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Call for changes to Martin plan gathers steam

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — Some residents of Martin are looking for alternatives to a flood mitigation plan that started in the city nearly a decade ago and has seen some work.

Pete Grigsby Jr., a downtown business owner in Martin, says the current plan has "failed all of us" and says he has sought to enlist support for an alternative idea from city leaders, including Mayor Thomasine Robinson.

Calls to Robinson Thursday were not returned, but Grigsby, in a letter to the Floyd County Times, said the Martin relocation efforts to ease flooding by moving much of the downtown structures to a leveled off plateau near the Denzil Halbert Bridge, has "failed miserably."

"The present plan for Martin only protects about one-third of the town," said Grigsby. "The (Army) Corps (of Engineers) has been nine years and

nearly \$40 million spent on the project. This current plan is failing miserably and is doomed for continued failure."

On May 8, Martin, like a great number of other areas in both the county and surrounding region, suffered extensive damage from flooding due to heavy rains that fell that evening and scattered rains preceding it over the course of the previous week.

As in the past, Martin residents saw their homes flooded, some for total losses, and downtown businesses such as Grigsby's clothing store were washed out for losses of inventory and other belongings.

Now Grigsby is seeking a consolidated front from city leaders and residents in asking that the relocation plan be set aside and that a flood wall be constructed instead.

"We need flood protection from the south end of town all the way through downtown to the north end," he said.

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photo by Sheldon Compton

A bus for FEMA representatives has been parked outside the Martin Community Center for the past weeks to help area residents with losses due to that disaster. Martin residents have suffered damages from flooding to the extent that a relocation plan is currently underway. But some residents think there may now be better solutions.

CRIME SCENE



photo by Sheldon Compton

The Goodwill store of Prestonsburg was burglarized Wednesday morning of several hundred dollars after a side door was pried open with a crowbar. Police are investigating and believe that this incident could be connected to other recent burglaries.

Goodwill target of burglary

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Goodwill store in Prestonsburg was the target of some ill will, when it was burglarized early Wednesday morning.

The suspect or suspects entered through a side door of the store, near the area for donation drops, and then shouldered their way into the main office, police said.

"It was the classic kind of deal," said Steve Little of the

Prestonsburg Police Department. "Someone went to a back door in a low-lighted area and used a pry bar and popped the door."

Little said no merchandise was disturbed, but that the office was ransacked and that the burglars got away with several hundred dollars in cash.

"They found the petty cash and then emptied the two register trays that were in the filing cabinet," Little said. "They found them, stole the money and left."

Despite the fact that some

aspects of the break-in might at first point to the suspects having a working knowledge of the nonprofit store, Little said it could also be more simple.

"They leave the registers cleaned out up front," he said. "They could have checked that first and then decided to try to offices because the word 'office' is written on the doors."

In fact, Little said the investigation may focus more closely on any

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State says mayor broke rules

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Focus has landed on Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin now that the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance has ruled that Fannin violated a number of campaign finance laws during his 2006 bid for reelection.

In a ruling last week, the registry agreed Fannin violated these laws by accepting in-kind contributions in the form of bumper stickers from T&K Signs and More and by also failing to report various disbursements related to the financing of his campaign, as well as

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Concert to benefit LINKS

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

MINNIE — A diverse selection of bluegrass and country bands and musicians will be gathering at Elkhorn Recreational and Educational Park in Minnie on Saturday to benefit the Low Income Housing Coalition of East Kentucky (LINKS).

The concert, scheduled to begin at noon, will feature Marlow Tackett, Boundary Line, CJ the DJ, Diane Rudd, Sunday Drive Ministries, Willow Mountain, Bobby Lee

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Mountaintop removal faces tighter scrutiny

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In what are being called unprecedented steps taken to reduce the environmental impacts of mountaintop coal mining, the Obama administration issued new rules on the procedure yesterday.

The steps have been taken against the nation's six Appalachian states,

including Kentucky.

Through a memorandum signed by Lisa P. Jackson, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, the plan aims to minimize environmental consequences of mountaintop coal mining through short-term actions this year. Also, long-term actions are now in the works to tighten the regulation of the process.

Other points brought in yesterday's

announcement were that the plan aims to ensure "coordinated and stringent environmental reviews of permit applications" under the Clean Water Act and Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1997.

Federal officials will involve the public through outreach events in the Appalachian region to help inform them of the development of federal policy relating to the changes, EPA offi-

cial said. In addition, federal agencies will work in coordination with regional, state and local entities in hopes of diversifying the regional economy and promote health and welfare.

"Mountaintop coal mining cannot be predicated on the assumption of minimal oversight of its environmental impacts, and its permanent degradation

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FRANKFORT — Preliminary statistics indicate that nine people died in eight separate crashes on Kentucky roadways from Monday, June 1, through Sunday, June 7.

Seven of the crashes involved motor vehicles and five of those victims were not wearing seat belts. Single-fatality crashes occurred in Boone, Henderson, Letcher, Lincoln, Marshall and Shelby counties. Alcohol was a factor in four of the crashes.

One double-fatality crash occurred in Spencer County on US-31 E. Phyllis Cook, of Lebanon, was northbound on US 31 when she lost control in a curve and crossed the center line. Cook then struck the oncoming southbound vehicle head on, driven by John Maradits of Louisville. Cook was transported to a local hospital and later succumbed to her injuries. Maradits was pronounced dead at the scene of the crash.

One motorcycle fatality occurred in Logan County and the victim was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash.

Through June 7, preliminary statistics indicate that 325 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roadways during 2009. This is 14 more than reported for the same time period in 2008.

2 DAY FORECAST

Today



High: 79 • Low: 54

Tomorrow



High: 82 • Low: 58

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Obituaries

Harry Vincel Cooley

Harry Vincel Cooley, 70, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, June 10, 2009, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland.

Born February 18, 1939, in Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Otis Cooley and Viola May Cooley DeRossett. He was a retired well tender for Columbia Gas Company; a U.S. Air Force veteran; and a charter member of the Community United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, June Madison Cooley.

Other survivors include two sons: Timothy Craig Cooley (Gail), and Christopher Daniel Cooley, both of Prestonsburg; four brothers: Otis Hansel Cooley, Ronald L. Cooley and James William Cooley, all of Prestonsburg, and Caleb B. Cooley of Pikeville; four grandchildren: Januari, Cory, Casey and Craig; and two great-grandchildren: Kennedy and Kampbell.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, June 13, at 2 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, in Prestonsburg, with Community United Methodist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Visitation is Friday, at 11 a.m., at the church.

Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)



Earl Bolen

Earl Bolen, 80, of Garrett, died Tuesday, June 9, 2009, at his residence.

Born August 11, 1928, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late French and Mattie

Sizemore Bolen. He was a retired carpenter/mine foreman, and was a member of the Irene Cole Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg.

He is survived by Nancy Martin Bolen, his wife of 62 years.

In addition to his wife, other survivors include two daughters: Edna Bolen and Lema (Kenny) Lyon, both of Garrett; one brother, Coyet Bolen of Greensboro, North Carolina; three sisters: Sophie Vanderpool, Kathleen Hoflich and Evelyn Caudill, all of Louisville; and two grandchildren: Anthony Patton and Sherry Watson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Edward Bolen; and four sisters: Ethel Colburn, Mae Turner, Goldie Bailey, and Olga Richmond.

Funeral services will be held Friday, June 12, at 10 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Randy Osborne officiating.

Burial will be in Gethsemane Gardens, in Prestonsburg.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



Laura Burchett

Laura Burchett, 66, of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, June 9, 2009, in Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born January 7, 1943, in Grundy, Virginia, she was the daughter of the late Christopher Columbus Stacy and Tennessee Stacy Crum. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Bonanza Freewill Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband, James Burchett.

In addition to her husband, survivors include one son, James Gregory Burchett of Prestonsburg; one daughter, Edna Lorraine Ward of Prestonsburg; one brother, Jeff

Stacy of Prestonsburg; one sister, Nellian Parrigan of Grundy, Virginia; 22 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three sons: George, Henry and Billy Ray Burchett; and one sister, Pracey June Stilner.

Funeral services will be held Friday, June 12, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jimmy Brown officiating.

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

Visitation, at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



Polly Ann Hall

Polly Ann Hall, 73, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, June 8, 2009, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born July 1, 1935, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Virgil and Molly Rogers Carroll. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Hall.

Survivors include one son, Billy Joe Hall of Martin; four daughters: Lois Evans of Paintsville, Darlene Lewis of Tucson, Arizona, Sandy Coffey of Prestonsburg, and Connie Adams of Paintsville; one brother, Clifford Carroll of Tennessee; 11 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Danny Hall; one brother, John Ed Carroll; and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 10, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jennings West officiating.

Burial was in the Tackett-Hall Cemetery, in Grethel,

under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



Mark Alan Lafferty

Mark Alan Lafferty, 37, of Lexington, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Monday, June 8, 2009, at St. Joseph Hospital, in Lexington.

Born December 13, 1971, in Martin, he was the son of Dennis Lafferty and the late Shirley Blanton Lafferty. He was a software engineer for Lexmark.

He is survived by his wife, Christina Walters Lafferty.

In addition to his wife and father, survivors include three sons: Aidan Luke Lafferty, Griffin Matthew Lafferty, and Mason Andrew Lafferty; two brothers: Paul Dean Lafferty of Water Gap, and Greg Lafferty of Winchester; and one sister, Jamie Adkins of Lexington.

Funeral services were held Thursday, June 11, at noon, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Chad Blair officiating.

Burial was in the Jim Lafferty Cemetery, Water Gap, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



Ruby Douglas Samons Mullins

Ruby Douglas Samons Mullins of Lexington, passed away Tuesday, June 9, 2009.

Born July 20, 1920, in Martin, she was the daughter of the late James B. and Sarah Ellen Frazier Samons.

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and a long-time member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include her hus-

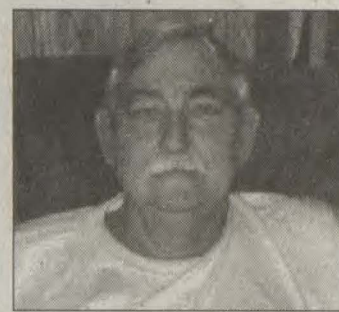
band, Burnis Mullins; one son, Carlton (Helen) Mullins of Martin; three daughters: Millie Mullins and Dorinda Jones, both of Lexington, and Sherry (Sterling) Martin of Hazard; seven grandchildren; Miki (John) Hopkins, Christopher Jones, Kevin (Elizabeth) Martin, Aimee Martin, Eric (Tressie) Mullins, Anna Cawden, and Carol Ann Mullins; five great-grandchildren: Jordan Ashley Hopkins, Jonathan Hopkins, Madison Crowley, Abby and Andy Mullins; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Dahleen Mullins; and one son, Terry D. Mullins; six sisters: Bertha Samons, Susan Samons, Lennie Peters, Pearl Click, Zella Lafferty, and Erma Mayo; six brothers: Raymond, Barley, Robert, William Alton, Thomas Quenton, and Rupert Vernon Samons.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, June 12, at 2:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with John Hopkins officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel.

Visitation is after noon, Friday, at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



Raymond Parsons Sr.

Raymond Parsons Sr., age 66, of Allen, husband of

Angela Renee Howell Parsons, passed away Thursday, May 28, 2009, in King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland.

He was born March 13, 1943, in Allen, the son of the late Grant Parsons and Bessie Wilcox Parsons. He was a retired coal miner, and on the Allen City Commission.

Survivors include his wife, Angela; one son, Raymond Parsons Jr., of Betsy Layne; two stepsons: Marcus Mullins of Floyd County, and Aaron Triplett of Martin; three daughters: Jennifer Lewis, Michelle Parsons, and Kimberly Spears, all of Prestonsburg; a stepdaughter, Tiffany Triplett of Martin; three brothers: Elmer "Fudd" Parsons of Allen, Doug Parsons of Paintsville, and Willie Parsons of Toledo, Ohio; three sisters: Mary Foot of Lowman, New York, Ann Parsons of Clamith Falls, Oregon, and Violet McGuire of Allen; 14 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; and his mother-in-law, Sylvia Howell.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers: Ed, Delmer and Randall Parsons; one sister, Pauline Burchett; and his father-in-law, Eugene Howell.

Funeral services for Raymond Parsons Sr., were conducted, Monday, June 1, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Kenneth Prater officiating.

Burial was in the Jones Cemetery, Shortwood, in Allen, with the Hall Funeral Home, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Jimmy Fudd Parsons, Keith Parsons, Randy Leedy, Wendell Parsons, Tony Calhoun, Donnie Calhoun, Scott Howell, Marcus Mullins, Aaron Triplett, Ray Parsons, Chris Howell, and Kenneth Parsons. (Paid obituary)

Regional Obituaries

FLOYD COUNTY

Elizabeth Stumbo Burton, 97, of Minnie, died May 6, at the Riverview Health Care Center in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Friday, May 8, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Kitty Allen Dings, 99, of Martin, died Thursday, June 4, at her residence. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 6, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Clifford Raven Gross, 66, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, June 7, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Jane Gearheart Gross. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Polly Ann Hall, 73, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, June 8, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 10, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Denver Hamilton, 63, of Huntington, Indiana, formerly of Teaberry, died Monday, May 4, at Parkview-Huntington Hospital, Indiana. Funeral services were held Friday, May 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Anna Ruth Layne Hayes, 83, of Betsy Layne, died Thursday, June 4, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Clarence Edward Hayes. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 7, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Carrie Hicks, 89, of Hippo, died Thursday, May 28, at her home. Funeral services were held Sunday, May 31, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Effie Howard, 81, of David, died Thursday, June 4, in Prestonsburg Healthcare Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 7, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Betty Jean Howell, 52, of Galveston, died Monday, May 25, at the St. Joseph Hospice Unit. Funeral services were held Tuesday, May 28, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Elder Dennis Kidd, 85, of Dana, died Friday, May 29, at Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Sunday, May 31, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Johnny Lee King, 35, of Martin, died Sunday, June 7, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Jennifer King. Funeral serv-

ices were held Thursday, June 11, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Mark Alan Lafferty, 37, of Lexington, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Monday, June 8, at St. Joseph' Hospital, in Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Christina Walters Lafferty. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 11, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Ruby Douglas Samons Mullins, 88, of Lexington, died Tuesday, June 8, 2009 at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Burnis Mullins. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, June 12, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Charles Music, 77, of Amarillo, Texas, a native of Cliff, died Wednesday, May 27, in Amarillo. He is survived by his wife, Sue Ivy Music. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 30, under the direction of Griggs-Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors.

Bobby Dale Newsome, 52, of Hi Hat, died Friday, June 5, at the Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Sharon Kay Little Newsome. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jesse Lee Pulliam, 87, of Auxier, died Saturday, June 6, in Highland Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 10, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Joseph D. Ratliff, 82 of Huesville, died Saturday, June 6,

in Huesville. He is survived by his wife, Dolie Shepherd Ratliff. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Geraldine Hayes Scaff, 77, of Lawrenceville, Georgia, a native of Langley, died Friday, June 5. A service celebrating her life was held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Wages Snellville Chapel.

Lorraine Whicker Shepherd, 70, of Banner, died Saturday, June 6, at the Hospice Care Center in Ashland. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Stevie Jay Slone, 47, of Garrett, died Thursday, June 4, at Three Rivers Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Reba Watson Slone. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 7, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Lawsey A. Wicker, 85, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, June 4, at the Riverview Health Care Center. He is survived by his wife, Irene Conley Wicker. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 7, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY

Jack Akers, 83, of Little Robinson Creek, died Monday, June 8, at Parkview Nursing Home and Rehab Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 11, under the direction of the Hall & Jones

Funeral Home.

Donnie Joe "Podge" Abshire, 51, of Phyllis, died Monday, June 8. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 13, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Bruce Wilson Anderson, 78, of Phyllis, died Sunday, June 7, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Susie Chapman Anderson. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 10, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

Gary Dale Bartley, 55, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, June 9, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 13, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Eva Lee Belcher, 79, of Belcher, died Monday, June 8, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 11 under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Dempsie Bolden, 73, of Kimber, died Friday, June 5, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Bertha Ratliff Bolden. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

Vicki "Darlene" Case, 50, of Chloe Road, died Wednesday June 3, at the Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, James Curtis Case. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 7, under the direction of Thacker Funeral

Home.

Jewel Tackett Collins, 85, of Virgie, died Saturday, June 6, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Moody Collins. Funeral services were held Monday, June 8, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

Sonia Michelle Justice Conley, 40, of Rocky Point, N.C., formerly of Elkhorn City, died Saturday, May 30, at her residence. Funeral services were held

Sunday, June 7, with burl in the Wilson Cemetery, in Draffin, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Irene Darnell, 79, of Mouthard, died Friday, June 5, at her residence. Funeral services were held Monday, June 8, under he direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

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Thank You

The Family of Raymond "Acie" Reynolds would like to thank everyone for the love, prayers and support, during the loss of my loving husband.

We express our heartfelt appreciation to those who sent flowers, cards, brought food, called, visited the funeral home, and came to be with us the day we honored the life of our beloved husband and father. We will never forget your kindness.

We thank the kind nurses for the good care of him while at King's Daughters Medical Center; Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home; the sheriff's department; and the special men of D.A.V. Chapter 18, in Auxier. Also a very special and heartfelt thank-you to Lola Mosley; and his nephew and wife, Kenny and Sharon Rose Reynolds.

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AARP Boat Outing Scheduled, June 16

Jenny Wiley Chapter 3528, AARP, will meet at Dewey Lake Marina, Tuesday, June 16, at 5:30, for a tour of the lake on pontoon boats. If this event, is your first time to attend a chapter meeting, please call Lou McCray at 886-2214 to register.

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Marriage Licenses

Valeria Edna Case, 18, of Minnie, to Ryan Edward Stiltner, 21, of Minnie.
 Etha B. Watson, 49, of Teaberry, to Donnie G. Adkins, 52, of Teaberry.
 Karrie Leanne Kidd, 20, of Honaker, to Danny Joe Coburn, 24, of Beaver.
 Kelley Kidd, 30, of Harold, to Ryan Douglas Hagans, 36, of Harold.
 Misty Dawn Risner, 22, of Salyersville, to Larry Anthony May, 27, of Keaton.
 Alva Sue Lovely, 33, of Martin, to Jay Michael Hicks, 38, of Martin.
 Megan Danielle Conley, 25, of Eastern, to William Keith Holbrook, 26, of Pikeville.

Civil Suits Filed

Myra Moore vs. Erica Howell; complaint.
 BAC Home Loans

Servicing L.P. vs. Julie Hall; complaint.

Stephanie Harris Vanderpool vs. Jay Laney; complaint.

Chrysler Financial Services vs. Angela Jones; complaint.

Kentucky Telco Federal Credit Union vs. Lewis Arno King; complaint.

Mason Coal Inc. vs. Leonard Peters; complaint.

Jamie Spears vs. Dustin Spears; petition for healthcare insurance.

Connie S. Prater vs. Patrick Cornet; petition for healthcare insurance.

Lisa L. Fuller vs. Johnny Justice; complaint.

Lonzo Stephens vs. Misty Stephens; divorce.

Shane Duncan vs. Tiffany Combs Duncan; divorce.

Cach of Colorado vs. Lana L. Lackey; complaint.

Chesapeake Appalachia vs.

James E. Moore; complaint.

Charges Filed

Michelle Jarrell, 41, Banner; fourth-degree assault.
 Ronnie E. Spradlin, 36, Banner; fourth-degree assault.
 Ephraim J. Lucio, age unlisted, Stanville; criminal trespassing.

Angela Gordon, 32, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault, disorderly conduct.

Ernest L. Diles, 20, Prestonsburg; menacing.

Kaitlyn Crum, 19, Wheelwright; public intoxication, license to be in possession, failure to notify transportation department of address change, possession of alcoholic beverages by a minor.

Timothy D. Adams, 48, Prestonsburg; possession of a controlled substance.

Christopher Osborne, 40,

Prestonsburg; operating a motor vehicle on a suspended or revoked license, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, possession of a controlled substance, possession of open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle.

Gary N. Collins, 19, Tram; criminal mischief, failure to wear seatbelts.

Johnny Maggard, 58, Martin; terroristic threatening, criminal trespassing.

Johnny Maggard, 58, Martin; terroristic threatening.

Jamie Meade, 19, harassing communications.

Rita Collins, 39, Prestonsburg; theft by deception.

Scott McKinney, 32, Martin; harassing communications.

Sherry L. Vanhooose, 30, Prestonsburg; public intoxica-

tion.

Rhonda G. Caudill, 29, Martin; public intoxication.

Jimmy Dewayne Branham, 31, Auxier; public intoxication.

Property Transfers

Johnna L. Reed to Jennifer L. Reed Combs, property located at Salt Lick Creek.

Johnna L. Reed to Pamra L. Reed Bolen, property not listed.

Johnna L. Reed to Warren W. Reed, property not listed.

Warren W. Reed to Jennifer L. Reed Combs, property located at Salt Lick Creek.

Warren W. Reed to Pamra L. Reed Bolen, property not listed.

Warren W. Reed to Johnna L. Reed, property located at Salt Lick Creek.

Ricky Robinson to Kinbag Development Company, LLC;

property located at Abbott Creek.

Tonia Ann Robinson o Kinbag Development Company, LLC, property located at Abbott Creek.

Debbie Sammons to Barry W. Hamilton, property located at Frasures Creek.

Michael Dean Sammons to Barry W. Hamilton, property located at Frasures Creek.

Richard Sammons, Jr. to Barry W. Hamilton, property located at Frasures Creek.

Sue Sammons to Barry W. Hamilton, property located at Frasures Creek.

Clarence Wentz Stumbo to Diana Vanderpool and Henry Michael Vanderpool, property located at Left Beaver Creek.

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Fannin

submitting false statements in relation to the campaign and its finances.

Also, the registry says Fannin failed to submit two cash disbursements totaling \$5,618 in his 32-day pre-election statements. The amount, instead, was reflected in his 30-day post-election statements.

Fannin is a former part owner of T&K Signs and More with Tony Vandine, stepson to Phillip R. Simpson. Simpson, a Prestonsburg chiropractor, made an unsuccessful run for city council in Prestonsburg during the 2002 election. The registry's ruling came as a result of complaints filed by Simpson, something he said he was advised to do.

"I felt something had been done wrong and I asked what I should do," Simpson said. "I

was told to file the complaint and did so. This is serious stuff. Extremely serious stuff. I find no joy in witnessing what appears to be some kind of self-destruction, but when people place themselves above the rules they have to face the consequences."

Simpson insists he is not political rivals with Fannin and said of the current mayor, "I think he's done a lot of good for this town," adding, "It's a shame things have turned out this way for him."

A report offered from the registry's general counsel Emily Dennis was presented during the registry's regular meeting and represents the key findings for the decision. Following the ruling, it was recommended that Dennis and Executive Director Sarah Jackson further examine the

findings to determine possible penalties.

Most severe among those penalties, perhaps, is the possibility that Fannin could be removed from office if the case is taken to that point.

According to Dennis, among the state laws that Fannin violated range from KRS 121.150 to KRS 121.220. State law says in the event of violation of these statutes, the office holder would be asked to give up his or her elected position, leaving the seat vacant. This vacancy would then be filled according to proper regulations.

Though Fannin has not made statements himself in regard to the findings, his attorney, Jim Webb, filed a response to the ruling. Webb offers that Fannin did not attempt to work around the

record books in filing his campaign finances, but that the disbursement updates were simply not given to his treasurer in time to properly include.

Dennis included in her findings to the Registry that although such an oversight is a

common thing for candidates seeking an office for the first time, the general feeling is that an incumbent should be aware of deadlines and proper protocol for organizing and reporting matters concerning a political campaign.

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Martin

adding the total distance of this venture would only cover one mile. "Any other solution than the one we now have would save millions of taxpayer money."

Grigsby said Mayor Robinson and other citizens in Martin were "united in this effort to have flood control for all of Martin."

The current plan, which was first started nearly a decade ago when the idea of relocation was first mentioned

during a city council meeting, has only a leveled section of hilltop to show as tangible progress.

Robinson said shortly after the May 8 flooding that she agreed with some of the other citizens in saying the leveled section was little more than a "scenic overlook." Original plans called to have the post office, city hall and fire department already built and in place along the hilltop.

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Concert

Caudill, and The Richardsons.

According to information provided by LINKS, the event will provide, "music, food and family fun with all proceeds to go toward providing safe, decent, affordable housing to the citizens of the five county Big Sandy Area Development District."

Entry fees for the event are \$5 per person or \$10 per carload.

"We're really pleased that so many people have joined in to help out," said Eddie Patton, executive director of LINKS. "The crowd will be able to hear some good musical entertainment and enjoy our beautiful park."

According to Patton, planning for the benefit concert began around three months ago after Randy Humble, a disc jockey on Sundays at WMDJ, suggested creating a bluegrass concert to benefit LINKS.

LINKS is a nonprofit corporation that exists for the purpose of providing safe, decent and affordable housing to low-income families. It is funded by federal, state, and local agencies and receives donations of money, materials, and volunteer labor from private individuals, groups and businesses.

LINKS serves a five-county area in the Big Sandy Valley and offers a variety of programs, including small loans at low interest rates, home

repairs by volunteer groups, certified credit counseling, and new home construction.

On average, volunteers for LINKS build 10-to-12 new homes a year, and have

repaired over 500 homes since its creation.

For more information about LINKS and the benefit concert, contact the Prestonsburg office at (606) 886-0152.

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Baldrige/Smiley Wedding

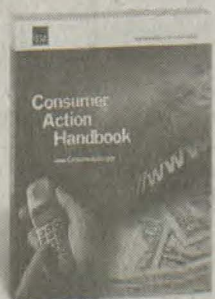


Lisa Fuller of Staffordsville, and Luther Baldrige of David, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Luka Baldrige to Kenny Smiley. Kenny is the son of Stephanie Justice of Van Lear, and Kenny Smiley of Flatwoods.

The ceremony will take place on June 20th, at 2:30 p.m., at Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg, Ky. A reception will be held in the gym, adjacent to the church. Following the honeymoon in St. Petersburg Beach, Florida, the couple will reside in Prestonsburg.

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of water quality," Jackson said following the announcement. "Stronger reviews and protections will safeguard the health of local waters and thousands of acres of watersheds in Appalachia."

Jackson also said that approaching this issue in the proper would have a huge impact on residents of the entire region.

"Getting this right is important to coalfield communities that count on a livable environment, both during mining and after coal companies move to other sites," she said.

Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior, also said the steps taken yesterday were a "firm departure from the previous administration's approach," adding that this approach "failed to protect our communities, water and wildlife."

"By toughening enforcement standards, by looking for commonsense improvements to our rules and regulations...we will immediately make progress toward reducing the environmental impacts of mountaintop coal mining."

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Burglary

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possible connections this recent burglary may have to a couple others that have taken place in the city recently.

"There's some thefts going around town, people getting into cars and people's homes," he said. "It's not uncommon this time of year and we don't have any really solid leads at this time."

Little has asked anyone who might have information about the case to contact him at the police department at (606) 886-1010. Callers may remain anonymous.

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Worth Repeating ...

You have to know how to accept rejection and reject acceptance.

— Ray Bradbury

Guest View

Efforts to buy justice should be thwarted

A company owned by a coal tycoon is sued for illegally destroying a rival business -- and gets whacked by a jury. The verdict comes in at \$50 million, plus punitive damages. When the case heads for appeal, the tycoon funnels more than \$3 million into a political race for the state supreme court. The contributions are designed to unseat an incumbent justice -- and are perfectly legal.

The challenger wins with 53.3 percent of the vote. The tycoon's company comes before the state supreme court, and on a 3-2 vote, the verdict is set aside.

The new justice refuses to step away from the case. He votes with the majority.

Real intrigue follows. The state supreme court votes to rehear the appeal. One of the justices who voted with the majority removes himself after photos surfaced showing him vacationing with the tycoon (on the French Riviera) while the case was pending.

One of the justices who voted to uphold the verdict, meanwhile, also recuses himself. He had criticized the tycoon for pouring millions of dollars into the judicial election -- calling into question his impartiality.

But the new justice again refuses to step aside. Indeed, by now, he is acting chief justice, and it falls to him to appoint replacements for the two justices who removed themselves from the case.

The court again sets aside the jury verdict.

On Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court supplied the Hollywood ending. The case of the coal tycoon and multimillion-dollar campaign contributions is, in fact, real. It's called *Caperton v. A.T. Massey Coal Co.* and arose in West Virginia. It actually inspired a John Grisham novel.

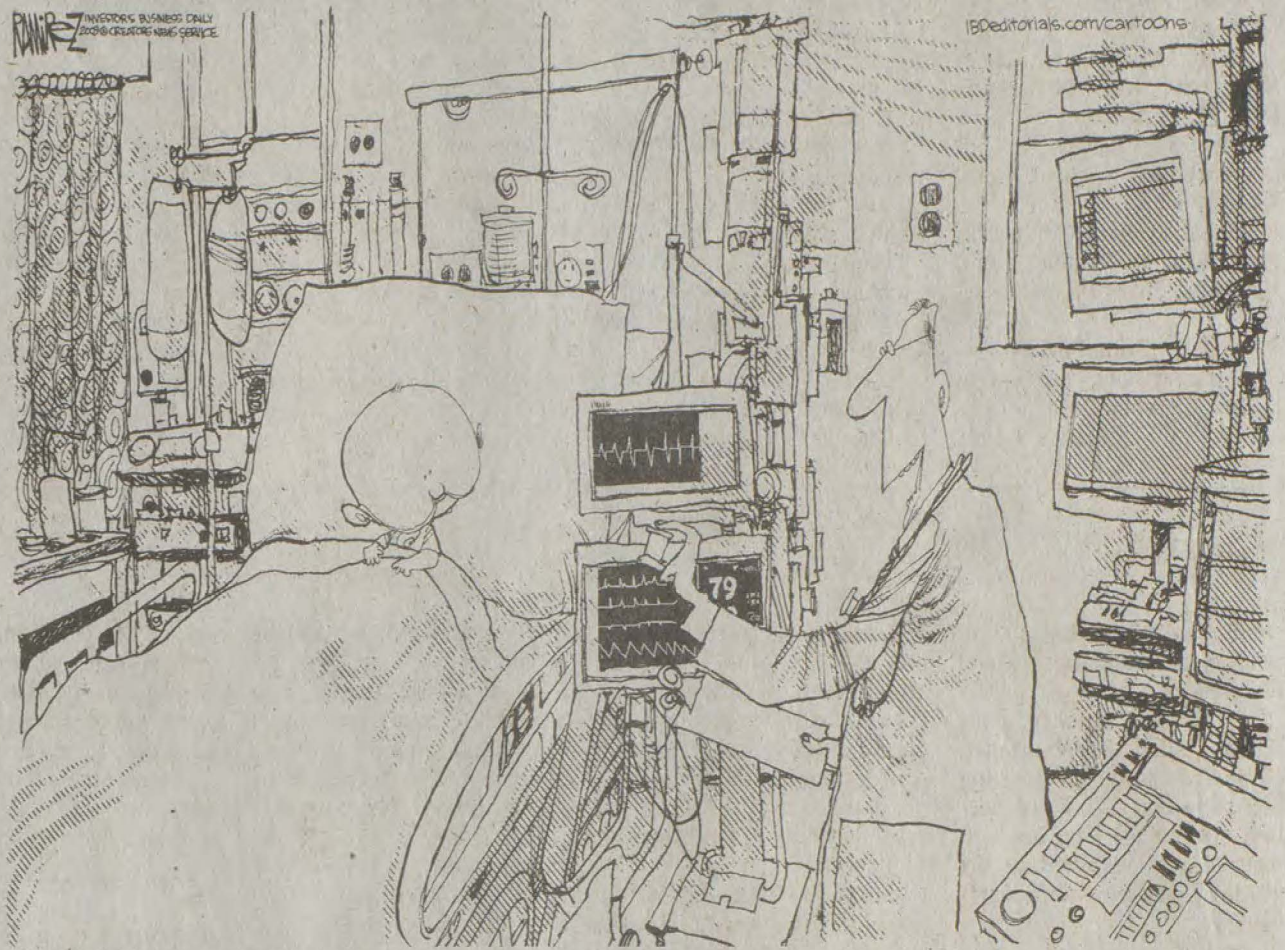
In a 5-4 decision, the high court held that the tycoon's big money violates due process -- specifically, "when a person with a personal stake in a particular case had a significant and disproportionate influence in placing a judge on a case by raising funds or directing the judge's election campaign when the case was pending or imminent."

Chief Justice John Roberts wrote the main dissent in the *Caperton* case. He said he "fears" the decision would lead litigants to argue in courts across the country that contributions in judicial elections have undermined judges' impartiality and ability to provide due process.

There's no need for Roberts to worry. Money already has poisoned judicial elections. Parties that make large contributions and judges who accept them should be called out for participating in transactions that create the appearance of justice for sale.

Indeed, reform will come only if citizens complain -- loudly and vehemently.

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Beyond the Beltway

Is GM going the way of the streetcar?

by DONALD KAUL
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

General Motors filed for bankruptcy last week and the stock market went up 200 points. If that doesn't make you want to laugh you must have a heart of stone.

I'm old enough to remember Charles Wilson, the head of General Motors, being confirmed as Secretary of Defense in 1953 -- "Engine Charlie," they called him, and later "the man who invented the military-industrial complex."

At his Senate confirmation he said, famously, "I've always thought what was good for the country was good for General Motors and vice versa."

It was the vice versa part that became famous, and Wilson went down in history as the man who said what was good for General Motors was good for the country. He took a lot of flak for that but in truth he was merely stating the obvious: The fate of the United States and General Motors, arguably its signature corporation, were inextricably intertwined.

Now, apparently, those bonds have been severed. General Motors stumbles to the brink of oblivion and Wall Street doesn't so much as blink.

The bankruptcy is aimed, they tell us, at saving GM but it is a harsh pre-

scription, akin to saving a patient through amputation. One can only hope it works. GM was a true industrial giant of the 20th Century, global in its reach. In its heyday, it employed 400,000 people directly and provided work for hundreds of thousands of others in related industries.

I grew up not far from the Cadillac plant on Clark Street in Detroit. Working there was considered the best factory job in town, if not the industry -- good wages, never a layoff and a product you could be proud of. And the people who worked there were proud of it.

Now the Clark Street plant is shuttered and GM stands on a corner with a tin cup.

There are those who think it entirely possible that the current scenario is a result of the Ghost of the Streetcar taking its revenge.

In conspiracy theory circles, GM is widely credited with having killed off the streetcar in the United States.

Oh, you think we still have streetcars? Get real. Portland, Oregon, has streetcars, everybody else has toy trains to amuse the tourists.

At the time of the First World War, electric streetcars were the way people got from here to there in all cities of any size in this country. They were an efficient, non-polluting form of transportation. Then, in 1922, GM decided to do something about that. It formed a consortium with Standard Oil of California, Phillips Petroleum, Firestone and Mack to buy up the streetcar companies in major American cities. Transportation systems in Detroit, New York,

Philadelphia, St. Louis, Baltimore, Minneapolis and Los Angeles soon became hostage to the cartel. And one by one they switched from electric streetcars to buses -- GM buses, for the most part.

Does that make streetcars the victim of a conspiracy? Well, conspiracy is in the eye of the beholder. One could say that GM and the oil and tire companies were merely practicing capitalism at its finest. They were competing ... and winning.

One could argue that buses had advantages in flexibility and cost that streetcars couldn't match and that trolleys were a doomed technology whose demise GM and its friends merely hastened. By that standard, however, GM's troubles now are also an example of capitalism at its finest. It is competing with the world's car-makers ... and losing. GM may well deserve its fate but the collateral damage is stunning. No matter how this shakes out, tens of thousands of jobs will be lost in this country -- forever.

Towns and cities that boasted of unparalleled prosperity 50 years ago will dry up and blow away, like mining towns when the mines played out. And my Detroit, the "Arsenal of Democracy," once a proud city of two million, could very easily be one of them.

If that doesn't make you want to cry, you don't have a sense of humor.

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Kinzer, other business leaders sponsor Bristol race class

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Three local businessmen with a passion for racing are teaming up to create another challenge for racers at Fas Mart Street Fights Series events in Thunder Valley.

The King of the Strip at Bristol Dragway will be sponsored by Tom Deskins of Abingdon, Va., Allen Hurley of Bristol and J.W. Kinzer of Allen. Deskins' Virginia Laser Corporation, Hurley's Touchstone Wireless and Kinzer Drilling Company share naming rights to the King of the

Strip competition.

The second season of the King of the Strip races will occur in conjunction with Fas Mart Street Fights Series events on June 25, Aug. 29, Sept. 10 and Sept. 12. To participate, racers need only to purchase an entry for King of the Strip. Drivers will be able to race in King of the Strip and Street Fights for only \$15. Street Fights rules will apply to all participants.

Deskins, who races a Pontiac Firebird Firehawk during Street Fights events, says the King of the Strip opens up racing to anyone with the desire

to race on a higher level.

"The King of the Strip format gives the regular Street Fights racers a chance to race against each other on an even playing field," he explained. "Some of these guys want to step up to the next level, and this competition will allow them to do that."

"Not only are these races exciting, for me, it is a great way to get out of the office for a little while. It is a chance to think about something other than my day job."

Deskins also will sponsor an event called the Virginia Laser Corporation Sweet Sixteen

Shootout later in the summer. Details about that event will be released at a later date.

To compete in King of the Strip, racers will first pick one of six class indexes (9 sec.; 11-15 sec.). Drivers must make three consecutive passes down the strip. Drivers are not allowed to stop in their pit between runs. They will drive up the return road and wait for their next run.

The times from the three passes are averaged, with the closest to the class index winning the race. If a driver's aver-



photo courtesy of Bristol Dragway
Floyd Countian Willard Kinzer has piloted his black Corvette to several wins.

(See CLASS, page six)

Reflecting on family and faith

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

I grew up so close to my cousins that my Aunt Patty says she and my mother raised five sons, and she's not that far off. Rarely a day went by during our youth that the four oldest of us — my brother Jeff was eight years younger than my brother David Keith, who was fourth in line — weren't out playing whatever ball was in season or catching crawdads in the creek or something.

We were tight.

I considered Patty and my Uncle Jimmie as I did my own parents; I've often said when one of them told Brian or Dwayne to knock it off I knew it was time for me to stop too. To disobey them would not be any more tolerated than to go against mom or dad.

As I grew older my respect for them only increased. Five years ago when I moved back to Rockhouse I saw more and more of Jimmie, who shares a garden spot with Dad right beside my yard. When I leave for work it's not uncommon to see them out plowing or hoeing.

(See FAMILY, page six)

Herrick named to Academic All-GLVC Team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

INDIANAPOLIS — The Great Lakes Valley Conference (GLVC) has announced the 2008-09 Academic All-GLVC Team. Bellarmine University student athletes accounted for 109 of the 1,122 honorees from the league's 13-member institutions. They were honored after meeting the academic requirements set by the league for the 2008-09 academic year. Prestonsburg High School graduate Brooks Herrick, a junior for the Bellarmine University men's golf team, earned a spot on the Academic All-GLVC Team.

Student-athletes who have been in the league for more than two semesters are honored for maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 3.30. Those student-athletes who have not maintained a 3.30 grade point average but have earned a 3.40 grade point average during the preceding two semesters and those who have been in the league for two of fewer semesters and have earned a 3.40 grade point average are also honored by the league.



BROOKS HERRICK



HITTING THE TARGET

The Adams Middle School archery team competed in the 2009 NASP National Tournament earlier in the year.

AMS archers Hunter Brown (left) and Mckinley Minix (right) are pictured with Coach Sherman Hackworth. Brown finished third and Minix fifth in the male middle school division.

The National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) is a joint venture between state departments of Education and Wildlife. Several archery equipment manufacturers and organizations are also partners. The program promotes student education, physical education and participation in the life long sport of Archery. The program's focus is to provide International Style Target Archery training in physical education classes grades 4-12.

Ky., Indiana Stars set to battle

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LOUISVILLE — Bellarmine University will host the 2009 Anthem Kentucky-Indiana All-Stars Basketball Classic on Sunday. The Classic features high school all-star teams comprised of the top seniors from the neighbor-

ing states battling for bragging rights. The girls' game will start at 3 p.m. with the boys' matchup following at 5 p.m.

The previous night, Indiana will host the annual series at Consecro Fieldhouse in Indianapolis. The series dates back to 1940, when the boys teams began playing. The girls

game became a tradition in 1976.

The Kentucky boys' team is made up of Jon Hood (Mr. Basketball); Darren Ballou; DeLon Butler; Ethan Faulkner; Evan Faulkner; Corey Jackson; Russ Middleton; C.J. Penny; Vee Sanford; Corey Wilford; Aaron Wilson and Ridge Wilson.

The Kentucky girls' team is comprised of Adia Mathies (Miss Basketball); Jacy Bradley; Brittany Coles; Devin Fothergill; Tiara Hopper; Alex Jones; Avery Jones; Asia Mathies; Ashley Rainey; Mariah Robinson; Chelsea Tolliver and Kourtney Tyra.



photo by Amanda Webb
ROLLON SPARKY and several other harness horses are rolling on as Thunder Ridge hosts its latest meet. The Floyd County track is currently home to horses, drivers and trainers from several different states. Admission to Thunder Ridge harness races is free.

15th Region players selected for Showcase

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — Four 15th Region baseball players have been selected to participate in the Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association (KHSBCA) Sophomore Showcase on Saturday, June 20 at the University of Kentucky. Cody Parker (Johnson Central), Clark Keene (Pikeville); Cody Moore (Lawrence County) and Zack Jackson (Paintsville) have been picked for the Showcase. The KHSBCA will have a sophomore showcase for the first time to feature the top sophomores in the state as voted on by coaches in region. The players will work out before college coaches and scouts.

Other players scheduled to participate in the inaugural sophomore event are Chris Hunt (St. Mary's); Austin Warford (Reidland); Eric Winn (Lone Oak); Matt McGowan (University Heights); R.J. Scholar (Trigg County); Aaron Hedgespath (Union County); Kraig Farley (Muhlenberg South); Luke Daugherty (Apollo); Austin Edge (Davies County); Mark Biggs (Warren East); Jeremy Cline (Warren Central); Beau Bouthiette (Elizabethtown); Ryan Squires (Central Hardin); Taylor Levi (Campbellsville); Cody Angus (PRP); Marcus Brown (PRP); Ryan Blackwell (DeSales); Zach Lucas (Butler); Spencer Drake (Eastern); Matt Spalding (St. Xavier); Craig Pearcy (Manual); Brandon Allen (Male); Jamie King (Ballard); Anthony Armstrong (Trinity); Wade Mason (Oldham County); Zach Wise (Carroll County); Tyler Tipton (Shelby County); Chad Lawrence (Simon Kenton); Jake Cain (Newport Cent. Cath.); Chris Kelly (Newport Cent. Cath.); Conner Hemple (Ryle); Zach Larimore (Beechwood); Shane Fowler (Harrison County); Logan Dailey (Harrison County); Eric Sanders (Harrison County); Corey Bays (Henry Clay); Taylor Martin (Lexington Catholic); Brady Boling (Bryan Station); Marcus Howard (Western Hills); Jordan Cumpston (Franklin County); Cabot Haggin (Sayre); Clay Cinnamon (Mercer County); John Saylor (Rockcastle County); Jackson Dyers (West Jessamine); John Wilson (Clay County); John Dudley Hilton (Bell County); Matt Cox (Middlesboro); Tanner Sexton (Letcher Central); Corey Slone (Hazard); Kevin Smith (Perry Co. Central); Brad Cornwell (Boyd County); Joe Hunt (Fleming County); Tyler Arthur (Boyd County); Matt Jones (Greenup County).



PAGE A6: Paintsville catcher Cory Adams has been selected for the East Senior All-Stars.

Willard joins Louisville men's basketball staff

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — Ralph Willard, whose 38 years of coaching experience include the last 10 as head men's basketball coach at Holy Cross, has joined the University of Louisville men's basketball staff as associate coach to Cardinals' head coach Rick Pitino.

Willard, who also served as head coach for four seasons at Western Kentucky (1990-94) and five years at Pittsburgh (1994-99), has previously coached with Pitino at two other stops. Willard was an assistant under Pitino with the NBA New York Knicks (1987-89) and at the University of Kentucky (1989-90).

"I've been pursuing Ralph for the last 10 years," said Pitino. "I can't tell you how excited we are that he has joined our staff and we are back together again. Ralph is truly one of the best minds in our game. I can't be happier for our players, our program, our university and our fans that such a quality coach and person has joined our U of L family."

"Leaving my alma mater and the players at Holy Cross was obviously a difficult decision," said Willard. "However, the opportunity to work for U of L and coach with Rick is very special. I'm excited about tackling the challenges a great program like Louisville will present."

Eight of Willard's collegiate teams won 20 or more games,

including four that won as many as 25. His teams participated in postseason competition on nine occasions, including six NCAA Tournament appearances.

Willard compiled a 192-117 record in 10 seasons at Holy Cross, his alma mater, while guiding five teams to postseason competition (NCAA Tournament in 2001, 2002, 2003, 2007; NIT in 2005). Holy Cross advanced to the Patriot League tournament championship game seven of the last nine years and Willard had a 17-6 record in the event.

Second in career coaching victories at Holy Cross, Willard built the Crusaders' program from one that had won just 22 games collectively in the three years prior to his arrival there. A three-time choice for the Patriot League Coach of the Year, he led the Crusaders to three straight league tournament titles in 2001-03, marking the first time in conference history that a team had accomplished that feat.

Willard gained his first collegiate head coaching position at Western Kentucky, where he produced an 81-42 record in four years. In his third season there in 1992-93, the Hilltoppers were 26-6, reached the NCAA Tournament Sweet 16, and achieved WKU's highest national ranking in 22 years (No. 16 ESPN/USA Today, No. 20 AP in the final polls).

Willard also enjoyed a stellar run as Pittsburgh head coach.

Family

The standard, "Hello, Jim!" and wave was a normal part of my routine, either when heading out to work or pulling in the driveway the brothers share.

That's what has made this week so difficult. I woke up at 4:25 Sunday morning when the phone rang. It was my mother, telling me I needed to wake up. When I assured her I was, I heard her say, "It's Jimmie." From there, my shock turned her sentences into key words that stuck in my head. "stroke ... surgery ... hospital ..."

My uncle had gotten up to use the bathroom shortly after midnight and collapsed. The result was him being rushed to the University of Kentucky hospital for surgery on Sunday afternoon, which, from all indications, has gone well.

The recovery will be slow

and will be tedious, but the progress to this point has been steady. I've been able to see him three times this week and have noticed remarkable improvement every time. He's far from fully recovered and ready to hoe a row of corn, but he's on his way.

My aunt, of course, has rarely left his side. That became easier on Wednesday evening when he was moved into a private room after spending the first several days in recovery and neurological intensive care. The move pleased Jimmie also, as he can now see his beloved outdoors through a couple of large windows in his room.

We've joked about his view, which is of Commonwealth Stadium. I don't think he's terribly interested in that, though, as much as he is simply being

able to see the outdoors. I told my dad when he arrived on Wednesday evening that I was pretty sure Jimmie wanted to plant some corn and beans on the football field. Right now, I'd love to see him in his garden with a plow or hoe in his hands.

The Bentley family is a blessed one. We're very tight-knit as regular readers of this space know. We've done our best to rally around Patty, Jimmie and the boys, just as has the Jones family. In actuality, we're very much one group, having been raised together and intermingled for generations now.

Many, many people have inquired about Jim and how he's doing. They all tell us to let the family know they're praying. For that, they're all thankful. There's no doubt in

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my mind there's been Divine intervention. I know God can bring Jimmie back fully; I don't limit Him by asking for a partial healing. I know the power of my God and believe when I ask Him to take care of my uncle, I know He can do it.

We're thankful for all of you who have prayed on our behalf, and humbly ask you to continue it as he progresses. I want to see him back in his garden working, weed-eating when it's too hot, pushing his lawn mower while his perfectly good riding mower sits peacefully under the shed, and I want to see him and my aunt pulling back into the carport from Sunday services.

I believe it will happen. I have faith. And I thank all of you who are concerned enough to ask, concerned enough to call, concerned enough to pray.

Owensboro Catholic claims state softball title

TIMES STAFF REPORT

OWENSBORO — Owensboro Catholic held off Mercy Academy to win its fourth state championship in the 2009 KHSAA State Fast Pitch Softball Tournament. In

Game 31 of the double elimination event, the Lady Aces turned back Mercy 12-2 in five innings. Mercy, the champion of the consolation bracket, forced the extra game when it defeated Owensboro Catholic 4-3.

It was the first time the KHSAA State Fast Pitch Tournament went to the decisive elimination game since Ryle won the championship in 2006 by a 5-2 score over Owensboro Catholic.

Fifteenth Region champion

Johnson Central dropped a pair of one-run games in the state tournament. Estill County (14th Region Champion) and Ashland Blazer (16th Region Champion) also fell short in their respective bids to capture the state title.

EKU announces 2009 Athletics Hall of Fame Class

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — The Eastern Kentucky University Athletics Hall of Fame 2009 induction class features six distinguished individuals and the first-ever Team of Distinction. The class will be enshrined in the historic Keen Johnson Building on Friday, Oct. 30.

The 2009 induction class includes: Josh Anderson (baseball); Danny Copeland (football); Kim Mays (women's basketball); Ralph Richardson (men's basketball); Kim Sarrazin (softball); Everett "Poo Lu" Talbert (football); and the 1979 national championship football team (Team of Distinction).

Friday's activities will begin with a 5:30 p.m. reception in Walnut Hall, followed by a 6:30 p.m. dinner in the Keen Johnson ballroom. The ceremony is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. The group will also be recognized just prior to the Colonels' football game against Southeast Missouri State at 1 p.m. on Saturday, October 31.

Baseball: East/West All-Star rosters released

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — The Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association (KHSBCA) has set rosters for its annual East/West All Star series. This year's East/West All Star series is scheduled for Saturday, June 20-Sunday, June 21 at the University of Kentucky.

Coaching assignments for the series are as follows: West Seniors — 6th Region (Bill Miller and Sherman Blaszczyk, PRP); West Juniors — 7th Region (John Morris, Eastern); East Seniors — 13th Region (John Smith, Bell County); East Juniors — 12th Region (Paul Morse, Danville).

A breakdown of the All-Star rosters follows.

Senior West All Stars: Casey Brockman (Calloway County); Tyler Johnson (Marshall County); Sam Kidd (Ohio County); Alphonzo Soto (Grayson County); Joe Sims (Washington County); Chase Greenwell (Elizabethtown); Trey Harper (PRP); Cody Gibson (PRP); Matt West (Southern); Zack McCarthy (Bullitt East); Ben Lady (Eastern); Chris Berry (Trinity); Tyler Dunaway (Eastern); Jason Sterrett (North Oldham); Jared Clarkson (Shelby County); Jacob Brown (Anderson County); Craig Mosier (Glasgow); Dillion Satterly (Franklin Simpson); Will Stagner (Trigg County); Nate

Hedgepath (Union County); Adrian Board (Grayson County); Brent Barnett (Marshall County); Jordan Williams (Christian County); Adam Black (Russell County).

Senior East All Stars: Adam Overbay (Bell County); Ryan Woody (South Laurel); Cory Adams (Paintsville); Mike Conley (Johnson Central); Garrick Whittle (Boyle County); Tanner Perkins (Rockcastle County); Jeramie Connor (Newport Cent. Cath.); Luke Maile (Covington Catholic); Billy Logan (Greenup County); Eric Craft (Greenup County); Joey Grigsby (Hazard); Brandon Napier (Perry Central); E.J. Murray (Covington Scott); Mack Manning (Bourbon County); Travis Ward (West Jessamine); Jeff Embree (Danville); Spencer Greer (Bell County); Robby Slusher (Bell County); Ted Clifford (Whitley County); Drew Freeman (Estill County); Hunter Jones (Bellevue); John Helton (Madison Southern); Colby Lawson (McCreary Central); Michael Buschman (Henry Clay); Michael Schornick (Lexington Catholic).

Junior West All Stars: Ryan Hayden (Graves County); Tyler Bearden (Paducah Tilghman); Cole Isom (Christian County); Kyle Gibson (Henderson County); Cole Sturgeon (Owensboro Catholic); Mikey Scott (Grayson County); Ty Downing (Greenwood); Lavance Anderson (Bowling

Green); Aaron Schwoebel (Campbellsville); Jake Goodman (Elizabethtown); Brandon Alphin (Bullitt East); Matt Bowles (Bullitt East); Corey Littrell (Trinity); John Fidanza (Ballard); Jacob Russell (Anderson County); Dillon Pelfrey (Grant County); Brock Downey (Murray); Kyle Cornett (Eastern); Taylor Banks (PRP); Spencer Peteet (Monroe County); Jimmy Conway (Eastern); Ben Janes (Campbellsville); Bryson Morrow (Apollo); Jordan Cessna (Henderson County); Zach Bynum (Male).

Junior East All Stars: Derek Stapleton (East Carter); Dakota Greenslate (Greenup County); Navarone Alleshouse (Russell); Ethan Boggs (Henry Clay); Sean Thompson (Franklin County); Justin Miley (Bryan Station); J.T.Y. Riddle (Western Hills); Austin Lyons (Paintsville); Shane Pack (Lawrence County); Kyle Campbell (Nicholas County); Malcolm Thomas (Harrison County); Gus Wise (Lee County); Taylor Fagin (Estill County); Hunter Jones (Bellevue); Andy Roenker (Covington Holy Cross); Chris Adams (South Laurel); Tanner Smith (North Laurel); Aaron Watts (McCreary Central); Duran Elmore (Danville); Louie Helmburg (West Jessamine); Dustin Sparrow (Danville); Bud Morton (West Jessamine); Mike Evans (Danville); Lucas Witt (Lexington Christian); Shawn Alexander (Somerset).

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age is faster than the class index, the time is disqualified.

The format allows street legal cars to battle to determine the true King (or Queen) of Thunder Valley.

Hurley, known for his black and green Team Hurley usa Ford Mustangs, agrees that the King of the Strip concept gives everyone an equal opportunity to win.

"The great thing about these races is that you can take part without buying any special racing equipment," said Hurley. "Racers can just pick the index class that suits their car, then go out and make three passes as close to the index time as they can. This is more about the consistency of the driver than the performance of the car."

"Anyone can come out here and walk away as the King of

the Strip. It is a cheap entry fee, there are great prizes and it really is just a lot of fun running in these events."

If anyone is the epitome of having fun drag racing, it is 81-year-old J.W. Kinzer. Kinzer's stable of cars includes a black Corvette which typically is one of the fastest Street Fights vehicles. Kinzer regularly competes during Fas Mart Power Hour, reserved for the quickest cars of the night.

"I enjoy coming and racing during Street Fights events," Kinzer admitted. "King of the Strip adds another challenge and will keep me running hard to win. Consistency will be key to winning."

"It is all for fun, though. Drag racing is a great escape because it helps me forget about the day-to-day stress of running a business."



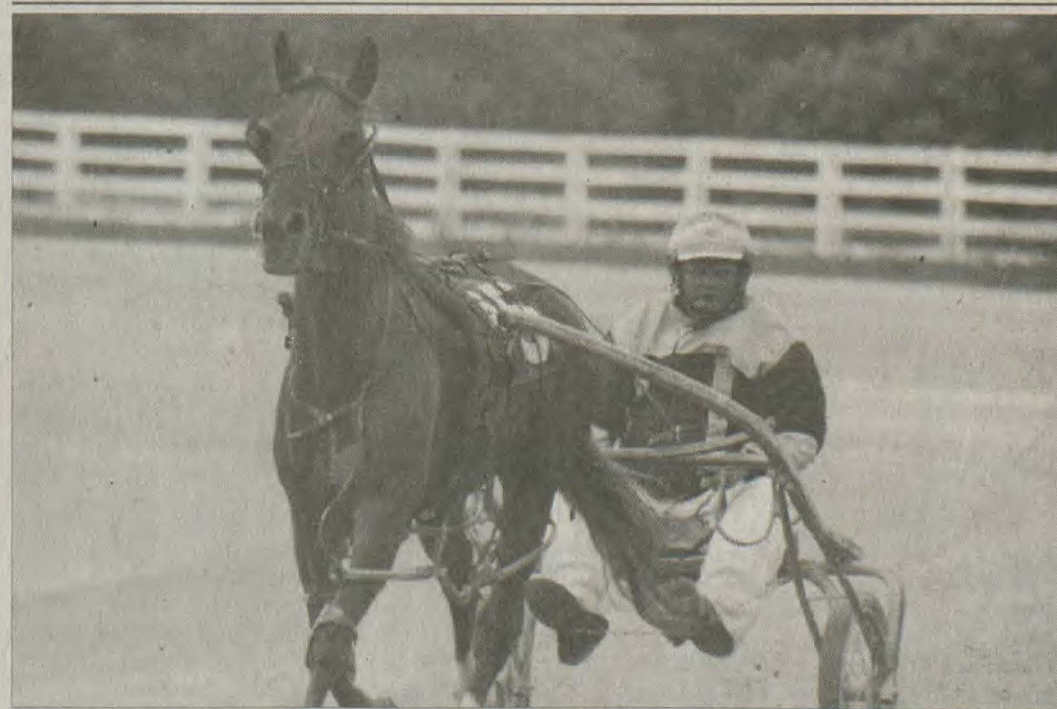
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DANIEL MUNSON is pictured above driving Love That Brew during a recent race at Thunder Ridge. Munson and several other veteran drivers remain in action at the Thunder Ridge meet. The track is scheduled to race again later this week.



NASCAR THIS WEEK

Hornish Jr. making adjustment to NASCAR

by MONTE DUTTON

DOVER, Del. — Sam Hornish Jr. is getting the hang of the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series.

Hornish, from Defiance, Ohio, has quite the impressive resume. He is a former winner of the Indianapolis 500 and a three-time IndyCar champion. When he struggled in NASCAR, many observers anticipated that he might return to the open-wheel ranks, but the challenge of adapting to stock cars appealed to him.

Though he was runner-up to Regan Smith in the Raybestos Rookie of the Year race, Hornish was only 35th in the final standings. He has stuck with the NASCAR experiment, and recently his performances have notably improved. He finished ninth at Phoenix, sixth at Richmond, 16th at Charlotte and 13th in Dover's Autism Speaks 400.

Falling from the spotlight in NASCAR didn't faze Hornish.

"I've never really considered myself somebody that needed a bunch of attention," he said. "To be able to sit back and watch what other people are doing, and not have all the pressure on you all the time was good. It enabled me sometimes to learn a little bit more and also be able to kind of fly under the radar and to be able to make my way in and out of certain areas."

"The better you do, the more consistently that you're in the top 15, the top 10, you're going to get more and more attention. Obviously, I want that because it means we're running well, but as far as needing it, keeping the sponsor (Mobil 1) happy is the first thing, and then also keeping myself happy as far as how we do on the race track are the two most important things."

Part of Hornish's transition

has involved adapting to NASCAR's longer races.

"I had all that experience running the Indy cars," he said, "and a lot of times I consider those sprint races because they're 200 laps or 200 miles. Everything that we run over here is 400 or 500 laps, or 400 or 500 miles. Sometimes it's a matter of pacing yourself to get to the end with all the fenders intact."

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ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL ARCHER HUNTER BROWN is pictured with AMS coaches. Brown finished third in the 2009 national tournament.



photos by Amanda Webb

BEACH BANDIT (above) is one of the horses in competition at Thunder Ridge as the Floyd County track hosts its latest meet.



REX WATSON (left) is one of the veteran drivers competing at Thunder Ridge.

Yarborough, Pearson to attend Darlington track festival

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DARLINGTON, S.C. — NASCAR legends and South Carolina natives Cale Yarborough and David Pearson, along with longtime promoter H.A. Humpy Wheeler, will be the featured guests at the Darlington Historic Racing Festival Sept. 26-27, announced Darlington Raceway president, Chris Browning.

Yarborough, Pearson and Wheeler will each participate in a fan forum question and answer session as well as an autograph session.

"Cale, David and Humpy have all done so much for our sport," Browning said. "Having them at the second annual Darlington Historic Racing Festival will be a real treat for the fans and entrants at the event."

"I'm looking forward to being back at my home track, Darlington Raceway," Yarborough said. "I enjoyed my time there in May for the Southern 500 and I'm looking forward to being there for the Darlington Historic Racing Festival in September."

Yarborough and Pearson each have a storied history at Darlington. Pearson holds the all-time wins record at the 1.366-mile egg-shaped oval with 10 career victories. Yarborough also has his name in the record books at Darlington with the most wins in the famed Southern 500 with five, a record that was later tied by Jeff Gordon.

Wheeler, former president and general manager at Lowe's Motor Speedway, is widely regarded as one of the best promoters in the history of NASCAR. Wheeler stepped down from his post at LMS in 2008 and shortly after formed The Wheeler Company, a management consulting operation primarily focusing on professional sports, motorsports and general business.

Other legends appearing at the Darlington Historic Racing Festival will be announced at a later date.

The Darlington Historic Racing Festival will offer fans two days of excitement featuring question and answer sessions with the legends, exhibition laps by the historic

race cars, autograph sessions, a large display and vendor area, car carousels and a variety of other activities.

Darlington Raceway, or the track "Too Tough to Tame" as it is known to many, is where the purest of NASCAR competition meets true Southern hospitality. A NASCAR staple since 1950, Darlington Raceway has seen some of motorsports most talented drivers thunder to Victory Lane. In 2009, a NASCAR tradition, the Southern 500, returned to Darlington Raceway as part of the famed track's celebration of 60 Seasons of Racing.

The 2009 Darlington Historic Racing Festival will feature something for the entire family. Tickets for the event are \$15 per day or \$25 for the entire weekend. Kids age 12 and under will be admitted free, and each admission includes access to the garage and infield area. Tickets can be purchased by calling the Darlington Raceway ticket office at 843-395-8802 or online at <http://www.darlingtonraceway.com/tickets/>.

For \$20, fans can sponsor Kenny Wallace's racecar

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Fan favorite Kenny Wallace is getting a little help from his friends.

Acting on an idea that was founded and cultivated by an online social-networking community that supports and consistently interacts with him, Wallace is extending the opportunity to all fans in a unique fan-driven sponsorship program. Wallace's "friends" have chosen to show their support for the Hermanator by sponsoring his No. 28 Chevy in the Nationwide Series race on Aug. 30 at Montreal.

"We've had a great sponsor [U.S. Border Patrol] on the No.

28 Chevy, and we're looking forward to having them on board for the rest of the year, but because of certain rules they won't be with us in Canada," Wallace said. "As a race car driver and a competitor, the team and I want to go and race to the best of our ability and compete for the win."

For \$20 per name, fans have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to become a sponsor of the No. 28. The car will carry a special paint scheme designed by Wallace, listing each participating sponsor's name. After the race, an autographed picture of the car will be presented to each sponsor.

"We want everyone to know that this is a completely volun-

tary program," Wallace said. "We understand the economy isn't in the best position right now, but we've seen a huge amount of support for this, and after careful consideration, decided to move forward. If the fans want to join in on a great program, we are looking forward to having them on board. Most importantly, I can't thank the fans enough for the support they've already shown us, and I'm excited to see what we can raise and go out there and race."

Fans will have until July 31 to become a sponsor and can visit kennywallace.com/sponsor-kenny for more information.

Kentucky Speedway set to host another NASCAR Nationwide Series race

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPARTA — Twenty-three passionate race fans are currently lined-up and poised to claim their favorite spot when Kentucky Speedway's general campgrounds officially open at noon on June 11 for the NASCAR Nationwide Series "Meijer 300 Presented by Ritz" weekend.

Joe Adams of Dayton, Ky., earned the coveted camping "pole position" when he arrived Friday, June 5 at 9:00 a.m., and plans to make a beeline for his favorite area.

"I started camping here during the 2002 IndyCar

loved it. I like tree-lined spots. I bought a tent, then borrowed a camper and finally bought my unit last year. I'm movin' up," Adams said.

The Kentucky Speedway general campgrounds transform into a racing community on event weekends when they become home to thousands of fans ready to take in the fun and festivities.

"The people here are great," Adams added.

The second of four 2009 speedway event weekends opens Friday, June 12 at 5:00 p.m., when NASCAR Nationwide Series drivers take to the 1.5-mile tri-oval

track for the first of two practice sessions. Practice concludes at 8:00 p.m. All Friday tickets are \$20 in advance and include infield access. Children age 12 and younger will be admitted free.

New infield camping, tickets and "Big Deals" for the "Meijer 300 Presented by Ritz" can be reserved online at <http://www.kentuckyspeedway.com>, by phone at 888-652-RACE (7223), or through the Kentucky Speedway ticket offices located at 400 Buttermilk Pike, Suite 100, in Ft. Mitchell, Ky., or the Sparta, Ky., Fan Center located off of Interstate 71, Exit 57 and Ky. Hwy. 89 N.

2009 NASCAR SPRINT CUP SCHEDULE/RESULTS

- Feb. 7 — x-Budweiser Shootout, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Kevin Harvick)
 - Feb. 15 — Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Matt Kenseth)
 - Feb. 22 — Auto Club 500, Fontana, Calif. (Matt Kenseth)
 - March 1 — Shelby 427, Las Vegas. (Kyle Busch)
 - March 8 — Kobalt Tools 500, Hampton, Ga. (Kurt Busch)
 - March 22 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn. (Kyle Busch)
 - March 29 — Goody's Fast Relief 500, Martinsville, Va. (Jimmie Johnson)
 - April 5 — Samsung 500, Fort Worth, Texas (Jeff Gordon)
 - April 18 — Subway Fresh Fit 500, Avondale, Ariz. (Mark Martin)
 - April 26 — Aaron's 499, Talladega, Ala. (Brad Keselowski)
 - May 2 — Crown Royal Presents the Russell Friedman 400, Richmond, Va. (Kyle Busch)
 - May 9 — Southern 500, Darlington, S.C. (Mark Martin)
 - May 16 — x-NASCAR All-Star Challenge, Concord, N.C. (Tony Stewart)
 - May 24 — Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C. (David Reutimann)
 - May 31 — Dover 400, Dover, Del. (Jimmie Johnson)
 - June 7 — Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa. (Tony Stewart)
 - June 14 — LifeLock 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
 - June 21 — Toyota/Savemart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
 - June 28 — LENOX Industrial Tools 301, Loudon, N.H.
 - July 4 — Coke Zero 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
 - July 11 — LifeLock.com 400, Joliet, Ill.
 - July 26 — Allstate 400, Indianapolis.
 - Aug. 2 — Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.
 - Aug. 9 — Centurion Boats at the Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
 - Aug. 16 — Michigan 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
 - Aug. 22 — Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
 - Sept. 6 — Pep Boys Auto 500, Hampton, Ga.
 - Sept. 12 — Chevy Rock & Roll 400, Richmond, Va.
 - Sept. 20 — SYLVANIA 300, Loudon, N.H.
 - Sept. 27 — Dover 400, Dover, Del.
 - Oct. 4 — Price Chopper 400, Kansas City, Kan.
 - Oct. 11 — Pepsi 500, Fontana, Calif.
 - Oct. 17 — Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.
 - Oct. 25 — Tums Fast Relief 500, Martinsville, Va.
 - Nov. 1 — Amp Energy 500, Talladega, Ala.
 - Nov. 8 — Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
 - Nov. 15 — Checker O'Reilly Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz.
 - Nov. 22 — Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.
- x-non-points race

- NASCAR SPRINT CUP DRIVER STANDINGS:** 1. Tony Stewart, 2,043; 2. Jeff Gordon, 1,972; 3. Jimmie Johnson, 1,940; 4. Ryan Newman, 1,840; 5. Kurt Busch, 1,819; 6. Carl Edwards, 1,762; 7. Greg Biffle, 1,753; 8. Matt Kenseth, 1,745; 9. Kyle Busch, 1,731; 10. Jeff Burton, 1,725; 11. David Reutimann, 1,701; 12. Denny Hamlin, 1,679; 13. Mark Martin, 1,678; 14. Kasey Kahne, 1,619; 15. Juan Pablo Montoya, 1,617; 16. Clint Bowyer, 1,576; 17. Brian Vickers, 1,536; 18. Marcos Ambrose, 1,469; 19. Martin Truex Jr., 1,447; 20. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,434.

Petty, Braun teaming up for five Nationwide races

TIMES STAFF REPORT

STATESVILLE, N.C. — Richard Petty Motorsports will partner with Braun Racing to compete in five Nationwide Series races this season.

The Petty team competed full-time in the series until this season when it chose to run a fourth Sprint Cup Series team. Team officials said the agreement with Braun Racing makes a successful return to the series more likely.

Elliott Sadler will drive on June 27 at New Hampshire Motor Speedway. Kasey Kahne will drive the other four races: July 3 at Daytona; Aug. 21 at Bristol; Sept. 5 at Atlanta; Oct. 16 at Charlotte.

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KIM'S KORNER

To finally surrender is to finally win

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE

Have you had one of those days or weeks where you have felt totally powerless? Portions of "A Word for Today," a daily devotional email, are shared below. May you enjoy be enlightened and most of all receive all that God has in store.

Maybe there's a situation that's taking place in your life — with your spouse, your child, your job, your finances or maybe it's just you — that you just can't seem to get over the hurdle, heartache, illness or grasp hold of enough faith to keep your head held high with a smile on your face.

Maybe you feel like the world is at arm's reach, but just as you get ready to stick your hand out there and grab hold, BAM! — another wall erupts out of nowhere and there's fiery darts shooting at you and sticking so sharp in your body your mind is in a whirlwind of what to do, where to turn or how is it going to end, or will it ever end?

In the Book of Joshua in the Bible. In fact, there's a wonderful blueprint for winning life's unwinnable battles in the account of Joshua's most powerless moment. It's recorded in Joshua 5, beginning with verse 13, Joshua is leading the Jews into the Promised Land that God has said He would give to them. But immediately, they

come upon this massive, seemingly (incapable of conquering) city; the walls are looming toward the sky. It's the world's oldest city, Jericho. There's no way Joshua's going to break those walls with anything he knows how to do.

You may be facing one of those "Jerichos" in your life right now, where the size of the challenge is far greater than any resources you have. So this one's for you and for me. Joshua 5 says, "When Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and he saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword. Joshua went up to him and asked, "Are you for us or for our enemies?"

"Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army of the Lord I have now come."

Then Joshua fell face down to the ground in reverence, and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for His servant?"

Here's Joshua, a man who has never lost a battle, going face down on the ground in the most powerless position a man can be in. Joshua had never surrendered to anyone. But standing before the Commander of the Army of the Lord, he falls down in total surrender. Some Bible scholars believe this "Commander" is the Son of God making one of His pre-Bethlehem appearances in the Old Testament. Face down before Jesus.

Could that be where He wants you and me right now? Maybe that's the only way

we're ever going to conquer our Jericho; the only way we're ever going to have peace. When Joshua surrendered, God gave him the miracle plan that pulverized the walls of Jericho.

The issue never was the conquest of Jericho; it was the conquest of Joshua. The issue in your life really isn't the conquest of your impossible challenge; it's the conquest of you. It sometimes takes a Jericho to level some of us Joshuas.

It could be that you've given Jesus everything: your talent, or have you?

Your time, or have you?

Your money, or have you?

Your service; or have you?

Maybe you have given everything but one thing, and that is, control. Is it still, "My way, my will, my agenda, my plans, my timing."

God has you here for a reason. You are not where you are by coincidence, no matter what you think. And He has gifted you with a position you are supposed to play with — no exceptions.

Just like a good coach positions each player on a football team. If you can kick like nobody's business but can't run worth a plug nickel, then the coach isn't going to have you running umpteen yards for a touchdown. These young boys surrender to the knowledge of their coaches to put them in the best possible position on the team to take them places they've only dreamed, to make them most valuable players.

God is our Head Coach, and He has placed each player

just exactly where He wants them on His team, playing the positions He created for each of us, the positions He gifted us for. And you are one of those team members. God has gifted you! He's prepared you, He's destined you, assigned you to play the position He knows is best for you and for His Church and this hurting and dying world.

Maybe it's time we stop trying to get Him to play us somewhere else. Maybe it's time we fall face down like Joshua and surrender our all to Jesus and do what He has called us to do.

If there's someone or something that you're still holding tightly in your hands, afraid or unwilling to surrender control of, afraid to do what God has called or placed you in the position to do, then consequently, your Jerichos will remain standing.

It is an insult to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to covet or want a position someone else has, or to compare ourselves to another player on His team, or belittle ourselves and our position as being less important than others, or to tell Him we can't play that position, or sit on the sidelines or leave the game because we don't like our position. To do so is depriving Jesus of a contribution that He has gifted us with, and keeping ourselves from making a contribution that only we can make.

Ephesians 2:10 says, "We are God's workmanship created in Christ Jesus for good works He prepared in advance for us to do."

God produces spiritual champions today just like He produced Joshua and placed him in a position to conquer if only he would surrender.

The most powerful position in the world is powerlessness. The secret of peace and the

release of God's power into our situations is total surrender. At that point, He will commit all His forces to the battles in front of us. To finally surrender is to finally win.

Won't you surrender today? 'Til next week, God bless!



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Obituaries

Raymond Dotson, 77, of Paw Paw, died Wednesday, June 3, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Mabel Scarberry Dotson. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 7, under the direction of Grundy Funeral Home.

Kerrigan Whitley Dotson, 12, the daughter of Clyde Herbert "Herbie" Dotson II, of Hardy, and Stephanie Renee Morris Hoard of Rogersville, Tenn., died Thursday June 4, in Griffen, Ind. as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile crash. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Jimmie Hensley, 71, of McCarr, died Sunday, June 7, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Myrlyn Homer Hensley. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 10 under the direction of Chambers Funeral Services of Matewan, W.Va.

Carl Hinkle, 84, of Jeffersonville, a Pike County native, died Wednesday, May 20, at St. Joseph of Mt. Sterling hospital. He is survived by his wife, Anna Louise Gillispie Hinkle. Burial was held Saturday, May 23, under the direction of Herald & Stewart Home for Funerals.

Raymond Hunt, 85, of Morgantown, N.C., formerly of Freeburn, died Wednesday, June 3. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Hunt. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 7, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Teddy Newsome, 60, of Collins Highway, died Thursday, June 4, at Parkview Nursing & Rehab Center. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 7, under direction of Lucas & Son Funeral Home.

Ira "Scooter" Potter, 86, a Pike County native, died Wednesday, June 3, in Ft. Pierce, Fla. He is survived by his wife, Jewel Potter. Funeral services were held Sunday June 7, under the direction of Haisley Funeral Home of Ft. Pierce, Fla.

Charity Noelle Powell, daughter of Dr. William Press and Anne L. Hansen Powell of Pikeville, was stillborn June 5, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 10, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Lewis Edward Richardson, 76, of Pikeville, died Tuesday,

June 9, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Richardson. Funeral services will be held at noon Friday, June 12, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

J. Bryan "J.B." Roberts, 83, of Ashland, an Elkhorn City native, died Friday, June 5, at King's Daughters Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Jo Ann Roberts. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Preston Family Funeral Home of Ashland.

Warren G. Roberts, 76, of Indian Creek, died Sunday, June 7, at his residence. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 11 under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

Hubbert Scarberry, 81, of Paw Paw, died Sunday, June 7, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Sylphia Thacker Scarberry. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 10, under the direction of Grundy Funeral Home.

Hazel Louise Shumate, 89, of Greasy Creek, died Sunday, June 7, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 11, under the direction of Lucas and Son Funeral Home.

Rosetta Dillard Starling, 92, of Williamson, W.Va., a nurse's aide, at South Williamson Regional Hospital, died Wednesday, May 27. Funeral services were held Friday, June 5, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel of Toler.

Eva Lee Stewart, 79, of Belcher, died Monday, June 8, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday June 11, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Jerry "Pete" Wells, 53, of McCarr, died Friday, June 5, at South Williamson ARH. Arrangements, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

Robert Lowell Bowens, 78, of Lowmansville, died Thursday, June 4, in Lexington. Funeral services were held Monday, June 8, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Thomas Dale "Tom" Justice, 53, of Pasadena, Texas, died Sunday, April 26, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Brenda Cisco Justice. A memorial service

was held Wednesday, June 10, at the First United Methodist Church, in Paintsville.

William Lipes III, 38, of Flat Gap, died Saturday, June 6. He is survived by his wife, Billie Karen Kimbler Lipes. Funeral services were held Monday, June 8, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home, Paintsville.

Virginia Ratliff Rizzo, 78, of Louisville, a Johnson County native, died Monday, June 8, in Baptist East Hospital in Louisville. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, June 12, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home in Paintsville.

Monnie Magdalene Saylor, 75, of Staffordsville, died Saturday, June 6, at King's Daughters Medical Center, Ashland. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

John H. Trimble, 74, of Ashland, a native of Volga, died Monday, June 8, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Ferguson Trimble. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Friday, June 12, at Lazear Funeral Home in Ashland.

Chanie VanHoose, 60, of Lowmansville, died Tuesday, June 2, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Friday, June 5, under the direction of Phelps & Son Funeral Home.

Morris Belknap Wells, 70, of Lake City, Fla., a Johnson County native, died Saturday, June 6, in Lake City Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 11, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Harold Dean Wright, 73, of Greenwood, South Carolina, a Johnson County native, died Sunday, May 31, at Self Regional Medical Center, Greenwood. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Hamilton Wright. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 4 under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY

Clarence Miller, 94, of Salyersville, died Saturday, June 6. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 9, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

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KNOTT COUNTY

Lucinda Combs Amburgey, 92, of Bearville, died Friday, May 29, at Lake Station, Indiana. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 2, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Cora Stacy Comett, 94, of Frankfort, formerly of Knott County, died Friday, May 29, at the St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington. Graveside services were held Monday, June 1, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Duane Hall, 65, of Mallie, died Friday, May 29, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Linda Mullins Hall. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 2, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Hindman.

Earl Marcus Short, 58, of Fairborn, Ohio, formerly of Lotts Creek, died Tuesday May 26, at Clear Creek in Fisty, due to an automobile accident. He is survived by his wife, Alice Short. Funeral services were held Friday, May 29, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

The Floyd County Board of Education is once again sponsoring the Summer Food Service Program for Children

Free breakfast and lunch will be available to all children through 18 years of age regardless of income. Breakfast will be served from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., and lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, with the stipulation that the meals must be eaten at the center. Lunch and breakfast will be served at the following schools:

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May Valley Elementary School	June 22, 2009	July 17, 2009
Prestonsburg High School	June 22, 2009	July 17, 2009
South Floyd High School	June 22, 2009	July 6, 2009

All schools will be closed Friday July 3rd for the Holiday

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MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

'Dance of the Dead'

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

"Dawn of the Dead" meets "Can't Hardly Wait" in this light-hearted zombie romp that finds a diverse band of teenagers being forced to deal with an undead invasion on prom night.



Tom Doty
Times Columnist

The film begins by introducing the main players as they navigate their way through the

last day of school. Jimmy is the class clown/slacker and sees his latest trip to detention cost him his prom date, Lindsey.

Turns out she is fed up with his lack of ambition and she opts to go with the class president, who's a bit of a boor, but at least his ride smells of vanilla bean.

Meanwhile, the head of the Sci-Fi Club, Stephen, dares to ask out the cheerleader, Gwen, that he has eyed for four years, but she's more interested in a Johnny Depp wannabe who has formed his own punk band.

Then there's class thug Kyle. The Sci-Fi Club lives in fear of this dude, who is responsible for more broken bones than the skateboard.

Prom turns out to be a bust for these kids anyway, as none of them

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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.

It is with considerable pride and relief that I announce my return to work after a vacation of five days, including Sunday. Now, if I can only recover from the vacation...

WHERE DID IT GO?"

Always the wide-awake, observant onlooker. I managed on my trip to be impressed with the absence of junk cars and all other unsightly collections along Virginia and West Virginia highways. Right in there, thinking all the time, I had an idea of asking the governors of the two states to write Governor Ford, telling him where they put all that stuff. One of our crew scotched that when he hinted that, maybe, they had hauled it all over into Kentucky.

These mountains of ours are supremely beautiful, and, although ages old, they do not need the facelifting they're getting. They need a cleanup and protection from the clutterers. Only a crack-down, all the way from Frankfort to the lowest court around, will get the job done.

NO WELCOME SIGN

During this safari we got down to "where it all started." Jamestown. And would you believe it?"—when we arrived, a few minutes after 5 p.m., they had a barrier across the road and a sign reading, "Do Not Enter." Wonder

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Band students from middle and high schools in Floyd County performed together at the 2009 Floyd County Schools Band and Art Festival.

ALL COUNTY

Top artists and musicians perform at Prestonsburg High

by JARRID DEATON
FEATURES WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Students from middle schools and high schools in Floyd County got the chance to display their musical and artistic talent at the recent Floyd County Schools Band and Art Festival held at Prestonsburg High School last week.

The band students from the participating middle and high school bands performed together under the direction of special conductors selected to help showcase the talent of the performers.

The middle school band students performed under the direction of Dan Houston, conductor, from Pikeville Independent. The high school band students performed under the director of Debbie Evans, conductor, from Belfry High School.

The bands combined for a perform-

ance of "My Old Kentucky Home" at the festival.

Also at the festival, Ariel Hopkins, a flutist, was announced as the 2009 Musician of the Year. Hopkins is a student at Betsy Layne High School.

On the art side of things, students exhibited a selection of their work for the guests to enjoy.

Lauren Casey Ross, another Betsy Layne High School Student, was selected to attend the Governor's School for Arts this summer as an architecture participant.

"Since a lot of the schools now do not have band and art programs like they did in the past in the past, we decided to do an all county program so these kids will have the opportunity to participate," said Roy Johnson, district fine arts coordinator. "We want to showcase as much talent as we can."

The Floyd County Schools Band and Art Festival is an annual event.



Ariel Hopkins, a student at Betsy Layne High School, was named the 2009 Musician of the Year at the Floyd County Schools Band and Art Festival held at Prestonsburg High School last week.

DINNER DIVA

Brain food



One thing I've noticed that so many people have in common is scattered thinking. Some of us call it ADD while some of us try to put a little shine on it and call it "multi-tasking". Whatever you want to call it, this is one way of never really getting things done the way we want them. Yes, we think we can do things this way, but in the end, it never really works out, does it?

The funny thing is we want it all done and we want it done NOW. It's a microwave mentality, really. What we need in order to get things done is a crock pot mentality—we need to warm up, stay

consistent and keep the heat on!

Well, in my research, I've discovered that there is a way foodwise, to help us stay focused! Yes indeed, you can fuel your brain to think better! I love that personally, because I have so many things I write about each week. When I'm "multi-tasking" in all my scattered glory, I can really make a mess of it all and take forever to get something done. I've sometimes had up as many as 5 or 6 screens up on my computer, writing on this, writing on that and ended up being frustrated and not getting my work done like I need to. Obviously, I need to stop behavior

that isn't benefiting me (this is the definition of SANITY—doing something different if the old way wasn't working!) and do something else. So I did. I've also become aware of foods that help me focus and it's really making a difference. Here are some foods you might want to try:

*Raisins, apples and nuts. I eat raw almonds nearly everyday (just about 10), one or two apples and sometimes a handful of raisins go in my steel cut oats in the

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Family Medicine

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

Q My husband and I have one grandson, who is now three. With summer almost here, my husband wants to take his grandson with him when mowing the grass on our riding mower. I say this is dangerous. He reminds me that he did this with our kids years ago. Is this a safe practice?

A I get this question frequently. The answer is simple: riding mowers are not passenger vehicles. Children easily fall off of the

driver's lap or shared seat, resulting in serious and even life-threatening injuries, including amputations. In fact, more than 68,000 people are injured every year by power mowers, many of them children. It is never safe to have a passenger of any age on a riding mower.

The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgery and the American Academy of Pediatrics both recommend that children not operate a riding lawn mower until they are 16

Reader should mow lawn safely, solo

years old. I would add that those under the age of 12 should not operate a push mower, either.

All drivers should take precautions when operating mowers, especially with children around. Get to know your equipment. Know how to stop the machine quickly in case of emergency. Many riding mowers have a feature that stops the blades if you take your hands off of the controls or get out of the seat. If using an electric mower, check before each use to make sure no wires have been cut or frayed by the blades. It is also a good idea to disconnect the spark plug wire whenever you have to reach under the mower, to make sure the engine will not start.

You should know the capacity of your mower to climb hills. Avoid slopes if you are not sure. Every year, people die in rollover accidents because they use riding lawn mowers on hills too steep for their machines to climb.

Keep children inside when you mow, since you will not hear much over the roar of the motor. If you are the only adult around, don't mow. Children are very curious and are likely to wander outside to see what you are doing.

Luckily, almost all riding mowers are now equipped with "no mow in reverse" (NMIR) safety features that automatically disengage the blades when backing up. However, there are still mowers in use that predate this technology. It is always better to avoid backing up in a riding mower. If you absolutely must back up, make sure there are no people or animals behind you.

Teenagers often mow lawns in the summer to earn money or as a chore for the family. Take the time to train them on mower safety. Always gas up the mower outside, and never smoke when you are pouring gas into the fuel tank. Before mowing, clear the lawn of tree limbs, rocks and other debris,

and always turn off the mower blade when crossing a sidewalk or driveway. Small objects can get caught in the blades and hurled out the side, potentially harming people or damaging property. Always make sure the blades of a riding mower have fully stopped before getting off a riding mower.

People operating any mower should wear sturdy shoes — not flip-flops, sandals or canvas shoes. Many a toe has been saved by following this one rule. As a parent or grandparent, it is important that you practice what you preach. Always operate all machinery safely.

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Family Medicine(r) is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701, or via e-mail to readerquestions@familymedicine-news.org.

Allen

what Capt. John Smith would have done, had he run into such a situation, back there in 1607?" Maybe, the country would have been better off if Capt. John and I could have swapped places—in which case, it all would have been left to the Indians.

AN APPRECIATED ADDI-

TION
In front of me is one of Russell May's beautiful paintings which he brought to this office, the other morning, in a commendable effort to brighten up these premises. I know as much about art as Rembrandt knew about distinguishing between a small-mouth and a largemouth bass.

But that deters me not a whit from proclaiming this painting "absolutely beautiful." Russell May amazes me.

BARREN?

Mr. L.S. Jagers, of Elizabethtown, Ky., turns me and his son, the Rev. W.D. Jagers, a bilious sort of green with his story of a fishing trip

a few days back, at Barren Reservoir. Told us, he did, of landing a seven-pound bass on his first cast, then casting right back to come in with a six-pounder.

I refuse to identify the speaker, but one of us, hearing the story and wanting to express skepticism, remarked, "This man needs your

prayers."

I believe Mr. Jagers. He's a top fisherman and knows where they hang out. But I want him to explain to me where they got that name, "Barren." Barren of what?

TO READ THE SYMPTOMS

Ever since I read somewhere that the bite of a preg-

nant tick may prove fatal, I've been trying to figure out how this delicate condition might be discovered in the critter. The solution came during a learned discussion of the matter, the other night, when it was suggested:

"Why, just watch the tick, and see if it gets sick in the morning."

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GOOD HEALTH

Building strong bones

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I am a woman in her mid-40s with significant bone loss (osteopenia). I was completely unaware that bone loss can occur in premenopausal women. I was stunned by my poor bone-density score. Why doesn't the medical community inform the public that bone loss can be an issue for premenopausal women? -- E.M.

ANSWER: Osteoporosis happens mainly to women after menopause, when there is a sudden and precipitous drop in their production of estrogen, the female hormone that works to preserve bone health. However, women attain their peak bone strength in their late 20s and early 30s. From that time on, bones begin to lose their calcium and become more fragile and prone to fracture. Osteoporosis can occur at younger ages. You don't have osteoporosis. You have osteopenia. It's a marker on the road to osteoporosis.

At young ages, girls should be on a program of building a bank deposit of calcium and strong bones by meeting the daily requirements for calcium and vitamin D, and by not doing things that lead to bone demineralization, like smoking. Daily exercise is another requirement for strong bones. The booklet on osteoporosis

explains the prevention and treatment of this debilitating disease. Readers can order a copy by writing: Dr. Donohue -- No. 1104W, Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475. Enclose a check or money order (no cash) for \$4.75 U.S./\$6 Canada with the recipient's printed name and address. Please allow four weeks for delivery.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: This past winter I lost 50 pounds and am quite proud of myself. Now I have all sorts of ugly stretch marks. I thought I would look stunning on the beach. I probably will look stunning, but not for the reasons I thought I would. Can't something be done about these things? -- C.C.

ANSWER: Stretch marks are scars. Your former weight stretched the skin beyond its limits, and the skin tore. Scars formed where the tears occurred.

Time is one of the best treatments for them. They lighten up and blend in with the rest of the skin. How long that takes is unpredictable, but it happens.

Retin-A -- an acne medicine -- has been suggested as a treatment for stretch marks. I can't tell you if it's successful

all the time or how much of the time.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: I walk half an hour each morning. Lately, I have experienced chest pain, followed by gas and sometimes heartburn. The same thing happens when I shovel snow. I am 81 and do not take any medicines. I have had all the lung and heart tests without any problems showing up. What do you think this is? -- F.O.

ANSWER: When you say "all the tests," does that include a stress test, the test taken while you walk ever faster on a treadmill and an EKG is constantly taken? If not, you need one. In fact, even if you have had a stress test, go back to the doctor. Undiagnosed chest pain that comes with exertion makes me leery of heart disease. Don't give up the pursuit of trying to find an answer.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

Diva

morning. Boron is the main component to these three and boron has been shown to help folks do better in memory and attention tests. Sign me up, right?

*Eggs and kefir. I eat eggs several times a week and put kefir in my smoothies. Choline, which is rich in eggs and dairy products, helps your brain to store and recall information. I need all the help I

can get!

*Coffee or tea. Caffeine isn't the enemy unless you go overboard. Caffeine actually helps your attention improve and gives you better problem solving skills—isn't that great? One cup of coffee in the morning and a cup of tea in the afternoon does the trick for me when I'm under deadlines. Give it a try yourself!

I don't know about you, but

I feel sometimes like I'm being squeezed from all angles with my time. Being able to stay focused and get one task at a time done keeps me from multi-tasking perfectionism which in the end, both frustrates me and makes me feel guilty!

Let's stay focused this week and eat foods that will feed our brains!

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Rich Brooks and wife Karen present a check to Highlands Center for Autism representatives Bud Warman and Ted Nairn on behalf of the Rich Brooks Foundation.

Salome's Stars Weekly Horoscope

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Try using that Aries charm to warm up the usual set of workplace naysayers, and then back it up with a solid block of facts and figures to sell your idea to your colleagues.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) While nothing can deter a determined Bovine from following a course you believe in, it helps to have some supporting data and statements by trusted colleagues to make your case.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Take advantage of new information that could help make your career transition easier. The weekend is a good time to re-establish relationships with people you haven't seen in a while.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Personal matters demand your attention as once-stable situations begin to shift. Quick action to shore things up is called for in order to avoid more problems down the line.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Although your financial picture begins to brighten, "thrift" and "caution" are still the watchwords for fiscally astute Leos and Leonas to live by. Expect news about a family matter.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Before you try to blame a colleague for a workplace problem, make sure you have the proof to back you up. Make some quiet inquiries on your own to try to solicit more information.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Trying to cheer up a depressed friend or down-

cast family member can be difficult. But keep at it, and your efforts should soon pay off in ways you might have never expected.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Taking a new look at an old and frequently recurring problem might lead you to consider making some surprising changes in the way you had been handling it up till now.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Despite what the naysayers might say, setting your sights on a new goal could be one of the smartest things the typically sagacious Sagittarian has done in a long time.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Rebuilding an unraveling relationship won't be easy. But you can do it, if you really want to. Just remember to keep the lines of communication open between the two of you.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new friendship could develop into a close relationship. Meanwhile, reassure an old friend who might be feeling neglected that he or she is still an important part of your life.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might be feeling that you're still in over your head as you continue trying to adjust to your new situation. But the pressures ease by week's end, giving you time to come up for air.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for sensing the feelings of others. You might consider a career in some aspect of counseling.

Highlands Center for Autism receives grant from Rich Brooks Foundation

PRESTONSBURG — The Highlands Center for Autism received a big surprise at the Rich Brooks Golf Outing in Jenkins on Monday, June 8 — a \$25,000 check presented to the new Highlands Center for Autism on behalf of the Rich Brooks Foundation.

The presentation was made by the University of Kentucky football coach Rich Brooks and his wife, Karen.

"What a wonderful gift from a special foundation," said Highlands Regional Medical Center Chairman and Highlands Center for Autism Board Member, Ted Nairn. "This money will be used to change the lives of children and families living with autism. I am thankful for the friendship of the Brooks' family."

In September, Highlands Health System began consulting with the Cleveland Clinic Center for Autism to open a private, year-round day school in Floyd County serving children from the earliest diagnosis up

to school age. The educational foundation of the Highlands Center for Autism is based on Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA), which is an approach that is grounded in decades of research. Highlands Center for Autism is the only center-based program in Kentucky using ABA in a clinical educational setting.

The Highlands Center for Autism plans to expand services to include young adult services, comprehensive diagnostic evaluations, outreach services, and participation in existing research networks.

If you would like to join in supporting the Highlands Center for Autism, contact the Highlands Foundation at (606) 889-6271.

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This hunk of junk may need to be grounded

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:
I have a 1991 Ford F-150. You could use up this entire section of the newspaper on this hunk of junk. But perhaps you can just help me get it started. It won't turn over, despite numerous attempts. I've taken the battery to AutoZone, and they say it's good and it's fully charged. I even put it on the charger overnight to be sure. When I turn the ignition, it just grunts at me. After two or three grunts, all systems are unresponsive. Neither the headlights nor the radio will go on. Any ideas? — Steve

TOM: We'll assume that AutoZone is right, and the battery is fine. In which case, you have either a bad connection at the battery, or a bad ground.

RAY: There are two cables that run from your battery. One is the positive cable, which runs to the starter. The other is the negative cable, which is the ground. That wire runs to the frame of the truck, and from the frame, another wire connects it to the

engine block (the engine sits on rubber mounts, so it has to be grounded to the frame by wire).

TOM: And after nearly two decades, those connections could be in worse shape than my brother's 401(k).

RAY: Or you could have so much corrosion around ANY of these connections that the resistance created by that corrosion is simply stopping the current from getting through.

TOM: So start with the terminals right at the battery. Give them a good cleaning with some sandpaper. If that doesn't fix it, follow the ground wire. Check all the ground connections, and clean or replace as necessary.

RAY: Or, as we like to say, you can "break new ground," and simply run new ground wires to the frame and the engine block. Getting yourself properly grounded ought to clear this up, Steve.

An oil-pan whodunit

Dear Tom and Ray:
I have a 2003 Infiniti FX45 that was due for an oil change. I had some

time to kill, so I went to a Wal-Mart Tire and Lube Express. I left the car, and when I came back they said they couldn't do any work because there were guard plates in the way. I thought that was odd, since nobody else has mentioned that being a problem. But I figured no big deal, I'd get it done at my usual spot. When I took it in there, they said they couldn't work on it because the oil pan was covered with silicone. Apparently, Wal-Mart must have lost the oil plug, used one of their own to plug it and siliconed it all up so it wouldn't leak. Estimates to get this fixed range from \$1,200 to \$1,600 for parts and labor. My question to you is this: How do I approach this? I know this is more of a legal issue than a car issue, but it seems like you would have seen these types of situations before. — Eric

TOM: Seen them? We've caused them!

RAY: This is a mess, Eric. And unfortunately, at this point it's going to be very hard for you to prove who made the mess.

TOM: Typically, what happens is that mechanics overtighten drain plugs. When they get overtightened enough times, the "receiving" threads in the oil pan get stripped and the plug leaks. If it's not leaking too badly, a bead of silicone can keep you going for a while longer.

RAY: But eventually, you'll either

have to use an "insert" to "replace" the oil pan's threads, or, if that doesn't work, replace the oil pan itself (it's \$1,200-\$1,600 on your car because the engine has to be removed).

TOM: A lot of oil-change places will even refuse to work on a car that has silicone around the oil plug because they know it's going to fail soon, and they don't want to be blamed.

RAY: Wal-Mart's explanation doesn't make sense to me. I'm not aware of any "guard plates" that block the oil plug on the FX45. Is it possible that they lied to you? It's possible. Perhaps some guy there has made a bunch of mistakes and tried to cover up this one so he doesn't get fired.

TOM: Or perhaps you misunderstood them. Maybe it wasn't the guard plates that made them refuse to work on your car. Perhaps it was that there was ALREADY silicone around your oil drain plug.

RAY: There's one way to find out if they're lying. If you or your other mechanic checked your oil immediately after leaving, and it was brand-new oil, then they DID change the oil, and they're responsible for the condition of the oil pan.

TOM: Right. Obviously, if they removed the plug, the oil would have drained out, and they would have had

to replace it. Only then would they have had trouble reinstalling the plug and needed to apply silicone.

RAY: But if the oil is still black and dirty, that means they didn't touch your oil plug, and the silicone came from some previous oil change.

TOM: These are difficult cases, because oil plugs often strip gradually, over many oil changes. And since you're obviously promiscuous about your oil-change locations, Eric (I know, you had time to kill, Wal-Mart looked fetching, one thing led to another), it's very hard to prove that one particular shop was entirely responsible.

RAY: But if your oil is brand-new, then you have a pretty clear case that Wal-Mart is the responsible party, since they specifically told you they didn't change your oil.

TOM: In that case, what you need to do is sit down calmly with the shop manager there, lay out your case and ask him to cover your new oil pan. All shops have "bonehead" insurance for just this type of accident. They may need to invoke their policy.

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CLICK & CLACK
Talk Cars

Rental Central

by TOM DOTY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Three hits and one miss gave renters a fair chance at quality entertainment this week.

■ "Gran Torino" — Clint Eastwood continues to defy the odds by becoming more prolific as he drifts into his autumn years. Last year he directed two films, including this one, in which he also stars as a Korean War veteran. His character isn't well liked by neighbors of his own family, but he finds redemption through a troubled youth that tries to steal his restored automobile. While structuring some community service for the would-be thief, he becomes involved with the boy's family and

decides to fight back against neighborhood gangs that prey on youths. Good stuff with a powerful and understated performance by Eastwood.

■ "The International" — An Interpol agent tries to take down a bank that is funding arms trading and other nefarious schemes in this thriller. Clive Owen and Naomi Watts headline the cast and are suitable enough to make it all plausible, though we all know that banks would never stoop to such depths without first seeking aid from the government.

■ "Crossing Over" — This star-studded drama weaves together several stories as it traces characters who are involved with illegal immigration. The stories highlight the

issue from several sides of the equation and feature a diverse cast, which includes Harrison Ford, Ray Liotta and Ashley Judd. This didn't do well in theaters but deserves a look and is a fine ensemble piece.

■ "Fired Up" — This week's turkey is a light comedy that follows two high school football heroes who ditch their training camp to drop in on cheerleader practice. A thin plot gets no assist from a lame script and the pointlessness of making a "Porky's"-style comedy for the PG-13 crowd.

Next week look for the return of Jason in "Friday the 13th," as well as another appearance by Tom Selleck as Sheriff Jesse Stone in "Thin Ice."

Lagoon

make it to the start of the Hawaiian themed event when zombies pop up all over town. Little time is wasted on this phenomenon, which is attributed to the three power plants which nest in the neighborhood and fill the sewers with toxic sludge.

The Sci-Fi Club meets the challenge first when they stumble upon the corpses while performing an "X-Files"-type investigation of strange goings-on at the local cemetery. They hightail it for the nearest structure and are soon joined by the other featured characters.

Their choice of sanctuary, however, leaves a lot to be desired, as it turns out to be a funeral home. Kyle saves the day by channeling his violent tendencies towards the undead, which also endears him to his former victims from the Sci-Fi Club. Pretty soon they're all chummy, but this is a horror movie too, so losing Kyle to the zombies is inevitable, though his example does toughen up the nerd brigade.

Meanwhile, the punk band finds out that they can hold back the corpses by churning out some three-chord rock music which makes the zombies docile. The kids from the funeral home eventually escape thanks to some fancy footwork and a generous amount of cartwheels by Gwen, who is able to steal the company hearse.

Much to Stephen's chagrin, they meet up with the punk band and Gwen is once again enthralled by their Depp-like lead singer. Their get-together is cut short when they realize that the zombies have crashed the prom.

They decide to head that way and rescue any survivors before realizing the teen dream of having a great excuse to blow up their school. It's a fairly well choreographed finale that sees them have to brave the dance floor to

secure a detonator that happens to land on the concession table, which affords the band a chance to play their premier and farewell concert all at the same time.

This is all entertaining thanks to a great script which pokes fun at adolescent angst while celebrating the more positive aspects of teen rebellion. The characters get off some great lines, such as Gwen, who reacts to the approaching prom slaughter by moaning, "I'm going to need years of therapy after this."

The DVD also manages to provide some decent extras such as a "Youtube" video of Kyle inflicting all manner of pain upon his friends, siblings and self.

There's also plenty of gore here for the diehard zombie fans, as well as a keen sense of how kids actually talk. There's obviously a lot of love invested in

these characters and they all end up in a better place. That means that Stephen does get to consummate his love for Gwen, though both are without a pulse when the big moment comes.

There's also some good comedic work here by the adults, which includes a sharp turn by Mark Oliver as a phys-ed teacher with issues and a lot of firepower stored in his garage, as well as a poetic justice moment that finds a sadistic biology teacher turned into a zombie by a frog specimen.

Fun stuff that will not linger in your long-term memory, but at least it won't grow hair on your palms either.

Best line: "Ma'am, I'm not going to be able to help you if you don't stop biting at me like that."

2008, rated R.

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Strange ... but true

by SAMANTHA WEAVER

■ It was British fantasy writer Terry Pratchett who made the following sage observation: "The trouble with having an open mind, of course, is that people will insist on coming along and trying to put things in it."

■ In ancient Egypt, cats were held in such high esteem that the penalty for killing one was death.

■ The next time you feel frazzled from trying to keep up with your kids, consider the plight of 18th-century mom Mrs. Feodor Vassilyev. Over the course of 40 years, she gave birth to 16 pairs of twins, seven sets of triplets and four sets of quadruplets -- 69 children in all.

■ When he arrived in the United States from Italy in 1913, renowned film star and sex symbol Rudolph Valentino could speak no English. By the time he died in 1926, at the

age of 31, he was so adored that, as reports of the time indicate, many of his female fans succumbed to mass hysteria.

■ You might be surprised to learn that Arlington National Cemetery is built on the site of the former estate of Confederate General Robert E. Lee.

■ Reports out of India in the early 20th century indicated that there was a Hindu fakir named Agastiya in the Bengal region who decided, out of

religious conviction, to hold one arm straight above his head. Experts say that the first few months would be the difficult part; after that, the arm would have no circulation and would remain rigid. Agastiya reportedly held this position for 10 years, until his death in 1912, and even in death the arm could not be lowered.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 898-4138, Major Revision No. 5

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Landmark Mining Company, Inc., P.O. Box 460, Shelbyana, Kentucky 41562, has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 4.0 miles west of Robinson Creek and situated in both Pike and Floyd County. The major revision will add 0 acres of surface disturbance area and 3.04 acres of underground acreage making a total area of 2,223.10 acres within the amended

permit boundary. The proposed major revision area is approximately 2.0 miles west from Bear Fork Road's junction with KY 610 and located 0.4 miles north of Sam Hall Branch.

The proposed major revision is located on the Pikeville/McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. No surface area will be disturbed by the major revision. The operation will underlie land owned by Millard and Mary Johnson, Laura M. Johnson Hamilton, Andy Hamilton and Delmer Kizer.

The major revision proposes to add 3.04 acres of underground acreage.

The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Pikeville Regional Office, 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 636-5036 Renewal No. 5

In accordance

with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Premium Elkhorn Coal Corporation, P.O. Box 1028, 131 Big Bridge Road, McDowell, KY 41647, has filed for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 2.6 miles southeast of East McDowell, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 2.22 surface acres, and will underlie 459.00 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 461.22 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.9 mile east from KY 1929's junction with Ned Fork Road, and located 0.01 mile east of Ned Fork. The latitude is 37 degrees, 25 minutes, 13 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 41 minutes, 22 seconds.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Alvin Gayheart and the Orbin Moore Heirs, c/o Nancy Hall. The operation will underlie land owned by Alvin Gayheart, Henry Keathley, John & Ida Mae Keathley, Donna Terry, Wavis Alley, Ervin Page, Hazard Collins, William Blankenship, Ambrose Hall, Premium Elkhorn Coal Corporation, Samuel Hamilton, Curtis Tackett, Carmel & Marie Clark, and Dinah Martin. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of Ned Fork Road. The operation will

not involve the relocation of the public road.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601-4321.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0362

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, P.O. Box 990, Allen, Kentucky 41601, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, affecting 298.1 acres, and will underlie an additional 304.9 acres, located 0.8 mile southeast of Grethel, in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.15 mile southeast from Frasure Branch Road junction with KY Route 979, and located in Frasure Branch of Mud Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour strip and highwall/auger method of mining.

The surface area is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company LLC, Miller Bros. Coal LLC, et al., Charles & Melvina Tackett, Denzil Hall, Eric Frasure, Elisha Hall, Glenn Dale Spradlin, Silas & Lona Akers, Doc Jr., & Debbie Reynolds, Maggie Mitchell, Willis & Joyce Newman, Delmer & Omea Frasure, Milford Adams, Edgel Moore and Betty Carol. The operation will underlie surface area owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company LLC, Miller Bros. Coal LLC, et al., Charles & Melvina Tackett, Denzil Hall, Eric Frasure, Elisha Hall, Glenn Dale Spradlin, Silas & Lona Akers, Doc Jr., & Debbie Reynolds, Maggie Mitchell, Willis & Joyce Newman, Delmer & Omea Frasure, Milford Adams, Edgel Moore, and Betty Carol.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office,

3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Permit No. 836-0334 Phase I Increments 3, 4, 23, 33, 34 Phase II Increments 2, 5, 8, 10, 19, 20, 21,

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, 1801 Watergap Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for Phase 1 Bond Release on permit number 836-0334. Increment Numbers 3, 4, 23, 33, 34 and Phase 2 bond releases on permit number 836-0334. Increment Numbers 2, 5, 8, 10, 19, 20, 21, which was last issued on 09-29-08. The applica-

tion covers an area of approximately 849.28 acres located 2.79 miles northeast of Hueysville in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 1.5 miles northeast from Rout 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located in Salyers Branch and Raccoon Branch of Saltlick, and Grassy Creek of Licking River. The latitude is 37° 30'45". The longitude is 82° 53'27".

For Increment No. 2, approximately 25 percent of the original bond amount of \$344,400.00 is included in the application for release.

For Increment No. 3, approximately 25 percent of the original bond amount of \$276,000.00 is included in the application for release.

For Increment No. 4, approximately 85 percent of the original bond amount of \$226,400.00 is included in the application for release.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The second reading and adoption of Floyd County's proposed budget for the Fiscal Year 2009 - 2010 ordinance 09-001 is scheduled to be held at the courthouse on June 19, 2009, at 10:00 a.m.

BUDGET SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY:

WHEREAS, the proposed budget was tentatively approved by the Fiscal Court on the 15th day of May, 2009, and approved as to form and classification by the State Local Finance Officer on the 1st day of June, 2009.

SECTION ONE. The following budget is adopted for the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.

(01) GENERAL FUND	
General Government.....	2,268,000.00
Protection to Persons & Property	142,000.00
General Health & Sanitation	1,996,500.00
Social Services.....	242,000.00
Airport.....	5,000.00
Inspections	60,000.00
Debt Service.....	1,140,000.00
Administration	946,500.00
TOTAL	6,800,000.00
(02) ROAD FUND	
Roads	3,978,980.00
Debt Service	160,000.00
Administration	561,020.00
TOTAL	4,700,000.00
(03) JAIL FUND	
Protection to Persons & Property	1,342,000.00
Equipment.....	40,000.00
Debt Service.....	470,880.00
Administration	397,120.00
TOTAL	2,250,000.00
(04) LGEA FUND	
Economic Development	560,000.00
Protection to Persons & Property	144,545.00
General Health & Sanitation	1,242,000.00
Recreation & Culture.....	1,684,435.00
Capital Projects.....	125,000.00
Administration	394,020.00
TOTAL	4,150,000.00
(06) STATE GRANTS	
Protection to Persons & Property.....	15,000.00
TOTAL	15,000.00
(07) FEDERAL GRANTS	
General Government.....	45,000.00
General Health & Sanitation	5,000.00
Social Services.....	5,000.00
TOTAL	55,000.00
(75) REVOLVING FUNDS	
Revolving Loan Fund	17,000.00
TOTAL	17,000.00
(76) E-911 FUNDS	
Protection to Persons & Property.....	241,265.00
Administration	41,735.00
TOTAL	283,000.00
(77) CONSTRUCTION FUNDS	
Construction Fund.....	730,000.00
TOTAL	730,000.00
TOTAL BUDGET	19,000,000.00

SECTION TWO. This ordinance shall be published in the Floyd County newspaper by title and summary within 30 days following adoption.

SECTION THREE. This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

All interested persons and organizations in Floyd County are hereby notified that a copy of the county's proposed budget in full is available for public inspection at the Office of the County Judge/Executive Robert D Marshall, during normal business hours.

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ACROSS

- 1 Possess
- 4 Beast of burden
- 7 Frost
- 11 USPS delivery
- 13 Fun and games
- 14 Foot fraction
- 15 Capri or Wight
- 16 Scratch
- 17 Attend
- 18 Larceny
- 20 Netting
- 22 AAA job
- 24 Get smart
- 28 Sleepwear
- 32 Interruption
- 33 "Once — a time ..."
- 34 Jewel
- 36 Birds' home
- 37 Pinochle
- 39 Worldly septet
- 41 Houston team
- 43 Friend
- 44 Egyptian goddess
- 46 Hook-nosed Muppet
- 50 Titanic vanquisher
- 53 Uppermost
- 55 Lumber
- 56 Provo's state
- 57 ... and its

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- country lady 31 Wield a
- 58 Beach stuff 9 Performance needle
- 59 Carry on 10 Pi follower 35 Clear the
- 60 Pea house 12 On both decks
- 61 Fellows sides 38 "Help!"
- 19 Huck's chum 40 Run-down horse
- 21 Part of R.S.V.P. 42 Stop
- 23 "— the Dog" slouching
- 25 Fencing prop 45 Mediocre
- 26 Cold War initials 47 Ark builder
- 27 Household critters 48 Region
- 28 Cougar 49 Probability
- 29 Tarzan's clique 50 Plant prickle
- 30 Shock 51 Timetable abbr.
- 52 Took off
- 54 Writing tablet

DOWN

- 1 Leave out
- 2 Cleanse
- 3 Cleopatra's river
- 4 Upper limb
- 5 Line of fashion?
- 6 Threaded nail
- 7 Timeline points
- 8 Lennon's

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	8		1	6				
9		3						4
		4		5	3			
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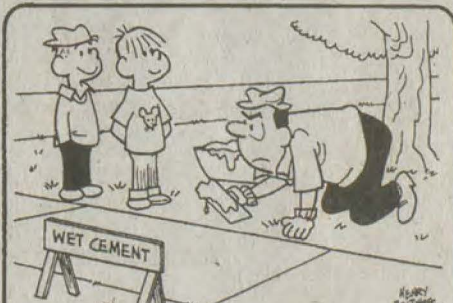
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

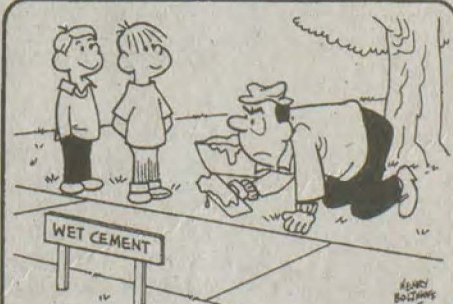
★ Moderate ★★ Challenging ★★★ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Sign legs are different. 2. Hat is missing. 3. Mars' sleeves are longer. 4. Boy's shirt is different. 5. Tree trunk is broader. 6. Distant walkway is missing.

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: F equals E

DA D PFFY BYEOKCZ,
OEFW YDCPEW MENFY
MIOA HEOAFP D UKZ
OKCZ: "ATF UIBN OAEHO
TFYF."

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MOVIES: In which movie did the actor Jeremy Irons play his own twin brother?
2. TELEVISION: What show spawned the spinoff sitcom "Good Times" in the 1970s?
3. MUSIC: What kind of instrument is a fife?
4. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the Nullarbor Plain?
5. PERSONALITIES: Where was humorist Garrison Keillor born?
6. SCIENCE: What is the third most common element in the Earth's atmosphere by percentage, after nitrogen and oxygen?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the official anthem of the United Kingdom?
8. LITERATURE: In which of Shakespeare's plays do the characters of Beatrice and Benedick appear?
9. GEOLOGY: What was the name of the single "supercontinent" from which modern-day continents are believed to have formed?
10. ASTRONOMY: Which planet's two moons are named Phobos and Deimos?

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1. "Dead Kings"
2. "Maude"
3. A small fife
4. Australia
5. Minnesota
6. Argon
7. "God Save the Queen"
8. "Much Ado About Nothing"
9. Pangaea
10. Mars

R	A	N	T	I	S	H	E	S
U	T	A	N	S	A	S	A	N
B	E	R	G	T	O	P	O	O
O	Z	N	O	S	I	S	I	S
A	S	T	O	S	I	S	P	A
M	E	L	D	S	O	M	O	N
U	P	O	N	O	M	N	E	S
P	A	J	A	M	A	S	L	A
T	O	W	I	S	E	U	P	
T	H	E	F	T	M	E	S	H
I	S	L	E	M	A	R	I	G
M	A	I	L	E	R	E	C	H
O	W	N	A	S	S	H	O	A

Solution time: 21 mins.

King Crossword

4	6	9	2	5	3	8	1	7
5	3	8	1	4	7	2	9	6
2	1	7	8	9	6	3	4	5
8	5	1	6	3	4	7	2	9
6	4	2	9	7	1	5	8	3
7	9	3	5	2	8	4	6	1
1	2	4	7	6	5	9	3	8
9	7	6	3	8	2	1	5	4
3	8	5	4	1	9	6	7	2

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Cryptoquip

At a deer crossing, some random joker just posted a big sign: "The buck stops here."

answer

"Next time I get in a fight, how about grabbing the other guy's arm?"