANKFORT -- Kentucky has appalachia.com. More than 900,000 magazine and a kick-off event in Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama are part of the project. Kentucky's cost to participate was about \$10,000 which includes the fourcolor maps that will be distributed in-

> Kimberly Clay, director of cultural heritage for the tourism department, represents the agency on the ARC advisory council. She said that the group' is extremely excited to have another way to highlight the great tour opportunities in the Appalachian states and to showcase the arts, music; culture and history that are indigenous to the region in addition to its natural beauty. "The map is an opportunity to invite the world to visit Appalachia and Kentucky.

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Burial will be in the Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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Kentucky, disagreed with the

bill, and said it was not in the

public's best interest. Under the proposal, formal com-

plaints about legislators made

to the Legislative Branch

Ethics Commission would be

dismissed if they were not kept

confidential by the com-

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ple filing complaints to tell the

money," Beliles said. "If we

can't talk to the media, we

Senate clears revamped ethics plan

by JOE BIESK ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT - A wideranging ethics package that cleared the Senate Wednesday would prevent executive branch officials, such as the governor, from accepting campaign contributions from lobbyists or personal gifts.

Lawmakers who favored the plan said it was aimed at toughening laws for executive branch officials up to the same level that currently governs state legislators. Under the proposal, lawmakers also would not be allowed to solicit or accept political donations from lobbyists.

"We have very strong leg-

Senate plan approves expansion of state's **DNA** database

The Associated press

FRANKFORT — The state would collect and store DNA samples from convicted felons under a proposal moving through the General Assembly.

A Senate panel has approved a plan that officials estimate would add between 15,000 and 20,000 DNA samples to the database each year.

The proposal applies to all adults convicted of felonies, and all juveniles convicted and tried as adults for felony offenses. Youngsters found guilty in juvenile court for violent and sexual offenses would also have their information maintained on the list.

Officials who favor the plan say it could help solve criminal cases.

islative branch ethics laws here in the commonwealth," said Sen. Damon Thayer, R-Georgetown. "The executive branch should live under those same laws so that the people of this commonwealth can have confidence in the integrity of both the executive and legislative branches of government."

Gov. Steve Beshcar began pushing an ethics reform package carlier this year. Beshear, who defeated former Gov. Ernic Fletcher in November, ran in part on a promise to run an ethical administration.

Fletcher was indicted on misdemeanor charges stemming from an investigation into his administration's hiring practices. Prosecutors eventually dropped the charges as part of a negotiated deal, after Fletcher pardoned his entire administration for any possible charges that could stem

Holy Week

then we have no Christian principles."

Following the short message, guests convened in the church's Family Life Center for a light luncheon of sandwiches, fruit and vegetable trays, and dessert.

Larry Brown, Prestonsburg attorney who attends the Little Paint Church of God, served as special musical guest of the day with a solo performance of "The Old Rugged Cross," accompanied by Debra Holland, First United Methodist Church pianist.

Other speakers that delivcred messages during the Holy Week services were Bobby Carpenter, Steve Pescosolido and Jerry Workman. First United Methodist's home minister, Rev. Mark Walz, will

from the probe.

The Senate plan, which was approved by a 29-7 vote, prohibits executive branch officials and their immediate families from accepting gifts other than up to \$100 in food and drinks from lobbyists. Members of the legislature already face similar restrictions.

It would also require executive branch officials to wait two years before lobbying or working for companies they had contact with during their state employment.

Portions of the bill would also apply to state legislators.

Some lawmakers said the proposal could be too restrictive and make some lawmakers inadvertently cross the law. Scn. Tim Shaughnessy, D-

Louisville, said the measure would prohibit lawmakers from having conversations

conduct today's services, to be

held at noon; again to be fol-

lowed by a light luncheon in

the church Family Life Center.

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Week services will be con-

tributed to the Floyd County Ministerial Association's bud-

get. The funds will be shared

with various ministries that

help to provide for benevo-

Ministerial Association also

invites one and all to attend

Easter sunrise services, to be

held Sunday morning, March

23, at 7 a.m., on Stonecrest

Mountain. The sunrise ser-

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with their employers regarding legislation dealing with the employer. Shaughnessy said that could affect some lawmakers if their employers receive funding through the state budget.

"We are going to put all of us in jeopardy of being felons," Shaughnessy said. Speaker Jody House

Richards, D-Bowling Green, said he had not fully reviewed the proposal. Richards said he expected the final version would be decided on through further negotiations between the House and Senate.

Richard Beliles, chairman don't have hardly anything.

County

he was against the lease of the trucks to begin with, he would vote to make the payments the county owed. According to Judge R.D. "Doc" Marshall, those trucks are marked to be auctioned off later this month. Another resolution submit-

ted for the court to vote on regarded the closing of a county road known as the Flea Market Road, off Route 321, near Stonecrest golf course. According to court officials the area of the old flea market

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executive session for nearly two hours to discuss personnel matters, though upon resuming open session, declared that no decision would be made at this time regarding those personnel matters.

The court also voted unanimously to table the Floyd County Detention Center budget for a later meeting.

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Senate panel clears ban on alcohol vaporizers

The Associated press

FRANKFORT - Kentucky lawmakers are on the verge of banning devices that vaporize alcohol to help users get drunk.

Under the proposal, people would be prohibited from buying, using or selling the devices. Violators would be

guilty of a misdemeanor. The Senate Judiciary Committee approved the proposal without opposition during a vote Thursday. The proposal heads to the full Senate for consideration.

A version of the device on the market is called Alcohol Without Liquid, or AWOL.

Casinos

fall's campaign, and said casinos could generate some \$500 million a year for the state.

If lawmakers approve a proposed constitutional amendment, Kentucky voters would get to ratify or reject their decision in a ballot referendum.

ers to pass at this point, but amount to pass his chamber. Beshear said he's still hopeful lawmakers will approve the hike.

Beshear called on health advocates during a rally Wednesday to pressure lawmakers to approve the cigarette tax hike. The House already has passed a plan to raise the cigarette tax by 25 cents a pack. Beshear said that's not enough. Meanwhile, Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville, said he doesn't expect a cigarette tax of any

Wilkey said lawmakers in both the House and Senate are more likely to agree on the casino proposal than on the cigarette tax hike. And that, he said, may make casinos the best bet for approval.

"If the issue is whether we

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mitted to vote for the casino plan. To pass the House, at least 60 representatives have to vote for it.

Beshear said he's not sure whether a casino amendment or a cigarette tax hike is more likely to be approved by lawmakers.

The governor has also proposed raising the cigarette tax by 70 cents a pack, which would generate about \$200 million a year in additional state revenue. That proposal, like the casino plan, lacks sufficient support from lawmak-

put gaming on the ballot or we make devastating and painful cuts to services and education, then that may be something that our members may want to reconsider," Wilkey said.

Beshear said more than 50 House lawmakers have com-

"We'll have to wait and see," he said. "Hopefully, both of them will."

The casino legislation is House Bill 550. The cigarette tax legislation is House Bill 262.

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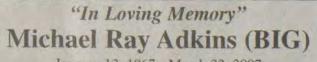


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Squad

highway accident involving children in the nation's history.

"It has been 50 years since the school bus crash in Floyd County that left family members and friends with unanswered questions and it has been 50 years since the establishment of the Floyd County Emergency Rescue Squad," Senator Turner said. "I want to thank Captain Tim Cooley and the rescue squad for its 50 years of devoted service to the people of Floyd County and the Commonwealth."

The Senator said the establishment of the emergency and rescue squad was one great thing to rise from the tragedy.

Today, the rescue squad's 32 members participate in drills, keep up their own equipment and raising their own funds to maintain an emergency response operating posture in Prestonsburg and surrounding areas.

Senator Turner said the Floyd County

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Emergency Rescue Squad has continued for 50 years on volunteer and community support, operating on limited resources but unlimited enthusiasm for helping friends, neighbors and visitors.

The rescue squad was presented with a national emergency response award December 17, 2007, at the National Congress for Secure Communities in Washington, D.C. The all-volunteer squad was among the elite few recognized for its efforts and was joined by squads that had dealt with such disasters as Hurricane Katrina and the Minneapolis interstate bridge collapse, putting the group from Kentucky in esteemed company.

"As captain of this unique organization, I continually ask myself if I am even worthy of such a responsibility. To serve the county of Floyd as well as surrounding counties for the last 50 years on nothing more than community support, is a

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feat in itself," said Timothy Cooley, captain of the rescue squad. "For this rescue squad, being the first in the Commonwealth, to have the specialty training that it has been able to obtain as well as to operate on such thin financial resources and, at the same time, gain national award status, has earned rightful recognition from our wonderful state and its political leaders.

"Senator Turner as well as others understand the battle that the Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad has endured for over 50 years," the captain added. "For this reason, they should be proud and they are certainly willing to show it."

The Kentucky State Senate adjourned today, the 49th legislative day, in honor of the Floyd County Emergency Rescue Squad.

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Guest View-**Editorial roundup**

Naples (Fla.) Daily News, on a recent poll and open government:

There is a good reason the federal government should try to be open and transparent. The public wants it that way. But fewer and fewer only 20 percent, according to a new poll believe it is. That's down from 33 percent just two years ago.

Openness and transparency is essential to public trust in government, but more and more Americans believe the federal government is closed and secretive; thus, it is reasonable to assume that the level of mistrust is rising as well.

A poll by Scripps Howard News Service and Ohio University found that almost three-quarters of Americans found the federal government closed and secretive and that the percentage that consider it "very secretive" has doubled to 44 percent from 22 percent in 2006. The next president should make it a goal to reverse that trend.

The poll was commissioned by the American Society of Newspaper Editors in observance of National Sunshine Week, which started Sunday.

Candidates for public office should take note. The poll found that for offices for president, through Congress, governors' mansions and state legislatures right down to the city councils and school boards, Americans, by around 90 percent, rated a candidate's position on open government as somewhat important or very important.

Open and transparent government, then, is not only good public policy, it's good politics too.

Chicago Tribune, on the Federal Reserve's response to the credit cri-

It may not be as sexy as \$300 in your pocket, but the Federal Reserve Board's decision to pump \$200 billion worth of Grade A liquidity into financial markets will do more to help the economy than the politically popular "stimulus" plan. The Fed is showing some welcome creativity as it tries to ease a credit crisis triggered by rising mortgage defaults and falling home values, ...

The new Fed effort will allow banks to temporarily swap their troubled mortgage-related assets with Fed-owned safe assets --- cash and Treasury securities. In 28 days, the banks have to return the safe assets and take back their troubled mortgage-related assets. The Fed hopes the gears will have been greased by then and that normal market activity in mortgage securities can resume.

There's no guarantee this will solve the problem. Fed efforts to stabilize financial markets by injecting liquidity in other ways haven't worked. But this one was greeted with hosannas Tuesday on Wall Street, where the stock market posted its biggest one-day gain in five years. The market gave up some of those gains on Wednesday, but economists still give the plan a good chance of succeeding.

Unlike rate cuts, this doesn't create an inflation risk. Unlike the stimulus checks, this doesn't add to federal debt. It's a safe gamble, and it shows that Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke can respond to a crisis in creative fashion.



Guest column House week in universities. review Public schools would also see

by STATE REP. HUBERT COLLINS

A nearly \$19 billion Executive Branch budget bill and \$300 million revenue enhancement bill that would help cover critical needs in state education, health services and other essential government functions over the next two years passed the Kentucky House last week after nearly four hours of debate. Most of the debate focused on the revenue bill, or House Bill 262. which relies on tax changes including a 25-cent increase in the cigarette tax, an increase in the state tax on other tobacco products, and applying the state sales tax to five select services, including air charters and armored cars -- to create new funding sources for state programs. Lawmakers were not eager to make tax changes affecting their constituents, but confronting the harsh reality that there simply was not enough money to deliver essential services without more money, a slim majority voted to send the measure on to the Senate on a 50-45 vote. Combined with nearly \$500 million created by debt restructuring, state workforce attrition and efficiency changes in the budget bill (HB 406), which passed 84-14, the state would have nearly \$800 million in restored revenue over the next biennium should both bills become law, The idea behind the revenue package is to avoid what key lawmakers say would be devastating cuts to public schools, universities, health departments, community mental health centers and other agencies should new revenue not be found. With the new revenue, lawmakers hope to stave off deep cuts in those areas. State universities, which faced 12 percent budget cuts in the next biennium under Gov. Steve Beshear's proposed budget, would receive significant relief under the House revenue package. Approximately \$126 million in each year of the biennium would go to universities under to restore their base operating budgets. And another \$55 million would be provided for the Bucks for Brains

research program at all eight state

some relief. The budget proposal would provide an additional \$42 million in base per pupil SEEK funding for schools and restore \$33.1 million in funding for meritbased KEES scholarships, among other enhancements. Salary increases for teachers of 1 percent in 2008-2009 and three percent in 2009-2010 would also be provided, giving

Dozens of other bills designed to address the needs of the Commonwealth were also considered by the House last week and sent to the Senate for its consideration. One of those was an energy incentives bill that would provide tax incentives for energy-efficient improvements to homes and businesses. The incentives in HB 2, which passed the House by a 97-0 vote, would be offered between 2009 and 2015 and would help move Kentucky's energy policy forward. Other provisions in the bill would increase construction of energy efficient state buildings, assess potential energy savings in public school buildings, and promote private investment in hydroelectric power at Kentucky River dams. Funding for fire districts was the purpose of another measure which cleared the House last week. HB 503 would allow fire protection districts and volunteer fire department districts to increase their revenues by asking their local legislative body to increase the amount of property tax they receive by \$.02 per \$100 assessed value. The districts, which have not had the tax levy increased since 1944, would be able to seek the same level of increase every five years up to a maximum rate of \$.20 per \$100 assessed value. The bill passed the House by a 60-36 vote on March 10 and is now before the Senate. Much work remains to be done in the handful of legislative days remaining this session. The primary focus will likely be on the state budget and state pension bill (HB 600) which was amended by the Senate last week. Considerable time is expected to be spent on these bills alone, with other legislation also needing attention. Any comments or concerns that you have with legislation being considered during this 2008 Regular Session can be shared with me or another legislator by calling the tollfree Legislative Message Line at 800-372-7181. You can also stay updated on all legislation under consideration this session by calling the toll-free Bill Status Line at 866-840-2835, the Kentucky Legislature's web site at www.lrc.ky.gov or by using my personall website address http://hubertcollins.com.

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, on Obama's speech about race in America: Even before he made what might become a career-defining speech in Philadelphia yesterday, Sen. Barack Obama was ahead of his Democratic primary rival, Hillary Clinton, in party delegates and the popular vote.

But that lead was threatened by the specter of race, in recent comments made by Clinton surrogate Geraldine Ferraro, the first female Democratic vice presidential nominee, and in recorded rants by Mr. Obama's longtime minister, the Rev. Jeremiah Wright. ..

With a tough primary ahead on April 22 in Pennsylvania, the Illinois senator addressed the controversy in a speech that drew upon the best traditions of American oratory.

He rejected the black minister's inflammatory comments, placing them in the context of America's conflicted racial history. He also said that his own white grandmother, and by extension other Americans, have avoided the hard work of confronting society's tragic racial assumptions and stereotypes. ..

As an example of contemporary oratory, it was stunning. As political rhetoric, it was designed to do far more than damage control and, in the end, distilled the essence of his candidacy.

If Barack Obama wins the Democratic nomination in the most unlikely campaign in American history, chances are good that his Philadelphia speech will have been a watershed moment.



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teachers the same two-year increase as state employees, who will receive two-percent increases each year of the biennium. Under the governor's original proposed budget, teachers got no raises.

In the area of health and human services, a total of \$130 million in additional funding is set aside under HB 406 to help service agencies avoid severe cuts. That money would be used to reverse cuts proposed for mental health/mental retardation programs, community based services and health departments, among other needs.

County infrastructure needs were also addressed in the budget bill, which would authorize \$50 million in tobacco settlement dollars to fund water and sewer projects in tobacco counties, \$50 million in coal severance dollars for water and sewer projects in coal counties, and \$50 million in General Fund water and sewer bonds. It would also restore \$3.8 million in base funding to local jails, which have struggled with rising operational costs in recent years.

Now it's up to the Senate to decide what changes it will make to the two bills. It is expected that there will be differences in the House and Senate budget versions that will have to be worked out in conference committee late in the session. For now, however, we must wait and see how HB 406 and HB 262 fare in the final analysis.

The two-year Executive Branch budget bill is the largest bill that the Kentucky General Assembly considers, but it is not the only budget bill we must pass. Budgets must be considered and approved for each branch of government. To meet that obligation, the House also passed the state Legislative budget, HB 407, by an 89-7 vote and the state Judicial Branch budget, HB 408, by a 95-3 vote last Wednesday.

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THROUGH MY EYES

Hippity, hoppity

It's Easter weekend and thoughts of days gone by fill my head. Memories of exciting mornings as a child when I would get up early to find a beautiful Easter basket, wrapped in colorful celloand



phane filled with chocolate bunnies and jelly bcans, waiting for me on my parents kitchen table.

"Your daddy said he thought he saw the Easter Bunny outside

Kathy Prater Lifestyles editor

in the yard real early this morning," my mother would tell me. "Maybe you better run out there and see if he left anything."

Of course, I'd dash out, still in my pajamas, to search tall tufts of grass, newly greening bushes, and a couple of v-shaped tree branches (no one ever explained how the tricky bunny managed to reach so high) to find Easter eggs, bright as the sunny spring mornings on

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Blood tests detect hyperthyroidism,

medication relieves symptoms — Page A6



Bizkit is a 22-month old, male, Yorkshire terrier owned by Shea Shepherd, of Prestonsburg. He needs surgery to correct a disorder that will otherwise prove to be fatal.

Little dog needs help to get his bounce back Local vet agrees to oversee community donations

dinner

by LEANNE ELY

Right now, Americans everywhere are getting ready for a special date. It has nothing to do with



fancy dresses, perfume OF

flowers. This date has everything to do with giving Uncle Sam his due. Yes, April 15th, the day we all dread is just around the corner. It's as

unavoidable

Leanne Ely

as death, so the saying goes. But I'd like to add to that list. Making dinner. Death, taxes and dinner. You can't get around it!

But we can cheat a bit. You get caught cheating on your taxes and you're in trouble! You can "cheat death" by a few years maybe, if you make smarter choices by choosing a healthy lifestyle. The good news if you're looking for a legitimate shortcut is we can make

(See DIVA, page seven)

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

His name is "Bizkit" and he's full of energy, mischief and unconditional love. But, he's sick and he needs our help.

Bizkit is a male, nearly two year old, Yorkshire terrier that belongs to Shea Shepherd, of Prestonsburg. Bizkit, according to local veterinarian Dr. Mark Greene, suffers from what is termed a "liver shunt."

"Basically, what that means is that blood from the intestines bypasses the liver, which creates a buildup of toxins in his system," Dr. Greene said. "It's a fairly common disorder in this breed."

Treatment of the disorder requires surgery, which can be rather expensive, ranging anywhere from \$1,500 to \$2,500 as estimated by Greene. "The surgery can only be done by a board certified (veterinary) surgeon," Dr. Greene said, "So I've referred Bizkit to Bluegrass Veterinary Specialists in Lexington.'

Dr. Greene confirms that the Bluegrass team has tested Bizkit, including performing an ultrasound, and that the series of tests shows that he has only one blood vessel that is bypassing his liver. "That's good," he said, "because with only one vessel involved, chances are more than good that if he has the surgery, which will reroute the blood flow, he will live a healthy life with a normal lifespan.

Bizkit's disorder was actually discovered by Dr. Greene some months ago during a routine visit. At that time, he was doing well and Greene informed his owner that as long as Bizkit continued to thrive, displaying no signs or symptoms of illness, that all would be well. He said, however, that he anticipated that sooner or later that Bizkit's good health would begin to falter.

"These little dogs are normally very frisky, very high energy. With a liver shunt, they may begin to vomit frequently, have problems with eating and digestion, just become not so frisky anymore," he said. Medications, according to the doctor, can assist in helping with the symptoms and to make the affected dogs more comfortable, but they can't cure the problem; the condition can only be corrected with surgery.

As such, with a prognosis of a normal, healthy life providing Bizkit has the corrective procedure performed, his owner is asking for the help of her community to save her little dog's life.

"I love him," she said. "Sure, he's irritating at times and gets into some trouble like all little dogs do, but I love him and I don't want to lose him if I can help it."

Shea, who is employed by Subway of Prestonsburg, is willing to provide as much funding as she can possibly afford to save her dog, but she realizes that she can't afford the full cost of the surgical procedure.

Dr. Greene said that he is confident that the Bluegrass surgeons will work with them to help make Bizkit's surgery as affordable as possible, but final arrangements in regard to cost have yet to be worked out. "You know, they can't really say exactly before going in and discovering just what all will need to be done," Dr. Greene said. "It could look fairly simple, but they could go in and find complications. That's a given in any surgical situation."

"As for me and my office, we'll do all we can to help. The little dog seems to be loved a lot and I'll do whatever I can," he continued.

Those wishing to help Bizkit may make donations to help ensure that he is able to get his surgery by dropping by Dr. Mark Greene's Country Hills Veterinary Hospital, located on US 23, near Little Paint Road. His office number is (606) 886-3467.

Donations may also be mailed to: Dr. Mark Greene, Country Hills Veterinary Hospital, 30 Travis Branch, East Point, 41216.

You may also stop by either of the Prestonsburg Subway locations to drop off donations.

Dr. Greene also wishes to point out that though Bizkit's type of condition does appear to occur rather more frequently in his breed than in others, that it is, nonetheless, not so common that future pet owners should allow it to deter them from adopting the breed. "Yorkies are a lot of fun, and a beautiful breed," he said.

FACE the music

by MARLA CILLEY

Every time we turn around, we have slammed in our faces the speculation. thrown at us as fact that our economy is in a recession. What we think about, we bring about. I am not about to allow some talking head to tell me how I am doing financially. I know what is going on with my checkbook balance and I know where my money is going. I don't have to rely on someone else to tell me what to think. I am armed with my own numbers and I can think for

-

myself.

Who knows why the media has decided to jump on this bandwagon, but we don't have to follow it all the way to the poor house. I think their method of reporting is akin to yelling "fire!" in a crowded theatre. We are in control and all we have to do is FACE our own numbers and adjust our spending

FACE stands for Financial Awareness Continually Empowers. When we know the numbers we are in charge. When we allow the talking

FLY LADY

heads to tell us what our bank balance is then we are no better than an ostrich sticking its head into the sand. By the way, an ostrich is much smarter than this and that is a myth.

Are you scared to look at your checkbook balance? Do you know where you are spending your hard carned dollars? We only have so much money in our bucket. When you don't know where your money is going, then you are carrying all your money in a bucket filled with holes. No wonder you feel poor! You are not in control! Your emotions are!

You feel sorry for yourself, so you head down to get a café mocha to drown your sad feelings. Well, guess

what, after you consume that overpriced, over-sugared caffeinated cup of coffee, your bank account suffers, too, and so does your waistline! I have even heard on television of people taking a job at a well known coffee house just to get their coffee fix for free. How sad is that! Creative, yes, but is it really free if you have to drive there and take time away from your family to get your coffee addiction satisfied? Why not make it yourself?

I know what it is like to be poor. My car has been my home, I have slept at the box office that I ran and showered at a friend's house. I have had 13 cents

(See FLY LADY, page seven)



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I am 52 and postmenopausal by a couple of years. Lately I just haven't had any energy. can't seem to remember things. My husband thinks I am depressed because our youngest left for college in the fall, but I don't feel sad. In addition to feeling tired, I've also noticed some other recent changes. My skin is dry this winter, worse than last year. When I brush my hair, a lot of hair comes out. I am cold all the time - even during a recent warm spell when it was in the mid-70s. Are all these things related? Do you think I am depressed, or could there be something else going on?

family OHIO UNIVERSITY Medicine

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

> While it is difficult and inappropriate to make a diagnosis. without seeing a patient, what you describe is a fairly classic presentation of hypothyroidism. This condition is relatively common in postmenopausal women. The most common symptoms are fatigue, cold intolerance and mild weight gain. Depression can be a symptom of hypothyroidism as well.

> Hypothyroidism usually comes on gradually, so many people don't notice several of these symptoms as being meaningful or related to one another. You are to be commended for at least asking the question about

Blood tests detect hypothyroidism, medication relieves symptoms

the relationship of various symptoms you've noticed.

Before I talk specifically about hypothyroidism and how it is treated, I need to give you a short anatomy lesson about the thyroid gland itself. The thyroid is an "H" shaped structure that is attached to the trachea sometimes called the windpipe. The gland is located low in the neck at about the level of the collarbones. It straddles the trachea, with the main parts of the gland lying on either side and the cross-bar of the "H" shape crossing over the front of the trachea.

The tests to determine if the thyroid gland is working properly are simple blood tests. These tests measure the concentration of the two main thyroid hormones, T3 and T4, as well as the level of a pituitary gland hormone called thyroid stimulating hormone, or TSH. As the name implies, TSH regulates the amount of hormone the thyroid produces. In the vast majority of cases, hypothy-

T4, also known as thyroxin, and high levels of TSH in the blood.

Hypothyroidism is more common in women, and the likelihood of developing this increases with age. It does not seem to run in families. If left untreated, it can produce severe consequences. These can include heart problems that are life threatening, increased susceptibility to infections and acute psychosis.

If the tests I mentioned find too much TSH circulating in your blood, your doctor will probably recommend that you start taking thyroid hormone replacement medication. Many people find a prompt resolution in their symptoms once the missing thyroid hormone is adequately replaced. You will still need to have periodic blood tests to monitor the functioning of your thyroid gland. This will help keep things in balance.

Generally, this is one of those conditions that will require treatment for

roidism will produce low levels of life. While there is no cure, adequate treatment with thyroid hormone will almost certainly make it possible for you to function as if you did not have a problem.

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School Happenings

*Of special note: On regardless of income Saturday, March 29, "Fun Fair for New and Expectant Parents," 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the MAC. Free to all Floyd County expectant parents and parents of new babies up to one year old.

*Thursday, April 10, "Give Yourself a Break Day," 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at MAC. For all parents/guardians of all Floyd County students. Food, door prizes, information - all free.

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

•March 25 - Magic Me (weather permitting).

Dept. of •March 27 Transportation will present a hands-on student simulation for 8th graders on the dangers of drinking and driving.

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

·Appointments now available with the Floyd County Health Dept. nurse. Nurse can do school physicals and immunizations on site. Please call 886-1297 to schedule an •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

.Center is in need of gently used clothing, shoes, belts and backpacks. All donations greatly appreciated.

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

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

FRC each Monday, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., in library.

•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

*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 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.

Youth Service Center .m •March 26 - Parent Support

Group meeting, 12:30 p.m. •March 26 - Safety & First Aid program, 4th and 7th grades; presented by Melissa Perry, McDowell ARH.

•John M. Stumbo Elementary is currently regisstudents for tering Kindergarten. Parents/guardians may pick up packets in school office.

·Lost & Found located in the Family Resource Center. If your child has lost an item, please contact us as soon as possible. Items left over two weeks become the property of the center and will be donated to charity.

•Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For ques-Christian tions, call the center at 587-2233 and ask for Anita Tackett, Center Coordinator or Joyce Blackburn, Assistant.

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

*Healthy Floyd County 2010 Oral Health/Dental Initiative Program: Hygienist scheduled to be at Osborne Elementary on Monday's and Friday's throughout March to provide dental treatment for participating students ..

 March 25 - Title I Parent Compact Review meeting (in re to Parent Involvement Policy), 10:45 a.m., in school library. Please make plans to

attend! •March 27 - Family Read/Activity Night, 6 p.m., in school library. Refreshments served; door prizes; lots of family fun!

•March 29 - 2008 Home & Garden Expo, at Jenny Wiley Convention Center, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. For more info., call 886-2668.

·Lost and Found is located in the Family Resource Center. Items not claimed within three weeks become the property of the FRC.

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

•The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. Those wishing more information about the center are welcome to visit, or call. Ask for Cissy (center

5:00 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. •For more information Wesley Christian about 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. - Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC.

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

6-8 p.m. - BSCTC.

Thursday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - BSCTC.

appointment.

 The Youth Services Center provides services to families regardless of income. Please contact the center for more information on center services and programs. Call the center at 886-1297. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley.

Allen Central High School

•March 24 Camp Nathanicl, 9:30 a.m.

•March 25 - ACT make-up exam

•March 26 - ROTC formal inspection.

•March 27 - Open House •March 29 - Military Ball

•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.

•March 26 - CPR training for 8th grade.

•March 27 - Advisory Council meeting, 8:30 a.m., in YSC

•March 29 - Last day for ACMS to receive Food City points for merchandise.

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

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

Allen Elementary and **Family Resource Youth** Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

•Center hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Center offers services to all families,

May Valley Elementary

*March 27 - Special-called PTO meeting, 6 p.m., in library.

*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, first-serve basis. Remaining applicants will be placed on waiting list.

•March 24, 25 - Quality Kids (personal hygiene program).

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

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

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center.

•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 varicty of topics are available.

•GED classes available at

•After-School Child Care: 3-6 p.m.

•School hours: 8:15 a.m. to 3 p.m.

· Call 886-7088 for information and referrals regarding GED classes, preschool child care, and other programs or services offered to the community. Reminder: The Floyd County Health Dept. offers services through the AMS Youth Services Center. Call the AMS Center at 886-1297 to schedule appointments for WIC. HeadStart, Kindergarten, 6th grade exams, and well-child exams from birth to 18 years.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

•Floyd County Substance Abuse Counselor will be on South Floyd campus on Mondays; Mt. Comp Care counselor will be on campus on Tuesdays. If you need to speak with either counselor, contact the SFYSC.

•SFHS and SFMS Parent Volunteer training held throughout the year. Watch for dates TBA.

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•Juniors and Seniors will attend the pre-Prom program at the MAC in May.

•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 &**

•March 25 - Head Start meeting, 9:30 a.m., in school library.

•March 25 - Nutrition meeting (KY Parent Information and Resource Center), 10 a.m., in school library. Parents, guardians, and community members encouraged to attend!

coordinator). Center telephone and fax: (606) 452-4553.

Wesley Christian School

•March 24-28 - No School -Spring Break.

•April 22 thru 25 - Stanford testing.

•May 1, 2, 8, 9 - WCS Aldersgate Camp Family Retreats. K-4 through 2nd grade on May 1, 2; 3rd grade through 7th grade on May 8, 9. •WCS Learning Center

accepts toddlers, preschool age (2-4). Hours: 7:30 a.m. to

8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Weeksbury CC.

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - Betsy

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

Kay Hale Ross - Manager of Adult Education, 886-7334 Lisa Pelfrey - Assistant,

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

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HCTC professor in Antarctica

Dr. Paul B. Currie, qssistant professor of biology at Hazard Community and Technical College, has returned from Antarctica. He was in an expedition with North American Veterinary the Conference that included veterinary lectures on the Seals of Antarctica and

Anatomy & Physiology of Cetaceans (Whales). Shipboard lectures covered Geology of Antarctica Ice, Historical Perspective of Antarctic Discovery, and an overview of procedures for entering the pristine environment. Seeing penguins and watching a pod of humpback whales

were only a few of the highlights in this once-in-a lifetime trip. Dr. Currie will share experiences of his Feb. 13-26 trip with students. Dr. Currie is pictured with his colleleagues, second from the left, to the rear, in dark glasses.





Chinese visiting teachers QI Xlaollang and Gao Jing.

Chinese scholars share culture with students

Chinese scholars Qi Xiaoliang and Gao Jing are currently serving as visiting teachers on the Big Sandy Community & Technical College campus. The foreign visitors are from the Tianjin Foreign Studies University in China.

While here, the teachers have visited the BSCTC Pikeville campus to view a Chinese Culture exhibit and to about Chinese culture and cuschat with students who waited toms to visit them on the

tion to teaching classes on the BSCTC Prestonsburg campus, the visiting scholars have taken part in various local activities, toured the eastern Kentucky area, as well as other parts of the United States, and have presented a variety of cultural presentations throughout the region.

The women invite all those who are interested in learning

Fly Lady

to my name and have not known how I was going to pay for a flat tire to be fixed. This is not a fun place to be. I thank God that I am not there any longer but He taught me a great lesson; To do what I could with what I had to make the best of my situation.

There was only one point when I succumbed to tears. I quickly realized that those tears were lack of faith in God and the common sense He gave me. I pulled myself up with the help of some wonderful people who reached out to me at my lowest. I had to be willing to ask for help in order

lend a hand. They were the people at the Charlie's Tire place who noticed that in order to get the flat tire out of the trunk, they had to move a bunch of imperfect sweatshirts my brother-in-law had put there for me to get rid of for him. It just happened to be a very cold day in February. I had already told Mr. Charlie and his son that I didn't have any money and they told me not to worry, that we would figure something out. About that time, one of the guys from the shop came in and wanted to buy a sweatshirt. In only a

to give them the opportunity to

few minutes, I had \$200 in my hand by selling them for a few bucks each. This was enough to buy a new tire to replace the one that could not be fixed!

We have a choice. We can believe the people who tell us that we are poor or we can know what our bank balance is and where it is going. When the talking heads say these things it reminds me of all the years we were told that we were lazy and stupid. We are neither of these!

You are prosperous in proportion to what you can do without. Can you do without the Café Mocha or the cost of

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the gasoline to get there?

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Eyes

which they were found.

What fun it all was, too. My younger brother and I would compete to see who could find the most eggs, in the shortest amount of time, but I can't really remember which of us managed to win those contests. I don't think, in the end, that it really mattered; what mattered was the chase and the adventure and the joy of running through those dewy grasses with our parents laughing and calling, "Oh, I think I might see something over there," and "Did anyone check near the back porch steps?"

When all the tumbling and scarching was over, it would be time to come in, have a plate of French toast and get dressed for church in our new Easter outfits and shiny shoes. My outfit seemed to always consist of a hat and gloves, along with black patent mary janes. My little brother got a new sport coat, slacks and, of course, had to endure wearing a tic on that particular day.

Once dressed, it was time for photos and then off to aday School and church at "Irene Cole Memorial Baptist until we would run out to play stray too far from my topic of

Church" (I put the quotation marks because that's what I always called it then and pretty much what I still call it today, though I am quite aware that the name has changed).

Following Brother Jaggers' sermon which I mostly squirmed and wiggled through, it was time to go home and dive into those Easter baskets once again.

Most Easter mornings, my brother and I also received little, live, mind you, colored chicks. Oh my goodness, how we loved those fuzzy chicks, too! I can remember having chicks that were bright yellow, green, blue and pink. They were the cutest, fuzziest, most adorable things ever. My brother and I simply doted on them. Mother let us keep them inside, in small boxes, for about a day or two, but then they would have to go out and live in Daddy's chicken house (yes, my dad actually had a chicken house in the middle of downtown Prestonsburg - 1 guess you can take the boy out of the country). After that, it

with them and find one or the other dead.

I know now that at that time, fabric dye was used to color the little chicks and it contained toxins that made many of them ill. I think today the practice of dying chicks in bright Easter colors is still going on to a certain degree, but from what I can read online, non-toxic food dyes are now being used. In one case, a poultry farm in Britain actually injects the dye into the egg shortly before the tiny birds are born. I'm not so sure I'm on board with the coloring of chicks today, but when I was a child, it did create happy memories that have remained Easter after Easter.

Not really such a good idea, though, buying tiny chicks, ducks and bunnies for Easter. Not unless, like Chandler and Jocy on "Friends," you're really going to dedicate yourself to caring for them. They are, after all, living creatures with specific needs and not merely playthings.

But, before I get on my animal rights soapbox, I'll not

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Easter memories. Yep, those were certainly the good old days. I have lots of wonderful memories, also, of the days when my own children were small and we gathered round the kitchen table to dye eggs, place them in baskets and then wait for the bunny to come hide them while "we" were sleeping.

Easter memories are wonderful and I hope that this Easter weekend, you and your families make some wonderful new ones to treasure for many years to come.

And with that, see you next week!

Invitation

The family of Denver Osborne will host a celebration in honor of his 80th birthday on Saturday, March 22, from 1-6 p.m., at the old Wheelwright High School Caleteria. Family and friends are cordially invited to attend. Please allow your presence to

be your only gift.

in line to have their names written out in Chinese. In addi-

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dinner a whole lot easier by doing "cheater's dinners."

Cheater's dinners are dinners that are already assembled, in the freezer and just need a couple of easy steps (once thawed) to become a great, homemade meal. This concept has proven to be a major time and stress reliever for millions of women nationwide - you've seen those meal assembly places popping up in strip centers in your own neighborhoods, I'm sure.

And while I'm all about Saving Dinner, getting the family together at the dinner table and all that, I am also about saving the family budget. If you don't have the money or the time to leave your home to get your dinners together, why not do it at home?

It's not that hard, really. The idea is putting ingredients together in freezer quality zipper topped bags, labeling and dating the bag, pulling the bag out the night before to thaw in the fridge, then right at 5:30 or so when you walk in the door, pull out the bag, heat the oven or skillet, and start cooking. The food is fresh, fast and the family is thrilled with the quality of the meal. No heat and eat, but real family cooking. No one needs to know your sneaky secret that it only took you minutes to make and there were no Stouffer's boxes to throw in the recycle bin.

Here's a recipe for you to try this method out for yourself. Remember, freezer quality bags are a must! We have a ton of these freezer recipes on SavingDinner.com, check it out!

ROMA'S SKILLET CHICKEN Serves 6

6 boneless skinless chicken breast halves

1 tablespoon olive oil 2/3 cup low sodium chicken broth

1/3 cup white wine (or chicken broth)

2 cloves pressed garlic 1 (28-oz.) can drained whole tomatoes

2 sliced green bell peppers, seeded and deribbed

1 (8-oz.) can drained sliced mushrooms

1 tablespoon rosemary, crumbled

TO ASSEMBLE:

In a one gallon freezer bag, write ROMA'S SKILLET CHICKEN and the date you assembled it on the bag with a Sharpie marker (won't run in the freezer). In this same bag, place the chicken, oil, broth, wine, garlic, tomatoes, mushrooms, peppers and rosemary.

Seal the bag and gently shake to mix. Open the bag; gently and carefully squeeze the bag to remove excess air. Seal the bag.

BEFORE YOU COOK:

Defrost your freezer meal the night before in your fridge. If you don't have a full thaw at cooking time, place the bag in a sink of cold water (do not use hot water!) to speed-thaw your food safely.

COOKING DAY INGREDI-ENTS AND DIRECTIONS: 2 tablespoons cornstarch 2 tablespoons water

Place contents of freezer bag into a large skillet or Dutch oven. Bring to a boil and then let simmer for about 20-25 minutes or until chicken is cooked through.

During the last five minutes

Continued from p5 of cooking time, mix together cornstarch and water into a smooth thin paste. Pour into the skillet, stir and allow sauce to thicken for about five minules.

Per Serving: 223 Calories; 4g Fat; 31g Protein; 14g Carbohydrate; 3g Dictary Fiber; 68mg Cholesterol; 310mg Sodium. Exchanges: 0 Grain (Starch); 4 Lean Meat; 2 Vegetable; 1/2 Fat. Points: 4

SERVING SUGGES-TIONS: Serve with a side of fettuccine tossed with some olive oil and a little Parmesan cheese. Add a big spinach salad and you've got dinner!

For more help putting dinner on your table check out Leanne's website www.SavingDinner.com or her Saving Dinner Book series (Ballantine) and her New York Times Best Selling book, Body

by TOM DOTY TIMES COLUMNIST

Four different genres compete at the rental counter this week, with your best bet being a film for the whole family.

"Enchanted" — Disney strikes back with this new take on one of their favorite formulas, the fish out water story. Here an evil witch casts a spell on a young princess, which banishes her to modern day New York City. The whole family should get a charge out of the story, which pits the princess against modern day technology and manners. An old school tone is set by Disney stalwart Julie Andrews (here cast as the film's narrator). A fine cast includes Susan Sarandon, Amy Adams, Patrick Dempsey and several cute animals who get their fair share of the laughs.

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"Revolver" — Director Guy Ritchie ("Lock, Stock and Two Smoking Barrels") has had to wait three years for this gangster effort to finally reach home video audiences. This entry in the English crime saga boasts an intricate plot and multiple points of view which may challenge fans of his earlier efforts but is ultimately rewarding if you stick it out. That said, there is some nonlinear storytelling here which makes it hard to. always figure out when something is happening but it's all brought together with an excellent cats which includes Ritchic's top leading man, Jason Statham. There are also good turns by Americans Ray Liotta ("Goodfellas")

and Vincent Pastore ("The Sopranos").

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"I Am Legend" — Will Smith lends his amiable charm to this third telling of Richard Matheson's famous story about the lone survivor of a vampire-like virus. Smith has a charisma that previous actors cast in the role lacked (Vincent Price and Charlton Heston) but he can't overcome a glitzy approach to the material which, once again, deprives Matheson's story of its power. Some good imagery is on display but fans of the book will have to keep waiting for a film true to the story's nature.

Southland Tales" - The director of "Donnie Darko," Richard Kelly, returns with another bizarre feature that takes place in the not-too-distant future. This one is tough to describe but here goes - an amnesiac named Boxer stumbles out of the desert and back to his L.A. home to learn that he is an actor who is married to the daughter of a senator. Meanwhile, nuclear explosions in Texas signify that the war on terror is about to turn into a world war that just might end the world. If you like your sci-fi/dramas with lots of levels and enough details and characters to warrant extra viewings, then you'll enjoy this mind-numbing concoction. Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson stars as Boxer and is well supported by Sarah-Michelle Gellar as his wife.

Next week sees the DVD release of "The Kite Runner" (from the best-selling novel) and "Shrooms," which offers slasher horror from Ireland.



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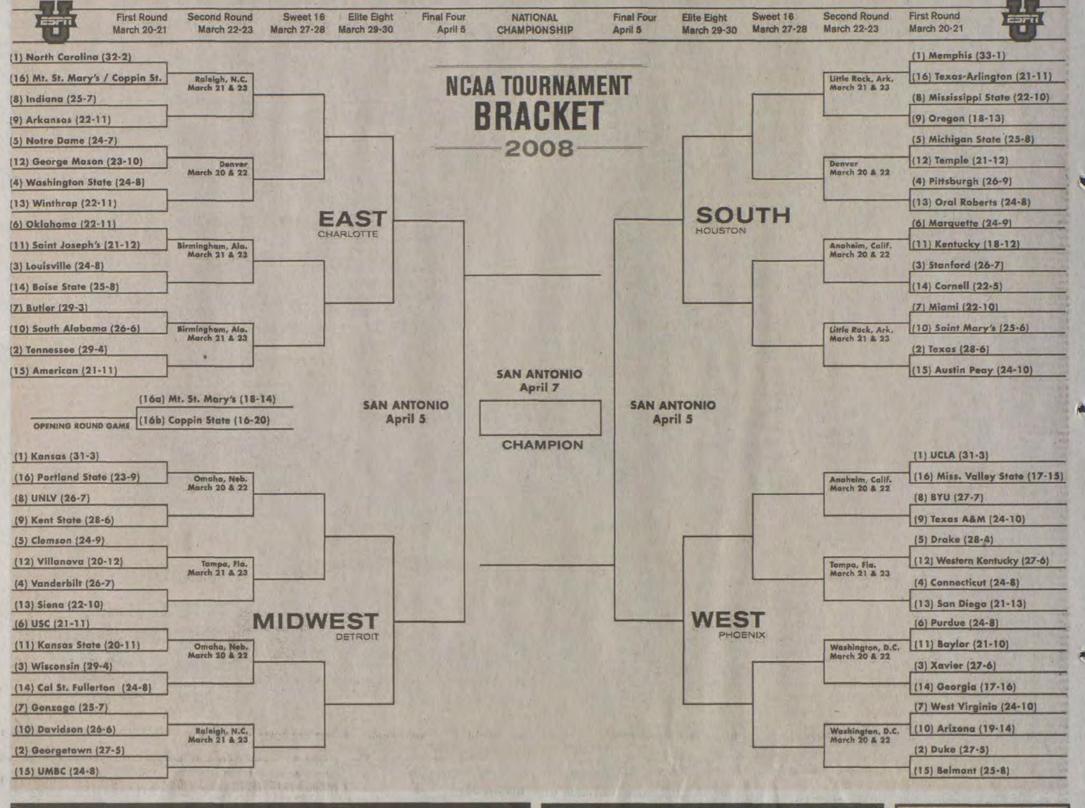
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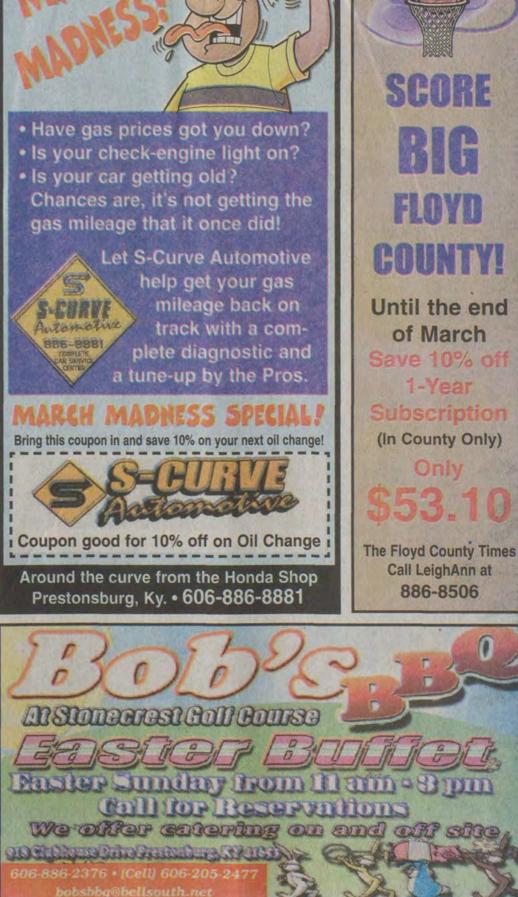






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Marriage Licenses

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Prestonsburg, to Jarrod Wells, 37, of Paintsville.

Kathleen Collins, 20, to Roy Nichols, 42, both of Prestonsburg.

Michelle Spence, 23, to Bobby Hall, 27, both of Conn Prestonsburg.

Civil Suits Filed

Zenith Hall vs. Teresa Hall, et al Ford Motor Credit Co. vs.

Karen Crum

Jessica L. Keathley vs. James Keathley

Anthony Craig Davis vs. Cheyenne Enterprises

First Resolution Investment Corp. vs. Denise Isaac

Connie Woods vs. Billy Woods

Darlene Spears vs. Jeffrey Trimble

Gabrielle Spears vs. Robert Spears

KY Foster Care vs. Jeana Lively

Charles Scarberry vs. Kasey Scarberry

Independence Receivables Corporation vs. Robie Slone,

et al Aileen Hall vs. Cynthia

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Jacob Jervis vs. Lisa Stricklin

Melanie Tackett vs. Claude Tackett

Heather Fletcher VS. **Ronald Fletcher**

Amber Slone vs. John Slone

Timothy Blanton vs. Kathy McKenzie

Allard Newsome vs. Clay Tharpe

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Melissa Slone vs. Modern Woodmen of America

Jessica Hamilton vs. Randy Hamilton

Chrystal Jacobs vs. Nathan Jacobs

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Small Claims Filings

Unifund Partners vs. Jeanetta S. Layne Midland Funding vs. Linda

Arrow Financial vs. James

Robinson Palisades Collection vs.

Nichole L. Potter Capital One Bank vs. Robin A. Reed

MRC Receivables Corp. vs. Ernie Kelly

Capital One Bank vs. Glen Ramey

Capital One Bank vs. Violet

McKinney, et al Capital One Bank vs.

Regina Miller Capital One Bank vs. Amanda M. Evans

Capital One Bank vs. James Damron

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McDowell ARH vs. James B. Allen

Cash in Hand vs. Shane Engle

Cash in Hand vs. Gary D. Clay

George Laven, et al vs. Frank Collins

Charges Filed

Michael Dwayne Kimmel, 33, of Betsy Layne, alcohol intoxication, public place; disorderly conduct; resisting arrest; terroristic threatening (2 cts.). Jeffrey Neal Perry, 32, of

Stanville, assault, domestic violence.

Christopher Henson, 18, of McDowell, possession marijuana

Dexter Howell, 49, of Teaberry, violation of KY EPO.

Bryan P. Lazar, 21, of Auxier, voyeurism.

Michael G. Brown, 42, of Greenfield, Ohio, alcohol intoxication, public place; disorderly conduct.

Stone, 46, of Gary

Hardinsburg, Indiana, alcohol intoxication, public place; distion of KY EPO.

Robin A. Collins, 37, of Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, public place.

Jerry A. Moore, 47, of Langley, possession marijuana; use/possess drug paraphernalia.

Chad Rogers, 38, of Betsy Layne, public intoxication, controlled substance.

Joshua R. Slone, 18, of Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, public place.

Scott C. Jarrell, 19, of Banner, alcohol intoxication, public place.

Janie S. Gray, 46, of Mousie, disorderly conduct.

Jami L. Wright, 20, of Prestonsburg, operating motor vehicle under influence of drugs/alcohol; possession marijuana; use/possess drug paraphernalia; controlled substance, prescription, not in original container.

Jimmy L. Perry Jr., 24, of Wheelwright, possession marijuana.

Patton, 27, of Jack Wayland, possession marijuana.

Rickey G. Case, 49, of Harold, assault/domestic violence.

Tammy M. VanHoose, 43, of Dandridge, Tennessee, theft by unlawful taking, shoplifting

Venice Young, 33, of Betsy Layne, alcohol intoxication, public place; disorderly conduct; resisting arrest.

Edgar Brown Jr., 46, of Garrett, assault/child abuse.

Kimberly Harvey Brown, 41, of Garrett, alcohol intoxication, public place; disorderly conduct.

Bennedetta Patrice Blackburn, 40, of Betsy Layne, possession marijuana; use/possess drug parapherna-

Crystal Gayle Vanover, 30, of Auxier, theft by unlawful taking/shoplifting; controlled substance, prescription, not in original container.

Anna Marie Ferguson, 61, of West Van Lear, theft by

unlawful taking/shoplifting. Cola Vance Jr., 31, viola-

Darrell Lee Newsome, 18, of Weeksbury, terroristic threatening; criminal mischief; harassment.

Matthew Shortridge, 21, of Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, public place; carrying a concealed deadly weapon.

Kenneth Stewart, 46, of Tram, alcohol intoxication, public place.

John Moore, 30, of Langley, harassing communications.

Tim Akers, 39, of Harold, menacing; criminal trespass-

Tanya McKinney, 20, of Louisa, theft by deception/cold checks (2 cts.) Pamela Archer, 44, of

McDowell, alcohol intoxication, public place. Steven Howard, 47, of Garrett, alcohol intoxication,

public place. Ernest Little, 42, of Dwale, theft by unlawful taking; receiving stolen property over \$300.

Christopher Henson, 18, of McDowell, burglary; theft by unlawful taking over \$300.

David Thomas Jones, 43, of Allen, flagrant nonsupport.

Stanley Skeens, age not listed, of Pikeville, flagrant nonsupport.

Karen Crum, 55, of Prestonsburg, burglary.

Property Transfers

Lana and Vance Akers to Gregory and Tammy Thacker; Orchard Branch.

Mary Baldridge to Clyde Woods; martin addition to Allen.

Richard Bevins to Mickey Stapleton; location undisclosed.

Annette Charles to Kelsie Runyon; Frasure Creek.

G & B Rentals to Jennifer and Matthew Smith; B P Friend & Company addition to Prestonsburg.

Charlotte and Gregory Hall to Brandie Lowe; Goble Roberts Subdivision.

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Henderson, Claude, Deborah, Harvey, and Joy Howell, Gary, Irma, Loretta, and Monroe Newsome, Clova Moore to Howell Deborah and Claudette Henderson; Location undisclosed.

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Brook and Christy Stumbo

Andy and Diana Taylor to

Michael Vance Jr. to

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BATTER, BATTER, GRILL! SWING INTO GRILLING SEASON.

Baseball great Ozzie Smith and champion pitmaster Chris Lilly offer home run tips and recipes

FAMILY FEATURES

aseball players aren't the only ones who benefit from spring training - grilling enthusiasts can, too. Many people neglect their grills during the winter. But, as the days begin to get longer again and daylight saving time allows for more fun in the sun, it's time to swing into grilling season. In fact, the extra hour of daylight means more practice time for baseball players and grilling gurus alike. It's never too early to light up some charcoal and share gamewinning moments with friends and family while enjoying great food.

World champion shortstop Uzzie Smith believes that even seasoned players need a little pre-season warm-up. Nearly as passionate about charcoal grilling as he is about baseball, Smith said, "I tend to grill year round, but when the teams head to camp, I know it's time to step up my game. Many people wait until summer to grill, which is a shame because, as in all sports, practice makes perfect."

While nationally renowned pitmaster Chris Lilly hardly needs more practice behind a grill, he holds a special fondness for springtime grilling.

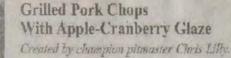
"Nothing signals the coming of warm weather and says 'slow down and grill' quite like the unmistakable aroma of the ballpark or the first charcoal cookout of the season," said Lilly. "If you can combine the two experiences - whether tailgating at the stadium or firing up the grill and inviting friends over to watch the game — that's even better." These tips and recipes from Smith and Lilly will help grilling enthusiasts

hit their next gathering out of the park.

LEAD OFF THE GRILLING SEASON WITH THESE SMART PLAYS

- Practice Makes Perfect: Your grill may be a little rusty from the off-season, so before you begin grilling, make sure it's in good shape. Somb the grate with a longhandled, stiff wire grill brush to remove any residual tood. Always discard any residual ashes from the grill before cooking. A thick layer of ashes will act as insulation, affecting the distribution of heat and air circulation.
- Score a Double Play: Amp up the flavor of your grilling experience by using new Kingsford charcoal with Hickory. The flavors add just the right touch of sweet and hearty flavor to all types of food, adding a new element to the delicious smells that are part of the stadium experience.
- Dou't Interfere: Turning food too often during grilling forces moisture out of it. Instead, let food brown before turning it to develop a flavorful crust, the signature of great grilling. When it's time to flip, use longs or a
- spatula in place of forks that pierce food and release juices.
- Strike 'em Out: Mannate your meat before grilling to tight sudden flare-ups and apply sauces, such as KC Masterpiece Barbecue Sauce, to meats once they have cooked a while on the grill rather than before you start. You'll still taste the delicious flavor without risking a burst of flames.

True fans can take hasehall tailgating to the next level by creating a game-day menu featuring recipes that incorporate the flavors and ingredients of your team's hometown. For more grilling tips and recipes, visit www.MealsTogether.com



Makes: 6 servings Prep lime: 15 minutes, plus 12 to 24 hours for brine Cook time: 16 minutes

6 bane-in pork chops or boneless loin chops (1 inch thick)

Brine

- 2 eups water
- 2 cups apple cider
- 2 1/2 tablespoons kosher salt
 - tablespoon sugar
 - 1 tablespoon cracked black pepper
- 1/2 tablespoon thyme leaves (dry spice)
- L'2 teaspoon minced garlic (dry spice) 6 allspice berries (dry spice)
- 1/2 bay leaf

Sauce

- 2 tablespoons spicy brown mustard
- 1/2 cup maple syrup
- 1/2 cup cranberry sauce
- 1/2 cup apple sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper
- 1/16 teaspoon red pepper

Mix brine ingredients and stir well. Place chops and brine in Glad Food Storage Bag and refrigerate 12 to 24 hours.

In small pan, add sauce ingredients and mix well. Heat until warm. Reserve 1/2 cup sauce for plating.

Build charcoal fire for direct grilling. Grill chops directly over Kingsford charcoal (approximately 450°F) for 8 minutes on each side. During the last 3 minutes of cooking, basic both sides of chops well with sauce. Internal temperature of chops should reach 150° to 155°F prior to removing from grill.

Drizzle reserve sauce over chops when serving or serve warm on the side.

Shortstop Shrimp Stack

Created by world champion shortstop Ozzie Smith.

Makes: 4 servings Prep time: 10 minutes Cook time: 3 to 6 minutes per skewer

1 pound extra large shrimp (21 to 25), peeled and deveined

Marinade

- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1/4 cup lime juice
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro (about half of a bunch)
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/2 tenspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 8 hamboo or metal skewers

Assemble marinade ingredients in large Glad Food Storage Bag, seal and toss to mix. Add shrimp and toss to coat. Marinate shrimp 30 minutes.

If using bamboo skewers, soak them in water while shrimp is marinating to prevent them from burning on the grill. When shrimp are finished marinating, spear three shrimp per skewer. Discard remaining marinade.

Grill shrimp on outer edges of the grill over Kingsford charcoal (approximately 400°F) for 2 to 3 minutes on one side and 1 to 2 minutes on other side. Serve on the skewer or remove shrimp from skewer and serve a on platter.



· Keathley to serve as guest speaker for Special Olympics Area 3 Games at Prestonsburg High

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley has been tabbed as the guest speaker for the Special Olympics Kentucky Area 3 Spring Games to be held on Saturday, April 19 at Prestonsburg High School. Keathley, fresh off of guiding the expansion East Kentucky professional basketball team to a 26-22 regular-season record in its debut campaign and into the postseason, welcomed the opportunity to help open the 2008 Area 3 Spring Games.

"It's an honor to have the opportunity to be a part of such an inspiring event," said

Area 3 Spring Games athletes and participants."

Both area and regional level competitions serve as qualifying events for Special Olympics athletes who wish to advance to state competition.

Special Olympics is an international program of year-round sports training and athletic competition for more than one million children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Special Olympics Chapters are established in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa. About 25,000 communi-

Keathley. "I'm eager to meet with all of the ties in the United States have Special Olympics programs. Through the Special Olympics Model School District programs, public school districts include Special Olympics in their physical education curriculum and provide extracurricular and interscholastic sports to elementary and secondary students with intellectual disabilities.

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to courtesy of Dusty Layne Photography/East K East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley will serve as the guest speaker at this year's Special Olympics Area 3 Games.

Runyon wins first game in last journey to state tournament by RICK BENTLEY TIMES COLUMNIST

He's the one they'll be talking about: Paintsville's Landon Slone was always on the cusp. Always on the outside looking in. He always had the Tigers in the regional tournament, in the second round or whatever, but never in the state tournament. And clearly, beyond question, the Sweet 16 was why he chose Paintsville after his dazzling junior high career at Floyd County's Mountain Christian Academy.

Finally, he made it. Finally, the state's stage would be all his. And on Wednesday night he made the most of it. In leading the Tigers to a 93-87 win over Jeffersontown - 2006 state champs - he put his stamp on the Rupp Arena floor.

Slone scored 35 on 12-of-19 shooting and was 4-of-6 from downtown in his first game in the Sweet 16, the one during which he was supposed to be a nervous wreck.

His thoughts? "It's been very frustrating to come down here every year to watch somebody clsc play," he said. "I knew if I could get down here I could show what I've got.



Senior guard Landon Slone, pictured going up for a layin versus Johnson Central in the 15th Region Tournament Finals, scored 35 points in Paintsville's Sweet Sixteen opening round win over Jeffersontown.

Paintsville uses 64 percent shooting to upset 7th Region champ Jeffersontown

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Paintsville outscored, outshot and outlasted Jeffersontown 93-87 Wednesday night in the opening round of the boys' state tournament, getting 35

"I've coached 26 years and I've players with at least six points. never had a team shoot as good as this team this year, and I've had a lot of good shooting teams," said · all in the first half. Runyon, who guided Paintsville to the 1996 state title.

then came out in the second half with 72 percent shooting (18-of-25).

Sophomore forward Elijah Pittman came off the bench to add 10 points,

Jordan Hickman led Bardstown (23-8) with 14 points. He finished 7-The Tigers led 41-35 at halftime, of-10 from the field, while the rest of

The Real McCoy, Sweet Sixteen style by RICK BENTLEY

TIMES COLUMNIST

LEXINGTON - It was a lot like old times.

There we were in Rupp Arena for the Sweet 16. A mountain guy - that accent is not deniable - was roaming the sidelines, trying to figure out what to do because - as 15th Region teams are wont to do he got himself a tough draw, playing the state's best team in their home city.

And, of course, his team was behind by 20 at the half.

It's what I've grown to expect after 21 years of covering the state tournament. Only this time, something peculiar was happening.

The team the mountain guy is leading - 1 mean, he's yelling "hunker down," for Christ's sake is not from the 15th. Or the 14th. Or even the 13th.

This opening day of the Sweet 16 saw us get up entirely too early, drive to Lexington to watch - and, gulp, pull for - University Heights Academy.

That's right. In a manner of speaking, Thursday I sold my soul to the devil.

But the devil in question is one of ours. Randy McCoy is beyond question a mountain boy. He's as sure one of us as he is breathing.

And Thursday, he made his

"It's like Coach (Bill Mike Runyon) says, this is where stars are made. This is a great opportunity.

"Maybe I don't know as much basketball as I think I do," Runyon said. "But either these college coaches aren't seeing what I'm seeing or there's something wrong (with them).

It's true he's not real flashy. It's true he's not a big jumper, and it's true he won't give you the (highlight) dunks. But he's a complete basketball player. He plays the game exceptionally well."

It's the shot they'll be talking about: At the end of the third period, it looked as if the Tigers wouldn't be able to get off a shot. With two seconds left, the ball finally got into Slonc's hands. The passer, fellow senior Blake Bundy, set him an inadvertent pick, and all of a sudden Slone was wide open.

From 30 feet out, he squared to the basket, took his normal perfect-looking jumper ... and

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points from Landon Slone.

The win continues the career of longtime Paintsville coach Bill Mike Runyon, who plans to retire from coaching at the end of the season.

"We feel like it's our job to get back to Saturday morning because he deserves to be there," said Slone, who was 12-of-19 from the field, including 4-of-6 from 3-point range, and hit all seven of his free throws.

Slone was a standout at Mountain Christian Academy in Floyd County prior to the start of his high school career with the Paintsville boys' basketball program.

The Tigers (30-3), who won the 15th Region title, will play in the quarterfinals Friday against Holmes, 64-44 first-round winner Wednesday night over Bardstown.

Justin Murray added 17 points and Blake Bundy 15 for Paintsville.

Jackson Thomas led Jeffersontown (26-6), the 7th Region champion, with 24 points, while Nick Gagel added 15. The Chargers shot 52.2 percent (35 of 67) and outrebounded Paintsville 31-19.

Paintsville shot 76.3 percent (29of-38) over the final three quarters and finished 64.7 percent (33-of-51) for the game, the fourth-best singlegame shooting performance in tournament history.

Sitting on the bench it didn't look like 72 percent, but that's great," said Runyon, whose team came in shooting 51.7 percent on the season. "We played six players, that's as deep as we go, so that's a credit to them. Their hustle, heart and courage showed tonight.'

Holmes clips Bardstown's trip to state tourney

Holmes made it another brief stay for Bardstown in the boys' state tournament, beating the Tigers 64-44 in the first round Wednesday.

It was the sixth first-round exit for Bardstown in its sixth tournament appearance and its first since 1971

Holmes (32-2) will play Paintsville (30-3), a 93-87 firstround winner over Jeffersontown on Wednesday, in the quarterfinals on Friday. First-round action continues Thursday.

Ricardo Johnson scored 11 points to lead the Bulldogs, who had six his teammates were 11-of-33.

"Playing in Rupp Arena, anyone who says they're not nervous, they're lying," said Bardstown senior guard Corey Hall, who was 0of-6 from the field.

The Bulldogs, who won for the 26th time in their last 27 games. sprinted out to an 8-2 lead. They led 17-9 at the end of the first quarter by converting 11 Bardstown turnovers into 10 points.

Holmes led 34-22 at halftime due to its defense. The Bulldogs forced 20 first-half Bardstown turnovers, and turned those miscues into 18 points.

"When you think of Holmes' Bulldogs you think of little, scrappy guys, but they were far from it,' senior forward Logan Edelen said.

Holmes opened the second half with a 7-0 spurt and never looked back.

The Bulldogs shot 43.1 percent (25-of-58) from the field and had 16 steals as they converted 29 Tiger turnovers into 23 points.

"They're an outstanding basketball team, we've not faced a team with that type of pressure and that type of athleticism," said Bardstown coach Gary Goode, whose team was 41.8 percent (18-of-43) from the

return to the Sweet 16.

It was a short one - top-ranked Lexington Catholic won 69-54 but there was McCoy, back in his element: He was leading a team recently down on its luck among the elite. And make no mistake about it, the reason that incredibly talented green-and-gold-clad team made it out of the brutal 2nd Region is the pride of Elkhorn City, Randy Dale McCoy.

One year ago, UHA didn't even live to see March Madness. The season ended on Feb. 26 with an embarrassing 92-57 loss to crosstown rival Christian County. The Blazers flamed out, finishing 13-14 on the season, having lost four of its last five games.

Then came summer and with it a new coach. But with the new coach came a new attitude. Second place wasn't acceptable. Just ask the superstar, Scotty Hopson.

"He laid down the law," the McDonald's All-American said, "He kept us focused, in the classroom, in the hallways, on and off the court. He did it throughout the season. I know I thank him for everything he's done for us."

There was a huge difference, he said. "Last year there was a lot of adversity," Hopson said. "This year has been a lot better."

It helped, he said, once they figured out what the heek McCoy was saying.

"He has a lot of that Eastern Kentucky slang," Hopson said. finally able to laugh after fielding question after question about next week's McDonald's All-Star game - he's Kentucky's first since 1993 when Jason Osborne came out of Male - and his wide-open decision as to a college to attend. "We got along very well though. He's the best. The best there is."

McCoy was typical McCoy. When Hopson was asked about his coach in the postgame presser, the coach barely looked to his left where his superstar sat, but offered a warning. "Be careful what you say here," he said with the smirk all of Eastern Kentucky grew used to during his 11 years at Elkhorn City and his nearly

(See MCCOY, page four)

Heard, Crain named to CBA All-Rookie Team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Two East Kentucky Miners have earned a spot on the 2007-08 Continental Basketball Association (CBA) All-Rookie Team. East Kentucky forward Marcus Heard and guard Mike Crain were two of the five players selected for the latest edition of the CBA All-Rookie Team, which was announced Monday. The league's 10 head coaches voted on the All-Rookie Team.

'Marcus Heard and Mike Crain are both well-deserving of the All-Rookie recognition," said East Kentucky Coach Kevin Keathley. "Both players put together solid rookic scasons.'

Heard and Crain were members of East Kentucky's original 10-man roster. Each player had an exceptional career at his respective college.

Yakama center Anthony Washington was named the CBA Rookie of the Year for the 2007-08 season. Washington, a 2007 alum the CBA All-Rookie Team.

of Portland State, finished the season averaging 7.0 points and 3.6 rebounds a game for the National Conference Champion Yakama. The 6-10 center from Portland State shot an average of 68.2-percent from the field and blocked 1.2 blocks per game. Washington was an undrafted rookie for the Sun Kings. He is the first Yakama player to win the Rookie of the Year award since Bernard Hopkins in 1997. Hopkins shared the award with former Sun Kings player Jason Sasser.

Crain, a part-time starter, averaged 10 points per game for the Miners. The Valdosta State product shot 44-percent (30of-68) from beyond the three-point arc.

Marcus Heard, a first-year player from DePaul, averaged 6.8 points and 4.1 rebounds per game for the expansion East Kentucky team.

Pittsburgh guard Tyrone Anderson and Atlanta guard Bilal Simmons rounded out



photo courtesy of Dusty Layne Photography/East Kentucky Miners East Kentucky Miners forward Marcus Heard made a smooth transition from college basketball to professional hoops. Heard is a DePaul University product.

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College is one of seven

schools to qualify both its

men's and women's teams into

Championships, presented by

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the sectional in Allentown,

Penn., one of four held around

The women's bowling team

won the Allentown sectional

after a tremendous effort on

Sunday which saw them

outscore every other team -

both men and women - at the

site. It marked the sixth time in

seven years the Lady Bears

have won their sectional tour-

nament; they've qualified for

the nationals all seven years of

in third in Allentown to quali-

fy. The top four teams from the

four sectionals will meet in the

national tournament, sched-

uled for April 16-19 at

Northrock Lancs in Wichita,

Of the 38 teams attempting to qualify on the women's

side, Pikeville's score of

12,425 was the second highest.

Trailing Morehead State by 14

pins heading into Sunday's

action, the lady Bears explod-

ed past the Lady Eagles in the

first four-frame block and

In the final 37 of the week-

Jennifer McDaniel, a

sophomore from Mt. Juliet,

Tenn., threw 67 strikes in 126

frames over the weekend for a

remarkable 53.2 percent.

end's .64 Baker games,

Pikeville bowled 200 or higher

never looked back.

a remarkable 22 times.

The men, meanwhile, came

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Pikeville qualified through

competition March 15-16.

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Thomas earns CBA PC bowling teams Lex. Cath. begins quest All-Defensive Team nod TIMES STAFF REPORT East Kentucky Miners Coach Kevin Keathley.

PIKEVILLE - The East Kentucky Miners professional basketball franchise is represented on the 2007-08 CBA Allearned one of five spots announced Wednesday. at Middle Tennessee

with signing the Ky.-based the second half of the Miners following a stint team. Thomas averaged a double-double of 16.6 points and 12.1 rebounds for the Miners. He ranked as the CBA's second-leading shot blocker,

averaging 1.8 blocks per

deserved recognition for

Steve (Thomas)," said

"This is much-

game.

"Steve is a player who doesn't take a defensive possession off. He will only get better as he learns the pro style more. His defensive rebounding instinct is something in the mold of a Dennis Rodman. Myself and the entire Miners organization couldn't be happier for Steve. He has a bright future in professional basketball ahead of him.'

Oklahoma Cavalry forward Marvin Phillips was named the CBA Defensive Player of the Year for the 2007-08 season, as voted on by the 10 CBA head coaches.

Phillips averaged 10.0 rebounds a game, thirdbest in the CBA. He also averaged a block and a steal a game for National Conference runner-up Oklahoma.

Joining Phillips and Thomas on the CBA All-Defensive Team are Minot guard Ronnic Fields, Yakama forward Harvey Thomas and Minot forward Sidney Holmes.



STEVE THOMAS

Senior Kayla Bandy of Danville, Va., the defending national player of the year, added 52 strikes in her 126 frames, while sophomore Becky Sulligan of Greenville,

S.C., rolled 40 in 96 frames. Pikeville also converted 150 of its 163 single-pin spares over the weekend, good for 92.1 percent conversion rate.

Pikeville was joined from the Allentown sectional by second-place Morchead State, Maryland-Eastern Shore and Shippensburg.

On the men's side, the Bears came in a solid third behind William Paterson and Mohawk Valley Community College. Also qualifying from the Allentown sectional was Michigan State.

Pikeville's 12,099 left it 155 pins behind William Paterson. Morehead State, a perennial national qualifier, finished fifth.

Nathan Hause, a junior from Charlotte, Mich., led Pikeville with 57 strikes in 128 frames. Gerald Richardson, a junior from Raleigh, N.C., followed with 50 while Smyrna. Tenn., sophomore Kyle Barnes rolled 48.

Academic All-Americans: The USBC released its list of academic All-Americans at the sectional sites. Seven Pikeville College students qualified, which required a grade-point average of 3.50 or higher.

They were Chris Hollis, a sophomore from Canal Winchester, Ohio; Amanda Hammel, a sophomore from Olmsted Falls, Ohio; Michelle McKay, a senior from Guelph, Ont.; Michelle Ostrowski, a freshman from Cincinnati; Brittani Scruggs-Barber, a freshman from Del Valle, Texas; and Ashley West, a junior from Columbus, Ohio.

qualify for USBC for state championship, defeats UH 69-54

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Lexington Catholic, the prohibitive favorite in the boys' Defensive Team. Miners Sweet Sixteen state tournament, looked the part for most of its 69-54 win over forward Steve Thomas University Heights in the opening game of the tournament on Wednesday.

The Knights (31-3) used their pressure defense to disrupt the Blazers (30- on the All-Defensive 5). LexCath outscored University Heights 23-7 in points off turnovers, includ- Team, which was ing 18-2 in the first half, when the Knights built a 20-point lead.

Senior forward Taylor Stewart led LexCath with 25 points and nine Thomas, who finished rebounds, while junior guard Vee Sanford had 22 points, seven rebounds and his college hoops career seven steals.

Senior forward Scotty Hopson, a front-runner for Mr. Basketball, scored 21 State after playing at points and grabbed nine rebounds for University. Senior swingman Tyshawn Georgia, made an imme-Edmondson added 13 points and 10 rebounds for the Blazers, which outre- diate impact for the bounded Lexington Catholic 43-35 but shot just 37.1 percent (23-of-62) from Mincrs following his the field and had 19 turnovers.

The Knights shot 43.6 percent from the field and used their pressure Pikeville, defense to build a 21-8 lead after the first quarter and a 42-22 halftime advan- CBA expansion team in

The Blazers outscored Lexington Catholic 18-9 in the third quarter and got season. He joined the as close as six (53-47) in the fourth quarter before the Knights prevailed.

"If (Lexington Catholic) coach (Brandon) Salsman would let us go back with the Atlanta Krunk, and play that first half again, it could be interesting," University Heights coach another CBA expansion Randy McCoy said.

Lexington Catholic will play Owensboro in the quarterfinals on Friday.

Owensboro eases by Central 63-48 in first round of Sweet Sixteen

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Owensboro used a big second quarter to ruin Central's return to the boys' state basketball tournament, easing by the Yellowjackets 63-48 on Wednesday.

Owenshoro forward Brock Moorman scored 29 points and grabbed 17 rebounds to lead Owensboro, which is making its 41st trip to the tournament, into the second round. The Red Devils (23-9) will meet Lexington Catholic (31-3) in the quarterfinals on Friday.

'Coach told us it was going to be a war down there," said Moorman, who came in averaging 16.4 points and 7.5 rebounds per game. "I just had to go in there and be a beast."

The loss ended a Cinderella run for Central (15-12), which began postseason play with a 10-11 record. Leevaughn Morris led Central with 15 points.

"I thought we got the jitters out in the first quarter, but maybe they carried over to the second," Central coach Doug Bibby said.

Owensboro led 12-10 after the first quarter, then outscored the Yellowjackets 18-4 in the second quarter to lead 30-14 at halftime.

"The best thing was that at the first time-out, they all looked at me, last year they looked at the Jumbotron," said Owensboro coach Wayne Breeden, whose team lost in the first round of the tournament last season.

In the first half, the Red Devils relied on their defense, forcing Central into 10 turnovers and converting those into 13 points. The Yellowjackets shot 30 percent from the field in the first half and couldn't put together a major run in the second half.

Runyon

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Emily Wireman, **Johnson Central** Girls' Basketball

Landon Slone, Paintsville **Boys' Basketball** to the basket, took his normal perfect-looking jumper ... and knocked the bottom out of it. It gave the Tigers all the momentum heading into the final period with the 68-58 lead.

It also brought the entire crowd to its feet. Look, they stand here in the end zones. Those are the school's sections and the students never sit. I've learned through the years to judge crowd reactions by what happens to those "in the middle," meaning the fans along the court. Those from across the state who are watching without a real rooting interest.

The ones in the middle stood and cheered. The kid who thought he'd never get here brought Rupp Arena to its feet.

He's the one going out in style: Bill Mike Runyon was in his element in the press room after the game. He was funny, he was honest and he was thoughtful.

But it wasn't always like that. In 1986, in fact, Runyon would only talk to one member of the press, Jason Blanton which tells you something about my good friend Jay, a tried and true graduate of Johnson Central, the archrival

McCoy

seven at Pikeville College.

After Hopson fielded a question about his college of choice - he repeatedly said he was nowhere near a decision and wouldn't so much as name any school he's involved with -McCoy weighed in again. "We've petitioned the KHSAA to get him another year," he joked. "If we can get him one more he might be ready for the next level."

He's ready, no question about it. He's ready to play anywhere. Yesterday, despite his team's struggles, he managed 21 points and nine rebounds.

of Runyon's Tigers.

But on Wednesday, the coach was jovial, a terrific quote.

When asked about his team's remarkable shooting -70 percent in the second half. 68 percent for the game, he said, "I didn't know that, but if we did that's great," he said before adding, "It sure didn't seem like that over there on the bench."

It was the quote of the night: Again, from Runyon, the Pikeville College Hall of Famer. The win was the 15th Region's first since 2000, and the question ended with, and I believe this is a quote, "The region hadn't won in a long time.'

Bill Mike smiled. It was as if it was the question he'd been waiting all week to answer. "Well," he said, his voice quickening with every word, "we hadn't been here in reporter (yeah, that's it) pera while."

An absolute classic.

It's the team they'll be talking about Friday: The Sweet 16 traditionally loves mountain teams. If a mountain team makes it to the quarterfinals, the Sweet 16 fans - those "in the middle," as I said earlier

floor; the rest of his team went

McCoy admitted to no issues

this season, The coach said his

experiences in the past - both at

Morehead State as an assistant

and his uber successful run at

ships, and we spent June, July

and August last year trying to

develop those relationships

with the players and their families," he said. "We wanted them

to know we were in it for them,

at school, in the hallways, on

"Coaching is about relation-

Pikeville - may have helped.

After last year's struggles,

13-of-43.

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usually get on board.

And, if you happen to have a legend on your bench, especially one coaching his last team, it's a mortal lock the arena will be in your corner.

So here comes Paintsville into today's quarterfinals, where they'll play a team from my late friend Big Dipper's golden triangle in Holmes, a team described to me as looking like a small college team.

And on the bench is Bill Mike Runyon, going out as Bobby Keith did a decade before him. Wednesday night he ran his Sweet 16 record to 13-6 and got his team out of the first round for the sixth time in eight trips.

When asked about his legacy, the coach balked. "I've had great players," he said, "and great assistant coaches."

I - wait - I mean, the sisted. In our lifetime, two coaches have taken state titles back to the mountains. One was Keith. The other, Runyon. We're talking about winning two out of every three in the place our region had lost seven consecutive games.

Come on, coach. Give me

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He was 10-of-19 from the and off the floor. We talked about what we liked.

"With the kind of players we had, they kind of knew we know what it takes to succeed at all three levels (high school, small and major colleges). We thought we could have something special.

"I think, this year, we did." He's a long way from the hometown he dubbed, "The Last Big Town Before You Leave Kentucky," but that's about all that's changed.

Randy McCoy will always be Randy McCoy. And that's just the way we like him.

NASCAR'S NEXT STAR: Busch out front and running hard in big season

by JENNA FRYER ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. - He's been praised by the biggest names in the sport, described as fearless, exceptionally talented and NASCAR's next big star.

It's both flattering and humbling, and maybe even a little surreal considering where Kyle Busch was this time last year.

But his newfound acceptance isn't what Busch is after. He just wants to race.

"I think the most time that you can get on the track is obviously beneficial," Busch said. "And for me, it's fun. I'd rather go out there and race than I would sit in the motor home and not do anything and watch the race on TV.

"It's just about getting out there and getting my hands dirty and trying to get some racing laps in."

He's done that through the first five weeks of this season, competing in all 13 NASCAR races that have been held in Cup, Trucks and the Nationwide Series. And instead of taking the weekend off with the rest of the Sprint Cup Series, he'll run in the Nationwide race this Saturday in Nashville.

And Busch isn't just making laps. He's been out front every time he's on the track.

gave Toyota its first Sprint Cup Series victory, and sits atop the points standings in both of those series. Then last week in Bristol, he wrestled his car home to a 17th-place finish after his power steering failed while he was leading the race - with 150 laps to go.

"He has seemed to adapt to all of this in a way that nobody has in a long time," former champion Dale Jarrett said. "He's fearless and has that youth about him. He doesn't think that a race car can ever get out from under him, and he drives it to that limit every single time. That's a quality that not everyone has.

"Obviously, he has to win some more races and race for that championship ... to say he is our next superstar. He's right there on the verge of it.'

The compliments were few and far between this time last year, when Busch was starting the final phase of his self-destruction at Hendrick Motorsports.

It had been a rocky four years since he joined the team as an 18year-old in 2003. He ran for wins on the track, but often acted like a spoiled brat off it. It all finally became too much for Rick Hendrick this time last year, in a series of embarrassments to the conservatively professional organization.

Busch's downfall hit high speed He's got a Truck Series win, he when he won NASCAR's debut of

the Car of Tomorrow at March in Bristol, then trashed the vehicle on national TV from Victory Lanc. Three weeks later, he stormed out of the track at Texas following an accident that sent his car to the garage for repairs.

When the crew made enough repairs to get it back on the track, they had to ask Dale Earnhardt Jr., who was also out of the race, to jump behind the wheel.

Busch's aggressive driving tore up a pair of race cars at Talladega two weeks later, then wrecked with his brother, Kurt, in the All-Star race the next month.

A frustrated Hendrick had seen enough from his wild child, and decided Busch's immense talent level didn't outweigh his immaturity. If Busch could be tamed, Hendrick conceded he wouldn't be the one to do it.

Cut loose in an industry-stunning dismissal that caught Busch totally off guard, he picked himself up and began pounding the pavement for a new seat. It took mere hours for him to learn he was NASCAR's most wanted driver - a kid every owner believed would win championships for years to come.

His whirlwind free agency led him to visit all the powerful teams, and he finally settled on Joe Gibbs Racing. The process of allowing team owners to get to know him was enlightening for Busch.

"It was pretty special," he said. "Everybody got a taste of exactly who I am, and I think all that did was help my stature throughout the garage area."

Now people understand what makes Busch tick. He can be difficult to deal with, but much like new teammates Tony Stewart and Denny Hamilin, it's all in the pursuit of winning championships.

New crew chief Steve Addington, who scored the first Cup win of his career with Busch two weeks ago in Atlanta, understands the exuberance of this lightning fast start to the scason won't last forever. Busch will eventually boil over, and he knows it.

"The guys love him to death. I believe they'd walk through fire for him right now," Addington said. "You know, I warned them. I said, 'He's going to go off on us at some point here ... but just let it roll off your back. He's just competitive, wants to win races."

When the likely eruption comes, it probably won't create a firestorm the way it so often did at Hendrick. The Gibbs organization isn't as demanding when it comes to corporate image, and the team can tolerate the tantrums that often come from talented drivers.

Then again, Busch is perhaps poised to cut down on the drama he so often created for himself. He's happy at Gibbs, where the team owners are genuinely concerned with keeping him that way.

"I'm happy with where I'm at and being in my own skin and being able to do the things that I want to do and being supported in that," Busch said. "I like racing Trucks and Nationwide, and before (with Hendrick) it was almost pulling teeth to try to get in some truck stuff. JD (Gibbs) is pulling his hair out still because I like to do it so much, but he supports it. still and tries to help me go out there in order to run faster.

"I think it's only been able to help and benefit me. And with me being more relaxed on Fridays and Saturdays, it just makes Sunday that much more fun."

NASCAR Sprint Cup

- **Driver Standings**
- 1. Kyle Busch, 782
- 2. Greg Biffle, 752 3. Kevin Harvick, 749
- 4. Jeff Burton, 745
- 5. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 686
- 6. Kasey Kahne, 674
- 7. Tony Stewart, 656
- 8. Ryan Newman, 635
- 9. Clint Bowyer, 606
- 10. Kurt Busch, 605
- 11. Matt Kenseth, 604
- 12. Martin Truex Jr., 595
- 13. Jimmie Johnson, 581
- 14. Jeff Gordon, 574
- 15. Denny Hamlin, 568

up drivers get weekend rare

by BRIAN KACHARABA ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASCAR NATIONWIDE SERIES

Race: Pepsi 300

Site: Lebanon, Tenn. Schedule: Saturday, qualifying, 10:05 a.m. (ESPN, 1

p.m., tape), race (ESPN, 2 - p.m.). Track

Nashville Superspeedway (tri-oval, 1.33 miles, 14 degrees banking in turns)

Race distance: 300 miles, 225 laps.

Last race: Clint Bowyer outraced Kasey Kahne and the rain to win at Bristol Motor Speedway when the race was stopped just past halfway. Rain delayed the start of the race by two hours. With dark clouds rolling in, the goal was simply to make it to the halfway point - when NASCAR considers a race official - and be out front whenever the rain resumed. Bowyer was one of a handful of cars not to pit when Mike Bliss spun to bring out the sixth caution 100 laps into the event. Knowing the race only The winner receives a Gibson grabbed his second truck vic-

be considered official, Bowyer gambled that the cars who did pit wouldn't be able to catch him before the rain came.

Last year: Carl Edwards raced to his second consecutive Nationwide victory, easily winning the Pepsi 300 in chilly conditions to extend his lead in the season standings. Edwards led the final 25 laps and crossed the finish line 4.7 secahead of David onds Reutimann.

Fast facts: Edwards also won the Federated Auto Parts 300 at Nashville on June 9 and will be trying to become the fourth driver in series history to record four straight wins at one track. Kevin Harvick and Bowyer, 1-2 in the standings, won the previous two Nashville events before Edwards' run. ... Kyle Busch has failed to finish any of the last three races after being involved in an accident just 14 laps into last week's event. He seemed headed to victories in Las Vegas and Atlanta the previous two races, but a blown tire and a broken shock caused him to crash out of both.

Sam Bass. Nashville Superspeedway, built in 2000, is one of three concrete tracks on the NASCAR circuit.

Next event: O'Reilly 300, April 5, Fort Worth, Texas Nct: the On

http://www.nascar.com

NASCAR SPRINT CUP

Last race: Jeff Burton raced past Denny Hamlin on a twolap sprint to the finish to give Richard Childress Racing a 1-2-3 sweep at Bristol Motor Speedway and deny Joe Gibbs Racing a victory after its three drivers dominated the race. Burton scored his first win at Bristol, the first win of the season for Chevrolet, and led teammates Kevin Harvick and Clint Bowyer across the finish line in the first podium sweep in RCR history.

Next race: Goody's Cool 500, March 30, Orange Martinsville, Va.

On the Net: http://www.nascar.com

NASCAR CRAFTSMAN TRUCKS

Last race: Kyle Busch needed to go another 51 laps to guitar custom-designed by tory in three tries this year,

winning the American Commercial Lines 200 at Hampton, Ga., on March 7. Busch, who will only run a part-time schedule in trucks the rest of the year, remained the points leader over former series champion Todd Bodine, who struggled all night before finishing ninth.

Next event: Kroger 250, March 29, Martinsville, Va.

On the Net: http://www.nascar.com

NHRA

Last event: Defending Funny Car champion Tony Pedregon raced to his first victory of the season and 37th of his career, beating Gary Densham in the ACDelco Gatornationals. TOBY Schumacher (Top Fuel), Jeg Coughlin (Pro Stock) and Matt Guidera (Pro Stock Motorcycle) won their divisions.

Next event: O'Reilly Spring Nationals, March 30, Baytown, Texas

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HEAD COACH KEVIN KEATHLEY AND POINT GUARD JASON MCLEISH helped the East Kentucky Miners to a 26-22 regular-season mark during the professional basketball team's debut season.

Street Fights Winter Heat opener slated

Red Sox, A's end threatened boycott, head to Japan

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Just when everyone was packing and preparing for opening day in Tokyo, the Boston Red Sox put the whole trip on hold. At least for a couple of hours.

In an extraordinary move, Boston players voted to boycott a nationally televised exhibition game and Wednesday afternoon's flight to Japan for next week's season-opening series against Oakland, upset that coaches weren't going to receive the same \$40,000 payments negotiated for players by their union.

A few hours later, all was resolved, and the Red Sox took the field 64 minutes late for a 4-3 loss to Toronto before a crowd of 7,868 in Fort Myers, Fla.

Across the country in Phoenix, Athletics players also considered a boycott. They didn't take batting practice and held five team meetings before following Boston's lead and deciding to play. An Oakland split squad lost 6-1 to the Los Angeles Angels in front of 7,940 fans before leaving for Tokyo.

"It was definitely an experience of a lifetime, and it ended in a good way," Red Sox first baseman Kevin Youkilis said.

Major League Baseball agreed to pay the managers, coaches and trainers on the trip \$20,000 each from management's proceeds, a person familiar with the agreement said, speaking on condition of anonymity because details weren't announced. The Red Sox agreed to make up the difference to make the amount equal, and to pay some of the other team personnel making the trip, the person said.

"It was a misunderstanding of what agreement was reached between MLB and the MLBPA," Red Sox president Larry Lucchino said. "We said we would step up and make sure a second pool was created and would seek contributions from all parties.'

Youkilis stressed the players felt strongly about not going to Japan without a resolution.

"The players just stepped up and they did what I think was right," Boston bench coach Brad Mills said.

It was unclear whether Oakland would make additional payments to its staff.

"We are going to handle the situation internally at this point," A's president Michael Crowley said in an e-mail to The Associated Press. "We will ensure that our coaches are treated fairly."

Cancellation of the March 25-26 series at the Tokyo Dome would have been a publicity nightmare for Major League Baseball, which already has had enough bad news during an offseason dominated by performance-enhancing drugs.

"Everyone connected with the trip will be fairly compensated," baseball spokesman Rich Levin said.

Managers and coaches were included in the players' pool payments for baseball's two previous season-opening trips to Japan, when the New York Mets played the Chicago Cubs in 2000 and the Yankees played Tampa Bay in 2004. But this time, the agreement between MLB and the players' association called only for payments to 30 players on each club, and left out the coaches.

"They're just as much a part of this team as anybody," said Oakland closer Huston Street, the team's player representative. "Playoff shares, coaches get an equal share. You look at previous Japan trips, coaches have gotten an equal share." The initial vote by Boston

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players set off a series of calls among players from the Red Sox and Athletics, Major League Baseball, the clubs and the players' association.

"We felt we had to make a stand, and being on ESPN didn't hurt," Red Sox third baseman Mike Lowell said.

Daisuke Matsuzaka, who had been scheduled to pitch for Boston, left the stadium to pitch in a game against Minnesota's Triple-A affiliate while David Aardsma started in his place. Matsuzaka is scheduled to be the openingday starter in Tokyo next week against Oakland.

Boston manager Terry Francona spoke twice Wednesday with commissioner Bud Selig about the exhibition against the Blue Jays.

"Mr. Selig was justifiably concerned about playing the game, which I completely understand," Francona said.

In other news, Nomar Garciaparra has a broken bone in his right hand, and the Los Angeles Dodgers' third baseman might not be ready for opening day.

Kerry Wood missed a oneinning relief appearance because of lower back spasms, putting the competition for the Chicago' Cubs' closer job on hold.

And hard-throwing Joba Chamberlain will begin the season in the New York Yankees' bullpen.

In other spring training games:

Yankees 12, Pirates 9: At Bradenton, Fla., in the first night game at 85-year-old McKechnie Field, Byung-Hyun Kim gave up two late homers to an old nemesis: the New York Yankees. The Pittsburgh reliever was touched up by Nick Green and Chad Moeller in a four-run eighth.

Yankees right-hander Phil Hughes allowed seven runs, six carned, and seven hits in four innings. Pittsburgh's Matt Morris was rocked for eight runs and 13 hits in four . innings. Jorge Posada went 3for-4 with three RBIs for the Yankees, including a two-run homer off Morris.

Cardinals 12, Orioles 3: At Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Albert Pujols homered for St. Louis, his fifth of the spring despite a elbow ligament. torn Baltimore's Adam Loewen threw 63 pitches over 1 2-3 innings, retiring just five of 15 hitters.

Athletics (ss) 5, Cubs (ss) 2: At Mesa, Ariz., Wood sat out and one of his competitors for the closer role, Carlos Marmol, gave up a bases-loaded walk in Oakland's four-run eighth. Derrek Lee hit his first homer of the spring for the Cubs.

Rays 3, Phillies 1: At St. Petersburg, Fla., James Shields was picked to start Tampa Bay's season opener, and backof-the-rotation candidate Edwin Jackson allowed one run and three hits in 5 2-3 innings against Philadelphia.

Mets 3, Indians 1: At Port St. Lucie, Fla., John Maine struck out seven in 5 2-3 strong innings for New York.

Astros 8, Braves 7: At Kissimmee, Fla., Shawn Chacon secured a spot in Houston's rotation, allowing one run and three hits with four strikeouts in five innings. Miguel Tejada went 4-for-4 with his first home run for the Astros.

Cubs (ss) 4, Giants 2: At Scottsdale, Ariz., Jon Lieber allowed one run in five innings, giving up seven hits, walking one and striking out four for the Cubs. Giants starter Kevin Correia worked six innings, giving up four runs.

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TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL. Tenn. - Bristol Dragway's action-packed Street Fights series will kick off its eighth season on Saturday, March 22 with a new racing class and a special giveaway that will send someone to Myrtle Beach to soak up the sun and sand.

One lucky visitor will win a Myrtle Beach vacation package for four that includes hotel accommodations at Barefoot Premier Resorts and Beach Cove Resort, tickets to the Carolina Opry and Dixie Stampede; and dinner at Margaritaville.

To give the four beachbound travelers a break from rising gas prices, Bristol Dragway and Tri-Cities Regional Airport have arranged to fly the winner and guests round-trip to Myrtle Beach for their week of excitement.

Beginning with the March 22 event, and continuing at Saturday events throughout the season, the new Team RFC and Team Hurley USA King of the Strip True Street Challenge presented by Mac Tools will let street legal cars clash to determine the true King (or Queen) of Thunder Valley.

True Street competition will take place after regular Street Fights action, giving everyone an opportunity to race without losing time on the track. To compete, racers will first select one of six class indexes (9 second through 14 second). The participants will take a cruise through the surrounding area and return to

Bristol Dragway. Drivers must then make three consecutive passes down the strip. The times from these three passes are averaged, with the closest to the class index winning the race.

At each of the seven scheduled True Street events, \$700 in prizes will be given away and drivers will receive points through a special points system. At the end of the season, the competitor with the most points in each class index walks away with an extra \$1,000 in their pocket.

Gates open at noon, with racing beginning at 1 p.m. True Street drivers must have their cars through the tech inspection line by 5 p.m. The cruise begins at 5:15 p.m., with racing slated to begin at the conclusion of Street Fights.

Spectator admission is only \$5, with participant entry fees beginning at \$10. Entry for those racing in the True Street Challenge is \$20. For \$25, True Street racers can compete in both the True Street Challenge and Street Fights.

Five Street Fights take place on Saturdays, and 14 events are currently slated for Thursday nights. Special hours at the Saturday Street Fights held during the summer will let drivers race until midnight and give them more time to fill their need for speed.

For more information about Bristol Dragway's Street Fights or the King of the Strip True Street Challenge, please visit www.bristoldragway.com or call 423-764-DRAG.

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Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday. 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.

Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Com Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music,

Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School. 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.: Paul D. Coleman, Minister.

Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathon Lafferty, Ministe

Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner. Services: Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.

Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Jim Fields, Minister.

Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Church every Sun. Morning 11:00 a.m.; Wed. evening Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; First Sat. evening Service, All Welcome 7 p.m. Pastor Mark Hunt, 606-478-2698; Bto. Jim Smith, 606-874-8077.

Faith Bible Church, an independent Baptist Church, located on 1428, between Allen & Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bob Wireman.

Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Eqpt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Elder Donnie Patrick and Buddy Jones, Ministers.

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

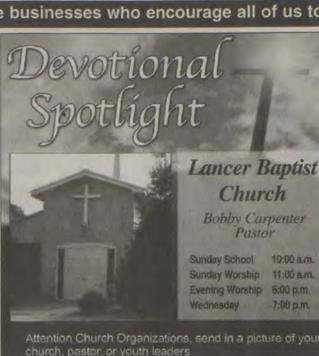
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.

First Baptist, Prestonsburg, 157 South Front Street; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 p.m.; Jerry C. Workman, minister.

Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy

Reed Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m, & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7: p.m.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.



School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.

Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.

United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.

Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari, Minister.

CATHOLIC

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

CHRISTIAN

First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.

Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m; Sherm Williams, Minister.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.

Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly and Nelson Kidder, Ministers

Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Willie E. Meade, Minister.

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

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

Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.

Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

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

Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley. Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

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

Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.mm.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD

Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister

Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.

Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcom Slone, Minister.

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

Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Eillis J. Stevens,

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

PRESBYTERIAN Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship

Service, 11 a.m.

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

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Sacrament Mig., 10:00 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:20 a.m.; Relief Society/Preist-hood/Primary, 12:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address, Hwy, 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House tele-phone number: 285-3133; Ken Carriere, Bishop.

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Pastor Atha Johnson welcomes everyone to altend services at the CHURCH of GOD of PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY. Sunday school 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m.

Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg.(next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.

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

Faith Fellowship, Allen, Ky. Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6 p.m.; Wed, 7 p.m. Carl & Missy Woods,

Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.

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

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

Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just before Thunder Ridge; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard. Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7

p.m., Saturday/Sunday.

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

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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 Aiken.

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



Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Willie Crace, pastor; Assist. Larry Patton. Phone 358-4275.

Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.

Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinsville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Trusty.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chad Blair, Pastor

Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins,

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

Liberty Baptist, Denver, Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little,

Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.

Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, (Indian Bottom Association) Services: 1st Saturday & Sunday ofevery month 9:30 a.m., 3rd Sunday 9:30 a.m., Odd Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill: Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.

Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair,

Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister

McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister,

Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Eugene Cook, Minister.

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

Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.

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

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

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager,

Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Jerry Manns, Pastor, Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Servic 2nd & 4th Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Allen Chaffins, phone 946-2123.

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

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

Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m., Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.

Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday

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,

Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Family Training Hour - Thursday 7 p.m., Bill B. Tussey. Jr, Pastor

Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.

Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.

The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall Pastor

EPISCOPAL

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

LUTHERAN

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

METHODIST

Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister

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

Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.

Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescosolido, Minister

Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister

Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Profitt.

First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold 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.

Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Larry J. Penix, Minister.

Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.

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

Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Jack Howard, Pastor

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

Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 0:00 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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Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Darlene W. Arnette, Pastor

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

International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.; Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6;30 p.m. Pastor: D.P. Curry.

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

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





KIM'S KORNER

Good Friday

The Friday before Easter is the most solemn day for Christians - it is the day Jesus Christ died on the Cross.

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centered around the feeling of sorrow at the pain and humiliation that Jesus underwent for the cause of goodness and humanity.

Good Friday marks the end of the 40-day period of fasting and renunciation during Lent, which recalls the days of penance Jésus spent in the desert. After this period, Jesus returned to Jerusalem, and was welcomed as the King of the Jews.

The wholehearted acceptance of Jesus by the people made the rulers fear that they would lose the people's loyalty, and prompted them to plot against Jesus. With the help of Judas, who betrayed Jesus for 30 pieces of silver, Jesus was arrested for treason and condemned to be crucified. This happened on Maundy Thursday, a day before Good Friday. The next day, Good Friday, is the darkest day in Christianity. Jesus was made to carry the cross on which he was later crucified. Jesus, by his act of forgiving and praying for even those who were responsible for his death, won a victory for good over evil. The message of Good Friday is that the concept of "an eye for an eye" cannot work. The way to conquer cvil is through good. Similarly, violence can be overcome only by nonviolence, and hatred by love. For some Christians, the entire day is given to fasting and prayer, as a way of following the example of Jesus, who stressed the role of prayer in the struggle to conquer evil. Some churches concentrate less on prayers, and instead encourage the people to become involved in charitable deeds. Jesus is believed to have died on the cross at 3 in the afternoon. But the crucifixion also looks forward to Jesus' resurrection. So, the sorrow of Good Friday is tempered by the expectation and hope offered by Easter Sunday. May His peace, hope and love fill your Easter Sunday. 'Til next week ...

FEATURE Cafe owner uses venue to share God's word



has blessed her so richly."

Cieslak said that from the very beginning, her notion of a cafe has been based in prayer. "We prayed many prayers when we were thinking about opening five years ago and to this day, we give God all the credit," Cicslak said.

"My daily prayer is for God to send us people here, to put them in our path so that we can minister to them. People who need encouragement, those who have prayer concerns, those who are grieving. And we know that God does send

them because people come in here sometimes not even really knowing why, people we don't even know. And we can tell that they need to hear a good word," she continued.

Cieslak says that since The Perfect Setting sells more than food, such as gift items, floral arrangements, candles and more, including a line of bereavement items, that it is sometimes "pretty easy" to sense when someone is struggling with a personal dilemma.

(See CIESLAK, page eight)



Wednesday Evening 7:00 Prayer Meeting/Bible Study **Children's & Youth Programs**

photo by Kathy J. Prater

Trish Cieslak, left, owner, The Perfect Setting Cafe, was surprised last Thursday when lifetime friend Deborah Meade stopped by her flourishing business to wish her a happy birthday.

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

Life is not easy, but with faith it can become pretty "perfect," as Trish Cieslak, owner of The Perfect Setting Cafe, located in McDowell, has come to know.

'Statistically, we shouldn't have made it, but when God is in it, He doesn't go by statistics," Cieslak said.

The slender, youthful and energetic former coal company secretary said that it had been a long-held dream of hers to one day own and operate her own cafe. One who has always loved to cook, Cieslak began by running a catering business from her home kitchen.

"When Trish does something, she does it right," said

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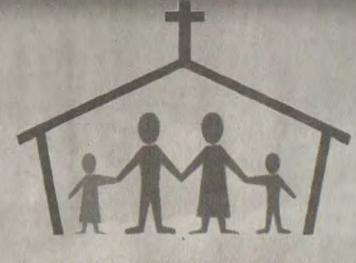
Meade, who happened to stop by the cozy restaurant on the day that Cieslak was being interviewed - a day that also just happened to be Cieslak's birthday.

Dropping by with a gift for her best friend since childhood, Meade said that growing up in McDowell's Bristle Buck with Trish, the two became fast friends and spent many days and overnights together. And though Meade moved from the area to live in Charlotte, N.C., for several years, she and Cieslak never allowed their connection to falter.

"She's just the best friend," Mcade said, "My children look to her if they can't find me, she's so good to everyone. Trish's faith is just so strong, it always has been. I think, or longtime friend Deborah rather I know, that's why God

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Without faith it is impossible to please Him; for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. Hebrews 11:6

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Pastor whose church was attacked recommends armed guards

The Associated Press

COLORADO SPRINGS. Colo. - The senior pastor at a megachurch where a gunman killed two teenage sisters before being shot by a church volunteer recommends that all churches have armed guards.

The Rev. Brady Boyd, pastor of New Life Church, made the comments just before con-

vening a free forum on church Denver missionary training security that drew participants from about 120 Colorado churches.

'We've had contemporary experience that can help others," Boyd said, referring to the Dec. 9 shootings at the church. "We just don't want this to happen anywhere else."

Matthew Murray, 24, killed two people at a suburban

Cieslak

"I think it's spirit to spirit," Cieslak said. "We all have our spirits and I think that God uses that in us to connect with one another.'

Cieslak says that often a customer will come in and as they search through the items for sale in the store, something will touch them and they will begin to cry. That person, according to the good-hearted restauranteur, will be ministered to in whatever way she and her staff can before they leave the security of Cieslak's cafe.

"Here," Cieslak said, "we like to do more than just feed bellies. We like to feed spiritually, as well."

"Our motto here is printed on our company worksheets," Cieslak said, "It's a verse from the Bible, 'Blessed are you when you enter and blessed are you when you leave' (Deu. 28:6). We operate by those words."

Setting Cafe, including Cieslak's daughter, Wendy, are all Christians and Cieslak says she is happy to have it that way. "That doesn't mean, though," she is quick to add, "that I wouldn't hire someone who wasn't a Christian to work with us ... because maybe we could influence that person."

In the cafe at "about 7 a.m. each morning," Cieslak works a full day, closing at 4 p.m. and often spending the evenings working on catering orders. "We stay pretty busy, and we like it that way," she laughed.

Other times, and especially so on Sundays, Trish enjoys spreading her faith by singing with The Eastern Wind Trio, composed of herself and fellow church members Joan Chaffins and Libbi Hall, The women are all members of First Baptist Church, in McDowell. "I enjoy singing

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The staff of The Perfect with Joan and Libbi. It's a wonderful fellowship," Cieslak said.

center and several hours later

killed the two girls in the New

Life parking lot. He commit-

ted suicide after he was shot

and wounded by a volunteer

security guard, who was cred-

ed by police and New Life

security staff and closed to the

media, included discussions

The forum, which was host-

ited with saving untold lives.

Cieslak is married to Leonard Cieslak, who works as a social work specialist in Prestonsburg. She and her husband have two children, Wendy Cieslak and Courtney Mullins. They have also been blessed with five grandchildren - "My five treasures," Cieslak said. They are Alexis, age 14, Eric, age 12, Brennen, age 6, Shawn, age 5, and Caleb, age 4. "That's a wonderful range," she said, "I get to enjoy all those wonderful ages.

The Perfect Setting Cafe, Gift Shop & Catering is located in McDowell, on Route 122, near Citizens National Bank. To contact them about their many services, you may call (606) 377-6005. You learn more, you may also visit their website at www.trishsperfectsetting.com.

on 'emergency planning, assessing potential dangerous situations, the role of church greeters and ushers, and how to recruit security staff, said Colorado Springs police officer Dave Husted.

Boyd said that New Life now has uniformed police officers patrolling the premises during Sunday services.

Several U.S. churches have been quietly adding armed guards in recent years, while others have avoided the practice because they either don't have the money or don't want to appear like a fortress.

Garrett **First Baptist** Church



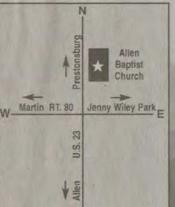
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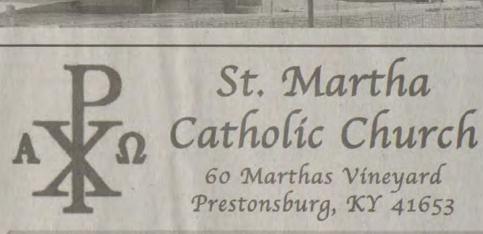
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And now these three remain: faith, home, and love. But the greatest of these is love. I Corinthians 13:13 NIV

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. John 10:10 NIV

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St. Martha Catholic Church is a small, multicultural parish community located on Lancer/Watergap Road in Prestonsburg, KY. As a parish family we join together to worship, serve, evangelize and nurture one another in our faith.

As followers of Jesus Christ, we serve the spiritual and material needs of our parish family and our community through a variety of outreach and education programs:

- * Martha's Portion-providing previously owned clothing, and household items for the needy of our community, and a Diaper Program for infants.
- · Good Samaritan Program—providing for the spiritual and social needs of our parish family through home visits.
- * Giving Bag Program—providing cleaning and personal care products on a monthly basis for individuals and families referred by community agencies.
- · Prison Ministry-providing for the spiritual needs of inmates in local prisons.
- * Spanish Masses-providing for the spiritual needs of the Spanishspeaking community (held monthly at St. Francis Catholic Church in Pikeville, KY).
- * Religious Education Programs for Children and Adultsproviding for life-long spiritual growth in our faith.

Mass Schedule Saturday-5:00 p.m. Sunday-11:15 a.m. Reconciliation Saturday-4:45 p.m. and by appointment

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OurPrayer.org Aims to provide largest online prayer site

PAWLING, N.Y. - Many people have a favorite place to pray outside of their place of worship. For some it may be a quiet room, or outdoors someplace beautiful and secluded, or maybe even in the car. Increasingly, though, people pray online. OurPrayer, part of Guideposts' Ruth Stafford Peale Prayer Power Network. has launched a dynamic new site to answer that need and provide more people with more ways to enrich their prayer life online at www.OurPrayer.org

"It is our desire to inspire and unite the people visiting OurPrayer.org," said Reverend Dr. Peola Hicks, Guideposts Prayer Department Manager, "and to become a global community of praying people maximizing the proven power of prayer...all while maintaining our unique commitment to pray by name and need for each individual request received. We are greatly expanding our prayer ministry to be able to help many more

each can enrich their personal prayer life. Free to join and easy to use, OurPrayer.org provides new ways to use technology for prayer, devotion and spiritual intimacy." Reverend Hicks added, "The internet hasn't really changed what people do, just how we do it. It's truly transformed the ability to reach out and connect with others around the world. Our focus is reaching out and connecting others to God through prayer. For with God nothing will be impossiblc." (Luke 1:37)

According to Reverend Dr. Pablo Diaz, Guideposts Vice President of Ministries. "Prayer is the greatest contribution we can offer one another. It is a strong and meaningful exercise of love, faith and hope. We welcome all to join us as OurPrayer transforms the world through prayer."

OurPrayer.org is a faithfilled community brimming with inspiring devotionals, answered prayer, uplifting articles, and much more. The people from all walks of life so most innovative and unique

FAITH IN VERSE

make OurPrayer.org the premiere destination for online prayer and prayer community. Using state-of-the-art social networking technology, there are simple, user-friendly tools to form online prayer groups with friends, family, whole church congregations, and even people anywhere in the world. There are easy and creative ways individuals can have personalized prayer pages where people can come to get to know each other, create prayer blogs or keep an online spiritual journal. OurPrayer.org features purpose-driven content, available in multi-media formats, and is poised to be the most technologically advanced and accessible worldwide prayer ministry in history.

Guideposts has a long history of providing ways for people to come together in prayer and through the power of shared personal experience. For over 50 years, aided by local prayer volunteers across the country, they have prayed

ly prayer requests coming from the mail, on the phone and now through the internet. Each request is prayed for by name and need. That won't change at OurPrayer.org where a variety of options for prayer are offered including: prayer requests can be private (only OurPrayer trained volunteers will see and pray for it) or public (request will go to the main prayer page for the general public to see and pray for). One of OurPrayer's special features, real time prayer, provides the ability to have a one-on-one real time prayer session with an OurPrayer volunteer. Members will also

features on the new site aim to for tens of thousands of week- ,have the ability to send prayer of prayer requests that come in requests to friends and/or groups so they can pray for them as well and users requesting a personal prayer response will receive a personalized prayer sent directly back to them.

> Anyone with a prayer request can go to www.OurPrayer.org. Our Prayer.org will also be the hub for special prayer activities, such as our annual Good Friday Day of Prayer on March 21, 2008 and our Thanksgiving Day of Prayer events in the fall.

OurPrayer is seeking hundreds of volunteers to help handle the increased number

each day. Prayer volunteers are able to help in three areas: Web volunteers are given access to a secured area to pray for each need while online. Other volunteers answer calls at home, as their schedules permit, on our tollfree prayer line. Personal Prayer Response Volunteers are trained to write personal prayers to encourage and comfort those struggling with distressing circumstances.

Anyone wishing to become a prayer volunteer can find out more by visiting www.OurPrayer.org or calling 1-800-935-0158 ext. 4347.



* Resurrection: The Two Plants

by GOLDIE E. HAMILTON

A few years ago I became acquainted with a unique plant.

It is sometimes called Resurrection Lily, Life.' Magic Lily and Surprise Lily.

It makes its appearance twice each year. The foliage of thick green strap leaves appears early in March, while the

ground is still cold.

It graces the barren flower beds with life for a few weeks.

- The foliage dies and disappears...its space is empty again.
- In late July, a resurrection of the lily takes place.

A thick, green stalk rockets out of the ground, reaching a height of two feet in four to five days.

A cluster of five to seven pink flowers grow on top of the leafless stalk.

I get to enjoy its beauty only a short while. The petals fall, the stalk dries up and quick-

ly disappears, leaving its space empty again.

It has served its purpose this season it will reappear at its next appointed time

Shepherd.

The Son of God, the True Vine, and The Light of the World,

Messiah, Immanuel, Savior, and many more. He said, "I am the Resurrection and the

He came to Earth at His appointed time

to preach a message of hope and deliverance to captives.

- He taught of a future resurrection for those who believed.
- and accepted Him as their Savior and Lord. Like the foliage of the resurrection lily.
- He had a short life span on Earth.

He was crucified, leaving His space empty. Three days later He reappeared

this time as the Resurrected Savior.

The clusters of pink flowers atop the stalk of the lily

- were admired for their beauty,
- but their stay was only temporary.
- The Resurrected Savior would also be leaving
- after a short stay on Earth ...
- but with a promise that He would come again.
- After 40 days of fellowship and instructions for His discipl

St. Vincent Mission, Inc. 6369 Hwy. 404, David, KY 41616

leaving a legacy of faith

"It takes a lot of faith and trust that the Lord will provide from one day to the next." This statement was made by Br. Michael Lonsway, who was one of the original volunteers with St. Vincent Mission and still holds a seat on the mission's Board of Directors.

St. Vincent Mission, Inc., is a non-profit organization that was established in 1968 by the Brothers of Charity from Philadelphia, PA. The Mission forms a community of people dedicated to sharing the expression of Christian values in Eastern Kentucky. Because the Mission is located in the central Appalachian Mountains, the staff has been called to the service of unique people with a rich ancestral heritage. Staff members include a full-time Executive Director, Sr. Kathleen Weigand, and a full-time Social Services Coordinator, Joyce Mitchell. There are also two part-time warehouse, second hand store and food pantry workers. 350 to 400 volunteers come from Kentucky and across the United States each year for the Home Repair Program to assist low-income, disabled and elderly individuals.

The Mission's goals, which are met through concrete programs, are to encourage the use of participant's skills, talents and personal gifts to help each other. The mission is one of Hope that leads all who participate toward a vision of continuous growth.

Riverview Fealth Care



Danny Blanton

of David **Appalachian Crafts**

Many years ago I became acquainted with the One

whom Isaiah described as a "tender plant, a root out of a dry ground." His name is Jesus

In the Bible He is called The Word, Good

He was taken up out of their sight. Seasons will continue to come and go. The lily may fail to bloom again.

The Resurrected Savior will not fail to keep His promise ...

to return.

David Appalachian Crafts is a subsidiary of St. Vincent Mission. Sr. Ruth Ann Iwanski, its full-time director, and two parttime employees, help to identify, train, mentor and provide marketing services for about 90 artists and crafters at this time. Come and join us for our 40th anniversary reunion on Saturday, July 19, 2008, at the mission's property on Highway 404 in David, Kentucky, which is the site of the old David swimming pool. Please call 886-2513 to make reservations or to inquire about specific directions. The celebration will include music from local artists, craft demonstrations, a silent auction, lunch, and time to visit David Appalachian Crafts. We are also looking forward to the guest appearance of some of the original singing Patsy Teenagers!

Mountain Christian Academy

6467 HWY 80, PO Box 1120, Martin, KY 606-285-5141 www.MountainChristianAcademy.com

History & Mission

Mountain Christian Academy, an academically enriched Christian school in Eastern Kentucky, was established in 1983. The mission of Mountain Christian Academy ("MCA") is to provide quality education in a Christian environment.

MCA equips its students, inside and outside the classroom, with the skills they need to excel in their future plans and goals. More importantly, through daily Christian education classes and prayer, we strive to develop in each MCA student the moral and ethical character upon which the futures of our communities, Nation, and world depend.

MCA Curriculum

*Language Arts *Mathematics *Science *Social Studies *Christian Education *Spanish *Physical Education *Art Computers *Music

Extracurricular Activities

*Boys & Girls Basketball *Volleyball *Golf *Science Olympiad Elementary & Middle School Academics
MATHCOUNTS
 Private Music Lessons * After School Tutoring & Care. Summer Academic Camp

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SPIRITUALITY

- Church Services - Morning Worship -Afternoon Services
- Vacation Bible School
- · Bible Study
- · On-site Chaplain
- · 24-hr. Chapel Tuesday, 10:15 Wednesday, 10:15 Thursday, 10:15/11:15 Friday (3rd), 2:00
- Sundays, 2:00

THERAPY

- Nueuromuscular re-education
- Therapeutic exercise
- Therapeutic activity
- · Wheelchair management
- · Gait training
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