

a detectable amount of heroin, a schedule 1 controlled substance." The indictment alleges that between December 2005 and July 23, 2006, Henderson and

(See HEROIN, page three)

Weapons charges filed

by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE -Three inmates at a local federal have been indicted on weapons

Iraq veteran honored by city, named a Kentucky Colonol

by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - An Army veteran who has completed two tours of tions for a 250 square kilometer radius continue to downsize our presence in for an 800-man battalion which consisted of five forward operations.

Before going active duty, Flannery attended Bowling Green State Iraq, and let the Iraqi people begin to take ownership of their own future," said Flannery.

Though Flannery feels positive about

Capt. Corey Flannery posed with Mayor Jerry Fannin after being presented with his Kentucky Colonel certificate. Flannery who just returned from two tours of active duty, will now begin teaching military leadership in Greenville at Officer Candidate School.

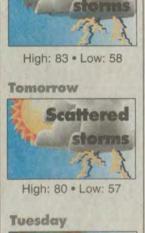
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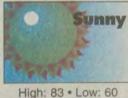
Firefighters say the blaze spread quickly and was already out of control when they arrived. No one was hurt, but they say nothing was saved in the 12-thousandsquare-foot building. Investigators say

they don't suspect foul play.

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duty in Iraq was presented with a certificate pronouncing him to be a Honorary Kentucky Colonel this past week by Mayor Jerry Fannin.

Capt. Corey Flannery, born in Syracuse, N.Y., just recently completed his second tour of duty in Iraq, serving as a communications officer at the Baghdad International Airport, also known as "Camp Victory.

Flannery's mission in Baghdad, where he served with the 10th Mountain Division, was to insure the communicaUniversity in Ohio on a four-year ROTC scholarship.

Flannery, who is a Bronze Star recipient, said one of the biggest challenges in Iraq was the rebuilding of the country's infrastructure, particularly with regard to the education system. "They had a solid infrastructure before the invasion," said Flannery.

Flannery said that the current conflict in Iraq is a "purpose we need to maintain."

the work being done in Iraq, he said he is happy to be home.

Flannery will now move on to Greenville, where he will be working with the National Guard as a military leadership instructor for Officers Training School.

Kentucky Colonels are presented for contributions to the community, state, or nation. Being recognized as a Kentucky Colonel states that the governor "has recognized your service and accom-"My overall feeling is that we should plishments on behalf of others."

charges.

Indicted this week were Big Sandy USP inmates Demitrius Chambers, James L. Thompson, and Kenneth Donnell Hoffman, who all according to court records, had allegedly been found in possession of "a weapon or object designed and intended to be used as a weapon, that is a homemade knife or shank."

(See WEAPONS, page three)

MSHA warns 16 mining companies over safety

by TIM HUBER AP BUSINESS WRITER

CHARLESTON, W.Va. - Federal Mine Safety and Health Administration officials said Thursday they told 16 U.S. mining companies they have patterns of violating health and safety rules and warned them to clean up their acts or face heightened enforcement.

. All but two of the companies operate coal mines or processing plants, the majority of them in Kentucky and West Virginia, MSHA said. Also receiving warnings were a Kentucky limestone operation and a Michigan

iron ore mine.

"Repeated safety and health violations by mine operators will not be tolerated," MSHA Director Richard Stickler said in a statement.

This is the third time in the past year that MSHA has singled out mines with patterns of serious violations.

Seven of eight operations notified last June reduced their serious violation rate by an average of 50 percent within months, according to MSHA. The eighth closed.

Another 20 operations targeted in December cut their violation rates an average of

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Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

Dr. William O. Allen, 87, of Lexington, a native of Goose Creek/Eastern, died Monday, June 16, at St. Joseph Hospital Hospice Care Center, Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Betty May Allen. Funeral services were held Friday, June 20, under the direction of W.R. Milward Mortuary.

Loretta F. Frasure, 70, of Hueysville died Saturday, June 14, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Don Frasure. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 17, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Daisy Mae Mitchell, 82, of Beaver, died Friday, May 30, at the McDowell ARH. Funeral services were held Monday, June 2, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

John Mullins, 49, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, June 8, at the U.K. Medical Center in Lexington. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 11, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Ethel May Ratliff, 101. of Lexington, formerly of Floyd County, died Monday, June 16, at St. Joseph Hospital, in Lexington. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 21, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funcral Home.

Dorothy Conley Stover, 72, died Monday, June 16. She is survived by her husband, Jess Stover. Services were held Thursday, June 19, at the First United Methodist Church. Carter Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Alvin "Butch" Marshall Taylor, 51, of Olive Hill, formerly of Floyd County, died Friday, June 13, at King's Daughters Medical Center in Ashland. Funeral services were held Monday, June 16, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY

Delbert E. Copley, 86, of Elkhorn City, formerly of Huntington, W.Va., died Sunday, June 8, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 12, under the direction of Chapman's Mortuary of Huntington.

Dorothy Jane Robinson Gibson, 72, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, June 17, at the Parkview Manor Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Robinson Creek. Funeral services were held Friday, June 20, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

Charles Edward Hellier, 71, of Amarillo, Texas, formerly of Pikeville, died Tuesday, March 4, in Amarillo. He is survived by his wife, Ann Marie Brasfield Hellier. Funeral services were Thursday, June 19, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

 Margaret Maynard, 62, of Meta, died Wednesday, June 18, at her home. Funeral sérvices were held Saturday, June 21, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Randy Mullins, 48, of Toler Creek, died Friday, June 13, at his home. Funeral services were held Monday, June 16, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Martha Lee Bartley Potter, 89, of Ashcamp, died Monday, June 16, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 19, under the direction of the Bailey Funeral Home.

Reed D. Potter Sr., 83, of Elkhorn Creek Road, died Wednesday, June 18. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 21, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Calvin "Peanut" Ray, 62, of Kimper, died Wednesday, June 18, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 21, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Robert Douglas "Doug" Tackett, 74, of Sarah Branham Road, died Monday, June 16, 2008, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Mabel Tackett. Funeral services were held Friday, June 20, under

direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

Robert Dale Thacker, 54, of Pikeville, died Thursday, June 12, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 15, under direction of the the Community Funeral Home.

Auther Wolford, 76, of Dandridge, Tenn., formerly of Phelps, died Friday, June 13. in Tennessee. Arrangements, under the direction of R.S. Jones and Son Funeral Home.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY

Mary Miller, 68, of Salversville, died Thursday, June 12. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 15, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Ballard Moore, 84, of Salversville, died Thursday, June 12. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 15, at Big Lick Pentecostal Church. Magoffin County Funeral Home in Salversville was in charge of arrangements.

Jane Trusty, 83, of Salversville, died Tuesday, June 17. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 21. under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Marie Caudill, 83, of Louisa died Friday, June 13, at the J.J. Jordan Geriatric Center. Funeral services were held Monday, June 16, at the Catalpa Freewill Baptist Church. Wilson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Guy Fugett, 71, of Louisa, died Tuesday, June 17, in the J.J. Jordan Geriatric Center in Louisa. Funeral services were held Friday, June 20, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home in Louisa.

Okie Stephens, 87, of Louisa, died Tuesday, June 17, in J.J. Jordan Geriatric Center in Louisa. He is survived by his wife, Samantha Magdalene Sparks Stephens. Funeral services were held Saturday. June 21, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

Emma Dunn Crawford, 74, of Hagerhill, died Monday, June 18, in Paul B. Hall Medical Center in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 20, under the direction of Herald & Stewart & Halsev Funeral Home.

Leondes L. Fraley, 77, of Keaton, died Friday, June 13, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Jo Ann Johns Fraley. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 15, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Fontaine Lewis, 82, of Thelma, died Sunday, June 15, Highlands Regional at Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Ocilene Walters Lewis. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 18, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Roma Jack Picklesimer, 91, of Lynchburg, Virginia, a native of Paintsville, died Tuesday, May 20, at Virginia Baptist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Beulah Picklesimer. Hudson Memorial services were held Thursday, May 22, under the direction of Tharp Funeral Home.

Ford Salyer, 78, died Tucsday, April 29, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Memorial services will be held Sunday, June 22, at 2 p.m., at the Oil Springs United Methodist Church.

James Warren Wells, 63, of Roan Mountain, Tennessee, a Johnson County native, died Tuesday, June 10, at Sycamore Shoals Hospital in Elizabeth, Tennessee. Memorial services were held Monday, June 16, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

KNOTT COUNTY

David Doyle Bailey, 69, of Littcarr, died Thursday, May 29, at the Whitesburg Appalachian

Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Ada Combs Bailey. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 31, under the directon of Hindman Funeral Services.

Delmar Ray Craft, 65, of Bonifay, Florida, formerly of Mallie, died Saturday, May 31, at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Alabama. He is survived by his wife, Laura McDermott Craft. Funeral services were held Friday, June 6, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

David Allen "Waterboy" Honeycutt, 41, of Pinetop, died Tuesday, June 3, at home. Funeral services were held Friday, June 6, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Hindman.

Betty Jo Ison, 71, of Pippa Passes, died Wednesday, May 28, at UK Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 31, under the direction of Letcher

Obituaries

Nora Lou (Poe) Williams

Nora Lou (Poe) Williams, 60, of Hilliard, Ohio, died Tues-day, June 18, 2008, at the OSU Medical Center.

Born June 3, 1948, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of Isom Poe and Kathryn H. Parker Poc. and a member of the Darby Creek Community Church.

She is survived by her husband, Paul Thurman Williams. Other survivors include a son, Paul Thomas (Tammy) Williams of Hillard, Ohio; a grandson, Seth Thomas Williams of Hillard, Ohio; two brothers: Benny (Brenda) Poe, Regional and Tom (Susie) Poe, both of

Prestonsburg; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday, June 21, at 4 p.m., at the Tidd Funeral Home, with clergyman Charlie officiating.

Burial will be in the Poe Family Cemetery, Route 114, Prestonsburg.

Graveside services will be held Tuesday, June 24, She was a homemaker at 11 a.m., with Bill Campbell officiating. Visitation, Monday,

June 23, 4-8 p.m.; and Tuesday, June 24, from 9:30-10:30, with procession following.

Donations may be made to MDA, c/o Fifth Third Bank, 2500 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Columbus, Ohio, 43231. (Paid obituary)

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Funeral Home.

 Glenna Smith Miller, 55, of Decoy, died Monday, June 2, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Earl Miller. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 4, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Forest Risner, 81, of Holiday, Florida, formerly of Knott County, died Sunday, June 1, at Morton Plant Hospital, Clearwater, Florida. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 7, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Betty Louise Slone, 60, of Pippa Passes, died Monday, June 9, at the Hazard ARH. Funeral services were held 🥌 Friday, June 11, at the Hindman Baptist Church.

Hattie Stacy, 84, of Pigeon Roost, died Friday, June 6, at her home. Funeral services were held Monday, June 9, under the direction of

Local leaders named as officers for Highlands Foundation 'Hope for Life' campaign

Highlands Medical Center is pleased to announce that several local leaders have stepped up to guide the Foundation's Hope for Life Campaign, which seeks to raise \$1.75 million in support of a new Emergency Department for the communi-14

General Chair of the Hope for Life Campaign Cabinet is Mark Wiete, Chief Operating Officer for Citizens National Bank. Mr. Wiete holds a thirty year career in banking and has served our country as a member of the armed forces. He cares about the people of Eastern Kentucky and devotes so much of his time giving back to his community. Mr. Wiete was recently awarded the 2008 Excellence Award for his work with the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce.

Gerald Robinette, Chief Executive Officer of Appalachian Wireless, will serve as Vice-Chair of the Campaign Cabinet. Mr. Robinette is a native of Eastern Kentucky and has served over 40 years in the communications field. He wants to give back to mountain people, not only as a good

Regional citizen and a good neighbor, but as a responsible business leader. For his continued leadership, Mr. Robinette was named the Businessperson of the Year in 2007 by the Pike Chamber County of Commerce.

> Highlands Foundation has named Ann Latta as Secretary of the Cabinet for the Hope for Life Campaign. In 1986, she became the first woman elected mayor of Prestonsburg and was instrumental in creating the city's first tourism bureau and the Mountain Arts Center. Ms. Latta was later named as Secretary of the Kentucky Tourism Cabinet. During her service, she helped develop ways to increase tourism in Kentucky, including the very popular and unique Kentucky Music Highway.

Bob Bayes. former Chairman of the Big Sandy Educational College Foundation and retired President of Paintsville Market for Classic Bank (now City National), will serve as Treasurer. Bob has been an active leader in his community through his service to the Mayo State Vocational and Technical Foundation and Johnson County Industrial

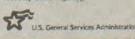
Development Authority. He also served as President of the Paintsville/Johnson County Chamber for 10 years.

Chair Mark Wiete talks about the importance of this project to the community. "I am excited to be a part of not only a wonderful team, but a wonderful cause! Being a former firefighter and EMT, I know how critical it is to have a world class emergency and trauma center in close proximity. Every second counts when it comes to life and death."

Highlands Regional Medical Center is pleased to have excellent support and leadership from the community. If you would like to join our Officers in supporting this worthwhile project, please contact the Highlands Foundation at 889-6271 or visit the web at www.highlandsfoundation.com.

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Should Barack Obama choose Hillary Clinton as his running mate?

- Yes, she deserves it
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- She should be considered, but he should make his own choice.
- Don't know

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- It could have been planned much better
- The detour is okay, but the drivers are terrible
- What detour?

Safety

65 percent, MSHA said.

But two mines on the latest list are owned by companies with mines targeted previously by MSHA.

A spokesman for one of them, Massey Energy Co., said the company expects to fix problems at its Rockhouse Energy Mining Co.'s mine No. 1 in eastern Kentucky. Richmond, Va.-based Massey is the nation's fourth-largest producer by revenue and operates mines in Virginia, West Virginia and Kentucky.

"On the other potential pattern of violations that we've gotten in the past, we've worked through those issues," spokesman Jeff Gillenwater said. "We'll work with MSHA to go through any of their concerns. We'll definitely take any corrective actions."

Richmond, Va.-based James River Coal Co. did not immediately return a request for comment. Its Blue

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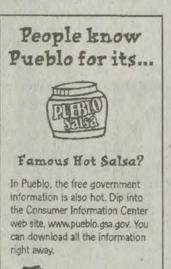
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Chambers, was charged with three counts possession of a prohibited object including a "six-and-one-half inch piece of metal, sharpened to a point, with a string for a handle and a lanyard."

Chambers, could receive up to five years of additional imprisonment, as well as a \$250,000 fine for the charge.



U.S. General Services Administration

Diamond Coal Co.'s No. 75 mine in Kentucky is among the latest operations targeted by MSHA. James River also operates mines in southern Indiana.

A third large operator with a mine on the list, Tulsa, Okla-based Alliance Resource Partners, did not respond immediately to a request for comment. MSHA is targeting a Kentucky mine operated by the company's Excel Mining subsidiary.

Mines on the latest list were picked by the number of violations that could lead to serious injury or illness during the past two years. Mines on the list must review and comment on the violations and develop plans for correcting problems.

If a mine significantly reduces the rate of significant and substantial violations during an ensuing 90-day monitoring period, MSHA says the operator will not receive a notification of a pattern of violations.

MSHA can temporarily halt work at mines that don't

reduce the number of serious violations.

The federal action comes as coal mining fatalities are increasing in the U.S. As of June 16, 15 coal miners had died in 2008, compared with six by the same time last year.

The trend prompted MSHA, the National Mining Association, the Bituminous Coal Operators' Association and United Mine Workers to

Heroin

Ward conspired together with several other inmates and at least one prison official to obtain prohibited items inside

a federal prison. Personne Elrico McGhee, was a former inmate of Big Sandy USP, and also listed in the records, Alice Marie Stapleton, a former Big Sandy USP corrections officer.

Stapleton was reportedly placed on administrative leave in July 2006, and was convicted of conspiracy to distribute

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send a safety letter to mine

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operators, miners and contractors Thursday. "With a joint effort by all to refocus on safety a repeat of these accidents could be prevented," the letter said. "We are urging everyone to maintain a focus on safety by trying to anticipate hazards and, most importantly, thinking before acting and avoiding shortcuts."

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heroin and marijuana and conspiracy to introduce contraband in February 2007. Stapleton is currently serving a seven-year prison sentence.

Henderson was released from Big Sandy USP in June of 2006.

If convicted on the new charges, Henderson and Ward could each face a maximum prison sentence of 30 years.

A court date has not yet been set for Henderson and Ward.

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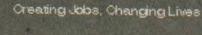
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- Felix Frankfurter

Guest view Decision corrects legal subversion

It would be difficult to exaggerate the importance of Thursday's Supreme Court ruling that prisoners at Guantanamo Bay have a constitutional right to go before a federal judge and challenge their detention.

The decision, by a narrow 5-4 margin, upholds the principle of habeas corpus, a pillar of American justice. By denying its application to the Guantanamo detainees for more than six years, the Bush administration in effect has claimed the absolute right to hold people indefinitely and without charges or trials. This is a subversion of the rule of law and has shamed the United States in the world's eyes.

Critics should shelve their usual braying about "permissive liberal judges." Does American conservatism truly now embrace a doctrine of authoritarian executive power?

Last week's ruling actually marks the third time that the Court has attempted to force the administration to grant due process of law at the American base in Cuba and to move along the process of deciding prisoners' fates. In the first two instances, a lapdog Congress, then under Republican control, passed laws to subvert the Court's findings. The latest decision, couched in powerful constitutional terms, is likely far more secure.

Justice Antonin Scalia, in a shrill and intemperate dissent, argued that the ruling "will almost certainly cause more Americans to be killed."

The government must do all that it legally can to make sure that is not the case. But Justice Scalia's argument could be used to sidestep constitutional safeguards whenever dangerous people are involved.

Yet, American courts have successfully prosecuted terrorists, war criminals and serial murderers. It is sad that the President and four justices do not trust the system to weigh the evidence against the Guantanamo prisoners.

In any case, as Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote in the



-Rich *Lowry* Column

The talking cure

In their litany of American presidents who met with hostile dictators, supporters of Barack Obama cite John F. Kennedy and his meeting with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev in Vienna in 1961. They leave out how it went.

The earnest, young American president wanted to forestall any possibility, of misunderstanding and to win Khrushchev's commitment to the international status quo. The blustery, risk-taking Soviet premier wanted to bludgeon Kennedy into making concessions that would further the Soviet goal of global revolution. When Kennedy thought he was being accommodating, Khrushchev thought he was being weak. Vienna was the backdrop for Soviet assertion in the Cold War flash points to come.

Not all talking is created equal. Which is why it's folly for a presidential candidate to make a blanket promise to negotiate personally with Secretary of State George Shultz, that restraint "was its most attractive, or only, option," while pressuring the tottering Soviet economic system.

The

column

When Mikhail Gorbachev came to power, the administration thought it had the strategic upper hand, and a man it work could with. Rcagan met with his counterpart in Geneva and

Reykjavik. Keenly aware of his inability to keep pace in a high-tech arms race, Gorbachev wanted any deal contingent on prohibiting SDI. Reagan said "no." Out of his weakness, Gorbachev eventually gave the Reagan administration the kinds of arms cuts it wanted and openings in Maybe, but it has allowed the EU-3 (Great Britain, France and Germany) to take the lead with Iran, and the Europeans have offered incentives

for the suspension of its nuclear program. It has engaged in prolonged negotiations with North Korea, winning the (dubious) promise of the suspension of its nuclear program. It has relentlesspromoted ly Israel -

Palestinian negotiations.

We have a recent example of even more active Middle East diplomacy. President Clinton had Yasser Arafat to the White House more than any other foreign leader, and his secretary of state, Warren Christopher, spent long, bootless hours with then-Syrian

President Hafez al-Assad. When

Clinton tried to pressure Arafat and

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak

into a deal that wasn't there near the

end of his second term, the second intifada erupted. It wasn't appease-

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Rich Lowry is editor of the

ment; it was just foolish.

Obama beware.

National Review.

majority's opinion, "The laws and Constitution are designed to survive, and remain in force, in extraordinary times.'

Due process, fair trials and timely resolutions are American strengths, not weaknesses. The Court has wisely cleared the way for them to work.

- The Courier-Journal, Louisville

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adversaries. Consider President Reagan,

another president invoked by Obama supporters. Reagan believed in personal diplomacy, but concluded upon taking office that it was pointless to talk to Soviet hard-liner Leonid Brezhnev. In stiffening U.S. defenses and pursuing the Strategic Defense Initiative, his administration sought to convince Moscow, in the words of the Soviet system. The Cold War was about to end.

If a President Obama handles relations with Iran as deftly, maneuvering the clerical regime to its doom, he's worthy of his hype. Nothing suggests that he even conceives of his desire to talk in these terms. To do so, he'd have to develop some appreciation for the concept of leverage.

Has the Bush administration been too diplomatically inflexible?

- beyond the beltway

Driving was sure fun while it lasted

by DONALD KAUL MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Who said that the power of the Press is dead? A few weeks ago I told people to stop whining about the high price of gasoline and do something

immediately, the Almost American people responded. In March of this year Americans drove 11 billion fewer miles than they did in March of 2007 and used 4.3 percent less gasoline.

That marks the first time since 1979 that traffic has declined from one March to the next and constitutes the biggest drop since the government started keeping track in 1942. Which means that my advice has had a greater impact on gas consumption than either World War II or the gas lines of the Carter years.

1 am so proud.

I am well aware, however, that with power comes responsibility. So it is with deep humility that I say to my fellow Americans:

It's not good enough, kids. You have to do better.

You're still spending, on the average, four percent of your disposable income on fuel (in some rural areas, 10-15 percent). That's more than twice as much as you were spending in 1998. In other words, too much.

And you haven't even thought about increasing fuel standards or lowering speed limits. All you've done is complain and cut a measly 4.3 percent from your gas bill.

A Chicago woman, a single mother of two, told the New York Times: "Rising gas prices end up hurting working, lower class people like me, who can't afford it anymore."

So what else is new? All bad things-wars, eco-

nomic depressions, inflation, George Bush---cnd up hurting the working classes most. That is the way of the world, particularly folks, when the world is being run by a party whose answer to all problems is tax-cuts for the rich.

So don't think

government will help you. Don't wait for the oil companies to give you a hand. And if you're expecting our oil-producing Arab allies to bail you out, forget it.

To repeat what I've said before: If you want to stop spending so much on fuel, use less of it. And I'm not talking about a four percent cut, I'm talking a 20, 30, even 40 percent cut in consumption.

That won't be easy. You can only do so much with car-pooling, driving sensibly and one-trip multiple errands. You're going to have to find alternative modes of transportation.

I don't mean to blow my own horn, but this is what I have done: I got rid of one of my cars, thus making my wife and me a one-car family. I can't tell you that there aren't moments of conflict over who should have the car and when but basically it's working out fine. And it gives one a sense of moral superiority.

When it's inconvenient to walk or ride a bike to where I'm going, I take a bus. This has it's own inconveniences, of course, but so does dragging around a 3500-pound car that has to be parked and attracts expensive tickets not to mention dents in

the doors.

Buses would be more convenient if there were more of them and there'd be more of them if more people used them. Start using them.

As for long-distance hauls, there are trains. Yes, they're still with us. They're like Santa Claus-just because you don't see

them doesn't mean they don't exist.

I recently took two train ridesone from New York to Michigan (in a sleeping compartment) and one a round-trip between Ann Arbor and Chicago.

I'm here to say they were...OK. Not a patch on what train travel used to be in this country and still is in Europe, but better than sitting, fists clenched on a steering wheel, for hour after hour as you dodge homicidal truckers.

Gas prices are going to get higher before they get lower. It's time to adjust our living to them. Complaining is just a waste of hot air.

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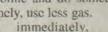
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Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being

The most far-sighted man I know of, is the character who, on one of the hottest days recently, picked up a piece of poplar plank and, toting it away, explained it would come in handy for kindling a fire, next winter.

BIG FISH

Delbert Mullins, of Arkansas Creek, showed up at this office, last Friday morning, with a 20pound mudeat that measured 33 1/2 inches. The fish was caught in the river, near Banner, on a trotline. Wonder what became of the boys who used to come by, grinning like Cheshire cats, with those big bass. Perhaps I should wonder what became of the bass.

THE LAST STRAW-YEAH! The paper had no more than got around last week, when Chief Justice Warren's decision to fold his robe and silently steal away, was announced. I'm sure my "Contempt of Court" item in this column did the trick.

QUESTION

Middle Creek, a stream which once had a good supply of fish, has not a living thing in it now, not even a crawdad, all the way from David, to where the stream runs into the Big Sandy, at West Prestonsburg. What would the





MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON 'Wrestlemaniac'

by TOM DOTY TIMES COLUMNIST

A gaggle of unappealing morons run afoul of a crazed Luchador (Spanish for wrestler) in this entertaining fright-fest that was filmed for less that what ex-New York Governor Eliot Spitzer spent on call girls.

This one busts out of the gate early with an ceric opening scene that features a camera panning along a dark path up to the ancient doors of a church. Suddenly, the doors spring open and a blood-soaked damsel

comes screaming out of said portal and right at the camera.

Cut to black and white footage of masked Mexican wrestlers battling it out while a mariachi band swings into action. It's the perfect opening as it

telegraphs exactly



Tom Doty Times Columnist

what to expect here - a cross between a Santo movie and your typical teens-in-jeopardy slasher opus.

Next we meet our "heroes," who turn out to be a pretty unappealing lot who are headed to Mexico in order to produce a low rent pornographic film. They consist of three bimbettes (one of whom spends most of the film in a comatose state after smoking more grass than Willie Nelson's roadies), a sleazy director named Alphonse, a cameraman named Steve (whom everyone calls "Fats" because he's obviously consumed more Doritos than Nelson's road crew) and a male

Water Pollution Commission suggest?

CLOSE CALL

There's a fellow named Hugh Allen who, writing in The Knoxville News-Sentinel, came close to hitting me with this description of a "wrong way sportsman": When he's golfing, he hooks 'em, and when he's fishing, he doesn't. (I slice.).

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You know when fishing gets so rotten you can't find anything ridiculous to record about the trip, matters are in the sere and yaller leaf, indeed.

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stoner who's there because he owns the van.

This charismatically challenged bunch is not even on Mensa's radar, which is quickly evidenced when they toss out their only road map and decide to wing it. They eventually stop at a gas station that has an attendant but no petrol.

What it does have is a bizarre owner sporting black teeth and a sense of local legends. He informs the group that the nearest location is a ghost town that is haunted by legendary wrestler "El Mascarado" and that all of the people there have since perished.

Whereas such news would send anyone else back over the border, we have to remember that this is a horror movie, so our dimwitted stars proceed there with all due haste.

They aren't there long before they are shooting their magnum opus. The sleeping bimbo wakes up long enough to toss her cookies, cut her foot and get lost, before finding out that El Mascarado still lives and he doesn't take kindly to gringos. The stoner male quickly follows suit and the remaining geniuses eventually figure out that something is amiss.

They get a heads up from Steve (turns out he's a wrestling fanatic), who relates the tale of El Mascarado. He apparently went a little south of the border and began skinning his opponents after pinning them. This practice turned out to be too much for the wrestling commission (they actu-

(See LAGOON, page six)

Frosty the Snowman

by LAHRE SHIFLET, age 15 "CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE SOUL: **CELEBRATING BROTHERS & SISTERS"**

My family and I live about two hours from several Sierra Nevada ski resorts, and we love to ski. The snow was perfect the day we chose to take the short drive "up the hill" from Sacramento, and with no storms blowing in, it turned out to be a sunny and warm day with almost no wind.

My father is a really good skier, so he went on some really hard runs by himself, while Michelle (my stepmother) and my little brother Shawn and I headed for some easier runs. We took one of the chairlifts up the hill and got off at the top, turning to the right, which was a "beginner's" run. For my little brother Shawn, it was a really big hill; for Michelle and me, it was cake. All three of us started skiing down the mountain, but suddenly Shawn somehow got turned around and was skiing down backward! He was screaming, "Mommy! Lahre! Help!"

1 was below him, so 1 stopped, took off my skis, and ran up the mountain. He grabbed me and held on for dear life.

'Shawn, it's OK, bud; I got you," I tried to assure him. I turned him around so he was facing forward, but he still was so scared and crying a little. I really wanted to find a way to make my little brother smile and laugh. I wanted him to know how much fun skiing could be and for him to have fun skiing the rest of the day. I ran back down to my skis and put them on. Shawn was still upset and scared as the three of us continued down the hill.

Then I saw it, my opportunity to make my brother laugh. Sitting there, right in the middle of the run, was a snowman! I was so excited because I

pictured myself skiing though the Instead of the snowman flying everysnowman, and its fluffy snow flying all over me. It would just be so cool! As I picked up speed,

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heading downhill directly at the snowman, screamed to my little brother, "Shawn, watch this!"

Just as I was expecting to hit snowman The and send it flying into a billion snowy pieces, my skis hit

what had turned into a snowman-shaped solid block of ice. once again fun for my little brother.

where, my right ski popped off and went Ilying in one direction while I

flew over the snowman and continued tumbling and sliding down the hill in the other direction.

When I finally opened my eyes, I was lying on my back, and everything was quiet. Then I heard them! Shawn and Michelle were laughing so hard, I couldn't believe it. I had

gotten my wish: Shawn was happy and laughing. Skiing was

If ESC is so great, why is there an off switch?

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray: I just purchased a car with ESC,

and have read how it is a feature that should be standard on all vehicles - it could reduce the number of accidents and save more than 10,000 lives a year. If this is so good, why does the car manufacturer provide a switch to turn it off? Under what conditions would I not want to have ESC? Thank you. - Dennis

RAY: Great question, Dennis. For those who aren't familiar with automotive

for electronic stability control. We've also seen it called stuff like ASC, DSC, ESP, RSC, SCAS and StabiliTrak.

TOM: ESC works by using sensors to determine where the car is going, and compares that with where you WANT the car to go (by measuring steering and pedal inputs), and then helps direct the car to where you want it to go by applying the brakes on individual wheels. Or, in layman's



of the car even when you drive like a moron. RAY: Up to a point.

Right. TOM: There's a point where even stability control can't help you.

RAY: So, when wouldn't you want ESC on? There are two times we know of. One is when you WANT to drive like a moron. People who drive their cars on racetracks sometimes want their cars to slide around and skid. If you're one of those knuckleheads, you might

acronyms, ESC is the generic term decide to turn off the ESC and take your chances - presumably, while wearing a crash helmet.

TOM: But the more common reason has to do with getting unstuck when you're stuck in the snow, sand or mud. The way ESC works when you're moving is that if it detects one or more of your wheels slipping, it applies the brake to that wheel to prevent a skid.

RAY: But if you're stuck in the snow, for example, and your drive

terms, it helps you maintain control wheels are spinning, you might not tomer's car! want them to stop spinning - at least not until the car has broken free of whatever it's stuck in. In that case, you'd turn off the ESC and turn it back on once you're free and on your way.

TOM: But generally speaking, Dennis, it's a life-saving technology, and you want it on all the time. Just like the paper bag we keep over my brother's head when we take him out in public.

Driver confesses to bad parkingbrake behavior

Dear Tom and Ray:

Twice now, I have left a lateevening rehearsal without releasing the parking brake on my 2007 Toyota Corolla Matrix, and driven 10 miles home (50 mph on the freeway most of the way) before discovering my ridiculous error. Please tell me what horrible things I have done to my car. I love this car, and I really don't want to confess to anyone what I have done! You're my only hope for advice - scathing though it may be! Gratefully yours - Amy

RAY: You've been drinking too many glasses of Mateus during rehearsal, Amy

TOM: Don't feel bad about the parking brake. I've done this myself. Fortunately, it was always on a cus-

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RAY: It's possible that you've done some damage, Amy, But we can't tell without inspecting the rear brakes. So, you're going to have to go to the confessional at your local dealership, close the curtain and spill everything to your service adviser.

TOM: Don't worry, he's heard much worse.

RAY: What you did was the equivalent of driving with your foot pressed partway down on the brake pedal - but only for the rear brakes. Depending upon how firmly your parking brake was applied while you drove (clearly not that firmly, if you were able to drive on the freeway at 50 mph), you could have overheated those rear brakes.

TOM: If they did overheat, you could have cracked your brake shoe linings, or even warped the brake drums. But I doubt it.

RAY: Me. too. Any decent mechanic can tell you after taking a quick look. The range of what this might cost you runs from nothing (our guess), to about \$150 if you need shoes, to \$350 if you need your drums replaced, too.

TOM: But here's a surefire way to prevent this in the future: Apply the parking brake more firmly. How firmly? Try this experiment: Put the car in drive with your foot on the

brake pedal.

RAY: Do this on an open driveway, where you have some room to move, not in front of your prized African tulips or your freshly painted garage door.

TOM: Right. With the car in drive and your foot on the brake, pull up the parking brake and take your foot off the brake pedal. The car shouldn't move. If it does, pull up harder on the hand brake and try again. Not only should the car stay perfectly still, but if you step on the gas and try to drive it away, you should feel a discernible drag on the car, like something is wrong.

RAY: If you can't get to that point, your parking brake might not be working properly, and you should have it looked at.

TOM: But once you find that spot, Amy, where it's hard to drive away - that's how hard you should apply the parking brake every time you park the car.

RAY: If you do that, there are two benefits. No. 1, the parking brake will be sure to do its job and prevent the car from rolling away if it ever slips out of gear. And No. 2, it'll keep you from driving home with the parking brake engaged, because even YOU will notice that something's wrong, Amy. Good luck!

Pop culture makes mark on Social Security's most popular baby names list

Continuing a popular tradi- names for twins born in 2007. tion, the federal government's top official for baby names, Astrue. Michael J. Commissioner of Social Security, last month jointly announced with Parade magazine the most popular baby names for 2007. Parade also highlighted the Social Security Administration's Mother's Day campaign to inform people with limited income about the extra help available with their Medicare prescription drug costs. That extra help is worth up to \$3,600 per year.

Please click on the Most Popular Baby Names link at Social Security's website www.socialsecurity.gov - to see the top baby names for 2007. The top ten boys and girls names for 2007 are:

Jacob and Joshua are again the most popular twin's names.

The Social Security website offers lists of baby names for each year since 1880. Social Security started compiling baby name lists in 1997.

"American Although Idol's" Sanjaya did not influence this year's list, other young celebrities influenced the naming of American children. The 2007 success of popular race car driver Danica Patrick undoubtedly inspired her first name moving from number 352 to number 307. Similarly, the name of the first pick in the 2007 NFL draft, Oakland Raiders' quarterback JaMarcus Russell, rose from number 914 to number 743 on the boys' list. Shiloh, the youngest daughter of Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie, debuted on the list at number 804. Maddox, the name of their oldest child, has seen steady gains since first appearing on the list in 2003 at number 583 and now ranking at number 226. Suri, the name of Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes' daughter, did not make the list. But Britney Spears' second son is named Jayden, which ranked at number 18. Miley is new to the girls' list this year, entering fairly high at number 278. attributable to the popularity of teen sensation Miley Cyrus. For reasons likely to puzzle baby name experts around the world, American parents have become infatuated by names, particularly for their sons, that rhyme with the word "maiden." These names for boys include: Jayden (No. 18); Aiden (No. 27); Aidan (No. 54); Jaden (No. 76); Caden (No. 92); Kaden (No. 98); Ayden (No.102); Braden (No.156); Cayden (No.175); Jaiden (No.191); Kaiden (No. 220); Aden (No. 264); Caiden

(No. 286); Braeden (No. 325); Braydon (No. 361); Jaydon (No. 415); Jadon (No. 423); Braiden (No. 529); Zayden (No. 588); Jaeden (No. 593); Aydan (No. 598); Bradyn (No. 629); Kadin (No. 657); Jadyn (No. 696); Kaeden (No. 701); Jaydin (No. 757); Braedon (No. 805); Aidyn (No. 818); Haiden (No. 820); Jaidyn (No. 841): Kadvn (No. 878): Jaydan (No. 887); Raiden (No. 931); and Adin (No. 983). This startling trend was present, but less pronounced, with girls names: Jayden (No. 172); Jadyn (No. 319); Jaden (No. 335); Jaiden (No. 429); Kayden (No. 507); and Jaidyn (No. 561). Social Security spokesman Mark Lassiter indicated that the agency would resist any legislative efforts to standardize the spelling of these names. Experts also may be surprised by the extent to which American parents are naming their daughters after spiritual and philosophical concepts. One of the most popular names for girls (rising this year to number 31) is Nevaeh, which is "Heaven" spelled backwards. The variant Neveah came in this year at number 891 and Heaven is number 263. Also represented were: Destiny (No. 41); Trinity (No. 72); Serenity (No. 126); Harmony (No. 315); Miracle (No. 461); Charity (No. 673); Journey (No. 692); Destini (No. 914); and Essence (No. 930). Cutting against this trend was Armani (No. 971). American parents were far less likely to name their sons in this way, although the 2007 boys' list does include Sincere (No. 622) and Messiah (No. 723).

676 and noted, "It is further proof that Elvis is not dead."

For more information about benefits and services call your local Social Security Office in Prestonsburg at (606) 886-8525. The office is located at 1897 Kentucky Route 321' in Prestonsburg. Representatives are available to answer questions.

And remember, we have representatives available to give presentations and speeches about Social Security Programs. Contact the office for more information.

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ally have one of those?), which suspended his license and sent him to this remote town for treatment.

It isn't long before the masked man shows up for a bout with his guests and they fare poorly. Steve figures out that the only way to defeat the monster is to rip off its mask. which will, hopefully, force the brute to slink away in shame and never wrestle again. The hitch turns out to be getting close enough to do the deed and it all comes down to a grudge match with the lovely glimpsed in the opening scene, but even she may not have what it takes to get out of this in one piece.

This one has a lot going for it. The locations are authentic, the gore is plentiful and the

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execution is quick (it only runs about 75 minutes).

That said, the actors are not up to the task of currying audience sympathy (though the guy playing Steve comes close). You wind up rooting for Mascarado, and that is fine as he is authentically interpreted by wrestler Ray Misterio, who rocks a colorful mask, big arms and a gut that appears to have been sponsored by Budweiser.

The ending hints at a rematch which might be worth attending if the they give you a couple of characters worth worrying about.

Best line: "It's El Mascarado, dude. He took his face off."

2008, unrated.



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Boys

- 1) Jacob 2) Michael 3) Ethan 4) Joshua 5) Daniel 6) Christopher 7) Anthony 8) William 9) Matthew
- 10) Andrew

Girls:

- 1) Emily 2) Isabella
- 3) Emma
- 4) Ava
- 5) Madison
- 6) Sophia
- 7) Olivia
- 8) Abigail
- 9) Hannah
- 10) Elizabeth

Emily has topped the list since 1996. Jacob has done so since 1999. Elizabeth returns to the top ten after a two year absence.

In addition to a list of the 1,000 most popular boys' and girls' names for 2007, the website has a list of the top 100

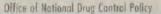
Commissioner Finally, Astrue expressed his approval that Elvis has risen 85 spots from number 761 to number

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Turner named ACHS girls' basketball coach

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Allen Central High School has turned to an alumnus to guide its girls' basketball program. ACHS graduate Tiffany Turner has been named ACHS girls' basketball head coach for the 2008-09 schoolyear. Turner played basketball at ACHS for five years. She played softball at Alice Lloyd College, graduating with a degree in Biology. She has worked in the Floyd County School system and has coached volleyball at South

years and at Allen Central for one year; she assisted the South Floyd girls' basketball Hancock has been employed team for two years. Turner was the South Floyd softball coach for one year.

Assisting Turner will be Rick Hancock and Terri Mullins. Hancock is a 1978 graduate of Allen Central and assisted and managed the Rebels from 1974-1978. He was the head coach of the Maytown Elementary School boys basketball team from 1990-1996 and the Allen Central boys' freshman coach from 1996-1998. He

Floyd High School for four has coached the Allen Central Middle school girls' basketball team since 2003. with Floyd County Schools since 1978.

Mullins is also a graduate of Allen Central High School. A former teammate of Turner's, Mullins played basketball for the Rebels for five years. She played basketball at the collegiate level at Saint Catherine. Turner played softball at Saint Catherine and at Pikeville College for four years. While attending Pikeville College, Mullins assisted

coaching the ACHS girls' basketball team during the 2007-2008 season. She has assisted coaching the Allen Central softball team since Majoring in Art, 2006. Mullins is continuing to work on her Master's Degree at Pikeville College.

Turner insists on hard work and discipline. She wants to continue the building process for the girls program and has indicated she is in it for the long term.

"We believe she, along with Coaches Hancock and

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Prestonsburg High School will host the Focus High School Football Combine on Saturday, July 26. Players from various parts of the state continue to register for the combine.

Former Wildcat Prince makes US Team THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT - Tayshaun Prince earned a spot on the USA Basketball team for the Beijing Games, a person in the NBA told The Associated Press on Thursday.

The person spoke Thursday on the condition of anonymity because the roster will be announced Monday during a news conference in Chicago.

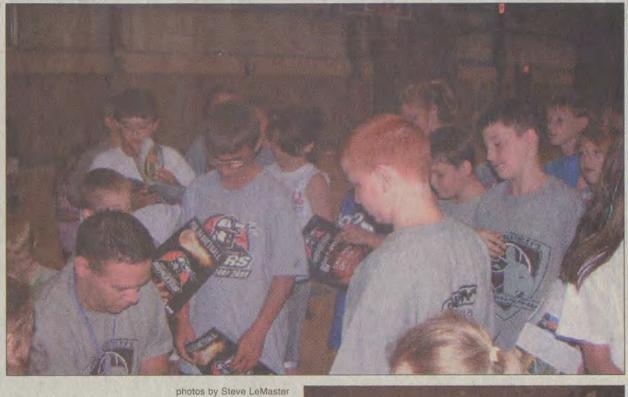
Last year, Prince played for a U.S. team that was led by Kobe Bryant, LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony during an unbeaten run in an Olympic qualifying tournament.

Earlier this month, USA Basketball managing director Jerry Colangelo said the squad would be selected without a tryout.

Also Thursday, the Arizona Republic reported that Suns forward Amare Stoudamire has declined a chance to be on the Olympic squad.

Colangelo told the newspaper that Stoudemire was concerned about pushing his body too hard after knee surgery in 2005 and 2006.

The 6-foot-9, 215-pound



EAST KENTUCKY MINERS COACH KEVIN **KEATHLEY** conducted his Pro Basketball Youth Camp at the Knott County Sportsplex in Soft Shell this past week. The camp attracted 55 campers from seven different Eastern Kentucky counties.

Above: Keathley signed autographs for the young campers in attendance.

Right: Kent Damron, son of Sean and Stephanie Damron, attended the camp. The young Damron, age 4, earned a spot as one of the top campers in his age group.



NABC Board asks coaches to refrain from making early commitments

Former Kentucky Coach Tubby Smith favors move

TIMES STAFF REPORT

KANSAS CITY, Mo. -The Board of Directors of the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) announced that it strongly opposes 10th grade students and younger from making commitments to collegiate institutions for the purpose of playing men's basketball. The Board is asking men's basketball coaches to refrain from offering or encouraging these young people to make such commitments.

The Board of Directors' opposition is based on the fact that these students have not yet displayed sufficient academic credentials or, in the vast majority of cases, basketball maturity to accurately project them as admissible students to the institution or impact players on the basketball team.

The Board of Directors asks coaches to not offer scholarships or accept commitments from students earlier than June 15 following the conclusion of the sophomore year, which is the first date of permissible contact with prospective student-athletes according to NCAA regulations. "If the current rules state that coaches cannot offer scholarships or accept commitments from students earlier than June 15 following the conclusion of the sophomore year, it certainly makes sense that this should apply to anyone in lower grades," said NABC president Tubby Smith, the head coach at the University of Minnesota. "The academic and athletic profiles of these younger students are still very much works in progress. Coaches and athletes need to respect the process and allow development to occur in both areas prior to making commitments." Located in Kansas City. Missouri, the NABC was founded in 1927 by Forrest "Phog" Allen, the legendary basketball coach at the University of Kansas. Allen, a student of James Naismith, the inventor of basketball, organized coaches into this collective group to serve as Guardians of the Game. The NABC currently claims nearly 5,000 members consisting primarily of university and college men's basketball coaches. All members of the NABC are expected to uphold the core values of being a Guardian of the Game by bringing attention to the positive aspects of the sport of basketball and the role coaches play in the academic and athletic lives of today's student-athletes. The four core values of being a Guardian of the Game are advocacy, leadership, service and education.

Prince gives the U.S. team a playoff-tested player who can slow down opponents with his defensive skills. He can also score occasionally with an array of runners and spin moves around the lane.

Prince helped the Detroit Pistons advance to the Eastern Conference finals for the sixth straight year, making them the most consistent in the playoffs since the Los Angeles Lakers of the 1980s.

He has played in 114 playoff games to surpass the total of any player his first six NBA seasons.

Pistons teammate Chauncey Billups pulled himself out of consideration for a spot on the U.S. team earlier this week. The All-Star point guard might have had a hard time making the team anyway because of available guards such as Jason Kidd, Dwyane Wade, Chris Paul and Deron Williams.

Wilson to continue basketball career at Alice Lloyd College HARLAN DAILY ENTERPRISE

CUMBERLAND Garfield Wilson made a big impact on the Cumberland basketball program in only one year after transferring from North Carolina.

The coaching staff at Alice Lloyd College hopes the 6foot-4 senior center can be just as effective on the next level.

New Alice Lloyd coach J.R. Hammond, a former head coach of the Sheldon Clark High School boys' basketball program, said Wilson will be a great addition to the roster.

"Garfield is a super athlete. He has very good hands, a nice soft touch and can handle the ball very well. To be this late in the recruiting season and for him to still be out there is a blessing for the Eagle program

California road course awaits Sprint Cup drivers

by BRIAN KACHARABA ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASCAR SPRINT CUP: Race: Toyota/Save Mart 350; Site: Sonoma, Calif.; Track: Infineon Raceway (permanent road course, 1.99 miles, 10 turns).

Race distance: 218.9 miles, 110 laps.

Last race: Dale Earnhardt Jr. ended a 76-race winless streak by stretching his last fuel load at Michigan Speedway. International

Earnhardt, whose last victory came on May 6, 2006, at Richmond, lasted the last 55 laps on the two-mile oval, including three laps of overtime, without stopping for gas. Last year: Juan Pablo Montoya showed off his road racing prowess, stretching his fuel to the limit and grabbing his first Cup win. Montova, who qualified a disappointing. 32nd in the 43-car field, was the first driver to win on the Northern California road circuit starting farther back than

13th. Fast facts: Earnhardt has never won a road-course race in his Cup career or posted a top-10 finish at Infineon. He and Carl Edwards are tied for the series lead with 11 top-10 finishes this season. ... Kyle Busch increased his lead in the standings to 32 points over Jeff Burton, but third-place Earnhardt moved within 84 points of the lead. ... Jeff Gordon leads all drivers with five wins and four poles at Infineon, but is still looking

for his first victory of 2008. He had four wins and was leading the point standings at this time last year. ... This is the first of two road-course races this year. The other is at Watkins Glen, N.Y., on Aug. 10. ... Marcos Ambrose is expected to make his Cup debut this weekend driving for Wood Brothers Racing.

Next race: Lenox Industrial Tools 301, June 29, Loudon, N.H.

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

photo courtesy of FLW Outdoors Boater Tee Watkins of East Point was

the highest-placing finisher in the Ranger Cup program at the April 14 **BFL Volunteer Division event. Watkins** continues to fish several tournaments. The Eastern Kentucky native is a veteran fisherman. He has fished some of the nation's top lakes. His angling career has taken him to several different states.



NCAA Board to reconsider 2007-30c

TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS - The NCAA national office has received the requisite number of requests to call for the Division I Board of Directors to reconsider legislation eliminating the opportunity for men's basketball coaches to evaluate at non-scholastic events in April.

Intended to address concerns about the amount of missed class time by prospective student-athletes who travel to several nonscholastic events in April and the disruption of the relationship between Division I coaches and their current student-athletes, the legislation was sponsored by the Championships/Competition Cabinet and supported by the Men's Basketball Issues Committee.

Institutions who sought the override, particularly those with limited financial resources, cited cost savings as a chief reason for wanting to eliminate the rule - evaluating several prospects in one location, as provided by nonscholastic events, is more

cost-effective than traveling to different high schoolsponsored events. Those who oppose the legislation also said they believe that evaluating prospects at nonscholastic events helps coaches make better recruiting decisions.

"This opportunity could assist coaches with making better decisions and hopefully diminish transfers," one institution wrote in its request. "Allowing coaches to evaluate the top prospective student-athletes competing against the top prospects

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in the country will help eliminate student-athletes from transferring. Coaches and prospects will have a better understanding of the talent and playing time at their institutions.'

The Board will meet August 7. The override period for all legislation adopted at the April 25 Board meeting ends June 23. A total of 100 override requests are required to send the legislation to a vote of the full membership at the 2009 NCAA Convention.

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Trainer to Congress: Racing is 'chemical warfare

by JOSEPH WHITE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON

Testifying before Congress, Hall of Fame trainer Jack Van Berg summed up thoroughbred racing's woes in two words: "chemical warfare."

"The present rules permitting the use of steroids and other drugs have comprised the integrity of horse racing and has been a major factor in attendance and for interest falling to an all-time low," Van Berg told the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection. "Crowds at most of these tracks, you could shoot a cannon through and not hit anybody."

The use of performanceenhancing drugs took a big hit at Thursday's hearing, which was called after Eight Belles broke down and was euthanized at the Kentucky Derby last month. All of the witnesses spoke in favor of banning such substances, although the consensus was far from clear on how best to achieve that goal as well as other reforms in a sport lacking an authoritative, central governing body.

"We need a league and a commissioner. We need action, please. Congress, help," said Jess Jackson, owner of 2007 Horse of the Year Curlin.

"The last thing this industry needs is another layer of bureaucracy. A 'Department of Horse-land Security' funded by yet another tax on our long-suffering customers is not what we need," said Alex Waldrop, president of the Thoroughbred National Racing Association.

In between those opposing points of view was Jockey Club president Alan Marzelli, who favored the establishment of a national governing body without government intervention.

proactive in his interest in the sport - Rep. Ed Whitfield of Kentucky, the subcommittee's ranking Republican - suggested that Congress was ready to act. Whitfield said lawmakers can use leverage the Interstate under Horseracing Act of 1978, which grants simulcasting rights that now account for much of the industry's profits. A law could be passed, for example, that withholds simulcast money from states that don't adhere to federally mandated guidelines.

"Mr. Waldrop has the very best intentions, but he does not have the authority to do anything," Whitfield said. "We are going to be looking at some legislation to deal with this."

Deteriorating bloodlines, due to inbreeding, were also discussed as a cause for concern. Witnesses noted that

The congressman most quickly than the thoroughbreds of past decades.

Illinois Democrat Jan Schakowsky, the subcommittee's vice chairwoman, said Eight Belles was a "genetic disaster waiting to happen," a point she made by displaying a chart of what she called the horse's "fragile bloodline."

Others pointed to new surveys, including one by The Associated Press, that have discovered thousands of racing-related horse deaths in recent years.

"We are a rudderless ship," said longtime breeder Arthur Hancock. "The way we're going, we will all end up on the rocks."

The lack of conformity in the sport is a result of its lack of structure. Racing is essentially run by 38 sets of rules - one for each state in which racing takes place.

"Imagine if the NFL were set up to permit each state to horses wear out much more field as many pro teams as it

as it wanted all year long, and set its own individual football rules. ... Horse racing has been set up in this fashion," ESPN analyst Randy Moss said.

Jockey Club president Marzelli offered hope by pointing out that its safety panel two days ago called for a sweeping ban on anabolic steroids. He expects all horse racing states to adopt the ban.

"We are confident that 2008 will be the last year in which anabolic steroids will be permitted in our sport during training and racing," Marzelli said.

That would have an effect on the methods used by the trainer of Big Brown, the Triple Crown favorite that finished a stunning last in the Belmont Stakes on June 7. Rick Dutrow, who gave a legal steroid to Big Brown through April, was expected tell Congress his side of the

wanted, play as many games story in person, but was a noshow.

> Dutrow on Wednesday told the AP that he was too ill to attend, but he remained on the witness list - there was even a symbolic name card for him at the table - because he apparently failed to tell those in charge.

> "I'm disappointed by his absence," Schakowsky said. "I'm disappointed that he did not feel the need to notify the subcommittee of his decision."

> Dutrow did provide a statement in which he discussed his checkered record, including his use of anabolic steroids on horses.

"My observation is that it helps the horses eat better," the statement said. "Their coats brighten. They're more alert. It helps them train."

Dutrow added that "if steroids are banned in the United States, we'll stop using them."

Simple tips to use to conserve gas when boating

by LEE McCLELLAN KENTUCKY AFIELD

FRANKFORT - It is amazing how quickly it happens. Your truck's gas tank is nearly half empty by the time you finish a sausage biscuit and cup of coffee while driving to the lake with your boat in tow. The \$4 per gallon gas stings your wallet. You may be well over \$100 in the hole from vehicle and boat gas before making a single cast on a fishing trip this summer.

Large outboard engines drink gas at an alarming rate. However, a few simple tips can help you save boat fuel and reduce the financial pain of record gas prices.

Patterning fish close to the launching the ramp is one of the best ways to burn less gas. You might be surprised how good the fishing is near a ramp or marina. Many anglers bypass this water because they are too pumped up to get to their honey hole 10 miles up the lake. Launching your boat closer to your fishing spot not only saves gas, but it gives you more fishing time and saves wear and tear on your boat.

Fishing near the ramp can provide a bonus for bass anglers because tournaments use boat ramps and marinas as weigh-in areas. Many tournament anglers also release their bass right there. This stacks fish up on nearby structure, such as points, weedlines, channel drops, fallen trees and stump beds.

You can also challenge yourself to see how many bass you can catch without even firing your boat's big motor. Some of the best fishing days occur when electrical or lower unit failures force you to use your trolling motor only.

By climinating the use of your primary motor, you must probe a point, channel drop or stump bed for fish thoroughly instead of making a few casts and running somewhere else. Fish don't bite unless your lure is in the water. You won't catch a fish if your lure is jiggling at the end of your rod while you're making a run.

Another gas-saving tip: Lighten the load in your boat by taking out what you don't need for your trip. If you plan to bluegill fish, you don't need the heavy sinkers, cast nets, strong rods and big reels left over from your last catfishing trip on the Ohio River. Take store it. Things accumulate over time on a boat from each successive fishing trip. Just remember to keep the required safety equipment onboard, such as your life jackets.

Go through cach storage compartment and eliminate things you won't need. You'll just need to make a list before your next trip. Put that weight on your garage or storage shed floor. Don't make your boat motor push it and burn more gas

Proper boat maintenance is another way to save gas. The only time many of us maintain our boat's motor is when it malfunctions. A person of modest mechanical means can change the spark plugs, the lower unit oil and inspect the fuel lines for cracks or dry rot.

that stuff out of your boat and Check the primer bulb and make sure it is pliable and stays firm after pumping it full of gas. This saves fuel.

> Keeping the bottom of your boat clean also saves gas. If you store your boat in water for any length of time, algae grows on the hull. The drag it creates forces the engine to burn more gas to get the boat through the water. A clean hull glides over the water, reducing the engine's workload. A clean hull also improves the boat's handling.

> Finally, pay attention to your boat's prop. If your boat is slow to get on plane or lacks top-end speed, the pitch or diameter of your propeller may be off. Have your boat mechanic check the propeller performance and upgrade if necessary. It will pay for itself

in fuel savings while increasing performance. A bent propeller or one with a chunk missing from it also costs gas. Replace a damaged propeller.

These simple tips will lighten the cost of your fishing trip by burning less gas in your boat. This means more fishing trips this summer and fall.

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Basketball

and a great addition to our roster." he said.

Hammond also expressed that he was impressed with Wilson's defensive aggressiveness and athleticism.

"Garfield will bring a very aggressive defense style of very welcome to our new style of play." Hammond said.

Wilson averaged 13.8 points and 9.5 rebounds per game last season for the 20-9 Redskins, who finished as the 52nd District runner-up.

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than people would think for his size.

Edwards said Wilson could help the Eagles as a freshman. "He should see a lot of

playing time on the inside," Edwards said. "He came on "There's still a lot there to strong for us last year. He

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build on the foundation of . successful girls' basketball Larry Maynard said in a individual fundamentals and program at Allen Central,"

press release.

Mullins, will continue to teamwork while developing a ACHS Athletic Director

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Tiger Woods gives and then he takes away bag, it doesn't take much to get fans of the sport, he is golf. ASSOCIATED PRESS our fill of Phil. People who wouldn't know

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made a great adjustment during the season after sitting out last year and was a key part of our 20 wins."

photo by David C. Dixon Cumberland High School Wilson center Garfield signed recently with Alice Lloyd College. He is pictured Cumberland High with School/ Harlan County High School AD John Bond (left), Cumberland/Harlan County assistant coach Derrick Akal and Alice Lloyd College Coach J.R. Hammond.

He gave us one of the most memorable golf tournaments you'll ever see, winning the U.S. Open on one leg.

Then he took the rest of the golf season away.

In just a few short days, golf went from prime time to who cares. There are two major championships and the Ryder Cup left, but without Tiger. Woods around it won't be must-see TV anymore.

Think the PGA Tour had trouble selling the FedEx Cup last year? Try getting people to change channels from the NFL when the only player anyone really wants to see is sitting at home in Florida playing with his toddler daughter.

Put an asterisk next to the winner of the British Open and PGA Championship because those are both tournaments Woods likely would have won had he been healthy and able to play. Add another to the golfer who wins player of the year, because that was always going to be Woods, too.

As for the Ryder Cup? Well, it should be a friendly little competition down in Louisville in September. 1 don't know about you, but I can hardly wait to see Justin Leonard and Stewart Cink paired up against Lee Westwood Robert and Karlsson.

Golf once again has been rendered meaningless, leaving us nothing to look forward to the rest of the year other than watching some anonymous millionaires covered in logos win even more millions against other anonymous millionaires covered in logos.

Yes, Rocco Mediate was. fun while he lasted, but he could just as easily miss the next five cuts as be in contention on a Sunday once again. And although Phil Mickelson can always be counted on to do something silly like play one of the most important tournaments of his career without a driver in the

Commissioner Tim Finchem should be paying close attention, because this is a glimpse of the future for the PGA Tour. There will come a day in the not-too-distant future that Woods will quit playing competitive golf altogether, and that day will be a bleak one indeed.

Tour spokesman Ty Votaw admitted as much Wednesday when asked what losing Woods for the rest of the year means.

"We're not going to sugar coat the fact there will be fallout in certain areas," Votaw said. "But it will probably be felt in the near term, and less over time as other storylines emerge and other players step into the spotlight."

The problem is, none of those players are Tiger Woods. That has to make some tournament sponsors and television networks more than a bit nervous about their investments.

If we didn't realize it before, we'll have plenty of time now to come to the sobering realization just how rare a gift to sports Woods has been. Only a few athletes (Muhammad Ali and Michael Jordan come to mind) have ever been so good and had such a flair for the dramatic that they transcended their sport and became a part of the national consciousness the way Woods has.

He took golf and made it an in thing that you weren't embarrassed to talk to other sports fans about. He brought minorities to the game who would never have dreamed of putting on plus fours before.

Along the way he made himself and his fellow players richer than they would have ever imagined. If he isn't already, Woods is on line to soon become the first athlete to earn \$1 billion, while the total money up for grabs on the PGA Tour has gone from \$70 million when Woods burst on the scene in 1996 to \$280 million today.

Vijay Singh from Jim Furyk or Davis Love III from Mike Weir not only know who Woods is but care about what he does. The same people who wouldn't take a second glance at a television in a bar when golf is on can't keep their eyes off it when Woods is playing.

He hasn't yet laid claim to the mantle of greatest player ever, because Jack Nicklaus is still four majors and a lot of second-place finishes ahead. But he will someday, and we'll all be the better for having seen him in his prime.

His parting gift for this year was a performance far guttier than anyone ever suspected. Indeed, there was some talk in the press tent, and surely some in the locker room, that Woods was being a bit of a drama queen at Torrey Pines and was milking his recent knee surgery for all it was worth.

Who knew he went against his doctor's advice and not only played the Open but told the doctor he was going to win it? Who knew he could play 91 holes of brutally tough U.S. Open golf with a torn ACL and two stress fractures of his left tibia and do just that?

Now he's gone, at least through the rest of the year, and possibly longer. Torn ACL's can be dicey. And it wouldn't be surprising if Woods, who has always geared his schedule around the majors, doesn't come back until sometime just before next year's Masters.

When he does, make sure there's a new green jacket ready to drape over his shoulders.

Because he is, after all, Tiger Woods.

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Lake Champlain to host final qualifier

TIMES STAFF REPORT

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. -FLW Outdoors announced its 2009 Wal-Mart FLW Tour schedule today from the FLW Tour event presented by BP in Knoxville, Tenn., and indicated that a major announcement on the 2009 Forrest Wood Cup presented by BP and Castrol would be made soon. The regular-season schedule includes some of the nation's top fishcries at peak times of the year for limits of big bass.

The FLW Tour will kick off the season with a \$1 million tournament on Lake Guntersville in Huntsville, Ala., Feb. 12-15 followed by another \$1 million tournament on Table Rock Lake in

Branson, Mo., March 12-15. Branson will also play host to TBF National the Championship presented by the National Guard March 12-14. TBF anglers will fish Bull Shoals Lake and share the same weigh-in stage as their FLW Tour counterparts. Lake Norman in Charlotte, N.C., will host the \$1.5 million National Guard Open April 23-26 followed by the \$1.5 million Wal-Mart Open on Beaver Lake May 14-17, Murray, will host the fifth tournament of the season, a \$1 million event on Kentucky Lake, June 11-14, and Lake Champlain in Plattsburgh, N.Y., will host the season's sixth and final qualifier, the \$1.5 million Chevy Open, July 9-12.

Outdoors announces

"We will be visiting some tremendous fisheries and some terrific fishing communities in 2009," said FLW Outdoors President and CEO Charlie Evans. "We will be visiting a number of lakes during a time of the year when we could see records fall, and we are thrilled to be visiting communities that

have demonstrated outstanding fan support.'

Additional details on each FLW Tour stop and the TBF National Championship will be announced soon. A major announcement from the site of the 2009 Forrest Wood Cup is also being planned.

FLW Outdoors, named after Forrest L. Wood, the legendary founder of Ranger Boats, is the largest fishing tournament organization in the world. In 2008 alone the organization is offering more than 90,000 anglers the chance to win over \$40 million through 230 tournaments in 10 circuits targeting bass, walleye, redfish, kingfish and striped bass. FLW Outdoors is also taking fishing mainstream with the largest cash awards in the history of fantasy sports, \$7.3 million.

ONLINE: www.flwoutdoors.com

Kemp, Stults help Dodgers sweep Reds, Harang absorbs loss

by JOE KAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - A grassstained baseball was stuffed in the right pocket of Eric Stults' tan slacks, a souvenir from the way he finished off Los Angeles' three-game sweep.

A fitting place for his keepsake. All season long, the Dodgers have had the Cincinnati Reds in their back pocket.

Stults pitched into the seventh inning in his season debut Thursday, and Matt Kemp emerged from his slump by hitting a two-run double, setting up a 7-4 victory and a three-game sweep of the rock-bottom Reds.

"That was fun," said Stults, who took a shutout into the seventh. "Your first time out, you still have some of the jitters, being in front of a bigger crowd and facing the best hitters in baseball.'

The Dodgers picked the right time and place for a turnaround.

They arrived in town with a five-game losing streak and an offense that could barely score. They broke out against a team they 've dominated no matter where they play. The Dodgers hadn't won three in a row since their three-game sweep of the Reds in Los Angeles from May 19-21.

"I just think we relaxed a little more and let the game that's fine with me." .

come to us," Kemp said.

Whenever they play the Reds, the Dodgers get into a comfort zone. Los Angeles is 7-1 this season against Cincinnati, which is mired in last place in the NL Central with an offense that has trouble getting a clutch hit and a rotation that can't get a win out of its top two.

Aaron Harang (3-10) became the NL's second 10game loser, joining San Francisco's Barry Zito, who has lost 11. The right-hander has never lost more than 13 games in a season. The Dodgers also beat Bronson Arroyo — he has won only four - during the series.

"I don't know," Harang said. "We've got to figure out what's going on, take one thing at a time and go from there."

Harang couldn't keep up with Stults, and had trouble getting him out as well.

Stults (1-0) was called up from Triple-A when Brad Penny went on the disabled list with a sore shoulder on Tuesday. The 28-year-old left-hander went 2-4 with the Dodgers the last two seasons, splitting time between the bullpen and the rotation.

"I don't know how long it's going to be," Stults said of his fill-in status. "I look at it as hopefully I can get in a groove and get on a rotation here. If I can pick Penny up for a couple of starts, seventh, when second baseman Jeff Kent's error set up a four-run rally. He gave up six hits and struck out a career-high five, having his way with a lineup that melted down during a 2-7 homestand.

The Reds scored only 21 runs in those nine games. Paul Bako's RBI infield single in the seventh snapped Cincinnati's 0-for-21 slide with runners in scoring position. Brandon Phillips' bases-loaded single off Jonathan Broxton completed the rally.

Takashi Saito pitched the ninth for his second save in the series and his 10th in 13 chances.

The Reds batted .188 on the homestand and went 6for-57 (.105) with runners in scoring position.

"This is a trying time right now," manager Dusty Baker said. "It seemed like every time we made a mistake, they capitalized. For us, we couldn't get the big hit. This was a tough week."

Stults also pitched in with LA's revived offense. He drew a walk and had a hit-and-run single through the hole at shortstop - perfeetly placed — that set up a run.

"He was great with the bat and with the arm," manager Joe Torre said. "If we play cleaner, he gets through the seventh, proba-

Stults worked into the bly. Everything was really good."

> The Dodgers were in a hitting slump when they hit town, scoring one run or none in three of their previous five games. A different player emerged each game. This time it was Kemp's lurn

The outfielder had only two extra-base hits in his last 12 games. He matched that total in his first three at-bats. Kemp led off the fourth inning with his sixth homer, and doubled home two more runs in the fifth for a 5-0 lead.

Russell Martin also had an RBI double, and Juan Pierre's squeeze bunt drove in a run and went for a single when none of the Reds covered first base. James Loncy had three more hits he's batting .448 against the Reds this season - and drove in a run.

Notes: Los Angeles had five doubles, matching its season high. ... Ken Griffey Jr. was out of the Reds' lineup for a third consecutive game with an illness. The 38-year-old outfielder also has been bothered by a sore left knee. ... The Reds fell eight games under .500 at 33-41, matching their season low. ... Rookie Jay Bruce was ejected by plate umpire Bob Davidson after arguing a called third strike in the ninth. Bruce finished the series in a 2-for-23

slump.

Jays GM apologizes for criticizing Dunn: Toronto Blue Jays general manager J.P. Ricciardi apologized to Cincinnati counterpart Walt Jocketty over critical comments he made on a Toronto radio station about Reds outfielder Adam Dunn.

"It's my fault, I take full responsibility for il," Ricciardi told The Globe and Mail newspaper of Toronto on Thursday. "I tried to get Adam's phone number from the Reds ... and if he wants to talk to me, I'll talk to him and apologize personally, But I apologize to him and the Reds. I need to be better than that. I let my guard down"

Dunn responded angrily Thursday after learning that Ricciardi questioned Dunn's passion for playing during the GM's weekly call-in show on Toronto radio station The Fan 590 on Wednesday night.

"I know nothing about this clown. I have no idea who he is," Dunn told reporters in Cincinnati carly Thursday, before the Red played the Dodgers. "I don't really care what one guy thinks, to be honest with you. If I'm a GM, I don't know if I would go out of my way to kind of discredit a player."

Ricciardi offered a brutally frank response to a caller wondering if the Blue Jays had any interest in trying to acquire Dunn, who is making \$13 million in the final season of his contract.

'Let me ask you something. What do you know about Adam Dunn?" Ricciardi said to the caller. "He's a lifetime .230, .240 hitter that strikes out a ton and hits home runs.

"Do you know that the guy really doesn't like baseball all that much?" Ricciardi continued. "Do you know the guy doesn't have a passion to play the game that much? How much do you know about the player? There's a reason why you're attracted to some players and there's a reason why you're not attracted to some players. I don't think you'd be very happy if we brought Adam Dunn here.

"We've done our homework on guys like Adam Dunn and there's a reason why we don't want Adam Dunn. I don't want to get into specifics."

Dunn didn't hear Ricciardi's comments, but read a transcript of them.

"He doesn't even know me. If he knew me, fine, say what you want," Dunn said. "This guy doesn't know anything about me, other than what he whatever on sees 'SportsCenter' they have up there. That's it.'

The Reds come to Toronto for a three-game interleague series starting Tuesday, but Dunn doesn't see it as an opportunity for payback.

"The players didn't say anything," said Dunn. "It was some clown sitting in the front office pushing paper.'

CELTICS SALTUE: Pierce, teamma fans cheers at rally

by HOWARD ULMAN ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON - Through a haze of his own cigar smoke, Paul Pierce peered through sleepless eyes at the sea of green-clad fans and thrust his golden MVP trophy skyward.

His day had finally arrived. A day to ride in his own championship parade. A day that gave normal people a chance to wave signs, paint their faces in Celtics colors and scream their hearts out for the latest team to bring a title to town.

"We're tired of watching these parades on TV. Now we get to enjoy our own," Pierce said after a fantastic season that followed nine frustrating ones in his Boston career. "I haven't had any sleep yet, so now I'm

of the other 16 championships, nine as coach. The cigars smoked by players and fans were a tribute to Auerbach's custom of lighting one up on the bench in the waning moments of still another win.

"We wish he could be here," Pierce said before he lit his eigar on his duck boat, "so I'm doing this to honor him.'

Players rode in the amphibious tourist vehicles like those used by soldiers in World War II. They also transported the New England Patriots after their Super Bowl championships in February of 2002, 2004 and 2005 and the Boston Red Sox after their World Series victories in October 2004 and 2007.

Now it was time for Pierce, Kevin Garnett, Ray Allen and

definitely do it here in Boston."

Police reported 21 arrests, mostly for disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace. But fans had one last chance to enjoy the team's first title in 22 years and the area's sixth in 61/2 years

"Who would have ever thought? Boston. Title town," said Ryan Stillman, 21, who was born five months after Boston won its last championship on June 8, 1986.

Boston went 66-16 one season after going 24-58, the second worst record in the league.

The mastermind was general manager Danny Ainge, who traded for Garnett and Allen. The field general was coach Doc Rivers. Both let the players absorb the glory.

"As' an executive," Ainge

"It's better when they haven't won in a long time. Everyone loves a new winner," he said.

Michael Shaughnessy skipped work to bring his 4year-old grandson Gavin Carter, a big Garnett fan.

"I like that he gets all the shots and he dunks," Gavin said, tugging at his own miniature No. 5 jersey while Garnett himself carried the championship trophy on his duck boat.

At the start of the rally, construction workers across Causeway Street from the Garden looked down from openings in a building where windows will go. Other onlookers stood on fire escapes. Confetti cannons shot green and white paper into the air as workers stood by with

a happy man."

Thursday's rolling rally didn'i make any stops, but fans saw Pierce, Garnett, James Posey, Leon Powe and Sam Cassell chomping on stogics. And they saw 289-pound rookie Glen "Big Baby" Davis travel along the route topless, showing that not all his baby fat was gone.

Meredith Heijl, 20-year-old student from Boston was so excited to see them pass, she broke her green flip flop trying to take Pierce's picture.

"That was the highlight of my year," she joked, even though he didn't wave in her direction.

Many adults at the parade were struck by the youth of the crowd.

"I think the Celtics have a

sunny, late-spring skies that allowed the crowd to leave the winter coats at home and come out in shorts and T-shirts.

Before the rally, Celtics managing partner Irv Grousbeck unfurled a 2008 championship banner, a replica of the one that will hang from the rafters. "The first of several, we hope," he said in a Garden hallway. Rivers commissioned the new banners for owners and players.

Co-owner Wyc Grousbeck, Irv's son, got a congratulatory call from President Bush on Wednesday. On Thursday, the younger Grousbeck thanked fans.

"I would say you guys made it happen," he said. "There was no way the Lakers could win when they stepped on the floor

still enjoying it."

The Celtics earned Thursday's "rolling rally" celebration with an amazing comeback season topped off by a stunningly dominant 131-92 win over the Los Angeles Lakers on Tuesday night in Game 6 of the NBA finals. Pierce was the series MVP.

It was the Celtics' first title without Red Auerbach, the team patriarch who died in October 2006 after being part

their teammates to travel a nearly two-mile route from TD Banknorth Garden, the arena where the title was won in the team's 108th game of a grueling season — 82 of them wins - to Copley Plaza near the linish line of the Boston Marathon.

"We've seen plenty of people go through their championship parades," Allen said, "and never did I think I would be a part of one. It's great to said before the rally, "these guvs are like my kids.'

All along the route, fans held signs declaring "Sweet 17," the number of Celtics championships, and "Have a Cigar.

Nick D'Ambrosia, a pennant vendor from Hamden, Conn., said when the team won Game 4 in Los Angeles, he bought a batch of \$7 pennants to hopefully sell at a Boston victory parade.

brooms ready to clear them away once the parade passed.

As the duck boats pulled out of the parking lot, Bob Messina watched in his powder blue Larry Bird No. 33 Indiana State jersey. Now 37, Messina remembers the 1986 celebration at City Hall Plaza.

"I just remember Larry Bird and his curly blond hair," he said. "I'll never forget it as long as I live. To be here now that I'm a little bit older, I could die new following that's more the early 20s crowd," said Alan Sprinsky, 55, of Braintree, who surveyed the scene from a lawn chair in front of the St. Paul's Cathedral on Tremont Street. "I bet there's not too many kids in school today."

The weather helped the turnout that was 20 to 30 people deep at spots. The Red Sox celebrated in November and the Patriots in February, but the Celtics parade took place under in Game 6 with the electricity in the building. I know who won the game, and it was actually the fans."

And a bunch of cigar-puffing, trophy-toting athletes who took one last journey together before a new banner is hung next to the other 16.

Associated Press Writers Glen Johnson and Nancy Kelsey contributed to this report.

25-year title drought gnaws at Philadelphia

by BOB LENTZ ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA - The four-mile stretch of Broad Street, from City Hall to the sports complex, is a poor man's "Canyon of Heroes," where downtown office buildings give way to stout South Philly storefronts and row houses.

It's a stretch of blacktop that is hallowed ground for fans of the Phillies, Flyers, 76ers and Eagles, where Philadelphians gather to celebrate their sports heroes and championships - at least they used to.

Twenty-five years have passed since fans last crowded the sidewalks along the thoroughfare and celebrated a title, a silver anniversary of futility made all the more painful by Boston, where the Celtics just gave their city its sixth pro championship in seven years.

How are Philly fans to cope?

Their heroes of the past encourage them to appreciate the near-successes, the joy of being in contention, the anticipation of a championship season, the fun of the game. And they counsel patience, up to a point.

"It is such a delicate thing," said Billy Cunningham. a member of the Sixers' 1967 title team and coach of the 1983 champions. "If you go claimed the Stanley Cup in six

body was doing well. ... Things are cyclical."

The 1982-83 76ers were the last of Philly's pro teams to win a title, with Moses Malone, Julius Erving and Maurice Cheeks leading a sweep of the Los Angeles Lakers in the finals.

After finals flameouts in 1980 and '82, that title ignited the kind of excitement only Philly fans can display. They lined Broad Street three, four and five deep, and punctuated their daylong salute with a wild celebration inside Veterans Stadium.

"It stays with you." Cunningham said. "It's one of those things you'll never forget."

Who could have known that sun-splashed parade on June 2, 1983, would be the city's last chance to celebrate, especially after a run of four championships (Flyers 1974-75, and Phillies 1980) in 10 years, a period some call the golden era of Philly sports?

"It's like, how long will this go on?" Dr. J said earlier this year. "There's something special about being known as the last team, but enough is enough. The first 10, 15 years, it was pretty cool.

"It's not cool anymore."

The Flyers were the first to experience a uniquely Phillystyle celebration, when they

in 1974. That celebration of the Broad Street Bullies set the standard for all others, and the Flyers added a second title a year later by beating the Buffalo Sabres in six games.

Near-misses have followed, with fruitless Flyers trips to the finals in 1985, '87 and '97.

"I don't think the fans are too tough," said former Flyers goalie Bernie Parent, the Vezina Trophy winner in both Cup seasons. "They are very supportive of all four teams. They're good people, and 25 years is a long time, so they deserve a championship."

The Phillies have done more losing than winning more than 10,000 losses prove it. But in 1980, behind the play of Mike Schmidt and Pete Rose, the long-suffering Phillies and their fans could celebrate a victory over the Kansas City Royals in the World Series.

When Tug McGraw recorded a strikeout for the final out of that series, three decades of frustration since the Whiz Kids won the National League title were washed away. The parade and celebration that followed were legendary.

"In our case, the town having waited so long for a title created a special atmosphere," Schmidt said. "They filled the streets and JFK (Stadium) at the end of the parade. It seemed every person in Philly ing when the team is a con-

to us.

"It was a love affair between a town and its team."

The Phillies haven't hoisted the World Series hardware since, falling short against the Baltimore Orioles in 1983 and the Toronto Blue Jays in '93.

"It's the greatest memory you can have as a player, especially if you only did it once," said Robin Roberts, Hall of Fame pitcher and catalyst of the 1950 Whiz Kids. "You remember everything about those winning seasons.'

One franchise that doesn't have much to fondly remember is the Eagles.

Birds fans have watched their team evolve from a group of hapless losers to almost constant contenders, but its only NFL championship came in 1960 against the Green Bay Packers. The team reached the Super Bowl in 1981 and 2005 and came away empty.

"Fans should be glad that we are up there all the time," said Tommy McDonald, a Hall of Fame receiver for the 1960 team. "Tell the fans not to project. Just buy the tickets and go, because we are in the entertainment business.'

Schmidt believes a team's continued success makes up for the lack of championships.

"In Philly, like most towns, the atmosphere at the stadium is more upbeat and more excit-

back to the early '80s every- games over the Boston Bruins was there to pay their respects tender," the Hall of Fame third baseman said.

> There are signs the city's drought could soon be ending.

The Eagles have enjoyed yearly success, although the window of opportunity might be closing for veteran quarterback Donovan McNabb and his teammates, and the Flyers made a quick turnaround from one of the worst teams in the NHL to reach the Eastern Conference finals this year.

The Phillies are stacked with young, talented players like Jimmy Rollins, Chase Utley and Ryan Howard, and are leading their division as the season closes in on the halfway mark.

And the 76ers, who lost in the finals seven years ago to the Lakers, made the playoffs this season for the first time since 2005.

"They are all going great now," Parent said. "I think it is going to be a great four, five, six seven years coming up. ... Everybody is getting healthy, they are building up with good young players and I think we're going to have some fun in Philly the next few years."

AP National Writer Ben Walker in New York contributed to this report.

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Sept. 14 - Sylvania 300, Loudon, N.H.

Sept. 21 - Dover (Del.), 400

Sept. 28 - Kansas 400, Kansas City

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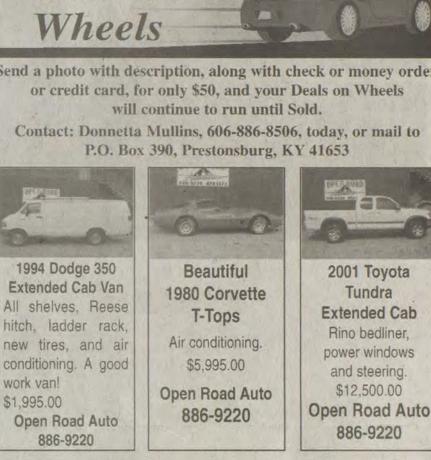
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Registered Dietitian

Highlands Regional Medical Center is seeking a full time Registered Dietitian. The Registered Dietitian will be accountable for the planning, direction of nutritional care to patients, provide clinical nutritional care and counseling to patients. Participate in the Department's Quality Improvement process. Integrates Mission and Vision of Departmental and Hospital into all aspects of Food and Nutrition Services.

The qualified candidate must have or obtain Kentucky State Licensure within one (1) year of employment. Must be registered or registration eligible and a member of the American Dietetic Association. Two (2) years significant experience as a Staff Dietitian preferred. Must have knowledge of JCAHO Standards and Quality Assurance requirements. Must have the ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing. Strong oral and written communications required.

* Nine (9) Paid Holidavs * Retirement Plan * Life Insurance * Medical/Dental Insurance

> Interested applicants may apply to the Human Resources Department, HRMC 5000 Ky. Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 (606) 886-7530 · Fax (606) 886-7534 E-mail: tclark@hrmc.org

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CONSOUDATED HEALTH + SYSTEMS

Highlands Regional Medical Center Is seeking a full time Guest Services Supervisor. The Guest Services Supervisor (GSS) will serve as the initial primary personal contact for guests arriving at key entry points in the hospital. It is the job of the GSS to meet the needs of the guests. In order to accomplish this, the GSS must have comprehensive knowledge of the hospital services, their locations and key resources available to assist any hospital customer. The GSS will utilize computer systems and other resources to determine appropriate destination for guests and will have primary responsibility for directing the Initial "traffic" in the facility.

The qualified candidate will possess a High School diploma or G.E.D. required. Experience in customer/guest services position. Must have excellent interpersonal communication skills and demonstrated problem solving skills. Must be able to work independently and demonstrate professionalism.

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