

MACED says small biz needs help

Times Staff Report

Small Business owners need help, according to a new study released by Mountain Association for Community Economic Development (MACED).

"For too long Kentucky has neglected the important role of entrepreneurs of all kinds in building a stronger and more resilient economy," said MACED President Justin Maxon. "This report provides important insights and policy recommendations on how to build a true entrepreneur support system in our state.

According to the report, businesses with less than 100 employees represent 99 percent of the business in Kentucky, yet entrepreneurs account for only 16 percent of non-farm employment in Kentucky. The nationwide figure is 18.2 percent.

"Its increasingly evident that Kentucky must turn more of its attention to building our economy from

within," said Maxine. "MACED's 32 years of entrepreneur support has helped us see the tremendous economic potential that lies in the untapped talents of Kentucky's people. Much more could be done to help them start their own enterprises and advance the small business that already exist."

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photo by Joshua Byers

Roy Harlow, Chad Hall, Wayne May and Henry Napier, representing MTS team 1A, scoped out the greens Thursday during the 12th annual Highlands Golf Classic. The golf tournament, which was expanded to two days this year, raises funds for the Highlands Foundation. This year, 78 teams competed, and proceeds, after tournament expenses, will go toward the Highlands emergency department expansion currently underway.

Pike man indicted for bank robberies

by JACK LATTA STAFF WRITER

LONDON — A Pike County man accused of robbing a Community Trust Bank on August 12 was indicted Wednesday on two robbery charges in U.S. District Court in London, after being linked to a similar robbery in Bell county. According to court

records, on August 11, Jason Lee Robinson, 29, of Pikeville, allegedly robbed a Community Trust Bank in Bell County of \$3,313, before hitting the Community Trust Bank in Pikeville the next day. Robinson allegedly took nearly \$4,000 from the Pikeville bank.

According to the Indictment, "In committing such an offense, (Robinson) did assault and put in jeopardy the life of another person by the use of a dangerous weapon."

According to Pikeville Police, they responded to a robbery at the Community Trust Bank on Town Mountain Road at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 12 Video surveillance recorded a male subject, who was later identified as Robinson, entering the bank wearing jeans, a gray t-shirt, a baseball cap and sunglasses. The man then handed the teller a note demanding money or he would shoot them.

Robinson fled the bank, and according to witnesses, got into a white minivan which was being driven by a female, later identified as Amanda Eplin, 31, of Betsy Layne, and left the scene.

Robinson was located a short time after the robbery by Pikeville Police at the local KFC, and arrested. Eplin reportedly turned herself in to police later that day.

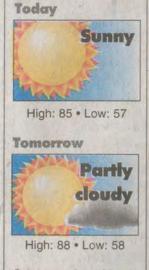
According to police, evidence was found at Robinson's home linking him to the Middlesboro robbery.

If found guilty, Robinson could receive up to 25 years in prison and up to \$500,000 in fines.

Pikeville Commonwealth's Attorney Rick Bartley said he was waiting to see if Eplin was indicted

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Union calls for ban on belt shafts for ventilation

by TIM HUBER AP BUSINESS WRITER

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — The United Mine Workers renewed its long-standing call for a federal ban on using conveyer belt shafts to ventilate underground coal mines Tuesday.

The federal Mine Safety and Health Administration has allowed mines to use belt air for years and proposed rules would allow mines to continue the practice, which the labor union calls inherently dangerous. During a belt fire, ventilation equipment could shove smoke and carbon monoxide directly at miners.

"I just can't believe that we're sitting here today discussing putting belt air on the face of coal mines," UMW member George Hill said during a public hearing on the proposed rules. "Coal miners are going to lose their lives."

Belt air ventilation offers several advantages to mine operators, including preventing cave-ins in deep mines and making it easier to dilute heavy concentrations of methane in gassy mines. Additionally, using belt air allows mines to save money by digging fewer tunnels.

Patricia Silvey, director of MSHA's Office of Standards, Regulations and Variances, said the proposed rules are consistent with a report on belt air issued last December. The panel endorsed the continued

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recovery month

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The battle against drug addiction is never-ending,

addiction is never-ending, and families and addicts have to deal with the pain and suffering brought on by the disease every day. That's why the Floyd County Community Against Drug Addiction Coalition (CADA) and Operation UNITE are sponsoring an event in observance of National Recovery Month.

"We are taking time to recognize the suffering that has gone on over the years and invite those individuals whose lives and families have been affected by drug addiction to to celebrate their recovery and continuing journey," said Mike Vance, chairman of Floyd County CADA. "We want everyone to know that we will be providing more services, more treatment, and more intervention."

Floyd County CADA, formerly the Floyd County UNITE Coalition, offers lifeline counseling, referrals to treatment, education programs and prevention programs.

"The coalition has taken a new step," Vance said. "It

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by P.J. DICKERSCHEID Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Having nibbled the leaves off 75 million acres of hardwood forest in the Northeast since 1970, European gypsy moths are munching their way across U.S. forests while the even more destructive Asian gypsy moth has been detected in western states.

While officials say the voracious plant-eating European gypsy moth eventually will reach as far across the country as Georgia and Minnesota by

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2025, the federal government is devoting about \$5 million this year in a program to eradicate and suppress the insects' development.

Yet officials say that's a small price to pay to blunt the movement of insects that the federal Department of Agriculture estimates causes \$30 million in economic losses each year, mostly from quarantines on timber and agricultural products.

"It's money well spent," said Don Sachs, spokesman for the federal agriculture department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service in Riverdale,

Md.

The battle against the European gypsy moth spans a 1,200-mile frontier from Wisconsin to North Carolina, said Rob Mangold, director of forest health protection at the U.S. Forest Service.

The Slow the Spread program in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, North Carolina, Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia and Wisconsin is reducing the moths' southward progress to 7.5 miles a year from 12.5 miles per year.

The program, which uses federal, state and local funds, includes traps,

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insecticides and mating-disruption techniques such as female-scented flakes that confuse male moths to help control the population. It started in 1992 in just eight of the "moth frontier" states but was expanded to all ten in 1999.

European gypsy moths, which were brought to New England in 1869 in a misguided attempt to breed silkworm, feed off the leaves of 250 plants and trees, but they especially like oaks. They didn't really start spreading until

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Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

John Edward "Tad" Adkins, 65, of Martin, died Tuesday, August 19, at Saint Joseph Hospital in Martin. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 23, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Virginia Patton Burchett, 96, of McDowell, died Thursday, August 14, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home, Paintsville. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 17, at 1:30 p.m., in the old Beaver Regular Baptist Church, Minnie.

Tessie Slater Campbell, 94, of Garrett, died Wednesday, August 20, at home. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 23, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Alan Royce Case, 43, of Frankfort, died Saturday, August 16, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were held Tuesday. August 19, at 11 a.m., at Old Beaver Old Regular Baptist Church, Minnie. Burial was in the Lucy Hall Cemtery, McDowell.

Lewis David Caudill, 48, of Frankfort, died Saturday, August 16, at Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 20, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home. Burial was in the Newman Cemetery, Hi Hat.

Berniece Collins, 69, of Garrett, died Wednesday, August 13, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Raymond Collins. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 16, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Edward Collins, 77, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, August 12, at UK Medical Center, Lexington. Funeral services were held Friday, August 15, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Wade Duff, 72, of Garrett, died Friday, August 22, in St. Joseph Hospital-East in Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Sturnel Moore Duff. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 24, under the direction of Hall Funeral

Margie Slone, 93, of Monticello, died Sunday, August 17, at her reiidence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, August 18, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home. Burial was in the Buckingham Cemetery, Bevinsville.

Martin Luther Smith, 57, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, August 12, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Joe Ed Whitaker, 51, of Hucysville, died Tuesday, August 12, at home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, August 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY

Ralph Adkins, 84, of Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, died Monday, August 25, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 30, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Fred Campbell, 65, of Elizabethtown, formerly of Pike County, died Wednesday, August 13, at T.J. Samson Hospital, in Glasgow. He is survived by his wife, Hedy VanHoose Campbell. A memorial service was held Saturday, August 16, under the direction of the Billy Howell Funeral Chapel.

Dahlia McCoy Campbell, 83, of Lucasville, Ohio, formerly of Burnwell, died Tuesday, Aug. 26, in Lucasville.Funeral services were held Saturday, August 30, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Zelma Potter Cantrell, 83, of Elkhorn City, died Sunday, August 24, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Charles Benny Cantrell. Funeral services were held Friday, August 29, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Gracic Lynn Chafin, 1, daughter of Barry Allen Chalin and Angela Jean Ferrells of McCarr, died Friday, August 22, at the Williamson (W.Va.) Memorial Hospital emergency

Elkins, 69, of Lexington, formerly of Pikeville, died Saturday, August 23, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Anna Margaret Call Gillespie, 89, formerly of Pikeville, died August 22, in Tennessee. Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 26, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Helen Lavonne Hamilton, 63, of Brodhead, a Pike County native, died Tuesday, August 19. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 23, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

Cleveland Huffman, 80, of Shelbiana, died Sunday, August 24, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Rhoda Huffman, Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

Teresa Webb Justice, 49, died Thursday, August 14. A memorial service was held Saturday, August 23, at the Biggs Church of God. Burial was in the Webb Cemetery, under the direction of West Funeral Home.

Wallace -James McKinney, 82, of Ashcamp, died Monday, August 25, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. He is survived by his wife, Mabel Hayes Diamond McKinney. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 30, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Sylvia Gayle Meade, 75, of Pikeville, a native of Floyd County, died Wednesday, August 27, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services will be held Sunday, August 31, at 1 p.m., under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Dean Meadows, 64, of Regina, died Saturday, August 23, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Gaynell Meadows. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Georgetta Morris, 69, a native of Pikeville, died Saturday, Aug. 23, in Columbus, Ohio. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the direction of O.R. Woodyard Company Chapel. Stephen Marshall Payson, 61, of Pikeville, died Sunday, August 24, in Pike County. He is survived by his wife, Marilyn Leeker Payson. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home. Mary Ann Phillips, 84, of Forest Hills, died Saturday, August 23, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home. Wendell Gene Potter, 50, of Virgie, died Wednesday, August 27, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 30, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home. Rita Slone, 42, of Shelby Dry Fork, died Sunday, August 24, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Clayton Slone. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home. Incz Smallwood, 81, of Pikeville, formerly of Waverly, Ohio, died Monday, August 18, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 21, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home. Mark Spears, 35, of Shelbiana, died Friday, August 22, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte Bevins Spears. Funeral services were held Monday, August 25, under the direction of the Bailey Funeral Home. Leslic Mac Tackett, 92, of Stanton, formerly of Pike County and Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, August 26, at her home. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 30, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

18, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 21, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Eudell Cantrell, 73, of Flatgap, died Friday, August 22, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Hill Cantrell, Funeral services were held Sunday, August 24, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Roger Lee Christian, 45, of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Van Lear, died Friday, August 1, at Mount Carmel Hospital in Columbus. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Obituary information courtesy of Preston Funeral Home.

Gary Fairchild, 68, of Corbin, died Thursday, August 21, in Lexington. Funeral were held Sunday, August 24, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home. Burial was in Fairchild Cemetery in Oil Springs.

Mark Edward Little, 37, of Staffordsville, died Sunday, August 17, at Flat Gap. A private family service was held. Information, courtesy of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Nola Cox Colvin, 77, of Catlettsburg, a Lawrence County native, died Sunday, August 17, in Community Hospice Care Center in Ashland. A funeral service took place, Thursday, August 21, at Kilgore & Collier Funeral Home in Catlettsburg.

Elizabeth Pollock, 79, of Louisa, died Monday, August 25, in Community Hospice Care Center in Ashland. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY

Ova Randall Wheeler, 68, of Salyersville, died Monday, August 18. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 21, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

MARTIN COUNTY

 Mary Collins, 81, of Martin County, died Monday, August 11, at King's Daughters' Medical Center, in

direction of Richmond-Callaham Funeral Home.

Larry L. Spradlin, 64, of Williamson, W.Va., a Martin County native, died Thursday, August 21, at the St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington, W.Va. He is survived by his wife Nancy. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, August 24, under the direction of the Hatfield Funeral Chapel of Toler.

KNOTT COUNTY

LaReve "Tina" Blair, 88, of Sassafras, died Tuesday, August 19, at the Hazard ARMC. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 21, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Orbin "Sweet" Childers, 72, of Hindman, died Saturday, August 23, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Joyce Martin Childers. Funeral ser-

Edith Ousley

Goggins Lane, Richmond, for-

merly of Langley, widow of

Jimmic Ousley, passed away

Friday August 29, 2008, at the

25, 1926, at Risner, of Floyd

County, and was the daughter

of the late Leonard and Nancy

Jane Sammons Ousley. She

was a homemaker and a mem-

ber of the First Baptist Church

Delbert (Carolyn) Ousley, and

Ackerman both of Richmond;

two sisters: Lucille (Willie)

Wright of Indianapolis,

Indiana, and Evalee (Stuart)

Cambell of Safety Harbor,

Florida. She is also survived

by 7 grandchildren: Janet

Ranaldi, Rence Williams,

Bowman, Angela Rosanbalm,

Smith, Andrea

daughter,

She is survived by one son

Dianna

She was born November

Terrace, in Berea.

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Edith Ousley, 81, of

Obituaries

Billy Ackerman and Terry Ackerman; 13 great- grandchildren; and one faithful caregiver, Sue Owens.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a daughter Delta Faye Ousley; one son-in-law Bill Ackerman and one great grandchild.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Monday, September 1, at Hall Brothers Funeral Home, in Martin, with Rev. Bill Fort officiating.

Burial will immediately follow in Davidson Memorial Gardens.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to the First Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 697 Richmond, KY 40476 or to the American Cancer Society, 1504 College Way, Lexington, KY 40502. (Paid obituary)

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Lawnie Isaac Hall, 95, of

of Hindman Funeral Services.

In Memory of

Home

Theodore Joseph "Jody" Fannin, 81, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, August 21, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Funeral services were held Saturday, August . 23, under the direction of Carter Funcral Home.

Cecil Hall, 72, of Galveston, died Thursday, August 21, in Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 24, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Chester Hunter, 85, of Nicholasville, a native of Martin, died Tuesday, August 26, at Central Baptist Hospital, in Lexington. Funeral services were held Saturday, August 30, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jerry Gale Manock, 39, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, August 17. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 20, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Morgan McKinney, 50, of Honaker, died Sunday, August 24, at St. Joseph, Martin. He is survived by his wife, Nadine Watson McKinney. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the driection of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Josie Ousley, 81, of Martin, died Friday, August 15, in North Fort Myers, Fla. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 21, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

James Franklin Powers, 82, of Somerset, a native of Bypro, died Saturday, August 23, at Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Betty Slone Powers. Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 27, under the direction of Lake Cumberland Funeral Home.

■ Sharon Rivers, 52, of Dana, died Monday, August 18, at her residence. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 21, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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room. Funeral services were conducted Monday, August 25, under the direction of the R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

Archie Clevinger, 80, of Pikeville, died Thursday, August 28, at his home. Arrangements, under the direction of Community Funcral Home.

Edith T. Mullins Craft, 78, of Mouthcard, died Wednesday, August 27, at Mountain View Health Care Center, Elkhorn City. Funeral services will be held Sunday, August 31, at 3 p.m., under the direction of Grundy Funeral ·Home of Grundy, Va.

David Cole, 79, of Sookeys Creek, died Monday, August 18, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Esta Lillian "Lilly" Cole. Funeral services, were held Thursday, August 21, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

Steven Douglas Coleman, 48, of Waco, formerly of Pike County, died Thursday, August 21. He is survived by his wife, Vonessa D. Coleman. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 24, under the direction of Hall and Jones Funeral Home

Dale Coleman, 43, of Syracuse, Indiana, a Pikeville native, died Monday, August 25. He is survived by his wife, Sharonald Coleman. Funeral services were held Thursday, August 28, under the direction of Owen Family Funeral Home, Syracuse, Indiana.

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Hazel Scarberry Dotson, 88, of Phelps, died Friday, Aug. 22, in Buchanan General Hospital, Grundy, Va. Funcral services were held Tuesday, August 26, under direction of Grundy Funeral Home.

Ralph Ronald "Ronnie"

JOHNSON COUNTY Neva Lee Bayes, 81, of Flat Gap, died Monday, August

Ashland, Funeral services were held Thursday, August 14, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Molly O. Matthew, 59, of Debord, died Saturday, August 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 26, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Robert G. Muncy, 67, of Columbus, Georgia, a native of Inez, died Saturday, August 23, at the Georgia War Veterans' Home in Milledgeville, Georgia. He is survived by his wife, Patricia D. Muncy. Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 26, under the direction of Striffler-Hamby Mortuary in Columbus, Georgia.

Charlie Spaulding, 88, of Inez, died Tuesday, August 5, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Sunday, August 10, under the





Joe Ward

April 4, 1943 - September 2, 2007

The deer are running, the dogs are barking, Your friends are calling, They miss you so much.

> The snow has come and went, And the flowers have gone. Now the deer don't run from you, Or the dogs don't bark for you.

The cry for you, just like we do.

God Bless You, Brother, We Love You and Miss You!

Your Sisters and Brothers

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Moths

the 1940s or '50s as society became more mobile.

A single caterpillar can eat a square meter of foliage during its 12-week life, weakening plants and trees and making them more susceptible to other pests and diseases.

Safety

use of belt air, as well as safeguards aimed at making the practice safer by improving fire detection and prevention.

"One of the things we tried to do in the proposal was to look not just at the recommendations," Silvey said. Rather, MSHA also looked at the panel's discussions to determine its intent.

MSHA also has proposed requiring flame-resistant belts and carbon-monoxide detectors in place of heat-sensing fire alarms. Smoke detectors would be required once MSHA approves models for use in underground mines.

The new rules are required by federal safety legislation adopted after a series of highprofile fatal accidents in 2006, including a conveyer belt fire that killed two West Virginia miners. They're partly based on recommendations from an

MSHA panel of outside experts.

Tuesday's hearing was the third of four MSHA plans to hold on the proposal. The final hearing is set for Thursday in Birmingham, Ala. MSHA expects to adopt a final version of the rules by the end of 2008.

While the UMW prefers a belt-air ban, union representatives conceded that's unlikely because the practice is already allowed.

Instead, they suggested a series of changes to the MSHA proposal, including having MSHA require smoke detectors immediately and require mines that use belt air to justify that it's a necessity because it alleviates other safety problems, such as high levels of methane gas or unstable ground.

In the past, MSHA has allowed mine operators to use

belt air with little justification, which isn't good enough, said UMW consultant Jim Weeks, a member of the MSHA panel that recommended ways to make belt air safer.

plants

"The' panel did not give a blanket endorsement for using belt air. That's important to recognize," Weeks said. "Otherwise it's using an inferior practice and an unsafe practice for ventilating mines."

This year, the mid-Atlantic

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region - which includes

the UMW. Beyond Tuesday's hearing drew little response. An official with Abingdon, Va.-based coal operator Alpha · Natural Resources, which mines in Virginia, Kentucky, Pennsylvania and · West Virginia, asked MSHA to clarify several definitions and questioned proposed requirements dealing with methane gas levels and nonflammable materials in belt entries.

Multiple defoliations can kill Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia - is experiencing especially bad pockets of infestations.

'They have returned with a vengeance," said Elaine Lidholm, spokeswoman for the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

The moths defoliated 112,340 acres in Virginia, an increase of almost 39,000 acres over last year's total, Lidholm said.

West Virginia Agriculture Commissioner Gus Douglass said the moths haven't lost their taste for his state's hardwoods, having devoured about 81,000 acres of forest, up from nearly 78,000 acres last year.

In the western U.S.,

forestry officials have been taking a no-nonsense approach against an even more destructive insect — the Asian gypsy moth, which has been detected five times in California and once in Idaho, Oregon and

Compared to European gypsy moths, the female Asian variety can fly, develops more quickly and has an appetite for 600 types of trees and shrubs.

moth is found, the USDA takes \$1 million from an emergency fund to spray a square mile area where the moth was trapped, followed by a threeyear monitoring and spraying program to ensure none survive, Sachs said.

"So far they have been 100 percent effective. No Asian

Texas, Sachs said.

Whenever an Asian gypsy

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gypsy moths are firmly established in our country," he said.

The government also has an aggressive monitoring program of all ships entering U.S. ports, said the U.S. Forest Service's Mangold.

Sachs said officials are especially vigilant for imports from Japan, Russia, China and South Korea - areas that bring a high risk of importing the Asian moths.

Yet as global trade and personal travel increase, so does the potential for new pests to enter the U.S.

"It's a big pest for us, but it's just one of them," Mangold said.

ANNOUNCEMENT

regarding Social Security **Disability or SSI Claims.** It is no longer necessary for Floyd County residents to travel to Prestonsburg or to Pikeville to sign up for your Social Security Disability/SSI.

You can now sign up your **Original Claims for Social** Security/SSI at Kirk Law Firm, McDowell or at the Prestonsburg office where your new claim will be filed electronically for you at no cost to you and where we assist you to acquire your medical records to get your claim approved as soon as possible. That's

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was time for us to take on our own identity." One of the initiatives that

Floyd County CADA helped to start is a drug treatment program at the Floyd County Detention Center, and Vance and others provide counseling to the inmates who are in jail on drug related charges or that , are battling addiction.

Judge-Floyd County "Doc" Executive R.D.

Marshall will speak at the event, along with Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin. Marshall and Fannin will sign a proclamation for National Recovery Month, and Judge Eric Hall will speak about his work with drug court. After personal stories from two people whose lives were changed by help from Floyd County CADA and the support of family members, a candle light vigil will

be held to remember those lost from drug and alcohol addiction.

The event is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. at Archer Park in Prestonsburg. Hot dogs will be provided by Southeast Telephone for those in attendance.

"Drugs and alcohol keep us in darkness," Vance said. "We. want to remove the clouds of addiction.'

MACED

According to the report, . Kentucky has much of what is necessary to create a successful support system. What is reportedly lacking, is an "adequate" commitment to invest in efforts of entrepreneurs, and offer the kind of leadership to help the various programs.

The study recommends the following actions: An increase in the share

According to the report, and number of states including North Carolina, Georgia, Kansas, and Nebraska, have taken the lead in creating strong entrepreneurial support systems.

The report was commissioned by MACED as part of the High Road initiative which

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was part of a joint effort with Kentuckians for the Commonwealth to promote new and better approaches to economic development in

Rural entrepreneurship.

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Research Institutes Center for

Kentucky. The report was written and submitted by Rural Police

for a Staff Writer. The position entails covering news stories in a variety of settings (meetings, press conferences, interviews Continued from p1 and breaking news events) for both The Times and associated special publications, plus proofreading and other duties as assigned.

> Applicants should be able to write both hard news and human interest stories, have basic computer skills, be able to meet strict deadlines while juggling multiple tasks, and be familiar with photography. The position requires an excellent grasp of spelling and grammar, frequently working odd hours (including nights and weekends), extensive typing and reliable trans-

portation. The ideal candidate will have a degree in journalism or a related field and/or previous experience as a reporter, and will be able to use page layout software or have the ability and willingness to learn to do so.

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state economic development resources that go into entrepreneurship and small business development.

The creation of a state commission to raise the profile of entrepreneurship, conduct research and convene and annual summit.

A new system of expanded performance-based investments in existing and new entrepreneurship and small business programs across Kentucky.

A new state role in helping coordinate and connect the various public, nonprofit and private programs across the state.

Robberies

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by a federal grand jury before presenting his case. "I will speak to the local officers here, and we'll decide whether to go forward on her or not," said Bartley.

Bartley said it was still unclear whether or not Eplin had been involved in the Middlesboro robbery or not.

According to police officials, evidence was found at Robinson's home linking him to the Middlesboro robbery.

If found guilty, Robinson could receive up to 25 years in prison and up to \$500,000 in fincs.

No one was injured during the robbery, and the investigation is still ongoing.

An indictment is not a verdict, and all parties are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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Guest view A lack of oversight

On paper, the project looked like a great idea. Spending nearly \$5 million to expand the market for Kentucky farm products seemed like an excellent way to spend a portion of the state's tobacco settlement money. After all, for years agriculture experts had been advocating that farmers raise alternative crops to tobacco, and creating markets for those new crops was an essential step in helping farmers kick the tobacco habit.

In practice, however, the marketing program never came close to living up to its promise, reports a new audit by the office of Auditor Crit Luallen. State oversight of Allied Food Marketers West of Louisville - the company that received \$4.9 million in tobacco settlement funds over two years - was so lax that state auditors were "unable to quantify Allied's cost-benefit to the state," Luallen said.

Luallen's office concluded that the state's contract with Allied "did not adequately protect the commonwealth's interest and found a lack of documentation and monitoring of the project's scope and expenditures." Allied's contract with the state expired in July.

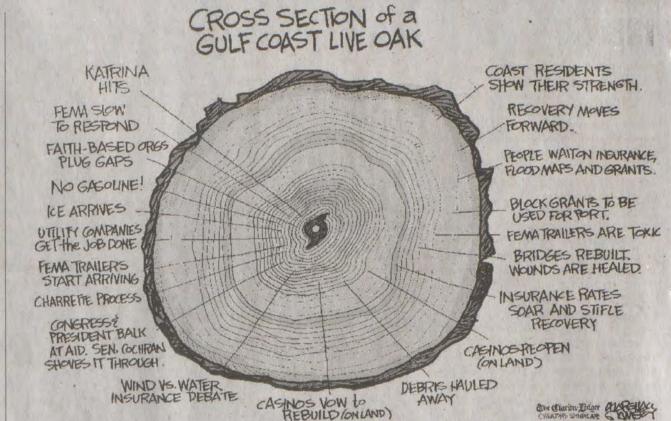
So how was the money spent? Well, here are a few of the ways auditors found Allied spent the money:

\$56,000 for charitable contributions and sponsorships for golf tournaments and the booster club donations to a high school attended by one of Allied's officers.

■ \$33,600 for 56 retail employees — including 26 who did not live in Kentucky - to attend a meat cutters training school. How that helped farmers market their products is beyond us.

\$3,882 on meals between one Allied officer and his wife, a subcontractor for the project. Those expenditures included a \$70.49 tip for a \$44.51 meal and a \$70.03 tip for a \$29.97 meal.

Just as important as such seemingly wasteful expenditures, Luallen said her office could find no evidence of farmers benefiting from any of the program's expenditures.



-Chuck Norris

100 more bottles of beer on the wall and campus

by CHUCK NORRIS

Last week, about 100 college presidents (including some from the most prestigious universities) recommended that the U.S. lower the drinking age to 18. Their reasoning? They say dropping the legal age would lessen the appeal and underground culture of college drinking. They believe it also would reduce binge drinking and prompt 18- to 20-year-olds to be more moderate in their alcohol consumption. Are they joking?! Do they also suppose that fraternity parties will turn into tea-sipping study sessions?

Leading the pack with this socalled Amethyst Initiative is John McCardell, who challenged Vermont in 2005 by saying in The New York Times, "The 21-year-old drinking age is bad social policy and terrible law." McCardell recently added, "All the data show that by the time (students) go to college, they have already experienced alcohol, so how can anyone say the law is working?" So is the remedy lowering the drinking age to accommodate juvenile jugging? Do we really think giving young people, who are eager to experience life outside the boundaries and rules of home, the right to drink

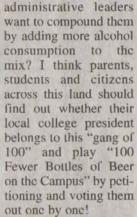
would aid their and society's progress?

For the record, the drinking age was established at 21 in 1933, after Prohibition was repealed. In 1971, when the voting age was lowered from 21 to 18, several states reduced

the drinking age, too. In 1984, however, with the National Minimum Drinking Age Act, all U.S. states were required to return the drinking age to 21. Ever since, alcoholrelated fatalities have dropped 56 percent (except for a spike during the past decade). And now 100 college presidents want to raise those lethal statistics again? As it is,

according to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, 1,700 college students die annually from alcohol-related incidents, not including the non-drinking victims also killed in those occurrences.

It's no surprise that organized opposition to dropping the legal drinking age is rising up all over the country, including from the International Association of Chiefs of and safety of the students, and it certainly isn't. Their facts are terribly wrong. They want to take themselves off the hook. If they change the law, it's not their problem." As if America's universities don't have enough problems already, now their



Chuck Norris

We must do and believe better for the Millennial generation - roughly those between the ages of 6 and 26 - than merely to secure their ability to guzzle gin or use beer bongs legally. On the contrary, we must equip them to change our country and the world positively. Empowering young people is why I committed an entire chapter to them in my new (Sept. 7 release) book, "Black Belt Patriotism," now avail-

The Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy (GOAP) and its board, the Kentucky Agricultural Development Board (KADB), awarded the grants to Allied in 2005 and 2006. The GOAP requested the audit. ...

Over the years we have heard all sorts of ideas for alternative crops to tobacco, including goats, catfish, fruits and vegetables, and sheep. The only constant is that all those crops need to establish a stronger market in Kentucky.

That was the idea behind the grants to Allied Food Marketers West. The fact that those markets never materialized makes it that much more difficult for farmers to raise alternative crops.

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beyond the beltway The Olympics, through jaundiced eyes

by DONALD KAUL MINUTEMAN MEDIA

What ever happened to Michael Phelps? He was all but ubiquitous just a week or so ago-he and that nice Dara Torres (with the curious first name of "41-year-old"----and now they're nowhere to be found.

Sic Transit Gloria, I guess. (My high school teachers always told me Latin would come in handy, and now it has.)

Like many people, I watched the Olympics. And watched it and watched it. Don't ask me why.

I really don't care that much about swimming; I've always thought it could be improved by putting an alligator in the pool. And while I enjoy watching women's beach volleyball, what's the ball for? But I am passionately devoted to those events compared to synchronized diving. (I'll admit it's hard to do, but what's the point?)

As a matter of fact, I hate all sports that are judged-diving, figure skating, gymnastics, all of them. They're inherently unfair, if not outright crooked.

Women's gynmastics, for example, seems to exist solely for the purpose of cheating the American girls of medals they've rightfully won. In the recent competition every time an American would wobble a bit on a landing, the judges would knock three points off her score. Every time a pre-pubescent Chinese kid would land on her caboose, the judges

Police and Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Jeffrey Levy, who is on MADD's board of directors and has suffered through the death of his own 20-year-old son from an alcoholrelated car accident, responded: "We think (the college presidents') first concern should be the health, welfare

pre-order through able for Amazon.com.

Here's a first-seen glimpse from Chapter 7, titled "Calling all Millennials!"

"It's easy to criticize the inadequa-

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would say: "Wasn't that cute? See how gracefully she falls."

It was a sham and a mockery.

Phelps' feat of winning eight gold medals (they called it "historic" but then again what isn't?) stirred debate over whether he was the greatest Olympic athlete of all time. Some said he was, some favored others.

I favored others.

Eight gold medals is a lot but don't forget he was lucky in two of the races. He won one gold in a relay because a teammate swam an incredible anchor leg and he was all but beaten 'in the 100-meter butterfly until the leader missed the wall by a fingernail.

How does that performance compare

with Jesse Owens at the 1936 Berlin Games or Carl Lewis in the 1984 Los Angeles Games, both of whom won 100-meter, 200, 400-meter relay and long jump medals?

Running being a more competitive and arduous sport than swimming, I figure Phelps loses by a fingernail.

But my favorite all-time Olympian by far is the Czech distance runner, Emil Zatopek. Already a gold medal winner in 1948 (in the 5000-meter run), he won both the 5,000- and 10,000-meter races at the 1952 Helsinki Olympics. (That's roughly nine miles of winning right there.) Then, almost on a whim he decided to enter the marathon, a 26mile race that he'd never run before.

One of the great marathoners of the day was Jim Peters of England. He decided to set a fast pace at the start of the race to sucker the inexperienced marathoner Zatopek into overextending himself.

After a few miles Zatopek drew abreast of Peters and said:

"Peters. I've never run one of these before. Is this a proper pace? It seems slow."

Peters assured him it was a proper pace and immediately felt a stitch in

his side. Later in the race, he dropped out.

Zatopck cruised into Olympic stadium alone and had crossed the finish line before the second-place finisher had entered.

Zatopek went home as a national hero but in 1968, during the illinsurrection fated against Soviet rule known as "the Prague spring," he sided with

the rebels, was arrested and sentenced to work in a Uranium mine for the next nine years. Eventually regime-change came to the Czechoslovakia and he was rehabilitated.

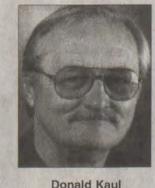
But that was a great Olympian.

Actually, my hero of this year's games was not Phelps but Usain Bolt, the insouciant Jamaican sprinter. His victories in the 100- and 200-meter dashes were among the most remarkable athletic feats I've ever seen. Sprints are won by lunges at the tape, not by guys who look as though they're running alone.

And the best part about it was: no judges.

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This Town, That World

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 reprinted due to request.

If you want to be scientific about it, it's the cicada that's ruling the sound stage, these late summer evenings, but no name is more accurate than jarly. All I've ever got out of listening to them is this idle thought:

Jarflies and barflies have one thing in common. They both sing before the fall.

MR. 'ANON WRITES

As a rule, we toss anonymous letters into the wastebasket, but this one escaped. It reads:

"Sir, I just now learned that they killed an alligator down at Hilton Head, South Carolina, and it had 16 dog tags in it. They shouldn't have killed that gator. They oughta brought him to Floyd County and made him dog warden.

THE CLINCHER

The old preacher had given the congregation what-for. He cited individual and collective transgressions, and as he spoke, he saw eyes harden and necks stiffen. Undismayed, he wound up with the clincher.

"Begins to look like I've tromped on several toes, this morning. But I might add that if I've tromped on so many toes, there must be some heels around.'

CRIPPLING BLOW

Saw Jack Carter, navigating with the help of a cane, after having an ankle broken while working at the coal tipple which he operates. I'm not unsympathetic, but sight of him reminded me of the time when the late Jim Hatcher, one of the brightest minds castern Kentucky has produced, arrived at a coal meeting in a Lexington hotel, some years ago. Mr. Hatcher suffered from rheumatism or arthritis, and it was obvious as he limped in, that he was in pain. Up jumped a friend to inquire. "What's the trouble, Mr. Hatcher?"

MAKING A MARK Area artist selected for distiller's art showcase

by JARRID DEATON FEATURES WRITER

Maker's Mark is known for its whiskey and John Haywood is known for his art, and the two recently came together in an oil painting titled, "Old Kentucky Whiskey," that was selected by Maker's Mark as one of 54 works commissioned from 120 applicants for its "The Mark of Great Art" exhibit.

Haywood, a native of Floyd County, found that the subject of whiskey had the type of history that he likes to portray in his art.

"I am greatly honored to be selected by Maker's Mark," Haywood said. "It also pleases me that a big company like Maker's Mark is choosing to use Kentucky artists for this, when many huge companies could very casily get some big city artist. The only thing that has concerned me about doing this project is wondering how people would react near home. Haywood took an informed look at what whiskey means to Kentucky and was able to come to terms with it as a subject for his painting. "I think it can be abused just as much as somebody might abuse cigarettes, food, or television," Haywood said. "All things could be equally devastating to the soul if not used responsibly. Whiskey making has a long history to it as well, and is extremely fascinating. This is why I chose to focus on a subject matter that is more historical, not only because it fit within my current body of work, but that it focuses on tradition, which Kentucky is full of."



THE BLACK LAGOON 'The Cottage'

by TOM DOTY TIMES COLUMNIST

A kidnapping gets terribly botched in this crime/horror film that one-ups Murphy's Law by showing that everything that can go wrong will, as well as horrible stuff that you never even saw coming.

This one starts out with two brothers (David and Peter) repairing to a country cottage in England. They fix tea, bicker and fuss with each other, but otherwise everything appears normal until you realize they have left a

bound and gagged woman in their trunk while they get the cabin warmed up.

We soon learn that David is in charge and he has opted to take a shortcut to his dream of living on a boat by strong arming his meek brother into help-

ing him kidnap his



Tom Doty Times Columnist

boss's daughter, Tracey. The problems are many for this pair, as Peter is a white collar schmuck with absolutely no criminal skills. David has to rely on Peter to do the talking as their victim would recognize his voice, but that doesn't last long as Peter promptly refers to him by his given name in front of their hostage.

It doesn't help matters that their third partner, Tracey's half-brother, shows up with the ransom bag but has failed to check it. Turns out it was filled with tissue paper and the poor dopc also failed to spot the two Asian hit men who followed him all the way to his destination. Luckily, the killers are under orders to observe and wait until Arnie, the mobbed up dad of Tracey, can arrive. David realizes that his cover is blown and decides to make the next ransom demand himself. Here is where the film begins its descent into horror with David's call, from a pay phone, attracting the local villagers who marvel at his appearance in their sleepy burg and proceed to warn him about venturing too far off from his dwelling at night, or he may never be seen again. Said warning is entirely credible as its offered by Doug Bradley, better known as "Pinhead" from the "Hellraiser" movies. Unfortunately, the warning comes too late. David arrives back to learn that his hostage has escaped and taken his brother as a human shield. David sets off with Tracey's useless brother in tow and stumbles across some good news - the corpse of one of the Asian assassins. However it's a mixed blessing as whoever killed him is still out there. Meanwhile, Tracey drags Peter into a nearby farm house and the film firmly enters horror mode as the resident turns out to be a psychotic farmer who has taken to harvesting humans for their faces after losing his in an on-the-job accident that wasn't covered by the good folks at Allstate.

"Oh, nothing," was the answer, "except the price of coal fell on me."

SO - O INTERESTING ...

Every time some starry-eyed youngster gools off with some remark to the effect that newspaper work is "so-o interesting." I am tempted to sit down and count the ways it sometimes becomes a bit too interesting. "Snooks" Crutcher, who is smart enough to unchain himself from the desk, but who still writes a column for The Morehead News when he feels like it, tells this "interesting" experience.

A few years back, this Publisher wrote a news story, referring to one local office holder as a "lame duck."

The man referred to was infuriated, as was his wife. They came into our office, then located in the Sample Building next to the Trail Theatre, with loudly shouted claims that we had slandered his

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Growing up near Martin, Haywood was encouraged by his grandparents to develop his interest in singing and drawing. Later, he studied under Tom Whitaker, renowned folk artist and former art instructor at Big Sandy Community and Technical College. After graduating from Morehead State University, Haywood moved away for around seven years.

"I finally got the opportunity to move back to the mountains when my good friend George "Buzz" Gibson offered me an old house at the head of the creek he grew up on in Knott County," Haywood said. "Since moving back, I have been very productive

photo courtesy of John Haywood John Haywood's oil painting, "Old Kentucky Whiskey," was one of 54 works commissioned by Marker's Mark for its "The Mark of Great Art" exhibit.

and inspired, and hope that I am passing on something to my children that is more precious than anything money can buy."

Haywood will debut his painting at the show opening in the gallery of the Maker's Mark distillery in Loretto, Kentucky on September 5.

"I was also honored when they asked if I would come and play the banjo at the opening, Haywood said. "My two greatest passions in life have always been music and art, and it's great when you get the opportunity to showcase both. It has been through my artwork and banjo playing that I have tried to preserve many of the different ways of life that make us East Kentuckians so unique. "

The show will be comprised of 115 pieces of artwork that will be

broken up into eight mini-collections after the initial opening. The pieces will then travel to bars and restaurants in Louisville, Lexington, Chicago, Seattle, San Francisco, New York, London, England, and Madrid, Spain where they will remain indefinitely. All who visit the Maker's Mark Gallery between September 6-21 can place a vote for their favorite piece. The art can also be viewed and voted for online at http://www.themarkofgreatart.co m. The three artists that receive the most votes will win monetary prizes from Maker's Mark.

Haywood invites everyone to view his art at his studio on Little Doubles Creek in Knott County, or online at http://www.haywoodart.com.

The next half-hour breezes by, as all of the characters become united in their shared interest in staying alive.

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Courage on the court

by SANDY GREEN "CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE CHILD'S SOUL"

Andy has a lot of courage. He's never wrestled a bear. He's never hiked 10 miles in a blizzard. He's never saved a cat stuck in a tree. Not yet. But he has stood up to something scarier: The guys on his basketball team. And that was when he was only 10 years old.

Last season, Andy's basketball team, the Blues, came from behind in an amazing finals playoff. You know who the coach was? A high-school

player. Very cool.

As the season went along, Andy's team had lost more games than they had won and were in sixth place out of eight teams. In the finals, they had to go against the tough, third-ranked Green team. But the Blues were hungry for a win when they played the first round of finals. They started out scoring the first basket and wouldn't let the Green team catch up. That was their game plan - squash and score, and it worked. Andy's team outscored the Green team by 12 points, and they went through to round two.

Their next game in the finals was the following Saturday. Andy's pretty tall, so he always did the tip-off. But the Yellow team guy he faced was as tall as Andy's dad - without even jumping. He just stood there with his arm raised like he was answering a question in math class and tapped the ball to another Yellow guy, who took it down the court and scored.

It went downhill from there. None of the guys on the Blue team could make their baskets. It was as if the rims were smeared with grease. The Blue team lost by nine points. But it wasn't over, yet. They still were able to play another team that had lost. They were still able to take third place and a trophy.

The next Saturday, Andy and the

rest of the Blue team got to the gym extra early. They were playing the Red team, and Andy knew a lot of those guys from being on their teams from other seasons. He even had the coach of that team two years before.

The gym was so quiet at tip-off, Andy heard the kid fac-

ing him breathe. The ref blasted her whistle. Andy's fingers scuffed the ball, but the Red player managed to knock it to his Red teammate.

The numbers on the scoreboard jumped back and forth just like the basketball. Andy managed to make a couple of baskets. Even though he wore his lucky basketball shorts, Blue had slipped behind by one.

Fifteen seconds were left, and Blue team had the ball. They could still win. Suddenly, the ball was out of bounds.

"Blue ball," the ref said. "I didn't see who touched it last.

As a Blue player hopped over the line at center

court to throw the ball in, Andy later said it was one of those moments that lasted only a second, but felt like forever. The ref hadn't seen who had touched it last, but Andy had.

Andy, like the rest of his teammates, wanted to win - badly. If Blue got the ball and made a basket,

Uhicken for the Soul

Hole in car needs bigger fix than Bondo

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

I have a huge rust spot on my car, a '95 Subaru. It is not really a rust "spot," but rather a missing part of my car that has rust around it. I tried to sand it down and put Bondo on it and repaint the car, and it actually looked pretty good for a while! As impressive as my Bondo job was for a first-timer, the Bondo soon fell off, and now the huge rust hole is back. I am wondering if there is any other option besides replacing the whole part of the car. Thanks so much. -Shannon

RAY: That's interesting, Shannon. You have a hole in your car with a little bit of rust around it. My brother has a big pile of rust with a little bit of car around it!

TOM: Well, the first mistake you probably made was not removing the rust completely. Bondo is pretty amazing stuff, and it'll stick to just about anything. But if you left some rust around the edges, the edges would continue to corrode, and the patch job would eventually fail. As it did.

RAY: So, you have to sand the area surrounding that hole down to bare, shiny metal. Then, what body shops will do is they'll tack-weld a piece of sheet metal over the hole and hammer it in so it's somewhere between flush and concave. Then they'll grind down the welds so nothing's sticking up. And then there's actually some BODY there to do WORK on!

TOM: Well, we should clarify: That's what body shops do for old heaps like yours, Shannon. If this were a 2005 Subaru, they'd just replace the whole panel.

RAY: But you don't need it to look perfect. It's an old car. You just want to keep it from looking decrepit.

TOM: I suppose it's too late to do that for my car?

RAY: Way too late. Anyway, if you're handy, Shannon, you can add the sheet metal yourself, then slap the Bondo over that and paint it. That should hold.

TOM: Or you might be able to find a local body shop that'll weld on the metal for you, and then you can do your Bondo art, at which I'm sure you're now an expert.

RAY: The other thing you can do - which I've done on some of my old cars - is just take a larger piece of sheet metal and rivet it right over the whole area. Then you paint it, and from 500 yards or so, at night, it'll look good as new.

TOM: Actually, I like that idea. The "rugged, armor-plated" look is in these days. You may like that so much, Shannon, that you'll want to do the same thing on the other side!

If spark-plug wires get crossed, watch out!

Dear Tom and Ray,

My husband and I changed the oil, spark plugs, wires, cap and rotor on our '92 Chevy Blazer yesterday something we've done many times with no problem. When trying to restart the car, the engine literally exploded, flames came up out of the throttle body, smoke came out of the valve covers, and seals were broken. What could possibly have gone wrong — and should we donate or scrap our car? Many sincere thanks! - Jackie

TOM: This is why we always keep marshmallows on hand at the garage.

RAY: You made a very simple mistake, Jackie, but as you now know, it led to some very flammable repercussions. You reattached the spark-plug wires incorrectly.

TOM: The spark plugs fire one at a time. They're all timed precisely, so they fire at exactly the right moment the spark is needed in that cylinder. If

you put the wire for, say, spark plug 1 valve cover gasket or two if you blew onto the top of spark

plug 4, spark plug 4 is now going to fire at the wrong time. And if it fires when the intake valve is open, it could set fire to the fuel-and-air mixture that's waiting in the intake manifold and the throttle body. This will lead to a distinctive sound, best described as a "phooomph," followed by a nice, yule Christmassy scene under the hood. RAY: The reason

the explosion continued into the hooking up the wires correctly. You'll valve covers is because you have a faulty PCV valve. That's a check valve that's supposed to prevent flames from a backfire from traveling into the valve-cover area.

TOM: So, next time you work on the car, in addition to making sure you label the spark-plug wires very carefully, add a PCV valve to the things you need to replace.

RAY: The good news is that you probably didn't do any serious damage to the engine. You might need a www.cartalk.com.



out yours. And in the worst-case scenario, if you put all the wires on wrong, and then cranked the engine for a long time, you could have created an explosion in the crankcase, which could have blown out a crankshaft seal. But even that's easy to replace - at least the front one is. The rear one's also easy to replace, once you have the engine out!

TOM: So, start by

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have to find the proper firing order for your particular engine so you can get the engine running again. Then, after that, you can assess the longterm damage to your car - and your self-confidence.

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SOCIAL SECURITY NEWS

America's number-one protection program

by JENNIFER HOPKINS SSA SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

Did you know that August 14 marks 73 years since President Franklin Delano Roosevelt signed the Social Security Act? Today, more than 164 million workers are protected by the program. And more than 50 million people receive retirement, survivors or disability benefits. One in three beneficiaries is not a retiree but a disabled worker, the dependent family member of a disabled worker or, the survivor of a deceased work-

Over the next two decades, nearly 80 million Americans will become eligible for Social Security retirement benefits. That means about 10,000 are becoming eligible to apply for benefits every day.

Social Security has expanded and changed quite a bit since 1935. For example, the Social Security Amendments of 1939

include payments to dependents essential to the economic securiand survivors of retirees. In 1956, Congress created the disability program. The Social Security Amendments of 1958 expanded the program by including' benefits for dependents of disabled workers.

The Social Security Amendments of 1961 permitted all workers to elect early retirement at age 62. In 1965, the Medicare bill was signed, providing medical protection for Social Security retirees. Later amendments extended Medicare coverage to Social Security disability beneficiaries.

The most significant aspect the Social Security of Amendments of 1972 created the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program. Funded from general revenues, the SSI program was intended to provide a supplement to people with limited income who have attained age 65 or are blind or disabled.

ty of today's older Americans. The annual cost-of-living adjustment ensures that seniors will have an inflation-proof benefit they can count on for as long as they live.

Social Security is a compact between generations. Today's workers are paying for the benefits that their parents and grandparents receive. Over the years, Social Security has become protection plan.

For more information about online services just call your local Social Security Office in Prestonsburg at (606) 886-8525. The office is located at 1897 Kentucky Route 321 in KY. 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

The deformed farmer, however, is a tough customer and the odds become slimmer as he hacks into the cast with various barnyard tools.

Lagoon

This one works due to some dark humor and a solid cast. Andy Serkis anchors the film as David and he's quite good in that rare role that doesn't require him to don make up as he did to play Gollum, in the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy, or the title role in "King Kong."

The screenplay is serviceable but way too reliant on the America's number one family, F-bomb to add emphasis to dialogue.

The special effects offer up plenty of gruesome deaths (via farm implements) as well as gaping wounds, which slow the cast down and make it easier for the farmer to do his dirty work.

This is that rare DVD

which includes deleted scenes that are actually good. They were obviously cut for pacing purposes, but include expanded characterizations, more gore and even a character who was cut from the film.

This one also offers a double whammy ending but stick around for the end credits if you want to see what happens when Arnie finally shows up.

This was released in May alongside two other features



owners of this house know that I'm going to kill you, I'll kill you.' 2008, unrated.

that center on hoods who run

afoul of psychos and, surpris-

ingly, they are all worth your

time. Check this out alongside

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lam who should have seen

cry or do anything to let the

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cies of young people. It's far more difficult to upon to save someone's life. But all of us can invest in kids, but much more rewarding. It's even much harder to tell them, 'We need you to help us reawaken America and rebuild what our Founding Fathers started.' But that's exactly what we, the Builder and Baby-Boomer generations, need to say to them. If you're a Millennial, consider this an invitation. We need your help. I need your help to join me and millions of others in a revolution (or, if you will, a rebelution), not to abandon the principles of the past but combine them together with social action in the present to build a better tomorrow. In other words, it's time to make some noise!

"It sounds kind of canned, but I truly believe that there is a hero in all of us. We all were designed by God to be a blessing to others - a champion to someone. And our kids today need champions. They need heroes. And don't think you can't be that hero. You might not be called

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make a difference for the better in someone's life. You might teach them a skill that will enrich their lives. You might remind them of who they are (a child of God) and what they can offer (love and understanding). Every one of them needs to know someone loves them, someone cares for them. God has a plan and purpose for their life, and their life is the most priceless thing on this planet. "

"If we're going to win the culture war, we need the Millennials to do it. There is no way around it. We need to reengage with our young people and plug them into America's glorious past so they can build a brighter future.'

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your goose."

Allen

is lame which he ain't," the woman shouted. "But that's not as bad as putting in the paper that he's a duck and is waddling around.'

Finally, the irate husband and wife were quieted, and then, carefully choosing our words and in a consoling voice we explained that "lame duck" is the accepted and appropriate definition for an office holder whose term has not expired, but did not seek re-election. We showed them the dictionary definition. Fortunately, that morning's metropolitan newspaper had printed a story that the then Governor of Kentucky was a lame duck, which we showed them.

They were pacified to an extent, but on departing the man said over his shoulder. "We've always liked you and your newspaper. But, if you ever again call me a crippled duck I'll cook

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Don't know why they blame little girls with such remarks, but the Masonic Home Journal printed this one recently:

Little girl asked preacher if he would pray for floating kidneys, this week, as he had prayed for the loose livers, last week.

Soup

they would win by one point. And they had time, if Andy kept quiet.

"Ref, it hit my foot." Andy confessed.

"Thank you," the ref said as she took the ball back from Blue and handed it to Red. There was some major groaning from the Blues.

Although it was close, Blue team lost by three points. But the boys still wound up with shiny, fourth-place medals on red-white-and-blue ribbons. Everyone thought that was cool.

Andy's old coach from the Red team came over to him before he left the gym.

"Andy, what you did in there," he nodded toward the court, "made me proud of you. And I'm not talking about your

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playing. You know what I mean?

When Andy was asked if he had been afraid of what his teammates would say when he confessed, he shrugged. "They were mad, but I knew they wouldn't hate me. But if I didn't say anything, I knew I would hate me for a long time afterward."

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.VanHoose inducted into Marshall Hall of Fame

Former Kentucky Mr. Basketball helped Paintsville win 1996 state title

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. -Paintsville native J.R. VanHoose was among the former student-athletes inducted

into the Marshall University Hall of Fame during an induction ceremony held Friday night in the Don Morris Room of the Marshall University Memorial Student Union.

VanHoose played back at Marshall University from 1998=2002. He ranks second all-time in rebounding and fifth in scoring in Marshall basketball history.

The banquet started at 7 p.m. with Keith Morehouse of WSAZ TV-3 as master of ceremonies,. HOF introductions were made at the football game with Illinois State.

The MU Hall of Fame, started in 1984 by Dr. Sam Clagg and former AD/golf coach Whitey Wilson, is cele-brating its 25th Anniversary Year in 2008.

The newest induction class also includes Lawrence County Phil Ratliff, an All-American lineman from 1989-1992 for the Marshall football team; Jim Donnan who served as head football coach from 1990 to 1995 and helped Marshall to its first national championship in 1992; Byron Carmichael (1999-2002), a three-time AllMid-American Conference sons, before falling to Miami, 54 percent from the floor and time in men's soccer; Anna Mitina, one of the best-ever in women's tennis from 1999-2002, and the first women's tennis player to be elected to the Hall; and Tom Kies, a three-time Conference player for men's golf, and 1988 All-American, playing from 1985-89.

VanHoose helped lead Marshall to 70 wins in four seasons and the 2000 team advanced to the MAC Tournament semifinals, MU's only trip that far in eight sea-

player and leading scorer all- Ohio. He led MU to a victory over West Virginia in a 81-79 win in Charleston in February of 2002. His senior season, VanHoose won the Leo Byrd, Charlie Slack and Hal Greer awards. In 2002, he was draft-All-Southern ed by North Charleston Lowgators of the NBDL in the seventh round. Later in 2002, he played for the Charleston (W.Va.) Bombers in the USBL. In April of 2006, VanHoose signed at West Virginia Wild of the IBL, and averaged 25.2 points per game, 15.5 rebounds, shot

30 percent from the threepoint line that season. VanHoose currently teaches and coaches girls' high school basketball at Phelps High School.

VanHoose helped to lead Paintsville High School to the 1996 state championship. VanHoose was named the 1998 Mr. Basketball. He chose Marshall over several other NCAA Division I schools. VanHoose chose Marshall in part because it was so close to his family in Paintsville.

Grutza leads Cincinnati over Eastern Kentucky

by JOE KAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - Steady, not flashy. Dustin Grutza was exactly what Cincinnati wanted in its opener.

Grutza made the Bearcats' quarterback transition go smoothly Thursday night, throwing for three touchdowns and running for another in a 40-7 victory over Eastern Kentucky that eased their biggest concern at least for now.

They didn't miss Ben Mauk on this night.

A few hours after Mauk appealed to an NCAA committee for another season of eligibility, his backup had a career night. Grutza set a career high with his three touchdown passes in the first half, helping Cincinnati (1-0) get off to a fast start.

"That's the kind of clean work, the high percentage that we've talked about from day one," coach Brian Kelly said. "If he can stay in that kind of rhythm, we'll be in pretty good shape."

The senior threw touchdown passes 15 and 47 yards to Mardy Gilyard, who had



Jphotos by Brandon Marson SOUTH FLOYD defeated Prestonsburg 2-1 Wednesday in a 58th District/Floyd County Conference match. A schedule of upcoming matches for the South Floyd volleyball team follows.

SOUTH FLOYD VOLLEYBALL **UPCOMING MATCHES** Sept. 2 at Magoffin County, 6 p.m.



Rebels beat Betsy Layne for 13th win by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Allen Central hit a season-best .491 Thursday night in two-game sweep over Betsy Layne. The win was Allen

Central's 13th victory of the season

Led by outside hitter Brittany Hodge, who registered a teamhigh 10 kills on .526 hitting percentage and slapped in 12 service aces, Allen Central defeated Betsy Layne 2-0 (25-17, 25-19) sweep of Betsy Layne in its second conference match of the season.

The Rebel squad, which improved to 13-1 overall and 2-0 in the conference, never trailed, playing an aggressive match.

AC outside hitter Tiffany Clark posted eight kills on .500 hitting as part of a powerful Allen Central offensive attack. Defensively, middle blockers Kimbo Blevins and Brittany Clark stifled the Bobcat attack, blocking seven and five, respectively. Tiffany Clark dug up a team-high 14 digs and defensive specialist Brittany Smith added eight scoops. Setter Koko Martin dished out nine assists. Sophomore Leigh Williams set

never caught more than one in a game. The last one came off the same type of play that Mauk ran so well last year, a play-action rollout that let Gilyard get behind the coverage.

"He did some very good things," Kelly said. "He always has the ability to make plays outside the pocket. He threw the ball OK in the pocket. He's got to get better there."

Eastern Kentucky (0-1), the defending Ohio Valley Conference champs, had trouble against a defense that was one of the nation's best last season. The Bearcats were missing tackle Terrill Byrd, suspended for the opener because of a marijuana citation.

Perry County native Allan Holland, the OVC's offensive player of the year last season, was 12-of-17 for 141 yards, including a 61-yard touchdown pass to Cody Watts after the Colonels trailed 40-0. Sophomore running back Aaron Bradley hurt his right knee in the first half and didn't return.

"Games like this show what we need to work on," Holland said. "They have a great defense."

Cincinnati allowed only 195 yards — 61 of them on that one pass — and eight first downs.

"I think we're pretty happy with how we played," said defensive end Connor Barwin, who had a sack. "Our main objective was to stop the run and not give up any big plays. The one big play they had was against the backups.'

Grutza was the starting quarterback in 2006, but lost his job late that season and never got it back. Mauk led the Bearcats to 10 wins and a No. 17 final ranking last year, then set about trying to gain one more season of eli-

Sept. 4 Allen Central, 7 p.m. Sept. 8 Betsy Layne, 6 p.m. Sept. 16 Magoffin County, 6 p.m. Sept. 18 at Hazard, 6 p.m.

Floyd Youth Squirrel on Kentucky Afield TV

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT - The importance of introducing kids to hunting at an early age is the focus this' weekend Kentucky Afield television.

While deer and elk are our state's prize game animals, helping youth to appreciate hunting's role in managing wildlife is the reward in the eyes of the members of the Dewey Lake Fish and Game Club in Prestonsburg. Kentucky Afield cameras join the group's Johnny Lafferty as he introduces youngster Michael Blackburn to squirrel hunting and to a future in conservation.

The Emmy Award-winning Kentucky Afield television show is a production Kentucky of the

Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. It is the longest continuously-running outdoor television show in the nation. The program airs Saturday at 8:30 p.m. Eastern /7:30 p.m. Central and is repeated Sunday at 4 p.m. Eastern/3 p.m. Central on KET 1.

Boating fatalities to date lowest in five years: Five people lost their lives so far this year on the state's waters, making boating fatalities for 2008 the lowest at this point of the season in the last five years.

"These lower statistics are what we love to see," said Sgt. John Anderson, boating education coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "This trending toward a historically low accident and injury fatality rate is the kind of information that makes law enforcement professionals happy."

Through nearly the first eight months of 2008, Kentucky boaters have reported 41 accidents with 26 injuries. These accidents cost five lives.

By comparison, 71 accidents occurred on Kentucky waters in 2007 with 13 fatalities.

"Reports from our officers indicate a good boating season so far," Anderson said. "The change is that 2008 is a much safer season than in years past."

The Keep It a Safe Summer boating safety campaign combined with intensive patrol efforts have contributed to these positive changes, Anderson said. "We are putting this

word out for people to continue to be safe this Labor Day weekend," he said. "We want people out enjoying our waterways and having good stories to tell when they get home, not tragedies.'

Anderson reminds boaters to avoid drinking alcohol while operating a boat. Take frequent breaks when driving a boat to avoid fatigue. Wear a personal floatation device or lifejacket when the boat is under power. Be aware of other boaters and pay close attention at all times when on the water if operating a boat.

"The waters of Kentucky are a safer place to be this year," Anderson said. "We hope Kentucky boaters and visitors keep this up."

up seven kills in the match.

Allen Central will entertain Johnson Central Wednesday at J.E. Campbell Arena. First serve of the freshman match is scheduled for 6 p.m.

EK Miners preparing for upcoming **CBA** Draft TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - Shortly after the conclusion of the 2007-08 season, head coach Kevin Keathley started evaluating talent for the second edition of the East Kentucky Miners. This year's CBA Draft will be held Tuesday, Sept. 23. The draft will be comprised of players fresh out of the college ranks. East Kentucky drafted six players in the 2nd Annual Continental Basketball Association Draft held on Sept. 25, 2007. In the second round of last year's draft, East Kentucky picked DePaul University forward Marcus Heard with the 13th overall pick. Heard was a solid contributor for

East Kentucky during the team's debut season as he ultimately earned an All-CBA Rookie Team nod.

"The CBA Draft is essentially our kickoff to the new season," said Miners Coach Kevin Keathley. "I'm extremely excited about some of the potential prospects I'm looking at for this upcoming draft. I thought last year we did a good job of identifying players that would fit into our organization. Marcus Heard made an immediate impact for us. He earned ALL-CBA rookie Honors last year for us. Look for us to draft guys who will be good representatives of the East Kentucky Miners both on and off the

(See **DRAFT**, page two)

Beets, Adams likely to start for Wildcats

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON University of Kentucky Coach Rich Brooks updated a couple of position battles following Thursday morning's practice, indicating that offensive guard Jess Beets and wide receiver E.J. Adams were likely to see starting assignments in today's season opener at Louisville.

Beets, a senior from

been contending with sophomore Brad Durham and redshirt freshman Stuart Hines at right guard. If Beets indeed begins the game, it will be the first UK start for the former juniorcollege transfer. Adams, a · finalists for that role. Stone junior from Mountain, Ga., is one of several receivers contending for the starting nod opposite Dicky Lyons. It would be Adams' first start captains for the season

Dove Canyon, Calif., has as a wide receiver after switching over from cornerback last spring.

Brooks also indicated that the starting tight end had not been decided, with juniors T.C. Drake and Maurice Grinter being the

Pryor, G. Williams are Game Captains: Defensive tackle Myron Pryor and offensive tackle Garry Williams will be the game opener at Louisville, Coach Brooks Rich has announced.

Game captains are normally selected on the basis of performance in the previous game, or in this case, for the previous season, offseason and preseason activities. Pryor and Williams, who are both seniors from Louisville, will join permanent captains Tony Dixon and Braxton Kelley at the pregame coin toss.

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Blackwelder was twice

named an All Southern

Conference selection, and

team MVP. He also earned

all-conference recognition in

mer MSU track and cross

son this Saturday (Aug. 30)

ferent players were selected.

closer look at some of the

NAIA colleges in the state,"

Keathley commented. "There

could be a player or two from

the Mid-SoutH represented.

I'm excited, we're close to

naming the location for this

East Kentucky professional

basketball team's inaugural

press conference. Keathley

promised the most exciting

brand of basketball to be

found in the state. Players

drafted in the 2008 CBA

Draft could reflect the uptem-

In July 2007, during the

years draft party."

"This year, I'm taking a

country coach Dan Lindsey.

Blackwelder replaces for-

The Eagles open their sea-

Inc. to proceed with Kentucky Speedway acquisition

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CONCORD. N.C. Speedway Motorsports, Inc. (NYSE:TRK) is proceeding with the purchase of Kentucky Speedway, company officials announced today.

In May 2008, Speedway Motorsports entered into an agreement to acquire Kentucky Speedway from Kentucky Speedway LLC, pending a 90-day period to conduct due diligence. The period expired Aug. 18, and the company has decided to move forward with the acquisition, subject to satisfaction of remaining closing conditions. The acquisition is expected to close in the fourth quarter of this year, most likely in December.

"Moving forward on Kentucky Speedway allows our company to expand its geographic reach into the motorsports hotbed of the Midwest," said O. Bruton Smith, founder, chairman and chief executive officer of Speedway Motorsports, Inc.

"We are optimistic about being able to promote a Sprint Cup Series event at Kentucky Speedway. Once we secure a Sprint Cup Series event, we plan to expand seating capacity and host some of the largest crowds in the Midwest," Smith added. "Kentucky Speedway entertained sellout crowds for NASCAR Nationwide Series and IndyCar racing events this year. With a Sprint Cup date, season ticket sales, seat licenses and corporate sponsorship opportunities will increase tremendously.

NASCAR has stated it cannot allow realignment of an existing Sprint Cup Series race date until the anti-trust litigation among NASCAR, International Speedway Corporation and the current ownership of Kentucky Speedway is resolved. Although the time frame for resolution is uncertain, Speedway Motorsports will continue to work with NASCAR to schedule a Sprint Cup Series date at the facility.

Speedway Motorsports also plans to use its proven business model to maximize revenues and streamline expenses at existing Kentucky Speedway events to offset an initial reduction in the company's carnings, which could approximate \$0.12 to \$0.18 per share per year pending the scheduling of a Sprint Cup Series. event at Kentucky Speedway. The reduction in earnings relates primarily to estimated interest, depreciation, and general and administrative expenses.

Smith continued, "We are in this motorsports business for the long term. The opportunity to buy a modern race track below replacement cost in a market with incredible growth potential was simply too good to pass up. While we expect some shortterm loss, this is a significant investment in the future that better positions us to compete in this industry, and will pay off with long-term gains when the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series is added to Kentucky Speedway's event calendar.'

Located on 820 acres in Sparta, Kentucky, just south of Cincinnati, Kentucky Speedway features a 1.5-mile tri-oval speedway, with chair-back grandstand seating for 66,089 spectators, 50 luxury suites with seats for approximately 2,000, private RV spaces, and reserved and unreserved camping spaces.

Kentucky Speedway will join an outstanding lineup of SMI facilities. The company also owns and operates Atlanta Motor Speedway; Bristol Motor Speedway in Bristol, TN.; Infincon Raceway in Sonoma, CA.; Las Vegas Motor Speedway; Lowe's Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C.; New Hampshire Motor Speedway, in Loudon, N.H.; and Texas Motor Speedway in Ft. Worth, TX.

NASCAR SPRINT CUP DRIVER STANDINGS 1. Kyle Busch, 3,609 2. Carl Edwards, 3,397 3. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 3,193 4. Jimmie Johnson, 3,191 5. Jeff Burton, 3,117 6. Tony Stewart, 3,013 7. Greg Biffle, 2,984 8. Kevin Harvick, 2,972 9. Jeff Gordon, 2,951 10. Matt Kenseth, 2,921

Speedway Motorsports, MSU names Blackwelder track, cross country head coach

career,

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD - Morchead State University has named Carson Blackwelder as the new head track and cross country coach for the Eagles. Blackwelder comes to MSU after three years as an assistant coach at Appalachian State University.

While an assistant at Appalachian State, at the Dayton Flyers Blackwelder was the recruiting coordinator for the Mountaineer cross country program and strength coordinator for distance runners. He was also a standout runner for the Mountaineers. During his

Draft

floor."

Sixteen players that were selected in last year's CBA Draft participated in the Portsmouth Invitational Tournament. Two players from NCAA Champion Florida (Lee Humphrey and Chris Richard) were selected. Other tradition-rich college basketball programs represented in last year's draft included Kentucky, Indiana, Memphis, Syracuse and Maryland.

East Kentucky made six picks as part of the 2007 CBA Draft. The 2007 Draft consisted of six rounds as 60 dif-

Colonels

gibility. The NCAA has turned down his appeals four times so far.

Mauk talked to its reinstatement committee by phone on Thursday afternoon, his last chance for a reversal. Mauk, a graduate student, was on the sideline in jcans and a gray football T-shirt.

Grutza led the Bearcats to touchdowns on their first three drives. He left the game after directing a 20play drive that culminated in his 2-yard touchdown run, making it 33-0 late in the

"It's good being able to field." sustain drives, but I'd rather big,

explosive plays to get touchdowns," Grutza said.

have

touchdown drives of 12. That last one took 9 minutes.

"We didn't give up the

be held November 1. Invitational. The MSU men's MSU DB cross country team was Preseason picked to finish second in the Ohio Valley Conference this "I am very excited about the upcoming season," said

Blackwelder. "We have a solid group of guys returning with a couple standouts that should help us challenge for the conference title. The ladies team is young with four freshman and will rely on the upperclassmen to break back into the top half of

the conference." This season's OVC cross country championships will

named All-American: Morehead State University senior cornerback David Hyland has been named to the preseason College Sporting News Football Championship

po style of play the Miners

A LOOK BACK

AT LAST YEAR'S

CBA DRAFT:

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Marcus Heard (6-7, Forward,

Team honor with Miners)

(6-3, Guard,

coach favors.

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Indiana)

Wayne)

DcPaul)

Subdivision All-America First Team.

Hyland was the national statistical champion (FCS) in interceptions per game last season and was an integral part of an Eagle defense that won the national statistical championship for rushing defense.

Previously, he was named to the Sports Network FCS Preseason All-America Third Team.

Hyland and the Eagles opened the 2008 campaign Saturday night with a home game against Southern Virginia. The game ended too. late to make this edition.

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Zach Malvik (6-2, Guard, Winona State)

4th Round, 33rd Pick -Dwight Jones (6-3, Guard, Houston Baptist)

(Rights traded to Rio Grande Valley for Ivan Jenkins (2007 CBA Draft, 2nd pick overall) and 2008 Fourth Round Draft Pick) 5th Round, 43rd Pick -

Andrew Preston (6-10, Center, Belmont) 6th Round, 53rd Pick -

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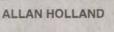
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fright when the Bearcat mascot parachuted into the stadi-um before the kickoff. The parachute got tangled in the wire that holds up the net behind the goal post, leaving the costumed man dangling. The parachute slid loose after a few seconds, and the mascot landed feet-first, fell to his back and jumped up.

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T h e Bearcats had 14 and 20 yards. up more than



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third quarter. Grutza was 21- big play," said first-year. win over Southeast Missouri Colonels coach Dean Hood. "We just couldn't get off the

State.

There was a momentary

past Carolina 19-16 Steelers get

by ALAN ROBINSON ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH - As Carolina's starters left the field following pregame warmups, coach John Fox was waiting with a surprise: They were getting the night off.

It's merely an illusion that, except for Jeff Reed and Rashard Mendenhall, the Pittsburgh Steelers' offense has been resting for a couple of weeks.

Reed kicked his fourth field goal of the game and his eighth in less than a week, a 43-yarder on the last play, and the Steelers beat the Panthers' backups 19-16 on Thursday night in the final exhibition game for both teams.

Carolina, holding out 25 players, didn't do much offensively except for three field goals by John Kasay until No. 3 quarterback Brett Basancz threw a 29-yard touchdown pass to Chris Hannon with 1:54 remaining. Fox opted to kick the extra point and try for overtime, something most coaches look to avoid in games that don't count.

"If it there was a little less time I probably would have (gone for a 2-point conversion) but, either way, we were going to have to stop a twominute drive," Fox said.

Dixon went 4-for-4 for 32 yards and ran 11 yards for a first down on the 47-yard drive that ended with Reed's final

The Steelers (3-1) scored only one touchdown while winning their final two games, Carcy Davis' 6-yard run in the first quarter. They beat Minnesota 12-10 on Saturday as Reed kicked four field goals, and he made four more of 41, 49, 41 and 43 yards

The Steelers' offensive starters insist they're ready to go against Houston on Sept. 7, even if Reed's right leg offers the only tangible evidence.

against Carolina.

"Right now, we feel ready," said Willie Parker, who ran four times for 34 yards. "I know that I feel good, and I can speak for the team. It's time to put what we've been practicing to work."

Davis' touchdown came two plays after a 37-yard pass interference penalty on Richard Marshall at the Carolina 7 during the second series and final for Pittsburgh's starters.

Maybe the Panthers' starters felt they didn't need any more work - in the previous two games, Carolina (2-2) outscored its opponents 58-3, including a 47-3 win over Washington on Saturday.

"We didn't know until after we warmed up," quarterback Jake Delhomme said of not playing. "We came ready to play but we were going to play only one series, most likely. I think the good thing is that we played a ton of football last week. It was Coach's decision, so good, bad or indifferent, we just have to be ready for San Dicgo.'

Of his players' reaction to the unexpected night off, Fox said, "They didn't jump for joy.'

DcAngelo Williams and Jonathan Stewart, both of whom gained 100 yards-plus against Washington, did not get off the Panthers' bench, and none of their replacements gained even 40 yards.

"I would have liked for the running game to be better, but the Steelers are a good defense so it was a good test," tackle Jordan Gross said.

Matt Moore played the first

three quarters for Delhomme, going 15-for-27 for 164 yards, no touchdowns and two interceptions, before safety Anthony Smith rolled into his left leg as he was throwing a pass late in the third quarter. Moore was assisted to the sideline, but Fox said X-rays showed no fracture.

Pittsburgh quarterback Ben Roethlisberger played long enough to test a no-huddle offense, and it wasn't exactly a success. Justin Hartwig, the former Carolina center who has won the starting job in Pittsburgh, snapped prematurely on a third-and-5 play from the Pittsburgh 25 and Roethlisberger retreated to the 4 to recover the ball.

"It wasn't good, that's why I wanted to practice it in the Roethlisberger preseason," said.

Hartwig said, "I'm pretty upset, actually, because I snapped it too early. I shut down a drive."

He shouldn't worry - the Steelers' other offensive players took turns shutting down quite a few others.

Roethlisberger did not attempt any passes. Byron Leftwich came on to go 6-for-14 for 82 yards.

Mendenhall, Pittsburgh's first-round draft pick, gained 79 yards on 21 carries but lost his third fumble in two games. After he fumbled twice against Minnesota, he was forced to carry a football at the Steelers' practice complex, and any teammate knocking it from him got \$100.

"I think he's improving every week," coach Mike Tomlin

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THE ASSOCIATED PRSS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. - NASCAR placed Kyle Busch and Carl Edwards on probation Wednesday for the next six Sprint Cup Series races, the result of their ontrack incident last weekend at the end of the race at Bristol Motor Speedway.

During the cooldown lap after Edwards' Ford took the checkered flag for Roush Fenway Racing, Busch drove alongside Edwards and bumped his car. Edwards responded by driving the nose of his car into the right side of Busch's Toyota. spinning him out.

The postrace incident was apparently a reaction to Edwards nudging Busch aside with 30 laps to go Saturday night. Busch had led the previous 415 laps.

Busch was unrepentant after the race, saying, "We'll go on and we'll race him that way in the Chase if that's the way he wants to race."

Edwards wasn't backing down, either.

"A real smart racer explained it to me this way after he wrecked me and 1 was real mad. He said, 'I just had to look at your rear bumper and decide if you would do this to me, and you had, and so it was a real simple decision," Edwards said.

"I'd do it again."

Both drivers were later Edwards, summoned by NASCAR to explain their actions.

Top 2 NASCAR Sprint Cup

drivers placed on probation

This is just the latest development in a growing rivalry between the 23-yearold Busch and the 29-yearold Edwards, the winningest drivers in Cup this season.

Busch, who drives for Joe Gibbs Racing, has been the most dominant driver this season, winning eight times and building a lead of 212 points over runner-up Edwards in the Cup standings with two races remaining before the start of the 10race Chase. But Edwards, who now has six wins, has come on strong in recent weeks, winning two in a row and three of the last four races.

The points race would have been even closer if not for a penalty Edwards received for racing without a cover on his oil tank after winning at Las Vegas. He was docked 100 points and NASCAR also took away the 10 bonus points for the win that would have transferred to the Chase.

Once the 12-man lineup for the Chase is set, their point totals will be reset to 5,000 and they will then be seeded by victories. If the Chase began this week, Busch would be on top with

30-point lead over a

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THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES

Bengals batter Colts backups 27-7 in preseason finale

by MICHAEL MAROT ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS Cincinnati refused to take any chances with its big-name players. Thursday night.

The Indianapolis Colts took an even safer approach, benching all of its starters.

In a ho-hum preseason finale, the Bengals scored touchdowns on their first two series and handed the Colts' replacements a 27-7 loss.

"It was one of those fifth preseason games that wasn't , artistic and probably the fans didn't appreciate a lot of the things that happened out there," Colts coach Tony Dungy said. "But we got to see , some things we needed to see, and we got some things ", accomplished."

The Bengals did a little more in the short term.

They played without starting quarterback Carson Palmer, who spent the game in street clothes with his mangled nose bandaged; receiver T.J. Houshmandzadch, who was in ' uniform but didn't play; or their more heralded receiver, Chad Johnson, who didn't b even make the two-hour trip on I-74. Running back Rudi

Johnson, who was expected to play, never made it onto the field, either.

But against Indy's backups, it didn't matter.

Chris Perry, who'll likely supplant Rudi Johnson as the starter, rushed nine times for 20 yards and scored on a 5yard run before departing. Ryan Fitzpatrick, Palmer's backup, was 5-of-8 for 35 yards with one TD pass before leaving in the first half.

And the Bengals' defense manhandled the Colts' offensive mishmash.

"We did a nice job closing out the football game,' Bengals coach Marvin Lewis said. "I think we got accomplished what we needed to accomplish and we came out healthy.'

The Colts didn't seem to care about the result.

Two-time league MVP Peyton Manning dressed for the first time in five games and went through his normal. pregame routine but didn't play. Neither did anyone else of note, and it showed.

Manning's backup, Quinn Gray, ran six plays before fumbling on the Colts 10, and Indy's usually potent offense went nowhere.

many plays on its first series (21) as the Colts did the entire half (22) and only six of Indy's plays went for positive yardage. The starting offense finished the preseason, which included one extra game, without scoring a touchdown.

Defensively, the Colts struggled, too.

Dungy spent the short week telling players they needed to get stops on third down, then watched the Bengals run nearly 111/2 minutes off the clock on the opening possession by converting five of six third downs and once on fourth. Perry finished the drive with his TD run.

"I'm not going to lie, I was a bit winded," Fitzpatrick said. "You don't get 21-play drives very often."

Gray's fumble gave Cincinnati the ball right back at the Indy 10, and three plays later, Fitzpatrick and Glenn Holt hooked up on a 9-yard score to make it 14-0.

That was too much for Indy to overcome Thursday.

But Dungy may have found an answer on kickoffs.

With last year's returner, T.J. Rushing, out for the season after being placed on injured Roby took advantage of his chance to win a roster spot.

He fielded the Bengals' kickoff in the end zone, ran toward the middle of the field, then made a sharp cut to the left and went untouched for a 103-yard return - Indy's only score

"My job is simple, just hit the crease and make sure they don't have to stay on the blocks long," Roby said. "I was fortunate enough there was a big enough crease for me to get by, and I just tried to take it to the house from there."

The Bengals scaled it in the second half on DeDe Dorsey's 6-yard TD run to open the fourth quarter.

Yet Lewis thought the Bengals could have been better.

"I've never seen a 21-play, 80-yard drive," Lewis said. "But we need to sharpen up on offense, and we've got to run more crisply."<

Notes: The Bengals lost Holt and defensive tackle Antwon Burton during the game after they were hit in the head. Afterward, Lewis said they were OK. ... Colts rookies Pierre Garcon and Tom Santi both hurt their knees but are

Cincinnati ran nearly as reserve Tuesday, Courtney not expected to miss much time. The most serious injury was to backup linebacker Victor Worsley, who sprained his knee. ... Doctors instructed Colts offensive line coach Howard Mud, who has had knee replacement surgery, to spend the game in the press box. ... The Bengals finished the preseason 2-2. ... Indy was 1-4 and is now 3-16 in preseason games since Sept. 2004.

Bengals RB Rudi Johnson faces uncertain future THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS - Bengals running back Rudi Johnson said Thursday that he still thinks he could be traded before the season-opener on Sept. 7.

Earlier this week, Johnson acknowledged he could be dealt since the Bengals are reportedly in the market for another wide receiver. But wasn't told anything after sitting out Cincinnati's 27-7 victory at Indianapolis.

"It's out of my control, you know what I mean," he said. "All I know is the season starts. Sept. 7."

Johnson was expected to play in the preseason finale. He didn't, and afterward said felt comfortable on the field presumably standing on the sidelines where he watched Chris Perry and Kenny Watson handle most of the carries in the first half.

Coach Marvin Lewis said Johnson, and receiver T.J. Houshmandzadeh, were held out because they had only practiced for one week.

Johnson became the team's starting tailback in 2004, taking over for Corey Dillon. He ran for a club-record 1,458 yards in 2005 and for 1,309 the next year. Hamstring problems limited him to nine starts and a 2.9-yard average last season, when he lost weight to try to increase his speed.

He bulked up in the offseason, hoping to become more of a power back. Yet the continuing hamstring problems raise questions about his durability and, if Perry wrests the starting job from Johnson, he would be expendable.

What's next?

Johnson isn't sure.

"Stay tuned," he said. "Make sure you pay your cable bill."

Bengals owner has soft spot for troublemakers

by JOE KAY ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - The electronic billboard message went up almost as soon as Chris ,Henry signed his contract.

"CHRIS HENRY AGAIN?" the black-andorange message flashed along a busy interstate. "ARE YOU SERIOUS?"

Yes, the receiver who had repeatedly embarrassed the , Cincinnati Bengals was back with the team. Owner Mike Brown was giving Henry what amounted to a sixth chance, even though the head coach didn't want him and a local judge had deemed him a "oneman crime wave."

No matter. He was back. And after players and fans thought about it, they realized they shouldn't have been so surprised.

"The head coaches don't run the teams in the National Football League," quarterback Carson Palmer said. "The organizations run the teams."

This one is run by an owner the holds tightly to control. but is exceedingly generous with second chances. And, as his decision on Henry shows, he's not about to change. Giving wayward players extra chances is one of the hallmarks of Brown's tenure as the team owner, president and de facto general manager. The 73-year-old Brown has turned down interview Frequests since he gave Henry · a two-year contract on Aug. 1119. He speaks to reporters irarcly now, but it wasn't always that way. Until the last few years, he was readily "accessible during practices, and loved to share stories. about the days when his father * was coaching the Cleveland Browns in the 1950s and '60s vior, later, the expansion : Bengals.

Back then, a player getting into trouble was considered a boys-will-be-boys moment. Rough-edged players were part of the league's attraction. Brown laughed as he told storics of their exploits.

"In the old days, if guys got into a fight, it was, 'Who won?"" Brown said, during a 2007 interview. "Now it's, 'Who's in jail?' It's just different.'

He acknowledges that the game and society have changed - player arrests are no longer a laughing matter ---but he still has a soft spot for troublemakers. When the Bengals had 10 players arrested in a 14-month span beginning in April 2006, Brown stuck to his stance that the public perception was bad, but the players were not. At the team's annual luncheon before the start of training camp last month, he discussed his philosophy in the most open way.

"I guess the world is divided up between redeemers and non-redeemers," Brown said, during an interview with a few reporters. "I happen to be a redeemer. I think people can be made better and right. If that's a fault, so be it. These guys misstepped, they made mistakes, they paid prices for it that have been verging on ruinous, but that doesn't mean I dislike them personally."

arrived in town that the Bengals were the only ones who had offered a contract.

The fans like a story of redemption as much as Brown. Last year, outfielder Josh Hamilton got a standing ovation on opening day with the Cincinnati Reds, the culmination of his comeback from crack cocaine addiction, eight trips to rehab and a ban from baseball.

It was during his ban from the game that Hamilton finally bottomed out, took responsibility for his life and became committed to reforming it. He got another chance only after he showed over time that he had changed. Henry has demonstrated no such commitment to change, but Brown took him back anyway.

The decision also shocked fans in part because it undercut head coach Marvin Lewis, who had said publicly and emphatically that he had no interest in bringing Henry back. It was a reminder that Brown is still in charge and unwilling to change, even if it creates a rift with the head

the weight room. Lewis made himself the team's spokesman on all important matters.

When the Bengals went 8-8 in Lewis' first season, the head coach choked up while thanking Brown for the opportunity. When they made the playoffs in 2005, fans thought that times had changed. In the last two years, they've been forced to think again. The Bengals have finished 8-8 and 7-9, and Brown has reemerged as a controlling fig-

Lewis has lobbied for a covered practice field for bad weather, but hasn't gotten one. Last year, the Bengals had to practice in cold, rainy weather, which made some players sick leading up to games, according to Palmer.

While Lewis took an increasingly tougher line on player misconduct, Brown wavered. By taking Henry back over Lewis' strong objections, he reminded everyone that he would run the team the way he saw fit, not the way others prefer.

"They're going to make

by DAN SEWELL

ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - Gillette has teamed up with EA Sports in a push to expand its sports marketing into video gaming in a major way.

Golfer Tiger Woods, a veteran of marketing for both businesses, helps tee off the new partnership as part of an upcoming global online sports games competition that gives winners a chance to play head-to-head against real-life sports stars.

Gillette and EA Sports officials say the partnership will include joint retail promotions, print and TV advertising, and a heavy online presence. They say they're both targeting young men through sports and want to build their businesses in markets around the world.

"This is a classic partnership where we're leveraging mutual assets," said Peter Clay, Gillette vice president of global grooming. "It's very efficient for both of us."

The shaver maker has for decades sponsored traditional sports such as baseball, boxing and football and more recently added NASCAR because of its growing popularity.

"Times have changed," Clay said. "Young guys are still watching live action sports, so we still have a big presence there, but they're also spending a lot of time gaming. That's where guys are these days."

Bruce Cohen, a strategist for the retail consulting firm Kurt Salmon Associates, said shaving products companies must start early cultivating consumers who often become lifelong customers. Video game players are an increasingly diverse group, and older men can relate to game promotions because they play themselves, are used to their children playing them, or are familiar with the sports figures involved such as Woods and football's John Madden, he said.

Gillette partners with EA Sports

Less than a month later, Chris Henry was back. And the billboards and the talk shows were buzzing with disbelief.

Fans couldn't understand why Brown would take back a player who was suspended for three games in 2006, the first half of the season in 2007 and the first four games of the upcoming season because of his unrelenting run of problems. Even Henry sounded a bit surprised, noting when he a lot of money into upgrading Bay, Houston, Minnesota)

coach.

That's one of the threads to the team's long run of frustration. Since Brown took over after his father's death in 1991, the Bengals have had four head coaches but only one winning record (2005). A franchise-worst 2-14 finish in 2002 and thousands of empty seats in Paul Brown Stadium prompted Mike Brown to go outside the organization - a bold move for the family-run front office — and bring in Lewis.

The new coach had more sway than his predecessors at the outset. He got more of a free hand to pick his staff, persuaded Brown to let the team fly to West Coast games a day earlier than in the past, and put

decisions that they think are best," Palmer said, referring to the Brown family, "and Marvin and the players and all the coaches do the best with what we've got."

They've got an owner with a soft spot and a strong will.

2008 Bengals Schedule **Early Games**

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Sept. 28 Cleveland, 1 p.m. Oct. 5 at Dallas, 4:15 p.m. Oct. 12 at New York Jets, 1 p.m.

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Rookie linebacker Woodyard quietly impresses coaches

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

not ENGLEWOOD, Colo. -Rookie linebacker Wesley Woodyard lets his play do " most of the talking.

"He not about making a lot of noise," Denver Broncos "defensive coordinator Bob Slowik said. "He's all about going about his business."

The free agent from Kentucky enjoys flying under "the radar - just not the coaching staff's.

"I like it that way," "Woodyard said. "I like just ' having to just going out and 'doing my job, completing my "assignments."

The lack of public attention was farther emphasized "since his arrival to Denver. - 'Throughout training camp attending fans called him "Woodward" instead of "Woodyard."

mispronounce my name all the time," Woodyard said. "They'll get the name said right if I continue to make plays.

Woodyard has playing without much fanfare throughout his career.

"Even in high school I've always been a guy that's loved proving myself," Woodyard said. "It always feels better when you carn your playing time.

During his first two scasons at Kentucky, Woodyard played on the scout team and he said he learned a valuable lesson from Wildcats coach Rich Brooks.

"I learned to enjoy the role of pushing people ahead of me to get better," Woodyard said. "If they don't get better, then I usually overtake them.

By the time he was fin-"I'm used to it. People ished, he was first-team All-

SEC selection his last two seasons and led the conference with 101/2 tackles per game as a senior.

When undrafted, he didn't fuss and fret. He accepted the snubbing and that he thought was due in part to his 6-foot-1-inch, 230-pound frame.

"I had a lot knocks on my size, but I say you can't measure heart," Woodyard said. "So I go out there every play with a chip on my shoulder and just try to beat the person that's across from me.'

Making the most of playing time afforded him by injuries to Boss Bailey and Louis Green, Woodyard had a team-high eight solo tackles in the team's first preseason game against Houston, and his coaches took notice.

"I saw Woodyard did a heck of a job jumping in once the lights went on," Slowik said.

Woodyard enters Denver's last preseason game Friday at Arizona tied with Domonique Foxworth for the team lead with 15 tackles.

"I feel real good, but I'm a type of guy that has to get better week in and week out. I'm trying to continue to prove myself on the field," Woodyard said.

Outwardly at least, he's not fretting over Saturday's final cuts.

"I try not to worry about 'it," he said. "Why worry about it if you are making plays when you get the opportunity? Let the playing make the point."

EXTRA POINTS: WR Brandon Marshall waved off questions about his meeting in New York on Tuesday to appeal his suspension for violating the league's personal conduct policy.

Gaming is part of the bridge to that next group of consumers they're trying to tap into," Cohen said. "At the same time, it's not so far away from their core consumers and their group of classic sports like golf and football."

Meanwhile, Cohen added, EA Sports gains an experienced marketing partner with deep pockets and global reach.

Gillette, which is located in Boston, is part of Cincinnatibased consumer products giant Procter & Gamble Co. P&G recently reported that Gillette's five-blade Fusion shaving system, launched in 2006, has become its fastest brand to reach \$1 billion in annual sales.

EA Sports belongs to video game publisher Electronic Arts Inc., based in Redwood City, Calif. Among its popular sports games are Tiger Woods PGA Tour, Madden NFL and FIFA Soccer.

Video games sales continue to grow, even in a sluggish U.S. economy. Electronic Arts reported sales of \$3.67 billion, up 19 percent, in the fiscal year ended March 31

Peter Moore, president of EA Sports, said video gaming is growing in newer markets such as eastern Europe, Russia and China, and the tournament will be a good test of the expanding popularity. He said it's difficult to estimate how many players will take part.

"This is the first time anything of this scope has been done before," Moore said.

Moore joined EA a year ago from Microsoft Corp., which is part of the gaming competition that will be played via Microsoft's Xbox.

Details will be announced in October. Live finals are planned in Tampa, Fla., in January. There, Woods and other sports stars will play winners.

Woods joked that he wants a handicap for the video match. He said he's been spending more time playing video games these days as he recovers from knee surgery, but doubts he'll be ready to beat a top video gamer.

"I better stick to my day job," he said.



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tion has (2) The permit scheduled is approxi-11/4/2008 at 9:00 area mately 0.20 mile a.m., south from KY 7's Department junction with Natural Resources, Bradley Branch Division of Mine Road, and located Reclamation and on Bradley Branch Enforcement's Pres-tonsburg of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek. The Regional latitude 37 3140 South Lake is degrees, 24 min-Drive, Suite 6 utes, 57 seconds. Prestonsburg, The longitude is 82 41653-1410. degrees, 48 minhearing will be canutes, 40 seconds. celled if no request for a hearing or

(3) The bond now in effect for the per- informal conference is received mit is a surety in amount of the \$3,000.00. Approxi-



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mately 15 percent of the original bond amount of \$26,000.00 is included in the application for release. (4) Reclamation

work performed includes: final grading and revegetation, which was completed 11/25/97

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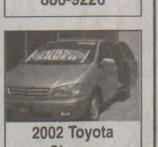


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Spice Up Summer VEGGIE STYLE

FAMILY FEATURES

ummer is the perfect time to take the party outdoors — longer days, warmer weather and plenty of seasonal ingredients to plan a menu around. Creating a relaxed backyard bash is easy! Professional chef and Food Network personality Cat Cora has recipes that can stand the heat and are great for any casual out-

door gathering. Chef Cora uses colorful and tasty ingredients to whip up the ideal summer meal in minutes. She

whip up the ideal summer meal in minutes. She offers some sizzling recipes that are easy to prepare and save time in the kitchen.

For a Mediterranean take on the classic burger, Chef Cora recommends blending Kalamata olives, fresh scallions and tangy feta with veggie burgers.

"Nothing says summer like burgers on the grill, and the Greek Veggie Burgers with Olive Sauce are my absolute favorite — extra flavorful and juicy," said Chef Cora. "This recipe can easily be doubled or tripled when serving crowds, and you can make these burgers on an outside grill while enjoying the party."

If your guests crave more than burgers, add a bit of sophistication with a spicy Asian mango stir-fry — complete with crisp vegetables, Thai chili, toasted almonds and Morningstar Farms Asian Veggie Patties. Or try Chef Cora's veggie steak and spinach salad with a lively soy-lime dressing. It's a refreshing complement to any summer meal.

For more quick recipes and fun food ideas, visit www.seeveggiesdifferently.com.





Greek Veggie Burgers With Olive Garlic Sauce

Serves 4

4 Morningstar Farms Grillers Original Veggie Burger Patties

Sauce

Greek Veggie Burger With Olive Garlic Sauce

Asian Spinach Salad

Prep Time: 20 minutes Time to Table: 20 minutes Yield: 12 cups salad; 4 to 6 servings

1/4 cup lime juice

1 tablespoon reduced-sodium soy sauce

tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro

Spicy Mango Stir Fry

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Prep Time: 40 minutes Time to Table: 40 minutes Yield: 8 cups stir-fry mixture; 4 to 6 servings

- 4 Morningstar Farms Asian Veggie Patties (1 package), thawed
- 1 Thai chili pepper, birdseye chili pepper, small red Serrano pepper or jalapeño pepper, seeded and thinly sliced*
- 1/4 cup reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon grated gingerroot
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon sesame oil or vegetable oil . 1 medium onion, chopped (about 1 cup)
- l cup broccoli florets
- 1 large carrot, bias-sliced (1/2 cup)
- 1/2 cup sliced yellow, red or green bell pepper 3 mangoes, peeled, pitted and sliced
- 1/2 cup fresh snow peas, trimmed
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro
- 1 tablespoon sliced green onion (optional)
- 1 tablespoon slivered almonds, toasted (optional)

Cut each veggie patty into 4 strips. Place in 9 x 9 x 2-inch baking dish. Sprinkle with chili pepper. In small dish, stir together soy sauce, gingerroot and garlic. Pour over patties. Cover and refrigerate for 30 minutes.

In large nonstick wok or skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat until hot. Stir-fry onion in hot oil for 1 to 2 minutes. Add broccoli, carrot and bell pepper. Stir-fry for 2 to 3 minutes or until crisp-tender. Stir in mangoes. Add snow peas, patty strips and marinade. Cook and gently stir for 1 to 2 minutes or until heated through.

Professional chef and Food

Network personality Cat Cora

Stir in cilantro. Garnish with green onion and almonds, if desired. Serve immediately.

*Note: Using the jalapeño pepper decreases the spicy hotness of the stir-fry. Since hot chili peppers contain volatile oils that can burn your skin or eyes, wear disposable or rubber gloves when working with them. If your bare hands do touch the chili peppers, wash your hands with soap and water.

- 2 tablespoons plain low-fat yogurt (strained if you like)
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/3 cup Kalamata olives, chopped
- 1 tablespoon chopped scallion
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 teaspoon fresh oregano, chopped
- 2 tablespoons crumbled feta
- Rolls and toppings
 - 4 onion hamburger rolls, split and toasted
 - 4 lettuce leaves, washed and dried
 - 4 tomato slices
 - 4 cucumber slices (optional)
 - 4 thin slices red onion (optional)
- Place frozen veggie burger patties in non-stick skillet.
- Heat burgers, covered, over medium heat for 7 to 7 1/2 minutes, turning burgers halfway through cooking time.
 - While burgers cook, stir together yogurt, garlic and all
 - remaining sauce ingredients. To serve, place each burger on a roll, spoon on a little garlic sauce, and top with lettuce, tomato, cucumber, and onion slices to your taste.

All recipes courtesy of Cat Cora

- 1 teaspoon brown'sugar
- 2 small cloves garlic, minced
- 3 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 10 cups fresh baby spinach leaves (about 8 ounces)
 1 medium red onion, halved and sliced 1/4 inch thick
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
 - package Morningstar Farms Meal Starters Veggie Steak Strips
- 2 tablespoons dry roasted unsalted peanuts (optional)

In small bowl, combine lime juice, soy sauce, cilantro, brown sugar and garlic. Whisk in 2 tablespoons of the oil. Set aside.

In large salad bowl, place spinach. In large nonstick skillet heat 1 teaspoon of the remaining oil over mediumhigh heat. Add onion. Cook, stirring occasionally, about 3 minutes or until tender. Stir in salt and pepper. Spoon on top of spinach in bowl.

In same skillet, heat remaining 2 teaspoons oil. Add veggie steak strips. Cook and stir for 2 to 3 minutes or until heated through. Remove from skillet. Keep warm.

Add lime juice mixture to hot skillet, stirring to remove any bits of steak strips. Heat through. Drizzle over spinach and onions. Arrange steak strips on top. Garnish with peanuts, if desired. Serve immediately.



Asian Spinach Salad

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