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briefs

Budget approved by House

The state House of Representatives approved its version of the state budget Wednesday, moving that bill forward to the Senate for consideration.

One item of local interest in the budget is a stipulation that would forbid the closing or substantial change of Prestonsburg Elementary. That language was placed in the bill by House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo of Prestonsburg.

In order for the ban on closing to become effective, the final budget approved by both the House and Senate and signed by the governor must also contain the imperative. Stumbo said Tuesday evening that he believes it will survive.

Prestonsburg Elementary has been the subject of closing rumors following a meeting of the Local Planning Committee last month. That committee is charged with the mission of finding ways to solve the school district's problems of under-utilized space in classrooms.

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Today



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High: 68 • Low: 33

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PCC WOMEN'S EXPO



photo by Loretta Blackburn

Dr. George Edwards, president at PCC, and Sharon Edwards, director of Pathways at Highlands Regional Medical Center, have helped to bring local organizations together to present the first Women's Expo in an effort to educate the women of the community.

PCC, Highlands host first Women's Expo

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

Prestonsburg Community College and Highlands Regional Medical Center presented the first Women's Expo on Thursday in the Pike Building on the Prestonsburg campus.

The event was made possible by

the college, the hospital and the sponsorship of many community organizations who are interested in providing the women of Eastern Kentucky with information on topics they may not otherwise have access to.

Dr. George Edwards, president of PCC, and Harold Warman, CEO of Highlands, opened the event by

welcoming nearly 100 women who came to take part in the activities.

"It was a good turnout for our first event," said Dr. Edwards.

The event was initiated by Sharon Edwards, director of Pathways at Highlands, who said that she had always been interested

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Women cautioned against scams

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

Lori Farris armed women with knowledge on consumer scams at the Women's Expo on Thursday at Prestonsburg Community College.

Farris is the program coordinator for the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General. She travels across the state and educates people on the scams that consumers face.

Telemarketing calls, one of the many topics discussed, was the focus of a House Bill 47 which was signed by Gov. Paul Patton on March 6 and will be effective by mid-July.

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Lori Farris, program coordinator for the Consumer Protection Division of the Office of the Attorney General, armed women with knowledge about consumer scams.

Art an expression of freedom, expo told

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

A local artist, Tom J. Whitaker, expressed art as "the freedom to do what you want" in an educational session at the Women's Expo on Thursday at Prestonsburg Community College.

Whitaker, a professor at PCC, started the session by talking about the purity of children and their ability to spot a phony. He presented a painting done by a child and

pointed out the "precious pureness" that he linked to the freedom to express one's feelings as art.

"Art has done more for me than I have done for it," said Whitaker.

Whitaker educated women on the differences between visual art, that which you see, and haptic art, that which you feel. He pointed out that art comes from feelings and that a person is the only one who can really judge his or her own work.

On the subject of haptic art,

Whitaker told a story of a child who had constructed an art figure of a man with one arm. He said that the instructor told the boy that if he would put another arm on the figure he would display it and became angry when the boy refused to do so. He called the boy's father to complain of his son's rebellion, but was enlightened when the boy's father arrived with only one arm.

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Businessman, former mayor Grigsby dies

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

One of the foremost civic and business leaders of the town of Martin died this week at the Samaritan Hospital in Lexington. E.P. "Pete" Grigsby Sr., a former mayor of the small town and owner of the E.P. Grigsby Store, died on Tuesday of an apparent heart ailment. He was 89 years old, just one week shy of his 90th birthday.

Elhanan Pete Grigsby, or "E.P." as he was affectionately known, served as mayor of the city of Martin for four terms, from the years 1952-55, and again later from 1968-1979. Prior to his election as mayor, he served several terms on the Martin city council. He was a Democrat.

During his term as mayor, Grigsby oversaw many improvements to the town. He was responsible for getting the first telephone exchange system installed in the small town, and was an instrumental force in the installation of the city's modern water purification system. Additionally, he directed the construction of two major housing projects, one of which, "Grigsby Heights," a federally-funded project, was named for him.

Grigsby opened the E.P. Grigsby Store, a variety store, in downtown Martin in 1934, during a period when the main street of the small city was still a dirt road. He was



E.P. "Pete" Grigsby Sr.

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UMWA president arrested outside coal company

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INEZ — United Mine Workers President Cecil Roberts was among 11 people arrested at the site of a massive sludge spill Thursday as they protested the environmental record of coal giant Massey Energy.

About 200 UMW members gathered outside the gates of Massey subsidiary Martin County Coal. Those arrested sat down and refused to leave a road that leads to the mountaintop coal sludge pond that failed a year and a half ago.

The collapse dumped 300 million gallons of black goo into the Big Sandy River and its tributaries, killing fish and fouling drinking water. Lawns were buried up to 7 feet deep in the molasses-like mixture.

Roberts and the others arrested were released from

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Agency wants more power to put an end to 'straight pipes'

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Nearly 400 people have been cited since August for illegally discharging sewage directly into the ground or streams through "straight pipes," the state's top environmental official said Thursday.

His agency is hoping the General Assembly will give it a bigger enforcement stick, though time is running out on the 2002 session.

Kentucky already has a law requiring new houses to have proper sewage disposal before the owner can get

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COME MEET BUSTER



Odds and Ends

■ RENTON, Wash. (AP) — You can't blame this car crash on the dummy in the front seat.

The Washington State Patrol said a woman with a full-size mannequin buckled into the passenger seat of her minivan tried to sneak into the car pool lane on Interstate 405, and became involved in a chain of crashes that closed the freeway and backed up traffic for hours Tuesday morning.

The woman, Susan Aeschliman-Hill, 59, of Kent acknowledged using the dummy — dressed in a woman's black-and-white sweater and complete with makeup and a wig — to drive illegally in the car pool lane, which requires at least one passenger.

"When traffic gets real bad, I sometimes use (the mannequin)," she told The Seattle Times.

The incident was being investigated, but State Patrol Trooper Monica Hunter said Wednesday that the woman would likely be cited for driving alone in the high-occupancy vehicle lane and making an unsafe lane change.

"Her passenger wasn't breathing and that's one of our requirements," Hunter said.

■ JACKSON, Miss. — Children's lobbying efforts paid off when the state Senate snuggled up to a bill designating the teddy bear as Mississippi's official state toy.

The bill passed 50-2 on Wednesday and goes to Gov. Ronnie Musgrove, who said last month that lawmakers should spend their time on more significant issues. A spokeswoman said Musgrove will sign the bill.

During a brief debate, state Sen. Johnnie Walls stood at his desk and nuzzled two plush bears — a brown one and a white one. "There are some of

us crusty old people who love to hug teddy bears," Walls said.

The House approved the measure 121-0 on Feb. 6.

Children from Plantersville School in north Mississippi wrote to senators seeking support for the stuffed toy.

"Mississippi is not known for many things. With this bill passed, it will help get our state recognized as being the first," wrote eighth graders Robin Alexander and Santana Wade.

Sens. Hillman Frazier and Rob Smith voted against the bill. Frazier said state officials should concentrate on more serious issues, like creating jobs and finding money for Medicaid and education.

■ ATWATER, Minn. — It's not a missing cat or an apartment sublet that's posted on flyers around west-central Minnesota. Instead, it's Molly Swenson's strapless wedding dress.

Swenson, of Atwater, has been searching for her wedding dress since it was mistakenly donated to a Goodwill store in Willmar.

After her Sept. 2 wedding, the dress was put in her mother's car so it could be taken for cleaning. However, Swenson's mother also had items to be donated to Goodwill and the wedding dress went along with them.

When Swenson learned her dress had been donated, she said she started crying "really hard."

So far, Swenson has learned that the dress arrived at the Goodwill sometime in mid-September and was put into stock in February, when it was sold. Swenson bought the dress for about \$950; Goodwill sold it for \$35.

"It was pretty unique. It was strapless, which is not as common in this area," Swenson said.

Swenson said she's not ready to give up on the white gown, which took eight hours of shopping to find.

"I tried on 18 that day before I found the right wedding dress," Swenson said. "I'm willing to pay whatever they paid for the dress plus a reward to put toward a brand new dress. I just want it back."

■ SAN DIEGO — The fugitive was a 5-foot male native to Australia who flew the coop after being bitten by a pregnant donkey.

He ran wild for three days, leaping a fence, injuring an officer and stopping traffic in front of a high school.

The fugitive, an emu named "Mu," was recovering in a barn Wednesday from scrapes he suffered during his capture.

"I knew this bird would become famous sooner or later," his owner, Gail Bornstein, said.

The flightless bird, which resembles an ostrich, is one of several exotic pets Bornstein keeps on her miniature horse farm in Escondido, a suburb north of San Diego.

Mu escaped early Sunday from the 20-acre ranch and evaded his owners for two days.

"We almost had him, then Bam! he just took off,"

Bornstein said.

Three officers located the bird and managed to get a blindfold over its small head. Mu was subdued and bound with a rope, but not before a powerful kick dislocated the finger of one of the officers.

During his transport to a shelter, the emu kicked open the rear doors of the animal control truck. He fell out in front of Escondido High School, just as classes were letting out.

Police were called in to direct traffic while animal control officers tried to control the frantic bird. A tranquilizer was administered and Bornstein took the emu home without incident.

"I think he's going to take it easy," Bornstein said. "At least, that's what I'm hoping."

■ SAN FRANCISCO — The vino flowed freely but no one even got a taste when a tanker truck filled with wine tipped over on a highway.

About 3,200 gallons of white wine gushed from a broken steel tank Tuesday morning after a semitrailer's driver lost control going around a curve on Highway 16, east of Petaluma. The driver was not injured.

"I think it was chardonnay," said Shannon King, a spokeswoman with the California

Highway Patrol.

Traffic was slowed for more than an hour on the two-lane highway about 30 miles north of San Francisco.

CHP officer Curt Lubiszewski said the semitrailer, owned by Cherokee Freight Lines in Stockton, slid 600 feet after tipping on its side. One of the steel tanks broke open, bathing the highway in a river of white wine and forming small, pinkish pools in a neighboring pasture.

"It just smelled like fermented wine," Lubiszewski said, noting the strong aroma was earthy — not bold or fruity.

"What a shame," Gladys Horiuchi, communications manager for the Wine Institute in San Francisco, said after hearing of the accident. "I haven't heard of wine getting dumped since Prohibition."

■ VANCOUVER, Wash. — A woman who was trying to keep her boyfriend out of jail wound up in the slammer after a packet of methamphetamine fell out of her pocket in court, officials said.

The episode occurred Tuesday during a hearing in Clark County Superior Court for Randy Lee Baker, 33, accused of failing to pay court fines.

Lisa Marie Brecht, 31, of Longview, stepped forward to tell Judge James E. Rulli that she mailed in a payment for Baker last week.

"She was gesturing with her hands, which had been in her pockets, and when she took them out the baggie flew out," court clerk Julie Brown said. "The poor defendant, he just covered his face with his hands and shook his head."

As Brecht bent down to pick up the baggie, custody officer Albin Boyse told her to put it on the table.

"The judge said to the defendant, 'I thought you were clean and doing well,' and he said, 'I am, and I thought she was, too,'" Brown said.

Brecht already was wanted for failing to pay court fines for third-degree theft and driving with a suspended license. She was jailed without bail pending a court appearance.

■ CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Thomas Jefferson's head is home — for good.

A plaster bust of Jefferson used as the model for the nickel was donated to Jefferson's former estate, Monticello, by two art collectors in New York, the

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East Ky. company mailed letters approving visas for terrorists

The Associated Press

LONDON — A Kentucky contractor was simply following directions from the Immigration and Naturalization Service when it mailed visa approval forms this month for two terrorists involved in the attack on the World Trade Center, an executive said Wednesday.

An official with Affiliated Computer Services Inc. of London said questions about why the letters were sent would be best directed to the INS.

"In these kinds of contracts, our clients own this data, operate on this data, and it's all within their purview," said Lesley Pool, chief marketing officer for the information processing company based in Dallas, Texas. "Our role is purely handling the paper."

Huffman Aviation, a flight-training school in Venice, Fla., received paperwork Monday acknowledging INS visa approvals for Mohamed Atta, 33, of Egypt, and Marwan Al-Shehhi, 23, of the United Arab Emirates. Atta and Al-Shehhi trained at Huffman Aviation in July 2000, and were aboard the separate flights that struck the World Trade Center towers on Sept. 11.

The two initially entered the United States on visitor's visas but applied for an M-1 student visa, given to immigrants attending technical schools in the United States.

A spokesman for the immigration service, Russ Bergeron, said the INS already had notified the men and the school last summer about the approvals. He described the paperwork Huffman received this week as "backup notification."

The INS approved Atta's request in July 2000 and Al-Shehhi's request the following month, Bergeron said.

"The important thing to recognize is the decisions to change their status were made

... before Sept. 11, and at the time there was no information made available to INS regarding these people and their link to terrorism," Bergeron said.

Both men were cleared to stay in the United States until Oct. 1, 2001, according to the forms, which were provided to The Associated Press by Rudi Dekkers, owner and president of the flight school.

"When they hit the buildings they were approved to be here," Dekkers said.

Bergeron on Tuesday attributed the embarrassing INS delay to a backlog of documents at the London, Ky., processing center. But Pool said Affiliated Computer Services has no backlog. She said the contract with the INS allows the company six months to digitize information

from the forms and get back to the federal agency.

INS officials assured a Kentucky congressman on Wednesday that a federal processing center in London, Ky. was not responsible for the delayed paperwork. The agency said Affiliated Computer Services processed and returned

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Little support for charter schools

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — The charter school movement has yet to take root in Kentucky — in part because of the Kentucky Education Reform Act, educators and lawmakers say.

"I think one reason is that when the reform movement was starting in Kentucky, charter schools were barely on the radar screen," said Robert F. Sexton, executive director of the Pritchard Committee for Academic Excellence, an advocacy group that pushed for the changes authorized by KERA in 1990.

"Later, when charters were getting a lot of support in other parts of the country, the reform plate in Kentucky was already filled to the brim," Sexton told The Courier-Journal of Louisville. "Legislators already had their hands full. I think it's that simple."

Since the passage of KERA, Sexton said, he has sensed little demand for charter schools in the state.

"It doesn't come up at public meetings," he said. "People's minds are someplace else."

He also noted that KERA itself might be part of the explanation — in that it establishes governing councils at every school and encourages "school-based decision-making."

Although few of the councils, made up of parents and educators, have been "aggressive" in authorizing new approaches, Sexton said, in theory "every school can be what it wants to be" under the law.

Lisa Gross, a spokeswoman for the Kentucky Education Department, made the same point.

"We already have school-

based decision-making and local control," she said. "I think that has kept charter schools from becoming an issue."

Kent Ostrander, executive director of the nonprofit Family Foundation of Kentucky, which has been a critic of KERA, disagreed. He said he doesn't believe the law really permits local control by parents.

Ostrander said parents have only two spots on the six-member school councils, and he contended that teachers and administrators have the final say with their four votes.

"It would be a step in the right direction if that were turned around," he said.

Ostrander agreed that KERA has dominated the public education agenda in Kentucky. But, he added, if it falters there likely will be more support for charters.

"We don't see it in this session," he said. "But we will be pushing for it. We support charter schools. They are a wonderful way to get parents, as opposed to the state, into the schools to improve children's education."

Coal truck drivers protest enforcement of W.Va. weight limits

The Associated Press

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Coal truck drivers upset with the governor's decision to enforce state highway weight limits converged on the Capitol on Tuesday.

About 100 truckers gathered along Interstate 64 and U.S. 119 before driving into the city en masse to block traffic around the Capitol complex.

"People need to respect our way of living or everybody in the state will have to feed us," said trucker B.J. Manns. "If they enforce the law at 80,000 pounds, it will put drivers out of work, it will put trucking companies out of work, miners out of work."

On Monday, Gov. Bob Wise issued a directive to send state enforcement agencies to U.S. 52 in Wayne County. It was the first time since the 1980s that the state

had conducted a coordinated enforcement action.

Crews stopped 14 trucks Monday, with the lightest weighing 156,000 pounds and the heaviest at 181,000. State laws limit truck weights on highways to between 65,000 and 80,000 pounds.

"The state issued 2,000 citations for overweight trucks last year," said Amy Shuler Goodwin, Wise's spokeswoman. "We are just continuing to enforce the law."

Truckers initially had threatened to spend the night in their rigs at the Capitol, but they agreed to go home for at least two days after talks with administration officials and legislative leaders.

Senate President Earl Ray Tomblin said a special session could be held this week to address the issue.



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If your hair was blonde for 30 yrs., but you've had to buy blonde in a bottle for the past 10 yrs., how old would you be?

If you handled your weight for 32 yrs. and you've been out of control and on a diet for eight yrs., how old would you be?

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For the Record

MARRIAGES

Rebecca Marie Harvey, 17, of Melvin, to Adam Carl Conn, 18, of McDowell.
 Cathryn Irene Lee, 29, to Charles Adrian Devault, 32, both of Prestonsburg.
 Connie Marie Gwin, 32, of Martin, to Danny Richard Stephens, 33, of McDowell.
 Amanda Hamilton, 22, to Lloyd Goble, 50, both of Prestonsburg
 Molly Arlene Goble, 18, of Prestonsburg, to Troy Jean Jarvis, 24, of Cow Creek.
 Devina Dawn Hall, 29, to Robert Clinton Wise, 29, both of Grethel
 Teresa Lynn Vogts, 38, of Harold, to Robert Allen Evans, 43, of Blue River.
 Brandy Leighann Hill, 18, of Wheelwright, to Lee Michael Little, 22, of Melvin.

LAWSUITS

Shirley M. Caudill vs. Rhonda J. Hall; petition for health insurance.
 Shirley Caudill vs. Rocky Hall; petition for health insur-

ance.
 The Hartford vs. Tim Crum; complaint.
 Green Point Credit LLC, Green Point Credit Corp. vs. Joey J. and Kathleen Blevins; complaint.
 Bettina Lynn Hunt vs. James Hunt; divorce.
 Michael Stewart Moore vs. Amanda Dufore Moore; divorce.
 Mid-state Trust VIII vs. Jody L. Hall, Anita G. Hall, and Floyd County; complaint.
 Kathy Collins vs. Thurman Akers; verified complaint.
 LaSalle Bank National Association as indenture trustee, Superior Bank vs. Ricky L Meek and Jane Wallace Meek, county of Floyd, and city of Prestonsburg; complaint.
 John D. Hall vs. Mitzi A. Hall; divorce.
 Frankie Case Akers vs. Payton Akers; divorce.
 Robert Tussey vs. Julie Maudean Tussey; divorce.
 Darris Amburgey vs. Georgetta Moore and American Home Assurance Company; complaint with demand for a

trial by jury.
 Equitable Production Company vs. E.F. Farley, and Ed Slone; verified complaint.
 Israel Shepherd vs. Mary Burgess and Allstate Indemnity Company; complaint with demand for trial by jury.
 Dale L. Murrell vs. Diane Murrell; divorce.
 Shenna Marie McCallister Boyd vs. Jason Lee Boyd; divorce.
 Mary Etta Crum Eplin vs. Larry Edward Eplin; divorce.
 Francis Patton vs. Jody Shepherd and Lillian C. Ramey; complaint.
 Craig Triplett and Teresa Triplett vs. Larry Slone; complaint.
 Richard May vs. Reynold Dillion and Inter Mountain Cable Inc.; complaint.
 Roy Brandon Thornsbury and Cosby Leann Davis vs. Steven Collins and Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co.; complaint.
 Michael Slone and Eugenia Booth vs. Pearl Booth Howell; complaint.
 Harla Renae Conn vs. Jason

J. Brewer and Jeffrey Mark Brewer; complaint.

CHARGES FILED

Danny Burchett, 51, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
 Kimberly Dawn Cornett, 36, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking and alcohol intoxication.
 Nathan J. Feasel, 22, Sycamore, Ohio, possession of marijuana, giving false name or address, use/possession of drug paraphernalia.
 Richard A. Vickers, 48, West Van Lear, alcohol intoxication.
 Gregory Arnett, 19, Martin, public intoxication.
 Kevin Slone, 22, Garrett, violating a protective order.
 Josephine S. Owsley, 66, Ashland, alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest.
 John Paul Miller, 21, Langley, violating a protective order.
 Maria L. Campbell, 34, Langley, possession of marijuana, use/possession of drug paraphernalia.

Dorothy R. Chandler, 34, Hazard, theft by unlawful taking.
 Kimberly Caldwell, age unknown, Banner, theft by deception.
 Millis D. Hall Jr., 29, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.
 Sue Tackett, 58, Weeksbury, harassment.
 Roy Johnson, 48, Melvin, first-degree wanton endangerment.
 Robert L. Williamson, 34, Louisa, receiving stolen property.
 Jeffrey C. Jones, 22, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
 Cecelia Ratliff, 39, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
 Aaron Tackett, 55, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
 John Paul Miller, 21, Langley, violating an emergency protective order.
 Eddie Dean Shepherd, 27, David, fourth-degree assault, menacing, and first-degree criminal trespassing.
 Delmar Barnett, age unlisted, Eastern, menacing.
 Kenny Noble, 34, Emmalena, harassment/no physical contact.
 Debra Crager, age unlisted, Hueysville, terroristic threatening.
 Todd Dotson, age unlisted, Belfry, theft by deception.
 Richard B. Scott, 40,

Prestonsburg, carrying a concealed weapon.
 Nevia Brunner, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, harassment/no physical contact.
 Chad Rogers, 32, Galveston, alcohol intoxication.
 Edwin Mullins, 43, Ligon, alcohol intoxication.
 James Paul Cox, 39, Three Rivers, Mich., alcohol intoxication.
 Lloyd a. Teeter, 35, Martin, disorderly conduct.
 Orbin Slone, 25, Pippa Passes, alcohol intoxication.
 Amanda R. Howard, 41, West Van Lear, theft by unlawful taking.
 Vance Hale, 43, martin, theft by unlawful taking.
 Wayne Wallen, 39, East Point, carrying a concealed weapon.
 Merlin Dean Osborn, 26, assault fourth degree/spouse.
 Bryon Keith Martin, 29, Martin, unlawful transaction with a minor third degree and alcohol intoxication.
 Billy Dean Carroll, 48, Printer, alcohol intoxication.
 Vonda Gayheart, 32, Martin, theft by deception.
 Joyce Gail Wilson, 32, Inez, receiving stolen property.
 Shane Lee Conn, 21, Printer, minor in possession of alcohol and alcohol intoxication.
 Willie G. Hamilton, 41, Teaberry, alcohol intoxication.
 Dwan E. Younce, 36, Virgie,

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Kentucky panel approves bill to create 120-mile 'linear' state park

by BRUCE SCHREINER
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Rep. Keith Hall invoked the memory of Kentucky's most famous pioneer in promoting a bill Wednesday to create a hiker's haven.
 Hall's bill would create a 120-mile "linear" state park out of the Pine Mountain Trail — a rugged strip of ridge top that threads along the border of southeastern Kentucky.
 "We can look back in history and remember that Daniel Boone ... trod the very ground that we're looking at today as a possibility of making it a state park and a hiking trail," said Hall, D-Phelps.
 The bill was approved by the House Tourism Development and Energy Committee despite opposition from some commit-

tee members, and others, who said they feared the park would infringe on personal property rights.
 The park would stretch along Pine Mountain from Elkhorn City in Pike County to Pineville in Bell County. It eventually would connect with the Cumberland Trail State Park being developed in Tennessee.
 Park supporters predict it will attract tens of thousands of tourists who also would visit and spend money in communities near the trail. At the same time, a natural treasure would be protected, proponents say.
 "Pine Mountain is one of the last, great untouched areas of eastern Kentucky," said Shad Baker, county extension agent in Letcher County.
 Hall said the bill was carefully crafted to protect property rights. Land owners not wanting

to sell could instead lease property or grant easements to allow the trail to run through their land.
 The state could use its condemnation powers to acquire undeveloped land within the trail but not houses or cemeteries.
 The trail would vary in width. On one stretch, the trail would be 1,000 feet wide. Elsewhere, it would be no wider than 250 feet — an attempt to accommodate some land owners.
 Wayne Fleming, a Letcher County magistrate, told the committee that in some instances property along the trail has been in the same families for a century. "It would be a shame to take these people's land," he said.
 The Letcher Fiscal Court went on record, voting 3-2 Monday, to oppose the park after some local residents complained about the proposal.
 The residents, some of whom own cabins on Pine Mountain, complained that the proposal would destroy water supplies and create garbage dumps.

Rep. Rick Nelson, D-Middlesboro, said his colleagues needed to consider how they would feel if someone had designs on their property or wanted to allow strangers to walk behind their homes. "So put yourself in these people's place," he said.
 Hall said the bill has safeguards to ensure the wishes of local residents are considered. He said the state Parks Department would hold public hearings while developing a plan to manage the trail.
 Under the bill, the parks department would set the trail's boundaries by June 30, 2003. The department would regulate new or additional land uses along the trail to "minimize disturbance" to the path. Natural vegetation, for the most part, would be kept undisturbed.
 U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers secured \$1 million from Congress for the trail. Patton has said \$600,000 was available from the state conservation fund. Park supporters are hoping to obtain an additional \$2.5 million in federal funds for the trail.

House panel defeats bill to expunge records in criminal cases

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — The House Judiciary Committee defeated a bill Wednesday to expunge the records of people cleared of criminal charges.
 The bill drew opposition from the Kentucky Press Association.
 The measure would have applied to anyone acquitted of criminal charges or who had charges dismissed with prejudice.
 Circuit court clerks would have filed the expungement orders no sooner than 60 days following acquittal or dismissal. The orders would have expunged all records in the case, including arrest records.
 Rep. Johnnie Turner, R-Harlan, said he introduced the bill to spare such people the expense of hiring lawyers to have their records expunged.
 Kim Greene, general counsel for the press association, called the bill a "terrible assault" on the judicial system.
 She said no matter the outcome, a charge was filed and went through the court system. "The record of that needs to remain intact," she said.
 Greene pointed to the case of confessed killer Mel Ignatow as a reason not to expunge records. Ignatow was acquitted of murdering Brenda Sue Schaefer but later admitted the crime. Ignatow recently was convicted in state court of lying under oath in the 1989 trial of a doctor who threatened him.
 On a related topic, the committee approved a bill that would allow people to seek the expungement of emergency pro-

tective orders taken out against them. They would have to wait at least 60 days before filing the court motion for expungement.
 The bill would allow expungement if a judge determined that no domestic violence occurred or is likely to occur in the future.
 The bill, which already passed the Senate, now goes to the full House for consideration.
 (The criminal expungement bill is House Bill 580. The protective order expungement bill is Senate Bill 97.)

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— H. L. Mencken

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Guest View Editorial roundup

Seattle Post-Intelligencer, on DNA testing also reducing crime:

Assessing its short but stunning track record over the past decade, Attorney General John Ashcroft describes DNA analysis as the truth machine of law enforcement.

Seen through a wider prism, no tool has more potential to revive America's faith in its criminal justice system. That's a tall order for a very short acronym. ... But witness the monumental power of DNA analysis.

It exonerates the falsely convicted, freeing people who have been locked away for years. It convicts the rightly accused earlier in the process, sparing taxpayers the cost and victims the angst of lengthy trials. It brings resolution, if not closure, to the friends and family of those who have been murdered.

Moreover, the specter of DNA analysis — if it becomes the gold standard throughout the country — should deter crime in a way that capital punishment has failed to.

What would give a would-be killer pause: the prospect that he might, many years down the road, be executed or the knowledge that just tiny amounts of DNA (sloughed skin cells or a blot of saliva) could seal his guilt? And the testing's ability to nab criminals earlier and with dead-on accuracy should prevent a certain number from re-offending. ...

These advances will certainly be worthwhile but the best that DNA analysis has to offer is the gift, as Ashcroft says, of sparing Americans from ever being victimized.

The News-Herald, Panama City, Fla., on Afghanistan:

After eight American soldiers were killed and about 40 injured in recent fighting in eastern Afghanistan, the Bush administration said to Americans, in essence, "We told you so." War is messy business, and no one has pretended that U.S. lives wouldn't be lost

Nevertheless, the news is still tough to take.

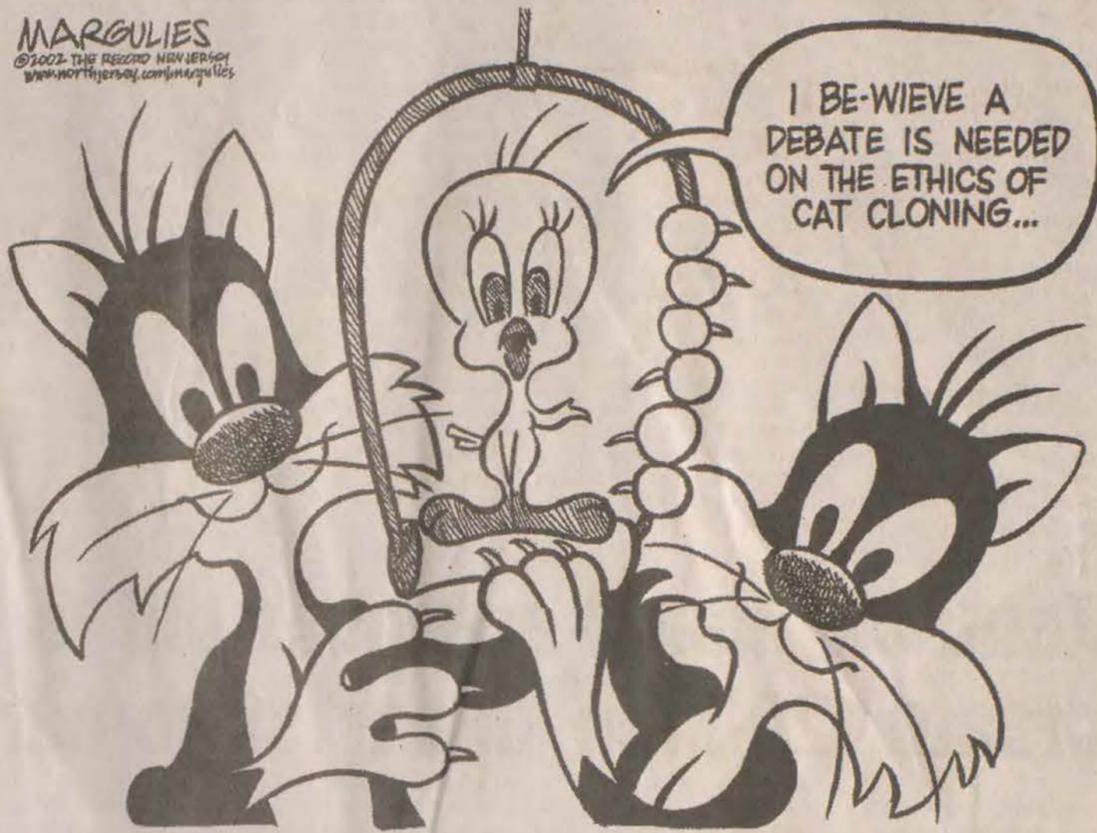
Americans have become so accustomed to successful air attacks by U.S. forces during this war that they aren't used to facing death and casualties in any number.

Ironically, the casualties had the perverse effect of stifling a conversation about American war aims that was beginning to bubble to the surface after a nearly six-month war. Democrats openly grumbled about administration plans to send about 200 troops to the former Soviet republic of Georgia to help fight terrorists there. ...

Few question the U.S. role in Afghanistan, given the direct role of the Taliban government in aiding al Qaida. But that doesn't mean that Americans ought to take lightly plans that could lead to further commitments in places like the Philippines or Iraq.

The tragic deaths this week remind us that war is not easy and should only be waged after a full debate.

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In the moment

View it well

I was reflecting on a topic my public speaking instructor touched on today concerning the time he spent with his sons while they were growing up and a collection of things he accumulated from those years, but most importantly the words he had written and his reference to them as "triggers to a great many memories."

I thought about how we are given these precious little packages that are so very vulnerable and susceptible to what we expose them to. Thoughts like

this can evoke a lot of guilt from a mother who, like many I'm sure, was not ready for the task of molding a little human being.

But, is anyone ever ready to take on such a responsibility? All a person can really do is the best they can and try to improve on that each day. I don't think that a person will know if they are ready for the task of raising a child until they have been in the process of doing that for awhile and can look back honestly and objectively to determine the degree of their

shortcomings.

I thought of some of the things that I would rather not have had my children see and some of the conflict that still exists today reminds me that they were affected by it. But I can't take back what I did or did not do yesterday. Instead of concentrating on where I may have fallen short, I will concentrate on what I can do today.

I am grateful to be aware of the fact that I am the biggest influence on how my children will view life. I pray that I can show them how to view it well.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

Letters

Pleased with response

Thanks, Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn, for an exceptional job.

I would like the citizens of Floyd County to know about a job well done. On March 6, my daughter and son-in-law were robbed. Within a few hours after calling Sheriff John K. Blackburn, he and his officers apprehended the criminals and returned all of their stolen belongings.

I would like to commend the sheriff for his quick response and personally thank

him for the return of some irreplaceable items. We as Floyd County citizens should be very proud to have such an efficient sheriff and department serving us.

I would like to ask each of you to help re-elect Sheriff John K. Blackburn.

Scottie Keathley
Galveston

Support miners' widows

Linda Chapman will start her walk from Charleston, W.Va., to Washington, D.C.,

on March 15 in honor and support of National Widows for Miners and Black Lung Benefits.

Her purpose is to gain support and attention for the widows of miners and black lung disease recipients who do not receive benefits from the Department of Labor once their spouse is deceased.

Phyllis Tipton on Pikeville will be joining Ms. Chapman in her efforts to support this program.

I think we all should get together and support and encourage these widows in their efforts. Call your center and congressman for their support. Let's show all the

widows of the deceased coal miners we care.

I would like to see a good turnout in Charleston, W.Va., for the kick-off walk to Washington, D.C., in honor of these two widows. Also, I would love to see a great crowd in Washington on April 15 to greet the widows for what both Ms. Chapman and Ms. Tipton have done in honor of all the remaining widows.

I feel over the years the coal miners have been done so rotten on their benefits. We find money for everything else. Let's find it for the widows of deceased coal miners and our other federal black lung benefits.

I will do my part in giving Linda Chapman and Phyllis Tipton all the support and encouragement they may need to succeed in their walk.

I want to ask all the Democrats and Republicans alike to sit down one time and support the widows of the deceased coal miners. We must remember those who worked their lives away in the mines, which I feel are the backbone of our great country.

Let's not let our families down. Come and show your support.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Bude Jarvis at (304) 595-1316 or Peggy Coleman at (304) 595-2280.

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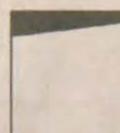
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At the Movies:

'Resident Evil'

by DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

The makers of "Resident Evil" slipped some "Alice in Wonderland" homages into their big-screen version of the video game.

As you ponder why anyone would want to draw comparisons between Lewis Carroll's beloved work of nonsensical fantasy and a horror flick about flesh-munching zombies, keep in mind that the real wonder is why anyone would want to make this movie at all.

Sure, it's based on an enormously popular series of games. But haven't we had enough joyless joystick adaptations to make the video-game movie as passe a relic as Space Invaders or Pac-Man?

"Resident Evil" is an excessively derivative blend of "Aliens" and "Night of the Living Dead," with traces of Stephen King's "The Stand" tossed in. The movie swipes ideas and visuals from better films, swirling them into an unimaginative concoction with little of its own to offer.

Writer-director Paul W.S.

Anderson ("Mortal Kombat") patterns "Resident Evil" as a prequel to the video games, explaining how such characters as the

an underground bunker called the Hive. When a virus is released, the complex is sealed off and the compound's 500 workers are killed.

found at the gateway, including Milla Jovovich as Alice (Lewis Carroll reference No. 2).

The movie is incomprehensible in the opening minutes, the cinematic equivalent of trying to play a complicated video game without a clue about the rules. Then, like an on-screen video-game intro explaining how the game goes, one of the soldiers conveniently lays out the setup to Alice:

She and the other amnesiac are Hive entrance guards. They've been zapped by a memory-draining weapon. The commandos must journey down through various perils to reach the computer that controls the Hive, the Red Queen (Lewis Carroll reference No. 3).

From there the film plays out in the linear fashion of a video game, the soldiers advancing to new levels with tougher tasks and obstacles, including Hive workers reanimated into brainless zombies that need to feed on living humans; undead dogs; the Red Queen's high-tech defenses; and the ravenous Licker.

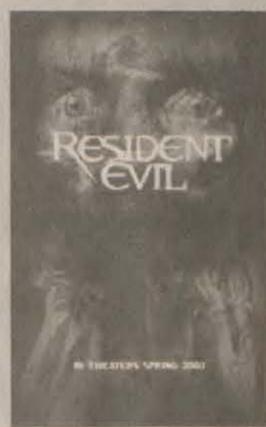
As Alice's memories slowly return, her flashbacks also spell out a human menace endangering the troops.

"Aliens" did the soldiers-against-creatures thing far better than "Resident Evil." And the movie's undead hordes are shameless ripoffs of George Romero's "Living Dead" flicks, right down to their jerky-jerky means of ambulating.

For titillation's sake, Jovovich runs around clad in next to nothing at the beginning and end of the film. She has a decent action-hero presence that goes to waste in the movie's miasma of silly stunts, drab dialogue, Nintendo visuals and obnoxious industrial music.

As a brooding commando, Michelle Rodriguez is the only other remotely interesting cast member. The rest are as stiff as video-arcade targets.

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Undead, the Zombie Dogs and the mutant, long-tongued Licker came to be.

In some near future, the Umbrella Corp. dominates the corporate landscape, conducting secret genetic and viral research in

A group of commandos is dispatched to Looking Glass House (Lewis Carroll reference No. 1), a mansion concealing the Hive entrance, to journey below ground and find out what happened. They pick up a couple of amnesiacs

Doctors give TV medical dramas a mostly good bill of health

by ANTHONY BREZNICAN
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

LOS ANGELES — Recent TV hospital dramas such as "ER" accurately depict modern medicine, but should focus more on current controversies such as insurance and nursing shortages, according to doctors at a panel discussion on how television portrays their profession.

The discussion Tuesday, titled "It Must Be True, I Saw it on TV," came on the last day of the American Medical Association's national leadership conference.

Dozens of doctors, nurses and medical students attended the session. "ER" star Noah Wyle was among a group of TV industry representatives taking part.

Many of the medics praised NBC's "ER" and now-defunct programs such as "St. Elsewhere" in the 1980s and the recent "Chicago Hope" for demystifying the image of doctors as miracle workers — an image created by the 1960s shows "Marcus Welby, M.D." and "Dr. Kildare."

In those older shows, "all the medicine happened behind closed doors," said Randolph Smoak, the AMA's former president.

By contrast, today's medical dramas are gritty and gory — unflinchingly depicting frantic surgery, overworked doctors and harsh hospital bureaucracy. And the patient doesn't always survive.

Although such realism may be frightening, Smoak said it helps reduce unrealistic expectations by patients.

However, he suggested the shows should tackle more political topics such as uninsured patients, the bureaucracy of HMOs and a patient's bill of rights.

"Can't you picture an episode where someone gets a prescription from the ER and says, 'Well, doctor, I won't be able to eat next week if I buy your medicine,'" Smoak said. "What kind of powerful message would that carry to the public and the policy-makers of our country?"

Donna Hill Howes, a registered nurse who chaired the panel, urged television shows to pay more attention to nurses. Hospitals across the country have reported that low pay and more varied opportunities for women in medicine have created a nursing shortage.

Mark Morocco, a medical adviser to "ER" and the medical-emergency show "Third Watch," said nurse characters on TV are too often unimportant background figures or sex objects.

He cited NBC's Aaron Spelling-produced hospital show "Nightingales," which spent much of its time "finding a

way to get into the nurses' locker room." It was canceled after 12 episodes in 1989.

Many in the audience Tuesday said they were fans of "ER," which has been television's most popular drama for seven years, according to Nielsen Media Research.

Some said the NBC show has a responsibility to educate as well as entertain, and Wyle agreed.

"When we first started, all our technical advisers told us that emergency rooms were the primary source of health care for most Americans," the actor said. "That's changed in recent years,

because watching 'ER' has become the primary source of health information. Then people go to the emergency room and compare."

Inaccuracies usually are a result of television's time constraints, said Samantha Corbin, co-executive producer of "Crossing Jordan," a medical-examiner program on NBC.

"Shows have to fudge reality in terms of making this as dramatic as possible and cramming it into a 46-minute episode," she said. "Unfortunately, (in reality) most medical conditions can't be diagnosed, much less cured, in 46 minutes."

A red-letter day for television swearing

by DAVID BAUDER
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — Time to wash the speakers out with soap: Last weekend marked a milestone in televised swearing.

Several profanities were included in the riveting footage on the CBS "9-11" documentary about the World Trade Center collapse Sunday night, the most in memory for a single prime-time broadcast network show.

And ESPN's first-ever original movie, "A Season on the Brink," contained frequent swear words from the lips of actor Brian Dennehy portraying basketball coach Bobby Knight — highly unusual for a basic cable network that has avoided profanity in the past.

Both decisions were debated at length within their respective networks, which ultimately said they opted for realism.

They were notable developments even for a television landscape that has plainly grown coarser over the last few years.

There was less than one use of rough — not even necessarily profane — language per prime-time hour on all the broadcast networks during the 1989-90 TV season. By the 1999-2000 season, there were nearly five per hour, according to a study by the Parents Television Council.

During four weeks of viewing in 1989, PTC researchers counted 108 uses of "hell" and

"damn." By 1999, there were 518, the group said.

The language on "9-11" was much tougher. Firefighters are shown staring at the fireball after the first plane flew into the World Trade Center and repeatedly saying, "Holy (expletive)." Firefighters use vivid language to express their anger at the attack.

At one point, the filmmaker is ordered away from the World Trade Center by a police officer who says, "This ain't (expletive) Disney Land."

Profanity is uttered throughout the footage captured that day by the two French filmmakers who were making a documentary on firefighters. "What you see is quite limited," said Susan Zirinsky, "9-11" executive producer.

The program's host, Robert De Niro, warned viewers at the outset to expect rough language. "This was uncharted territory," Zirinsky said. "The language was rough but the circumstances were rough."

Brent Bozell, president of the Parents Television Council, said he couldn't object to the language. He compared it to the TV premiere of the movie, "Schindler's List," about the Holocaust. Bozell said he had his twin 14-year-old sons watch that movie with him, despite the violence and full-frontal nudity, because he believed it was so

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'Dr. Don' named science fair celebrity chairman

Local radio/television personality "Dr. Don," Donald Bevins, will serve as celebrity chairman for the East Kentucky Science Center's Regional Science Fair, Science Center Director Raymond Shubinski announced last week.

Dr. Don broadcasts special events on WPRG Channel 5 television station at Harold. He also

does news programs on radio stations WXRL (104.9), Pikeville, and WKKZ (105.3), Prestonsburg. The two stations are also known as the Double X during simulcasts.

From major media events to school Halloween Carnivals, Dr. Don is there, behind the camera filming the action. When a teacher calls and asks him to

come and film an event, Dr. Don usually grabs his camera Burns said on his own time and without pay.

"You hear the slogan 'I do it for the children.' Well, I am the one telling the truth: I do it for the children. I go into a ballgame or some other event and kids come up to me and say 'Dr. Don, you're my hero. 'It's humbling.'"

Dr. Don has been involved in education since graduating from Pikeville College. He taught high school band for two years at Augusta in Mason County. His father, the late Grady Bevins, taught school for 35 years in Pike County. His grandfather, the late William McKinley Justice, was principal of Hellier High School in Pike County. His grandfather also wrote five books of poetry and was Pikeville College's poet laureate.

Dr. Don, his grandfather, and his aunt Alice Kinder, were recognized for their achievements, along with such notables as Daniel Boone, in the Appalachian News Express' 100 Top People. Dr. Don was also named most popular DJ in Eastern Kentucky in his early broadcasting years at WECL in Elkhorn City.

In his daily job at the TV and radio stations, he is surrounded with the intricacies of broadcast science, and it's made him more aware of the importance of science in every aspect of his life.

"I'm curious about everything. I want to know what's underneath me, what's above me and what's inside of me. Everything that works has a cause and an effect — and everything can be explained either through science or through religion," he said.

The Regional Science Fair

committee consists of Raymond Shubinski, Science Center Director; Solomon Kilburn, chair of the Science Center Education Committee; Cathy Neeley, the Center's education coordinator; and Lynn Duncan, an instructor at Wesley Christian Academy in Allen.

The Regional Science Fair is open to school science fair winners in Floyd, Johnson, Martin, Magoffin and Pike counties. The regional competition will be held Saturday, March 23, at the Wilkinson/Stumbo Convention

Center, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Prestonsburg. Students will set up their exhibits at the Convention Center Friday, March 22, beginning at 7 p.m. Judging will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday. An awards ceremony is scheduled for 2 p.m., Saturday.

For more information about the Regional Science Fair, call (606) 889-0303; email eky-science@setel.com; or visit the EKSC website, www.wedo-science.org.



"Dr. Don" Bevins, a popular DJ well-known throughout Eastern Kentucky, will serve as East Kentucky Science Center's Regional Science Fair's first celebrity chairman.

One in every five kids in school lunch program ineligible for benefit, government says

by PHILIP BRASHER
AP FARM WRITER

WASHINGTON — One of every five kids who gets free or discounted meals at school may be ineligible because the family's income is too high, a government-commissioned study says.

The Agriculture Department, which runs the lunch program, says billions of dollars in education aid, including grants for computer hookups, are divvied up on the basis of the lunch numbers, encouraging school officials to push the figures higher.

Some 13 million children received free meals last year, and an additional 2.6 million paid a discounted price, a maximum of 40 cents per meal.

"I don't want to decrease the

number of kids that participate if they are eligible to receive it ... (or) deter eligible children from receiving these benefits," said Eric Bost, Agriculture's undersecretary for food and nutrition programs.

But Bost also said millions of ineligible children reaping a benefit their families don't qualify for is a problem that demands a solution.

Schools rely upon parents to report their income properly and check the financial records of no more than 3 percent of families to verify eligibility. Some schools even provide incentives to parents, including free raffle tickets, to get them to apply for free or discounted meals for their children.

Studies for the department by Mathematica Policy Research, an independent research firm, indicate that the error rate grew rapidly in the 1990s. In 1999, the latest year for which data were available, the lunch rolls were 27 percent higher than they should have been, based on an analysis of census data. That's up from 23 percent in 1998 and just 5 percent in 1994.

The issue has divided school officials. The American School Food Service Association, which represents school nutritionists, says there's obviously a problem.

"While there is room to argue the size ... it is very likely that there may be children approved who should not be," said Marcia Smith, the group's president and school food director in Polk County, Fla.

But Bruce Hunter, associate executive director of public policy for the American Association of School Administrators, said the Bush administration is just looking for a way to cut school spending. "For every child who is enrolled who ought not to be there is a child who is not enrolled who should be," he

said. Bost, who briefed a congressional committee recently on the problem, said in an interview he is working with the Education Department to find a way to correct the numbers without requiring a lot of new paperwork. That could include asking for new congressional authority to tighten the scrutiny of the applications, he said.

In Texas and California alone, about \$4 billion in federal and state education money is distributed to districts and schools based on the school lunch numbers.

Teachers who work in schools with high participation in the lunch program can get college loans forgiven, according to the Education Department.

Because so much money is at stake, "this has resulted in some schools allowing ineligible students to enroll in the program," Bost said.

Education Department officials had no comment on the issue.

A family of four with an annual income of up to \$22,945 can qualify this year for free school meals. The cut-off for the discount rate is \$32,653. The income limits are higher in Alaska and Hawaii.

The Agriculture Department started experimenting two years ago, during the final months of the Clinton administration, with new methods of checking eligibility.

Twenty-two school districts are involved in the project. In some cases, parents are being required to provide documentation of their income, such as pay stubs, when they turn in the application. In other cases, districts are selecting small numbers of applications to check for problems. Where error rates are high, the schools are supposed to check a much larger number of applications.

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Timothy B. Davis, 18, Hueysville, disorderly conduct.

INSPECTIONS

Wells Mobile Home Park, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots and trailers not numbered systematically and non-compliance of lot size due to structures being located less than 15 feet from other structures. Score: 96.

Hot Rod's Pizza, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Improper storage of food, hair restraint not in use during food preparation, contact paper danger on preparation table, unable to locate test kits, staff restroom does not contain a self-closing door, and trash containers in food preparation area not covered. Score: 90.

McDowell Grade School cafeteria, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Hair restraints not in use at all food preparation areas, inside of doors are cracked in reach-in freezer, outside garbage container is not properly covered, light is not shielded in the walk-in milk cooler, all reach-in coolers along the back wall are not provided with lights. Score: 94.

Dollar General Store, Allen, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Critical item #31 corrected, non-critical item #36 uncorrected, non-critical item #8 has been corrected. Follow-up score: 99.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Joann McKee to Gordon R. McKee, property located at Bull Creek.

Creed Martin and Barbara Martin to Jackie Martin and Lily Ann Martin, property located on Shop Branch, Printer.

Teresa Bentley to Samuel G. Bentley, property located on Frasure's Creek of Left Beaver Creek.

Saver Group Inc., a Kentucky corporation, formerly known as Saver Systems of Kentucky Inc., to CCNR Properties LLC, a Kentucky Limited Liability Company, property location not listed.

D. & D. Food Market Inc. to West Irvine Plaza LLC and CCNR Properties LLC, property located on Friend Street.

Kenneth Ray Hall and Gennell (Boyd) Hall to Barry Hall and Jada R. Hall, property location not listed.

Ryan L. McComas and Jaime L. Justice McComas (formerly Jaime L. Justice) to Edgar Wayne Cassell and Donna R. Cassell, property location not listed.

First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg Inc. to HLT

Properties LLC and James E. Williamson, Terence W. Fitzer and Mark A. Link, property location not listed.

Jack B. Reynolds and Emma S. Reynolds to Steven Lafferty and Kellie Griffith, property location not listed.

Leck Coleman Jr. to Bobby Coleman and Sherri Coleman, property located on Samson Branch at Dana.

Darrell Sparks and Kathrynn Sparks to Karen S. Osborne, property located in Emma.

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Odds

been on loan to Monticello since 1993. It has been on display since 1997.

"This is a truly generous gift," said Susan R. Stein, curator of the estate. "We are thrilled to be the owners of this important American icon."

The bust was a gift of the Gilder-Lehrman Collection of New York, run by collectors Richard Gilder and Lewis E. Lehrman. It is one of several plaster busts made by Houdon from the original model he sculpted out of terra cotta.

According to the Thomas Jefferson Foundation, which manages Monticello, Jefferson purchased 10 or 12 busts from Houdon in the 1780s, including likenesses of George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Marquis de Lafayette and himself.

He wanted to display the busts at Monticello, in a "gallery of worthies."

OCONOMOWOC, Wis. — If they only had a drain.

A performance of "The Wizard of Oz" at Oconomowoc High School turned ugly when 300 gallons of raw sewage leaked into a room next to the school auditorium.

The sewage began leaking from a utility room connected

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to the orchestra room right before the performance. But the doors to the room were closed to fend off the stench, and the show went on.

"The kids did an incredible job, especially since it was extremely stinky," said Betsy Freeman, who helped create the costumes for Thursday's play. "The cast and costumes were moved to the band room, and plumbers and custodians were called to tackle the problem."

The area was cleaned with anti-bacterial products during the weekend. Testing will begin to make sure no harmful bacteria made its way into the carpeted areas.

District Superintendent Greg Maass said the problem could happen again because of the building's age. He hoped residents would approve construction of a new school.

— The Associated Press

Swearing

important.

The head of broadcast standards for NBC said he understood CBS' reasoning. "I would have made the same call," said Alan Wurtzel.

Terrorists

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the documents to the INS within the time period stipulated by its contract, said Dan DuBray, spokesman for Rep. Harold Rogers, R-Ky.

"We were very concerned about the impression that this contractor was given the blame for the agency's process," DuBray said. "The contractor performed the contract the way it was supposed to."

Pool said her company doesn't screen who is being granted visas.

"All of that data is confidential, and all of that data belongs to our client," Pool said. "It would not be appropriate to actually analyze, act on or do anything with that data. That's not our job."

Affiliated Computer Services has a five-year, \$74 million contract with the INS to process paperwork involving students, businessmen and tourists visiting the United States.

Under its contract, employees

Many of his other decisions are harder. What used to be hard-and-fast rules for network standards departments aren't anymore, he said.

"They have really diverged," he said. "There are some things I hear on other networks that I'm really surprised at, and I hear from my colleagues that there are things on our network that they are surprised at."

The success of HBO's "Sex and the City" and "The Sopranos" has increased the cultural pressure on network executives to air rougher material, and producers constantly try to push things, he said.

If a producer hears something on a competitor's show, they'll use the example as ammunition. Wurtzel said he tries to balance the sensibilities of conservative viewers and advertisers with societal mores.

ESPN was faced with its language decision when a rough cut of the movie was completed about a month ago. ESPN convened focus groups of network viewers, with most preferring the profane version, said Mark Shapiro, an ESPN senior vice president.

"You couldn't produce a movie on Bobby Knight and use phrases like 'aw, shucks' and 'golly gee,'" Shapiro said. "It just

wouldn't be believable."

Bozell finds that justification pretty weak.

"Hollywood has done movies involving probably hundreds, if not thousands, of people who were known to cuss," he said. "Were they doing a disservice by not having them cuss? When was the last time you heard people see a movie, and say, if there was more cussing, it would be more realistic?"

ESPN decided to offer parents concerned about the language an option. It simultaneously aired a version with the swear words bleeped out on ESPN2 — the network's less visible younger sister.

Shapiro said the edited version was not offered on ESPN because the movie had been so relentlessly promoted on the main network.

One irony: At the movie's conclusion, ESPN airs footage of the real Bobby Knight — with all his swear words bleeped out. ESPN said the clips came to them with the language already removed.

Don't expect the bad language to become a trend at ESPN, Shapiro said.

"Profanity has never been a fixture in the past," he said, "and it won't be a fixture in the future."

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Hyundai Motor denies it has chosen Alabama over Kentucky

The Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — Hyundai Motor Co. denied a news report Thursday that it has chosen Alabama over Kentucky to build its first auto plant in the United States.

"Our evaluation has not been finished yet. We still need a few more months before making the final decision," said Park Sang-woo, a Hyundai spokesman.

After months of surveys, Hyundai narrowed its site possibilities to locations in Montgomery, Ala., and Glendale in February.

Kentucky Gov. Paul Patton's office said Thursday that the governor expects Hyundai to decide on a site in the coming weeks. Rusty Chevront, Patton's press secretary, said Hyundai executives "have told us the time frame is the end of March or the first of April." Kentucky officials are working with those dates in mind, Chevront said.

South Korea's English-language Korea Herald, citing a new report and sources it did not identify, reported in its Thursday edi-

tion that Hyundai "has finally settled" on Montgomery.

Herald quoted sources within Hyundai as saying that the South Korean company "is increasingly leaning toward Alabama as Kentucky's effort to condemn private real estate for an auto plant has been stuck in legal disputes."

"Alabama is preferred by Hyundai, as its alliance partner DaimlerChrysler has a manufacturing plant there," Herald said. "Moreover, the location will provide easy access to the Latin American market."

Another advantage for Alabama is its active move to adopt a bill that will earmark about \$77 million in public bond issuance for the purpose of training automotive plant workers, Herald said.

The bill, Herald said, is seen as "indicating that Montgomery has been selected as the site for Hyundai's first U.S. plant."

On the other hand, Kentucky's effort to host the Hyundai plant was hampered by a lawsuit filed over a land contract for part of the proposed Hyundai plant, Herald

said.

Hyundai officials called the Herald report "erroneous and misleading."

"The two U.S. sites are on our

list with equal weight," said the Hyundai spokesman, adding that his company was considering issuing an official news release to deny the Herald report.

The spokesman said Lee Je-rok, chief of Hyundai's V Project Team in charge of the U.S. plant, and his team members were traveling in Alabama and Kentucky

as part of the selection process.

The \$1 billion Hyundai factory would employ at least 2,000 workers and probably would make sport utility vehicles.

Senate bill deletes some regulation of power plants

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A bill approved by a Senate committee Thursday removes the requirement that electric generating plants have to meet broad environmental standards.

Sen. Ernie Harris, R-Crestwood, said it was an "oversight" that his bill removed the requirement that power plants have to obtain a "certificate of

environmental compatibility" from the Public Service Commission.

Harris said he would change the proposal when the bill is taken up by the full Senate. But he also argued against a proposed amendment by Sen. Ernesto Scorsone, D-Lexington, that would have restored the regulation. Scorsone's proposal would have also required utilities that sell retail power to comply with power plant siting

requirements proposed for "merchant plants."

Tom Dorman, executive director of the PSC, called the bill "a step back" in the form passed by the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Most of the legislation deals with new regulations that must be observed for the location of plants that sell electricity out of state to other utilities. Among other restrictions, plants would have to be located far from residences and public facilities like schools and nursing homes.

Dorman said the PSC wants to force utilities that already are regulated by the PSC, those that sell electricity to homeowners and businesses, to also comply with siting rules for generating plants.

"Without that, this is a very bad bill. With it, it's a very good bill," said Sen. Ed Worley, D-Richmond.

At the request of the PSC, the committee did include a provision that utilities cannot transfer assets worth \$1 million or more without approval.

Dorman said utilities elsewhere have sold power plants to

affiliated companies and then bought back their power at much higher prices to avoid regulations.

Although the committee voted unanimously to approve the bill, several legislators asked that amendments be attached to fix what they said were problems. Harris said he would consider changes, but made no promises that the bill would once again be considered by the committee.

John Schmidt, an Erlanger resident, asked the committee to apply strict regulations to all power plants. Schmidt said he lives in a residential area that would have been host to a new power plant, which he called an "abominable intrusion."

Schmidt said he preferred the approach taken by Rep. Jon Draud, R-Crestview Hills, which would impose far more stringent rules on power plant locations. Draud's bill has passed the House, but stalled in the Senate.

"I would call it a homeland defense bill," Schmidt said.

(The Senate bill is SB257. The House bill is HB540.)

Scams

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The bill will provide better protection to consumers by stopping most telemarketing calls to Kentuckians who place their telephone numbers on a list kept by the Attorney General's Office.

According to Farris, this will close some of the loopholes in the existing bill. She warned women to be cautious when talking to telemarketers on the phone because they have ways of making it appear that a person agreed to purchases that they had actually declined.

Farris talked about identity theft and how senior women are the most vulnerable because of their good credit ratings.

According to a brochure from the Office of Attorney General, identity theft is the fastest growing crime in the United States

with 1,000 new victims each day. These criminals steal a person's identity by using personal data they can obtain from several sources, including trash cans, mail, purses and the internet.

Farris demonstrated the trusting nature of some by providing entry forms for a door prize to those attending the session. She laid them all out on the desk to choose someone for the door prize and commented on the information that was given to her.

"Five of you gave me enough information to make me a wealthy woman," said Farris.

She reminded the group of women that we are taught to automatically follow directions but showed how this is not always a good idea.

Grigsby

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a pioneer in establishing the town as a viable business center during a time when there were little or no business concerns in the sparsely populated area.

He also established the Martin Federated Store, a department store that offered quality clothing and brand-name apparel to the area up until the mid-1980s.

In later years, he built and owned the Catalina Motel, in Lexington, which he and his family operated for approximately 35 years until its sale in the mid-1990s.

At one time, Grigsby was also involved in the wholesale candy business.

Grigsby was born at Lotts Creek in Perry County, one of six children born to Luke Pryor Grigsby and Eliza Mae Combs Grigsby. He was raised by his parents on a small farm, and he graduated from Hazard High School, where he received recognition as an accomplished athlete in both football and basketball, earning an athletic scholarship to Morehead State College (now known as Morehead State University), where he was a member of the football team.

While attending Morehead, Grigsby met and married Marena Hayes Grigsby, to whom he was married for 62 years. He did not return to his university studies following his freshman year, and was later inducted into military service, serving for a short time in the U.S. Navy during World War II, before being granted an early honorable discharge release as a "hardship case." His wife, pregnant at the time with twins, was attempting to run the family business while also caring for the couple's other children, according to E.P. "Pete" Grigsby Jr., assistant superintendent of Floyd County Schools.

Marena Hayes Grigsby passed away in 2001.

Grigsby also taught for a period of time in the Floyd County educational system, but ultimately chose his business ventures as his career choice.

Grigsby was a devoted family man and was very proud of one distinction, in particular, that his family earned during the late 1950s. He, his wife and his children were chosen to represent the

state of Kentucky in the All American Family Search that took place in Miami Beach, Fla., in 1957. The Grigsby family performed the song, "My Old Kentucky Home," on the locally televised contest and were awarded the honor of receiving the Eddie Rickenbacher Trophy in recognition of being named the contest's "Most Popular Family." The Grigsby family was given the honor by vote from the 50 families from across the nation who participated in the talent search with them.

Thomasine Robinson, the current mayor of the city of Martin, said she has fond memories as well as a deep and abiding respect for the town's former mayor.

"I grew up on the same street that Mr. Grigsby lived on. I played with his daughters, Marena and Lynn," Robinson said. "As I grew, I watched Mr. Grigsby do so many great things for this city, up to even now. He has always remained very involved with the community. He was someone you could see every day, walking down the street, going in to check on his store. Mr. Grigsby was one of our leaders, he helped the city grow so much, especially during the '60s and '70s. He was a permanent fixture here. We celebrated the Fourth of July in Martin for the first time in 20 years last summer, and Mr. Grigsby sat outside his store, celebrating with us. He is a man that will be long remembered. If he ever thought that anyone needed anything, he would make calls, do whatever he could to help. He will be missed."

Grigsby is survived by six sons, E.P. "Pete" Grigsby Jr. of McDowell, Dr. Charles Gary Grigsby of Lexington, David Lee Grigsby of Georgetown, Jerry Roger Grigsby of Nicholasville, Richard Van Grigsby of Lexington and Stephen Jan Grigsby of Lexington; two daughters, Marena Ann Evans of Visalia, Calif., and Margaret Lynn Hamilton of Lexington; 36 grandchildren; and 39 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Elhanan Pete Grigsby Sr. will be held today at the Hall Funeral Home in Martin at 11 a.m.

Expo

in community education. She said that with the help of Dr. Edwards and others, they had pulled together as many community organizations as possible in order to help the community.

According to Edwards, through the sponsorship of local organizations, organizers were able to develop a low-cost program that would educate community women on topics that would appeal to them. She said the goal was to make the information educational while also making it entertaining.

The sponsors of the event paid for the cost of the program, and the speakers were volunteers who wanted to give something to the community.

Visitors could browse the hallway of the first floor of the Pike Building, picking up free items offered by sponsors as

they chose which sessions to attend. There were four educational sessions every hour except for lunch, which was provided at noon while the women enjoyed a fashion show, presented by local businesses in the Pike Auditorium.

Topics ranged from women's health, stress management and financial planning to legal issues, art and travel.

Sharon Edwards said this was the second event that had been developed to help the community. The first, which focused on the emotional care to older adults, was the Senior Expo held last fall at PCC. She said that this one was focused on educating women of all ages.

Edwards said that she wanted to help women help themselves through education.

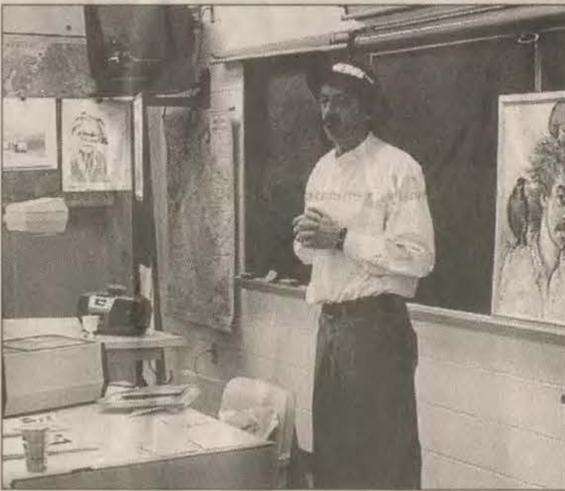


photo by Loretta Blackburn
Tom J. Whitaker, artist and professor at Prestonsburg Community College, described art to women at the Women's Expo on Thursday.

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"That's haptic," said Whitaker.

Whitaker acknowledged the importance of women in Appalachia and the strength for which they have not received credit.

Whitaker, praised the value of

words of Ralph Waldo Emerson who said, "Everyone needs someone who will encourage them to be all they can." He said it is women who do this by molding the personalities of children.

Sewage

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electrical service. However, hundreds and perhaps thousands of older dwellings still run straight pipes, according to the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet.

Even where sewer service is available, "the problem is getting people to hook on," Natural Resources Secretary James Bickford said.

Beyond environmental considerations, local governments have a harder time getting loans for sewer projects because they cannot be assured of collecting tap-on fees, Bickford said.

"How are they going to pay the bill? How are they going to pay the loan back?" Bickford said in an interview.

A bill approved by a House committee Thursday would require buildings to be connected to a sewer, where available, within a year. Exceptions would be made for properties with approved septic tanks or other systems that were no more than 10 years old.

Testifying to the House Local Government Committee, Bickford said straight pipes seem to be identified with eastern Kentucky but actually are being used all over the state. In western Kentucky, some land

owners "have just drilled down into a cave," he said.

Since August, his agency has investigated 531 reports of straight pipes and has issued 397 notices of violations. Thirty-two more cases are pending enforcement action, Bickford said, adding: "We've got people out walking the creek banks," looking for discharges.

Rep. J.R. Gray, D-Benton, abstained on the bill. He said home owners with good septic tanks or other systems should not be forced to tap onto a public sewer line. "I think we're penalizing people," Gray said.

Most on the committee were sympathetic to Bickford, however. "I'd feel blessed if the sewer and water people would run a line down my road," said Rep. John Adams, D-Hopkinsville.

The bill, by Democratic Rep. Ira Branham of Pikeville, would seem to have time working against it. Fourteen days remain in the legislative session, though most bills that have not yet been passed in one chamber are unlikely to get out.

Even assuming passage in the House, Bickford said he has received no commitments on the bill from the Senate.

Miners

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custody shortly afterward.

"We are targeting Massey because of its corporate greed and callous disregard toward the environment, worker safety and the well-being of Appalachian coalfield communities," Roberts said.

"Massey's indifference has jeopardized the health and safety of thousands of local residents, and this company has demonstrated repeatedly that it is not a good corporate neighbor to the citizens of Kentucky and West Virginia."

Massey officials did not return calls to their offices in Charleston, W.Va., and Richmond, Va.

Massey, the nation's fifth-largest coal company, has squared off with the union before over labor disputes dating back to the mid-1970s. In one such dispute in 1984, Massey hired nonunion workers to replace striking union miners. Roberts insisted that Thursday's protest had nothing to do with past strife.

Once the nation's most powerful union, the UMW has seen its membership drop dramatically with the decline of coal production. At its peak six decades ago, the union had more than 700,000 members; it currently has about 30,000.

Hawkeye Dixon, a UMW member from McCarr, said he wanted to show residents around Inez that people in eastern Kentucky support them in

their legal fight to get Massey to pay for damages to their property from the massive coal sludge spill.

"They're probably the worst company in the nation as far as violating environmental laws," Dixon said.

Placards called for Massey to "clean up your act." One declared: "Children spill less than Massey."

Frank Collins, a UMW member from Matewan, W.Va., said residents shouldn't have to worry about tidal waves of coal wastes sweeping away their homes. He said they also shouldn't have to worry about lesser spills that pollute Appalachian streams.

"You can look at the rivers and see it," Collins said. "The streams are black. These companies have always gotten away with it."

In the past year, Roberts has been arrested during protests in Indiana and West Virginia. He became president of the union in 1995, after then-President Richard L. Trumka was elected secretary-treasurer of the AFL-CIO. Roberts was elected vice president of the UMW in 1982, running on a slate with Trumka.

"We don't want the government to forget what happened with this spill," Roberts said. "There's a large number of these impoundments in the mountains, and we don't want people to forget what can happen."



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Gene Kelley

Gene Kelley, 69, of Endicott, Ky., died Saturday, March 9, 2002, following a brief illness.

Born on September 17, 1932, in Georgia, he was the son of the late Clarence Kelley and Ella Hathococls Kelley. He was a retired factory worker.

He is survived by his wife, Rebecca Burchett Kelley.

Other survivors include one step-son, James Johnson of Michigan; one brother, Bobby Kelley of Plant City, Florida; and three step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Willard Kelley and two half-sisters, Daisy Lee and Margaret.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 11, 2002, at 2 p.m., at the Endicott Freewill Baptist Church, with Bill Collins and Mames H. Smith officiating.

Burial will be in the Collins Cemetery, Buffalo, Endicott, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation was at the Endicott Freewill Baptist Church.

(Paid obituary)



Elhanan "Pete" Grigsby

March 19, 1912-March 12, 2002

E.P. Grigsby of Martin, former mayor and civic leader, passed away on March 12, 2002, after an extended illness. He was one week shy of his 90th birthday.

He was prominent in local, civic and political activities for nearly 40 years. He served as mayor and city councilman during this time.

Elhanan "Pete," or E.P. as he was known, was one of six children born to Luke Pryor and Eliza Combs Grigsby. He was the last surviving member of that family, being preceded in death by his siblings: Ester G. Brashear, Kermit Grigsby, Anna Mae Beaven, Bailey Grigsby, and Madeline Grigsby.

He grew up in Perry County, and was a stellar athlete at Hazard High School, earning an athletic scholarship to Morehead State College. While there he played on the football team, and met and married the late Marena Hayes Grigsby, to whom he was married for 62 years. Shortly thereafter, he taught briefly in the Floyd County education system, and later moved to Martin, where he and his wife began a small business. His business interests multiplied, as did his family, and together they had eight children.

He was a pioneer in establishing "New" Martin as a viable business center and town. At the time of his first business, main street was a dirt road, and there were little or no business concerns, and a sparse population in the area.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, and was honorably discharged. He served as mayor of the City of Martin for 16 years, and an

equal amount of time as a city councilman.

As mayor, he saw many improvements in the small city, and which on one occasion was identified as the smallest municipality in the United States receiving Federal Aid. He was responsible for getting the first telephone exchange in Martin, and was instrumental in the installation of the modern water purification system. He directed the building of two major housing projects, one is named Grigsby's Heights, just at the edge of town.

His family represented the state of Kentucky in the All American Family Search in Miami Beach, in 1957. They were awarded the Eddie Rickenbacher Trophy as the most popular family, elected by the remaining 50 families represented.

In recent years he built and owned the Catalina Motel in Lexington, Kentucky. He had numerous business interests in Martin, Kentucky.

He is survived by eight children: Pete Grigsby Jr., of McDowell, Kentucky (Phyllis); Charles G. Grigsby, M.D., of Lexington, Kentucky (Sparkle); David Lee Grigsby of Georgetown, Kentucky; Jerry R. Grigsby, DJP, of Nicholasville, Kentucky; Richard Van Grigsby of Lexington, Kentucky (Phyllis); Stephen J. Grigsby of Lexington, Kentucky; Marena G. Evans of Visalia, California (Gary); and Margaret G. Hamilton of Lexington, Kentucky (Frank).

In addition, he is survived by 38 grandchildren (two deceased); and 39 great-grandchildren.

His life was a testimonial to the virtue of honesty and hard, steady work. He was a wonderful, generous and loving father and grandfather.

Love and respect for his life and work will long endure, and his presence will be painfully missed by those who cared and loved him.

Funeral services for Elhanan "Pete" Grigsby will be conducted Friday, March 15, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky.

Entombment will follow in the Lexington Cemetery, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

Joyce Creech Craft Francis

Joyce Creech Craft Francis, 81, of Sarasota, Florida, (formerly of Lexington, Prestonsburg, Hazard), died Thursday, March 7, 2001, in Littleton, Co.

She is survived by her husband, Fred G. Francis (formerly of Prestonsburg), whom she married May 29, 1982, in Lexington, Kentucky.

She was born March 20, 1920, in Athol, Ky. She was retired, a graduate of Midway High School, member of the Lexington Club, Lexington Country Club, Sarasota University Club, and Pine Shores Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Browning Tinker of Castle Rock, Co., Tina Craft of Centennial Co.; one son, Joe Craft of Tulsa, Ok.; one step-son, Bill Francis of Prestonsburg; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 30, at 11 a.m., at the Pine Shores Presbyterian Church, Sarasota, Florida.

Burial was in the Pine Shores Memorial Garden, Sarasota, Florida.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Midway College, Attn: College Relations and Development, 512 E. Stephens St., Midway, Ky. 40347-1120.

National Cremation Society was in charge of arrangements.

(Paid obituary)

Ocie Hale Webb

Ocie Hale Webb, 88, of State Road Fork, Prestonsburg, Ky., died Tuesday, March 12, 2002, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of Bill Hale and Mary Arnett Hale. She was a member of the Chestnut Grove United Baptist Church, and was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Manis Webb (died February 6, 1996).

Survivors include one daughter, Phyllis Allen of Salyersville, Ky.; two sons, Billy Joe Webb and Robert Russell Webb, both of Prestonsburg; two sisters, Cora Epperson of Sidney, Ohio, and Reba Prater of Ft. Wayne, Ind.; three brothers, Eugene Hale of Portsmouth, Oh., Charles Hale of Gettysburg, Oh., and William Hale of Pickway, Oh.; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Mary Lou Hackworth; one brother, Cletis Hale; three sisters, Ruth Hackworth, Virginia Bolen and Josie Webb.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 15, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, Prestonsburg, Ky., with Elders Reuben Lycans and Wallace Calhoun officiating.

Interment will be in the Hackworth-Webb Cemetery (Big Lick Br.), Ivyton, Ky., under direction of Carter Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

John Murrell

John Murrell, 78, of Garrett, Ky., died Tuesday, March 12, 2002, following an extended illness.

Born on October 23, 1923, at Blackie, Ky., he was the son of the late Dudley Murrell and Maude Hartbarger Murrell. He was a disabled coal miner.

He is survived by his wife, Nora Bentley Murrell.

Other survivors include four sons, Jimmy Darrell Murriell of Indianapolis, Ind., Robert Keith Murriell of Garrett, Ky., Danny Farrell Murriell of Goshen, Ky., James Ray Murriell of Dema, Ky.; one daughter, Carolyn Sue Craft of Hindman, Ky.; three brothers, Dudley Murrell Jr., of Mousie, Ky., Earl Murrell and Jack Murrell, both of Ohio; one sister, Kathleen Patton of Ohio, 12 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Evelyn Bradley.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 15, 2002, at 12 noon, at the Saltlick Community Baptist Church at Hueysville, Ky., with Carlos Beverly, and others, officiating.

Burial will be in the June Slone Family Cemetery, Garrett, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation will be at the Saltlick Community Baptist Church after 7 p.m., on Wednesday.

(Paid obituary)

Bernard J. Piotrowski

Bernard J. Piotrowski, age 83, of McDowell, Ky., husband of Janey Gayheart Piotrowski, passed away Thursday, March 14, 2002, at the Parkview Manor Nursing Home, Pikeville, Ky., following an extended illness.

He was born October 9, 1918, in Jeddo, Mi., the son of the late Steve Piotrowski and Stella Pace Piotrowski. He was a retired employee of Chrysler Corporation, Hamtramck, Mi., for 27 years, and an U.S. Army, Sgt. World War II.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one step-daughter, Wilma Jean Robinson, Ashland, Ky.; four grandchildren, Cheryl Ann Floyd, Herschel Dale Robinson, Phillip Robinson and Timothy Robinson, all of Ashland, Ky., and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Bernard J. Piotrowski will be conducted Saturday, March 16, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with Elder Chuck Hall officiating.

Burial will follow in the Gayheart-Little Cemetery, Price, Ky., under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

(Paid obituary)

Alma Staley Reed

Alma Staley Reed, age 99, of Winchester, Ky., formerly of Lackey, Ky., the widow of Rev. Dillard Reed, passed away Tuesday, March 12, 2002, at the Winchester Centre for Health and Rehabilitation, Winchester, Ky.

She was born April 27, 1902, in Hueysville, Ky., the daughter of the late John Staley and Margaret Campbell Staley. Mrs. Reed was a homemaker, and a member of the Lackey Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Lurlie and Richard Howard of Winchester, Ky.; one granddaughter, Valett Schwartz of Erlanger Ky., and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Alma Staley Reed will be conducted Saturday, March 16, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky.

Burial will follow in the Chandler Cemetery, Lackey, Ky., under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is from 5 p.m. till 9 p.m., Friday, at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Shelby Jean Shepherd Mace

Shelby Jean Shepherd Mace, age 64, Prestonsburg, Ky., wife of Harry Mace Jr., passed away Thursday, March 14, 2002, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, Ky.

She was born October 11, 1937, in Martin, Ky., the daughter of the late Riley Shepherd and Mary Haywood Shepherd. Mrs. Mace was a homemaker and a member of the Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two sons, Thomas Compton of Martin, Ky., and Harry Keith Mace of Prestonsburg, Ky.; one daughter, Carol Collins of Prestonsburg, Ky.; one brother, Kenneth Ray Shepherd of Martin, Ky.; two grandchildren, Donald Matthew Collins and Kiara Marie Compton.

Funeral services for Shelby Jean Mace will be conducted Sunday, March 17, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with the clergymen, Manford Fannin and Youl Altizer, officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, Ky., under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Priscilla Gayle Hall

Priscilla Gayle Hall, age 63, of Whitney, Tx., formerly of Knott County, Ky., passed away Wednesday, March 13, 2002, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Healthcare, Whitesburg, Ky.

She was born December 18, 1938, in Kite, Ky., the daughter of the late Bill Hall and Rose Cook Hall. She was an attorney, and a graduate of Texas Wesleyan Law School. She retired from the U.S. Corps of Engineers, and was present legal counsel for a Martin Gamble Corporation.

Survivors include two brothers, Carlton Hall and Marshall Hall, both of Whitney, Texas.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Terry R. Hall; her paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David "Sonny" Hall, and her maternal grandparents, Carlisle and June Truman Cook.

Funeral arrangements for Priscilla Gayle Hall will be conducted by the Marshall and Marshall Funeral Home, Whitney, Texas.

(Paid obituary)

Ruth Spears Baker

Ruth Spears Baker, 59, of Albion, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, died Friday, March 8, 2002, following an extended illness.

Born on August 10, 1942, in Floyd County, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Italy and Minery Boyd Spears. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee E. (Buddy) Baker, whom she married on December 23, 1964.

Survivors include one son, Christopher Baker of Marshall, Mich.; one daughter, Lora (Raymond) Stone of Albion, Mich.; and one sister, Coreia Lee Spears of Allen, Ky.; and two grandchildren, R.J. Stone and Mason Baker.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Sarah Lee Baker, and one brother, Dee Spears.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, March 12, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky., with Rev. Woody Crum and Rev. Bud Crum officiating.

Burial was in the Spears Family Cemetery, Prater, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: Due to rising costs and space limitations we will no longer be accepting items for our Community Calendar that contain a revenue-producing nature. If your organization is holding a fundraising event, please contact our classified or advertising departments to announce your event. The Floyd County Times will continue its practice of posting meeting dates and public service announcements, up to seven lines of type. These submissions must be received in writing no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication, and 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. Items may not be taken over the telephone. Community Calendar items are subject to editing according to space limitations.

Jenny Wiley AARP offers free tax service

AARP Tax-Aide volunteers will provide free tax assistance for elderly (60 and over) and low income persons at the Floyd County Library, each Tuesday, beginning February 5, through April 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring you last year's income tax return and current tax information.

Sharon Edwards to speak at Jenny Wiley AARP

Sharon Edwards, R.N., director of "Pathways" at Highlands Regional Medical Center, will be the guest speaker at the meeting of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, to be held, Friday, March 15, at the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg.

This is the first meeting of the year, and members and guests are encouraged to attend. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center

New classes forming: Quilt class - begins March 25, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.; Creative Cooking Your Way to Wellness, begins May 6, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.; Floyd County Extension Service; FREE GED classes, each Thursday from 1-4 p.m.; FREE GED tutoring, available 2 evenings per week; Kids Summer Sewing Camps, June 24-29 and July 15-19, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call 886-0709 to enroll.

McDowell High Class of '92

A reunion of the McDowell High School Class of 1992 is currently being planned. Anyone who graduated from, or would have graduated from, MHS in '92 is welcome to become a part of the planning forum. All addresses are needed for each classmate. Send addresses and any suggestions to: Debbie (Fannin) Crum, P.O. Box 506, McDowell, KY 41647 or Misty Little, Unit 2, Box 4, Martin Drive, Minnie, KY 41651.

Big Sandy Chapter DAV

Meets each 1st and 3rd Friday at the Auxier Fire Dept. at 6:00 p.m. All veterans interested in joining may call Ballard Shepherd, commander, at 886-7887; Bill Baldrige, Adjutant, at 886-2834; Fred Hannah, Chaplain, at 297-4273; or Billy Lewis, vice-Commander, at 789-7067.

SNOOP pet photo contest

Saturday, April 13, at 1:00 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church. Free admission - \$3 photo entry fee. Send your favorite pet photo to SNOOP, P.O. Box 321, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or take to any participating Veterinarian's office. All proceeds benefit SNOOP (Spay and Neuter Organization of Prestonsburg). Winners need not be present to win.

Over 40?

A study is currently being conducted to determine interest in an "Over 40" singles club to be organized in local area. The purpose of the club would be to introduce singles, over 40 years of age, to their peers. The private

club members would then meet for travel, shopping, sports activities, picnics, dances, or simply to talk. A yearly membership fee of \$25 would be required. If interested, please call 606-874-3989 and leave a message. All information will be kept strictly confidential.

Co-op News

The Floyd County Extension Service District Board, County Extension Council and Budget Contact meeting will be on Friday, March 22, at 5 p.m.

Both meetings will be held at the Coop-Extension Service office on South Lake Drive. The public is invited.

Class of '92 reunion

All Betsy Layne High School class of 1992 that are interested in attending the ten-year class reunion, contact Patty Williams Meade at 606-478-5740 or Tracy Kidd Young at 606-587-1320. Phone numbers and addresses needed.

Floyd County Conservation district meet

The Floyd County Conservation District will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday March 19th at 10 a.m. at the District Office located on Mayo Branch of Brandykeg. The public is welcome to attend. For more information please call 889-9800 or email conserve@eastky.net

Maytown Homecoming 2002

The Maytown Homecoming week-end event will be held on May 24, 25, 26, and 27, at the Maytown Lifetime Learning Center (formerly Maytown High School). Registration will be held on Friday, May 24, along with a traditional Gospel Sing. Saturday, May 25, will be a fun-filled day of activity, among them a possible auction of donated items with proceeds going to support future homecomings. Sunday, May 26, will be set aside for church and visiting relatives and family cemeteries. Monday, May 27, will also be a day of visiting. All are encouraged to attend.

Need a computer for college?

If you are a Floyd County High School senior applying to a college, university, or technical school, or a non-traditional college student, you may be eligible to receive a new computer and printer through Floyd County's T-GIFT program. To apply, pick up a T-GIFT brochure at one of the following locations: MSU Prestonsburg Campus, Elizabeth Bishop; Education Pays Career Development Center, PCC, Jean Rosenberg; any Floyd County School Family Resource Center; or contact Kathy Prater at the Floyd County Times, or call Sister Kathleen Weigand at 886-2513.

Kentucky Forest Fire Hazard Seasons

Kentucky Forest Fire Hazard Seasons have changed to February 15-April 30 and October 1-December 15. During these time periods it is unlawful to: set fire to, or to procure to set fire to, any flammable material capable of spreading fire, located in or within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland, except between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., or when the ground is covered with snow.

Co-op Extension Services

2002 Floyd County Horse Course to be offered in a 3-part series. Each course will be held at the Floyd County Extension Service Office and will begin at 6:30 p.m.

*Thursday, March 21 - Health and Feeding of your horse; *Thursday, March 28 - Selecting the Recreational Horse; and *Thursday, April 4 - Fencing and Facilities. For more information call Ray Tackett at 886-2668.

Notice to all veterans

If you are a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, you may be entitled to VA benefits that you are unaware of. Visit the Disabled American Veterans office located at Ivel, or call (606) 478-9810 during regular office hours, Monday - Friday. Our mailing address is DAV, Betsy Layne Chapter #169, 480 Conn Street, Ivel, KY 41642. There is never any charge for our services.

Free training offered by Mt. Comp Care

Mt. Comprehensive Care Center's Victim Service's Program will be offering free training sessions to become a volunteer advocate for victims of child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault. The training will be held on March 23 and 30 and April 6, 13, and 20 in Prestonsburg. If you would like to become a volunteer victim's advocate, call Linda Hutchinson, Volunteer Coordinator/Advocate, at 886-4323.

Historic Cemeteries

"Exploring Floyd County Cemeteries and Historic Sites" class meets each Saturday at 9:00 a.m. in the Samuel May House parking lot. From here, the class travels to a chosen site to explore local history. Class is conducted by Dr. Robert Perry. For more information, call (888) 641-4132, or 886-3863, ext. 258.

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center

Computer and Literacy training course for those persons who have never used a computer and have little or no reading ability. Course will be offered free of charge and only if a minimum of three participants enroll. For more information, call 886-0709.

Free G.E.D. classes every Thursday from 1-4 p.m.

Free private tutoring - call 886-0709 for an appointment.

Basic and Intermediate computer classes beginning in February. Call the center to enroll.

Attention

"Earn while you learn"

The Big Sandy area C.A.P. is taking applications for the senior training program. You must be 55 or older to apply.

We are located in six counties. Floyd: 886-2929; Magoffin, 349-2217; Pike, 432-2775; Lawrence, 638-4067; Martin, 298-3217; Johnson, 789-6515.

BLHS class of 1982 reunion

Are you a graduate of or would you have graduated with the Betsy Layne High School Class of 1982?

Class reunion plans are being made now!

Please, contact us as soon as possible.

Class reunion committee, call 587-2404 or 478-1980 or 478-1861.

2002 Girl Scout Cookie Campaign

Community Girl Scouts are currently taking orders for the 2002 Cookie Sale event. Past favorites, as well as the new "Friendship Circle" cookie are all available at a minimal cost of \$3.00 per box. To place an order, call toll-free 1-800-475-2621. Thank you for supporting your local Girl Scouts.

Red Cross moves to new location

The American Red Cross, Big Sandy Area Chapter has moved to a new location. We are now located at the Big Sandy Area Development District Building, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Phone 886-8330.

Earn college credits before graduation

Don't let the lack of a high school diploma keep you from earning your college degree or diploma. Students who do not have a high school diploma or GED may still qualify for financial aid while attending college level courses. Contact Jennifer Leedy at Mayo Technical College for more information. 789-5321 extension 291.

PHS grads of 1992 plan reunion

The 1992 graduates of Prestonsburg High School are now planning their 10th reunion. Phone numbers and addresses of all graduates are needed. Please contact Alan Derossett at (606) 874-9514.

Quilt Guild to meet

The Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild meets on the first Wednesday of each month at the Floyd County Co-op Extension office. New membership is encouraged. Hand quilting techniques taught and shared, new ideas welcomed. Bring: Two - 18" sq. muslin; batting, hoop, needle, thimble, thread, and scissors. More info. call 886-2668.

Mud Creek Clinic

A social security representative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel, each Tuesday (except holidays) January, February and March. This representative will assist in filing retirement and disability claims, and survivors benefits, in addition to SSI, Black Lung, and accepting applications for social security numbers.

Housing assistance in Wayland area

HOMES Inc. has opened an office in the Wayland Community Center to assist low income persons in the Right and Left Beaver areas with housing needs. Nelson Hopkins is in the office on Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. to help persons who need repairs on their existing homes or with securing new housing. Area persons may call 358-9473 on Wednesdays to speak with Hopkins or leave a message on other days. Or they may call the HOMES Inc. headquarters in Neon, toll-free, at 1-877-271-1791, ext. 10.

Attention Veterans!

The Kentucky Dept. of Veterans Affairs has moved their veterans field representative office from the Prestonsburg Courthouse to the Kentucky National Guard Armory on Rt. 321 North, just outside of Prestonsburg. Services remain free of charge and phone number remains the same—(606) 886-7920.

"Looking for a Support Group?"

Fibromyalgia Support Group—Meets first Tuesday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Building on Pike-Floyd Hollow Road, just above the Betsy Layne Fire Dept. For more info. call Sharon at 478-5224, or Phyllis at 874-2769.

Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group—Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's) at 7 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at (606) 886-0265.

The Ups of Down's Syndrome Support Group—Meets the 1st Sunday of each month from 2-4 p.m., at the Pikeville YMCA, beside the Pikeville Independent School. For more info., call (606) 377-6142, or (606) 478-5099.

Narconon—Free assessment, evaluation and referral services can help you to overcome your drug addiction problems. Call 1-800-468-6933, or visit www.stopaddiction.com.

Domestic Violence—24 hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence Counselors—Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children—Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with

someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.

Prostate Cancer Support Group—Group is for all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets every third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville. For more information, contact Susan Campbell, Kentucky Cancer Program, P.O. Box 1208, Hazard, KY 41702, or call (606) 487-8360, or 1-800-401-4287.

East KY Museum and History

The East KY Museum and History Center Association will meet at 6:00 p.m., in the law offices of Jerry Wicker, located in Hindman. An election of association officers will take place at this time. Any person interested in becoming a member of the association should attend this meeting. The association's mission is to build a museum and history center that will serve all of Eastern Kentucky.

HRMC March Calendar

Smoking Cessation
Mar. 19, 26
Meeting Place A & B
5:30-6:30 p.m.

Reach To Recovery
Mar. 16
Meeting Place A & B
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Highlands S.H.A.R.E.
Mar. 19
Martin Room
7 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Laryngectomy Support Group
Mar. 21
Meeting Place B
5-7 p.m.

Living Well With Diabetes
Mar. 26
Floyd Room
5-7 p.m.

For more information concerning these support groups please contact Highlands Educational Services Department at 1-606-886-7424.

The Floyd County Conservation District will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday March 19th at 10 a.m. at the District Office located on Mayo Branch of Brandykeg. The public is welcome to attend. For more information please call 889-9800 or email conserve@eastky.net

Art Show Winners



Top 10 2002 Floyd County Arts Festival winners are, front row, kneeling, Amanda Keathley, Prestonsburg High School; Brandon Blair, Prestonsburg High School; and Jeremy Back, Prestonsburg High School. Second row, Shannon Shepherd, art instructor, Betsy Layne High School; Barry Justice, Betsy Layne High School; James Keathley, Prestonsburg High School; Ellen Trimble, art instructor, Prestonsburg High School; Donald Bentley, Allen Central High School; Caralita O'Quinn, art instructor, Allen Central High School; and Josh Conley, Allen Central High School. Not pictured are Jennifer Curnutte, Prestonsburg High School; Terry Moore, Allen Central High School; and Brandy Parsons, Allen Central High School.



Floyd County Top Six 2002 Arts Festival winners for elementary and middle grades are, left to right, Christina Robinette, Betsy Layne Elementary; Kyle Hall, John M. Stumbo Elementary; and Travis Hall, Betsy Layne Elementary. Not pictured are Brandon Caudill, South Floyd Middle School; Jordan Collins, Betsy Layne Elementary; and Kassie Prater, Allen Elementary.



Floyd County School System Instructors of Art, elementary, middle and high school levels are, front row, left to right, Wendy Poe, Prestonsburg Elementary; George Case, Betsy Layne Elementary; Caralita O'Quinn, Allen Central High School. Second row, left to right, Shannon Shepherd, Betsy Layne High School; Mary Franklin, TASK instructor; Garlene Crutcher, Betsy Layne Elementary; and Stacy Stanley, John M. Stumbo Elementary. Back row, from left to right, Kevin Stone, South Floyd Middle School; Clydia Heintzman, Allen Central Middle School; Ellen Trimble, Prestonsburg High School; Jeff Stratton, Allen and Clark Elementaries; and Debbie Daniels, Floyd County Board of Education, director of instruction.

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First Assembly of God, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lori Vannucci, Minister.
New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.
Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Stooz, Minister.

BAPTIST
Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.
Auzier Freewill Baptist, Auzier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
Benedict Baptist, Slack Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.
Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Com Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Mize, Minister.
Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Laffery, Minister.
Daniels 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, 14 mile above Worldwide Eggt, on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Graydon 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. Floyd Price, 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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Gretzel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Barham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
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Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.
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 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bob Yarny, Minister.
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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 Rt. 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.
Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Fish, Minister.
Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Hamon, Director; Ella C. Goble, President; 874-9468/478-2978

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister; Jerry Manns, Assistant Minister.
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 10:50 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.
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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.; Markford Fannin, 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; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.
Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.
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CATHOLIC
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CHRISTIAN
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.
Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.
Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherm Williams, Minister.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Speers, Minister.
Church of Christ, South Lake Drive; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Blankenship, Minister.
Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.
Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.
Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.
Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Weeks 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 Crum, Minister.
First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
Garrett Church of God, Garrett; 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 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Friley, 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 Friley, Jr., Minister.

EPISCOPAL
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Auzier United Methodist, Auzier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Lawson, Minister.
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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 Newley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Peccosoldo, Minister.
Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Paul Aiken, Minister.
First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue, 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMYS Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wayne Sayre, Minister.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auzier Road, Auzier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
Martin Methodist; 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.
Sallyburg United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, 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 Shannon, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sarlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.
Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister; 297-6282.
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
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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Presthood/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 41649; Meeting House telephone number, 285-3133; E.P. Gulgay, Bishop.

OTHER
Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 8:30 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 Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.
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 Shepherd, Minister.
Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Friley, Jr., 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, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Laffery, Minister.
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hill St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
Spurlock Bible, Spurlock 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 Father House, Big Branch, Abbott 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.

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KHSAA commissioner job talk fills rumor mill

by BILLY REED
TIMES COLUMNIST

LEXINGTON — At the Boys' State High School Basketball Tournament, the action isn't limited to the floor. The rumor mill runs non-stop wherever coaches and administrators gather. Who's going to get this job or that one?

Is old coach Long N. Tooth, who still believes in the two-hand set shot, finally going to retire? Do you think the Kentucky State Athletics Association knows that South Wilkinson High is buying players?

This week the whispering, politicking and guessing may set an all-time State Tournament record. That's because Louis Stout, the KHSAA's commissioner since 1993, has announced his retirement, effective this summer. Stout, the KHSAA's first African-

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Sideline Shots

Special Olympics Kentucky seeks volunteers

Floyd County chapter led by Senig couple

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Special Olympics Kentucky, a non-profit organization providing year-round sports training and athletic competition in more than 20 Olympic-type sports to children and adults with mental retardation, keeps growing and growing.

Floyd County Special Olympics head Ed Senig, along with wife Linda, continues the quest of making the Floyd County unit one of the state's strongest. Over 12,000 athletes throughout the Commonwealth participate on the local, area and state levels.

Volunteers who coach athletes, conduct events, raise funds and serve on committees are a primary reason for the success of the program. Volunteer efforts help to provide opportunities to individu-

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Little League

P'burg Little League announces final signups

Batter up. Prestonsburg Little League will hold its final signups Saturday at Adams Middle School, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

"I've dedicated the 300 game to my uncle Harold Mollett, who passed away Jan. 15, and my grandfather, Rudell Wicker," added the most recent Floyd County 300-game bowler.

Wicker bowls first 300 game

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Some people like to fish. Others like to hunt. Some like softball. Some like basketball. Others hit the links for golf, a passion held by many. Neil Wicker bowls.

School alum, started bowling at the young age of 10. Now, 26, Wicker finds himself still caught up in the sport which has given him many more ups than downs over the years. On Sunday, Mar. 3, Wicker bowled his first 300-game. It came in the Floyd-Pike Association Tournament at the Pin Zone Bowling Center in

Prestonsburg. The third day of March — the third month of the year — came up all threes for Wicker. It was his third try at a 300 game. It was also the third Floyd County-sanctioned 300-game. And on top of that, Wicker, who is very fond of the NASCAR Winston Cup Series, holds a very special place in his

heart for his all-time favorite Cup driver, Dale Earnhardt. Looking at his two previous brushes with a 300-game, Wicker confessed that he was nervous on the first try, which ultimately resulted in a gutter ball on the ball he rolled. On his

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STATE TOURNNEY

SFMS boys face Bardstown in first game



by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON — The 2001-02 basketball season isn't over for the South Floyd Middle School Raiders. Coach Tony

Isaac and his team will take part in the first annual Kentucky Middle School State Tournament this weekend. The KBA has offered 60 teams across Kentucky the opportunity to play for a state championship, and the SFMS Raiders are among those ready to play for a title.

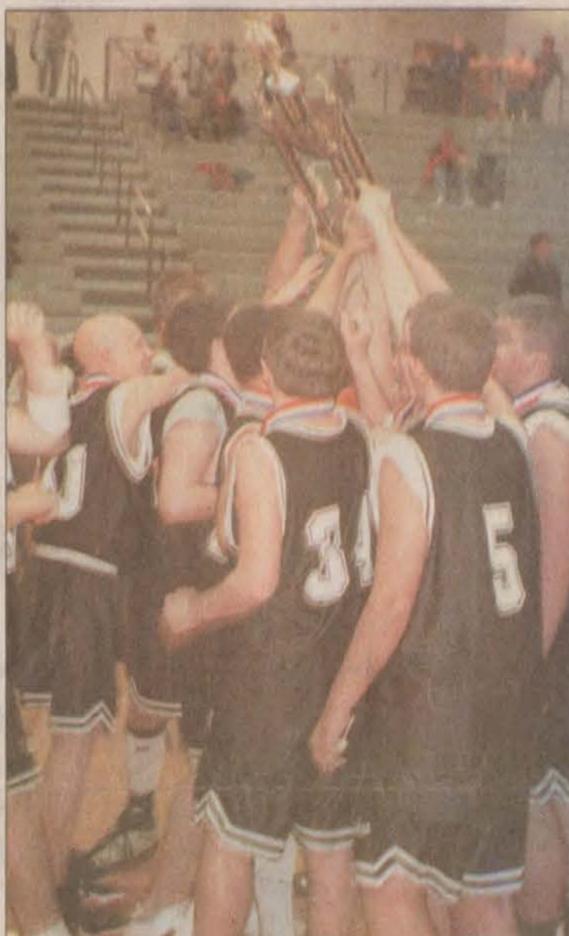
The state tourney will be held at the Kentucky Basketball Academy in Lexington beginning Saturday and concluding on Sunday when a champion is crowned. It will

follow the Boys' State Basketball Tournament.

Team rosters for the event are limited to 15 players. All players must have played a minimum of 14 games on the middle school level. Each team is guaranteed a minimum of two games, so regardless of how the Raiders fare, they will have at least two more games left this season.

South Floyd will begin play

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file photos
ABOVE: South Floyd Middle School celebrated after its recent grade school boys' basketball county championship victory.

LEFT: Coach Tony Isaac took the net off following the championship win.



courtesy photo

Blue Guys are common fans at University of Kentucky sporting

UK's biggest fans

by ANDREA UHDE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Call them Smurfs. Call them crazy. You can even call Nicholas Clark "U" and James Monroe "K." Just don't call them mild-mannered basketball fans.

If you've seen any University of Kentucky basketball games on TV, you undoubtedly have seen this dynamic duo who, rather than wear their basketball passion on the sleeves of their sweaters, would rather display it on their bare arms, hands, chests, backs and faces.

They're UK's Blue Men. "We came to UK and felt we had to do something," said Monroe, a sophomore.

The pair — best friends since their days at Scott County High School, where "you were a loser

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Blackcats begin spring football practice Monday

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

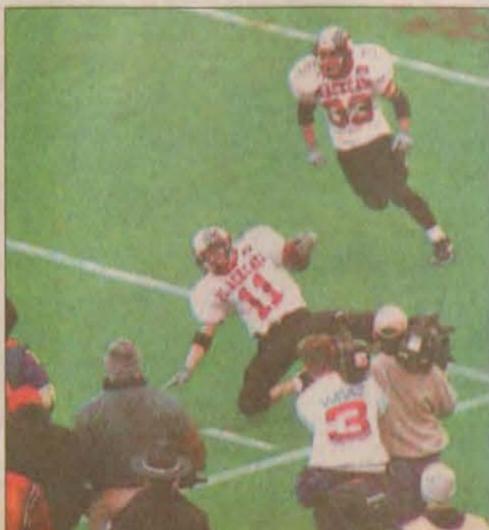
The Prestonsburg High School football will hold its first spring football practice Monday at Josh Francis Field. Prestonsburg, Class 2A state runner-up and defending District 8 and Region 4 champs, will be without some familiar faces when Coach John DeRossett and his staff start blowing the whistles Monday. Still yet, some very familiar, welcome faces return for next season.

Matt Stone is gone. Chris Spriggs is

gone. Chris Jervis is gone. Tony White is gone. Kevin Younce is gone. Austin Clark? Yeah, he's gone too. So are Andrew Howell, Brandt Brooks and Matt Williams. As well as linemen Matt Stephens, Adam VanHoose and Jason Hall. Some will be harder to replace than others. Many anxious players, some of whom saw considerable playing time last season, some that didn't, wait in the wings.

Returning to the fold is 1,000-yard

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file photos

Kevin Jervis (11) and Matt Setser (33), juniors, return for Prestonsburg in the fall as key contributors.

Betsy Layne football wants to improve play, field

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

The Betsy Layne High School football team finished the 2001 season winless with a record of no wins and 10 losses. But very little of the blame can be attributed to first-year head coach Tim McCoy. In his first-year McCoy, a veteran high school gridiron coach, had to make due with several inexperienced and in some cases first-year

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Briefs

BASEBALL

NEW YORK—Baseball players showed no interest in owners' proposals for a luxury tax and vastly increased revenue sharing...

BASEBALL

Panthers are not picking up the option on their 1998 first-round draft pick, making the defensive end an unrestricted free agent.

TENNIS

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. — Pete Sampras, his overall game a bit ragged but his serve still sharp, beat Albert Costa 6-4, 6-4 in the second round of the Pacific Life Open.

Martina Hingis and Monica Seles won to move into a showdown in the semifinals. Hingis downed Amanda Coetzer 6-1, 6-2. Seles beat Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

In other men's matches, second-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov defeated Fernando Vicente 6-3, 7-6 (4); and Todd Martin beat fifth-seeded Tommy Haas 6-4, 6-2.

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK — Seattle SuperSonics coach Nate McMillan, for publicly criticizing officials, and forward Rashard Lewis, for verbally abusing officials, were fined \$7,500 apiece by the NBA for their actions after a loss Monday to the Dallas Mavericks.

Also, the league fined New Jersey Nets coach Byron Scott \$7,500 for publicly criticizing officials after a 96-90 loss at Seattle last Saturday.

GOLF

PHOENIX — Hall of Famer Nancy Lopez plans to stop playing tournaments full time at the end of this season, her 25th on the LPGA Tour.

BOXING

BANGOR, Maine — Former world champion Joey Gamache is suing the New York State Athletic Commission for \$5.5 million over injuries from a knockout by Arturo Gatti in February 2000.

The lawsuit alleges that state Athletic Commissioner Tony Russo knew prior to the fight's weigh-in that Gatti exceeded the 141-pound limit, but allowed the fight to go forward anyway.

HOCKEY

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OLYMPICS

OSLO, Norway — Norway is taking the International Olympic Committee to a world sports court to demand that all medals be withdrawn from athletes caught for doping in Salt Lake City.

The Norwegians claim the charter says any athlete caught cheating at a games should forfeit all medals.

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FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
BUFFALO BILLS — Signed OL Marcus Price to a three-year contract.

CAROLINA PANTHERS — Signed LB Brad Jackson.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed G-OT Oliver Ross to a three-year offer sheet.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Re-signed LB Glenn Cadrez.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed OL John Wade and DL Tim Morabito.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Signed RB Garrison Hearst to a six-year contract.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed G Larry Moore.

HOCKEY

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
ATLANTA THRASHERS — Recalled F J.P. Vigier from Chicago of the AHL.

BUFFALO SABRES — Recalled G Mika Noronen from Rochester of the AHL.

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Recalled D Vladimir Cheburkin from Norfolk of the AHL.

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Assigned D Jamie Heward and C Brett Harkins to Syracuse of the AHL.

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FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
BUFFALO BILLS — Signed OL Marcus Price to a three-year contract.

CAROLINA PANTHERS — Signed LB Brad Jackson.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed G-OT Oliver Ross to a three-year offer sheet.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Re-signed LB Glenn Cadrez.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS — Signed OL John Wade and DL Tim Morabito.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Signed RB Garrison Hearst to a six-year contract.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed G Larry Moore.

HOCKEY

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
ATLANTA THRASHERS — Recalled F J.P. Vigier from Chicago of the AHL.

BUFFALO SABRES — Recalled G Mika Noronen from Rochester of the AHL.

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Driver Standings

Table with 2 columns: Driver Name, Points. Top drivers include Sterling Marin (645), Ryan Newman (571), Ward Burton (565), Mark Martin (557), Tony Stewart (544), Matt Kenseth (540), Kurt Busch (535), Rusty Wallace (531), Jeff Burton (524), Jimmie Johnson (517), Jeff Gordon (516), Ricky Craven (497), Bill Elliott (460), Dale Earnhardt Jr. (456), Dale Jarrett (433), Elliott Sadler (430), Dave Blaney (411), Bobby Labonte (410), Jeremy Mayfield (391), Ricky Rudd (390).

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NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings games against non-major league teams do not.

Tuesday's games

- Detroit 4, Atlanta 2
Toronto 3, NY Yankees 0
St. Louis 5, Boston 2
Cleveland 12, Houston 8
Montreal 4, Los Angeles 4, tie, 10 innings
Texas 3, Pittsburgh 2, 1st game
Kansas City 15, N.Y. Mets 8
Baltimore 5, Florida 1
Minnesota 6, Tampa Bay 2
Cincinnati 10, Philadelphia 10, tie, 10 innings
Texas 13, Pittsburgh 4, 2nd game
Oakland 4, Anaheim 3
San Diego 7, Chicago Cubs 3
Milwaukee 11, San Francisco 7
Chicago White Sox 9, Colorado 5
Arizona 6, Seattle 1

Wednesday's games

- Montreal 6, Boston 5
Detroit 9, Cincinnati 1
Texas (ss) 15, Minnesota 1
Tampa Bay 1, Toronto 0
Baltimore 6, Los Angeles 5
Philadelphia 5, Pittsburgh 4
Cleveland 11, N.Y. Yankees (ss) 5
N.Y. Mets 10, St. Louis 7
Texas (ss) 4, N.Y. Yankees (ss) 3, 10 innings
San Diego 4, Oakland 2
Milwaukee 10, Chicago Cubs 2
San Diego 11, Anaheim (ss) 6
Anaheim (ss) 11, San Francisco 8
Seattle 11, Chicago White Sox (ss) 4
Arizona (ss) 5, Chicago White Sox (ss) 4
Atlanta (ss) 9, Florida (ss) 5
Florida (ss) 4, Houston 3
Atlanta (ss) 4, Kansas City 3
Arizona (ss) 13, Colorado 9

Thursday's games

- Montreal (ss) vs. St. Louis (ss) at Jupiter, Fla.
Detroit vs. Florida at Viera, Fla.
Toronto vs. Texas at Port Charlotte, Fla.
Pittsburgh vs. Kansas City at Davenport, Fla.
St. Louis (ss) vs. Los Angeles at Vero Beach, Fla.
Cleveland vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla.
Colorado vs. Anaheim at Tempe, Ariz.
Chicago White Sox vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz.
Chicago Cubs (ss) vs. Arizona at Tucson, Ariz.
San Francisco (ss) vs. Chicago Cubs (ss) at Mesa, Ariz.
Atlanta vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla.
Minnesota vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla.
NY Yankees vs. Cincinnati at Sarasota, Fla.
Baltimore vs. Montreal (ss) at Jupiter, Fla.
Seattle vs. San Francisco (ss) at Scottsdale, Ariz.
Today's games
Toronto vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Houston vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Florida (ss) vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Montreal vs. Cleveland at Winter Haven, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Philadelphia vs. Texas at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (ss) vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Kansas City vs. NY Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 1:30 p.m.
Chicago Cubs vs. Oakland at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.
San Diego vs. Colorado at Tucson, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Arizona vs. Milwaukee at Peoria, 3:05 p.m.
San Francisco vs. Seattle at Phoenix, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Anaheim vs. Chicago White Sox at Tucson, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets vs. Baltimore at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., 7:05 p.m.
Florida (ss) vs. Los Angeles (ss) at Vero Beach, Fla., 7:05 p.m.

Auto racing

The 2002 NASCAR Winston Cup schedule (winners in parentheses) and driver point standings:

February
Feb. 17—Daytona 500, Daytona Beach, Fla. (Ward Burton)
Feb. 24—Subway 400, Rockingham, N.C. (Matt Kenseth)
March
March 3—UAW-DaimlerChrysler 400, Las Vegas. (Sterling Marin)
March 10—MBNA America 500, Hampton, Ga. (Tony Stewart)
March 17—Carolina Dodge Dealers 400, Darlington, S.C.
March 24—Ford City 500, Bristol, Tenn.
April 7—Samsung/RadioShack 500, Fort Worth, Texas.
April
April 14—Virginia 500, Martinsville.
April 21—Talladega 500, Talladega, Ala.
April 28—NAPA Auto Parts 500, Fontana, Calif.
May
May 4—Pontiac Excitement 400, Richmond.
May 26—Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.
June
June 2—MBNA Platinum 400, Dover, Del.
June 9—Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.
June 16—Michigan 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
June 23—Dodge/Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
July
July 6—Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.
July 14—Tropicana 400, Coker, Ill.
July 21—New England 300, Loudon, N.H.
July 28—Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.
August
Aug. 4—Brickyard 400, Indianapolis.
Aug. 11—Watkins Glen International, Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Aug. 18—Pepsi 400, Brooklyn, Mich.
Aug. 24—Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.
September
Sept. 1—Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.
Sept. 7—Chevy Monte Carlo 400, Richmond.
Sept. 15—New Hampshire 300, Loudon, N.H.
Sept. 22—MBNA America 400, Dover, Del.
Sept. 29—Protection One 400, Kansas City, Kan.
October
Oct. 6—EA Sports 500, Talladega, Ala.
Oct. 13—UAW-GM Quality 500, Concord, N.C.
Oct. 20—Martinsville 500, Martinsville, Va.
Oct. 27—NAPA 500, Hampton, Ga.
November
Nov. 3—Pop Secret 400, Rockingham, N.C.
Nov. 10—Checker Auto Parts 500K, Avondale, Ariz.
Nov. 17—Homestead 400, Homestead, Fla.

Baseball

Spring training

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, Pct. American League: Texas (11, 4, .733), Baltimore (8, 5, .615), Kansas City (8, 5, .615), Detroit (9, 6, .600), Oakland (9, 6, .600), Cleveland (8, 7, .562), Anaheim (8, 7, .533), Minnesota (9, 8, .529), Seattle (7, 7, .500), Tampa Bay (6, 6, .500), Toronto (6, 7, .461), Chicago (6, 9, .400), Boston (5, 8, .385), New York (4, 12, .250). National League: St. Louis (10, 4, .714), Arizona (11, 5, .688), Houston (8, 5, .615), Montreal (7, 6, .539), Philadelphia (7, 6, .539), San Diego (8, 7, .533), Milwaukee (8, 8, .500), Colorado (6, 7, .461), San Francisco (6, 8, .429), Atlanta (6, 9, .400), Cincinnati (6, 9, .400), New York (6, 9, .400), Pittsburgh (6, 9, .400), Los Angeles (4, 7, .364).

Cheerleading

KAPOS

14th Region championships

March 2
Perry County Central
Boys Coed-Powell County
Boys Coed- Whitesburg
Boys 2 1/2- Perry County Central
Boys 2 1/2- Fleming-Neon
Girls Traditional- Breathitt County
Girls Traditional-Breathitt County

15th Region championships

March 3
Pikeville
Boys Coed-Belfry
Girls Coed- N/A
Boys 2 1/2- Johnson Central
Boys 2 1/2- Johnson Central
Boys Traditional- Pikeville
Girls Traditional-Pikeville

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Basketball

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Table with 5 columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. New Jersey (40, 24, .625, -), Boston (37, 27, .578, -), Orlando (34, 30, .531, 6), Philadelphia (34, 30, .531, 6), Miami (29, 33, .468, 10), Washington (29, 35, .453, 11), New York (23, 39, .371, 16).

Central Division

Table with 5 columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Detroit (36, 26, .581, -), Milwaukee (36, 27, .571, 1/2), Indiana (32, 32, .500, 5), Charlotte (30, 33, .476, 6 1/2), Toronto (30, 36, .455, 8), Atlanta (24, 39, .381, 12 1/2), Cleveland (23, 41, .359, 14), Chicago (16, 49, .246, 21 1/2).

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Table with 5 columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Dallas (45, 18, .714, -), San Antonio (43, 21, .672, 2 1/2), Minnesota (40, 24, .625, 5 1/2), Utah (34, 29, .540, 11), Houston (25, 39, .391, 20 1/2), Denver (19, 42, .311, 25), Memphis (17, 47, .266, 28 1/2).

Pacific Division

Table with 5 columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Sacramento (46, 17, .730, -), L.A. Lakers (44, 18, .710, 1 1/2), Portland (38, 25, .603, 8), Seattle (36, 29, .554, 11), L.A. Clippers (34, 31, .523, 13), Phoenix (30, 35, .462, 17), Golden State (17, 45, .274, 28 1/2).

Tuesday's games

- Indiana 115, Golden State 101
Philadelphia 104, New York 96
Miami 90, Phoenix 78
Milwaukee 110, Chicago 81
New Jersey 88, Toronto 84
San Antonio 98, Memphis 84
Houston 101, Seattle 98
L.A. Lakers 107, Charlotte 66

Wednesday's games

- Boston 97, New Jersey 89
Atlanta 105, Denver 109
Orlando 119, Phoenix 114, OT
Detroit 85, Cleveland 84
Houston 96, Minnesota 95
Sacramento 92, Philadelphia 88
L.A. Clippers 96, Washington 75

Thursday's games

- Utah at Charlotte
Sacramento at New York
Chicago at San Antonio
Dallas at Portland
L.A. Lakers at Golden State

Today's games

- Phoenix at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Utah at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Indiana at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Washington at Seattle, 10 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

2001-02 All-America Basketball Team

FIRST TEAM

- Jason Williams, Duke, 6-2, 195, junior, 21.7 ppg, 5.4 rpg, 2.1 steals (72 first-place votes, 360 total points)
Drew Gooden, Kansas, 6-10, 230, junior, 20 ppg, 11.3 rpg, 5.10 fg pct. (70, 356)

SECOND TEAM

- Mike Dunleavy, Duke, 6-9, 220, junior, 17.4 ppg, 7.2 rpg, 2.3 steals (21, 193)
Sam Clancy, Southern Cal, 6-7, 240, senior, 19.0 ppg, 8.5 rpg (15, 151)
Casey Jacobsen, Stanford, 6-6, 210, junior, 22.0 ppg, 4.4 rpg, 3.6 apg (11, 151)
David West, Xavier, 6-8, 232, junior, 16.5 ppg, 9.8 rpg, 2.5 blocks, .541 fg pct. (7, 113)
Jared Jeffries, Indiana, 6-10, 215, sophomore, 15.2 ppg, 7.5 rpg (7, 112).

THIRD TEAM

- Carlos Boozer, Duke, 6-9, 280, junior, 18.3 ppg, 8.8 rpg, .667 fg pct. (7, 95)
Brandin Knight, Pittsburgh, 6-0, 175, junior, 15.6 ppg, 4.9 rpg, 7.2 apg, 2.4 steals (4, 83)
Jason Gardner, Arizona, 5-10, 181, junior, 20.5 ppg, 4.5 apg, 1.9 steals, 38.1 minutes (0, 67)
Tayshawn Prince, Kentucky, 6-9, 215, senior, 16.8 ppg, 6.3 rpg (4, 66)
Erwin Dudley, Alabama, 6-8, 240, junior, 15.3 ppg, 8.9 rpg, .561 fg pct. (1, 64).

HONORABLE MENTION

- Tommy Adams, Hampton; Lubos Barton, Valparaiso; Lonny Baxter, Maryland; Troy Bell, Boston College; Steve Blake, Maryland; Brett Blizard, N.C.-Wilmington; Matt Bonner, Florida; Curtis Borchardt, Stanford; Caron Butler, Connecticut; Nick Collison, Kansas; Jason Conley, VMU; Josh Davis, Wyoming; Patrick Doctor, American; Henry Domercant, Eastern Illinois; Corsey Edwards, Central Connecticut State; Melvin Ely, Fresno State; Jason Erickson, Montana State; Reggie Evans, Iowa; T.J. Ford, Texas; Jerry Green, UC Irvine; Lynn Greer, Temple; Rod Grizzard, Alabama; Anthony Grundy, North Carolina State; Rylan Hairie, Butler; Udonis Haslem, Florida; Jarvis Hayes, Georgia; Paul Haynes, Grambling State; Kirk Hinrich, Kansas; Frederick Jones, Oregon; Jason Kapono, UCLA; Kyle Korver, Creighton; Greg Lewis, Winthrop; John Linehan, Providence; Chris Marcus, Western Kentucky; Keith McLeod, Bowling Green; Ugonna Okeke, Pennsylvania; Mario Porter, Rider; McEverett Powers, Texas-San Antonio; Hollis Price, Oklahoma; Luka Rocker, Iowa; Luke Ridenour, Oregon; Hector Romero, New Orleans; Kareem Rust, Missouri; Predrag Savovic, Hawaii; Preston Shupert, Syracuse; Darius Songaila, Wake Forest; T.J. Sorrentino, Vermont; Thomas Terrell, Georgia State; Dwayne Wade, Marquette; DeJuan Wagner, Memphis; Luke Walton, Arizona; Frank Williams, Illinois.

State Tournament

Mason County hits record 13 3-pointers in victory over Butler

by STEVE BAILEY ASSOCIATED PRESS
LEXINGTON — Mason County coach Kelly Wells knew his players could shoot from the outside.

But he had no idea they had a Sweet Sixteen-record performance in them for the first round of the boys' state basketball tournament.

The Region 10 champion Royals (28-5) hit 13-of-21 3-pointers and shot 55 percent overall in routing Butler 93-66 in first-round play Wednesday to advance to Friday's quarterfinals.

"What a performance by these guys," said Wells, whose squad eclipsed the 11 3-pointers made by Marion County in 1993 and Clay County in 1988. "I'm not so sure we could play with any more confidence."

Mason County will take on Paducah Tighman, a 58-43 winner over Rockcastle County, in today's early game.

Male, a 69-61 winner over Christian County, took on Warren Central, who needed overtime to down Pyle 63-54, in the early session's second game.

First-round play continued Thursday as Olinch County takes on Shelby Valley, Ashland and Bladen battled Lexington Catholic, North Hardin and

Transactions

BASEBALL
AMERICAN LEAGUE
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Announced LHP Jose Rosado cleared waivers and has become a free agent.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Sent RHP Kevin Frederick, RHP Adam Johnson, RHP Juan Rincon and 1B Todd Sears to Edmonton of the PCL. Reassigned OF B.J. Garbe to their minor league camp.

NEW YORK YANKEES — Released INF Manny Alexander and LHP Eric Gunderson.

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS — Optioned INF Wilmy Caceres, INF-OF Damian Rolls, RHP Jason Standridge and RHP Matt White to Durham of the International League; RHP Brandon Backe, RHP Devon Bretzelton, INF Ramon Soler and RHP Enger Veras to Orlando of the Southern League; and INF Jace Brewer to Bakersfield of the California League. Assigned OF Rocco Baldelli, C Kevin Brown, INF Jorge Cantu, OF Carl Crawford, OF Josh Hamilton, C Paul Hoover, INF Andy Sheets and LHP Jon Switzer to their minor league camp.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
ATLANTA BRAVES — Reassigned RHP Billy Sylvester, LHP Jung Bong, RHP John Ennis, RHP Matt Belisle, RHP Jake Robb and RHP Scott Soibkowiak to their minor league camp.

COLORADO ROCKIES — Agreed to terms with OF Juan Pierre on a four-year contract.

NEW YORK METS — Released OF Mark Sweeney and OF Danny Peoples. Optioned RHP Jae Seo to Norfolk of the International League.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Assigned RHP Jesus Cordero to their minor league camp.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Released RHP Gregg Olson and 2B Warren Morris. Optioned RHP Bronson Arroyo to Nashville of the PCL and LHP Adnan Burnside, LHP Mike Gonzalez, LHP John Grabow, C J.R. House and OF J.J. Davis to Altoona of the Eastern League. Reassigned LHP Kevin Tolar, RHP Brian Smith, C Reed Seiser, 1B Chris Pritchett and OF Ryan Radmanovich to their minor league camp.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Optioned INF Delvis Santos and OF Carlos Valderrama to Fresno of the PCL. Reassigned C Trey Lundford, INF Lance Niekro, INF Tony Zuniga, RHP Luis Estrella and RHP Jeff Verplanck to their minor league camp.

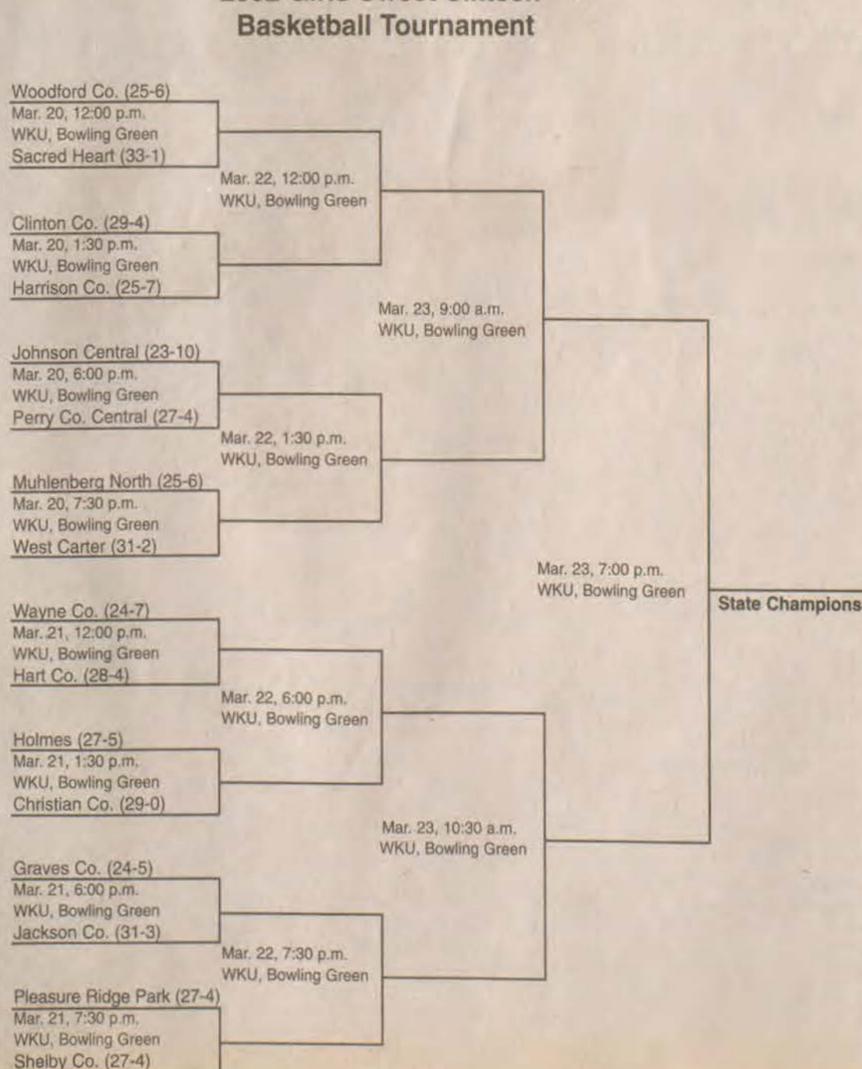
BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Fined Seattle SuperSonics coach Nate McMillan and F Rashard Lewis \$7,500 for their actions after a March 11 game against the Dallas Mavericks. Fined New Jersey Nets coach Byron Scott \$7,500 for publicly criticizing officials after a loss at Seattle on March 9.

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS — Activated F Chris Mihm from the injured list. Placed G Jeff Trepagnier on the injured list.

2002 Girls Sweet Sixteen Basketball Tournament



UK

if you didn't have school spirit" — say it's all for the love of the game.

"When I first did it, I didn't expect to be on television," Monroe said of his Big Blue paint job. "Getting on TV is nice, but it's not our motive. It's a nice bonus."

And since they first donned the grease-based costume paint more than a year ago, they've reached cult, if not superhero, status.

It all starts in a dormitory bathroom, with blue cotton tights.

"Superman wore tights. Batman wore tights," Monroe said. "The Blue Men will wear tights!"

After the pair add blue and white striped soccer socks and blue shorts, the painting begins, with the help of their loyal sidekick, Back Man.

First, they coat their skin with baby oil. Then comes the critical writing of the "U" and the "K" in white grease paint on their chests. The rest of the hourlong process involves rubbing the blue paint over their arms, backs, chests and faces. The look is topped off with enormous, curly blue wigs.

Ben Frasier, the sidekick who was recruited for the duo's hard-

to-paint-by-yourself backs, also has the honor of opening the doors for the Blue Men and holding their tickets.

Frasier, a UK sophomore who has been named "the most spirited student" at several games, paints his face blue and white, but he leaves his hands bare so he won't get paint on anything.

"Anything we touch turns blue," said Clark, also a sophomore, acknowledging Frasier's critical role on game days.

By the time they leave the bathroom, blue smears decorate the bathroom's white walls, and blue-blotched tissues line the trash cans.

Monroe, Clark and Frasier take LexTran to the games, where they will stand in their designated seats in front of the student section and cheer. The Blue Men were selected for the seats last year by Alvis Johnson, the director of student promotions in the UK Athletic Department, because of their school spirit.

Their passion spreads throughout the stands — and even on their seats, which have been stained blue by the paint.

After the game, it takes mechanics' soap and a large bed sheet to wipe off as much paint as they are able. Then they shower

for at least an hour. Usually, they miss spots behind their ears and by their eyes.

"It's a stress because you have to commit so much time to it," Monroe said of the process.

But as long as they're having a blast, and as long as there's enough blue paint, their bare skin will be coated in UK colors for games to come.

"I've never gone to a game and not painted," said Monroe. Without it, "it seems like it would be boring."

■ IN COMPETITION

Soap Box Derby to be held in Hazard

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HAZARD — The Kiwanis Club of Hazard will hold its third annual Hazard All-American Soap Box Derby race in Hazard on Memorial Drive Saturday, Apr. 20. This year's site is the same as last year's. A construction clinic was held on March 9. Two more clinics — one on March 23 and the other on April 13 — will also be held.

Racers ages 9-16 are eligible. Racers from all Eastern and southeastern counties are eligible to participate in the event. Winners will advance to Race Week in Akron, Ohio to compete in the International Soap Box Derby.

"We were extremely pleased with the racer participation in last year's Soap Box Derby and hope that we can have an even more competitive race this year," said Tom Cravens, derby director.

"Anyone who raced last year is eligible to run their same car again this year, except for the championship cars and the drivers that went to compete in Akron. However, if a racer is using someone's car from last year it will need to be taken apart and rebuilt for this year's race. For those who did not run last year, we will try to answer several commonly asked questions."

In Akron, champions from each of the Stock, Super Stock and Masters (not offered during the Hazard derby) division Soap Box Derby races throughout the world come each year to compete for scholarship and merchandise prizes.

Many are not very familiar with the derby.

What is the International Soap Box Derby?

Boys and girls, ages 9-16, compete in simplified cars built

Spring

Monday.

In his first season as head coach of the Left Beaver school Jones finished 5-5. Last season his record slipped to 4-6. He took over the program in 2000 after Donnie Daniels stepped away.

Thus far, Jones is pleased with both the number of players he has out, and the work ethic displayed by those making the effort.

"We've got 35 out and we have eight or nine playing baseball, so that takes us up into the

40s," said Jones. "I'm pleased with the kids we've got out."

Landon Hall will enter his junior season in the fall as the player who will be looked to take over at quarterback for senior two-way performer Josh Johnson. Hall also performed both ways for the Raiders last

season.

Two of Hall's main receiving targets for next season will be Adam Tackett and Jordan Curry. Josh McCray, as he did last season, will carry much of the ground chores for the Raiders.

(See SPRING, page five)

Prestonsburg

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rusher Mikeal Fannin. As a junior, Fannin, a fullback, eclipsed 1,000 yards rushing for the first time in his high school career and gave P'burg a very potent 1-2 running punch along with senior Matt Stone.

Quarterback Joey Willis will return for his senior season under center. Willis took over the starting quarterback role against Whitesburg during his sophomore season the fifth game of the season.

In that first start his sophomore season, 2000, Willis led the Blackcats to a victory. As starting quarterback Willis has helped the Blackcats to consecutive playoff berths and consecutive district crowns. A three-sport star, Willis, who just completed a successful basketball season, also plays baseball. He had an impressive junior season, passing for over 1,000 yards.

Other emerging stars include junior backs Matt Setser and Kevin Jervis. Each played important roles last season in their third high

school campaign and will be looked to for added leadership in their final high school seasons. Returning linemen include three-year starting center Andrew Burchett, Evan McNutt, Charlie Johnson and the brother duo of Rudy and Josh Pennington.

DeRossett looks forward to getting this year's spring practice time underway. Last year with their new field still under construction the Blackcats were without a field to practice on.

"Last year we were only able to do so much of our practice because we had to move it over to Archer Park," said DeRossett, comparing the two years. "This year we'll have all of our spring drills at the field except for some sled and shoot work over the hill."

The Prestonsburg coach expects between 50-55 players out for the drills.

Blackcat faithful can expect to see the Blackcats go shorts and helmets on Monday then strap on the pads later in the week.

Wicker

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second 300 try, just a few months back, he finished with an impressive near-perfect 297.

Wicker has put the feat of bowling a perfect game into perspective. "It's not that often that someone bowls a 300 game," said Wicker, still gleaming when talking about the accomplishment.

Wicker and his father, Ron Wicker, are the only father-son combo in Floyd County to pull off 300 games. Neil Wicker has won the high-average award at Pin Zone five times, and at press time, was leading again.

Just after the great accomplishment, Wicker dedicated the game to two members of his family.

"I've dedicated the 300 game to my uncle Harold Mollett, who passed away Jan. 15, and my grandfather Rudell Wicker," added the most recent Floyd County 300-game bowler.

The P'burg bowler favors several bowling facilities in the area, including the one he cut his teeth on.

"I like it here at Pin Zone, and I like Classic Lanes in Pikeville," he said. "I also still favor Sparetime Lanes in Paintsville. That's where I

grew up bowling. When I go away from here I like to visit the lanes in both Lexington and Huntington, W.Va."

Neil Wicker basically bowls year-round. His day job is Moore's Express Lube in Martin. He is also a part-time disc jockey at Vito's in Prestonsburg.

His next goal?

"I want to bowl an 800-series, which is three pretty good games," said the 26-year-old bowler.

He could possibly get an 800-series. His current average is 210.

Bowling is something Neil Wicker truly loves. He recommends all area youth to bowl.

"I would urge all youth to try bowling," said Wicker. "Bowling is a good, clean, fun sport. It's a good game."

Neil Wicker — the pro bowler? "I've watched the pro tour on ESPN," said Wicker, "league bowling is a lot different than pro bowling."

It's hard to say when Neil Wicker will bowl another 300 game. He always has his first to look back on. Maybe that's even more added incentive to bowl the next one.



Athletes of the Week



Ryan Johnson,
SFMS,
Eighth-grader



Natasha Stratton,
Betsy Layne High
School,
Junior





SPORTS FAN

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■ FISHING

Hager Hill resident LeMaster opens season with second-place finish

Smiley wins \$7 Million Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League Mountain Division opener

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SPRING CITY, Tenn. — Tim Smiley, White Pine, Tenn., topped 181 Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League competitors Saturday on Watts Bar with five bass weighing 11 pounds, 15 ounces. The catch earned him \$4,633 and 200 points in the Boater Division. Smiley caught his limit on a green jig that he was fishing around stumps and lay downs in 5 feet of water. The catch topped second-place boater Mark Mauldin, Cleveland, Tenn., by one ounce. Mauldin finished the one-day tournament with a four-bass catch weighing 11 pounds, 14 ounces worth \$2,316.

Jeffery Lewis, East Bernstadt (four bass, 11 pounds, 5 ounces, \$1,390); Richard Littlepage, Cincinnati, Ohio (four bass, 10 pounds, 10 ounces, \$1,112); and James King, Monroe, Tenn., (three bass, 10 pounds, 4 ounces, \$1,019) rounded out the top-five boaters. Littlepage also received a \$500 bonus from

Ranger Boats as the highest finishing participant in the Ranger Cup incentive program.

Carl Maxfield, Bristol, Tenn., earned boater big bass honors and \$905 with a 6-pound, 7-ounce bass that he caught on a black and silver Rouge. He finished in 15th place overall thanks to the one bass.

Teddy Willett, Greeneville, Tenn., claimed first place and \$2,304 in the 180-competitor Co-angler Division with three bass weighing 12 pounds, 11 ounces. He surpassed second-place co-angler John LeMaster, Hager Hill, by 2 pounds, 4 ounces. LeMaster finished with a three-bass catch weighing 10 pounds, 7 ounces worth \$1,152. Derrick Stafford, Kingston, Tenn. (two bass, 7 pounds, 11 ounces, \$691); Randy Stinnett, Dayton, Tenn. (four bass, 7 pounds, 10 ounces, \$553); and Jacob Cross, Byrdstown, Tenn., (two bass, 6 pounds, 14 ounces, \$507) rounded out the top-five co-anglers.

Co-angler Daryl Wagner, Knoxville, Tenn., earned big bass honors and \$450 in his division with a 6-pound, 11-ounce bass. He finished sixth thanks to the one bass.

Just one five-bass limit was caught during the tournament.

The Wal-Mart BFL will visit Dale Hollow April 6 for the second of five Mountain Division events. The boater with the most

points after the division's season finale, a two-day Super Tournament Sept. 14-15 on Cherokee Lake will be declared the Yamaha "Be the Best" Points Leader and awarded \$1,000.

The co-angler amassing the most points by the end of the season will receive \$500. The top-30 Mountain Division boaters and co-anglers will advance to regional competition Oct. 15-19 on Kerr Lake near Henderson, N.C., where they will go up against top competitors from the Buckeye, Northeast and Savannah River divisions for a shot at qualifying for the Wal-Mart BFL All-American one of the most lucrative post-season tournaments in competitive angling.

2002 BFL awards could reach \$7 million based on full fields. Sponsors of the 2002 Wal-Mart BFL are Wal-Mart, ALPO Pet Foods, BC Powder, BFGoodrich Tires, Castrol, Chevy Trucks, Coleman, Conesco, Energizer, EverStart Batteries, Evinrude, Faded Glory, Frito-Lay, FujiFilm, Garmin, Kellogg's, Land O'Lakes, Maxwell House, Minn Kota, Pepsi, Poulan, Ranger Boats, Shop-Vac, Snickers, Stanley Works, Stren, US Bank, Weed Eater and Yamaha Outboards. Associate sponsors are Abu Garcia, Berkley, Eagle Claw, Laker, Plano and Solar Bat.

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EACH FRIDAY, THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES WILL DEVOTE A PAGE TO AUTO RACING. THE TIMES WILL FEATURE NEWS AND NOTES FROM AREA DIRT TRACKS AS WELL AS THE LATEST FROM NASCAR ALONG WITH SOME OF THE SMALLER RACE GROUPS. THE TIMES WILL ALSO FEATURE PROFILES ON LOCAL RACERS.



NASCAR THIS WEEKEND

Event: Carolina Dodge Dealers 400
Track: Darlington Raceway
Date: Sunday, Mar. 17
TV: FOX
Radio: MRN
Radio: PRN Sunday, 12:30 p.m. ET

Not much has changed at Darlington

by PETE IACOBELLI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DARLINGTON, S.C. — What's new at Darlington Raceway? Well, not much of anything — and that's the way several NASCAR drivers like it.

From the Brasington Grandstand on the backstretch to the cement-block infield concession stands, history is

everywhere at the 52-year-old track.

"I like that there's no pretty suites, it's just the racetrack," said Jeff Burton, twice a Darlington winner. "That's pretty cool."

There have been several improvements since Harold Brasington bulldozed an oddly shaped oval out of some Darlington County farmland to get "The Track Too Tough To Tame"

into the 21st century. But no one's confusing this country track with gleaming new layouts in Las Vegas, Texas or Chicago.

"Even the new garages here don't look like new garages," said Burton, who was testing for this week's Carolina Dodge Dealers 400. "It's nice to go somewhere where the stuff doesn't look all fancy and cool like all the

other racetracks. And I think that's OK."

Darlington's history and reputation as "The Track Too Tough To Tame" keeps the drivers revved up about returning. The track's age and relatively smaller capacity to other Winston Cup raceways — officials jam about 80,000 in for the Southern 500 each Labor Day weekend — make it the

annual topic of NASCAR contraction.

The latest fears came about a year ago when then-Darlington president Jim Hunter left to become NASCAR's spokesman. However, track president Andrew Gurtis said he's secure the venue will remain a two-race layout

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Lawsuit seeks payment from DEI

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SHELBY, N.C. — A Cleveland County (N.C.) man suing Dale Earnhardt Inc. contends he is owed money for his role in helping the late racing legend get started 28 years ago.

Jury selection was completed Monday in Cleveland County Superior.

In the lawsuit filed in the summer of 2000, Gray London of Boiling Springs said he entered an agreement in 1999 with Earnhardt to release Earnhardt from the defunct racing team the two men formed in 1974.

"He helped Dale Earnhardt get started in 1974 after Dale's father died. He put up the money for him to get started in racing,"

said London's attorney, Irving Brenner

London granted the release in exchange for \$550,000 and the rights to make collectibles of three of Earnhardt's first cars through his company Driver on a Mission. The complaint alleges DEI violated the agreement and "used its economic clout within the racing souvenir industry to pressure individuals and businesses to refrain from or to stop doing business with DOM."

London also contends that in 1974 he and Earnhardt formed the Earnhardt Racing Team, with each man putting up half the money.

"He helped Dale Earnhardt get started in 1974 after Dale's father died. He put up the money for him to get started in racing," said London's attorney, Irving Brenner.

"Over the years, Mr. London and Dale Earnhardt talked about settling up on their agreement and in January of 1999 they did. There was an agreement between Dale Earnhardt Inc. and Mr. London."

London sued DEI because, Brenner said, DEI broke the agreement between the two men.

Brenner said DEI owes London \$100,000.

DEI filed a countersuit that claimed London didn't live up to his contract.

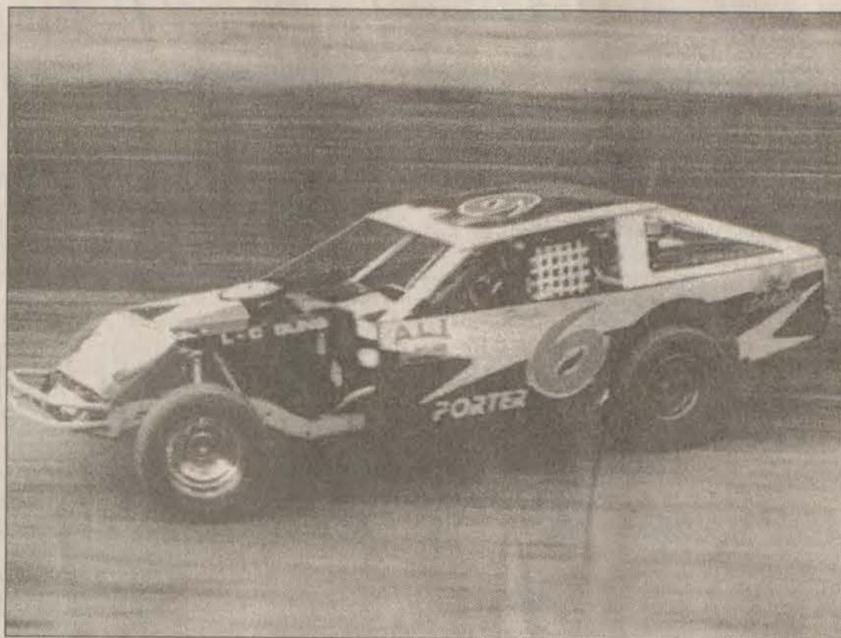
"Basically, Mr. London knew Dale and his family and they had a racing team and it went under in two years," said Earnhardt attorney Judson Graves.

"London came back looking for something out of the old days and threatened a suit. DEI lived up to their agreement and they (London) didn't."

Graves said neither side disputes the existence of the 1999 contract between London and DEI.

"It's an unfortunate example of how some people who knew Dale years ago

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MODIFIED RACING



file photo

Sitka's 201 Speedway will soon open for another season of exciting dirt track racing.

■ PROFILE

Cars a family affair for Winston Cup newcomer

by TOM GARDNER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAS VEGAS — Growing up in Las Vegas meant a lot of family trips to the race track for Kurt Busch, his dad and his younger brother.

They weren't going out for a hot dog, a soft drink and some bonding in the bleachers, though. They were going racing.

"I got a good basis in car mechanics that I learned from my father," Kurt said. "He wanted us to know the fundamentals and the setup and all the geometry that was needed for making race cars win races."

First, it was dad Tom. Then Kurt. And then Kyle. Weeknights and Saturdays were spent in the family garage learning the science of racing by building a car from the wheels up.

"I got a good basis in car mechanics that I learned from my father," Kurt said. "He wanted us to know the fundamentals and the setup and all the geometry that was needed for making race cars win races."

After four Winston Cup outings this season and 35 as a rookie last year, Busch believes he is close to turning his team and his Ford Taurus into a winning combination.

He finished fourth at Daytona and 12th at Rockingham this year, but electrical problems left him 20th in Las Vegas after running up front much of the day.

A dismal final pit stop in Atlanta on Sunday saw him go in third and come out 12th. After vying for the lead with winner Tony Stewart and No. 2 Dale Earnhardt Jr. most of the day and leading 59 of the

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Kentucky to be included in ESPN2, ESPN International coverage of new INDY Racing Infiniti Pro Series

SPARTA — All seven events of the 2002 Indy Racing Infiniti Pro Series will be broadcast on ESPN2 in the United States and distributed worldwide through ESPN International. The Indy Racing Infiniti Pro Series will make its first appearance at Kentucky Speedway on Sunday, August 11, prior to the Indy Racing League "Belterra Casino Indy 300."

The new series will be featured during 30-minute shows produced by IMS Productions and hosted by veteran Indy Racing broadcaster

Mike King. Shows will feature race coverage and unique profiles of Infiniti Pro Series drivers and teams. Broadcast dates and times will be announced when available.

"ESPN has chosen to partner with the Indy Racing League as the future of open-wheel racing in the United States," said Burke Magnus, ESPN director, programming and acquisitions. "We intend to be full partners in making certain that Indy Racing remains the leading American open-wheel series in the future. This pro-

gram and our contract extension through 2007 signed last September underscores our belief in the additional future growth potential of the Indy Racing League."

The inaugural season of the Infiniti Pro Series will begin July 7 at Kansas Speedway and culminate with the Sept. 14 season finale at Texas Motor Speedway. Nashville Superspeedway, Michigan International Speedway, Gateway International Raceway and Chicagoland Speedway also will

play host to Infiniti Pro Series events in 2002.

The 100-mile Infiniti Pro Series "sprints" will take place at the same track and on the same day as Indy Racing League events except for the Texas race, which will take place the day before the IRL's season-ending Chevy 500.

"With drivers competing in identical Dallara chassis powered by Infiniti engines and fitted with

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UDTRA TV races to feature double file restarts

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WOODSTOCK, Ga. — United Dirt Track Racing Association officials have announced special race procedures for all televised 2002 UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series events. The new procedures will begin with the

March 16 event at Thunder Valley Speedway in Glenmora, La.

There will be 10 UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series events televised on a tape delay basis on the Speed Channel in 2002.

UDTRA officials will implement double-file restarts for televised

main events. The leader will restart alone, with the rest of the field doubled up behind. There will also be no sheet metal pulling by UDTRA officials under caution, and the three-lap rule to change flat tires under caution will also be waived for 2002 televised main events.

"A lot of fans have told us they would like to see double-file restarts at UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series events, so we tried it during the Isky Dash at last year's UDTRA Dixie Shootout," UDTRA President Mike Swims said. "It worked out well, it was well received by the fans, and it

fits in with what UDTRA is trying to accomplish for television."

Swims said the UDTRA television package has been a work in progress for the last three years, with the main

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SFMS

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Saturday morning in Pool 4 at 10:15 a.m. versus Bardstown. The other team is Pool 4 is St. Pius.

Other teams in the tourney include Blessed Sacrament, Boyle County, Jackson County, Woodford County, Grant County, Estill County, Jackson City, Second Street, Scott Middle (Fort Knox), Elkhorn Middle, Lexington Catholic, Morgan County, Highlands, Ohio County and Lexington Christian Academy, among others.

Morgan County will take on

Lexington Catholic is a first round game in Pool 8 at 9 a.m. The top two teams will meet on Court 1 at 3:45 p.m. on Sunday to see who takes home the tournament championship.

"Our kids and their parents are real excited about having the opportunity to play in a state tourney," said Isaac, who capped off his third season at the helm of the SFMS boys' basketball program with a county title. "We can't wait to see how we do against some of the best the state has to offer."

Olympics

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als who, if given the chance, can participate and excel in many of the sports offered, both team and individual.

In order to become a volunteer a registration form must be completed. Forms may be obtained by calling Ed Senig at 452-9564 or via mail at Special Olympics Kentucky Chapter Office, 105 Lakeview Court Frankfort, Ky. 40601-8749. A completed registration form will begin the process of becoming an important part of one of the most exciting sports programs in the state, Special

Olympics Kentucky (SOKY).

Only fully-completed forms will be processed. The form is required for every person who volunteers with Special Olympics in a Class A capacity. Upon approval, SOKY will forward a packet to the volunteer which will include a volunteer handbook with other general information. Only adult volunteers, 18 years of age or older are eligible to volunteer.

On the Net:
www.soky.org

Spring

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While some skill players may be playing baseball or still out following a long basketball season, such isn't the case with the South Floyd offensive and defensive linemen. Linemen Todd Caudill, Gerald Martin and Ryan Gearheart all three are in spring workouts readying themselves for next season.

This Monday will be South Floyd's first pad practice. The Raiders are conducting drills on Bracket Field in Wheelwright while work continues on their new field. The last spring practice is scheduled for March 26.

IN between its first 7-on-7 passing game, slated to take place some time during the first week of June, the Raider grid program has hopes of hosting a weightlifting meet. Jones also mentioned his desire to have at least a 7-on-7 controlled scrimmage at one point during the current spring practice time. The Dayton, Ohio native still believes in the passing game. Once the Raiders line up in August an air attack could once again be launched. All hopes, dreams and plans begin with spring drills, but they definitely don't end there.

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goal to eventually have live telecasts of UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series events.

"Time management is everything in television, and we've been working for three years to try and have a tight enough program to where we can run a 75-100-lap main event inside an hour time window for live television," Swims said. "Both our officials and competitors have worked hard and worked together to accomplish this, and show the networks we are ready for live television."

Swims said the new race procedures highlighted by the double-file restarts will bring a new feature to motorsports television.

"To my knowledge, the UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series will be the first motorsports sanctioning body to bring double-file restarts for cars on the lead lap to television," Swims said. "There are other dirt late model sanctioning bodies that have used double-file restarts, but I believe we're the first to bring it to television."

UDTRA announces nine of 10 '02 televised events

The \$15,000-to-win Paragon Casino Hotel Soaring Eagle Classic on March 16 will be the first of ten UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series events taped for airing on Speed Channel. The second event taped will be the \$10,000-to-win Jim Barna Log Systems Spring 50 on May 3 at Scenic

Raceway in Oneida, Tenn.

The third UDTRA televised taping will be on May 18 for the McCarthy Heating and Air Conditioning 75 at Eagle Raceway in Lincoln, Neb. The Speed Channel cameras will move to Cedar Lake Speedway in New Richmond, Wis. on June 22 for the \$15,000-to-win 4th Annual Masters 100.

The next two events taped will be the second and third jewels of the third annual UDTRA Triple Crown on July 20 at Dixie Speedway in Woodstock, Ga. and on July 21 at Rome Speedway in Rome, Ga. Both events will be \$10,000-to-win and 50-lap main events. The seventh televised event will be the \$40,000-to-win USA Nationals at Cedar Lake Speedway.

UDTRA will bring the Commonwealth Cup to the Speed Channel network by taping the 50-lap, \$10,000-to-win main event on September 14 at Kentucky Lake Motor Speedway in Calvert City. The final event of the 2002 season, the \$55,000-to-win 13th annual UDTRA Dixie Shootout at Dixie Speedway will also be taped for airing on the Speed Channel.

UDTRA will announce one other event to be taped later in the season, and UDTRA officials are waiting for the air dates of the UDTRA telecasts from Speed Channel officials. UDTRA officials will announce the air dates as soon as they receive them from the network.

Kentucky

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Firestone Firehawk tires, the Infiniti Pro Series will produce some incredibly exciting racing," said Roger Bailey, executive director of the Infiniti Pro Series. "These shows will not only capture that excitement, but they will also provide valuable exposure for drivers, sponsors and teams.

"Any good series has great characters involved. Our relationship with ESPN will allow us to introduce those characters - the Indy Racing League stars of tomorrow - to an enormous worldwide television audience,"

he added.

Infiniti Q45 engines will power new Dallara Automobili chassis built for the series, with Firestone Firehawk tires used exclusively on all cars. The V8 engines will produce approximately 450 horsepower for the single-seat winged chassis, providing an ideal training ground for the 650-horsepower, single-seat winged cars of the Indy Racing League.

Ashleigh Higgins of indyracing.com contributed to this story.

Lady Pats fall to Perry Central

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HAZARD - The Perry
County Central Lady

Commodores are headed to another state tourney. Only this time, it seemed as if the Lady Commodores had to fight just a little but harder to get there.

Tuesday night's 14th Region championship contest against Knott County Central proved that.

Kristel Hamilton scored two

points at the best time for Perry Central. Hamilton hit two free throws from the charity stripe to

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American commissioner, made the all-tournament team in 1958 while playing for Cynthiana High. He then played college ball under another Cynthiana product, Joe B. Hall, at Regis College in Denver.

Historically, the KHSAA has promoted from within. Ted Sanford, the first KHSAA commissioner, served from 1947 to '72, when he was replaced by longtime assistant Joe Billy Mansfield, a member of the Horse Cave High team that lost to Ashland in the 1933 championship game.

Mansfield was succeeded by Tom Mills, who had been one of his assistants, and Mills was succeeded by Billy Wise, one of his aides. When Wise retired, he was replaced by Stout, who had been an assistant commissioner. If form holds, the next commissioner - and first female commissioner - will be Brigid DeVries, the executive assistant commissioner. She has been a high-ranking KHSAA administrator for years. She would bring experience, familiarity, loyalty, and knowledge to the job.

However, without meaning to discredit DeVries in any way, there's another candidate who deserves at least serious consideration by the KHSAA Board of Control.

Ken Trivette, current executive director of the Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches, is the son of the legendary John Bill Trivette, who took Pikeville High to the semifinals of the 1957 State Tournament. The man who introduced the pressing defense to the Kentucky high school ranks, John Bill was such an imposing figure that Ken could-

n't have been blamed for going into another line of work.

Instead, he went into coaching. He was a graduate assistant on Hall's first two Kentucky teams, the youngest college head coach in the nation during three years at Cumberland College, and an assistant to Wayne Martin at Morehead State from 1977 through 1983.

After Morehead was eliminated by Syracuse in the 1983 NCAA tournament, Trivette left to become athletics director at Pikeville High. In 1988, when Pikeville hoops coach Howard Wallen experienced a case of burnout, Trivette named himself to replace Wallen in his dad's old job. The Panthers finally made it back to the State Tournament in 1999, ending a 24-year absence.

As head of the KABC, Trivette has rallied and energized the state's coaches by holding an annual clinic. The featured speakers have included such famous names as Hubie Brown, Gene Keady, Denny Crum, and Bob Knight.

In addition, he has organized annual State Tournament events to honor the great coaches and players of the past. Last year, for example, he asked the public to vote online for the 50 greatest heroes in State Tournament history. More than 2,500 fans responded.

Trivette is well-connected, articulate, aggressive, passionate, and innovative. Just like his dad, in other words. This doesn't necessarily mean that he's a better candidate than DeVries or others, but he definitely deserves a long, hard look.

Whoever the new commissioner might be, he, or her, should

spearhead a movement to take the State Tournament back to Louisville's Freedom Hall on a regular basis. Maybe not every other year, as was done in the past, but once every three years. Something like that.

The ostensible reason the KHSAA made Lexington the permanent home of the State Tournament was that Lexington supported it better than Louisville. But that's not entirely true. The last four years the "Sweet Sixteen" was held in Freedom Hall, it drew 135,866 in 1988, 123,688 in 1990, 98,466 in 1992, and 84,276 in 1994.

The first two figures compare favorably with the crowds in Rupp Arena.

The last two, obviously, represent a decline. However, in Louisville's defense, there were some mitigating circumstances.

In 1992, the entire Commonwealth was captivated by UK's run through the NCAA bracket, which culminated with the historic loss to Duke in the East Regional final. And in '94, both UK and U of L had standout teams (UK was eliminated in the round of 32, U of L in the round of 16) that pulled fans away from the State Tournament and toward TV sets.

But the real reason the State Tournament was moved to Rupp Arena permanently was that a lot of rural Kentuckians simply feel more comfortable in Lexington than Louisville because they think it's safer and easier to get around in. To them, Lexington is an overgrown country town Louisville is - gasp! - the hated big city.

Yet so much has changed in the

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state's largest city (after the government merger) since 1994 that the KHSAA should look at Louisville with a fresh eye.

For example, the U of L campus has been dramatically transformed from an urban factory into a lovely expanse of new buildings and green lawns.

That, combined with the sensational work of Athletics Director Tom Jurich, Football Coach John L. Smith, and Basketball Coach Rick Pitino has turned U of L into one of the most vibrant programs in college athletics. Louisville has several new hotels. It has more restaurants, malls, clubs, and things to do than Lexington. More of a big-city feel, if you will, that figures to provide a positive educational experience for youngsters from out in the state. It is not - repeat, NOT - the big, bad place that some small-town thinkers make it out to be.

Finally, the commissioner should pledge to keep the "Sweet Sixteen" just as it is. Kentucky should never go to a classification system, as Indiana has. And the semifinals and finals both should be held on Saturday, as always has been the case, instead of moving the title game to Sunday.

Anybody who would tamper with the State Tournament would probably spray-paint tattoos on the Mona Lisa, find an unsightly pimple on Nicole Kidman, or walk out of "The Phantom of the Opera." Be it basketball or art, perfection always should be treated gingerly, respectfully, and lovingly.

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Football

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players. McCoy and Betsy Layne football faithful definitely hope to get things going in the fall. And if things go as planned, the Bobcats will have a improved field to play their games on ASAP.

Floyd County Schools will receive sealed bids for improvements to the Betsy Layne football field until 11 a.m., March 25 at the offices of Greg Adams, Floyd County Schools, 23 Main Street, Allen.

The Betsy Layne field project consists of re-grading and installation of a new drainage system for the existing field. The new field will be resodded.

Prior to the completion of Josh Francis Field at

Prestonsburg High School, Betsy Layne had what many county residents considered the best football field in Floyd County. Last year, Prestonsburg, without a field to scrimmage on, took to the field against the Scott County Cardinals, a Class 4A team, in a pre-season game. Betsy Layne played five regular season games on the existing field last season.

Before coming to Betsy Layne, McCoy, a Hazard native, put in time as an assistant coach at South Laurel High School. Before that he was a head coach at Jenkins High School where he led the Cavaliers, a Class A squad, to a runner-up regional finish.

Cars

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325 laps, he wound up 11th in the race and seventh in the points.

"Our first four races was to get a solid base in points so we can dig ourselves out of this position place we're in," he said.

Last year produced a third at Talladega, a fourth at Texas and a fifth at Indianapolis, but seven DNFs left him 27th in the standings and a distant runner-up to Kevin Harvick for rookie-of-the-year.

"As a rookie, I learned a lot. I have said all along that I needed experience. I have a lot of that now for 2002."

He also has a new crew chief in Jimmy Fennig, who came over from teammate Mark Martin during the offseason. And he has the vast racing experience of his other Roush teammates - Jeff Burton and Matt Kenseth.

"I'm very used to exchanging information. Working with my father early on, that was my encyclopedia for what was going on. I worked with Greg Biffle in the truck series and that was probably the best relationship I've ever had other than my little brother and my father.

"I try to take the best thing that Mark has to offer, the best thing that Jeff has to offer, the best thing that Matt has to offer and incorporate that into my style."

Busch, 23, was still at Durango High School when he started racing in the Dwarf Division on a quarter-mile dirt

oval in nearby Pahrump in 1994. He won the state title in 1995 and the Hobby Stock championship the following year at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

He tried a year of college in 1997, pursuing a pharmaceutical degree at the University of Arizona, but he decided the only science that interested him was the physics of speed.

"I never could grasp the college scene. It didn't seem like it was helping me at all. I was into race cars too much."

He campaigned in the NASCAR Featherlight Southwest Tour in 1999, becoming its youngest champion with victories that included the tri-oval here in his home town and the road course at Sears Point in northern California's wine country.

That led to the offer later that year to drive for Roush in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series, where he had four victories and finished second to teammate Biffle.

He followed that with a leap from trucks to Winston Cup - bypassing the normal training step of the Busch series.

"It's similar to a high school basketball player going to the NBA," he said. "There wasn't many drivers that took that jump - and there haven't been many successful ones that took that step. I'm going to try to change that trend," he said.

"Each series teaches you different things. You learn some things in truck, and I tried to

Darlington

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down the road.

"This is a premier NASCAR track and that's what we're going to play upon," Gurtis said.

You don't have to sell that to the drivers.

"I think this has a place in our sport for the reminder of the heritage and tradition," said Burton, who recalled his family, including older brother, Ward, traveling from their Virginia home to the Darlington races.

Ward Burton has won twice at Darlington, including last year's Southern 500.

"I told Ward last year, 'OK, you had won at Darlington before, but now you've won the Southern 500 and that's moves you up even higher in my eyes,'" Jeff Burton said.

learn some things right away in Winston Cup."

He and Fennig spent the off-season testing at Las Vegas and other tracks to evaluate both the car and each other.

"We had to understand when I made a comment what it meant, to understand when he was going to make a change what it meant. The chemistry, it's just boiled over. It's just fantastic."

His 16-year-old brother, Kyle, was on an equally fast track, racing trucks for Roush when he was barely old enough to drive on the Las Vegas freeways. That ended when NASCAR raised the minimum age for competitors to 18.

Kyle will compete in the ASA series this year in a car sponsored by Roush. He expects to miss only three truck races in 2003 before reaching his 18th birthday in May.

Martin, who came off a 12th-place finish last season to finish third at Las Vegas and eighth in Atlanta under new chief Ben Leslie, has taken on the Busch brothers as proteges, starting with his newest teammate, Kurt.

"In my eyes, he's the most talented young driver that's come along since or including Jeff Gordon - and the only one that jeopardizes that is Kyle," he said.

On the Net:

http://www.roushracing.com/
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DEI

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feel tied to or think they were responsible for his success," said Steve Crisp, spokesman for Dale Earnhardt Enterprises.

Crisp said Earnhardt was forced to bounce from owner to owner looking for a backer. Earnhardt eventually found one in Richard Childress Racing and went on to win seven NASCAR Winston Cup Championships, tying a record with Richard Petty.

Earnhardt died Feb. 18, 2001, from injuries he received in a wreck at the Daytona 500.

Pats

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put PCC over top of the state tourney-hopeful Lady Patriots.
It was no surprise that Bertha Sebastian led the way for Perry County Central (27-4) with a team-best 19 points. Britta Maggard added 17 points, and made six of six free throws in the

closing minutes for the victory.
Tiffany Slone scored 24 markers to lead Knott Central (21-11), and teammate Tonya Amburgey added 20.
Perry Central scored a 17-14 lead after one quarter. The Lady Commodores dropped the second

period soundly to go into the halftime break trailing 35-29.
Perry Central revived its quest back to Bowling Green and E.A. Diddle Arena and the Girls' State Basketball Tournament with a 21-16 victory in the third period, and a 22-

17 victory in the final period for the four-point win.
Six players scored for Knott Central. Eight broke into the points column for Perry Central.
Perry Central's victory means the Lady Commodores will take on 15th

Region champ Johnson Central in the opening round of the state tourney next week. Johnson Central scored a 19-point victory over Betsy Layne in the finals of the 15th Region tourney Monday night at Pike County Central High School.

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8. Notre Dame (21-10) Thursday 7:40

9. Charlotte (16-11) Thursday 10:20

5. Indiana (20-11) Thursday 10:20

12. Utah (21-8) Sacramento, Ca. Saturday 5:30 or 7:56

4. Southern Cal (22-8) Thursday 7:55

13. UNC Wilmington (22-9) Friday 2:55

6. California (22-8) Pittsburgh Sunday 12:10 or 2:36

11. Pennsylvania (23-6) Pittsburgh (27-6) Friday 12:25

14. Central Conn. St. (27-4) Thursday 12:20

7. Oklahoma St. (23-4) Thursday 12:20

10. Kent State (27-6) Greenville, S.C. Saturday 1:10 or 3:36

2. Alabama (26-7) Thursday 2:50

15. Florida Atlantic (19-11) Friday 7:40

1. Cincinnati (20-3) Pittsburgh Sunday 12:10 or 2:36

16. Boston U. (22-9) Friday 10:05

8. UCLA (19-11) Friday 10:05

6. Mississippi (20-10) Thursday 12:40

5. Miami Fla. (24-7) Thursday 12:40

12. Missouri (21-11) Albuquerque, N.M. Saturday 3:20

4. Ohio State (23-7) Thursday 3:10

13. Davidson (21-9) Thursday 7:40

6. Gonzaga (29-3) Thursday 7:40

11. Wyoming (21-9) Albuquerque, N.M. Saturday 5:50

3. Arizona (22-9) Thursday 10:05

14. UC Santa Barb. (20-10) Thursday 10:05

7. Xavier (25-6) Friday 3:40

10. Hawaii (27-5) Dallas Sunday 4:41

2. Oklahoma (27-4) Friday 12:30

15. Illinois-Chicago (20-13) Friday 12:30

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1. Maryland (28-4) Friday 10:05

16. Alcorn St./Siena Washington, D.C. Sunday 5:00

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9. St. John's (20-11) Thursday 2:55

5. Marquette (28-4) Thursday 2:55

12. Tulsa (26-4) St. Louis Saturday 5:38

4. Kentucky (20-4) Thursday 12:25

13. Valparaiso (25-7) Thursday 12:25

6. Texas Tech (23-4) Friday 7:50

11. Southern Illinois (26-7) Chicago Sunday 4:46

3. Georgia (21-9) Friday 10:15

14. Murray St. (19-12) Friday 12:15

7. N.C. State (23-10) Washington, D.C. Sunday 2:30

10. Michigan St. (19-11) Friday 2:45

2. Connecticut (24-4) Friday 2:45

15. Hampton (26-4) Thursday 7:50

1. Kansas (29-3) St. Louis Sunday 8:04

16. Holy Cross (18-14) Thursday 10:15

8. Stanford (19-9) Thursday 10:15

9. Western Ky. (28-3) Friday 2:30

5. Florida (22-4) Friday 2:30

12. Creighton (22-8) Chicago Sunday 2:20

4. Illinois (24-4) Friday 2:30

13. San Diego St. (21-11) Friday 10:20

6. Texas (20-11) Friday 10:20

11. Boston College (20-11) Dallas Sunday 2:15

3. Mississippi St. (25-7) Friday 7:55

14. McNeese St. (21-4) Thursday 2:42

7. Wake Forest (20-12) Thursday 2:42

10. Pepperdine (22-4) Sacramento, Ca. Saturday 5:30 or 7:56

2. Oregon (23-4) Thursday 5:07

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The joys of springtime

I've been sick of late. Nasty sick. I don't do well dealing with the world when I can't breathe and my ears plug up. Some people like to be pampered and tended to when they are ill.

I don't.
I just want to be left alone. I don't want to answer the phone, the door, or even get dressed. And I most definitely don't want to visit a doctor. Not that I have anything against doctors, but, when it comes to my sinus troubles, I have very little faith left that anyone can ever make me better.



"Hold still, now" the doctor says calmly. Yeah, right, doc, you can be calm, you're the one controlling the turbo suction evil machine.

—Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

I've already suffered sinus surgery and having tubes in my ears. I've tried every nasal spray on the market, and several allergy medications. But, I've yet to spend an afternoon visiting

with an allergist. After spending months that have stretched into years with a number of ENT's (ear, nose, and throat doctors), and, finding that still, I can't breathe, can't hear and ain't never learned to dance (okay, so I can't blame the doctors for everything), I have made an appointment with an allergist.

I have high hopes. I need some relief, else I'm gonna hire an attorney and file for disability.

Seriously, I've always been the sort of person who could grit my teeth and bear it. I endured a tonsillectomy at the age of eight, braces on my teeth at the age of 11, and three Caesarean sections in my early thirties, and that's saying nothing.

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Guest speaker to attend special evening services

submitted article

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints will present a special evening with Elder Sheldon F. Child on Tuesday, March 26, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The church is located in Martin, atop a hill, just off Route 80. Elder Child, a leader in the church, is prepared to present an uplifting message that promises to be a uniquely spiritual experience for all. Child studied at the University of Utah and Utah State University. He is a former area authority in the Utah North Area, president of the New York, New York

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by Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

It wasn't really planned, but it seems there is a roll, no pun intended, on thinking about food. In the recent past, there has been talk about helping kids have healthy eating habits and making plans to lose minor weight before summer comes. Then the latest *Monitor on Psychology* (3/02) arrived with its cover entitled "Eating Disorders—New data on and treatments for binge-eating, anorexia nervosa, and bulimia nervosa." Basically, it's

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Left to right, Ryan Draughn of Jackson, Scott Nettleton of Paintsville, and Aleene Miller of Volunteers in Mission examine souvenirs from the Caribbean.

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.

Every spring I get started fishing a little later. I have just had a horrendous thought: A spring will come when I'll not get started at all.

WISE GUY!

The guy gravely shook my hand, reminded me that he knew I am in the newspaper business and am supposed to know a few things, then suggested that he would like to ask me a question. I condescended to hear it (by that time I was in a condescending mood). Then he asked: "Tell me, how did the fool get his money in the first place?"

CLEAN UP ON THE CLUTTERUPPERS

It's clean-up time again—as if there ever were a time when it wasn't that time—and still the law forbidding dumping at roadsides, into streams, etcetera, gets broken, yea, shattered, every day. The warning signs get covered up, the few who work at cleaning up the countryside are threatened with being buried alive—and yet nothing is done.

Those charged with enforcing the law, of educating and leading the public might consider why it was that men have almost stopped the once-common practices of dynamiting streams, seining fish, hunting out of season, disregarding size and bag limits, etcetera. Did culture and high ideas catch up with these fellows? No, it was the law. Officers made arrests, officials prosecuted, juries handed down verdicts, men went to jail or were fined, or both.

And that, incidentally, is the only procedure by which many of us will ever learn not to dump garbage along our roadsides, pollute streams and generally create havoc with the natural beauty of the countryside.

Education is wonderful. Patience is a virtue, almost as golden as silence. But patience can become toleration of intolerable conditions, and the only education some folks ever get is in the dear school of experience.

If the law will make a clean sweep of some of these violators, there will be less cleaning up left to be done by those who respect the law and take pride in the appearance of what would be one of the most beautiful places in the world, if nobody lived here.

HEREWITH MY APPLICATION

It has just occurred to me that every golf club should have a new kind of pro. The swankiest course needs a professional duffer. Your ordinary club pro with his smooth swing, his intricate knowledge of the mechanics of the swing and all that simply drives most of us to desperation. It's a duffer to be a sort of buffer for every other duffer that they need.

Any golf club would be surprised to know how many members would not quit the game in disgust, or wrap their clubs around the nearest tree; or blow a gasket, if they only had a competent man for this important post.

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United Methodists and their Missions

by DR. PHYLLIS PUFFER
GUEST WRITER

Last Sunday was Mission Service Sunday in the Prestonsburg district for the United Methodists of this area. It was an occasion that called for a visit of their Bishop, the pastor in charge of all the United Methodist churches in almost all of Kentucky, and their District Superintendent, the pastor in charge of the area that includes Floyd County. It was a time to remember United Methodist missions in Kentucky, the United States and the rest of the world. The offering at this service was special. Congregants were invited to place on the altar writing tablets and pencils to be shipped to Ghana. Such simple items we do not even notice and even throw away so casually, but simple as they are to us, they are so important and so scarce in that far off, West African country.

After the service, Bishop

King and worshippers from all over the district visited the many booths that were set up to provide the opportunity of presenting information from all the various missions that the church and its members continue to be involved in. Representatives from each mission were available to answer questions and become engaged in discussion. In all, there were 19 missions dedicated to worthy projects in Kentucky, as well as overseas. One project of general interest in this area has been named "Haven of Rest." This structure is now being built just outside of Inez and plans call for this restful haven to begin operating in January of 2003. This hotel will provide free room and meals for needy families coming from distances as far as over 500 miles in order to visit their loved ones in the new prison that is currently nearing completion in the area. The

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The assembled worshipers read from their bulletins:

"While I was choosing between diet and regular soda, Your parched lips were yearning for the touch of water."

"While I complained about the poor service of a gourmet restaurant, You were gratefully receiving a bowl of rice."

"While I built a four-bedroom house for the three of us, Your family of ten found shelter in a one-room hut."



photo by Dr. Phyllis Puffer

Dinah Adamson displays recent publications from the Abington Press.

FCHD offers free food sanitation classes

The Floyd County Health Department will offer a free class in safe food handling procedures on Wednesday, March 20, from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., at the Floyd County Library. Admission will be free to all food handlers and food managers. The department recommends that at least one manager and/or food handler from each food service establishment attend

this class. Quarterly food sanitation classes will soon become mandatory, and each person attending will be required to pay a fee for the class. The Floyd County Health Department is offering this free class on March 20 in order to begin the process of familiarizing local food service personnel with current and forthcoming sanitation laws and

procedures. Open enrollment will end on Tuesday, March 19. For enrollment scheduling and questions, please contact the FCHD at (606) 886-2788, ext. 273. Certificates will be awarded upon completion of the class and a list of attending establishments will be posted afterwards in the local newspaper.

THINGS TO PONDER

When eating goes BAD!

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And I hereby apply. I'm very competent, and my competency is recognized by at least a few golfers. There was Tom Dingus whom I give as a reference. He used me for a round or so at a time when he had a low opinion of his game. Thurman Hughes has switched from southpaw to playing the game in the conventional, right-handed way, and he has had a few moments of gloom. He has invited me for a round. Clifford Boyd came all the way from Paintsville and suggested we get together for a few holes. Under severe questioning he broke down and confessed he needed help.

I am at your service, gentlemen. I can and will help. I will trot out my well-grooved slice, I will look up to see a ball that's still on the tee, I will bury your troubles in my divots.

But I still maintain your golf club should pay me to restore your confidence in your respective games as I make you look good and feel much better about your status as golfers.

Postscript:

Faulty vision

by PAM SHINGLER
COLUMNIST

The line between tragedy and comedy is known to be a thin one. A good friend found that out last week.

There'd been rumors of thefts at her workplace, and employees had been advised to keep their personal possessions out of sight, preferably locked up. My friend believes that good will out, and she refuses to change her lifestyle because idiots choose to steal.

One day last week, however, she returned to her office from a meeting, or some such, and discovered that her purse was missing. The day - and some of her philosophy - rapidly fell apart.

She had to notify the police, during which time she told the officer she knew exactly where the purse had been because she could "see myself laying it there when I walked in."

After the police report, my friend began the process of redefining her life to minimize the thief's damage. She had to talk to the folks at the bank and close out her accounts, from checking to savings to certificates. She had to check on getting a new driver's license, new employee ID and all the steps on the identity trail.

She rescheduled the rest of her day's appointments and went home to ferret out credit card records and call to report her loss. On top of the despair of being a crime victim, she met further frustration in trying to communicate with the electronic voices of the card companies. "If you want information about your account, press one. If you want to talk to a real person, press 82. If you want to strangle someone, ..."

Finally succumbing to tears, she called a friend to vent her fears, her anger and her sorrow. They talked for a while as my friend sought to regain her composure and her resolve to maintain control. After all, no matter how bad she felt, she still had to get through to the card companies and then write letters to her supervisors to report the theft.

When she got off the phone with her friend, she walked back through the house. Suddenly, her eyes fell on an object that she'd overlooked the whole evening. There on a table was the purse, just where she'd apparently left it before she left the house that morning.

She realized then that the clear vision she'd had of placing the purse on the office desk early that morning must have been the vision of another day. She calls it one in a continuing series of "senior moments."

A colleague told her she should not be talking about the embarrassing incident. But she has what I consider a healthy outlook and continues to tell on herself. "I figure if I can brighten someone's day with my little story, then it was worth it," she says.

May we all have such a great attitude - and such good luck.

MSU to celebrate social work month on Prestonsburg campus

Submitted article

Morehead State University will celebrate Social Work Month on Tuesday, March 19, from 12:45 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. with a free soup and salad luncheon for all social work majors. The luncheon will take place in room 8 of the Big Sandy Extended Campus Center, located on University Drive.

Dr. Judith Stafford, off-campus coordinator for MSU's social work program, along with Deirdra Robinson, MSW, clinical field instructor for the University of Kentucky, will speak at the event in regard to the university's respective programs. MSU began offering core classes for its bachelor of social work degree at the Prestonsburg center in the fall of 2001. The University of Kentucky has offered graduate level social work classes in Hazard, Prestonsburg, and Morehead in the past and is once again considering a proposal to offer the

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Left to right, Rev. Wayne A. Sayre of Prestonsburg, Rev. Julie Hager Love of the District Council, Rev. Debbie Wallace-Padgett, District Superintendent, Rev. Kenneth R. Lemaster of Allen, Bishop James R. King, Jr., Rev. Bobby Isaac of Wheelwright, Rev. Roy A. Harlow of Graceway. Unavailable for photograph were Rev. Denzil Sexton of Horn Chapel, Rev. Steve Pescosolido of Prestonsburg, and Rev. Garfield Potter of Auxier.

Missions

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inspiration for "Haven of Rest" was taken from Mathew 25:36, "I was in prison and you came to me."

Henderson Settlement is an old mission that is located in southeastern Kentucky. It was established in 1925, and houses many activities including, among others, a school, housing repair, agricultural projects, and a thrift clothing store. They also have a craft store that is posted on the internet.

Aldersgate Camp and Conference Center, located at Ravena, Kentucky, is open all year round and is proud of their history of allowing campers to begin as youngsters and return in later years, even after they are in high school and college. The camp is open to all, not just United Methodists, and even offers the added attraction of horseback riding.

Two organizations that specialize in disaster relief and low income housing needs are the Kentucky Conference Disaster Response and EK-CORE. These organizations were well represented at Sunday afternoon's fair.

The Methodists are proud of their historical support for education. Three colleges were represented: Lindsey Wilson College, Kentucky Wesleyan College, and Union College. The Wesleyan Foundation, for college students, is found at most colleges and universities. The one from Morehead University was represented at the booth fair. Also present was Abington Press, which is a publishing house operated by the Methodist Church.

Mayo United Methodist Church was on hand to inform fair-goers that they will send a medical mission to Peru for ten days in the upcoming future. They are in need of dona-

tions of eyeglasses to distribute to the people of Peru. The Buchanan family, who ministers in a hospital in Ghana, was represented by their two sons, Jeremy and Andrew, at the fair. "United Methodists Volunteers in Mission," also had a booth that was ready to inform of their work in organizing groups to build churches and schools in the Caribbean.

The Methodists were originally a small group of students who attended Oxford University in England in the early 1700s. The leader of this group of students was a Church of England minister by the name of John Wesley. The students spent many hours preaching to the poor and were especially concerned about the ravages of alcohol, above all gin, among this needy population. They came to be called "Methodists" because of their methodical self discipline. In 1938, John Wesley came to Savannah, Georgia where his preaching and teaching became very popular. The Church of England and the Methodists eventually parted ways and today the church is better established here in the United States than in the motherland. The Church of England is known as the Episcopal Church in the United States and was covered in the February 22 issue of this paper.

Bishop King, who visited the church fair, was born and raised in Alabama. He graduated from seminary in Atlanta and pastored in Tennessee before being assigned to this area. He co-authored, "365 Meditations for Men." If you are interested in learning more about the United Methodist Church, please contact any of the local Floyd County United Methodist Churches in your area.

Local students attend MSU String Clinic

Submitted article

The above students recently attended the first annual String Clinic, held March 1 and 2, at Morehead State University, along with students from high schools across eastern Kentucky. The students were able to attend workshops, master classes, and faculty

recitals. The young violinists were fortunate to be able to end the clinic by joining the Morehead State University Symphony Orchestra for a rousing performance. For most of the clinic students this was the first

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New Arrivals



Madison Grace Hall
Madison Grace Hall was born on February 27, 2002, to Amy and Jason Hall. She has one big brother, Cameron Wesley Hall. Madison Grace is a very welcome and precious arrival to her family.

Highlands New Arrivals

- Feb. 27, 2002**
A daughter, Kaylee Elizabeth Dawson, to Christopher & Melissa Dawson
- Feb. 27, 2002**
A daughter, Nevaeh LaShay Colvin, to Ella Colvin
- Feb. 28, 2002**
A daughter, Haley Kaylynn Mullins, to Amanda K. Gevedon
- Feb. 28, 2002**
A son, Trenton Dwayne White, to Rebecca Tucker
- Feb. 28, 2002**
A daughter, Ashley Marina Ferguson, to Amanda Ferguson

- Feb. 28, 2002**
A daughter, Hailey Raire Tackett, to Karrie Allison Stone
- March 01, 2002**
A son, Dalton Alexander Daniel, to Jennifer Lynn & Jimmie Lee Daniel, Jr.]
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A son, Joshua Skyler Campbell, to Rebecca Lynn & Gregory James Campbell
- March 03, 2002**
A daughter, Kayleigh Brooke Bevins, to Jennifer Blair & Jason Bevins
- March 04, 2002**
A son, Hunter Blane Conley, to Lloyd & Joanie Conley
- March 05, 2002**
A son, Cameron Lee Barnett, to Milonda Adkins
- March 06, 2002**
A daughter, Markisha Ann Collinsworth, to Mark & Christi Collinsworth

School Happenings

- Adams Middle School Youth Services Center**
 - March 18 - PTO meeting, 6:30 p.m.
 - March 19-26 - Test Ready Workshop for Parents, begins 6:30 p.m. This workshop will help parents prepare their children for upcoming state testing.
 - March 26 - Open House, begins 6:00 p.m.
 - March 26 - Career Awareness Day for 8th grade students.
 - Anyone interested in taking a basic computer course, contact center at 886-9812.
 - Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m.
 - 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. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley. Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen.
- Allen Central Middle School and Youth Service Center**
 - School Committee meetings schedule:
 - Curriculum Committee - Every third Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m.
 - Budget Committee - Fourth Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m.
 - Attendance/Discipline Committee - First Thursday of each month at 4 p.m.
 - Extra-Curricular Committee - First Tuesday of each month at 3 p.m.
 - Public Relations Committee - First Monday of each month at 3:30 p.m.
 - Consolidated Planning Committee - Fourth Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m.
 - School is currently collecting Food City receipts. Students may turn them in to their homeroom teachers.
 - Hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., or later by appointment. Call 358-0134 for more information.
- Allen Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center**
 - Service Center Hours: Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 3 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**
 - The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.
 - Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
 - Mar. 20 - Family Resource Center will present the Wulfe Brothers, "Reflections of the American Spirit," from 9-10 a.m.
 - Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.
- Clark Elementary**
 - Dairy Queen "buy one, get one free" cards still on sale through the Family Resource Center.
 - After School child care hours are 3 - 5:30 p.m., school days.
 - FCHD nurse in the center on Thursdays. Please call the center at 886-0815, to schedule an appointment. Appointments are currently being scheduled for Hep B immunizations and 6th grade physicals for the 2002 fall school term.
 - MCCC services are available at the center. Call for more information, or to schedule an appointment.
 - The Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. Center is located in the Clark Elem. school building. Hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Office phone is 886-0815.
- May Valley Family Resource Center**
 - Each Wednesday - Health Dept. Nurse. Services offered: WIC, blood pressure checks, immunizations, TB skin tests, and Head Start, Kindergarten, 6th grade, and well-child physicals.
- Must call center at 285-0321 for appointment.
- McDowell Family Resource Center**
 - Floyd County Health Department nurse, Joy Moore, is in the center each Monday. Services provided include: immunizations, T.B. skin tests, school physicals (Head Start, kindergarten, and sixth grade), WIC appointments, prenatal and postpartum care, and others. If you are in need of an appointment, call 377-2678 to schedule.
 - GED classes each Monday and Wednesday - 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Instructor - Linda Bailey, of the David School.
- Mud Creek Family Resource Center / John M. Stumbo Elem.**
 - Mar. 19 - Wulfe Bros. will perform "Reflections of the American Spirit" at 1 and 2 p.m.
 - The Bridges Project will be at the center each Wednesday and Thursday, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. and each Friday from 12:30 p.m. until 4 p.m.
 - Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Telephone: 587-2233.
- Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center**
 - Mar. 18 - Regularly scheduled SBDM Council meeting, 5:00 p.m., in school auditorium.
 - MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.
 - Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
 - After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.
 - Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.
- Prestonsburg High School**
 - Mar. 18 - Special called meeting of the SBDM Council, 5:30 p.m., in school library.
 - Meeting times for standing committees:
 - Curriculum - 2nd Thursday, 3:20 p.m. Paula Holbrook, chair.
 - Technology - 1st Monday, 3:20 p.m. Tommy Poe, chair.
 - School Climate - 2nd Monday, 3:20 p.m. Jerry Butcher, chair.
 - Assessment & Planning - 2nd Monday, 3:20 p.m. Tina Crum, chair.
 - Budget - 1st Monday, 3:30 p.m. Carolyn Ford, chair.
 - Staffing & Hiring - 2nd Tuesday, 3:30 p.m. Bobby Hamilton, chair.
 - Professional Development - 2nd Thursday, 3:30 p.m. Suzanne Stumbo, chair.
 - Governance - 2nd Wednesday, 3:30 p.m. Jerry Butcher, chair.
 - All PHS parents welcome to attend.
- South Floyd Youth Services Center**
 - Mar. 18 - Sexual Harassment Awareness classroom presentations.
 - Mar. 25, April 8 - Careers classroom presentations.
 - Child Abuse Awareness booth set up in school foyer for distribution of information to students, staff, employees and community.
 - Adult education classes available.
 - Walking track open to public.
 - 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, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.
- The David School**
 - Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:
 - Monday and Wednesday: McDowell Family Resource Center, 8-11 a.m. Call 377-2678.
 - Monday and Wednesday: Morehead Big Sandy Campus, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405.
 - Tuesday and Thursday: Betsy Layne High School Family Resource Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389.
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Family Medicine

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Question: I am curious about the validity of some expiration dates on medicines and other products. I know that antibiotics lose their potency over a period of time, but the prescriptions I get show a one-year expiration date from the time I purchase them. Realistically, what is the shelf life of an antibiotic? Also, what about expiration of things like rubbing alcohol?

Answer: Your question is certainly important or I wouldn't be answering it in

the paper, but I feel I must first offer a reprimand. You should never have leftover antibiotics! Instead, you should take all that are prescribed to help insure clearing of the infection for which they were given and also to reduce the risk of developing bacteria that are resistant to that antibiotic. OK — the reprimand is over.

Expiration dates are important for determining the freshness and safety of many products. The box of cereal and can of soup I purchased at the grocery today have them. And as you know, medicines are given expiration dates too.

Typically, the shelf life of a medicine is that period during which the potency of the medication drops a certain amount —

often 10 percent. It can be less than this 10 percent figure when a drug is not effective unless a very precise amount of medicine is delivered in each dose. Conversely, if the dosage of the drug is less crucial, the potency of the drug can drop more than 10 percent and still be effective.

How long it takes for a drug to drop a certain percentage of its strength is influenced by the chemistry of the active and inactive ingredients. The condition in which a medicine is stored also influences its shelf life. Most are given a shelf life assuming that they will be stored in a 70-degree medicine cabinet in a closed container. Heat, humidity, air circulation and sunlight can dramatically shorten the shelf life of most medicines. In other words, don't expect that open bottle of aspirin that has been rattling around in your car for two years to be much good.

Each manufacturer submits information supporting its request for a shelf life of "X" number of years to the Food and Drug

Administration (FDA). The FDA makes its decision about allowable shelf life based upon this manufacturer input, but that doesn't imply that the product suddenly becomes useless or turns into a deadly poison at the hour of expiration. Instead, it usually means that the manufacturer only collected data about the shelf life for that period of time. Most drug manufacturers desire a two-year shelf life because that gives adequate leeway for the "production-distribution-consumption" cycle to be completed.

Your prescription medicines, including your antibiotics, probably had about a two-year expiration date from the time of their production. Your pharmacist puts a one-year expiration date on your particular bottle of medicine because of the time that has lapsed since production as well as the uncontrolled variables in storage outside the pharmacy. The practice is followed to increase the likelihood that the medicines you take are of the proper potency and

quality. Not all products have expiration dates. The rubbing alcohol you mentioned is one of them. Medically related products that are stable for at least three years, as alcohol is, are exempt from the labeling rule. Homeopathic and herbal products are exempt as are some investigational drugs and allergy extracts that have no established potency standards.

I'd suggest that you avoid medicines — or foods — that are beyond their expiration dates. Using these products probably won't do any harm, but they probably won't do quite what you want them to, either.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

Ponder

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ing someone get rid of a hang-nail and leaving the cancer." Several different psychological treatment approaches are suggested. Surgery was viewed as possibly the best, but was considered extremely radical. Drug treatment is expected to help about five percent of people, but they have to be taken indefinitely.

Of great interest was a discussion about the evidence that anorexia nervosa might have a genetic connection of chromosome 1. Anorexia nervosa, first identified in 1689, is now considered a complex psychiatric disorder and affects about one percent of young women ages 12 to 25. Briefly, the condition is a rare disease of self-starvation. If it is not treated, it may lead to osteoporosis, cardiac problems, infertility, depression, relationship difficulties, suicide and death from medical complications. In the past, treatment for anorexia has mainly focused on hospitalization and looking at sociocultural factors, such as the parents and others being negatively "matched" for the patient. A newer outpatient treatment approach from England calls for the parents' aid in getting the patient to eat, gradually returning control of eating to the client, and the family helping the client meet the challenges of the teenager growing-up. The greatest drawback is that treatment tends to take about five years before people start getting better. This is often hard to accept by folks for the long haul, and insurance companies have a hard time paying for it.

Needless to say, there has not been adequate research on these eating disorders. The major investigators want to test further to see if the same previous findings about the role genes in the localized area of chromosome 1 might play, and to test for those genes. So there is a need for a larger number of families that have two or more individuals with anorexia nervosa. Those who want to learn more about the study, or who know families who might want to participate,

can visit the project's web site at www.anbn.org.

The other significant eating disorder is Bulimia nervosa, a condition with binge eating, purging (making oneself vomit or excessive use of laxatives) to avoid weight gain after eating, low self-esteem and depression. Research is showing that the women with this disorder begin bingeing and purging at about ages 15 or 16. Over the winter, there were a number of young women who admitted that they often gagged themselves at least several times a week to cut down on the intake of calories, to relieve the feeling of pressure after overeating, or to release intense anxiety during a time of high stress in their lives. Based on past research, it is not unusual—perhaps about 60 percent of cases—for individuals who have been sexually abused to have this eating disorder. Sometimes, young people with this condition have gagged so often and/or seem to have such inner turmoil, that they can vomit without gagging themselves.

Throughout the years, like anorexia, bulimia has been considered a condition that is created by psychosocial difficulties that might include family conflicts about being perfect, and controlled by others. The same type of family therapy approach has been found to be beneficial to those with bulimia. A team approach, family members and the patient, seems to help everyone with the healing process. Also similar to anorexia, "Bulimia nervosa is a serious clinical disorder for which we have demonstrably effective treatments. It's important that we get the message out to patients and families that this is a disorder that can be treated successfully (Rutgers University)."

Admittedly, these are serious eating disorders. Treatment does help, but like so many other conditions in life, doing "something" as soon as possible is of the utmost importance. Get a professional opinion about what might not be working and what can be done.



submitted photo
These local students recently participated in the first annual String Clinic, held March 1 and 2, at Morehead State University. From left to right, back row, are: Kandice Scalf, Tessa Shepherd, and Jessica Pate. Front row, left, is Staci Carriere, and right, Rachael Hayes. Angie Carriere is the students' instructor.

Students

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opportunity to be able to perform with a full orchestra. Angie Carriere, their music instructor, said, "I am really proud of these kids for all the hard work they have put into this. The clinic was actually supposed to be for high school students only, but I

was able to take two fifth grade students and one third grade student. There is a lot of talent in this area and I plan to take even more students next year." Morehead State University plans to make the String Clinic an annual event.

Eyes

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ing about teenage angst and the disappointment of a failed marriage. And I already mentioned the sinus surgery, ear tubes and oh, yes, numerous "aspiration procedures" that have been performed time and again on my ears. An "aspiration of the ear" is doctor lingo for taking a micro-sized power vacuum and inserting it into your ear canal while you lay there cringing - envisioning that your eardrum and all your tiny inner ear mechanisms will be sucked up into the machine's little vacuum canister. "Hold still, now" the doctor says calmly. Yeah, right, doc, you can be calm, you're the one controlling the turbo suction evil machine.

Anyway, I'm sick of not being able to breathe. I'm even sicker of not being able to hear. Smelling I can do without, some things don't smell so good anyway, and other things give me allergic headaches, but breathing and hearing - those I miss.

My younger brother informs me that I need to connect with a knowledgeable herbalist and Phyllis Puffer has been kind enough to loan me her steam inhaler, which I have to admit, helps an awful lot when I take the time to sit down and use it.

Somewhere, sometime, there has to be something that will help me. But, until that time, try to be understanding as I retreat, ever so slightly, and even ever so not so slightly, into my world of sinus misery.

I feel lousy and when I'm feeling this way, I make very poor company. So much for enjoying the wondrous spring season, huh?

MSU

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MSW program in Prestonsburg, beginning fall semester, 2002.

Information about both programs, as well as the National Association of Social Workers, will be available at the event. An NASW "Power of Social Work" coffee mug will be awarded as a door prize. Students are encouraged to take

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For more information, contact Gwen Hall, at g.hall@moreheadstate.edu or telephone 886-2405.

Guest

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Mission, stake president, counselor and church bishop. He was sustained to the First Quorum of the Seventy on April 5, 1998. He is the father of six children.

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The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 miles southwest from KY 680's junction with KY 979 and located on Hamilton Branch of Mud Creek. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Arnold Howell, R. S. Newsom Heirs, Curt Hall Heirs, Orvissie and Wanda Shepherd, Hall Limited Partnership, Richard P. Hall Heirs, James K. Hall, Dorothy or Everett Blanton, Octavia Hall, Walker Tackett et al., Foster or Della Jones, Robert or Marlene Howell, Avery or Hannah Newsome, and Gustavia Howell Heirs. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Arnold Howell, Curt Hall Heirs, Octavia Hall, Walker Tackett et al., Foster and Della Jones, Avery and Hannah Newsome, and Gustavia Howell Heirs. The operation will use the mountaintop, area, contour, and auger methods of surface mining. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

Or contact: Anita Robinson, Floyd Co. Board 106 North Front Avenue Prestonsburg, KY 41653 Telephone: 606-886-2354 Fax: 606-886-4540 Email: arobinson@floyd.k12.ky.us

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ATTENTION, LOCAL VENDORS

The Floyd County School District will be bidding out supplies and materials for the 2002-2003 Fiscal Year, utilizing the district's Cooperative bidding process. The Kentucky Educational Development Cooperative (KEDC) will be receiving bids on the following items until 3:00 p.m., Thursday, March 21, 2002. To receive requests for proposals or additional information regarding the bidding process, contact: Terry Hoffman, KEDC 904 West Rose Road Ashland, KY 41102 Telephone: 606-928-0205 ext. 215 Fax 606-928-3785 Email: bidding@kedc.coop.k12.ky.us

reject any or all bids. located on the Offutt and Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Floyd County Board of Education is requesting sealed bids for the proposed sale of the "old ballpark" or the "Wheelwright Athletic Field (Brackett Field)" and property located on the waters of Left Beaver Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky. The property is more particularly described as follows: On the waters of Left Beaver Creek, and commonly known as the "old ball park," or the "Wheelwright Athletic Field," containing 2.97 acres, and being the same property that was conveyed to Inland Steel Company, a corporation (predecessor in title to the grantor herein) by deed from Willie Newman and wife, by deed dated March 29, 1946, and part of the same property conveyed to the grantor by quitclaim deed from Inland Steel Company, dated January 31, 1966, and recorded in Deed book 171, at page 309. Reference to said deeds is hereby made for a more particular description of the land hereby conveyed.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following item will be offered at public sale on March 29, 2002, at 11 a.m., to satisfy the unpaid balance of an installment contract signed 02/28/02. 1988 Pontiac Formula, S/N 7773 All items are sold "as is where is." Seller reserves the right to bid and to reject any or all bids. Items are to be paid following the sale, or satisfactory arrangements made with the seller. Announcements at the sale take priority over ad. Purchaser to pay all taxes and transfer fees. Call Mike Haney for location, 606-886-2321. First Commonwealth Bank 311 N. Arnold Ave. Prestonsburg, KY 41653

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 858-0165, Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, HC 64, Box 915, Deborn, Kentucky 41214, intends to revise permit number 858-0165 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is the permittee. The new operator will be Mayo Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 190, Lovely, Kentucky 41231. The operation is located 1.89 mile southeast of Davella, in Johnson, Floyd and Martin Counties. The operation is approximately 1.89 mile southeast from KY Route 3's junction with County Road #129, and located 1.89 mile southeast of Daniels Creek. The operation is

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

For the Project Titled: FOOTBALL FIELD IMPROVEMENTS, BETSY LAYNE HIGH SCHOOL, Floyd County Schools, Lexington, Kentucky

Floyd County Schools will receive sealed bids for the FOOTBALL FIELD IMPROVEMENTS, BETSY LAYNE HIGH SCHOOL, until 11 a.m. local time, March 25, 2002, at the offices of Mr. Greg Adams, Floyd County Schools, 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky 41601. Faxed bids will not be accepted.

Contractors wishing to enter a proposal are required to visit the site and familiarize themselves with the conditions there. Submittal of a bid shall be construed as evidence that such a site visit was made.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Project consists of the re-grading, installation of a new drainage and a new irrigation system for the existing football field. The new field will be sodded. The work will be completed under two bid packages.

Bid Package No. 1: All work and materials necessary for a complete product to re-grade the existing field, including staking, new drainage system and new irrigation system, including an elevated water storage tank, concrete footings and piers to support the tank, pump and concrete slab to place pump on. Removal, storage and re-installation of existing goal post.

Bid Package No. 2: All work and materials necessary for a complete product to install new sod material for the football field and sidelines. Contractor will be responsible for final field preparation, prior to placement of the sod.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on March 18th, 2002, at 11 a.m. local time, in the office of Mr. Greg Adams, Floyd County Schools, located at 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky 41601.

Bidding Documents may be examined at the following places:

F.W. Dodge/ABC Planroom, 132 Venture Court, Suite #12, Lexington, Kentucky.

F.W. Dodge Corporation, 303 N. Hurstbourne Lane, Louisville, Kentucky.

Builders Exchange, 2300 Meadow Drive, Louisville, Kentucky.

Kentuckiana ABC, 425 W. Lee, Louisville, Kentucky.

Kentuckiana ABC, 1051-F1 Newtown Pike, Lexington, Kentucky.

Associated General Contractors of Kentucky, Inc., 3830 Taylorsville Road, Suite 11, Louisville, Kentucky.

Associated General Contractors, 2331 Fortune Dr., Lexington, Kentucky.

Construction Market Data, 1951 Bishop Lane, Suite 202, Louisville, Kentucky.

JRA Architects, 300 E. Main St.,

Lexington, Kentucky.

Bidding Documents, including Drawings and Specifications, may be purchased for the non-refundable amount of \$50.00 per set, payable to Lynn Blue Print. Documents may be obtained from the distribution department of Lynn Imaging, 328 Old East Vine Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507. (859) 255-1021. If documents are to be mailed, an additional non-refundable charge of \$12.00 per set is required, made payable directly to Lynn Imaging. The successful bidder is responsible for all additional sets they may require.

All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond of not less than 5% of the amount of the total bid. A 100% Performance Bond and Payment Bond shall be required of the successful Bidder. All bonding and insurance requirements are contained in the instructions to Bidders and/or the General and Supplementary Conditions of the Contract.

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Bids must be submitted, in duplicate originals, on the Bid Form included in the Project Manual. All Bids are to be clearly marked as to the "Bid Package" being bid. Mailed Bids shall be addressed to the office of the school board at the address listed above.

No changes to the contract will be considered based on misunderstandings of the scope of the work, if such misunderstandings could have been addressed by a site visit.

Any bid received later than the time specified for receipt of bids, or any bid which is not submitted in the proper form, shall not be considered.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive any formalities in the bidding. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids will be returned unopened to the bidders. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 45 days subsequent to the opening of bids, without consent of the Owner.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

For the Project Titled: MOUNTAIN TOP RECREATION PARK FIELD LIGHTING

The City of Prestonsburg will receive sealed bids for the Field Lighting Project, until 2 p.m. local time, March 29, 2002, at the office of the Mayor, 200 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of installation of underground primary power, athletic field lighting, and parking lot lighting as indicated on the plan documents prepared by REED Engineering Company, Inc., dated March 9, 2002. The project work will consist of one (1) bid package.

Bidding documents may be examined at the following place:

REED Engineering Co., Inc - 259 North Arnold Avenue,

Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Bidding Documents may be obtained upon a non-refundable deposit of \$60.00 per set, cash or check, made payable to REED Engineering Co., Inc. All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond of not less than five(5) percent of the total amount of the bid. A one hundred (100) percent Performance Bond and Payment Bond shall be required of the successful Bidder. All bonding and insurance requirements are contained in the instructions to Bidders and/or the General and Supplementary Conditions of the Contract. All prospective bidders must list a minimum of three similar jobs and corresponding references.

Bids must be submitted, in duplicate originals, on the Bid Form included in the Project Manual.

Submission of a bid shall be construed as confirmation that the bidder has visited the site and satisfied themselves as to the extent of the work

required. No changes to the contract will be considered based on misunderstandings of the scope of the work, if such misunderstandings could have been addressed by a site visit.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

For the Project Titled: PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC FIELD FIELDHOUSE PROJECT

The Floyd County Fiscal Court will

receive sealed bids for the PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC FIELD FIELDHOUSE PROJECT at the Office of the Floyd County Judge/Executive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, until 11:30 a.m. Local Time, on March 22, 2002. The sealed bids for the Project will be opened, and an award of the bids made, at the Special Meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court on March 22, 2002, at 12:00 Noon, Local Time, to be held in the County Courtroom, located on the 2nd floor of the Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Project consists of the placement of a retaining wall, construction of a fieldhouse and installation of related drainage structures. The project work will consist of two (2) separate bid packages. Bid Package #1 - Site Preparation. Bid Package #2 -

Construction of a Fieldhouse.

Bidding Documents may be examined, during regular business hours, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Local Time, Monday through Friday, at the Office of the Floyd County Judge/Executive, Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Suite 9, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Telephone (606) 886-9193.

All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond of not less than five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid. A one hundred (100) percent Performance Bond and Payment Bond shall be required of the successful Bidder. Bids must be submitted, in duplicate originals, on the Bid Form included in the Project Manual. Any bid received later than the time specified for receipt of bids, or any bid not submitted in the proper form, shall not be considered.

Submission of a bid shall be construed as confirmation that the bidder has visited the site, and has satisfied

himself as to the extent of work required. No changes to the contract will be considered, based on misunderstandings of the scope of the work, if such misunderstandings could have been addressed by a site visit.

The Floyd County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive any formalities in the bidding. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids will be returned unopened to the bidders. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of bids, without consent of the Floyd County Fiscal Court.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5423, Amendment No. 1

in accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has

applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 3.6 miles southeast of McDowell in Floyd County. The amendment will add 54.68 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 39.34 acres making a total area of 3,275.09 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.5 mile southeast from KY Route 1929's junction with Ned Fork County Road, and is located along main Frasure Creek and the mouth of Buckhorn Fork.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Jack Akers, Lonnie Akers, Lizzie Ann Hamilton, Helen, Green Jr., and Reford Gayheart, Michael and Alleen Collins, Juanita Page, Carl Bentley Estate, Donald Adkins, Lester Dale

and Anita Collins, and Loren and Janet Herrington. The amendment will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Helen, Green Jr., and Reford Gayheart, Lizzie Ann Hamilton, and Michael and Alleen Collins.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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