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\$250K lottery winner disappears; wife seeks divorce

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County couple from Harold has won the Kentucky Lottery's \$250,000 cash prize.

This news should give cause for celebration, however, the money from that winning ticket, purchased at J&B Liquors in Harold, is nowhere to be found.

According to a sworn statement, taken and filed in Floyd Circuit Court, from 62 year old Dotty Duncan, her husband, Gary

Lee Duncan, 62, has taken the money and left. In addition to her sworn statement, Duncan has now filed for divorce against her husband.

Prestonsburg attorney, Ned Pillersdorf, who is representing Duncan said that she has not seen her husband since Monday, the day the lottery ticket was purchased, and only learned of the winning ticket on Wednesday.

According to a sworn statement filed in Floyd Circuit Court Wednesday, Duncan states that her husband had gone to the lot-

tery office in Kentucky and has or will soon have cashed the ticket in for a total cash amount of \$170,000 after taxes. The motion goes on to explain that the ticket is marital property and so then should belong to both of her and her husband.

In a more revealing section of the motion, Duncan states, "My husband is an alcoholic and the last time that we saw him, he was intoxicated."

Mrs. Duncan's statement further explains that she feels her husband will "lose, waste, transfer or expend this lot-

tery money" without giving her part of the money. It then goes on to say that none of the \$170,000 has been offered to Mrs. Duncan and that her husband has "withheld his whereabouts since obtaining the lottery ticket."

The motion concluded with a request that the money be tied up and that Mr. Duncan not be allowed to spend any of the money until the Floyd County Circuit Court is able to come to a fair division of

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Bringing the story home

— Section C

briefs

Tackett indictment

In Wednesday's edition of this week a list of indictments was included to accompany another feature story involving an indictment. Excluded from this list was an indictment for Keith Tackett, 40, of Weeksbury.

Tackett's indictment was left out intentionally because, as of presstime Tuesday evening, Tackett's age could not be verified. According to the original indictment, Tackett's age was listed as 14, which would mean he was a minor and not normally subject to being named by our newspaper. However, according to Floyd County Sheriff's Deputy Craig Blackburn, who stood as witness during the grand jury's decision against Tackett, the age listed on the indictment was apparently a mistake.

Of Tackett's five counts under his indictment, one, a count of third degree assault, a class D felony, was committed against Deputy Blackburn himself while attempting to restrain Tackett at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin, according to Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn.

Tackett's remaining charges were as follows: one count of resisting arrest, a class A misdemeanor, one count of disorderly conduct, a class B misdemeanor, one count of alcohol intoxication, a violation, and one count of tampering with physical evidence, a class D felony.

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photo by Sheldon Compton

State Senator Johnny Ray Turner and Jenny Wiley State Resort Manager Mark McLemore take a seat just before the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce 2001 Annual Awards Banquet began Thursday evening. Senator Turner was in attendance as guest speaker while McLemore was scheduled to present the Business of the Year award.

Fugitive captured in Galveston

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

The list of out of state fugitives captured and arrested by the Floyd County Sheriff's office this past year continues to grow.

At 9:20 p.m. Wednesday night, another was added to that list as Sheriff John K. Blackburn and several assisting deputies departed and convened on North Carolina fugitive, Randall Wayne Wallace.

Blackburn and deputies made the arrest in Galveston where they had been informed Wallace was residing.

However, according to Blackburn, the 30 year old fugitive was not there when the police arrived.

"They said he had just left so I sent a few down to set up a road block because we were told he was going to be coming back in a little while," said Blackburn. "We had been informed that he

was armed and dangerous, so we made every effort to be as cautious as possible."

Blackburn's road block paid off as Wallace soon returned and found several Floyd County deputies surrounding him.

According to Floyd County Deputy Gary Tackett, who was among the deputies helping Wednesday night, Wallace didn't resist being arrested as his vehicle was surrounded as he came home.

The arrest came in response to a warrant received from North Carolina authorities on May 2 of last week informing the sheriff's office that Wallace was wanted in that state for common law robbery.

The warrant reads that Wallace stole, by forcible means, \$137.81 from Janice Wilson, a convenient store clerk. This robbery had Wallace scheduled to appear in North Carolina's

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Family suffers setback after robbery

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

As with many young couples, Billy and Mary Collins, 24, of Cowcreek have been waiting for a chance to own their own home ever since they were married three years ago.

In 1999, they purchased property near Cow Mountain. After the land was paid off, they then purchased a 1985 doublewide trailer and began remodeling.

"It's so hard starting out," said Mary Collins. "We didn't want have too much debt, so we bought everything a little at a time."

During the remodeling process, the couple has been living with family members, Johnny and Patty Moore of Wolfe Creek.

Since that time, they have been saving money to purchase materials and furniture for their new home, according to Ms. Collins, who visits the trailer several times a week to work.

"We've worked so hard up there," said Ms. Collins. "A lot of construction needed to be done."

Construction of their new home was nearly complete when someone broke in last weekend and stole over \$1000 worth of furniture, appliances, tools and miscellaneous household items.

Officer Craig Blackburn of the Floyd County Sheriff Department said that the home was a perfect target for thieves since it has remained empty for several months during the remodeling process.

"This is a big set back for us," said Ms. Collins. "We've been saving money for so long, and now, we have to start all over again."

According to Blackburn, the robbery occurred sometime between Saturday, May 5 and Tuesday, May 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins spent Saturday afternoon digging a ditch to run water lines, but after that day, they didn't return until Tuesday morning to discover the robbery had occurred.

Items taken were listed as a white Lazyboy sectional couch, maple end tables, maple coffee table, Dwal Myer Saw, Makita cordless drill and several miscellaneous household items including decorations from Home Interior.

The perpetrators allegedly gained entry to the home through the front door after breaking the lock. The door was taken off its hinges, but no major damage was reported.

Blackburn says there is currently no suspects

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Clean streets ahead for city of Wayland

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

After several months of being plagued with raw sewage in their streets, Wayland is finally beginning to see some progress in the city's battle with its existing sewage problems.

Residents have been outspoken with their opinions regarding the problems which exist with the city's sewage, but their complaints seemed to go unnoticed by state and federal officials.

At city council meeting in March, April Martin, who lives on Main Street, told city officials she was tired of living next to an open sewer line that ran onto the road and sidewalk just a few feet from her front porch. Martin told council members that she was unable to sit on her porch during summer months because of the smell and that she feared for the health of her

child. Mayor Tommy Murphy stated that the city of Wayland was unable to fix the problem because the drain was located on state property, leaving city officials and residents of Wayland at a "standstill" while they waited to gain state permission to work on the drainage lines.

According to Commissioner Mike Gibson, who is head of the Public Service Department at Wayland, the city has requested help from the state on several occasions, but to no avail.

Gibson said that much of the problem that exists with finding a solution to Wayland sewage problem is the fact that no one really knows were to go for answers or how to apply for needed grants.

"We're still in the learning process," said Gibson. "We don't

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Investigation into Compton's whereabouts shows little hope

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

Many superstitious people believe that Friday 13 is an unlucky day.

That statement holds true for one Eastern Kentucky family who have been searching for a relative who walked out of Highlands Regional Medical Center on Friday, April 13.

"This is not like him," said Compton's sister, Rosalee Stanley of Bevensville. "He usually keeps in touch on a regular basis."

On Wednesday, April 11, Tracy Compton 44, Bevensville, was taken into police custody after being charged with alcohol intoxication.

The next morning, Judge Eric

C. Hall ordered Compton, who was allegedly suffering from withdrawal, to receive a medical evaluation.

A family friend, Brandon Deaton of Wheelwright, transported Compton to Highlands Regional Medical Center, where he was evaluated and admitted as a patient to the hospital.

Stanley said Compton seemed confused when she spoke with him at 11:30 a.m. on April 13.

"He wasn't paying much attention to what I was saying," said Stanley. "He was delusional."

Compton walked out of the hospital on that day, and he hasn't been seen since.

Compton is 6-foot-1, 150 to

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photo by Kathy Prater

A mishap occurred early Wednesday morning near the Terry Boat Dock entrance to Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Work crews were busy excavating a nearby ridge as part of the new spillway construction project when one of their bulldozers toppled onto its side. No injuries were reported as resulting from the accident.

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For the Record

CHARGES

FILED:

Chandler May Slone, 40, Garner, alcohol intoxication.
 Christen R. Ousley, 21, Martin, theft by unlawful taking/ under \$300, prescription in improper container, second degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana.
 William T. Horn, 42, Auxier, violation of a protective order.
 Ronnie Reynolds, 39, Prestonsburg, fourth degree assault, alcohol intoxication.
 Gilbert Wallen, 53, Martin, alcohol intoxication.
 Philip D. Hughes, 40, Harold, public intoxication.
 Shawn M. Henson, 21, Hueysville, public intoxication (controlled substance) excluding alcohol.
 David Barker, 33, Verkes, public intoxication (controlled substance) excluding alcohol.
 Mary E. Tackett, 36, McDowell, fourth degree assault.
 Joey D. Tackett, 21, Wheelwright, fourth degree assault, violation of a protective order.
 Misty R. Tackett, 20, Wheelwright, fourth degree assault.
 Kimberly Greer, 35, McDowell, parent failure to send child to school.
 Wallace Johnson, 38, Martin, alcohol intoxication.
 Maria G. Kler, 38, Kingsport, TN., possession of marijuana.
 Larry Castle, age unlisted,

Salt Lick, harassment.
 Ronnie Fogle, age unlisted, Hi Hat, fourth degree assault.
 James R. Jacobs, 53, Wayland, alcohol intoxication.
 Reba Akers, 47, Teaberry, alcohol intoxication.
 Dewey Collins Jr., 39, Hi Hat, alcohol intoxication.
 Herbert Smith, 23, Teaberry, public intoxication (controlled substance) excluding alcohol, menacing, disorderly conduct.
 Andy W. Branham, 23, address unlisted, alcohol intoxication.
 Kristin C. Hedrick, 29, Prestonsburg, parent failure to send child to school.
 Nelson Akers, 39, Harold, parent failure to send child to school.
 Steven J. BoBo, 19, Allen, alcohol intoxication.
 Adam Little, 19, Wheelwright, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Rebekah L. Branham, age unlisted, Flatgap, theft by deception/ over \$300.
 Fred Greer, 40, Allen, first degree assault, violation of a protective order, terroristic threatening, wanton endangerment.
 Colink Cornett, 50, Hueysville, possession of stolen mail.
 Brandy Jacobs, 25, Hi Hat, second degree burglary.
 Christopher Castle, 22, Martin, prescription in an improper container, failure to wear a seatbelt, improper start from parked position, improperly on left side of the road, operating a motor vehicle while

under the influence of alcohol/drugs, driving under the influence on suspended license, attempt to elude police, no insurance, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, speeding.
 Jarrid R. Hall, 21, Lexington, second degree burglary.
 Eric M. Tackett, 23, London, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Danny Ray Stevens, 28, Dwale, alcohol intoxication, criminal trespassing.
 Stephen Scott Kidwell, 23, Paint Lick, possession of an open alcohol beverage container in motor vehicle.
 Clyde B. Bentley, 30, David, public intoxication (controlled substance) excluding alcohol.
 Robert A. Murphy, 32, Sitka, public intoxication (controlled substance) excluding alcohol.
 Jimmy Hall, 38, Charlotte, MI., alcohol intoxication.
 Jackie Jall Jr., 29, Garrett, carrying a concealed weapon.
 James Westley Lafferty, 24, Dwale, alcohol intoxication, criminal trespassing.
 Ellis Little Jr., 33, Wayland, parent failure to send child to school.
 Ricky Keens, 26, Teaberry, parent failure to send child to school.
 Teresa L. Hohenecker, 32, Harold, parent failure to send child to school.
 Rita Williams, 34, Tram, parent failure to send child to school.
 John Ousley, age unlisted, Eastern, fourth degree assault.
 Chester Hunter, 34, Melvin, parent failure to send child to school.
 Steven Hunter, age unlisted, Honaker, harassment.
 Steven Allen Mitchell, 24, Beaver, criminal trespassing, criminal mischief, terroristic

threatening.
 Edward Handshoe, age unlisted, Hueysville, criminal trespassing.
 Kelly A. Miller, 18, Prestonsburg, harassment.
 Danny Tackett, 45, Hi Hat, parent failure to send child to school.
 Danny McCoy, age unlisted, Printer, parent failure to send child to school.
 Valeria Roberts, age unlisted, Teaberry, criminal mischief.
 Charles Porter, 22, Prestonsburg, criminal littering.
 Crystal Shepherd, 23, Prestonsburg, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana.
 Deborah Carol Thomas, 33, address unlisted, public intoxication (controlled substance) excluding alcohol.

Lafferty, Linda S. ETAL vs. Sizemore, Calvin ETAL.
 Scott, Charlene vs. Scott, Alvis.
 Derosssett, Robert vs. Derosssett, Marsha.
 Pioneer Credit Company vs. Gibson, Lindsey ETAL.
 Legal Recoveries Inc. vs. Parsons, Micki R.
 First Select, Inc. vs. Hamilton, Timothy J.
 Community Trust Bank vs. Hall, Harlon.
 Hicks, Charles vs. MRC Materials.
 Prater, Pauline vs. Bryant, Kenneth.
 Ratliff, Andrea ETAL vs. Grange Mutual ETAL.
 Scott Orthopedic Center vs. Newsome, Devin S.
 Shepherd, Michael B. vs. Thompson, John Emmit.

Mary J. Kelley, 50, to Francis Lee Fergus, 44, both of Pikeville.
 Chassidy Lynn Tackett, 18, Hi Hat, to Wendy Jordan Cook, 20, Teaberry.

CLARIFICATION:

In Friday's May 4 edition, Phyllis Martin, of Hi Hat, was listed in the "For the Record" section as having had the charge of theft by unlawful taking brought against her.
 This appeared in our paper as a result of a misunderstanding.
 During a gas station drive-off, the clerk at the station wrote what they believed to be the license plate number of the vehicle.
 The plate number, however, turned out to be Mrs. Martin's, rather than the vehicle that had driven away.
 The charge against Mrs. Martin, in connection with the incident, has been dismissed.

CORRECTION:

The Floyd County Times would like to offer this correction concerning a mistake made in Wednesday's May 9 edition.
 In Wednesday's edition, Susan P. Flannery was included in a list of indictments when, in fact, the included indictment should have read, Shawn P. Flannery, 20, of Banner who was indicted Tuesday on two counts of theft by unlawful taking or disposition.
 The Times regrets this error.

HEALTH INSPECTIONS:

Homer Johnson Septic Service, Bevensville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Kentucky number will need to be placed on truck, use of duct tape on hoses, truck will need to be reinspected within 20 days. Score: 93.
 John M. Stumbo Elementary, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: No hand towels in special education mobile unit, no shades in first special education mobile unit, floors in several classrooms in slight to moderate disrepair, special education mobile unit wall in bad repair — teacher complains of ants in room, several class rooms have lights burned out. Score: 90.
 John M. Stumbo Elementary Cafeteria, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Large containers under service counter have no proper labels, no designated or properly identified damaged food storage area and also half pint containers of orange juice stored in and around ice and in contact with water, restroom facilities has no towels, outside garbage dumpsters are not properly covered or enclosed, floors are in moderate disrepair. Score: 93.
 Adkins Quick Stop, Beaver, regular inspection. Violations noted: Home canned food product observed stored in food preparation area, containers found in food preparation area without proper labels, not all refrigeration or freezer units have easily seen thermometers, food contact counter surface in bad repair, interior walls of microwave oven in bad repair, clean utensils stored improperly, restroom has no self-closing door, rodent droppings observed on shelf containing breakfast cereal, food preparation area not vented. Scores: (Food) 86, (Retail) 92.

MARRIAGES:

Kimberly Collins, 39, to Roger Carroll, 45, both of Printer.
 Menda Ann Robinette, 20, to Stanton Dale Neece, 22, both of Harold.
 Joy Dean Butcher, 48, to Cleve Stephens, 52, both of Prestonsburg.
 Ladonna Sue Ousley, 21, to Clyde Shepherd, 24, both of Prestonsburg.
 Misty Dawn Gant, 20, to Clint Howard, 23, both of Salyersville.
 Samantha Ann Slone, 20, to Danny George, 43, both of East Point.
 Shenna Marie McCallister, 17, to Jason Lee Boyd, 19, both of Dana.
 Melinda Ann Spradlin, 26, to Daven Lee Hamilton, 21, both of Grethel.
 Sheri Donna Barnett, 30, to Richard Ryan Jervis, 21, both of Prestonsburg.
 Jessica Renee Jenkins, 20, Paintsville, to Tillis L. Jervis, 20, Little Paint.
 Amy Dawn Tackett, 20, to Kenny Joe Jones, 19, both of Melvin.

Fugitive

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 Union County District Court on May 8 to answer to the robbery charge.
 Wallace, who has an address listed in Prestonsburg had been, according to information gained during the arrest, employed at Steven TREAP Contracting in Pikeville.
 "We don't want guys like that in Floyd County," Blackburn said. "So we're sending him back to North Carolina."
 Wallace's arrest was made within a week of receiving notification of his outstanding warrant, a quick response that seems to extend a great deal of courtesy to the Union County authorities.
 This latest arrest will add to an impressive total of arrests for the sheriff's department since

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Lottery

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 the awarded money.
 In response to this request, Floyd Circuit Judge Julie Paxton issued a temporary injunction on Wednesday, ordering state lottery officials to withhold any money that Mr. Duncan or Mrs. Duncan might receive. The injunction also ordered that Gary

Duncan be restrained from spending any of the money.
 Sources have said that Mr. Duncan has now returned home, but these claims could not be verified at presstime as attempts were made to contact the Duncans, but were unsuccessful.

PCC Human Service to hold pinning ceremony

On Friday, May 4, at 7 p.m. in the Pike Auditorium, the Prestonsburg Community College Human Services Program will hold its first annual pinning ceremony. The program became a reality when approval was given by the KCTCS Board of Regents.
 The first graduates to be honored at the ceremony are Floyd Countians: Kitty Burchett, Brenda Hunter, Kathy Jervis, Barbara Ousley and Brenda Settles; Magoffin Countians: Orrenda Mullins and Brenda Slone; and Rowan Countian Derek Fannin.
 Bertie Salyer, a former faculty member and chair for the Division of Social Sciences and Related Technologies, will serve as the keynote speaker.
 Community members are invited to this special event. For more information, call Sabra Jacobs, Human Services Coordinator at (606) 886-3863, ext. 261.

LAWSUITS:

Gifted students showcase work

Students of the Talented and Gifted Program of Floyd County schools will showcase their work on May 7 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.
 The public is invited to view this display of student projects.
 Prior to this showing, a Floyd County Town Hall meeting will take place at 6 p.m., also at the convention center. Highlights of this meeting will include youth-led discussions, youth-adult partnerships, and WOTS Profile of Floyd county.
 These events are a collaborative effort between the Floyd County 4-H offices and the Floyd County Schools Talented and Gifted Programs.

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April.
 According to Blackburn, his office recorded 104 arrests in the month of April alone, a number that does not reflect citations, which would add a considerable amount to the total, he says. This number of arrests greatly exceeds the average number of approximately 40 to 50.
 The reason for the increase could not be ascertained other than the obvious increase in the general public's unlawful behavior, displayed in past files within the Floyd County courts. Since January, there has been an increasing number of alcohol and drug related charges on file.
 With the charges still mounting, May could perhaps prove to be just as busy, Blackburn said on Thursday.

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, The Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to The Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication, 5

p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication, or 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

PHS SBDM Council meeting

The Prestonsburg High School SBDM Council will have a special-called meeting on Wednesday, May 16, at 4 p.m., in the library.

Dr. W.D. Osborne Elem.

Election of parents and teachers to

the SBDM Council will be held on Tuesday, May 29. The election for teachers will be during the school day and the parent election will be held in the school library, from 6-7 p.m.

Allen Central Middle School Youth Service Center

Election for parent member to the Allen Central Middle SBDM will be Friday, May 25, from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. in the Youth Service Center. Nomination must be submitted in

writing to the Youth Service Center between Monday, May 14, from 8 a.m. until Thursday, May 24, until 3 p.m.

Allen Central Middle school presentations

Allen Central Middle School Youth Service Center will have a wood carving presentation on May 17 and a safety program on May 22. Sixth grade, 4-H projects are due and will be judged

on May 30. Parents Support Group meeting will be on May 17 at 11:30. This meeting will be held in the Allen Central Middle Youth Service Center. Bridges Parent Support Group meeting will be May 23, at 1 p.m., at Allen Central Middle Youth Service Center.

Democratic Woman's Club to meet
The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club will meet in regular

monthly session on Monday, May 14, at 6 p.m., in the May Lodge at Jenny Wiley State Park. Agenda items will include finalizing plans for the 1st Annual Golf Tournament to be held on May 19, and considering membership recommendations from the membership committee. We encourage all women interested in the Democratic Party to attend this meeting.

Country breakfast to benefit church

The Little Rosa Church of New Salem Association is having a country breakfast on Friday, May 11, from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. The church is located across from the McDowell car wash. The cost is \$4.00.

Parent SBDM council election
Allen Elementary parent SBDM

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Compton

160 pounds, and has brown hair. At the time of his disappearance, he was wearing a white t-shirt with cut-off sleeves, tan pants and boots. Compton has a tattoo on his left arm that reads "Vicky."

According to Trooper J. King, Kentucky State Police, Compton was last seen on April 13 hitch-hiking on US 23 just below the Waffle House Restaurant. Witnesses say that Compton was headed toward Pikeville.

Although there are no criminal charges pending against Compton, Stanely told the Times that Compton may believe he will be facing criminal charges upon his return.

"We hope he's just hiding out because he's afraid to come home," said Stanely.

According to Trooper King, investigating officer with the Kentucky State Police, Compton hasn't picked up his mail since his disappearance.

Compton's social security check, which he receives each month as his only source of income, still remains to be picked up at the post office.

"Thus far, we have had no new leads in Compton's disappearance," King told the Times during a previous interview. "The longer we go without any leads, the more we have to be con-

cerned about."

Family members have spent the last several weeks searching for Compton throughout the surrounding counties, focusing primary attention on friends and family members that Compton may possibly be visiting.

"We've looked everywhere we think he may be staying," said Stanely, "and no one knows where he's at."

Flyers have been placed throughout the surrounding communities, as well as in Michigan, Tennessee, and Ohio.

There has been no response regarding Compton's whereabouts, nor has Compton attempted to contact family members.

"It's a stand-still," said King.

Family members are currently trying to collect funds in order to offer a reward toward information regarding Compton's whereabouts.

Anyone interested in donating toward or participating in the search effort can contact Roasalee Stanley at (606) 452-2265.

Anyone with information on Compton's whereabouts is urged to call Kentucky State Police toll free at 1-800-222-5555 or (606) 433-7711.

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April Revenue Receipts Lag far Behind Projections

The Office of the State Budget Director reported this week that General Fund receipts for April totaling \$718.2 million, a growth rate of 1.9 percent over the same period last year. For the current fiscal year-to-date, revenues total \$5,510.8 million, an increase of 2.9 percent from FY00. The official revised consensus revenue estimate requires FY01 growth of 3.8 percent. Based on year-to-date growth, revenues for the two remaining months of the fiscal year must grow 7.7 percent to meet the official estimates.

Commenting on April revenue growth, State Budget Director James Ramsey said that the continued slow performance in April increases the

likelihood that State General Fund revenues for the fiscal year will not meet the revised Consensus Forecasting Group estimate made in March. "Our economy continues to grow overall, but key sectors like manufacturing are not growing and as a result we are seeing a modest growth in the sales tax. We will discuss with the Cabinet next week specific actions to take to ensure that our budget is balanced this year."

Among the major accounts, the sales and use tax was up by 3.9 percent from April 2000. Individual income tax receipts increased by 5.8 percent for the month, with much of the growth attributed to the more rapid deposit of individual income tax

payments due April 15. The corporation income tax declined 16.1 percent in spite of lighter refund payments. Coal severance taxes rose by 5.7 percent, and property taxes declined by 26.5 percent. The lottery increased by 4.2 percent on the strength of recent Power Ball sales and other new promotions.

Revenues from the Road Fund posted a significant increase of 21.3 percent from April of last year. Part of the increase in April's receipts was the result of processing delays in April of last year, when some revenues that would normally have been recognized in April 2000 were delayed. Collections during April 2001 totaled \$95.7 million, bringing year-to-date Road Fund revenue to \$868.2 million. Year-to-date growth in the Road Fund now stands at a negative 1.5 percent; revised consensus revenue estimates expected a decline of 2.5 percent for the entire fiscal year. Based on performance so far in this fiscal year, Road Fund receipts could decline 7.1 percent in the remaining two months and meet the revised official consensus Road Fund estimate.

April's increase was led by the motor vehicle usage tax, which increased 32.8 percent from April 2000, and motor fuels taxes that increased by 25.8 percent compared to April of last year. Weight distance tax receipts increased by 24.4 percent. Motor vehicle license taxes rose by 16.0 percent, while non-tax receipts declined by 9.1 percent.

Clean

know yet what we can do."

Murphy said during the March meeting that the state would not help because there was no sewer in Wayland.

According to Murphy, many lots were too small to accommodate septic tanks. Raw sewage from several city homes, including town hall, runs directly into the creek.

Wayland received a federal grant 2 years ago which provided \$1.5 million to aid in the development of a sewage system, but that grant only covers 55% of the cost needed in the construction of a sewage plant.

Wayland residents now see cleaner streets on the horizon, after Judge Executive Paul Hunt Thompson stepped in to help with the situation.

Two weeks ago, Thompson organized a crew to replace the broken culvert on main street.

"Anytime something like that is going on that poses a health hazard," said Thompson, "I think it would be irresponsible of me if I didn't step in to fix it."

According to Thompson, officials are looking to begin the southern part of the Floyd

County Sewage Plan in Wayland, which is to be completed in the next several years.

The "201 Facilities Plan," will begin when a sewage plant is made on Route 7, at the mouth of Salt Lick which will be used to transfer waste from Wayland, Estill, Garrett, and possibly even Route 850.

"We're starting in Wayland because there is a need for assistance there," said Thompson.

According to Thompson, since Wayland has only around 200 households, it would not be economically feasible to locate the plant at Wayland.

Thompson believes a better location for the plant would be found at the mouth of Salt Lick, where lines could be tied into other areas, increasing to almost 1,000 customers.

Engineers from the Environmental Design Consultants in Pikeville are currently surveying the area.

When the maps are complete, they will be taken to the Wayland City council, where they can then apply for a community development lot grant.

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Robbery

in the robbery.

The Times has received information from two anonymous sources that a suspicious truck visited the area on at least three separate occasions last week.

The truck was described from both witnesses as being a small, white, Dodge, possibly a Dakota.

One witness says she saw the truck sitting in the driveway of the home around 10 a.m. Thursday morning.

The other witness, who drives past the residence on her way home from work, said the truck was parked beside the road on both Monday and Tuesday mornings at approximately 12:20 a.m.

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— Henry Fonda, "The Grapes of Wrath"

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Guest View

Why McVeigh deserves to die

Drapes will slide across the window of the execution chamber. The lifeless body of one of the nation's most cold-blooded killers will be gone from view.

On the other side of the glass, people will begin to breathe normally again — official witnesses, 10 survivors or family members of victims of the horrible bombing, 10 journalists and six more people chosen by McVeigh himself. They will have watched grimly in tight-chested silence as their government took the life of a man that some called the American terrorist, a poster boy for the death penalty.

The impersonal events, as much as death can ever be impersonal, will have been seared into memory for replay — much like a looped tape — in unguarded moments for the rest of their own lives.

In Oklahoma City, another group will have seen the last minutes of Timothy J. McVeigh. Over special encrypted closed-circuit television, survivors of the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building and relatives of victims will have watched the final act of the fatal drama hundreds of miles away.

And they will have wept. Their tears will not have been for the man who just died, but for the 168 people he murdered — husbands, wives, sons, daughters, siblings, friends.

The witnesses in the tiled viewing room at the prison, and those before television sets in Oklahoma City, will have seen an institutionalized taking of life. Every step of the process, every stage of the procedure, will have been choreographed according to a carefully planned and timed prison protocol.

They will have seen the closed curtain slowly opened to give them their first view of McVeigh strapped atop a T-shaped gurney, draped foot to neck in a clean white sheet, a single IV line inserted and ready in a vein in his arm.

They will have heard any last words the 32-year-old McVeigh chose to utter, of doubtful consolation since this man earlier had shown absolutely no remorse, even when speaking of 19 dead, broken children as "collateral damage."

They will have heard Warden Lappin read McVeigh's formal death warrant and announce, "We are ready" — the signal to U.S. Marshal Frank Anderson to pick up the red phone linking the penitentiary with Washington, D.C., to rule out any last-minute legal stay of execution.

They will have seen Warden Lappin give the sign for executioners to send the lethal drugs coursing through the IV and into McVeigh's body — first sodium pentothal to render him unconscious, then Pavulon to relax his muscles and collapse his lungs, and finally potassium chloride to stop his heart.

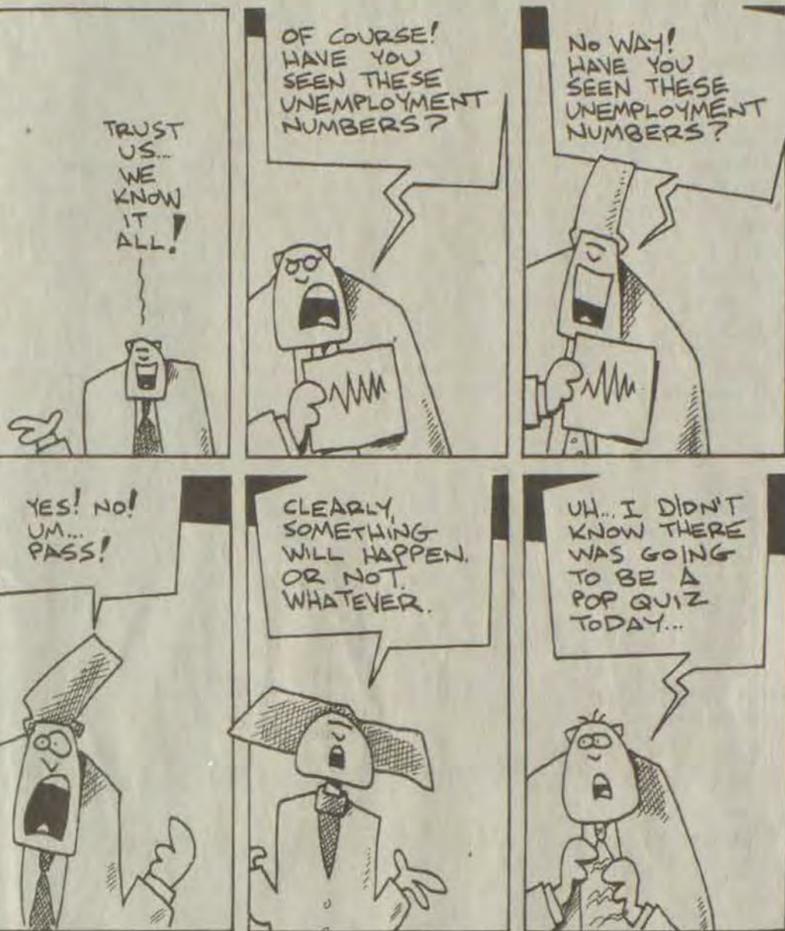
Unable or unwilling to look away, they will have seen Timothy J. McVeigh die.

Such a paint-by-numbers death is, experts assure us, painless and swift. One simply drifts away. Some will say that is far too good for the decorated soldier-turned-terrorist, that he deserves to die as painfully and unexpectedly as his victims. They argue that the punishment should, ide-

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ASK THE ECONOMISTS: WILL THE RECESSION GET WORSE?

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Think About It

A Father's Pride

by SHELDON COMPTON
Staff Writer

There is no more rewarding feeling in the world than to see your child doing well in life. My son, Tyler, has always made me proud in everything he has done or attempted and I have been very fortunate to have him in my life.

Recently Tyler graduated from kindergarten during Mountain Christian Academy's evening ceremonies making me so proud I can hardly find the words to express myself, and now he has won the Young Author's competition in his grade class for the entire county.

My heart could seriously bust.

It's not that he won, exactly. It's not the originality of his entry (a picture book, flip-action story titled, "The Snowman") alone that has me feeling a sense of deep and satisfied pride. A large part of it is the obvious

— I take pride that Tyler has displayed talent in a field I have chosen as my profession. I never pushed this on him, writing that is. Sometimes things just happen to be present during a child's most impressionable years.

When Tyler was barely walking I found that in order to spend a certain amount of time writing each day, I had to find a way to keep him occupied for about an hour.

I wanted to get my writing done for the day, because a writer must always — no matter what — keep writing, and keep writing everyday.

I struggled with this because I felt I was taking time from playing with him, but it had to be done.

So, I obtained a typewriter and placed it beside my desk, so that Tyler would have something to do while I sat at the computer

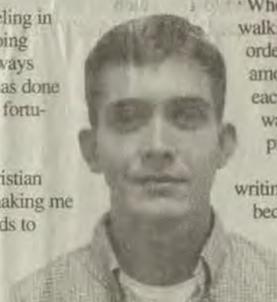
and worked. In fact, a typewriter wasn't my first choice. Initially I gathered a handful of coloring books and various toys to keep him busy as I tried to work, but Tyler enjoyed doing what I was doing, so write it was.

I'm not sure how much this has to do with his interests now, but it may have had something to do with it. Then again, creativity may just be in his genes. In any case, I'm proud beyond expression and it wouldn't really matter what his achievements were — science, geography, mathematics — I would still be just as proud.

Since the day he was born and first drew breath, Tyler has never ceased to amaze me, whether it was the first time he said "I love you" or the first time he made a fist or finished coloring without going out of the lines, Tyler has always been my shining example of what can be truly special in this often hard and bitter world.

He is a light directly from heaven who has reminded me again and again of my potential for love and has made my life more fulfilling than I could have ever imagined.

Congratulations, little man! I love you.



SHELDONCOMPTON

Letters

Dear Editor,

My dad, Isom Hall, is buried in Lucy Hall Cemetery at McDowell, Kentucky.

On Easter weekend, my sister, Reba Hall Koehler, traveled from Durham, North Carolina and myself from Williamson, West Virginia to visit our dad's gravesite. While we were there, we placed some very expensive flowers on his grave. Before the next week was gone, someone had stolen them off his grave.

My dad was the most honest, decent man you could find and to think that someone could walk on his grave and steal the flowers that we had placed there.

When our dad was living, and was able, he was always on the Lucy Hall Cemetery to make it a more beautiful resting place. He would have been appalled at this kind of behavior.

Dad passed away after fighting bladder cancer for four years in 1993. Our fami-

ly will pray that God will forgive the person or persons who have no feelings for the people that have passed on.

Thank You,
Darcus Hall Pauley
Box 150 Nolan Street
Williamson, West Virginia

My name is Barbara (Blankenship) Roop. I am married to Tommy Roop (35 years). We have one son, Shawn Roop, a daughter-in-law, Melissa Roop, one grandson, Storm Roop and a granddaughter, Taylor Halbert. We lived at Weeksbury before moving to the East Point area. We ran a grocery store for 20 years at Weeksbury. We now operate Storm Hollow Driving Range and Storm Hollow Flea Market.

My mother and brother both passed away the year 1986; my father died in 1976. A year or so after my mother's death, I was working at the store and we sold

The Floyd County Times and they were stacked on the counter so I got one and started reading it. This is the article that got my attention: HOST FAMILIES NEEDED FOR FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT. At this time in my life I had experienced great loss of my daddy, mother and brother. I thought to myself, this will give me something other than my loss to focus on. So, I discussed it with Tommy (my husband) and Shawn (my son) and we decided to give it a try. So I made the call and got the ball rolling.

The exchange program mailed me several applications to choose from, different countries and the age of both boys and girls from ages 14 to 18 years old. The one I chose was a 15 year old girl from Mexico. She was everything I expected and more too. When the 10 months was up, it was a sad day for both of us when we said goodbye. The following

year she came back for a two week stay.

Since the year 1988, Tommy and I have hosted 8 exchange students. Gustavo was with me for a summer, a couple years later he came back for the school year. The following year his brother, Roberto, came for the school year. We have hosted three girls from Mexico and three boys from Mexico, one boy from Spain and one boy from Japan. In the summer of 2000 I was telling my friend, Vicky Schaffer, about the exchange students and she and her husband, David, decided to give it a shot. Again, Tommy and I decided to do it again. Vicky chose a 17 year old girl from Mexico and Tommy and I chose a 14 year old boy from Mexico.

After applying for the 14 year old Mexican, the exchange program contacted me. They needed a home for a 17 year old boy from Japan. If he did not have an

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Calendar

council election will be held in the school library on May 21, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Anyone wishing to run for council member should pick up an application in the school office and return it to the principal no later than May 14.

Allen Elementary PTO elections

Elections for PTO representative officers will be held on Monday, May 21, at 6:30 p.m. for the academic school year 2001-2002.

PTO officers consist of: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

At this time all officers positions will be open for nominations.

These are very important positions and parents are urged to participate.

Support your school and students by nominating your choice for one of the above offices.

If you have any questions, contact Tammy Vance at 886-1556 or 874-0524.

Clark Family Resource Center

May 11—Child Care Provider Appreciation Day.

May 14—Advisory Council Meeting, 5 p.m.

May 15—Wood carver assembly for students.

May 21—DARE picnic for 5th grade students.

May 23—Kindergarten registration.

May 25—Tour of Adams Middle School for 5th graders.

May 30—"Buckle Up" presentation for students.

"Especially" presentation for 4th & 5th grade girls.

"Especially" presentation for 5th grade boys.

Clark Elementary presents its first annual beauty pageant

The Mr. & Miss Spring Fling will be held May 18, at the Clark Elementary School, at 7 p.m.

Deadline to enter is May 15. Sponsored by staff and PTO. Proceeds go to the school.

Boys and girls from all areas may enter. Sunday best only, no pageant dresses.

For more information, call Mrs. Starr (606) 874-9956.

Historical meeting

The Floyd County Historical and Genealogical Society will meet on May 21st at 7 p.m., at the Floyd County Library.

Scheduled to speak is Tim Belcher, his subject is "Swifts' Lost Silver Mine."

4-H Project day schedule

2001 4-H Projects will be judged at the following locations on the date listed. Criteria has been distributed to School/Community Club Leaders. For more information, contact the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office at 886-2668.

Betsy Layne Elementary School, 5/11

Clark Elementary School, 5/14

McDowell Elementary School, 5/15

Allen Elementary School, 5/16

John M. Stumbo Elementary School, 5/17

May Valley Elementary School, 5/18

S.T.A.R.S. Homeschool Club, 5/29

J.A. Duff Elementary School, 5/30

Allen Central Middle School, 5/30

Osborne Elementary School, 5/31

Prestonsburg Elementary School, 6/1

County 4-H Project Day (for Blue Ribbon Projects), 6/16

East Point Lodge meeting change

East Point Lodge will not meet at 7 p.m. on May 12, due to the District 38 meeting on the same date at Duff Elementary School on Route 80 in Floyd County.

All Master Masons are welcome to attend the district meeting at 7 p.m. Registration begins at 5:30.

Help for unplanned pregnancy

The beginning of an unplanned pregnancy doesn't have to mean the end of your dreams. For free, confidential assistance, call the Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children at 1-800-928-5242. You can talk to someone who cares about you and your baby. Assistance is available across Kentucky.

Daniel Newsome family reunion

The descendants of Daniel Newsome, of Teaberry, will meet for their Tenth Annual Reunion on May 27, at the Army Corps of Engineers Dewey Dam Spillway, Shelter No. 3. Family members are asked to bring a covered

McVeigh

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ally, fit the crime.

Perhaps they are right.

Painful or painless, McVeigh's death will not restore to life the men, women and children he killed or return to health those hundreds more he maimed.

McVeigh's death will not resurrect the sense of national safety, however unrealistic it may have been, that his two-ton fertilizer and fuel bomb exploded along with the federal building. The blast destroyed or damaged 300 structures in an area one mile square. Writ large in the sky on that mild April day in 1995 was the soot-black message all terrorists-foreign or domestic-long to send: "I am powerful and you are vulnerable."

What then will his death accomplish?

Nothing worthwhile, say critics of capital punishment. They have labeled it a state-assisted suicide for a would-be martyr. They would instead have us indefinitely sustain, in a 8-by-10-foot cell, the life of this man who chose the death of innocents as the text of his political dissatisfaction. Payback to the federal government, he said. Retribution for fiery Waco and bloody Ruby Ridge.

We see things differently. So do many of those people in Oklahoma City who survived, but lost so much.

"He can be forgiven, but he must pay restitution," Betty Robbins, who worked in the federal building, told a reporter. "And his death will be that restitution."

We know that she and McVeigh's other victims will never forget the tragedy that marred their lives, and to a lesser extent, ours. We can only hope that McVeigh's execution brings with it some solace and a sense of closure.

We believe that May 16 will be a day of reckoning for a calculating, unrepentant mass murderer whose actions demand society's supreme penalty.

We believe that's justice.

—Terre Haute Tribune-Star

Caudill promoted in Marines

Marine Corps Cpl. Kevin D. Caudill, son of Sandra K. and Dwayne K. Caudill of Wayland, recently was promoted to his current rank while serving at Marine Corps Air Facility, Marine Corps Base, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Caudill was promoted based on sustained superior job performance and proficiency in his designated specialty.

Caudill is a 1996 graduate of Allen Central High School at Eastern.

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address to come to in two or three days, he would not be able to come because all the Japanese exchange students go at the same time for their citizenship. Before he could get a visa, he had to have an

address. So, I said he could come stay with us, temporarily. He has been with us for the past 8 months. I could not send him away after he was settled in school and our home. Where there had been two of us before, for the last eight months, there has been four. It is a pleasant experience with the exchange students. You are their parents for the 10 months they are with you. Over the years I have cried with them as well as share the good and bad experience with them.

In the future, I have decided to be a representative for the exchange program. I will try to find homes for the students and visit the home and check the homes and families who decide to host exchange students. If anyone is interested in becoming host parents, please give us a call at (606) 889-9902.

If you want to visit our family, Tommy, myself, Tet (from Japan) and Xavi (from Mexico), you can find us in Storm Hollow at East Point, KY. Or, on Sunday evening or Wednesday evening you will find us attending services at the Prestonsburg Church of Christ.

Barbara Roop

dish, dessert, drinks, etc.

DAV note of caution

Local members of the DAV, Munroe Vanderpool Memorial Chapter 128, wish to make local citizens aware that persons not affiliated with the DAV have been soliciting funds from local businesses and conducting roadblocks in the local area. When conducting fund-raising activities, DAV members wear official uniforms, and hand out small, felt poppies. DAV, Chapter 128 is not conducting any fund-raising activities at this time.

PCC Microsoft class

Prestonsburg Community College is now a Microsoft Authorized Academic Training Provider. Beginning this summer, Prestonsburg CC will be offering seven sequential fast-track courses to prepare students for the Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer Certification on Windows 2000. The classes begin June, 2001 and end February, 2002. Seating for these courses is very limited.

For more information, contact Patricia Goodman at (606) 886-3863, ext. 321.

Alzheimer's association caregiver support group

To help those who care for persons with Alzheimer's disease, the Lexington/Bluegrass Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association sponsors a support group in Prestonsburg. It will meet at the First Presbyterian Church at 7 p.m., on the 2nd Tuesday of every month. The group provides a relaxed, confidential atmosphere where fellow caregivers can exchange experiences, methods of dealing with unique problems, and the latest information about available services and research. Meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact the group leader, Dana Caudill, (606) 886-0265.

Depression support group

Need to talk to others who know how you feel? Join us at the Allen Convention Center, next to the pool and walking track, at Stumbo Park, every Thursday at 6 p.m. All persons with depression, or just feelin blue, come out and talk about it.

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...MOSES HIMSELF THUNDERED DOWN FROM THE MOUNTAIN, SAID THE LORD: "HONOR THY FATHER AND THY MOTHER THAT THY DAYS MAY BE LONG IN THE LAND, WHICH THE LORD THY GOD GIVETH THEE." (EXODUS 20:12)

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Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.
Danies Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Randy Turner, Minister.
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Eight on Rt. 1428; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
First Baptist, Gamett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. S. Thomas Valerme, Minister.
Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 2656 West Mt. Parkway; Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jennings West, Minister.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
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Gretel Baptist, State Rt. 3375 (Bethams Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.
Jacks Creek Baptist, Beversville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barnett, Minister.
Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbot; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
Lancer Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter.
Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.
Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ugon; Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Dave Allen, Pastor.
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, East; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.
Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.
Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bob Verney, Minister.
McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Harry Haggis, Minister.
Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Vernon Stone, Minister.
Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rr. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister.
Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.
Prairie Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gay Fish, Minister.
Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 192; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Harmon, Director; Eli G. Golia, President; 874-9469/478-2978.
Rock Fork Freewill Baptist, Gamett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Gamett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister; Jerry Mantz, Assistant Minister.
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Huysville; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.
Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Daric; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister; and Terry Hall, Assistant Minister.
Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Manfred Flamm, Minister.
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Clifford Justice, Minister.
Trinity Chapel Freewill Baptist, intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 50, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Service, 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Huysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.
Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrel, Minister.

CATHOLIC
St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass; Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday, John Moriarty, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sheaman, Minister.
Gamett Community Christian, Route 550, Gamett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.
Victory Christian Ministries, 1426 E. Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherm Williams, Minister.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.
Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hagler Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Huysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lorie Meade, Minister.
Mero Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.
Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.6 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Cunn, Minister.
First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Seven V. Williams, Pastor.
Gamett Church of God, Gamett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.
Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Healer Jr., Minister.
The Church of God of Prophecy, Hi Hat; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Frisley Jr., Minister.

EPISCOPAL
St. James Episcopal; Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Study Group, 7:00 p.m.; Holy Eucharist & Healing, 8:30 p.m.; Father, John E. Rose, Pastor.

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METHODIST
Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Lawson, Minister.
Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Grooms; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.
Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.
Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neasey St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Picozzolo, Minister.
Elliot's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 679, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Paul Akam, Minister.
First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:35 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wayne Sayre, Minister.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
Martin Methodist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Maytown United Methodist, Langley; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
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Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Best Tucker, Minister.
Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Stanton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Heyton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Westbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John 'Jay' Patton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Est. 46 of Mt. Parkway at Campton; Sunday School, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Santen, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.
Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 851, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Maecchi Stone, Minister.
Parkway First Baptist Pentecostal, Floyd and Maggoffin County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister; 297-0262.
Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Mary Alice Murray, Minister.
First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Love, Minister.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gary Shephard, Minister.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Preshood Primary, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg. 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Church Meeting House address, Hwy 80, Martin, KY 41644; Meeting House telephone number, 285-3193; E.P. Grigsby, Bishop.

OTHER
Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; Woodrow Crum, Minister.
Grace Fellowship, Prestonsburg (next to old flea market); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Bill Skelton, Pastor; 886-6905.
Faith Bible, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shephard, Minister.
Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Pastor, Hagan, Minister.
Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.; Lavonne Luffery, Minister.
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hill St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Colby, Minister.
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday.
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Adrians Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Ann W. Patton, Minister.
Sparkock Bible, Sparkock; Fork of Middle Creek, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzelman, Minister.
Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month; Tom Nelson, Minister.
The Finner House, Big Branch; Abbot Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday, Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; Prayer Line, 286-2001.

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Obituaries

Minnie Prater

Minnie Prater, age 95, of Martin, Ky., wife of the late Lundy Prater, passed away Thursday, May 10, 2001, at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home, Prestonsburg, Ky.

She was born October 1, 1905, in Martin, Ky., the daughter of the late Benjamin and Martelia Bentley Samons. She was a homemaker.

Ms. Prater is survived by one brother, Vernon Samons of Martin, Ky., and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:00 a.m., Saturday, May 12, 2001, at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with Regular Baptist ministers, and Church of Christ ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Samons Family Cemetery, Arkansas Creek, Martin, Ky.

Visitation is at the funeral home. Paid obituary

Monroe Jarrell (Popeye)

Monroe Jarrell (Popeye), 42, of East Point, Ky., died Sunday, May 6, 2001, at Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio, following an extended illness.

Born on June 26, 1958, at Johnson County, Ky., he was the son of the late Curt and Liz Endicott Jarrell.

He is survived by his wife, Debra Scott Jarrell.

Other survivors include two sons, James Mitchell Jarrell of Elsmere, Ky., Johanthan Wise Johnson of Hamilton, Ohio; one daughter, Elizabeth Eve Jarrell of Cobinston, Ky.; two brothers, James Walker Jarrell of Van Lear, Ky., Curtis Lee Jarrell of Williamstown, Ky.; four sisters, Oma Faye Johnson of David, Ky., Hattie Mae Hurd of Sugarloaf, Prestonsburg, Ky., Mable Charlene Jarrell of Price, Ky., Clara Oeida Hamilton of Endicott, Ky.; two grandchildren, Mitchell Tyler Jarrell and Michia Lynn Jarrell.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, May 11, 2001, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Burial will be in the Jarrell Family Cemetery, East Point, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation is at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home. Paid obituary

Nova Morgan

Nova Morgan, age 81, of Bevinville, Ky., passed away Tuesday, May 8, 2001, at her son's residence at Bevinville, Ky.

She was born May 5, 1920, at Price, Ky., the daughter of the late William Press and Orphina Cox Morgan. She was a homemaker.

Ms. Morgan is survived by one son, Ernie Ray Morgan of Bevinville, Ky.; one brother, Troy Lee Morgan of Leesburg, Florida; and three grandchildren, Alisha Nichole Morgan, Margaret Anne Morgan, and Amy Elizabeth Morgan.

Funeral services for Nova Morgan will be conducted at 10:00 a.m., Friday, May 11, 2001, at the Little Rock Regular Baptist Church, Bevinville, Ky., with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Boyd Cemetery, Hi Hat, Ky., under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation was at the church. Paid obituary

Sterling Smith Jr.

Sterling Smith Jr., age 54, of Ivel, Ky., husband of Juanita "Tootsie" Martin Smith, passed away Saturday, May 5, 2001, of injuries suffered in an auto accident.

Born October 8, 1946, in Pikeville, Ky., he was the son of Ellen Morley Smith of Harold, and the late Sterling Smith. He was a member of the International Church of God, and an employee of Pepsi Cola for 28 years.

In addition to his wife and mother, he is survived by three sons, Sterling Jordan Smith of Ivel, Ky., Jonah Duane Smith of Varney, Ky., and William Derrick "D.D." Smith of Millard, Ky.; three sisters, Nell Mae Mills of Warren, Michigan, Flora Gay Abshire of Lick Creek, Ky., and Francis Lucille Marsee of Westland, Michigan; and two grandchildren, Tiffany McShae and Tasha Nicole Smith.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by one brother, Billy Lee Smith.

Funeral services were conducted at 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 10, 2001, at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with George Trent officiating.

Burial was in the Highland Memorial Park, Staffordsville, Ky.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers were Andrew Walters, David Martin, Brad Martin, Brian Marsee, Scott Williams, Marc Smith, Jason Smith, and Donnie Burke. Paid obituary

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Conference features strategies for defense of forests and waterways

"Over the Rivers and Through the Woods...Successful Strategies for Defense of Your Watershed" is the theme for the Kentucky Waterways Alliance 2001 Annual Conference at Natural Bridge State Park.

The conference, slated for May 18-20, is co-sponsored by the Clean Water Network, a non-profit organization headquartered in Washington, D.C., and the East Kentucky Center for Science, Mathematics & Technology, a non-profit science education organization headquartered in Prestonsburg.

Concerned individuals from Kentucky and surrounding states will gather during the conference for a weekend of workshops, excursions, and entertainment.

"This conference is designed to give beginners and seasoned activists alike a set of successful strategies for taking action at the community level to protect our precious water and forest resources," said conference coordinator Coleman Smith of Bowling Green.

Smith added, "The Kentucky Waterways Alliance is the premier water protection group in the Commonwealth and has members in all of our state's river basins. These members are building alliances to restore, protect, and preserve Kentucky's 89,000 miles of streams, rivers, and waterways. Our water and our forests are two treasures which every citizen can take part in protecting for our enjoyment and use."

The keynote speaker will be Linda Young, southeast coordinator for the Clean Water Network. Young's work has challenged industrial water pollution and the government's approach to enforcement of the Clean Water Act across the region.

"The proximity of Natural Bridge State Park to the Red River Gorge helped us to set the cornerstone panel at the beginning of the day," reported Judy Petersen, KWA executive director.

Petersen also observed: "The successful defense of the Red River against the plan to dam it in the early 70's was the start of the environmental movement for Kentucky and we'll have the organizers of that campaign tell us how they did it. Tim Murphy and Chuck Hoffman, founders of the Ky. Rivers Coalition (now the Ky. Resources Council), Oscar Gerald of the Sierra Club, and Russ Miller of Friends of Red River will tell us how it all started."

A second Saturday morning panel will present the current use of the Clean Water Act: Protecting Your Watershed. Tom Fitzgerald, current director of the Kentucky Resources Council and Barry Tinning, KWA Licking River Basin delegate and CWA expert, will join Linda Young to discuss current river protection issues and how the CWA can be successfully applied at a local, state, and national level.

"The afternoon will be brimming with workshops and activities for young and old alike," reported Pamela Wood with the KY Division of Water.

Wood described the Saturday events.

"Children's Hands-on Activities and a Water Festival are planned throughout the afternoon, with a Kid's Creek Walk later in the day to give young (and old) a first-hand account of what makes up the diverse aquatic world. The Creek Walk will be conducted by Ken Cooke, who is the director of the Water Watch Program for the KY Division of Water, and will provide participants with a little bit of water science and a whole lot of fun in a safe, professional environment.

"The principle afternoon workshops are organized along both a river and a forest track. The interdependency of these two resources is notable and our presenters are experts in their fields." The workshop selections are:

■ Wild, Scenic and Other Designations: Using these tools to protect your watershed. Presented by: Morgan Jones (Ky. Wild Rivers Coordinator) and the Red River Panel

Members

■ Waterways Assaults: Preventing and Responding to Spills & Other Disasters in Your Watershed Presented by: Steve Alexander (U.S. Fish and Wildlife), Tom Fitzgerald (Ky. Resources Council), and Dave Cooper (Sierra Club)

■ Watershed Watch Overview: An introduction to the Watershed Watch Program Presented by: Ken Cooke (DOW) and Watershed Watch Participants

■ Getting Started with Forest Watch: A Citizen Forest Watch Program and Its Use of Clean Water Laws to Halt Poor Logging Practices Presented by: Cielo Sand and Doug Murray of the Dogwood Alliance

■ Silviculture BMP's and Forestry Impacts to Water Quality Presented by: Steve Kull (Assistant Director, Kentucky Division of Forestry)

■ Direct Action 101: A History of Non-Violent Civil Disobedience and the Basics of Successful Direct Action Presented by: Tom Pearce (Kentuckians For The Commonwealth/AIM) and John Johnson (Dogwood Alliance, invited)

For those who can stay over until Sunday, there will be a special guided canoe trip down the Red River. A limited number of rooms are available through the Natural Bridge State Park Lodge (1-800-325-1710). Entertainment is planned at socials on Friday and Saturday nights.

Weekend registration ranges from \$15 for students, \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members. The Clean Water Network has provided up to \$500 in scholarships for grassroots activists who might otherwise not be able to attend.

For more information about all aspects of this water festival and conference call the Kentucky Waterways Alliance at 1-877-602-1774.

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Over 20 million decoder cards will be distributed. Cards will be available at more than 2,000 Sunglass Hut/Watch World International stores nationwide beginning May 1st; on America West flights during May; in the May 19th edition of TV Guide; in the May issue of "Biography Magazine" and May 20th issue of "American Profile Magazine"; through participating local cable systems and at other "The History Channel" events and distribution outlets during May.

During the premiere of "Egypt Beyond the Pyramids," viewers will be prompted to hold their game cards to the screen, instantly revealing whether or not they have won. Two hundred winners and a guest will be flown courtesy of America West to live it up Egyptian-style at the Luxor Hotel in Las Vegas. Winners will attend an exclusive and private concert by a celebrity band and tour an authentic reproduction of King Tut's Tomb, hosted by a world renowned Egyptologist.

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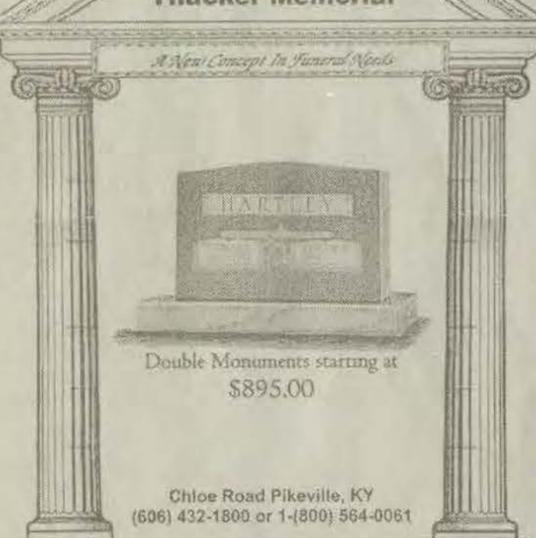
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Lt. Governor Henry Receives Safety and Health Award

Lieutenant Governor Stephen L. Henry, M.D. received the 4th Annual Presidents Safety and Health Award from the Kentucky Safety and Health Network, Inc. at the 17th Annual Governors Safety and Health Conference in Louisville, Kentucky. Mr. Layman Hawkins, President of the Kentucky Safety and Health Network presented the award to Lt. Governor Henry for his dedication and promotion of health in the workplace. Henry was the keynote speaker at the opening lunch session on Wednesday, May 9, 2001.

"Lt. Governor Henry has been a tremendous supporter of our network. We chose to honor Henry with the Presidents Award because of his goal to create a safer workplace," said the network's president, Layman Hawkins. The Kentucky Safety and Health Network is comprised of representatives from labor, management, academia, and government working together to promote safety and health in the workplace.

Lt. Governor Henry announced the creation of a task force on workplace violence. Henry will serve as chair of the statewide task force and Representative Joni Jenkins will co-chair. The task force will recommend model policies and best practices that businesses can use to address workplace violence and prevention. Henry said that the task force would not recommend cumbersome mandates that increase the cost of doing business, but instead will enter into a voluntary partnership between government and industry.

In 1999, there were 645 workplace homicides in the United States. Each year, it is reported that 1.5 million Americans are assaulted in the workplace.

"I believe workers deserve to go home from work in the same condition that they came to work. I am committed to creating safer workplaces in Kentucky," Henry said.

Centers for disease control sponsors asthma training

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is sponsoring a satellite training course titled "A Public Health Response to Asthma" on May 17. There will be several Kentucky sites to view this broadcast.

This course is for state and local health agency officials, health educators, respiratory therapists, school health officials and nurses, epidemiologists, environmental health specialists, insurance company personnel, pharmacists, public health students, staff and members of asthma organizations and coalitions, and physicians and others who work with asthma.

The sites in Kentucky are:

- Louisville: Baptist Hospital East
- Lexington: Lexington Community College
- Morehead: Northeast Kentucky Area Health Education Center
- Ashland: Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital
- Hazard: Southeast Kentucky Area Health Education Center
- Bowling Green: South Central Kentucky Health Education Center

The course will be broadcast from 1 to 3:30 p.m. EDT. A question and answer session will allow participants to pose questions to instructors. Continuing education credits will be offered.

To register online, go to the Satellite Broadcast Web Page at:

www.cdc.gov/phtn/asthma.

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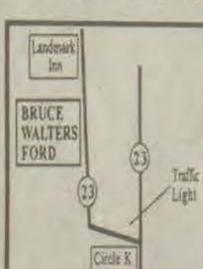
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Little League at the White House

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

Last Sunday was a perfect spring day, and 32 youngsters in our nation's capital took full advantage. The result will be a day they will surely never forget.

President George W. Bush made a decision early in his tenure in the Oval Office that anyone should be able to get behind, even if you're a hard-core liberal. Bush decided to take part of the beautiful South Lawn at the White House and turn it into a T-Ball field.

This shouldn't have surprised very many people. The White House lawn has been put to use in many different ways through the years. William Howard Taft kept a cow out there. Calvin Coolidge had a flock of chickens. And it has been an athletic field before. The Kennedys were famous for their Sunday afternoon touch football games.

Bush has a well-known relationship with the National Pastime. In 1989, he bought into the Texas Rangers, and served as managing general partner until 1994. In doing so, he turned his childhood love for the game into a serious moneymaking venture: When he sold his share of the club, he made a \$15 million profit on his \$600,000 investment. Also, Bush is the first president to have played Little League Baseball, which is about the greatest thing any child can do with their time. In my estimation, Little League is the best organization in all the world, and the folks in Williamsport, Pa., got some much-deserved praise last Sunday when the boys and girls took the field at America's House.

The children—the Rockies of the Capitol City League and the Memphis Red Sox from the Satchel Paige League—weren't alone on the South Lawn. More than 300 spectators were there, including many members of the White House press core, parents and the President himself.

To give it a real baseball feel, Bush called in a few favors. He had injured Boston shortstop Nomar Garciaparra on hand, the San Diego Chicken was there to entertain the fans, a military quartet sang "Take Me Out To the Ball Game" and baseball's top ambassador, NBC broadcaster Bob Costas, was there to announce the game.

Bush, whose father, former President George H. Bush, played college baseball at Yale, described his own baseball ability as "mediocre," although he too played briefly at the Ivy League school. He compared himself to Garciaparra in his address to the gathering. "I peaked in Little League in Midland, Texas," the president quipped. "I peaked and he didn't."

Costas, who easily blends his massive knowledge of the game with a brilliant sense of humor as the sport's quintessential voice, offered several

(See BENTLEY'S, page two)

GOLF

Former Blackcat Samons honored

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Centre College's Matt Sander of Florence, and Wes Samons, a graduate of Prestonsburg High School, have been named to the second team all-conference golf team in the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference.

Both Sander and Samons shot a 150 at the two-day conference tournament in Bloomington, Indiana, good enough for tenth place. The Colonels tied for fourth place in the tournament where ten teams participated.

Sander, a junior, played the number one position for the Colonels and made the all-tournament team in six invitationals this season. Samons, also a junior, is a member of the basketball team and made the all-tournament team at the Pikeville Invitational.

The Colonels are coached by Herb McGuire.

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Hatfield & McCoy

Historic Festival Marathon, Half Marathon 2001 Saturday, June 9

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Hatfield & McCoy Historic Loop Marathon and Half Marathon 2001 will be held Saturday, June 9 at 7 a.m. The race will begin at the Food City in South Williamson. The marathon will end at the Coal House in Williamson, W.Va. The marathon will end in Matewan, W.Va.

Runners will take their mark for a 7 a.m. shotgun start in front of Food City at Goody. The course takes the runner south on

US 119 on Toler where runners will turn left onto old 119 at Velocity Market for a brief period. Runners will follow the old 119 past the Southside Elementary to the bridge across Pond Creek onto Route 319.

Immediately after crossing the bridge the course goes left and begins a gradual incline for a brief period.

From Toler the course will take the runner through the coal camps of Hardy. Once through the Hardy area the course begins travel through the heart of "Feud

Country" taking the runner past the Randolph McCoy home place site and the graveyard where Tolbert, Bud and Pharmer McCoy are buried along with sister Alifair and brother Calvin.

Tolbert, Bud and Pharmer were tied to papaw trees and shot by the Hatfields for the 1882 Election Day stabbing and eventual death of Devil Anse Hatfield's brother, Ellison.

Alifair was killed during the New Year's Eve raid on the McCoy home. After passing these historic sites, the course

continues a gradual incline until the foot of Blackberry Mountain. It is a one-mile run to the top, but it's downhill run from there.

At the foot of Blackberry Mountain the course passes Rev. Anderson Hatfield's home site. This residence was the site of the Hog Trial held in 1878. This site is also very close to where the Election Day stabbing took place.

The course also turns left at the foot of Blackberry Mountain onto Route 1056, which runs

along Blackberry Creek until it meets the Tug River at Buskirk where the three McCoy's were tied to the papaw bushes and shot.

Runners will cross the bridge at Buskirk into historic Matewan, W.Va., site of the 1920 Matewan Massacre. A gunfight between miners and

(See HATFIELD, page two)

Regular show tonight at Thunder Ridge



by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Exactly one week after the UDTRA (United Dirt Track Racing Association) Racing Series visited Thunder Ridge Raceway, the Floyd County race track will once again be the site of exciting dirt track racing action with a regular show slated for tonight.

The regular show will consist of dirt track racing in all classes. A nice evening and night of spring weather is expected for the dirt track racing action.

Thunder Ridge Raceway Promoter Brad Martin is looking for-

ward to the first regular race show of the year, while anticipating a good turnout.

"Last week's UDTRA race went real well," said Martin. "Hopefully with some nice weather, we'll be able to get our first regular show of the season in."

A capacity crowd took in last week's UDTRA (formerly known as Hav-A-Tampa) show.

Thunder Ridge's move to racing on Friday nights instead of Saturday night, each week, gives drivers and fans alike the chance to partake in all of the exciting dirt track racing.

Gates will open this evening at 5 p.m.

H S BASEBALL

Allen Central beats P'burg, KCC

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Allen Central Runnin' Rebels ventured to Knott County Central Tuesday night and came away with a 5-1 win. Henry Napier pitched the Rebs to the win, while versatile senior Brandon Sizemore slugged a home run.

Visiting Allen Central led 2-0 at the end of the second inning and added three more scores in the top half of the seventh inning. Knott County Central got their only run in the bottom portion of the final inning.

The Rebels got above .500 with a 9-4 win over visiting Prestonsburg Wednesday evening at Garrett Park.

The win upped Allen Central's season record to 12-11, overall, 4-1 in the conference.

Pitcher Brandon Sizemore recorded the win. Sizemore struck out 13 and didn't walk a batter in the win. Patrick Martin had a home run in the triumph.

Josh Yates scored the games first run in the bottom half of the first stanza. The Rebels plated four runs in both the third and sixth innings.

John Hunt banged out a double for Prestonsburg in the loss.

The Rebels will be back in action today, traveling to Martin County to take on the Sheldon Clark Cardinals.

Little League

Harold-Allen-Prater

Little hurls Astros past Indians

The Allen Astros upped their season record to a perfect 5-0 with a 9-3 win over the Indians on Monday night. Astros pitcher Scott Little was the workhorse for his team, hurling six innings, striking out 14 batters, walking two and allowing just two hits. Little is a perfect 3-0 on the season with an impressive ERA (earned run average) of just 1.07.

The Astros got the first inning started with a pair of runs. The Astros plated three runs in the second inning, and two more in both the third and fourth innings en route to the win.

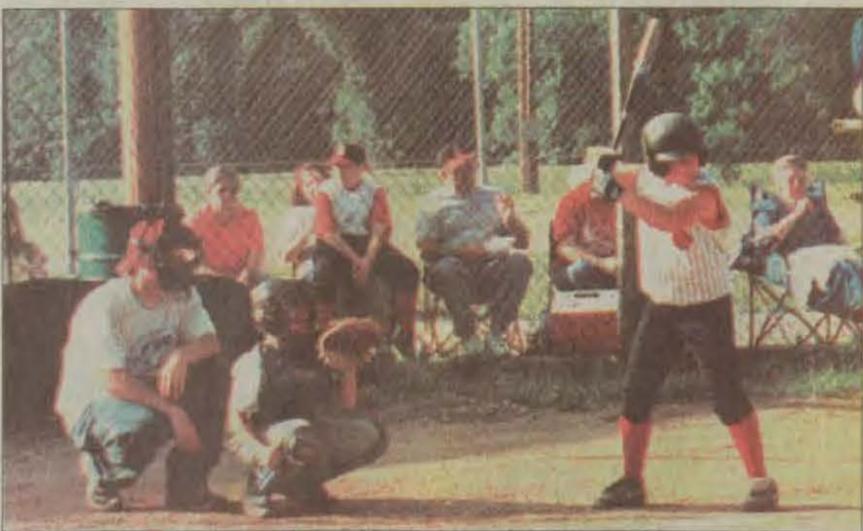
The Indians' three runs came on a pair of scores in the third inning and one more in the fourth.

Prestonsburg

Reds blank Marlins, beat Cubs

The Prestonsburg Little League Reds scored impressive victories

(See LITTLE LEAGUE, page two)



The Indians took on the Dodgers in Harold-Allen-Prater Little League action Thursday night at Allen Park.

photo by Steve LeMaster

Lady Rebs outlast Prestonsburg, 17-15

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Both teams scored early and often. That much if anything can be said about Wednesday night's Allen Central-Prestonsburg girls' high school softball game.

Host Allen Central trailed 6-3 at the end of the first inning. However, the Lady Rebs would outscore their 58th District counterparts 14-9 in the last six innings to claim the win in their final conference game of the season.

Allen Central pitcher Tiffany Turner recorded the win. Turner, also Allen Central's leadoff hitter, tossed seven strong innings. She also excelled at the plate, going three-for-four with two singles and a triple, while reaching base on a walk.

Lady Rebel Terri Mullins just missed hitting for the cycle. Mullins was three-for-four with a single, double and a triple.

Prestonsburg trailed 17-15 at the end of the sixth inning and failed to score in the final inning, resulting in the two-run loss.

On deck

■ Allen Central at Millard; Monday, May 14

■ Allen Central vs. Pike County Central; Wednesday, May 16

■ Allen Central vs. Pikeville; Thursday, May 17

Track and field

PHS claims second in meet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Prestonsburg High School track and field team traveled to Pikeville's Bob Amos Park for a meet on Tuesday night and came away with a second-place finish in men's team competition.

First-place PHS finishes included Aaron Neeley, men's 110-meter hurdles, 17.02; men's 300-meter high hurdles, 44.53; Kevin Jervis, men's 100-meter dash, 11.57; men's 4x100-meter relay, Austin Clark, men's 400-meter dash, 53.86; men's 200-meter dash; Chris

Spriggs, men's shot put, 39'08.00"; men's discus throw, 118'06.00".

The Prestonsburg track and field unit is coached by Dewey Jamerson.

Team scores

Men

1. Pikeville, 157; 2. Prestonsburg, 136.50; 3. Powell County, 124; 4. Sheldon Clark, 50.50; 5. Jenkins, 28; 6. Hazard, 14; 7. Pikeville-White, 9; 8. Betsy Layne, 8; 9. Feds Creek, 6; 10. Whitesburg, 5; 11. Elkhorn City, 1.

Women

1. Powell County, 191; 2. Pikeville, 150; 3. Hazard, 35; 4. Jenkins, 29; 5. Sheldon Clark, 28; 6. Whitesburg, 24; 7. Pikeville-White, 20; 8. Feds Creek, 16; 9. Prestonsburg, 2.

Sport Briefs...

Baseball
Stynes suffers two cheekbone fractures
 The Red Sox's Chris Stynes suffered two fractures in his left cheekbone area after being hit by Aaron Sele's pitch in the second inning of the Mariners 10-5 victory Wednesday night in Boston.

Houston visiting Cincinnati
 The Houston Astros will be in Cincinnati this weekend. The Astros begin a four-game series with the Reds tonight at 7:05 p.m. TV: FoxSN, Radio: WMDJ-FM 100.1.

Thomas rejoins White Sox
 Funeral services for Frank

Thomas Sr. were held Tuesday in Columbus, Ga. Frank Thomas rejoined the White Sox Wednesday, but he was not in the starting lineup.

Thomas, who's been out of the lineup since April 27 because of an injury to his right triceps, declined to speak with reporters Wednesday.

College basketball
Davis released by Louisville
 Junior college player Leroy Davis was released from the national letter of intent he signed with the University of Louisville, Coach Rick Pitino said Tuesday.

Davis, a 6-foot-4 guard from Southern Union Community

College in Alabama, had signed with the Cardinals last November.

There was no official explanation why Davis was granted his release.

Cook to enter NBA Draft
 Omar Cook, second in the nation in assists last season as a freshman at St. John's, will enter his name in this year's NBA Draft but will not sign with an agent the school confirmed Tuesday.

Cook averaged 15.3 points and 8.7 assists last season for the Red Storm (14-15).

Bowling
 ESPN, PBA reach deal

In a bid to build bowling's following ESPN and the PBA signed a three-year TV rights extension that will put 20 tournaments on the air in consistent time slots. The PBA also said it will increase total prize money from \$1.8 million to \$4.3 million for the 2001-02 season.

Golf
Woods to play in Buick Classic

Tiger Woods plans to play in the Buick Classic in New York the week after the U.S. open, his agent reported this week. This would be the first time Woods has played at Westchester Country Club since 1997.

■ Basketball

Don Lane's Transylvania Basketball Camp 2001

Coach Don Lane's 26th annual Transylvania Basketball, the largest and longest-running basketball camp in the state, will offer seven sessions this summer, beginning June 10.

Lane, the NAIA Hall of Famer who announced his retirement from coaching in March after guiding Transylvania to 509 wins in 26 seasons, welcomed over 2,300 campers to the Lexington campus last year to improve their skills by working with Lane's staff of college and high school coaches.

This year's camp includes sessions for boys and girls between the ages of seven and

18. Tuition (including meals, rooms and a tee shirt) for resident campers is \$235. The cost for day campers (including lunch and a tee shirt) is \$195. Session 4, a four-day session which includes lunch, is \$130. Special team rates are available for all sessions except session 4.

For more information on Don Lane's Transylvania Basketball Camp or to obtain registration forms, please call 859/233-8270 or write: Transylvania University, 300 North Broadway, Lexington, Ky., 40508. Forms are also on the Transy website, www.transy.edu.

Season ticket holder 100,000th fan

When Lexington Legends season ticket holder Lance Ferry went through the turnstile at Applebee's Park, he had no idea he was walking into history. The truck driver from Lexington became the 100,000th fan to attend a Legends game this inaugural season. The Legends reached that attendance mark in just their 17th home game, which is faster than any team in South Atlantic League history. The previous record was 22 games set by the Delmarva Shorebirds in 1997; the same year

Delmarva set the existing SAL regular season attendance record of 324,412.

Some would say, Lance Ferry was simply lucky. History suggests otherwise. Ferry used to live in Houston, Texas where he was an avid Astros fan and season ticket holder. His 9-year old son Ryan is named after former Astros Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan. When Ferry isn't watching Legends games at night, he delivers new Toyota's from the manufacturing plant in nearby

Georgetown, Kentucky to area dealerships. In fact, Ferry had to return to work to deliver a shipment of new vehicles immediately after the game.

Ferry, his wife Diane, son Ryan and their friends watched the game against the Charleston Alley Cats from the comfort of a skybox luxury suite as part of the prize package for being the 100,000th fan through the gates. The Ferry's also received gift certificates to the

Legends Locker Merchandise Store and Applebee's Restaurants and an autographed baseball from the Legends. The family was recognized in a pre-game ceremony on the field after their confetti filled welcome at the gate. Perhaps 9-year old Ryan put it best when he said, "This is the best thing that's ever happened in my life! This is just cool."

Locals garner Big Dipper Awards

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Sunday, May 6, the Big Dipper Awards were handed out in Hazard. Four players from Floyd County were named to the All Mountain Team at the annual Big Dipper Basketball Banquet. John Meade (South Floyd), Brock Keathley (Betsy Layne), Larry Mullins (Allen Central) and Dustin Music (Prestonsburg) were named to

the boys squad. Thirty players made up the team.

Henry Webb was also named 15th Region Coach of the Year. Webb guided the Raiders to a 15th Region crown this past season.

On the girls side, Prestonsburg's Amelia Conley was named. Conley recently signed to play college basketball at nearby Pikeville College.

Games on Tap

Prestonsburg Little League Baseball

Friday, May 11	Little League
T-Ball	
Indians vs Diamondbacks, 6 p.m.	11-12 year-olds
Reds vs Cardinals, 7:15 p.m.	Reds vs Astros, 5:10 p.m.
	Devil Rays vs Reds, 7:30 p.m.
Little League	
11-12 year-olds	Thursday, May 17
Astros vs Mets, 5:10 p.m.	Minor League
Reds vs Devil Rays, 7:30 p.m.	Reds vs Rangers, 5:10 p.m.
	Cubs vs Marlins, 7:30 p.m.
Monday, May 14	Little League
T-Ball	
Braves vs Diamondbacks, 6 p.m.	9-10 year-olds
Cardinals vs Indians, 7:15 p.m.	Rangers vs Cardinals, 5:10 p.m.
	Royals vs Reds, 7:30 p.m.
Little League	
9-10 year-olds	Friday May 18
Cardinals vs Royals, 5:10 p.m.	T-Ball
Reds vs Rangers, 7:30 p.m.	Diamondbacks vs Cardinals, 6 p.m.
	Indians vs Reds, 7:15 p.m.
Tuesday, May 15	Little League
Minor League	
Rangers vs Cubs, 5:10 p.m.	11-12 year-olds
Marlins vs Reds, 7:30 p.m.	Mets vs Reds, 5:10 p.m.
	Astros vs Devil Rays, 7:30 p.m.

Francis, Watts bring home medals



Bill Francis (left), and Randell Watts (right)

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Bill Francis, from Mousie and Randell Watts of Garner participated in the 5-K road race event at this year's Bluegrass State Winter games in Lexington.

Francis received a Bronze Medal and Watts received a Silver Medal.

Francis as part of the Summer Games received Gold Medals in the 800-meter and 1,500-meter run and will represent the state of Kentucky in these events in the State Games of America, hosted by the states of Illinois and Missouri that will be held August 10-12 at Southern Illinois State University at Edwardsville.

Watts qualified for the 5K road race along with the 3,000-meter run.

Hatfield

Baldwin-Felts agents brought in by the coal companies to prevent union organization.

Matewan is the finish line for the half marathon. Marathon participants will continue past the Matewan finish line back out of

Matewan following Route 49 which runs alongside the Tug River to Sprigg, W.Va.

The course crosses the Tug River at Sprigg as runners return to Kentucky. This leg of the run goes past several McCoy cemeteries and home places. The course follows the narrow two-lane Route 292 until Adlex and the link to US 119.

Taking a right onto 119 North, the runners will go less than one mile and take a right for the last time across the Tug River into the Mountaineer State heading for the finish line in front of the historic Coal House in Williamson, W.Va.

The course is a challenging,

historic 26.2 mile run for the marathon runner as well as the half marathon runner with the toughest leg being the first 13 miles.

Race packets may be picked up at the Brass Tree Restaurant on June 8 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Registration will be held June 9 at Food City from 6 a.m. to 6:50 a.m.

First-, second- and third-place finishers will receive trophies.

The first Hatfield and first McCoy male and female finishers will receive trophies. All finishers will receive a finisher medallion and all entrants will receive a t-shirt and race bag of extras.

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No winner will be able to receive two prizes such as overall and age group.

Entry fee for the race is \$20 before race day and \$25 the day of the race.

Participants in the half marathon must be 12 years of age and older. Participants taking part in the marathon must be 18 or older.

Last year's Hatfield & McCoy Historic Loop Marathon winner was Jeremy Neill of Bennington, Vt.

For more information, contact David Hatfield, Tug Valley Road Runners President at 606/353-1626.

SPORTS FAN

OF THE WEEK

of Prestonsburg



If you are the sports fan circled here...
 it's your lucky day!

Bring this photo to The Floyd County Times office at 263 South Central Avenue (down the street from the courthouse) to claim your Gift Certificate, which will entitle you to a free 8-inch ice cream cake of your choice, redeemable at DAIRY QUEEN OF PRESTONSBURG, and a SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK T-SHIRT.

Bentley's

nuggets on the game. He referred to the 110-foot centerfield fence as "death valley."

As a Rockie made a rare catch in the outfield, Costas offered this: A wicked line drive and an absolutely stunning catch in right field. A sparkling play. ... Daniel Allen bringing the crowd to its feet with easily the defensive gem of the day.

How proud would you have been as a youngster to have heard that said about you?

The play also served as an example of the purity of baseball on this level, as played by 5- to 8-year-olds. Allen's coach ran onto the field to hug him, and was followed by the Chicken, who hit his knees and bowed to the youngster.

The one-inning game ended in a tie, no score is kept in T-Ball (wink, wink) after each team sent every batter to the plate, as is T-Ball's custom. At the conclusion, Bush presented each player with an autographed baseball, featuring the Presidential seal.

"What a wonderful place to play America's pastime," Bush said. "Baseball is a fabulous sport."

The teams then retired to a picnic on the grounds, featuring American treats such as hot dogs,

hamburgers, and that classic baseball standby, Cracker Jack.

The players may have been young, but they knew they were meeting a special person. Seven-year-old Claire Devaney, who "shined at first base for the Rockies," according to USA Today, was all smiles after getting her ball from the president, who she said told her, "Good job!"

Another player, Daron Lee, 7, an outfielder for the Red Sox, said he was going to take his presidential ball to St. Gabriel's School on Monday for all of his fellow first-graders to see. "I got my picture taken with the president," Daron beamed.

Sunday was a perfect day in

Little League

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Washington. Children took center stage at the White House, and there is so much good that can be said for that. Baseball, America's game, was played on the most famous lawn in the country in front of what Bush calls "The People's House."

This scene will be repeated several times over the course of Bush's years in the White House, and we can only hope the tradition is carried on by whomever follows him there. This is the greatest game in the world, and having it played on our front lawn is about as perfect as it gets.

It was truly a Norman Rockwell day.

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a pair of recent counterparts. The Reds downed the Marlins 16-0 and the Cubs 14-2. The big inning for the Reds in their game against the Marlins came in the second inning when eight players crossed the plate.

Rangers fall to Reds, beat Cards

The Rangers were tied 1-1 with the Reds going into the

top half of the seventh inning, before eventually dropping a 7-1 decision. The Reds put together a big, six-run seventh inning to claim the victory.

The Rangers made the most of strong pitching and scored an 11-5 win over the Cardinals. The Rangers led 4-1 after two innings and broke the game open with seven runs in the third inning to clinch the win.

by KATHY PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR



An unpleasant subject

After much wrangling with my thoughts as to what to write about this week, I have finally come to the conclusion that it is meant for me to say a few words about a subject that I do not want to delve into.

I like to write about pleasant subjects - fond remembrances, childhood dreams - but sometimes the dark side of life beckons so loudly that you cannot ignore its call.

I've been told more than once that I should write about this particular subject, Alzheimer's Disease, but I suppose in view of the fact that I deal with it on a daily basis, I relish the time I spend away from it, therefore not wanting to bring it into realms that I consider to be my refuge from its assault - this newsroom, for instance.

My mother has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease for four years now. Although the doctor who diagnosed her told me, in a quite straightforward manner, what the ensuing years would bring in terms of the loss of mental capabilities and physical deterioration, and although I cried that same day on my drive home, grieving for the mother that I was soon to lose, I could, in no way, fully comprehend the devastation that was to come.

As the months progressed, my mother became more and more confused. First, it was the loss of a purse, or a watch, or some other small item that would worry her for hours on end. Next, she began to become obsessed with her clothing, not allowing any of these items to remain in drawers or to hang in closets. She felt a compulsion to gather them together in an assortment of small plastic bags, or to hide them away in purses, coat pockets, even underneath the covers of her bed.

And the questions she had were unending. Over and over again she would inquire about the same subjects, over and over again she would feign understanding to my response, only to ask once more after only a few minutes of time had passed.

She continues most of these behaviors today, packing each and every morning to "go home," explaining to me that "Kathy" is coming to get her, to take her home. I rarely bother anymore to explain to her that I am "Kathy" and that she is at home. I could do so for an entire day and she still would not understand.

After a particularly unpleasant encounter with a relative of mine this past week-end, I wish only to say about this subject that unless one has dealt with this disease on a daily basis, and served in the role of primary caregiver to an Alzheimer's patient, that they can have no clue as to the toll it takes on an individual mentally and emotionally.

This disease has colored my outlook in so many ways that I can not possibly begin in the brief space of this column to expound on them. I can say, however, that the support services of the Happy House Adult Day Care Center, located in Archer Park, have been invaluable to me. The care they give to my mother is of the highest standard and they give it tenderly with kind words and comforting caresses.

The Senior Place, located on the old Allen-Banner Road, has also proven to be

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Bringing the story home



Kathy May, author of the children's book, "Molasses Man" with her two children, Lauren, 8, and Evan, 10.

by KATHY PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

"Buzz! Buzz!, goes the bee. Buzz! Buzz!, mercy me! The bee is such a cheerful fellow - he's all dark black and bright yellow. He makes his home in a hollow tree, by the house that's next to me. Sometimes he stings people - it feels like a pin. But he only does this when they are mean to him. Buzz! Buzz!, goes the bee. Buzz! Buzz!, mercy me!"

These lines are from a poem entitled "Bee" that was written by Floyd county native Kathy Lea May when she was ten years old. Her mother, Eve May, has saved the original manuscript, complete with illustrations, since the day her daughter wrote it.

May today is the author of the children's book, "Molasses Man," which was recently published by Holiday House. May was back in her hometown during April to conduct a presentation for the students of Prestonsburg Elementary, the same school that she herself attended as a child.

In an informal interview with a class of third graders lined up in the hallway just outside the school's auditorium, it was evident that they understood that were about to meet a genuine author. "We write books, too," said one little girl, "but we don't get them printed."

When it was explained to them that perhaps one day they might and that the woman they were about to meet had spent her elemen-

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PCC's Class of 1966 - Where are they now?



■ Sandra Baldrige

by DR. ROBERT PERRY
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We continue with our profiles of the first graduates of Prestonsburg Community College, the class of 1966...

Sandra Baldrige

Sandra Baldrige, Class of 1966, achieved success in two very different fields: respiratory therapy and personnel management. After earning her associate degree at PCC, Sandy

earned her B.A. in sociology at Morehead State in 1968. She worked briefly as a social worker before leaving Kentucky in 1970.

When I asked Sandra about her PCC experience, she said, "Everybody was grateful to be able to attend college right in their home town. I really appreciated the college. It was one of the happiest and most enjoyable periods of my life."

During the 1970's Sandy worked as a respiratory therapist at a large Northern Virginia

hospital. In 1978 she returned to Kentucky and became personnel director for a central Kentucky public housing agency. She held this position until her recent retirement and has since returned to Floyd county.

Today Sandy lives near her parents on Little Paint Creek, where she enjoys gardening, collecting antiques, and studying family history.

Prestonsburg Community College salutes Sandra Baldrige, Class of 1966!

Pauline Baldrige

Another Class of 1966 success story is that of Floyd County native, Pauline Shepherd Baldrige. After earning her two-year degree at PCC, Pauline transferred to Morehead State University, where she earned her M.A. in Education in 1970.

When I asked Pauline how PCC had changed her life, she said, "That's an easy question.

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Things to Ponder...

Hi!Ho! It's off to camp we go!

by MABLE ROWE
LINEBERGER, PH.D.

Like other major events in life, the fun ones seem to go in a hurry, such as holiday breaks and summer vacations. There is nothing like the good ol' summer time, especially during childhood. As has been discussed some time ago, playing in the creek and discovering "secret" mountain pathways was always on the young child's list of upcoming opportunities. That was in the years before TV.

A guess is that children in the "outside world and in other places" may have had the opportunity to go to fancy, expensive summer camps. Then on the other hand, there was a Boys Scout camp on the "river road", as it was called, which was old US 460 from Millard to Grundy and is mostly covered

now by the Fishtrap Dam. In fact, my brother Charley dove off the foot swinging bridge early one summer, about 1946, broke his neck, and ended up wearing a neck brace for many months. It seems a group of 16-year-old boys wanted to go for a quick swim before exploring what the spring rains had done to the riverbed.

Then there was another family story about a young boy, my son John, and going to Boy Scout camp in the summer of 1982. This was at the end of the big hustle of moving to Mississippi for graduate school, from Tampa where I received my Bachelor's Degree at the University of South Florida. For a year, a major preoccupation had been John working to go to the "real" Boy Scout camp. John had to meet the requirements of many badges related to

hiking, camping, cooking, forestry, and etc., plus be at least 13 years old. Never mind the list of equipment that would be needed. However, Granny and I tightened the budget up even more and friends loaned and gave him most of the costly supplies that their older children had used through the years. It was a great help that the load of Scouts in a charter bus would eat and spend the nights at Air Force bases as they traveled across the bottom of the United States.

There was even an unplanned scheduled stop along Interstate 10 in Mississippi to pick up John and his needed supplies. He also had many, many material instructions and cautions that had been drilled into him about what and what not to do.

Son John was going for 10 days of hiking and camping at Philmont in New Mexico. Perhaps some people have heard of it. From what I under-

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stood, the brothers who owned Phillips 66 gas productions had donated several thousand acres

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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. The following column was written in 1961.

What's funny about a Floyd County election?

Talk of the lull before the storm...From May 15 till 3:15 p.m., Election Day, only four had been jailed here. During the week only three suits had been filed—and not a license had been issued...But death, did not take a holiday.

STILL FOR THE PEOPLE'S RIGHTS
Who's downhearted? A defeated candidate

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of land to the Boy Scouts' national organization years ago. A commercial building in downtown Tulsa, OK was also given so that the income could be used to support the huge "camp". Of course, the first thing John was to do upon arrival was to call home. He did and was it a surprise, after all the effort and expense we had made for him to go. Apparently, when he saw the size of the place and the mountains in the distance to be hiked for 10 days and as many nights, he realized more what he had been dying to do would really be work for a tenderfoot. (He has described it as H—). After a few "I am OK and had a great ride" type of remarks, John spoke up and said, "I want to come home. I do not want to go on." Boy! You talk about a quick parental decision. The response given back by a very anxious mother (me) contained many, many words of encouragement. "I know you can do it." "It's alright to be a little anxious about doing something new," and "I certainly want you to call me as soon as you get back." Then I hung up the phone and began kinda trembling inside, while Granny was not too encouraging with "What if something happen to him?"

Well, the rest of the Philmont story, John made it just fine and had even a greater time. It generally made a very significant impact on him. His group of fellow hikers included seven other Boy Scouts from about 13 to 16 years old and two experienced Scout leaders. They had explored an ancient cave up in the rolling mountains that had pictures on its walls. One night a bear had tried to get to their food they had tied up in the top of a tree. Another night, they were so tired and cold that they had drank hot water only, instead of digging out the packaged cocoa at the bottom of the backpack. As soon as John married, his group picture went up on the guest bedroom wall. A glass mug with a Philmont emblem, bought with his prized spending money, sits now on display in an antique china cabinet that his wife's grandparents once had, along with other family heirlooms. John and I learned many important things from that special event, such as his ability to tap his potential and inner resources when he needed to. I really don't know which one of us was the proudest.

All of this about Boy Scouts' camps was recalled when I read a newspaper article about Michael Eisner, chairman and CEO of the Walt Disney company, recalling his childhood experiences at a summer camp in Vermont. In addition to recreation and his commune with nature, he felt that he had learned other valuable lessons at that camp—teamwork, initiative, leadership, taking responsibility for others, learning to laugh at yourself and dealing with adversity. "The real magic is in life lessons that, once learned, become engrained and relevant every day of one's life, long after you take the last ride home in that big, sad bus... Our kids have incredible toys at their command, but first of all 'reality always beats virtual reality.'"

Camps are communities specifically developed for children, as described by the executive director of the American Camping Association. The goals of a well-run camp are to: (1) enhance the enjoyment of childhood; (2) provide the learning and perspective that helps ease children along the sometimes—bumpy path to young adulthood; and (3) accomplish those goals in a physically and emotionally safe environment that combats isolation and fosters acceptance. It was hard to believe that three million children from 5 to 18 attend camps all over the country. Research has shown that kids who go to camp do better in school. The camp experience leaves a lasting positive imprint on their character and helps them become better prepared for life. Quality educational experiences need to be taught by good camp teachers who meet the highest standards of accountability. Supposedly an ancient philosopher pointed out, "A child educated only in school is an uneducated child."

Being able to do all the things needed for staying at camp for a week is very important to kids, especially in the 8 to 14 year old range—learning to leave parents and parents learning to let go of the need to be in complete control for the week. By all means, check out the adults involved with the camp before you register your child and pay the fee. A good camp experience can be priceless for the growing mind and body of your child.

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

- May 7-11: Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 11: Presentation for students on "Harassment."
- May 14: Youth Services Center Advisory Council meeting at 4 p.m. Open to the public.
- May 15: Fifth grade visit day for Prestonsburg Elementary and Clark Elementary students.
- Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any of the listed activities, call 886-9812.
- Counselor in center on Wednesdays to see students in need. Contact the center for more information. 886-9812

Allen Central High School

- Election of parent members to the SBDM Council will be held on Monday, May 14, at 6:00 p.m. in the school library.

**Note: A parent council member shall be a parent or legal guardian of a student who will be enrolled in the school during the parent's term of council service. A parent council member shall not be a District employee at Allen Central High School, the relative of a District employee at Allen Central High School, a local Board member or spouse of a local board member. The term "relative" shall mean father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, aunt, uncle, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, niece, nephew, father-in-law, or mother-in-law.*

Additionally, any parent of a child enrolled at Allen Central High School may vote to elect parent council members.

Allen Central Middle School Youth Service Center

- Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. Call 358-0134 for more information. If your child has lost a coat at school, please check in the Youth Service Center.

Allen Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center

- Service Center Hours: Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- After School Child Care available 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Telephone: 874-0621

- Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.
- G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

Betsy Layne Elementary

- KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: May 16, 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon.

Clark Family Resource Center

- After school child care, 3-5:30 p.m., school days, openings available.
- Nurse in the center on Thursdays. Appointments for sixth grade physicals now being scheduled. 886-0815.

John M. Stumbo Elementary

- A workshop for parents of Stumbo Elementary seventh graders will be held on Thursday, May 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. The workshop will be hosted by the

East Kentucky Regional GEAR-UP Project and will provide academic information along with information on scholarships and financial planning for college. The workshop is free.

May Valley Elementary

- KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION will be held on the following dates: Thursday, May 24 and Friday, May 25 from 8:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. For further information, call 285-0883.

McDowell Family Resource Center 377-2678

- The McDowell FRC After-School Program has openings for students who need a safe place to stay until their parents get off from work or out of school. Call 377-2678.
- Call the FRC to schedule fifth grade student physicals and immunizations update, required by law. Floyd County Health Department nurse is at the Center one day a week to administer these and other services.
- GED classes, free, Mondays, 8 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center

- May 14, 15, 17: Southern Appalachian Recycling
- May 15: "Brooms, Bootsie, and Me" - Richard Henson, Broom Maker
- May 16: Hepatitis B vaccinations - Floyd County Health Department.
- May 18: Mine Safety & Health Administration
- MAY 18: KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION, 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- May 23: Hot Air Balloon - 8:30 a.m. - Fifth grade.
- June 8: Spring Carnival, sponsored by PTA - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. After-School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.
- Counselor from Mountain Comprehensive Care at center one day a week to see students in need of counseling. Call 886-7088 or stop by FRC office.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

- May 23, 29, 30 - CPR Training
- May 21 - "Stay Out - Stay Alive" assembly presented by U.S. Mines Safety and Health Administration.
- Walking track open to public, except during special event.
- Adult education classes available.
- The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.
- All new students and visitors, please stop by the center and see Mable Hall. The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood or Misty Dawson, ext. 242.

W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center

- May 16, 17, 18: Child safety identification program. Pre-school and K-6.
- May 21: DARE picnic - Jenny Wiley Spillway, Fifth grade students.
- May 25: School store.
- Located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School, hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., or later by appointment.
- Lending Library is available to school and community.

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tary days in the very hallways that they were now in, excitement began to mount. The students were eager to meet this woman and had prepared many questions for her.

As students were settled in their seats and May began her presentation, she explained to the classes that she had written her book about the "molasses man" "...because making molasses is a dying folk art - it is so labor intensive and such hard work, that it is easier for people to buy molasses than it is for them to make it. By writing this book, I preserve this tradition, in a way, for future generations."

May related how while driving one day near Lynchburg, Virginia, she noticed a family busy at work making molasses. She urged her husband, Gary Barrow, a website designer, to pull over and she then got out, introduced herself, and began, over a period of time, to regularly visit the family and learn about their tradition of boiling sugar cane into thick, syrupy molasses.

What she learned from and about this family emerged in the form of a children's book.

"Yes, I actually knew the 'molasses man'," May explained to the students, "his name is Mr. Lewis Farmer, he is the patriarch of the Farmer clan, and he lives in Virginia."

May conveyed to the students how the making of molasses is actually much more than just the concocting of a tasty treat, it is also a family tradition in which all members of a family become involved, each with a specific job to do. It is an annual event where families can spend time socializing together as well as working. This, May explained, is a vital part of what makes the process so special.

May also explained to the children that writing a book can sometimes take a long time. "I worked on 'Molasses Man' for about ten years," she said. "Now I didn't

write every day for ten years, I would work on it awhile, do all that I believed I could do with it for that time, put it away, and then pull it back out and work some more at a later time. Finally, I did all that I could with it, and I was finished. I always remained very committed to telling this story."

May is a 1970 graduate of Prestonsburg High School, and is the daughter of Eve and the late Russell May. Her father was a highly recognized Kentucky Heritage Artist, and he owned and operated the Russell May Art Gallery on South Lake Drive for many years. His wife still operates this gallery today.

May earned a degree in psychology from the University of Louisville and a degree in English education from the University of Kentucky before pursuing a Master of Fine Arts degree in creative writing at Indiana University. She also attributes the Hindman Settlement School's annual Appalachian Writers Workshop as an important influence on her writing style.

May has won several awards for her writing, among them a winning short fiction piece from the literary journal "Wind" in 1997, a winning poetry selection chosen by the University of Florida's Panhandler Press in 1992, and she was also chosen as a finalist for the Academy of American Poets Walt Whitman book competition in 1991.

May has received grants in poetry from the Kentucky Foundation for Women in 1988, a MacDowell Colony Fellowship in 1987, and the Samuel Yellen Fellowship in Poetry from Indiana University in 1984.

May resides in Virginia with her husband and their two children, Evan, 10, and Lauren, 8.

Her book, "Molasses Man," illustrated by Texas artist Felicia Marshall, is available through Readmore Bookstore and May Art Gallery.

4-H Project day schedule

2001 4-H Projects will be judged at the following locations on the date listed. Criteria has been distributed to School/Community Club Leaders. For more information, contact the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office at 886-2668.

- Betsy Layne Elementary School, 5/11
- Clark Elementary School, 5/14
- McDowell Elementary School, 5/15

- Allen Elementary School, 5/16
- John M. Stumbo Elementary School, 5/17
- May Valley Elementary School, 5/18
- S.T.A.R.S. Homeschool Club, 5/29
- J.A. Duff Elementary School, 5/30
- Allen Central Middle School, 5/30
- Osborne Elementary School, 5/31
- Prestonsburg Elementary School, 6/1
- County 4-H Project Day (for Blue Ribbon Projects), 6/16

Organizations



Volunteers for Mountain Comprehensive Care Center's Victims Service's Program attended a banquet held in their honor on April 19 at Jenny Wiley State Park's May Lodge. Each volunteer was presented with a certificate and a gift of appreciation. Seated, left to right: Linda Hutchinson, Robin Gray, Norma Boyd, Becky Curry. Standing, left to right: Denise Burgy, Troy Price, Willa Webb, Jeri Conley, Roger Prewitt, Regina Holbrook, Megan Chenault, Dariene Starnes, Margaret Napier, Brenda Slone, Teresa O'Brien, Lisa Hamilton.



KFWC Drift Woman's Club

The KFWC Drift Woman's Club met on March 19 at the Viola Bailey Community Center Building. President Ruby Akers presided.

The devotional "The Measure of Love" was given by Roney Clark, followed with a group offering of The Lord's Prayer and The Pledge of Allegiance.

Celia Little, Secretary, read the minutes from the group's previous meeting.

Roney Clark, Treasurer, gave the treasurer's report.

President Akers announced the upcoming club activities:

- On July 14, the Drift Woman's Club Thirty-third Annual Horse Show will be held at Archer Park.
- On July 21, the club will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary.

April activities included a style show given by the ladies of the club at Camp Nathaniel on April 19 and on April 27, National Arbor Day, club members celebrated with the ringing of bells and the planting of a tree.

Donna Allen, Home Life Chairwoman, presented a program on the "Cycle of Violence," with the purpose of increasing community awareness of family and domestic violence prevention, coinciding with state and national "Family Violence Awareness Month."

Allen informed the audience that there are three phases of family violence; the first "Phase I," exhibits an increased tension and anger; the second, "Phase II," battering; and lastly, "Phase III," a phase of calmness and denial.

Typically, domestic violence perpetrators deny the effects of their violence while victims of domestic violence tend to isolate themselves from others. Children who live with domestic violence suffer emotional problems and society in general suffers from an increase in crime and a decrease in the quality of life of its community members.

The hostess for the March meeting was Donna Allen. Mrs. Allen provided refreshments for all who attended, among who included Celia Little, Ruby Akers, Roney Clark, Ruby Damron, Brooksie Gearheart, Alma Mosley, Alice Osborne, Geraldine Ward, and Kathryn Youmans.

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If PCC hadn't existed, I wouldn't have gone to college or earned a college degree."

In 1974, after teaching for three years, including a year in Burdick, Nebraska, Pauline decided to look for a better paying job in the private sector. It wasn't long before she was hired by the United Mine Workers of America. It was the beginning of a long and successful career as a UMW Program Representative. Today, Pauline has her own office at the union's field office at Ivel, Kentucky.

Pauline is the twin sister of Sheila Jean Shepherd, another member of the Class of 1966. Pauline's husband is Elbert "Bud" Baldrige of Floyd county. Bud recently retired after thirty-seven years of service in the U.S. military. Now that he is retired, he devotes most of his time to raising horses on the couple's one-hundred-and-fifty-acre farm on Bull Creek. Bud and Pauline

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Family Medicine

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Question: Last year a neighbor backed his lawnmower over his cat and killed it. As bad as this was, I couldn't help but wonder how much worse he would have felt if it had been his daughter. Have you ever heard of a kid being run over by a lawnmower? What can we do to improve the safety of these machines?

Answer: With spring here

and the summer fast approaching, those of us in the northern part of the U.S. are getting back into that mowing routine. Your question is, therefore, a good and very timely one.

The scenario that you have described of backing over a pet or loved one with a ride-on lawnmower is, unfortunately, very common. In fact, one lawnmower safety advocacy group estimates that on the average, a

"NMIR" technology can save children tragic lawn mower accidents

young child is backed over by a ride-on lawn mower once a day in the U.S. Tragically, the child is often badly mutilated, crippled or killed. Adding to the family heartbreak, the driver is usually a parent, grandparent or sibling.

There is one safety feature that could be added to all ride-on mowers that would greatly reduce if not eliminate these types of accidents.

It's called NMIR technology. This stands for "no mowing in reverse" and the concept — if not the implementation — is as simple as it sounds. The mower is equipped with mechanical linkage that disengages the drive shaft that turns the blade whenever the rider places the mower in reverse.

Two manufacturers have

made NMIR technology available on their mowers. One is John Deere. The other is MTD Products, makers of mowers with the following brand names: MTD Pro, Yard Machine, Yard Man and White Outdoor. To date, though, this safety feature is not mandated by government regulation and is not routinely placed on all new mowers — not even all of those made by John Deere and MTD. So it's still a buyer beware situation.

The good news is that the federal government did impose new rules about ten years ago that have made push-type power mowers considerably safer. New mowers are required to automatically stop the blade when the handle is released. There are also regulations that

make it more difficult for the blade to strike an object and throw it back at the operator. These changes have reduced the risk of injury from thrown objects and the risk of being mangled by a moving mower blade. Now it's time to add NMIR technology to ride-on mowers to prevent the needless tragedies that your question asks about.

The American Academy of Pediatrics and the Council on Child and Adolescent Health have made some recommendations about power mowers that I think are very important for every family with children to observe. In summary, they recommended that children should not be allowed to:

* Play in areas adjacent

to where mowers are being used.

* Ride with the mower operator or ride in carts or trailers being towed behind the mower.

* Play on or around the mower, even with adult supervision.

* Operate a mower until they are at least 14 years old and have received proper training in the

operation of the mower and its safety features.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Grosvenor Hall, Athens, Ohio 45701. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

Postscript: Joyful

by PAM SHINGLER



Two things that have given me joy of late:

• On an adventure in northern Lawrence County, deep into farm country, past the picturesque village of Fallsburg, rounding a curve, I saw a modest farm house with an enormous hog in the front yard.

It was not the farm of a member of the gentry, but neither was it the home of hopeless dereliction. There were toys and assorted odds and ends in the yard, but nothing to be taken as trash. An observer would be advised to use caution in making negative assumptions about the folks who live inside this house.

Yet, here was this huge hog, lying on its belly, its front legs outstretched like a dog. One person to whom I described the scene asked if the animal was alive? Yes, it was. Its monstrous head was raised, its ears perked, and its eyes alert to the passing scene.

This was not an overweight potbellied pig. This was a hog. No denying. I'm no judge of weight, but it had to be five or six hundred pounds or more. Its rippled belly spread out from the frame, promising a full larder to the family at whose house it dwelt.

I can't say with any substantiation, but I'd like to think the big hog belongs to an earnest 4-H Club member, a child who took a squealing pig on as a special project. She, or he, bottle-fed the little creature, held it tight as it slept, washed and groomed it, maybe even tied a bow around its neck.

The owner likely took it to competition, bathing and brushing it, perhaps even bedding down with it as they waited, nervously, for the judging.

Under this love, the little pig grew and the owner continued to dote. Come time for the pig-turned-hog to go, like its fellow critters, to the slaughterhouse, the little 4-H'er could not let go of what had become a treasured pet and companion.

Now, I suspect, frustrated parents are forced to let a full-grown hog wallow around in their front yard and to forbear the tsks-tsks of busybody neighbors, quick to give unsolicited advice about what they'd do if the hog was theirs.

Sounds perfectly plausible to me.

• One morning as I was leaving for work, I saw my big dog Bubba curled up in his homemade cooling hole under the crabapple tree.

This is the fellow whose tongue is so spotted with purple that it looks solid, making him obvious kin to a chow, a characteristic that makes many fear him, prejudgmentally. He looks, however, more like a German shepherd, tan with a black muzzle and with tall, erect ears that make him appear always to be at attention.

In addition to his size and tongue, the black muzzle makes Bubba look mean, like an unshaven thug itching for a fight.

Yet, here he lay in the indentation he had made in the earth, his head on the ground, his eyes watching a half-dozen mourning doves that pecked at dropped birdseed. The doves walked all about his head and his eyes moved among them, sideways, from his reclining position.

I was reminded of the lion and the lamb.

Of course, this is the same dog I've seen with a pair of frog legs dangling from his mouth — this just after someone assured me dogs won't eat frogs.

And, of course, it doesn't explain how he and his cohort tossed about a baby rabbit that somehow found its way under the electric fence until it, mercifully, died.

It's not a bad week if you have a couple of joyous experiences, now, is it?

Feri Tales: No barrier is strong enough

by FERİ KHATIB, GARDENER

An old couple lived in a fenced corner house, where I passed every day on my way to school. They were in their garden almost everyday, working side by side. They hardly ever spoke to each other, but it seemed that each knew what the other was thinking. Whenever I went by, carrying my heavy load of books, I found myself looking for them in the front garden. They were so quiet and somber all the time. I wished to get to know them but felt very shy. No wonder, having just immigrated to this country, I neither knew much about the culture nor the language. Besides, they had a "No Trespassing" sign by their entry gate. I often wondered about that sign. Were they afraid of people or maybe just weary of them? What made them wish to be left alone? For that is what they were, alone. I never saw anyone at their front door or any car parked in their driveway. At that time, I really didn't comprehend their wish for solitude but I honored it. That sign said to keep out so I reluctantly stayed away.

So days, weeks, and months passed without either of us speaking to each other. During the long winter months, I did not see the old couple at all, as if they have gone to sleep, along with their garden. I was rather busy, as well as very homesick, at the time. The drab and gray colors of winter, especially in the Midwest, were particularly

depressing to me. One day in late April, I was buying some groceries and I saw a few pots of house plants, with shiny green leaves and sweet, gem-like purple flowers. The label indicated that the plant was called "Persian violet" (Exacum affine). For a homesick Persian like myself, that plant in a tiny pot was like finding a long-lost childhood friend. I know now that this plant was neither a violet nor from Persia but it really didn't matter. Needless to say, I left the store with one of those plants in hand. Traveling on the train with my bags of groceries, all my thoughts were with this little plant. It gave me a point of reference, a sense of attachment. I didn't feel so uprooted anymore; a tiny part of my culture was resting innocently in my hands.

On my way home, I saw the old couple in the garden, toiling silently side by side. I cautiously lifted my precious Persian violet for them to see. The next moment, I found myself being invited into their garden. They were talking to me a mile-a-minute, pulling me in and helping me with my grocery bags. I assure you that I didn't understand the words they said, but I felt their meaning. We were communicating through the language of plants and there was no room for misunderstandings.

A tiny plant in a four-inch plastic pot had broken down the barriers and brought us together. A miracle.

BLHS students serving the community

On Monday morning, April 9, Betsy Layne High School National Honor Society students, along with their sponsor, Vicky Ratliff, began their Spring Break in a manner not usual to most of their teenage counterparts. These students, for the second year in a row, visited the pediatric floor at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, with Easter baskets in hand and laden with festive decorations to liven the rooms of the sick children.

Although some items were donated by the Betsy Layne Youth Service Center, the students also purchased many items with their own money.

The students have been asked by Dana King, PMH contact person, to assist in the opening of their new pediatric play room.

Participating students were:

Amanda Hall, BreAnna Harris, Jessica Newsome, Sara Fraley, Tabitha Mitchell, Kara Goble, Kristy McKinney, Amber Hall, Brittany Osborn, Joseph Ratliff, Heather Goodman, Daphne McCoy, Tracy Westfall, David Johnson, Nick Burchett, Bart Wagner, Jada Newsome, Cortney Flannery, Jacki Shell, Jessica Carroll, Loria Akers, Nat Blackburn, Misty Parsons, Kimberly Tackett, Erin Rogers, Latoya Lee, Leslie Steele, Leigh Ann Carroll, Amanda Walker, and Adam Tackett.

Beverly Crisman and the Floyd County Schools Community Service Program provided funds that enabled the students to pay for their bus service and be treated to a lunch, for which the students send a heartfelt thank-you.

World

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ambled into these confines, morning after the election, and announced that if he could muster up a good shotgun he would venture downtown. Told that a certain individual had such an item of artillery, the visitor replied, "Understand he's going to use it on himself, and I wouldn't want to deprive any voter of his rights."

Clifford Wright observes that when a guy passes 60 m.p.h., he has quit driving and started aiming.

SPEAKING OF TAXES

Which reminds me... If the tax on gasoline were collected as the sales tax is — after the cost of the gas itself is known to the purchaser — the howl would be heard from here to Washington. But this tax, even as are many others, is well-hidden and we drive away, as ignorant as ever. You pay about 37 cents a gallon for "highest" gasoline, but leave the tax off and it would be costing only 26 cents. According to our figures, that's paying a tax of around 42 percent.

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TIP!

Mr. Aulyn E. Kanstom, Louisville, Ky., favors us with an item which reads: An old woman in Oxford, Miss., has this recipe for happiness: "Don't let the seeds spoil your enjoyment of a watermelon. All you gotta do is spit 'em-out!"

UGH!

What will they do next on television to catch the viewer? When the day comes that some animated cartoon character prances onto the screen and starts talking through his nose to announce a church service or a symphony concert — then, brother, I quit.

FISHING REPORT

Norris Lake — dunt esk... Dewey Lake — it would sound too much like bragging.

Eyes

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an invaluable source of care that I have taken advantage of during times that I have to be away from home to work. There also, my mother has received the very best of care. I have come to believe that

once Alzheimer's disease has set in, the patient can never again be made to be content. I have talked with several people who have told me that their loved one, like my mother, wants only to "go home."

"Home," unfortunately, is somewhere internal, and we can never take them there.

All we can do is make sure that their needs are met and that they receive the medical care that they deserve.



ALLEN ELEMENTARY JUNIOR RANGERS GO ON A TOUR

Allen Elementary fifth grade students involved in the Junior Rangers program recently went on a tour of Dewey Dam.

Since this past September, the fifth graders have had Junior Ranger meetings twice a month. The students will continue to meet until the month of May. The fifth graders have compiled portfolios dividing the program into six main topics: Role of the Ranger, forest management, wildlife management, the history of coal in eastern Kentucky, the effects of litter on the environment, and water safety.

Each student who successfully completes the program will be given a certificate of recognition.

The program is in its fifth year and is conducted by Ranger Stonney Burke, of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Dewey Lake, who also is the program's developer.



Front, left to right, Amanda Hall, Daphne McCoy, BreAnna Harris. Back, left to right, Leslie Steele, Jada Newsome, Loria Akers, Tabitha Mitchell, Leigh Ann Carroll, and Amanda Walker shown with Easter Baskets delivered to children at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

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 2-Piece Living Room Suite.....starting at \$329
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MOVING SALE: Today, 10, 11, 12 of May. Like new big men's clothes, furniture, console TV, stereo, lawn & porch furniture, many household items, tools, antiques, much more. Route 1100, 428 Left fork, Little Paint. Follow signs.

YARD SALE: Sat., May 12, 8-7 Beside County Line Liquor Store. Rain or Shine! Home Interior, clothes, dishes, dolls, comforters, pictures, plus much, much more!

480-Miscellaneous
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50 ACRES OF TIMBER for sale in Floyd County. 606-677-0262.*

APPROX. 100 COLLECTIBLE 78 RPM RECORD albums, all kinds. Excellent condition. Stereo system cabinet with glass doors. 285-3437.

SINGER 1591 D300A quilting machine with table, used about 20 times. \$1,300. Gas Range with grill in center, off white, good condition. \$40. 874-2215, leave message.

COUCH, CHAIR & HUTCH: 886-3489, after 5pm.*

ONE SINGLE BURIAL PLOT on Richmond Memorial, Prestonsburg, KY. Location sect-C-6. For details call 606-886-8076.

BIG SCREEN TV: Take on small monthly payments. Good credit required. Phone: 1-800-718-1657.

REAL ESTATE
530-Houses

TWO-STORY HOUSE & MOBILE HOME. Large pond & garden. Located 1 mile from Martin Rt. 122 Buks Br. Rd. \$135,000 OBO. Partial finance possible. Call for appointment (606)285-0650.

NEWLY REMODELED, 5 BR, 2 FULL BA 2,300 sq. ft. brick home. Located at Lancer. 432-3521 or 478-9321.*

2 BR HOUSE: Kit., LR, utility room, 1BA. About 1/2 acre of land. Daniels Creek. \$30,000. 874-4474.*

APPROX. 15 ACRES with 3 BR, 2 BA house. Stevens Br., Cliffside. Large yard, blacktop, out of flood plain. 874-0044.*

2 BR MOBILE HOME & LOT: \$11,500, located near Wayland. 946-2833.*

NEWLY REMODELED 2,000 sq.ft. house in P'burg. Large riverbank lot. 886-9406/0494, Lv message. Will Rent!*

PRICED TO SELL: Approx. 1 acre with 14x70 mobile home, 3BR, 2 BA, central heat/air, all appl., large deck, storage bldg. Call 886-1955, leave message.*

NEW HOUSE FOR SALE: Located north of Prestonsburg, just off US 23 at Big Branch in CEDAR TRACE SUBDIVISION. All city utilities, 2000 sq. ft., brick exterior with large deck, 3 BR, 2-1/2 BA, Gr. room w/12' ceil., eat-in Kit., DR and bonus room. Contact: Paul or Bonnie Hughes (606)886-6471.

LARGE HOUSE on Mtn. Parkway. Must sell, possible owner financing. 886-8366.*

PROPERTY IN West Prestonsburg, KY. Doublewide trailer on lot 60'x90'. For details call 606-886-8076.

4 BR, 2 BA HOME: LG FRM, LRM, kit., 2 fireplaces, util. rm., hot tub, Appl. included. Located near HRMC. 606-874-9566.*

550-Land & Lots

LOTS FOR SALE: Will accommodate doublewide. Private drive or state paved highway, farm setting, city water. Hwy 302, Van Lear, KY. \$25,000 each. Collect 1(803)957-5931.*

2000, 28X60 CLAYTON: 4 BR doublewide with glamour bath and dream kitchen only \$39,900, delivered and set-up. Call 606-353-6444 or 1-877-353-6444.

1983 14X70 TRAILER: 3 B.R., 2 B.A., porch, new cooling system. Located across from HRMC. Call 789-9312.*

FLEETWOOD HOMES, Louisa, KY. New Repost! Only 4 left - Never lived in. Free Delivery & Set-up. 1-888-246-1075.

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SELLING ALL 2000 lot model single and doublewides at huge discounted savings, to make room for all the new 2001's. Call 1-606-353-6444 or 1-877-353-6444.

UNBELIEVABLE! Fleetwood Homes - Louisa, KY. New 14x70 - NO payments after 4 years. Make only 2 payments to move in. FREE delivery & Set-up. 1-888-246-1075.

NO CONTRACT TO ASSUME, reliable person needed to make this 3 BR home their own. Call for details 1-888-999-7410.

RENTALS
610-Apartments

Apartments for Rent: 1 & 2 BR. Executive suite also available. Call 349-7285, leave message.

R & L APARTMENTS: We now have coin laundry for tenants. We have apts. available. One easy payment, all utilities & cable included. Call 886-2797.

2 BR TOWNHOUSE: Central a/h, stove/ref., WD hookup, city limits at US 23 & 80. \$400 month + util., dep. \$300. No Pets! 1yr. lease. 886-7237 or 237-4758.

3 BR APT.: BA, kitchen, living room. next to doctor's office. Good neighborhood. 886-1714.

2 BR APT.: Auxier Heights. Real nice. Call after 5pm 886-3552.

SPACIOUS 1 BR APT.: newly decorated in town. Paved off-street parking, private. \$375 per month, dep. req., cable & water furnished, walking distance from downtown. Ref. required. 886-2444, 9-6pm.*

NEW, 2 BR DUPLEX: Central heat & air, stove & ref. US 23, 1 mile from P'burg. No Pets! 886-9007.*

1 BR FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED APT.: No pets! 886-8991.*

NEW, 1 BR APT.: Appliances, central air & heat. City Limits. 886-1032.*

1 BR APARTMENT: 606-886-2880.

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS On 1 & 2 BR apts. (Section 8 welcome) **PARK PLACE APARTMENTS** Rt. 114, Prestonsburg, KY 886-0039.

620-Storage/Office Space

OFFICE SPACE FOR LEASE: 2,169 sq. ft., located at 5080 Ky Rt. 321, near HRMC. 889-9717.*

OFFICE FOR RENT: Convenient location, private parking. Court St., P'burg, KY. 886-6195 or 886-6770.*

630-Houses

2 BR HOUSE: 5 miles from P'burg, Mtn. Parkway. Dep. req. 606-886-2288.*

LARGE 4 BR, 2 FULL BA HOUSE: Central air/heat, total electric, large family room & kitchen, hardwood floors, brick fireplace, stove furnished, ample parking, city water. No pets! Rt. #122, Printer, KY. \$450 per month + dep. & util. 606-785-3291.

2 BR HOUSE at Hueysville, KY. HUD accepted, 358-4228.

2 BR HOUSE: At Betsy Layne. No pets! 478-5403.*

2 BR HOUSE at Garrett. City utilities, central air/heat. \$350 month + dep. & util. Not HUD approved. 358-2876.

640-Land & Lots

TRAILER LOT: Located in Stone's Trailer Park, 6 miles from P'burg. 886-6186 or 886-8286.

MOBILE HOME LOT: In Stone's Trailer Park. 886-6186 or 886-8286.

TRAILER LOTS: City water. Front land of Storm Hollow Driving Range & Flea Market, beside of U.S. 23 four lane at East Point. 889-9902.

MOBILE HOME SPACE FOR LEASE: Will accommodate doublewide. Private drive, farm setting, city water, Van Lear area. \$135 to \$155 monthly + \$135 to \$155 dep. (606)789-5296 or collect; 1(803)957-5931.*

650-Mobile Homes

2 BR, 1 BA MOBILE HOME: All appliances, w/d, all electric. Private lot. Rt. 114, Mtn. Parkway. \$375 month + dep. 886-6665.

2 BR FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED TRAILER: Off Mtn. Parkway on old 114. 886-8724.

TWO EXCELLENT CONDITION 3 BR / 2 BR mobile homes for rent. Located about 1 mile above Cliffside Apts. of Prestonsburg. Water and sewer provided. HUD approved. Call (606)874-2162 or (606)874-9852 evenings.*

2 BR FURNISHED TRAILER with TV, ready to move in. \$300 mth. + util. \$125 dep. In Auxier. 886-8961.

2 BR MOBILE HOME: 1 BA. Between P'burg & Paintsville. No Pets! 886-9007.

1994 16X70 MOBILE HOME on 100x100 lot. 2 BR/2 BA, nice yard, 4-car paved parking, storage bldg. 2 mins. from GlynView Plaza. \$450/mo. Some restrictions, lease req. 886-0226.*

Advance-Fee Loans or Credit Offers
 Companies that do business by phone can't ask you to pay for credit before you get it. For more information, call toll-free 1-877-FTC-HELP. A public service message from The Floyd County Times and the Federal Trade Commission. PSA

670-Comm. Property
LARGE BUILDING, good location, N. lake Dr., P'burg. 859-745-1556.

SERVICES
705-Construction

WILL DO REMODELING: Painting, Roofing, sheetrocking & drywalling 285-3915.

765-Professionals

TURNED DOWN FOR SOC. SECURITY/SSI? Free consultation. Call 1-888-582-3345. No fee unless we win your case.

NOTICES
812-Free

FREE PALLETS: Can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

850-Personals

When responding to Personal ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

SINGLE WHITE MALE, age 41, looking for long-term relationship. someone not into head games. I am honest, sincere & loyal. Red hair, blue eyes, 5'10", 200 lbs. Age & looks are not important, it's what's inside that counts. Need someone who is looking for the same things in life. Like love, happiness & true contentment. No drug users. Write to: P.O. Box 423, Paintsville, KY 41240. All replies will be answered.

LEGAL
 Nancy L. Buehler, Legal Representative
 Phone: (606) 886-4506
 Fax: (606) 886-3665

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
 Pursuant to Application No. 836-0216, Major Revision #5

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Lodestar Energy, Inc., 251 Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for a major revision to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 3.79 miles north of Ivel in Floyd County. The major revision will add no additional acres of surface disturbance making a total area of 860.91 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed major revision area is approximately 3.79 miles northeast from U.S. 23's junction with Ivy Creek County Road and located 0.95 mile north of Ivy Creek. The latitude is 37° 36' 18", and longitude is 82° 37' 35".

The proposed major revision is located on the Harold and Broad Bottom U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Lodestar Energy, Inc., Buffalo Development, Inc., Benjamin Ferguson, Jackie Scalf, Burchett Heirs, and the Denver Collins Heirs. The major revision

proposes a post-mining land use change from wildlife habitat to pastureland. The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
 The following property will be offered at public sale at Worldwide Equipment, HWY 1428 East, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 on 5/25/01 commencing at 11:00 a.m.

97 Chevy Lumina SN 4447

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Keep your emotions away from investment decisions

We have the full range of emotions, and it's important to express them—but not in the investment arena. Emotions such as greed and fear can do serious damage to your investment plans. How? Let's look at greed first. Contrary to what you may have seen depicted in movies about Wall Street, greed is not good. Suppose you observe that a particular stock, or group of stocks, is doing extremely well. You conclude that somebody has to be making a lot of money—so why not you? Why not jump on the bandwagon? Here's why not: The bandwagon may already be going downhill. By the time you—and millions of other investors—have read all the articles on "today's hot stocks," these stocks may be losing momentum and cooling off. Stocks simply do not stay "hot" for long periods of time. So, once you've identified a stock that's done extremely well for a while, it's logical to assume that its performance may well flatten out—or even drop. The lesson? Don't be greedy. Buy a company because its long-term prospects are good, or because its management is innovative, or because its products will be highly sought-after for many years to come. But don't buy it just because its stock price is currently soaring. Now, let's turn to

lost their competitive edge. Your own investment goals may have changed. But even if these things happen, and you really do want to sell a stock, try to do so when its price is up—not down. That may not be possible, but it's a goal worth striving for. You'll notice that greed and fear are based on what's already happened to a particular stock, or to the market as a whole. But pay heed to these words: "Past performance is no indication of future results." The Securities and Exchange Commission requires this statement to appear on every prospectus. There's a simple reason for this warning: Things change. A stock that did well, or poorly, in the past may now be operating in a radically different market environment. Consumer tastes change, regulations change, public policy changes—everything changes over time. Consequently, you simply can't choose a stock on the basis of emo-

tions that are, in themselves, a response to what's gone before. Use your heart to connect to other people—but use your mind to invest.

Most looked for hiring qualities

In just a few years, the marketplace has turned around from an employer's market to a candidate's. However, this doesn't negate the need for applicants to have what most companies are looking for today. Whether you're entering the job market for the first time or seeking employment with another organization, here are some qualities hiring managers may be looking for:

- Flexibility
- Good relationship-building skills
- A team player
- Highly motivated
- Forward thinking—Employment Review & BestJobsUSA.com

Financial Focus

Tips on smart buying and holding

"Buy and hold." You won't see this phrase screaming out at you from the investment magazines or the multitudes of web sites devoted to investing. But you will find those three little words in the vocabulary of most successful investors. What, exactly, is a "buy-and-hold" philosophy? Perhaps it can best be understood by looking at what buy-and-hold investors do—and what they don't do. Buy-and-hold investors do:

- Stick with a group of high-quality securities for the long term.
- Sell these securities only when there is a good reason to do so.

 For example, they may decide that a particular stock is no longer appropriate for their holdings, either because the company's management has changed, or because consumer attitudes have moved away from the company's product. They may be entering the later years of their retirement and want to shift their portfolio toward more income-oriented investments. Or, there may be other reasons associated with the specific stock or the investor's objectives. Buy-and-hold investors do not:

- Worry about the short-term ups and downs of the market.
- Worry about what companies are the latest headline-grabbers. Sounds, good, right? Yes—but buy-and-hold isn't as easy to follow as it sounds. It can be easy, even for buy-and-hold investors, to panic when the market declines. When prices fall too far, some investors start selling shares. It also can be tempting to buy new stocks after a long period of market advances. But if you do, you're "buying high"—in direct contradiction to the age-old investment advice of "buy low, sell high."

To be a successful buy-and-hold investor, you clearly need to avoid these mistakes. But how? Start by assessing your investment personality. Are you willing to take on a higher degree of risk in exchange for potentially greater returns? Or will you accept a lower return, provided you have the comfort of investing in vehicles that don't fluctuate greatly in value? Learn your risk tolerance—and use it as a guiding principle in choosing investments. Besides making decisions rooted in their investment personalities, buy-and-hold investors typically spread their money among a variety of asset classes, such as stocks, bonds and government securities. Even a relatively "conservative" strategy such as buy-and-hold becomes risky, if you're only buying and holding one type of asset. By diversifying your holdings, you'll cushion the effect of downturns affecting just one market segment—so you won't feel so pressured into selling your stocks when prices dip. By following a prudent buy-and-hold strategy, you will avoid some of the consequences of ill-advised efforts to "time" the market or chase after hot stocks. You'll also free yourself from the hassles of constantly checking up on your investments' performance. And if you've chosen good stocks with strong fundamentals, capable management and solid business plants, your prospects for long-term success are favorable.

Sandy Valley Water District Annual Water Quality Report

We are very pleased to provide you with this year's Annual Water Quality Report. We want to keep you informed about the quality of our water and services we have delivered to you over the past year. Our goal is and always has been, to provide to you a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make continually to improve the water quality and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water remains at the highest level and the lowest price as we meet the needs of our Community.

We buy our water wholesale from the City of Pikeville and the City of Prestonsburg. The raw water source for both cities is the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River. Normally our customers, located from Blackburn's Greenhouse to the Boldman Bridge are served by the Prestonsburg source and our customers located from the Boldman Bridge to the new Wal-Mart are served by the Pikeville source.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Pat Layne at (606)-478-5500. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please contact Pat anytime prior to any of our regularly scheduled board meetings. They are normally held on the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the water district office.

A source water assessment plan has been completed by the Big Sandy Area Development District. For additional information concerning this assessment plan, please contact the Big Sandy Area Development District office or the County Judge's Office.

Sandy Valley Water District routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The table enclosed within shows the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1st to December 31st 2000.

All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. It is important to remember that the presence of these contaminants does not necessarily pose a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

- Definitions:**
- In the test results table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:
 - Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
 - Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
 - Action Level - the concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
 - Treatment Technique (TT) - A treatment technique is a requirement intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
 - Maximum Contaminant Level - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLGs are set as close to the MCLs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
 - Maximum Contaminant Level Goal - The "Goal" (MCLG) is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.



As authority and approved by EPA, the State has reduced monitoring requirements for certain contaminants to less often than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year. Some of the data in this table, though representative, is more than one year old.

PARTICULATE TEST RESULTS							
	Allowable Levels	Highest Single Measurement	Lowest Monthly %	Violation Y/N	Likely Source		
Turbidity (NTU)	Never more than 5 NTU. Less than 0.5 NTU 95% of samples each month. (TT)	#1=0.45 #2=0.9	#1=100% #2=99.3%	#1=N #2=N	Soil runoff		

REGULATED CONTAMINANT TEST RESULTS							
Contaminant [code] (units)	MCL	MCLG	Highest Detection	Range	Date of Sample	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants							
Fluoride [1025] (ppm)	4	4	#1=2.15 #2=1.59	#1=.66 -2.15 #2=.78 -1.59	2 per Month	#1=N #2=N	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead [1030] (ppb)	AL=15	0	1	ND-3	August 2000	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Note: Zero sites exceeded the Action Level (AL) for both Lead and Copper							
Copper [1022] (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	0.02 (90 th Percentile)	ND-0.11	August 2000	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Arsenic [1005] (ppb)	50	0	#1=1	#1=1	#1=Aug 2000	#1=N	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production waste
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) [1040] (ppm)	10	10	#1=0.01 #2=0.7	#1=.01 #2=0.3 -.7	#1=2000 #2=2000	#1=N #2=N	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Barium [1010] (ppm)	2	2	#2=.04	#2=.04	#2=Dec 2000	#2=N	Erosion of natural deposits
Cyanide (ppb)	200	200	#2=10	#2=10	#2=Dec 2000	#2=N	Runoff from herbicide used on rights of way
Xylene [2955] (ppm)	10	10	#1=.0006	#1=.0006	August 2000	#1=N	Discharge from petroleum factories; discharge from chemical factories.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM) (ppb)	100 (80)	0	#1=72 #2=69.3 (Running Average)	#1=18-141 #2=12-130	#1=2000 #2=2000	#1=N #2=N	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Voluntary Testing by the City of Pikeville							
Halo acetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	N/A	N/A	#2=28.2	#2=11.8-64.9	#2=2000	#2=N	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Maximum Contaminant Levels:

MCL's are set at very stringent levels. To understand the possible health effects described for many regulated contaminants, a person would have to drink 2 liters of water every day at the MCL level for a lifetime to have a one-in-a-million chance of having the described health effect.

A Special Note:

Sources of drinking water both tap and bottled water originates from streams, reservoirs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and in some cases radioactive material. It may also pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Possible contaminants that may be present in source water are, pesticides and herbicides, inorganic and organic compounds, microbial organisms, and radionuclides. With proper treatment process these contaminants can be reduced or eliminated. In order to insure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in drinking water provided by public water systems.

Special Precautions:

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Additional Information:

Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers.

We at Sandy Valley Water District work diligently to provide top quality water to every tap. Our water operators are highly trained, tested and certified by the state of Kentucky. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water resources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future. We had zero water quality violations in year 2000.

Notice: We are publishing this Water Quality Report in the Floyd County Times and Appalachian News Express in place of mailing to each customer. Additional copies are available at the Sandy Valley Water District office located at 524 suite #1 George Road, Betsy Layne, Ky.41605.

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MAY 12, THRU MAY 18, 2001

Countdown to Summer

Memorial Day — the "unofficial" start of summer, as well as the official start of pool season, is fast approaching.

For the third year in a row, Americans again have rated swimming as their favorite recreational activity.

More and more families are considering the purchase of a home pool. The National Spa and Pool Institute (NSPI) has compiled a Top Ten List of Tips for consideration before the purchase of your pool:

1.) Do your homework - When you buy a pool, you're making an investment. Needless to say, it's an important decision. Conduct some research by browsing the Internet or talking to friends and neighbors who own pools and get their feedback.

2.) Describe your taste - The possibilities are almost endless. Pools come in a wide range of shapes and sizes, from the traditional rectangle and oval to the modern kidney and curvy free-forms. Today's pool art shows colorful tiles and pool-bottom murals and mosaics and features cascading waterfalls, bubbly fountains and bold rock formations.

3.) How will you use the pool? - A pool can serve so many purposes, so think about what those might be for you. Will the pool be used mainly for recreation and exercise, or for outdoor entertaining and backyard beauty? Consider how often you host weekend barbecues for family and friends, or how frequently you entertain business associates or clients.

4.) What's your budget? - Setting a budget will be much easier if you've thought about the points listed above. Besides, there's a pool for just about any budget.

Above-ground pools are less expensive, and some are equal in size and just as handsome as comparable in-ground models. Above grounds are rising in popularity, accounting for nearly 43 percent of the residential pool market.

5.) Choose a pool type and select materials - There are two basic pool types: above-ground and in-ground. Most above-ground models support a vinyl liner on an oval frame made of aluminum or steel, and installation can be completed within hours of purchase. In-ground pools are made of concrete or gunite, which is sprayed or pumped onto a network of steel reinforcement rods. Vinyl-lined and fiberglass pools are other options. With fiberglass, a shell is actually lowered into the ground.

6.) Select design options - Today's pool designs are limited only by a lack of imagination.

One hot design trend is natural-looking pools that resemble a serene, rock-strewn pond or a lush, bamboo-laden lagoon. Other creative design elements include a sloped beach entry and the "vanishing edge," an optical illusion whereby the pool's edge actually seems to drop off into thin air.

7.) Compare pool builders - When choosing a builder, get several estimates and ask for references. Be sure to ask if they're a Certified Building Professional(TM) or (CBP). A CBP has undergone comprehensive training and a rigorous certification program developed by NSPI. To become certified, builders must demonstrate their mastery of the latest techniques in pool and spa construction.

8.) Ask about CAD software - An increasing number of pool builders are using Computer-Aided Design (CAD) software to give their clients a virtual picture of how their backyard will look - before construction begins. It allows homeowners and builders to view and

(See SUMMER, page three)

Beyond Human

The remarkable connection between The human body and MACHINE

More and more, the remarkable synergy between modern biology and technology is blurring the line between human and machine. As technology continues to progress, humans are becoming more machine-like and machines are becoming more human.

Beyond Human, airing Tuesdays, May 15 and 22 at 8/7 p.m. CT on KET, explores this critical juncture in human evolution. A two-part documentary featuring striking 3-D animation and special effects, "Beyond Human" joins inventors, scientists and philosophers for an unprecedented voyage into the future of bioengineering and robotics.

The first episode, "Body Electric," examines the remarkable bioengineering advances that are mechanizing the human body. New technology that allows communication between human nerves and electronic circuits now enables doctors to use auditory devices, retinal devices and prosthetic limbs to restore hearing to the deaf, vision to the blind and mobility to the paralyzed. The program also looks at the research of scientists developing tiny computers that will one day roam human bloodstreams to gather information, help prevent infection and possibly heal.

The second episode, "Living Machines," enters the brave new world of robotics. New discoveries about the structure and function of the human brain allow engineers to design artificial beings that can learn, move and think more like humans. Renowned scientists, ethicists and science fiction writers comment on the possibilities of a landscape populated by artificial people poised to work for and serve humans—and possibly run society.

Beyond Human is produced by Thomas Lucas Productions in association with PBS and Devillier Donegan Enterprises. The program is closed-captioned for the deaf and hard-of-hearing. Viewers can find out more about programming on KET by visiting the KET Web site at <http://www.ket.org>, a Kentucky.com affiliate.

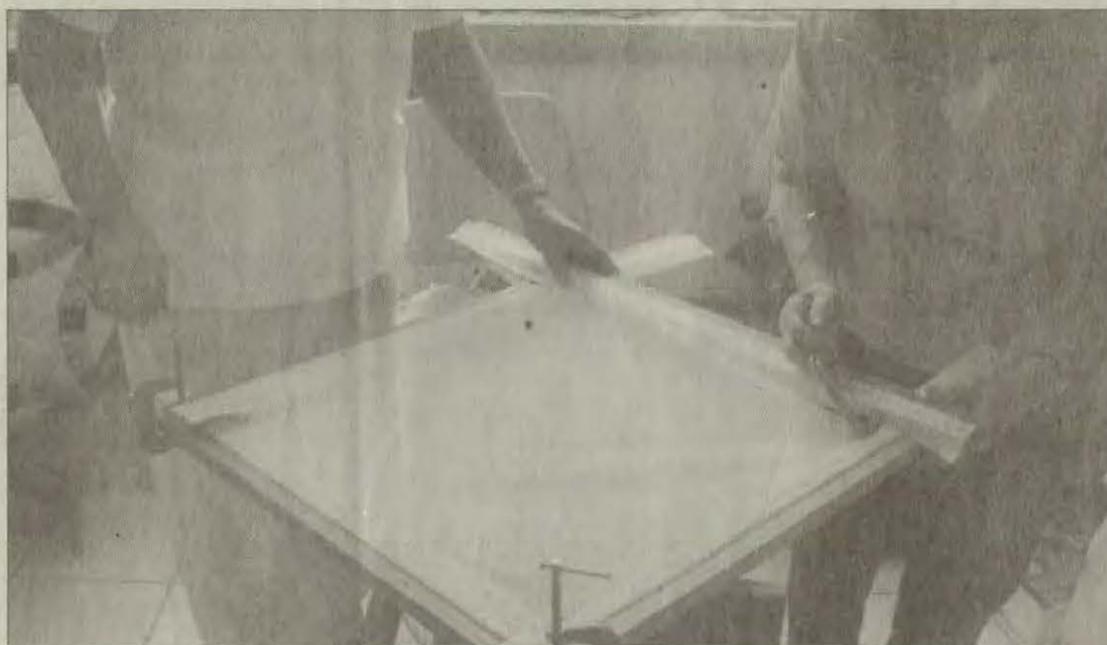


photo by Kathy Prater

A miniature quilting frame was set up for display recently as a part of the "Area Folklife Exhibit" at the Mountain Arts Center held the last week-end of April during the East Kentucky Leadership Conference. The exhibit showcased many forms of Appalachian art, among them quilting, wood-working, painting, basket-making and photography.

NEWS of the Weird...

Chuck Shepherd

LEAD STORIES

— Police in West Vancouver, British Columbia, said in April that they had stopped a three-year petty-crime spree in a neighborhood of upscale homes when they arrested multimillionaire Eugene Mah, 64, and his son, Avery, 32. According to police, the two are responsible for stealing hundreds of minor and even tacky items, such as garbage cans, marginal lawn decorations, and even government recycling boxes, and keeping them at their own posh home. Mah's Vancouver real estate holdings are reported at about \$13 million (U.S.), but among the items he allegedly stole were one family's doormat and, subsequently, each of the 14 doormats

the family purchased as replacements.

— In April, the Washington (D.C.) Humane Society pled guilty to a charge of illegally euthanizing three mockingbirds in violation of the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and the prosecutor said the society actually illegally euthanized more than 800 protected birds during the previous four years. In the latest incident, the society (which claimed it never realized it needed a permit to treat protected birds) was trying to eliminate a threat of mockingbirds dive-bombing pedestrians near the State Department headquarters.

— In a lawsuit deposition reported in April in the New York Daily News, the dismissed assistant to a

prominent cancer surgeon charged that the doctor loaned out blood samples of the late New York City Catholic Cardinal Terrence Cooke long after his death so that parishioners could pray over them for good luck. The New York Archdiocese said it did not authorize the surgeon, Dr. Thomas Fahey, to safekeep or to lend the blood. (Catholic tradition says praying over the "relics" of "saints" brings good luck, but the relic blood in this case was actually the cause of Cooke's death in 1983, of leukemia.)

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Scott Hanks was arrested in April in Central Islip, N.Y., and charged with making lingerie purchases by phone with other people's credit-card numbers, a practice he said he did (according to police) because he is "an introvert and very shy." Police said Hanks called to converse with female order-takers and that to legitimize the calls, he ordered merchandise, which would be sent to the homes of the credit-card holders. Sometimes, he said, he would have to call as many as 15 catalog operators before he found one whose voice was engaging enough to talk to.

Alcohol Was Involved

Recent Events, Inexplicable as In Alcohol: Gary Garbaldo, 19, was charged with breaking into a stranger's home, apparently for the sole purpose of turning on an outside light so he could see on the porch to shave his friend's head with electric clippers (Albuquerque, February). And Ms. Dale A. Sunday, 49, was discovered in her car on the right field warning track at the then-under-construction Pittsburgh Pirates' ballpark, which was accessible from the street only through a complicated-to-navigate construction tunnel (March). And Iris Martinez, 24, was found alive in her car at the bottom of the 200-foot Rio Grande Gorge in Taos, N.M., despite a large rock barrier that supposedly prevents cars from going into it (March).

Opening at the Custard Factory arts center in Birmingham, England, in March was an exhibit basically consisting of no exhibit at all: no paintings, no sculptures, only whitewashed walls in a 2,500-square-foot hall that is empty except for a few scattered captions and the sign "Exhibition to Be Constructed in Your Head." Said a co-organizer, "It's an experiment to see how people react to it."

The Continuing Crisis

In March, a California consumer group, analyzing information supplied to the Federal Trade Commission by auto manufacturers, reported that the companies buy back about 100,000 of their cars every year (95 percent with one or more safety defects) under federal "lemon" laws, but then resell all but a few thousand of them after supposedly "repairing" them, even though they could not successfully repair them when the original consumers owned the cars. According to Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety, most of the repurchased cars are sold at auction in the states in which it is the easiest to hide the fact that the car was a "lemon law buyback."

In April, Ms. Annika Oestberg of Denmark successfully defended her international ice golf championship at the annual tournament before 35 challengers on Ummannaq Fjord, Greenland, beating American Tom Ferrel by 10 strokes. The temperature this year was a balmy 17 degrees (Fahrenheit), but the greens were still called "whites."

Least Competent People

Vandals active in March near Williamsburg, Va., have not yet been apprehended despite their lack of sophistication: They spray-painted eight cars with slogans such as "White Power," "KKK" and "High (sic) Hitler."

Undignified Deaths

A 21-year-old man lost control of his car and was killed while driving to court for his trial on previous reckless driving charges (Virginia Beach, Va., March). And three people were killed recently after confrontations as samaritans tried to prevent drunk friends from driving: A 46-year-old woman tried to keep an intoxicated friend from driving, but he drove off anyway and accidentally struck and killed her (Fairfax County, Va., January); and a Carrollton, Texas, man accidentally suffocated to death while being held down by seven friends to keep him from driving drunk (October); and an intoxicated 29-year-old man was struck and killed while walking across a busy highway after a friend had taken away his car keys (Morgan Hill, Calif., December).

Also, in the Last Month ...

Marlene Lincoln passed her driver's test, after 12 failures and 200 lessons, costing about \$6,800 (Sproston, England). A 54-year-old forgery suspect was released from jail after his wife presented a certificate showing that she had posted bail; however, the certificate turned out to be a forgery (Edwardsville, Ill.). A federal appeals court ruled that a state university in Pennsylvania had the right to fire a professor who refused to issue a passing grade to a student, even though the student skipped most assignments and 12 of 15 class sessions (Philadelphia). Christian Anders, 56, a semi-prominent German singer, said he and his girlfriend accepted an "indecent proposal" to lend her to millionaire Michael Leicher because Anders needs the money for a liver transplant (Berlin).

(Send your Weird News to Chuck Shepherd, P.O. Box 18737, Tampa, Fla. 33679 or Weird@compuserve.com, or go to www.NewsoftheWeird.com)

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SUNDAY EVENING TV schedule for May 13, 2001. Columns include time slots (8:00-8:30, 8:30-9:00, etc.) and channel numbers (TBS, NBC, PBS, etc.).

WEEKDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON TV schedule. Columns include time slots (9:00-9:30, 9:30-10:00, etc.) and channel numbers (TBS, NBC, PBS, etc.).

Farm/Ranch Recreation Educational Web Site

Laramie, WY - Farm and ranch recreation now has their own web site, www.uwyo.edu/ranchrecr, and it's a big one. Resources and information in all 50 states can be found on this educational web site intended for rural folks who are involved in the growing industry of tourism on farms and ranches.

Those interested in commercial recreation on their place are encouraged to check out the web site and sign up on the list serve. This will allow them to gain valuable and timely information from educators, agency people, and most importantly, from each other.

The USDA Fund for Rural America granted money to a group of educators and industry experts to compile the huge data base which is housed at the University of Wyoming (UW).

Dr. Jeff Powell, Professor of Range Science at UW, says the project took a couple of years to complete as all 50 states had to be surveyed and the information compiled to be in a user-friendly format. When operators access the web site, they are able to explore the list of resources available in their state or look for information in neighboring states.

An introductory slide show is featured on the site to give operators ideas about potential activities. One part of the data base includes information for over 700 operators who either participated in the initial survey or were identified by agency people in their respective states.

Another kind of information on the web site is the full text and figures for a 12-chapter, 300-page Farm and Ranch Recreation Handbook by RLS International which tells operators how to start and operate a successful farm/ranch recreation business.

Bill Bryan, Off the Beaten Path owner, surveyed travel agents about the concept of farm and ranch recreation and their booking practices with the industry. His information indicated the industry is not well known to travel agents, but travel agents recognize a need for operators of working farms and ranches who open their homes to guests to have a more organized approach to marketing. The nationwide web site will give farmers and ranchers one more tool for working together to promote their industry.

CRITTERCORNER

by Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

As any long-time reader of this column knows, I try to provide periodic updates on the activities of the Eastern Kentucky Kennel Club. I have been pretty quiet on this subject lately; the club has been experiencing some severe growing pains and even seemed on the brink of disbanding at one point.

Since we are an AKC affiliated club, we are required to hold a dog show each year; we were the traditional opening event for the Apple Festival in Johnson County for many years. The loss of our show site at Johnson Central High School was a huge setback for us.

So everyone is happy, right? Wrong. Morehead State University has just refused us the use of the site in the future. We don't know why. We do know that the club has been billed for nearly twice the amount of money we agreed to, that we can't get an itemized statement.

This is reminiscent of our experience in the Johnson-Floyd County area. Here it was the motels. With some notable exceptions (i.e. Days Inn in Paintsville, which was more than cooperative), several area motels informed us that they would no longer accept dogs.

In an area that professes to want tourism so badly, these things confound me. I'm sure that any large event in the area causes some inconvenience, but we seem to put up happily with the confusion caused by local festivals, parades, and circuses.

As I mentioned before, exhibitors love the EKKC show. They always point to the beauty of the area and the hospitality of the people; we are known as a show with a friendly atmosphere. This type of event draws people from all over the United States to this region for the first time - the very thing that tourism wants - and the tourists are paying for the preview!

The show also provides benefits to the local people in terms of both entertainment and education. How many other large, open-to-the-public, free-admission events are available here? A dog show is a great place to bring the family (as long as children are properly supervised), and is a welcome change of pace from the routine events in this area.

Our club is doing all we can to bring a large, unique and profitable event to our area, but we need some cooperation in order to pull it off! If anyone can offer any ideas, or would just like to voice your support, feel free to give me a call at (606) 358-9913, or e-mail me at mailto:carolcbac@tusa.net

Summer

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experiment together with various design elements, decking colors, cement coping and landscaping.

9.) Landscape around the pool - Remember to landscape the area surrounding the pool with trees, shrubs and flowering plants. Make sure you integrate the pool and landscaping so they relate to each other and to your home's architecture.

10.) Make maintenance easy - Thanks to technological innovations, pool maintenance is now easy. Learn about state-of-the-art maintenance equipment, such as automatic cleaning and filtration systems, robotic vacuums and aquatic computers - all of which can be controlled by remote control or cell phone.

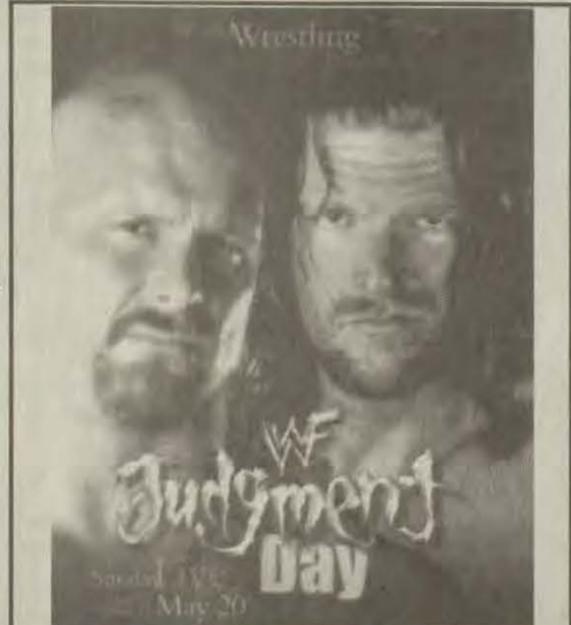
The National Spa & Pool Institute is the industry's trade association and represents more than 5,200 pool builders, retailers, distributors and service professionals who share a commitment to fair business practices and a standard of excellence in health and safety.

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Dave Pellatz, Executive Director of Wyoming Homestay and Outdoor Adventures, also found a need in the industry for a nationwide approach. In addition to marketing efforts, the operators also identified such industry needs as appropriate and affordable insurance and standards.

Additional information can be obtained from the web site, by calling Jeff Rottman of RLS International at 307.635.5746, or by e-mailing Jeff Powell at jeffpow@uwyo.edu.



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12. Trinity Broadcast Network	
13. WOVK	Huntington-Charleston (CBS)
20. Speedvision	
21. WB	
23. C-Span II	
24. GRTV	
25. Community Billboard Channel	
27. The Learning Channel	
28. EI	
98. WLPX	

PREMIUM CHANNELS

14. HBO	
15. HBO 2	
16. HBO 3	
17. Cinemax	
18. Event Pay-Per-View	
22. Showtime	
25. The Movie Channel	

CABLEVISION TIER

29. The Disney Channel	
30. Discovery	
31. TNT	
32. A&E	
33. TNN	
34. Nickelodeon	
35. USA	
36. Weather Channel	
37. CNN	
38. TBS	
39. GAC	
40. CNN-Headline	
41. MTV	
42. VH-1	
43. Lifetime	
44. CNBC	
45. ESPN2	
46. ESPN	
47. Animal Planet	
48. TV Land	
49. AMC	
50. Home and Garden	
51. Sci-Fi	
52. The History Channel	
53. Fox News Channel	
54. Much Music	
55. The Outdoor Channel	
56. Travel Channel	
57. Toon Disney	

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AccuWeather 7-DAY FORECAST FOR PRESTONSBURG

Day	Forecast	UV Index
Friday	Sunshine mixing with clouds.	High 80, Low 54
Fri. Night	Mostly cloudy; a chance for a shower.	74/50
Saturday	Some sun; a chance for a shower, t-storm.	74/50
Sunday	Mostly sunny.	76/56
Monday	Sunny to partly cloudy.	76/56
Tuesday	A mixture of clouds and sun; a chance for a shower.	70/52
Wednesday	Mostly cloudy; a chance for a shower, t-storm.	70/52
Thursday	A mixture of clouds and sunshine; cool.	66/48

UV Values indicate the sun's ultraviolet rays. The higher the UV index the greater the need for eye and skin protection. 0-1, minimal; 2-3, low; 4-6, moderate; 7-9, high; 10 or above, very high.

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Alexandria, VA	80-65	78-58	75-50	75-52	74-59
Bethesda, MD	80-55	72-49	67-40	65-46	68-57
Chattanooga, TN	86-56	79-52	77-50	74-50	77-58
Charleston, WV	83-55	76-51	72-46	71-49	72-81
Cincinnati, OH	80-56	72-50	70-48	74-50	72-82
Cleveland, OH	84-61	79-57	78-57	81-58	78-64
Columbus, OH	81-57	77-56	76-55	75-53	74-64
Frankfort, KY	83-53	74-53	75-45	72-49	75-67
Harrisburg, PA	84-57	77-53	72-48	87-51	75-63
Indianapolis, IN	76-55	72-50	71-49	67-48	69-83
Jackson, MS	82-57	77-53	73-50	68-54	72-85
Knoxville, TN	83-59	79-58	77-54	76-56	77-62
Lexington, KY	82-57	75-53	73-51	70-52	71-64
Louisville, KY	84-57	75-53	73-49	68-54	75-63
Marion, VA	80-58	75-54	77-56	77-55	76-65
Memphis, TN	84-65	84-63	82-61	84-66	82-68
Nashville, TN	83-61	77-57	75-53	79-59	80-65
Palm Beach, FL	84-53	78-53	74-50	68-54	74-63
Pikeville, KY	72-48	72-50	74-50	68-54	69-59
Pittsburgh, PA	81-54	75-51	70-48	63-45	77-64
Salisbury, MD	84-56	77-53	74-50	68-54	74-64
Tazewell, VA	81-53	77-54	72-50	72-48	74-57
Valley Station, VA	82-58	78-56	76-54	76-56	75-96
Washington, DC	81-54	79-50	79-45	82-45	80-82
Winston-Salem, NC	83-58	79-57	76-49	75-53	78-64

COUNTY OUTLOOK

Jenny Wiley State Park
Sunshine will mix with clouds today in advance of an approaching front. That front may bring a shower to the area tonight and perhaps a thunderstorm tomorrow. It will be cooler tomorrow and Sunday.

Dewey Dam Lake
Intervals of clouds and sunshine today. Winds will be from the southwest at 6-12 knots. The lake surface smooth to a light chop. Visibility generally clear to the horizon. Watch for a thunderstorm tomorrow.

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Jackson for the week ending May 8.

Temperatures:
High for the week: 55°
Low for the week: 22°
Normal high: 75°
Normal low: 51°
Average temperature: 66.4°
Normal average temperature: 61.4°
Temperature departure: +7.2°

Precipitation:
Total for the week: 0.36"
Total for the month: 0.36"
Total for the year: 10.44"
% of normal for month: 31%
% of normal for year: 60%

SUN AND MOON

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Fri.	6:25 a.m.	8:30 p.m.
Sat.	6:24 a.m.	8:31 p.m.
Sun.	6:23 a.m.	8:32 p.m.

MOON PHASES

Phase	Date
Last	May 15
Now	May 22
First	May 29
Full	June 5

Smile Awhile

by Sarah H. Blair

Due to a debilitating eye condition, I have been unable for the past few months to drive a motor vehicle. However, since I have the hindsight of a backseat driver, my keen intuitive abilities to tell other people how to drive are clearly intact. I discovered this amazing skill last Thursday when my sister, Melinda, came for a visit and chauffeured me around town.

"You should just go on through this light and forget the turn lane," I said as we approached the intersection. "It's quicker this way."

"Okay," she replied.

She continued driving and talking until we got close to the restaurant where we were going to have lunch. As she turned on her left hand signal I shouted, "No, Melinda! If you go that way we'll never get back on 23!"

Melinda looked at me and groaned as she started to pull into a parking space.

"No," I cautioned her. "You'd better park over there so the car won't be in the sun. And it will be less likely to get bumped if someone opens their door."

I could feel the heat of Melinda's malicious glare piercing through my temples. That's when I remembered how aggravated we all used to get when Mother would tell us how, where, and when to drive.

I remembered one time in particular when I was driving mother to Prestonsburg. We were sitting at an intersection, and since I refuse to budge until I can see Philadelphia, we sat for quite some time before mother started harassing me to pull out.

"Mercy, Sara!" she shouted. "We could have already been there and back by now. You need to go on!"

"I'm afraid of getting hit," I lamented.

"If you don't pull on out of here, I'm going to hit you," she threatened.

Minutes later, as we passed the Jenny Wiley State Park entrance, we saw a young boy pull out in front of a moving vehicle which almost resulted in an accident. There was an older lady sitting next to him.

"Did you see that?" Mother asked, anxiously.

"Yes, I did," I replied. "And I bet he pulled out because his mother was probably telling him to go on, go on, go on!"

After we finished our lunch, we got back into the hot car and proceeded toward town. Since it was technically still lunch, I told Melinda that we should take the old road back into town and go straight down Third street before turning onto Court. That's when I realized that I had obviously crossed the line, (and I'm not talking about the one in the middle of the road.)

"Sara," Melinda said, patronizingly. "I grew up in this town. I know every street and hollow in the county. I can recite the lineage of half the families who settled this section of the state, and I got my driver's license in 1964. Despite your astute directions, I think I can navigate my way to the courthouse. After all, I'm the one in the car who can see where we're going."

"You're right, Melinda," I apologized. "I just know faster ways to get around. I thought I was helping."

"Helping? Heck, listening to you, I'm surprised I made it here all the way from Midway!" she yelled. "If you'd been my tour guide, I'd still be looking for the Mountain Parkway exit."

We finally made it to the City Parking Lot, and after five attempts to park her car between the two yellow lines that divided the parking space, we took care of our business and she let me off at the house before heading home.

"Call me when you get there!" I shouted as I waved goodbye. In my head I was thinking that I should hear from her in a couple of hours. After three hours had passed, I finally called and Melinda's husband, Ed, answered the telephone.

"Is Melinda there yet?" I asked.

"No," Ed retorted. "She just called on her cell phone and said that she made a wrong turn on the Mountain Parkway and ended up in Beattyville. She should be here any minute now though."

I can't remember who said it, but revenge is indeed sweet; particularly if no one gets hurt.

Help wanted! Kids needed for Marathon ice cream tasting weekend