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#### Regional science fair schedule

The East Kentucky Science Center Regional Science Fair begins at 6 p.m. Friday, March 22, with student registration in the Wilkinson/Stumbo Convention Center, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Prestonsburg. Students may set up their exhibits in the Project Room between 6 and 8 p.m.

On Saturday, March 23, students must check in no later than 8:45 a.m. After a last minute check of their projects, students and attending parents will assemble around 9 a.m. in the Awards Room for a student/parent review of events. Students will be asked to return to the Project Room around 10:30 for the personal interview portion of the judging.

The Project Room will be closed to the public during the judging, but will be open from noon to 2 p.m. for public viewing.

The Awards Ceremony begins at 2 p.m. in the Awards Room. Donald, Dr. Don, Bevins will serve as celebrity chairman/emcee. The Science Fair is co-sponsored by Citizens National Bank and Morehead State University East Kentucky GEAR-UP Project.

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photos by Ralph B. Davis  
Columbus Quillen, 59, was arrested outside his Dwale residence after police found a pharmacy bottle of the prescription painkiller Lortab under his bed. He was charged with second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance after police entered his home with a search warrant. Two others also face criminal charges.

# Operation Rx

## Three from Floyd face charges following statewide drug roundup

by RALPH B. DAVIS  
MANAGING EDITOR

While their colleagues across the state began the process of apprehending up to 150 people on as many as 200 drug-related charges, Kentucky State Police officers descended upon the Dwale community to execute a search warrant at the residence of Columbus Quillen.

As a result, the 59-year-old Quillen and two others face criminal charges. Officers met between the BP gas station and Alpike Motel at Ivel before Wednesday's raid. While they prepared for the raid, Quillen's mobile home remained under surveillance.

Officers then received word that a Chrysler PT Cruiser had pulled in to Quillen's driveway and that the only other vehicle there was a white Buick believed to be Quillen's. That prompted officers to begin the operation shortly after 2 p.m.

Four KSP cruisers and two unmarked vehicles sped the short distance along U.S. 23 to Middle Street in Dwale, where they spotted the PT Cruiser leaving the residence. At police request, the driver returned to Middle Street for questioning.

Once on the scene, officers and undercover agents searched Quillen's home and the PT Cruiser while neighbors and curious passers-by watched.

One neighbor who asked to remain anonymous expressed satisfaction with the police operation, saying that the Quillen residence was the site of numerous visitors at all times of the day and night.

After searching Quillen's home for over two hours, police returned with several evidence bags, includ-

(See DWALE, page six)



Police spent about two-and-one-half hours combing through the residence of Columbus Quillen, shown in the background, as well as searching two suspects at the scene. One suspect later fled the scene and has not yet been apprehended, prompting police to ask for the public's help.

## Police find seven of 10 suspects in Pike County

Times Staff Report

Kentucky State Police was busy statewide Wednesday with a massive roundup of suspected drug criminals, with KSP Post 9 in Pikeville picking up seven of 10 suspects sought in Pike County.

The roundup — dubbed "Operation Rx" — targeted around 150 suspects statewide facing 200 charges resulting from a six-month investigation. About half that number was successfully arrested Wednesday, with the bulk of charges related to the illegal use of prescription drugs such

as OxyContin, Xanax and Lortab, although some were charged with offenses related to marijuana, cocaine and other illegal substances.

"The Kentucky State Police wants to do its part to rid the streets of prescription drug abuse," KSP Commissioner Ishmon F. Burks said in a statement Wednesday. "We recently reorganized the Kentucky State Police to create a Drug Control Branch. This new branch will concentrate on illicit drugs and the diversion of prescription drugs across the

(See ROUNDUP, page six)

## Community center expected to open in April

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

In a special meeting on Tuesday, the governing board of the new Floyd County Community Center at Martin focused on the construction of the center and when the building will be ready for occupancy.

"We use basket ball to build character," said Mayo. The building is not just a community center, according to Mike Vance, who along with Patricia Carty handles the finances of the project. Vance said that the goal of the project is to create a place for the public that is not connected to schools and which will offer a wide variety of activities for people of all ages.

Vance said that the center will incorporate other resources that focus on community needs and overall health, such as education on drug prevention, truancy and sexual harassment. Vance said that in his 32 years of experience in the field of drug abuse and prevention, he feels that primary intervention in at grassroots level is key to dealing with the drug problems.

Board member Donna Sammons said she had worked with the resource center for 10 years and saw the project as a way to provide adult supervision and to help kids make the transition from childhood to adulthood in a healthy, positive manner.

"I took this task because it went right along with what we were trying to do," said Sammons.

Joe Howard, chairman of the board, focused on the fact that children are the community's future and that the center will be a way to reach out to let them know that someone cares about them and to provide them with the opportunity to spend their time involved in positive activities.

"If we don't take care of our children, there will be no Eastern, Kentucky," said Howard.

According to Randall Burchett, architect, and Lloyd Johnson, builder, the roof for the building is on the ground and the offices should be ready for occupancy by the end of April.

## Chaffins gets 7 years for arson, sex abuse

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

A Lackey man, Roby Neil Chaffins, 33, was sentenced on March 15 to seven years in state prison for charges of sexual abuse and arson from May of last year.

As previously reported, Chaffins allegedly sexually assaulted a 19-year-old female while she was sleeping at the home of his ex-girlfriend. Chaffins then set fire to a roll of toilet paper and threw it in the floor, causing the carpet to catch fire. He was later arrested at his residence in Wayland.

Chaffins had been charged with a similar crime in 1992 for which he had pleaded guilty to first-degree rape on April 22, 1998. He was then given a one-year suspended sentence and ordered to complete a sex offender program.

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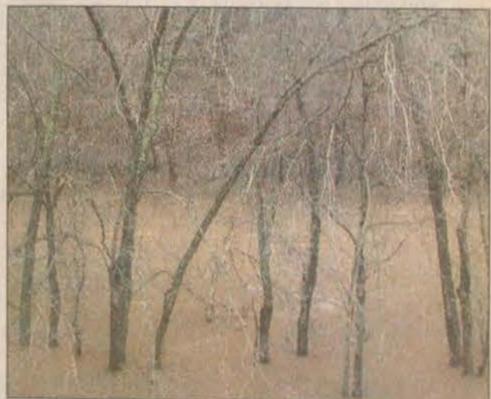


photo by Loretta Blackburn  
The flash flood watch that changed to a warning on Wednesday was short-lived as water levels are returning to normal. According to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers rain gauge, the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy water level was 22.24 feet and dropping on Thursday.

# COME MEET BUSTER \$



# Odds and Ends

■ **KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia** — Sritharan Amordalingam has won a new car — but it doesn't exactly have that new-car smell.

A bizarre endurance contest reached a soap-opera finish Wednesday when Amordalingam, a driving instructor, won a new four-wheel drive car by spending 23 days inside it.

The radio-sponsored challenge had riveted listeners nationwide since Feb. 25, when four participants began living together round-the-clock in a Ford Ranger parked in Kuala Lumpur's bustling commercial district.

Amordalingam, 23, won the \$23,300 vehicle, outlasting a housewife, a law student and a salesman who withered in the tropical heat.

During their stay, participants were allowed out of the car once every three hours for a 15-minute bathroom break. They could not shower or shave.

Once every two days, the contestants could brush their teeth and change clothes, except for their underwear. Since they were barred from throwing anything out of the car, their cramped living space soon became littered with food wrappers and chicken bones.

Reading, mobile phones and other entertainment were banned. The contestants could only listen to the radio, which

was constantly tuned to the private radio network organizing the challenge.

■ **INDIANAPOLIS** — Notre Dame, long famous for its mighty football teams, can take pride in another group of shining stars.

Its restrooms. A Web site has recognized the public restrooms in the Main Building at the University of Notre Dame as the best in the United States.

"When I go to the john here now, I feel positively ennobled," said Michael O. Garvey, a Notre Dame spokesman.

"I'm told, although I haven't been in there, that the women's restrooms are very nice, too," he added Wednesday.

Notre Dame won the distinction after nearly a year of online voting at [www.thebestofusa.com](http://www.thebestofusa.com).

Voters were enthralled by the restrooms' Victorian charm, including tile floors imported from England, faucets with chrome and brass accents, and solid oak doors on the stalls.

The restrooms are cleaned three times a day, leading one voter to boast that the floors were "clean enough to eat off."

Honored as he was, Gary Shumaker, the university's director of facilities operations, wouldn't go that far.

"We work hard to keep them clean, and we're very pleased that somebody thinks that high-

ly, but I wouldn't eat off the floor," he said.

■ **DARWIN, Australia** — Wanting to encourage safe sex within isolated Aboriginal communities, health officials have come up with a novel idea: hanging condoms in trees.

An indigenous health service official said Thursday that the initiative has reduced sexually transmitted disease among Aborigines — many of whom gather in the shade of trees to socialize.

Patrick Davies from the Nindilingarri cultural health service at Fitzroy Crossing said the town once had the highest rate of sexually transmitted diseases in the remote Kimberley mountains region in the north of Western Australia state.

But, partly thanks to the condom-tree program, infection rates are now falling.

Aborigines often congregate under trees outside the town's bar or at a popular area a few miles away to drink and catch up with friends.

The condoms dangle in canisters made from plastic piping slung from wire hooks in the trees.

Davies said when the program began three years ago, virtually no Aborigines were getting condoms from the only two outlets in town — the supermarket and district hospital.

Now the valley's 3,500 people were using up to 3,000 con-

doms a month, he said.

■ **BESSEMER, Ala.** — An unexpected visitor to Bob Sykes Barbecue had only one order: A little help getting out of the roof vent, please, and keep the pants.

Firefighters had to use a rope to pull the man out of a 10-foot-tall, 1-foot-wide vent where he got stuck during an alleged break-in attempt at the restaurant early Tuesday.

The man was wedged in so tightly his pants came off as three firefighters pulled him out of the grimy, greasy exhaust shaft.

"He was ready to get out of there. He looked like the Swamp Thing," said Alonzo Scott, a cook who discovered

the man in the vent when he arrived for work about 4:30 a.m.

Scott said saw a pair of blue and white Reeboks dangling from above the hamburger grill. Scott said he asked the man if he was OK.

"I'm hot. I'm about to faint," Scott said the man replied from the vent. "Please, man, help me out of here."

Police charged Sampson Dearman, 25, with third-degree burglary. The 5-foot-7, 190-pound Dearman was jailed on \$10,000 bond. He had apparently been in the vent about three hours when discovered.

Scott said Dearman applied for a job at the restaurant about six months ago and recently returned to inquire about the

job. "I told him to come back in two weeks," Scott said, "and I guess he came back in two weeks."

■ **MIAMI** — The freewheeling days of the stolen shopping cart may be over.

Some supermarkets in Florida are putting the brakes on cartnapping by using an electrical gizmo that stops the rolling baskets in their tracks.

Nationally, a grocery cart vanishes every 90 seconds, according to industry estimates. At \$100 per cart, the thefts cost the supermarket industry millions of dollars a year.

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## Senate passes bill to put restrictions on coaches' buyouts

by **BRUCE SCHREINER**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

**FRANKFORT** — Hal Mumme's legacy spurred Senate passage Wednesday of a bill to put restrictions on contract buyouts or severance packages for coaches presiding over rule-breaking sports programs.

The ex-football coach at the University of Kentucky wasn't mentioned during debate before the bill passed 23-6 and advanced to the House.

Sen. Ray Jones, D-Pikeville and the bill sponsor, did cite a series of controversies swirling around UK athletics, especially football.

Jones said too much emphasis is put on athletics, blurring the universities' real purpose — to teach students and improve

the state. To make his point, Jones said a coach can walk away with a large severance package when some university employees can't afford health insurance.

Mumme received a \$1 million buyout from UK last February and was forced to resign amid an NCAA investigation of the football program.

Having found multiple violations, the NCAA placed Kentucky on probation for three years, took away scholarships and banned the Wildcats from postseason play in 2002. The NCAA said Mumme failed to monitor the football program but he was not given any individual sanctions.

Jones' bill would forbid universities from using state funds for contract buyouts or sever-

ance packages for coaches fired because of rules violations. The same prohibition would apply to funds from foundations, athletics booster clubs or affiliated organizations.

Also under the bill, universities would have to recover severance packages from coaches fired at the time for poor job performance if it's later revealed that the coach violated rules.

The bill would leave it up to a university's governing body whether to fire coaches for rule violations.

Sen. Charlie Borders, R-Russell, voted against the bill, saying it could lead to more litigation. Borders said he was confident that UK President Lee Todd will correct problems in the school's athletics program.

"I just think we need to be very, very careful that we as a legislature don't start to micro-manage," he said.

In other action, the Senate revamped a House bill to allow some trucks weighing up to 80,000 pounds to travel on any state road without a special permit. The exemption would apply to trucks carrying agricultural products or timber to market.

Sen. Vernie McGaha, R-Russell Springs, said the restrictions have been a hardship for commerce in his southern Kentucky district.

"Where I live to get our commerce out of our county we have to be illegal," he said.

The bill also would create a state sales tax exemption for repair and replacement parts for trucks 55,000 pounds or larger.

Sen. Virgil Moore, R-Leitchfield, said the tax break would help revive the state's trucking industry, adding that it would ripple through Kentucky's economy.

Another Republican senator, Elizabeth Tori of Radcliff, noted that trucks might ship many of the vehicles produced at a new Hyundai plant. Kentucky is competing with Alabama for the auto assembly factory.

Sen. Marshall Long, D-Shelbyville, said giving large trucks such unlimited access would tear up highways not suited for such heavy loads.

Long said the tax break to the trucking industry would cost the Road Fund about \$8 million. Long said such a break should be considered in the larger context of overall tax reform.

"This is a tax break that will come back to bite us when we have to go back on these highways and repair them," Long said.

The bill would impose an additional \$20 registration fee for people registering trucks 55,000 pounds or larger. The money would go for highway maintenance. Long said that fee wouldn't come close to paying for the repairs.

The bill passed 29-4 and goes back to the House, which will consider the Senate changes.

(The coaches bill is Senate Bill 248; the trucking bill is House Bill 12.)

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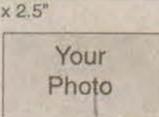
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# For the Record

## MARRIAGES

Johnnie Anne Adams, 31, to Henry Clifton Jr., 32, both of Prestonsburg.  
Lori Ann Green, 22, to Victor Earl Harper Jr., 32, both of Bevinsville.  
Tara Lynn Robinson, 26, to Clyde Lamonte Reed, 35, both of Hippo.  
Beverly Burchett Hamilton, 39, to Charles Richard Daniels, 35, both of Stanville.  
Lora Faye Calhoun, 18, to Robert Walker Endicott, 19, both of Allen.  
Andrea Kneal Keathley, 20, to William Stallard Meade, 23, both of Harold.  
Marlina Denise Ratliff, 24, to Brian Donald Grimstead, 21, Prestonsburg.  
Holly Renna Evans, 25, to Adam Lee Kidd, 22, both of Harold.  
Brandy Lynn Trump, 19, to Brent Douglas Bentley, 29, both of McDowell.  
Amy Marie Plumley, 31, to Virgil Lee Mills, 38, both of Auxier.

## LAWSUITS

Kimberly D. Baker vs. Michael R. Baker, child support.  
Joey Wayne Wright vs. Heiners Bakery, complaint.  
Kevin D. Long vs. Linda Harvey, divorce.  
Carolyn Sue Fletcher vs. Tony Ray Fletcher, divorce.  
Wells Fargo vs. Minnie Liquors, complaint.  
Sara E. Wireman vs. Arnold J. Wireman, health insurance.  
Connie Smith vs. John L. Smith, health insurance.  
Mary M. Crum vs. Bobby J. Crum, health insurance.  
Vannie Damron vs. Harold D. Damron, child support.  
Citizens National Bank vs. Priscilla Little, complaint.  
Dorothy Collins vs. Franklin Henderson, complaint.  
Kimberly K. Hatfield vs. Anthony S. Hatfield, child support.  
Norma S. Jervis vs. John Jervis, child support.  
Roger Morrison vs. Donna May Caudill Morrison, divorce.  
Brandon Hunter vs. State

Automobile Mutual Insurance, complaint.  
Firststar Finance vs. William and Donna Yates, complaint.  
Barbara Ann Thacker vs. Michael Dean Smith, divorce.  
Jeff Meade vs. Margarita Johnson, custody.  
Melissa Gay Hall vs. Harold Dean Hall, divorce.  
Allie Marie Combs vs. Darrell Combs, divorce.  
Dana Osborne vs. Albert Ralph Osborne, divorce.  
Dwayne White vs. Misty Ann White, divorce.  
Joann Rowe vs. Leonard Rowe, divorce.  
Leslie A. Collins vs. Freddy A. Collins, health insurance.  
Richard A. Collins vs. Kathy L. Collins, health insurance.  
Diane Arnett vs. Lowell G. Arnett, health insurance.  
Kimberly A. Akers vs. Bradley R. Akers, health insurance.  
Barbara Ousley vs. Kenneth Caudill, health insurance.  
Citibank of South Dakota vs. Tammy Sargraves, complaint.  
Ruth Tackett vs. Eugene Tackett, motion to transfer cus-

## CHARGES FILED

Charles T. Williams Jr. 37, Oil Springs, alcohol intoxication.  
Claude Gilliam, 36, Wheelwright, alcohol intoxication.  
Ricky Randy Lewis, 27, School House Hollow, public intoxication.  
Nathan Adkins, age unlisted, theft by unlawful taking.  
Jimmy J. Hall, 18, Harold, burglary second-degree, forced entry.  
Roy Johnson, 48, Abner Mountain, first-degree wanton endangerment.  
Christopher Shawn Howell, 25, McDowell, flagrant non-support.  
Charles A. Wade, 25, Martin, theft by unlawful taking.  
Michael N. Slone, 19, David, second-degree assault.  
Seth C. Mccoy, second-degree criminal abuse.  
Ricky Randy Lewis, 27, David, alcohol intoxication.  
Nathan Adkins, age unlisted, Pikeville, theft by unlawful taking.  
Paul Anthony Grubbs, 30, Printer, alcohol intoxication and prescription in an improper container.  
Burnis L. McKinney, 44, Printer, alcohol intoxication and possession of an open alcohol beverage container.  
Michael Kidd, 43, Harold, criminal trespassing.  
Patrick Lee Rollins, 29, Melvin, criminal trespassing.  
Misty Gallion, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, harassment.  
Johnathan N. Johnson, 37, Weeksbury, set fire to land with

no precaution.  
David R. Craft, 35, Prestonsburg, assault fourth degree.  
Jonah B. Puckett, 20, Lovely, alcohol intoxication.  
Courtney Harris, 19, Lexington, alcohol intoxication.  
Vanessa Howard, 34, Abbott, harassing comments.  
Jodi Mccoy, age unlisted, Regina, harassing communications.  
Daniel Bradley, 21, Elkhart, Indiana, fugitive from another state.  
Melody C. Reed, 21, Beaver, alcohol intoxication.  
Belinda Carroll, 37, Langley, alcohol intoxication and disorderly conduct.  
Christy L. Henry, 27, Paintsville, alcohol intoxication.  
Sonny Charles Swiney, 32, Grethel, alcohol intoxication and disorderly conduct.  
Hank P. Boyd, 43, Banner, alcohol intoxication and disorderly conduct.  
Barry L. Mollette, 27, Meally, operating a motor vehicle under the influence and possession of marijuana.  
Herman Jr. Adams, 45, Melvin, terroristic threatening.  
David R. Craft, 35, Prestonsburg, terroristic threatening.  
Samuel J. Bailey, 18, David, theft by unlawful taking.  
Jamie Dillion, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, theft by failure to make a required disposition.  
Roy Johnson, 48, Melvin, wanton endangerment.  
Victor Jr. Castro, 23, Betsy Layne, no plates, failure to wear seat belt, no insurance, and driving while under the influence.  
David Newsome, 54, McDowell, fourth-degree assault, wanton endangerment, terroristic

threatening, and carrying a concealed weapon.  
Orville Bentley, 34, McDowell, criminal mischief and first-degree assault.

## PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Kenneth D. Robinson and Patsy M. Robinson to Summer Lynn Robinson, property located in East Point.  
Dennis Kidd and Alpha Kidd to William G. Kidd and Melissa Kidd, property located on Hunt's Branch of Prater Creek.  
Barbara Shepherd and Edward Wayne Shepherd to George Barnette Jr., property location not listed.  
Edgel Osborne and Sadie Osborne to James Osborne and Angela Osborne, property location not listed.  
Rodney G. Tackett and Donna Tackett to Ronnie L. Tackett and Rhonda G. Tackett, property located on Caleb Fork of Beaver Creek.  
Melvin Adkins, Maggie Adkins, Marlene Jones and Forest Jones, Ralph Adkins and Christine Adkins, Wilma Johnson and Carlos Johnson, Rita Hall and Willie Hall, Sheila Newsome, Tracy Adkins, Ershel Adkins to Keneatha Adkins Hutchinson.  
Marie Miller to Ed Terry Reynolds and Angela Renee Reynolds, property located on the Left Fork of Beaver Creek.  
Juanita Lowe, Juanita Thacker and Ollie E. Lowe to Kinder Family, LLC, property located on Pin Hook Branch and Hackworth Branch.  
Anna L. Cline to Loretta L. Cline, property located on Right

# Senate approves garbage bill to impose new tax

by MARK R. CHELLGREN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A Senate committee Thursday approved a tax on garbage to finance cleaning up old dumps and landfills. The proposal would also take money from the Road Fund to pay for litter cleanup.  
The package is much more modest than a solid waste bill passed by the full House, which would have imposed the garbage tax and another on containers and fast food cups.  
Differences between the two are likely headed for a conference committee.  
Senate Republican floor leader Dan Kelly said the package would make a substantial beginning toward cleaning up more than 500 old municipal landfills and an estimated 10,000 illegal, open dumps.  
Natural Resources Secretary James Bickford, whose testimony was cut short in Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, said he was concerned that the Senate approach provides no continuing source of money for cleaning up dumps.  
"Obviously, we're going to have more dumps than we have money," Bickford said after the meeting.  
Kelly, R-Springfield, said a \$1 per ton tax on waste taken to Kentucky's permitted landfills would raise about \$4.6 million a year. That money would be used

to finance a \$45 million bond issue.  
Bickford acknowledged the state has no idea how much it will cost to properly close the old municipal landfills, but two in Lexington and Georgetown alone are expected to cost \$14 million, or nearly a third of the total of the bond issue.  
The Kelly plan would also take \$5 million a year from the Road Fund for litter cleanup, which Sen. Joey Pendleton, D-Hopkinsville, said could be better used to maintain state roads.  
The House plan would have raised an estimated \$30 million a year to finance dump and landfill cleanup, county collection and litter efforts and education.  
The committee defeated a proposal to adopt the House plan, with three Democrats voting for it and five Republicans against. Two Democrats declined to vote.  
The vote on the Kelly plan did not bring any negative votes, though there were complaints that it was insufficient.  
"It does not provide what we need to get the job done," said Sen. Ernesto Scorsone, D-Lexington.  
Solid waste legislation has been caught in the political tug-of-war between Senate Republicans and House Democrats. During the last General Assembly session, the Senate killed another House initiative that would have meant

universal curbside collection of household waste.  
Instead, the Senate GOP offered a voluntary litter cleanup effort and a small public education proposal.  
"Last session, the Senate Republicans told us all we needed was a jingle to get the job done," Scorsone said.

# Eastern Kentucky hit with another round of flooding

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

OLIVE HILL — Streams were running out of their banks and homes and businesses stood under water as flooding caused by steady rains spread throughout eastern Kentucky.  
While residents of Harlan and nearby towns cleaned up Wednesday morning, heavy rains spread into northeastern Kentucky, causing flooding along a 90-mile swath from Ashland to Winchester.  
Up to 70 percent of the homes and businesses in downtown Olive Hill were damaged

when the usually placid Tygart Creek turned into a raging torrent, swelling far beyond its banks and closing most of the city streets, said Fire Chief Rod Stephens. Severe flood damage also was reported in Morehead, Rush and Cannonsburg.  
As of Wednesday, officials in 12 counties had declared emergencies and were asking for state and federal help in the cleanup. The counties were Boyd, Bath, Bell, Clay, Fleming, Harlan, Knox, Leslie, McCreary, Rowan, Wayne and Whitley. Officials in the towns of Benham, Cumberland, Evarts, Harlan, Loyall, Morehead, Pineville and Wallins also declared local disasters.  
The National Weather Service issued warnings Wednesday evening for Carroll and Owen counties in north-central Kentucky, where the Kentucky River had come out of its banks in some locations. The river was expected to remain high through Friday. The area received 2 to 4 inches of rain Tuesday, the weather service said.  
Gov. Paul Patton was in southeastern Kentucky on Wednesday to tour flood-damaged areas around Pineville and Harlan as disaster assessment teams tried to get a firm count of the number of homes damaged or destroyed. Early estimates out of southeastern Kentucky were that more than 300 homes were affected.  
Vernon Gross, emergency management director for Rowan County, said the new flooding Wednesday morning will increase that number.  
"No doubt, we should be

receiving a presidential disaster declaration," Gross said. "We've suffered severe damage."  
Patton said he will seek federal help and expects it will come soon.  
The rain had ended by Wednesday afternoon and there was no precipitation in the forecast for the region until late Thursday.  
Gross said flooding hit downtown Morehead for the first time in at least 25 years. The high water forced Morehead State University to close Wednesday. He said perhaps 75 homes in the Farmers area were damaged by flooding.  
Morehead received more than 4 inches of rain in a 24-hour period ending Wednesday morning, according to the National Weather Service.  
Nineteen National Guard troops from an engineering battalion in Morehead were deployed with trucks and boats to help with evacuations in Rowan County.  
In Olive Hill, authorities began evacuating residents from homes about 7 a.m. An entire housing complex for the elderly had to be emptied when the murky water came up in the city of about 1,800 people. A nearby daycare center also was evacuated.  
"The water came up so fast," said Karen Epling, assistant director of ABC Child Care. "We had 14 children. We loaded up on the bus and got out of here."  
The East Fork of the Little Sandy River overflowed, blocking two main routes into Ashland, swamping several

businesses, and flooding a steel manufacturing plant.  
Eddie Lambert, emergency management director for Boyd County, said about 300 homes were damaged by flooding and about 100 people had to be evacuated, half of those by boat.  
"We've had boats in areas where there aren't even any streams," she said.  
Stephens said the floodwaters even got into the Olive Hill Fire Department, which was built above the 100-year floodplain. "I guess that means this was a 100-year flood," he said.

# Kentucky officials meeting again with Hyundai representatives

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Kentucky officials have made a return trip to California to meet with Hyundai Motor Co. representatives.  
A site in Hardin County and another near Montgomery, Ala., are vying for a \$1 billion Hyundai plant, the company's first U.S. assembly facility.  
Kentucky Gov. Paul Patton's press secretary, Rusty Chevront, acknowledged Wednesday that Kentucky Economic Development Secretary Gene Strong and other members of the Patton administration were in southern California talking with officials of the Korean automaker. Chevront declined to discuss the purpose of the meeting or what it might mean.  
Strong headed a Kentucky delegation that traveled to California two weeks ago, and Alabama officials also went to California at the time. But it could not be determined Wednesday whether Alabama officials made another trip this week.  
A decision on where Hyundai will build is expected in late

March or early April. The plant will employ 2,000 and make 300,000 vehicles a year.  
Meanwhile, efforts to secure a final piece of farmland needed for the 1,600-acre Kentucky site are proceeding. Hardin Circuit Clerk Ralph Baskett said Wednesday that three court-appointed commissioners have placed a value on land the state seeks to condemn so it can be added to the proposed Hyundai site.  
Baskett said records in his office show the commissioners valued 111.5 acres owned by Norma Howlett at \$948,000. They valued an adjoining one-acre parcel owned by Howlett's son, Paul, at \$160,000.  
The Howletts' land lies within a 1,600-acre site on which the state has sought purchase options to provide the tract needed for the plant. The Howletts have declined to sign the options, under which they stood to receive \$1 million for the land. The Howletts have asked \$10 million for their land, while also saying they have no desire to sell.  
The \$160,000 price tag that the commissioners put on Paul Howlett's single acre — a home site — is much higher than the

\$8,000 to \$12,000 an acre that other landowners in the target parcel have reportedly been offered through options.  
But when his acre is lumped in with his mother's land, the total comes close to \$10,000 an acre, which is in line with the other prices.  
Hank Graddy, a Midway attorney who represents the Howletts, noted that Paul Howlett farms his mother's land, and for several years has held an option to buy it, perhaps as part of estate planning.  
He said the commissioners might have put additional value on Paul Howlett's land because of that option.  
Baskett's office said the next step in a condemnation procedure to take the land against the Howletts' wishes is serving summonses on the Howletts and other involved parties. Office workers said the summonses have been sent to the sheriff's office for service.  
Leon Howlett, Paul's brother and a spokesman for the family, said the Howletts had not received the summonses.  
When they get them, he said, "We will fight their right to condemn."

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# Viewpoint

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— John F. Kennedy

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Guest View

## Editorial roundup

Houston (Tex.) Chronicle, on fighting terrorism in small bites:

Perhaps the most desirable aid prosperous nations like the United States can provide the people of Third World nations is aid that helps lift them out of poverty.

One such effort with a track record of success has been various forms of "microcredit," making small loans of a few hundred dollars or so to people in Third World countries to establish small community or neighborhood, grass-roots enterprises.

Over the last more than a decade, it's really been the U.S. Congress that has led the way in support for microenterprise and mandated the "focusing on the very poor with this very effective tool," says Joanne Carter with Results, a grass-roots advocacy group with branches in the United States (including in Houston) and five other nations.

Since 2000, she notes, lawmakers have approved \$155 million for such microcredit projects. ...

U.S. Rep. Tim Roemer, D-Ind., explained that there is value in "looking at ways to prevent terrorism in addressing some of the concerns of the world that grow from poverty and inequity and people surviving on less than a \$1 a day." ...

The Plain Dealer, Cleveland, on Tom Ridge's color-coded guide:

Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge has crafted a color-coded terrorist threat guide to let us all know which way the winds of war blow.

It's a literal rainbow of concern, a five-shade framework running the spectrum from the universally recognized danger signal of red, demanding maximum alert, to the relatively relaxed ease of green.

Right now — and as far into the future as we can see — we all live in a yellow soup tureen, swimming daily around the psychological obstacles of elevated anxiety and "significant" risk of terrorist attacks.

The question on the minds of many Americans — what should we, Joe and Jane Citizen, be doing about all this? — remains largely unanswered. ...

But it's long on officialspeak and short on details. Just what, your local mayor and police chief may well be asking, should we be doing that we have not yet done?

That, Ridge says, is up to state and local governments and private businesses to decide as the nation works to form a "common language" of security. In short, he doesn't know either.



In the moment

## Don't stop dancing

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

I was driving down the highway thinking about all the information that I needed to cram into my head to prepare me for mid-terms, all the stories, articles, and papers that I needed to come up with and write for the various positions I have obtained for myself, and how in the world between school and a job was I

going to find time to focus on the two darling children of mine that have almost forgotten that they have a mother.

I was overwhelmed with the tasks ahead and I felt the familiar tug of exasperation that comes along about this time of the semester. Then coming from the stereo Creed sings "Children don't stop dancing, believe that you can fly" and I say, "Lord, I heard it."

For so often in the dance of life, I feel like laying down and turning off the music. However, to quit would mean giving up the dreams and the hope for a better tomorrow that I know is mine when I do believe that I can "fly."

Sometimes, I am amazed at the beau-

ty in my life and yet there are times when I can't even see the sun. Yet one thing remains true and that is that I must keep traveling productively through this life because I cannot afford to stop.

Today I was reminded that life can be perceived as a dance if I so choose and I can get through the obstacles that will surely be in my way. It's all up to me to decide how I want to look at it and if I want to participate or not.

I realized my momentary blindness and silently thanked God for the attitude adjustment.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

## Letters

### Seeking help

I am again begging for the people of Floyd County to help me and my family to search for my uncle, Tracy Compton, who has been missing for almost one year now.

We have hired a private investigator to try to find out what happened to Tracy. After doing some checking, he honestly believes that

Tracy never left Floyd County. He believes that Tracy met with foul play after leaving the hospital.

We are trying to organize a search group to help in locating Tracy's remains. Please help us! If Tracy were still alive and someone asked him to help in a search like this, he would be the first in line to start looking. Please do the same for him.

If it were a politician, a well-known community member or a law enforcement

family member that were missing, I know no stone would be left unturned until they were found. Please in the name of God and all good Christians, help us by doing the same. The case would not be closed or put on the back burner like Tracy's case has been by the Kentucky State Police if it were one of their own.

I was very shocked and surprised when I read the report from Hawke Investigations and read the

comment made by the administration office of Highlands Regional Medical Center Jim Bergeron that he was surprised it took so long for someone to come and ask questions about Tracy's disappearance. Why didn't the sheriff's office or the state police investigators, Deputy King or Detective Howard, go to the hospital to investigate his disappearance? You would think that would have been the first place they would have started asking questions. Apparently Tracy wasn't an important enough person to do that.

I grew up in Floyd County. My dad, Oliver Bryant, and my grandma, Linda Compton, lived there for many years and I can still remember of how they talked of all the caring and friendly people in the McDowell, Price, Wayland and Martin area. I know there still has to be those kind of people there, so please come and help us. Help us give my grandma some peace before she dies and bring Tracy home for a proper burial.

If you can help please call The Floyd County Times at (606) 886-8506 or Hawke Investigations at (270) 674-5900 or go to Hawke Investigations webpage at www.hawkepi.com and

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At the Movies:

# 'E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial'

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**  
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

Full disclosure, right off the top: I am a total geek for "E.T." I was 9 years old when "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" came out in 1982, and it was one of the first truly transforming movie events of my life.

Every time I saw it, I cried when E.T. died — even though I knew he'd come back to life. And I had the biggest crush on Henry Thomas — he was right up there with Rick Springfield and Scott Baio in my preadolescent opinion.

Something about the friendship between a lonely young boy and an alien who's far from home tugged at my heart. It was full of awe and wonder, so sweet and sad and sometimes scary.

And it still is. Twenty years and \$700 million in worldwide box office revenue later, "E.T." is back in theaters, with new footage and enhanced visual effects. It holds up beautifully.

Steven Spielberg has said this is his most personal film — more than "Schindler's List," which he's said is his most

important film — because it provided catharsis for him as an adult of the feelings he experienced as a child when his parents divorced. But the director

E.T.'s wise eyes and quizzical facial expressions are more vivid now; the colors are more vibrant, the images crisper. Technically, the movie looks

become beloved fixtures of pop culture. We've all seen Elliott riding his bike with E.T. across the moon a million times, but it's still inspiring to watch that moment in a theater, with John Williams' score soaring behind it.

Spielberg has left the story intact: 10-year-old Elliott (Thomas), his older brother, Michael (Robert MacNaughton), and his younger sister, Gertie (Drew Barrymore, exhibiting flawless comic timing at age 6), help an alien "phone home" after he's left behind on Earth. Nameless, faceless grown-ups try to capture the grunting, waddling little guy first so they can study him.

They're also the subject of a minor change that has purists atwitter. Spielberg has taken the guns out of the hands of the government agents who are chasing Elliott and his friends as they whisk E.T. to the forest to meet his spaceship. Now, they're holding walkie-talkies, but the difference is so subtle that you wouldn't notice it unless you're looking for it.

Universal Pictures also is touting the "never before seen footage" in the 20th anniversary version. But Spielberg only inserted two brief scenes, one of which takes place when Elliott plays hooky from school to stay home with E.T. The two go into the bathroom, where E.T. weighs himself, fumbles with a tube of toothpaste and splashes in the bathtub.

The scene doesn't add much, though. It doesn't help us understand the mysterious being any better. And it doesn't solidify the relationship between him and Elliott; it will become clear soon enough that the two share a psychic, emotional bond. The added moment sets up an amusing sight gag, and that's about it.

The other scene takes place



*"E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" is rated PG for language and mild thematic elements. Running time: 120 minutes.*

*Three and a half stars (out of four).*

wanted to update some of the imagery using technology that was unavailable two decades ago.

He had the effects specialists at Industrial Light & Magic digitally touch up certain details with computer graphics.

great, but there was nothing wrong with it before. Still, "E.T." is a must-see on the big screen — for the first time, for the 101st time — to experience the simple beauty of Melissa Mathison's storytelling, to relive the moments that have

## Whoopi, Sting and a real circus: All part of 'jampacked' Oscar show

by **LYNN ELBER**  
AP TELEVISION WRITER

LOS ANGELES — The theater is new and so is the heightened security. But there will be nostalgic Hollywood touches as well at Sunday's Academy Awards ceremony.

Laura Ziskin, the show's producer, hopes that old-time glamour combined with performers including Sting, Paul McCartney and Cirque du Soleil will hold viewers after last year's lowest-rated Oscars ever.

She knows, however, that it takes more to ensure a memorable evening at the \$94 million Kodak Theatre, the lavish new home for the Oscars.

"The show is made or broken by the winners and what they say or do. I can do everything right and if they're not interesting or come with their laundry list of 'thank you,' then the show will be boring," Ziskin said.

"If they have something to say and are emotional then the show will be great no matter what I do," she said, then added

jokingly: "So I'm abdicating all responsibility."

In reality, Ziskin is working mightily to ensure that everyone, overwrought winners included, does their part for a lively evening. At the annual nominees' luncheon she handed out a helpful prop — silver egg timers set for 45 seconds, the recommended speech duration.

"Forty-five seconds is a long time. You can say 137 words in 45 seconds, and 'I want to thank the academy' is only six words," said Ziskin, the first woman to produce the show solo. (Lili Fini Zanuck produced the 2000 ceremony with husband Richard Zanuck.)

Long shows that creep toward or past midnight on the East Coast can make for viewer boredom and potentially lower ratings. Ziskin may be fighting a trend: the ceremony suffered its lowest ratings ever last year with an average 42.9 million viewers, down 7 percent from 2000.

To spark interest, Ziskin said she's ensuring the show is "jampacked with ... something for everyone. I won't say for sure,

but we're on the road to pulling off a couple of big surprises."

Whoopi Goldberg, an Oscar winner for 1990's "Ghost," is making her fourth appearance as host. Her sometimes off-color humor at the 1996 show drew mixed reviews, but Ziskin said she was her first choice and she "really wanted someone who had done it before."

Other experienced Oscar hands include Louis J. Horvitz, directing his sixth consecutive

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## The best of the silver screen for the silver-haired:

Modern Maturity gives La Chaise D'Or

by **DOUGLAS J. ROWE**  
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

NEW YORK — You've heard of the Palm D'Or, the top prize at Cannes. Now comes the "Chaise D'Or," honoring the best of the silver screen for the silver-haired.

Amid the glut of film awards, AARP's Modern Maturity magazine is offering the "Best Movies For Grown-ups," more specifically, for the publication's over-50 audience.

Its pick for best film last year: "Lantana," which "stands out as a moral fable in which betrayal has consequences, integrity is rewarded, and we all learn that day-to-day decisions can bless or bedevil us at any age."

Bill Newcott, the magazine's news editor, who organized the panel that awarded La Chaise D'Or (The Golden Chair), said he wants to "celebrate those efforts to really address our audience."

"The over-50 audience, for

reasons that are purely economic, are not always on the radar screen" of movie makers and distributors, said Newcott, who went so far as to drop the movie column when the magazine was redesigned two years ago. He said there just weren't enough movies aimed at its readers.

The Chaise D'Or for best actress went to Charlotte Rampling for "Under the Sand," which was also deemed best foreign film for being "about reaching an age where you realize life's most nagging questions might never be answered." Tom Wilkinson of "In The Bedroom" was named best actor, and Robert Altman won best director for "Gosford Park."

And as "Best Movie for Grown-Ups Who Refuse to Grow Up" — "Shrek."

Modern Maturity's readers have the money and time to go to the movies, but they read reviews and are selective, Newcott said.

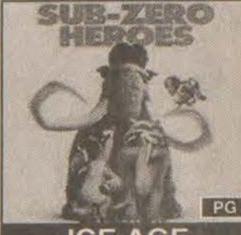
"The young audience is impulsive and has a pack mentality," he said, which encourages studios to promote a movie's opening weekend heavily.

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# Obituaries



**Nancy Akers Leedy**

Nancy Akers Leedy was born May 12, 1916, the daughter of Webster and Ida Hamilton Akers. She married Tolva Leedy November 24, 1937. They had six children.

Mrs. Leedy worked as a cook at Betsy Layne High School for many years. She was a member of the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church for more than 40 years. She was a devoted Christian and an avid Bible reader. She set a wonderful example for her family and friends. She was an active member for several years, as well as a lifetime member of the Eastern Star. She was a member of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary, and thoroughly enjoyed several years as a participant in the Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center. For the past seven years, she received excellent care at the Happy House Adult Day Care Center. She resided with her granddaughter, Robin Slone, and her husband, Virgil, at Hi Hat, Ky., for the past 12 years.

She passed away suddenly and peacefully in her sleep, Sunday, March 17, 2002.

She was preceded in death by her husband of sixty-four years Tolva Leedy; two infant sons, (twins) Jack and Joe; her mother and father; six brothers, Grant, Marion, Carl, Tom, Monroe and Wilburn, and one sister, Abbie Shultz.

She is survived by four children; Gwen McCollum, Pat DeRossett, Rossetta Collins and Ronnie Leedy; and two sisters, Lize Kidd and Nellie Martin.

She also leaves to mourn her passing, 10 grandchildren, Kimberly Taylor, Sherri Barley, Dwayne DeRossett, Jerry W. Robinette, Shawntel Ray, Robin Slone, Erik Slone, Ronnie Leedy II, Ronda Leedy and Kent Leedy.

Also surviving are, six great-grandchildren: Kyle, Cody and Meshawna Ray, Corey Robinette, Wesley Slone and Nathan Barley.

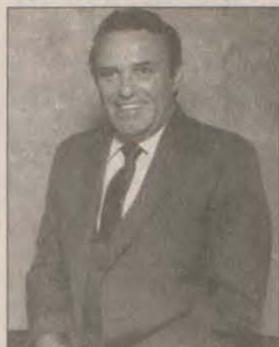
Her sense of humor, loving and caring nature, and constant advice, will be missed by the entire family.

Pallbearers: Dwayne DeRossett, Jerry Wayne Robinette, Virgil Slone Jr., Erik Slone, Ronnie Leedy II, Tolva Kent Leedy, Johnny Ray, and Kyle Ray.

Honorary: Ronnie Leedy, Hugh Akers, Eugene Akers, Keith Akers, and Carlos Akers.

(Paid obituary)

**In Memoriam:**  
"Casting our eyes toward Heaven, we surrender you."



Alfred G. "Hot Dog" Allen, age 73, of Fairfax, Va., passed away Tuesday, March 5, 2002, in the Northern Virginia Memorial Hospital of Arlington, Va.

Mr. Allen was a native of Hueysville, Ky., and son of the late Wayne and Mallie Craft Allen. After graduating from Maytown High School, he served in the U.S. Air Force, from 1946 to 1949, with an overseas assignment in Okinawa. While still assigned to the Air Force, he was selected for special training and assigned to the Defense Communications Agency as a telecommunications specialist. Later, as a civilian, he worked at the Pentagon in various capacities within the communications field. Retiring from the government in 1983 after 36 years, he then became a consultant to Booz-Allen and Hamilton, where he worked for eight years, retiring in 1995.

Mr. Allen was preceded in death by his first wife, Betty Sexton Allen of Joplin Mo.; sister lone Amelia Allen of Hueysville, Ky.; brothers, Thomas Jacob Allen, and William Kenneth Allen, both of Prestonsburg, Ky., and Clarence Edward Allen of Chesapeake, Va.

Mr. Allen is survived by his wife, Patricia K. Allen of Fairfax, Va.; sister Anna Lena Allen of Cincinnati, Oh.; brothers, Volney D. Allen of Langley, Ky., Nelson R. Allen of Ashland, Ky., Harry Gordon Allen of Hueysville, Ky., and Maurice C. Allen of Pyramid, Ky.

Other surviving family members include numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews, stepdaughters, Renee Criedfield and Stephanie (Jeff) Best of Chantilly, Va., and a step-granddaughter, Nicole Alexandra Best.

Following viewings at the Money and King Vienna Funeral Home of Vienna, Va., church services were held at the Faith Lutheran Church of Arlington, Va., with Dr. Neal R. Davidson presiding. An Air Force Honor Guard was in attendance when Mr. Allen was laid to eternal rest on Saturday, March 9, 2002, at the Fairfax Memorial Park in Fairfax, Va.

(Paid obituary)

**Chalmer C. (Jack) Roberts**

Chalmer C. (Jack) Roberts, 75, of Banner, died Wednesday, March 20, 2002, following an extended illness.

Born on April 18, 1926, in Pike County, Ky., he was the son of the late Everett and Alice Jones Roberts. He was a retired CSX employee.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ellen Carr Roberts.

Survivors include two sons, William E. Roberts of Banner, Ky., and Robert Clinton Roberts of Georgetown, Ky.; two daughters, Cathy Jean Spears of Banner, Ky., and Heneritta Hall of Tram, Ky.; one sister, Betty Jean Holbrook of Banner, Ky.; nine grandchildren, Michael, Jason, Joshua, Bobby, Timmy, Mary Jacquelyn, Adam, Scottie, and Billy Joe; one great-grandchild, Amber Nicole Spears, and two step-grandchildren, Chris and Chad.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, March 24, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky., with Roy Robinson and Ronnie Samons officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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**Record**

Beaver Creek in the City of Wayland.

Rita Rogers and Kenneth Rogers to Loretta Bentley and Stacy Hall, property located at Grethel on Bid Mud Creek.

Billy Vaughn and Eunice Vaughn to J.W. Kinzer, property location not listed.

Wilma Messer to J.W. Kinzer, property location not listed.

Randy Gearheart and Deedra Gearheart to J.W. Kinzer, property location not listed.

Charles Osborne and Margaret Osborne to John P. Reffitt and Kashetta S. Reffitt, property location not listed.

Hattie Tackett to John Tackett, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Progress Land Corporation to Ernie Morgan and Virginia Morgan, property located on Jack's Creek.

Ronnie Newsom and Beverly Newsom to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located near KY 979.

Ronnie Newsom and Beverly Newsom to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Big Mud Creek.

Kenas Hall and Barbara Hall, Darkie Hall to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located along Tackett Branch Road.

R.B. Clark Jr. and Thelma Clark, Edford L. Clark and Mary M. Clark, Bernard Clark and Peggy Clark, Lora Jean Stratton and Wendell E. Stratton, Roma Lou McClanahan and Thelmer Lee

**Odds**

Carts frequently end up as suitcases for vagabonds, go-carts for kids, cookout grills for beachgoers or artificial reefs in lakes and canals.

The new anti-theft contraption uses an underground cable surrounding the perimeter of a supermarket's property. When a cart comes within two feet of the boundary, a sensor triggers the right front wheel to lock. Only a special gadget can release the hold on the wheel.

"It has helped us tremendously," said Publix Super Markets spokesman Lee Brunson. Publix is using the device at five stores after successfully testing it at a Miami Beach location that once lost 100 carts a month.

Winn-Dixie is testing the device in a few Orlando-area locations.

The systems costs from \$8,000 to \$30,000, depending on store size, says the manufacturer, Gatekeeper Systems of Irvine, Calif.

**MADISON, Wis.** — Pop open a box of crackers and a bottle of wine, because a whole lot of cheese just came to town.

The World Championship Cheese Contest, a Wisconsin tradition since 1957, began on Tuesday with a record 1,132 entries from 19 nations.

Sponsored by the Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association, the event began as a cheddar contest, but it's now grown to 28 classes of cow milk cheeses, five classes of sheep and goat cheese and three butter classes. There's also a retail packaging category.

Judges work silently in teams of two to pick the top three entries in each class, which get gold, silver or bronze

medals. The champion cheese maker earns \$1,000.

Judges in the contest, which ends Friday, deduct points if they find defects. Criteria include taste, texture, aroma and appearance.

Chief Judge Bill Schlinsog of Middleton, Wis., said a cheese rarely gets a perfect score.

"We usually let them have some room for improvement," he said.

**PETOSKEY, Mich.** — Martha Croft recently got an unusually special delivery: a 50-year-old letter from her grandmother.

Martha Croft, 69, was a student at Central Michigan University in 1952 when her grandmother, Marie Hill, sent her the letter.

Addressed to Croft's maiden name, Miller, the letter was found during recent renovations of the university's Sloan Hall, a women's dormitory from 1941 to 1963. Croft once lived in the building, which now houses the psychology department.

"I was just shocked, really shocked," Croft told the Petoskey News-Review.

The postage on the letter, postmarked Feb. 29, 1952, from Panama City, Fla., was three cents.

The letter was found behind woodwork on the first floor of the hall, said Timothy Hartshorne, psychology department chair. He alerted school officials, who tracked down Croft and had the letter delivered.

Remnants of dried flower petals and leaves were inside the envelope along with a handwritten note. Hill told her granddaughter that she was excited about a visit she was planning with one of her college friends.

Croft said she was thrilled to have her hands on the letter.

"I am going to keep this one. It's something to remember her by," she said. "I've got another nice memory now."

**FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, N.J.** — Two men have been convicted of creating a big stink last year inside a supermarket.

Geremino T. Ranallo, 65, of Washington Township, and Warren G. Jacoby, 50, of Mansfield, were convicted Tuesday of disorderly conduct for spraying a noxious gas at a ShopRite in Washington.

Central Warren Municipal Court Judge Joseph W. Steinhardt gave the two men one month to decide if they want to serve 30 days in jail or perform 90 days of community service.

Authorities said Ranallo and Jacoby used a gag spray can filled with gas designed to mimic the odor of flatulence on May 26. The resulting stench forced dozens of customers to flee the store, and one employee became sick after smelling the fumes.

Ranallo said he was unhappy with the verdict.

"I don't want to be known as the fart guy," he told The Express-Times of Easton, Pa., for Wednesday's editions.

**Card of Thanks**

The family of **Tilden Howard Jr. (T.J.)** would like to express their love and appreciation to all their family and friends who made such a difference during their time of sorrow. To those who sent food, flowers, cards, condolences, gave hugs and encouragement, and offered prayers on our behalf, we thank you. A special thank-you for memorials and singing provided by Greg Wells, Harold Howard, Ethan Martin, David Hoover, Vick Ray Davis, and Bethel Bolen. We want to acknowledge the staff of the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their consideration during this difficult time. Keep us in your hearts and prayers as we continue in our grief. God bless you all.

**Burneda and Shannon Howard, Donnie Howard and family, Effie Howard and family**

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**Letters**

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leave information. If you have any information that may help in locating Tracy, please call Terry of Hawke Investigations. You can call anonymously, so please call! Thank you for your time and prayers. Patty Lonsbury

**Public apology**

I would like to publicly apologize for having my ex-husband, Ernest Dean Marsillett, of East Point, arrested for fourth-degree assault. He did not do anything and was arrested for no reason. Penny Marsillett East Point

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# 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 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring you last year's income tax return and current tax information.

### John W. Hall Lodge 950 to confer M.M. Degree

Past masters of John W. Hall Lodge No. 950, F&AM, Martin, will confer the Master Mason degree at a meeting to be held, Saturday, March 23, beginning at 7 p.m. Dinner will be served, and all Master Masons are encouraged to attend.

### Church play

"The Judgement," a Heaven and Hell play, will be presented at the Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church, located on Abbott Creek Road, on Sunday, March 24, at 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend. For more information, contact El Holman at 886-0897.

### Highlands Regional Medical Center "Living Well with Diabetes" Support Group

Session three: GET READY TO SPRING INTO ACTION Exercise and diabetes. Get tips from you Physical Therapist for safe

Physical activity and monitoring your blood glucose during exercise.

We'll also take a tour of the Wellness Center and speak to a personal trainer.

Come join us and get motivated today!

Floyd Room 5-6 P.M. All Classes are free of charge

For Further Information contact: Food & Nutrition Services At (606) 886-8511 ext. 7353 Hope to see you there

### Highlands Regional Medical Center

#### Childbirth Class

03-01-02; 3-29-02  
Floyd Room  
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Smoking Cessation

03-05-02; 03-12-02; 03-19-02; 03-26-02

Meeting Place A & B  
5:30p.m. - 6:30p.m.

Living Well With Diabetes  
03-26-02

Floyd Room  
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

For more information concerning the support groups please contact Highlands

Educational Services Department at 1-606-886-7424.

### Floyd County Old Photographs Fair

On Saturday, April 6th, 2002, the Friends of the Samuel May House will host their first annual Floyd County Old Photographs Fair. If you are a collector of old photographs, postcards, maps, documents, or other memorabilia, bring them to the May House and share them with other enthusiasts. Non-collectors are also invited to attend. Using the May House's new Dell computer, you may make and purchase copies of archive photos for a nominal fee. To reserve a table for your exhibit, contact Robert Perry at 606-886-3863, ext. 290 or 606-886-8079. The fair is open to the public and all are encouraged to attend. Doors open at 10 am and close at 5 pm.

### Victorious Women Spring Retreat

Victorious Women, Inc. will hold a Spring Retreat on April 5-7 at the Paintsville Ramada Inn & Conference Center. Peg Rankin, author of spiritual theme books, will speak. Kelly Powers will appear as guest musician. Kelly and her husband, Barry, serve as camp directors of Camp Caleb, located in Johnson County. For more information, contact local Christian bookstores or call, (606) 666-2359, or (606) 251-3513. Overnight guests must pre-register prior to March 29. Day guests may pay at the door.

### Board meeting

The Martin Area Senior Citizens Center will hold a board meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

### Moms and Babies Club

Members wanted. Mothers interested in a local playgroup for their children, ages 0-5 yrs. Once a week meetings to be held in the home of a local stay-at-home mother. Purpose of club is to provide stay-at-home mothers with the opportunity to meet other moms and to allow their children a safe environment in which to interact with one another. As the cold weather decreases, play group outings will be planned. Older children are also welcome to attend. Note: This will be a "Mom's & Babies Club," not a day care service. Serious inquiries may be directed to (606) 297-7778, ask for Rachel.

### LDS "Special Evening"

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints will present Elder Sheldon F. Child as a special evening speaker on Tuesday, March 26, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Elder Child will share an uplifting spiritual message that all should enjoy. All are invited to attend. The church is located on Route 80, in Martin. Call 285-3133 for more information.

### 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 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.

The 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.

### 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.

### Kentucky Forest Fire Hazard Seasons

Kentucky Forest Fire Hazard

## Oscar

ceremony, and comedian Bruce Vilanch, marking his 13th year as writer of Oscar banter and introductions.

Big names in music are set to perform the nominated songs, including Sting, McCartney, Faith Hill, Enya and Randy Newman.

The eclectic Cirque du Soleil will offer a specially created piece to lead into the visual effects award presentation; the orchestra will be conducted by Oscar-winning composer John Williams.

The presenters' list is as starry as ever with the likes of Mel Gibson, Tom Hanks and Helen Hunt. It also is a bit but more youthful than in the past, which Ziskin hopes will draw a new generation of fans. Among those

## Silver

Still, the magazine's editors understand that Hollywood is in business to make money and, in a Variety-type headline ("Execs Nix Geezer Flick"), they explain why that leaves older people out.

Even the producer of such films as "Driving Miss Daisy," "Cocoon" and "Chocolat," the 85-year-old David Brown, told them: "I'm interested in the core audience, and most people who go to the movies are under 25. If that's discrimination, I probably

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 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.

### 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.

### 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.

### Mud Creek Clinic

A social security representative will be at the Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel, each Tuesday (except holidays) 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.

### HRMC March Calendar

Smoking Cessation  
Mar. 26  
Meeting Place A & B  
5:30-6:30 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.

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will be a "substantial increase" in police, said Ric Robertson, the academy's executive administrator.

Shops and restaurants in the Kodak Theatre mall will be closed on the day of the show, as will an adjacent subway stop and some nearby streets.

Will terrorism and its aftermath be acknowledged in the ceremony? Yes, said Ziskin. "It's not the theme of the show but we're culture makers and that was a big event in the culture. It's maybe more in the subtext than head-on, but I think it's in everybody's mind."

greater intimacy than the old Oscar venue, the cavernous Shrine Auditorium.

"We're paying homage, in terms of the setting and feeling and look of this, to the old-time movie palaces," Ziskin said. "It's going to look very elegant and hark back to our collective memory of those big screens with the beautiful proscenium."

Nostalgia will be backed by strict security, a result of post-Sept. 11 caution and the new site. Fans who traditionally camped out for bleacher seats had to formally apply and undergo background checks, and there

## E.T.

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on Halloween, when Elliott's mother (Dee Wallace Stone) drives around looking for him, Michael and Gertie. She ends up on a chaotic street, where trick-or-treaters pelt her car with eggs and fires burn all around her. When she finds Gertie and Michael, Gertie lets it slip that Elliott has sneaked away to the forest. Again, the scene adds nothing, and feels forced.

So 20 years later, what's the point of rereleasing "E.T."? Is it—as some will surely claim—a shameless moneymaking ploy, dolled up as nostalgia? Perhaps. But it's infinitely better than most kids movies that

practice it."

The Chaise D'Or selections were made by eight of the magazine's editors plus four film critics: ABC's Joel Siegel, Time's Richard Schickel, TV Guide's Maitland McDonagh and USA Today's Susan Wloszczyna.

Three months into 2002, Newcott is already on the lookout for this year's cinematic pleasers for geezers.

"And I don't have any yet," he said.



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## Cheerleading restrictions?

by **BILLY REED**  
TIMES COLUMNIST

In case you missed it, the University of Nebraska, home of one of the nation's most productive football factories, has cracked down on...cheerleading! No longer



will the Huskers' squad be allowed to do pyramids and other breathtaking stunts that could lead to injuries, lawsuits, negative publicity, and insurance claims.

I'm so happy about this that, if I could, I'd do a cartwheel. I'm tired of seeing cheerleading teams that have more broken bones, pulled muscles, and banded body parts than football teams. Like pierced navels, arm slings, plaster casts, and knee braces shouldn't be commonplace in cheerleading.

History doesn't tell us who the first cheerleader was, but I'll bet she was a blue-eyed blond who had an annoyingly shrill voice and the capacity to smile for

(See REED, page three)

## Sideline Shots

### Would win renew disgruntled fans' faith in Tubby?

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

One Kentucky basketball fan I came in contact with earlier this week, shared some of my same sentiments: should the Wildcats beat Maryland tonight, head coach Tubby Smith will be



assured of a longer tenure at the helm of college basketball's winningest all-time program. A win over Maryland? Is it possible? Well, it's certainly not impossible. Kent State and Southern Illinois have made it to the Sweet Sixteen, so why, why couldn't UK make it on to the Elite Eight?

The UK coach has nothing but respect for the Maryland program. And he very well should. I'd put the Terps as one of the top three of four in the nation, right along with conference mate Duke and Kansas, along with the Jayhawks' Big 12 counterpart Oklahoma. Smith had the following to say during his recent press conference:

"I've watched a few of the games Maryland has played and they're obviously a very talented team. Gary Williams has done a great job. I can remember a few years ago they were struggling, but he's turned that around. Obviously we've had our battles with

(See SIDELINE, page five)

## Sweet 16

### 'Kinder, gentler' Smith encouraging Wildcats into Sweet Sixteen

by **STEVE BAILEY**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky coach Tubby Smith turned on the encouragement last week as he guided the Wildcats to two impressive victories and a berth in the Sweet Sixteen.

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## Perry Co Central 88, JCHS 68

### Lady Commodores win first state tourney game

by **KRISTIN HILL**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOWLING GREEN — Polly Sebastian led four players in double figures with 21 points as Perry County Central beat

Johnson Central 88-68 in the first round of the girls' state basketball tournament Wednesday.

Brittany Baker scored 20 points, Bertha Sebastian added 17 and Ashley Shouse had 10 for the Region 14 champion Lady Commodores (28-4) in their third consecutive state tournament appearance.

Ashley Wireman scored 22 points and Rhonda Adams and Melissa Murphy each added 12

for Region 15 champion Johnson Central (23-11), which made its second straight trip to the tournament.

Perry Central had never won a state tournament game. Johnson Central was also searching for its first state tourney victory. Perry Central Coach Randy Napier led M.C. Napier to a state crown in 1994.

(See JCHS, page three)



As part of Spirit Week, Adams Middle School office manager Gabe Hatfield captured the image of this Blackcat Table.

## — Prestonsburg senior-to-be contending for gridiron playing time —



courtesy photos

Shawn Whitt has decided to concentrate on his senior football season instead of taking back to the dirt tracks and racing. An honor roll student, Whitt also wrestles.

# Whitt puts racing on hold

*"Shawn Whitt has an excellent work ethic, he demonstrated that this past wrestling season," added Butcher. "Often times he would come straight to wrestling practice from weightlifting and football conditioning, or vice-versa."*

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

Prestonsburg High School junior Shawn Whitt keeps a busy schedule. However, first and foremost, Whitt, a two-sport athlete at PHS, tends to

things in the classroom, where he puts forth just as much effort as he would in any athletic event.

PHS head football coach John DeRossett and his staff have had the Blackcat football team working hard in spring drills, despite the massive

amount of rain which has the area waterlogged. Whitt is with his football teammates, fighting every step of the way, looking to earn a starting position along the offensive line. Last year's Prestonsburg starting offensive line consisted of two seniors and three juniors. The two seniors were guard Matt Stephens and tackle Kevin Younce, a two-way starter who also played at a defensive end position. According to Prestonsburg assistant football coach Jerry Butcher, also PHS assistant principal and head wrestling coach, Whitt is just one of the upperclassmen battling for the starting positions. Andrew Burchett will return at center for his senior season, while Charlie Johnson and Evan McNutt, both juniors, also seniors-to-be, like Whitt, return at a guard and a tackle slot.



"Shawn (Whitt) is one of about seven who are fighting and working hard for one of the two open offensive line positions," said Butcher. "Shawn is a terrific kid to be around, during school hours and on the football field or the wrestling mats." Whitt is also a heavyweight wrestler. He participated in the regional wrestling tournament at Pike County Central High School last month, but did not advance to state competition. He will take the experience he gained this season on the mats into his senior campaign.

Quality heavyweight wrestlers are

(See WHITT, page five)

courtesy photo

Shawn Whitt spent portions of last spring and summer competing in dirt-bike racing events across the state.



## BASEBALL

### Paintsville Little League set to begin 49th year

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — This year marks the 49th year anniversary of Little League Baseball in Paintsville. The

#### P'BURG LITTLE LEAGUE

Prestonsburg Little League will hold final signups Saturday at Adams Middle School from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Paintsville league has grown from a one-division league, with four teams in 1953, to seven divisions with over 30 teams this season.

Each year has seen growth in registration.

The number of registered players has also continued to grow with each year.

"We strive to offer the best facilities and structure, for our program," said

(See PAINTSVILLE, page five)

## HIGH SCHOOL

### Applebee's Spring Break 'A' Baseball Classic to include Pikeville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The Lexington Legends and Applebee's Restaurants are teaming up to sponsor this year's Spring Break "A" Classic Baseball Classic tournament.

The dates for this year's tourney are April 2-5. The tournament will be held at Applebee's Park. This is the second year for the tournament.

Eight teams from across Kentucky will participate in this year's pool play tournament. Lexington Christian Academy will serve as the host school for the tournament, which will include Ballard Memorial High School, Newport Central Catholic High School, Pikeville High School, Bath County High School, Bishop Brossart High School, Berea High School, and University Heights High School.

Play will open on Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. Games will follow throughout the afternoon. The win

(See SPRING, page three)



photo courtesy of DeWitt Photography  
Prestonsburg martial artist Garrett Brown was one of the top athletes in his age group at the Bluegrass Winter Games, receiving three gold medals in three different events, weapons, forms and sparring.

# SPORTSBOARD

## Briefs

**HOCKEY**  
**COLUMBUS, Ohio** — The 13-year-old girl hit by a puck at an NHL game died from a brain injury in an artery that was damaged when her head snapped back, a coroner said.  
 Brittanie Cecil died Monday, two days after she was struck in the forehead by the puck at a game between the Columbus Blue Jackets and Calgary Flames.  
 The damage to the artery, which runs from the spine to the back of the brain, led to a "vicious cycle" of clotting in the artery and swelling of the brain, said Franklin County Coroner Brad Lewis, who performed the autopsy. He said the artery also might have been slightly torn.  
 The NHL is looking at arena safety. NHL spokesman Frank Brown said the league would "look at everything" to ensure fan safety, although he did not provide details.  
 The Columbus Blue Jackets will place Brittanie Cecil's initials on their helmets for the rest of the season. The franchise also will promote a fund set up in her memory.

**BASKETBALL**  
**DENVER** — Michael Jordan returned to action against Denver, with Washington activating him from the injured list earlier than expected.  
 Jordan was originally expected to miss a month after having surgery on his right knee Feb. 27. He was the fifth player off the Wizards bench, marking the first time since April 5, 1986 he played but was not in the starting lineup.  
 He finished 2-for-9 for seven points with two assists, two steals and a rebound in 16 minutes.

**BASEBALL**  
**KISSIMMEE, Fla.** — The Atlanta Braves solidified their opening-day roster by acquiring catcher Henry Blanco from the Milwaukee Brewers for catcher Paul Bako and pitcher Jose Cabrera.  
 Blanco, a defensive specialist who played a career-high 104 games for the Brewers last season, will become the back-up catcher behind Javy Lopez.  
 Eddie Perez, who was contending with Bako for the No. 2 job, said his career with the Braves is over.

**FOOTBALL**  
**ORLANDO, Fla.** — The NFL remains confident it can build more flexibility into its TV schedule despite opposition from CBS and Fox to moving any of their late-season Sunday games to Monday night on ABC.  
 Also left hanging as the meetings ended was the question of playing outdoor Super Bowls in northern cities, specifically in New York and Washington. It was clear at these meetings that there isn't enough support for those games right now.  
**DENVER** — Defensive tackle Lionel Dailon agreed to seven-year, \$22 million contract with the Denver Broncos after spending the last four seasons with Baltimore.

**ORLANDO, Fla.** — Former Miami running back Lamar Smith has agreed to a three-year, \$4.3 million contract with the Carolina Panthers.  
**HORSE RACING**  
**NEW YORK** — Two horses broke down in the first race at rain-soaked Aqueduct, and track officials canceled the rest of the nine-race program.  
 In the 7-furlong race over a track listed as muddy, Emily's Pleasure broke her left ankle while running around the far turn. She was euthanized on the track.  
 A few seconds earlier, odds-on favorite East Coast Country injured her right front tendon but continued around the track before jockey John Velazquez was able to pull up the horse.

**SOCCER**  
**BOSTON** — A federal appeals court gave a victory to Major League Soccer owners, upholding a jury's decision that rejected the players' claims that the league is an illegal monopoly designed to depress salaries.  
 The players filed a class-action antitrust lawsuit in U.S. District Court in 1997, accusing the league of keeping salaries low to increase profits, and of conspiring with the U.S. Soccer Federation to eliminate competition for top players.  
**NEW YORK** — U.S. captain Claudio Reyna, bothered by a series of injuries, was dropped from the American roster for the exhibition game at Germany on March 27.

**TENNIS**  
**KEY BISCAYNE, Fla.** — Mardy Fish, a hero for the United States in his Davis Cup debut last month, overcame a slow start to cool off Michel Kratochvil 3-6, 7-5, 6-1 on the opening day of the Nasdaq-100 Open.  
 Todd Martin rallied to beat Julien Boutter 2-6, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (7). Another American, 19-year-old Robby Ginepri, lost to Juan Ignacio Chela 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (3).  
 American winners in women's play were Lilia Osterloh and Marissa Irvin. Britain's Greg Rusedski beat Sargis Sargsian 6-3, 6-4 and advanced to a second-round match against defending champion Andre Agassi, who is seeded ninth.

**SWIMMING**  
**MINNEAPOLIS** — Aaron Peirsol set a world record in the 200-meter backstroke, finishing nearly 5 seconds ahead of his closest competitors in the Spring National Championships.  
 Peirsol finished in 1 minute, 55.15 seconds to break the record of 1:55.87 set by Lenny Krayzelburg in 1999.

**GOLF**  
**MADEIRA, Portugal** — Seve Ballesteros criticized protege Sergio Garcia, saying he asked for appearance money to play in next month's Seve Trophy.  
 Ballesteros, preparing to begin play Thursday in the Madeira Island Open, said Garcia had declined to play on the European team, which Ballesteros is captaining.

**At ARCO Arena**  
 Sacramento, Calif.  
 Wake Forest 83, Pepperdine 74  
 Oregon 81, Montana 82

**Friday, March 15**  
**At The United Center**  
 Chicago  
 Creighton 83, Florida 82, 2OT  
 Illinois 93, San Diego State 64

**At American Airlines Center**  
 Dallas  
 Mississippi State 70, McNeese State 58  
 Texas 70, Boston College 57

**Second Round**  
**Saturday, March 16**  
**At Edward Jones Dome**  
 St. Louis  
 Kansas 86, Stanford 63

**At ARCO Arena, Sacramento, Calif.**  
 Oregon 92, Wake Forest 87

**Sunday, March 17**  
**At The United Center**  
 Chicago  
 Illinois 72, Creighton 60

**At American Airlines Center**  
 Dallas  
 Texas 68, Mississippi State 64

**At The Kohl Center**  
 Madison, Wis.  
**Seminifinals**  
**Tonight**  
 Oregon (25-8) vs. Texas (22-11), 7:55  
 Kansas (31-3) vs. Illinois (26-6), 30 minutes following previous game

**Championship**  
**Sunday**  
**Semifinal winners**

**WEST REGIONAL**  
**First Round**  
**Thursday, March 14**  
**At The Pit, Albuquerque, N.M.**  
 Missouri 93, Miami 80  
 Ohio State 69, Davidson 64  
 Wyoming 73, Gonzaga 66  
 Arizona 86, UC Santa Barbara 81

**Friday, March 15**  
**At Mellon Arena**  
 Pittsburgh  
 Cincinnati 90, Boston University 52  
 UCLA 80, Mississippi 58

**At American Airlines Center, Dallas**  
 Oklahoma 71, Illinois-Chicago 63  
 Xavier 70, Hawaii 58

**Second Round**  
**Saturday, March 16**  
**At The Pit**  
 Albuquerque, N.M.  
 Missouri 83, Ohio State 67  
 Arizona 68, Wyoming 60

**Sunday, March 17**  
**At Mellon Arena**  
 Pittsburgh  
 UCLA 105, Cincinnati 101, 2OT

**At American Airlines Center**  
 Dallas  
 Oklahoma 78, Xavier 65

**At The Compaq Center**  
 San Jose, Calif.  
**Seminifinals**  
**Thursday**  
 Oklahoma (29-4) vs. Arizona (24-9), N/A  
 UCLA (21-11) vs. Missouri (23-11), N/A

**Championship**  
**Saturday**  
**Semifinal winners**

## Transactions

**BASEBALL**  
**American League**

**CLEVELAND INDIANS** — Named Jeff Datz bench coach.  
**MINNESOTA TWINS** — Optioned RHP Tony Fiore, LHP Brad Thomas and C Javier Valentin to Edmonton of the PCL. Reassigned C Jeff Smith, INF Casey Blake, INF Ruben Salazar and OF Michael Ryan to their minor league camp.  
**NEW YORK YANKEES** — Optioned INF Drew Henson and INF Scott Seabol to Columbus of the International League. Reassigned RHP John Dillinger, OF Jalal Leach and C Victor Valencia to their minor league camp.

**SEATTLE MARINERS** — Optioned RHP Greg Wooten and RHP Wascor Serrano to Tacoma of the PCL, and LHP Matt Thornton to San Antonio of the Texas League. Assigned C Scott Maynard to their minor league camp.  
**TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS** — Reassigned RHP Luis De Los Santos, RHP Jason Dickson, LHP Tom Martin, OF Kevin Selick, OF Emil Brown and INF Ryan Freel to their minor league camp.  
**TEXAS RANGERS** — Optioned RHP Aaron Myette to Oklahoma of the PCL. Sent RHP Jeremi Gonzalez to their minor league camp.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
**ATLANTA BRAVES** — Acquired C Henry Blanco from Milwaukee for C Paul Bako and RHP Jose Cabrera. Assigned RHP Trey Hodgas, RHP Aaron Small and RHP Dan Wheeler to their minor league camp.  
**CINCINNATI REDS** — Purchased the contracts of RHP Jimmy Haynes and RHP Joey Hamilton from Louisville of the International League. Designated OF Jackson Mearns for assignment. Extended their agreement with Chattanooga of the Southern League through 2006.  
**LOS ANGELES DODGERS** — Optioned LHP Jeff Williams, INF Jorge Nunez and INF Joe Thurston to Las Vegas of the PCL. Assigned OF Mark Whiten, RHP Mike Johnson, RHP Dennis Springer and RHP Todd Williams to their minor league camp.

**PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES** — Optioned C Johnny Estrada, RHP Doug Nickle and OF Jason Michaels to Scranton-Wilkes-Barre of the International League. Released LHP Allen McDill.  
**SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS** — Optioned LHP Jeff Urban, RHP Felix Diaz, OF Arturo McDowell, INF Nelson Castro, INF Cody Hanson and OF Tony Torcato to Fresno of the PCL. Reassigned INF Jeremy Luster to their minor league camp.

**BASKETBALL**  
**National Basketball Association**

**WASHINGTON WIZARDS** — Activated G-F Michael Jordan. Placed G Hubert Davis on the injured list.

**FOOTBALL**  
**National Football League**

**NFL** — Named Michael Haynes vice president of player development.  
**CAROLINA PANTHERS** — Agreed to terms with RB Lamar Smith on a three-year contract.  
**CLEVELAND BROWNS** — Agreed to terms with DL Mark Smith on a two-year contract.  
**DENVER BRONCOS** — Agreed to terms with DT Lionel Dailon on a seven-year contract.  
**DETROIT LIONS** — Signed RB Lamont Warren.  
**NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS** — Released S Hakim Alkar.

**HOCKEY**  
**National Hockey League**

**ATLANTA THRASHERS** — Recalled G Frederic Cassivi and C Kamil Pross from Chicago of the AHL.  
**CAROLINA HURRICANES** — Signed F Craig MacDonald to a one-year contract extension and recalled him from Lowell of the AHL. Signed C Ryan Bayda to a three-year contract.  
**COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS** — Recalled D Duane Westcott from Syracuse of the AHL.  
**MINNESOTA WILD** — Recalled RW Tony Virta

from Houston of the AHL.  
**PHOENIX COYOTES** — Recalled LW Darcy Hordichuk from Springfield of the AHL. Announced the resignation of Shawn Hunter, president, at the end of the season. Named Jim Lites president and chief operating officer.  
**ST. LOUIS BLUES** — Re-assigned F Eric Boguniecki to Worcester of the AHL.

## Auto racing

**NASCAR**  
 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 Marlin)  
 March 10 — MBNA America 500, Hampton, Ga. (Tony Stewart)  
 March 17 — Carolina Dodge Dealers 400, Darlington, S.C. (Sterling Marlin)  
 March 24 — Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.

**April**  
 April 7 — Samsung/RadioShack 500, Fort Worth, Texas.  
 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, Cicero, 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.

**Driver Standings**  
 1. Sterling Marlin, 825.  
 2. Ryan Newman, 726.  
 3. Matt Kenseth, 682.  
 4. Rusty Wallace, 677.  
 5. Jimmie Johnson, 667.  
 6. Jeff Gordon, 664.  
 7. Jeff Burton, 650.  
 8. Ward Burton, 640.  
 9. Mark Martin, 638.  
 10. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 621.  
 11. Kurt Busch, 614.  
 12. Tony Stewart, 604.  
 13. Elliott Sadler, 600.  
 14. Bill Elliott, 594.  
 15. Ricky Craven, 542.  
 16. Ricky Rudd, 517.  
 17. Bobby Labonte, 510.  
 18. Jeremy Mayfield, 506.  
 19. Dave Blaney, 484.  
 20. Terry Labonte, 482.

## Baseball

### Spring training

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct
Baltimore	12	7	.632
Detroit	13	8	.619
Oakland	13	9	.591
Texas	13	9	.591
Kansas City	10	8	.556
Anaheim	12	10	.545
Toronto	10	9	.528
Minnesota	12	12	.500
New York	12	12	.500
Cleveland	11	11	.500
Boston	10	10	.500
Seattle	9	12	.429
Tampa Bay	6	12	.333
Chicago	7	15	.318

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W	L	Pct
St. Louis	14	6	.700
Arizona	16	7	.696
Houston	11	7	.611
Colorado	11	9	.550
San Francisco	12	10	.545
Philadelphia	9	8	.529
Montreal	10	9	.528
San Diego	11	10	.524
Milwaukee	12	11	.522
Pittsburgh	10	11	.476
Atlanta	9	11	.450
New York	9	12	.429
Cincinnati	7	14	.333
Florida	6	12	.333
Los Angeles	8	12	.333
Chicago	7	17	.292

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

**Tuesday's games**  
 Texas 5, Tampa Bay 4  
 Houston 12, Los Angeles 0  
 Detroit 15, Philadelphia 8  
 Baltimore 3, Minnesota 2  
 Cleveland 10, Kansas City 9  
 Montreal 4, N.Y. Mets 2  
 Colorado 5, Oakland 2  
 Milwaukee 15, Chicago Cubs 14  
 San Francisco 11, Chicago White Sox 6  
 NY Yankees 5, Cincinnati 3  
 Anaheim 11, San Diego 2

**Wednesday's games**  
 Florida 3, Montreal 3, tie, 10 innings  
 Cincinnati 5, Texas 3  
 Boston 4, Tampa Bay 1  
 Houston 12, Los Angeles 3  
 Philadelphia 5, Toronto 5, tie  
 Seattle 8, Chicago Cubs (es) 4  
 Milwaukee 11, Chicago White Sox 8  
 Oakland 13, San Francisco (es) 10  
 San Francisco (es) 5, Chicago Cubs (es) 3  
 Atlanta 6, Cleveland 0  
 St. Louis 8, Minnesota 6  
 NY Yankees 6, Pittsburgh 2  
 San Diego 6, Arizona 4, 11 innings

**Thursday's games**  
 Florida vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla.  
 Toronto vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla.  
 Tampa Bay vs. Montreal at Jupiter, Fla.  
 St. Louis vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla.  
 N.Y. Mets vs. Los Angeles at Vero Beach, Fla.  
 Baltimore vs. Cincinnati at Sarasota, Fla.  
 Houston vs. Cleveland at Winter Haven, Fla.  
 Philadelphia vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla.  
 Colorado vs. Anaheim at Tempe, Ariz.

Milwaukee vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz.  
 San Francisco vs. Arizona at Tucson, Ariz.  
 NY Yankees vs. Kansas City at Davenport, Fla.  
 Seattle vs. Oakland at Phoenix (scores not available)

**Today's games**  
 Houston vs. Florida at Viera, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 NY Yankees vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Minnesota vs. Texas at Port Charlotte, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Atlanta vs. Cleveland at Winter Haven, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Boston vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 1:05 p.m.

Pittsburgh vs. Cincinnati at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Tampa Bay vs. Baltimore at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., 1:05 p.m.  
 Milwaukee vs. Anaheim at Tempe, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 San Diego vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Arizona vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Colorado vs. Chicago White Sox at Tucson, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.  
 Montreal vs. Los Angeles at Vero Beach, Fla., 7:05 p.m.  
 Kansas City vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 7:05 p.m.  
 Oakland vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 9:05 p.m.



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**Family Academy of Martial Arts students posed after a recent testing session.**



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**Kyle Ramey, Salyersville, brought home a bronze medal in sparring from the recent Bluegrass Winter Games in Frankfort.**

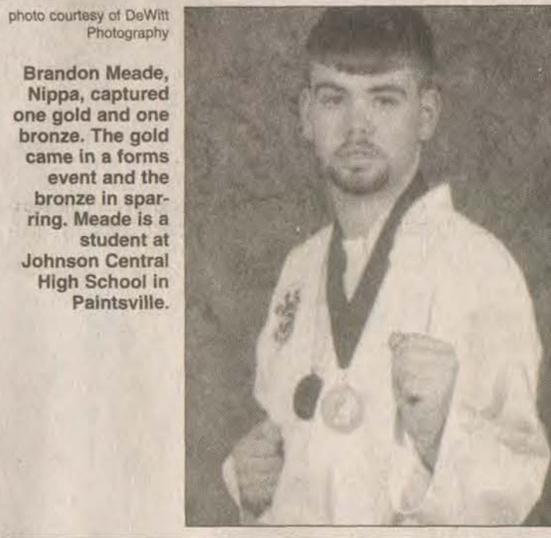


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**Brandon Meade, Nippa, captured one gold and one bronze. The gold came in a forms event and the bronze in sparring. Meade is a student at Johnson Central High School in Paintsville.**



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**Abdsher with a certificate after testing.**



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**Kenni Gambill, Blue River, won a bronze medal in weapons.**

## Basketball

**NBA standings**

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New Jersey	43	25	.632	—
Boston	39	29	.574	4
Orlando	37	30	.552	5 1/2
Philadelphia	35	32	.522	7 1/2
Washington	32	36	.471	11
Miami	31	35	.470	11
New York	26	40	.394	16

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	39	27	.591	—
Milwaukee	36	30	.545	3
Charlotte	34	33	.507	5 1/2
Indiana	34	33	.507	5 1/2
Toronto	30	38	.441	10
Atlanta	26	40	.394	13
Cleveland	25	43	.368	15
Chicago	17	51	.250	23

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	47	20	.701	—
San Antonio	46	21	.687	1
Minnesota	41	26	.612	6
Utah	36	31	.537	11
Houston	25	42	.373	22
Denver	19	46	.292	27
Memphis	17	50	.254	30

Pacific Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	48	18	.727	—
L.A. Lakers	47	20	.701	1 1/2
Portland	41	26	.612	7 1/2
Seattle	38	30	.559	11
L.A. Clippers	35	33	.515	14
Phoenix	30	37	.448	18 1/2
Golden State	17	49	.258	31

**Tuesday's games**  
 Cleveland 100, New Jersey 97  
 Philadelphia 91, Miami 79  
 New York 101, Memphis 82  
 Orlando 101, Milwaukee 91  
 Minnesota 112, Toronto 80  
 Atlanta 102, Chicago 96  
 Dallas 114, L.A. Lakers 98  
 Detroit 94, Utah 87  
 Seattle 110, Golden State 93  
 Sacramento 110, Houston 87

**Wednesday's games**  
 Boston 96, Cleveland 70  
 Charlotte 94, Indiana 88  
 Miami 82, Philadelphia 77  
 New Jersey 93, Portland 82  
 San Antonio 108, L.A. Lakers 90  
 Washington 107, Denver 75

**Thursday's games**  
 New York vs. Atlanta  
 Minnesota vs. Memphis  
 San Antonio at Dallas  
 Washington at Utah  
 Detroit at Phoenix  
 Denver at Sacramento  
 L.A. Clippers at Golden State (Scores unavailable)

**Friday's games**  
 Indiana at Miami, 7:30 p.m.  
 Toronto at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.  
 Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
 Charlotte at Orlando, 7:3

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hours at a time, looked good in a sweater and short skirt, and answered to the name of something like "Terri" or "Bitsy."

In the dark ages, cheerleaders were known to amplify their voices with megaphones and show their spirit by waving pennants. Some even wore raccoon coats on cold football days. A popular cheer began with "Siz-boom-bah." Such harmless fun was primitive, by today's standards, but everyone agreed that cheerleaders, like mascots and marching bands, added a touch of show biz to the games.

As cheerleading evolved, squads become more creative, especially at the traditional black schools. My all-time favorite cheer was done by the Louisville Central High girls, who used to line up in the middle of the floor, stomp their feet, and point at the rival fans while sassily chanting,

"The Central Yella Jackets gonna (stomp, stomp) stingggg you!"

Back in those unenlightened times, a guy would have joined the Junior Homemakers Club before going out for the cheerleading team. In my days at Henry Clay High, the real guys played sports, and it was an unwritten rule of pep rallies that the first rows in the auditorium were reserved for the football team, who always moaned and made lewd comments whenever the cheerleaders twirled.

But somewhere in the 1970s and '80s, cheerleading changed dramatically.

Maybe it was the influence of television. Maybe it was the dreaded Olga Korbut Syndrome, or the unfathomable popularity of disco. Whatever, cheerleaders began to do a lot more than lead cheers. They became tumblers and acrobats

doing daredevil routines that would give Evel Knevel pause.

One of the most daring routines was the "pyramid," a monument to stupidity that required cheerleaders to stand on each other's shoulders while a girl was boosted to the top, where, tottering triumphantly, she waved at the crowd. She would dismount by falling backwards into the waiting arms of her male associates.

A lot of fans seemed to like the routines, but others watched due only to morbid fascination. After all, like NASCAR racing and bull riding, the element of danger is the main attraction. What if the pyramid collapses or the catchers fail to break the girl's fall? It doesn't take a genius to understand the possibilities inherent in a 15-foot fall to an unpadded hardwood floor.

Cheerleaders have been paralyzed for life, or even killed,

attempting to do some of the more dangerous stunts, which are unnecessary for many reasons, not the least of which is that a crowd stops cheering to watch. At these times the cheerleaders become cheerstoppers, which isn't what the founding fathers, or mothers, had in mind.

And then there's the blatant emphasis on titillation.

Today's male cheerleaders are more, ah, intimate with their partners, before a national television audience and 20,000 witnesses, than most 1950s jocks were as they sweet-talked their cheerleader girl friends in the back seat of the family car, with something like "One Summer Night," by the Danleers playing on the radio.

And that brings up the shots that you won't find in the boxscore.

Every TV producer seems to feel that no college telecast is complete without a few shots, done preferably from an angle near the floor, that shows a cheerleader from the bottom up as she's hoisted by her male partner.

I'm surprised that no feminist group has stepped forward to protest what has become known as "crotch shots." Isn't this blatant display of sexism?

Where's Gloria Steinem when you really need her?

The "crotch shots" remind me of the days when The Courier-Journal ran a photo of the cheerleader "Sweetheart of the Week" in the Sunday sports section. That practice stopped abruptly when a female photographer was sent out to shoot a "Sweetheart" and came back with a photo of...a male cheerleader!

If the thin-skinned parents, friends, coaches and sponsors of cheerleaders have read this far, they're probably seeing red. They counter criticism of the cheerleader culture - which was telling exposed by James T. McElroy in his excellent 1999 book about the cheerleaders at Kentucky's Greenup High - by arguing that cheerleading now is a sport with national competitions, that cheerleaders are serious athletes instead of Ken & Barbie dolls, and that the cheerleaders work as hard as any sports

team.

My response is that the athletes should join the gymnastics team and leave the cheerleading to those who are happy to be little more than attractive appendages to the football and mens' basketball games. But the cheerleaders don't want to do that because they crave the big crowds, bright lights, and TV exposure that gymnastics teams never get. So they foist their stunts on the football and basketball crowds, whether they want them or not.

I'm not going to delve far into the dance teams, which evolved from UCLA's eye-catching cheerleader teams during the John Wooden era. Suffice it to say that they all try to look, dance and dress like Britney Spears. Some mothers, cringing at the tight and skimpy outfits, consider them unfit for family viewing. At least, however, they don't seem to get hurt as much as cheerleaders.

So in the interest of cheerleader safety, I hope Nebraska's ground-breaking decision starts a national trend. I don't want cheerleaders to disappear. But I'd be happy to see more "Siz-Boom-Bah" and fewer dangerous stunts that the cheerleaders use to draw attention to themselves.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Pitino deems season a success

by CHRIS DUNCAN ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE - One year after he became Louisville's coach, Rick Pitino was beaming about what his team accomplished his first season, not lamenting a season-ending defeat.

"It was a terrific season that came to an end by a terrific basketball team," Pitino said Tuesday night, minutes after his team blew a 16-point lead in a 65-62 loss to Temple in the NIT.

The Cardinals finished 19-13 with stunning homecourt victories over Big Ten co-champion Ohio State, Tennessee, Conference USA champion Cincinnati and Charlotte.

The 16-home victory record was the highest since the 1985-86 squad went 17-1 at Freedom Hall, a school record.

Junior Reece Gaines blossomed into one of Conference USA's most dominant players, averaging 21 points per game, and sophomore Ellis Myles stuck with Pitino's rigorous conditioning demands and finished as the league's second-leading rebounder.

Freshman Larry O'Bannon and sophomore Bryant Northern developed into dependable scorers and each hit their share of clutch baskets. Sophomore Luke Whitehead came back from a hideous fall to become one of the team's most versatile players.

"This was one of the best seasons I've had as a coach," Pitino said. "I don't mean that the players overachieved so much. It was just that they wanted to win so badly, every practice and every game. That's the greatest thing a coach can witness."

"This was a tremendous season. I saw so many things that make me proud - their effort, their improvement."

Pitino's presence also rejuvenated Louisville's fans.

The Cardinals drew only 17,457 fans per home game in Denny Crum's final season, their lowest average crowd since 1983-84.

Pitino's first season drew 18,929 fans per game at Freedom Hall, including 19,046 to Tuesday's game.

"I don't know if there's another program in the country right now that could sell out for

an NIT game," Pitino said. "These fans are behind basketball, they feel it, it's a pulse."

But the past year was not without turmoil, especially for Pitino himself.

Six months after one brother-in-law died in a car accident, a second, who was also his best friend, died in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center.

Pitino, 49, immersed himself in basketball to escape his grief, regularly putting in 10 hours or more each day.

That pace caught up with him in late January. He checked himself into a Louisville hospital for tests that revealed no serious problems, he said later.

He didn't miss a game, but Carlos Hurt's health problems may have cost Louisville an NCAA tournament berth.

The 6-foot-1 Louisville Moore product improved his defense enough to earn the starting point-guard spot by mid-December.

Hurt gave Louisville's offense a confident flow, but persistent pain in his back forced him to the sidelines in early January. He had surgery on Jan. 21 and didn't return until the NIT.

Northern and Alhaji Mohammed, both non-scholarship players, played unevenly in Hurt's absence, until Northern finally settled into the starting role late in the season.

The same week Hurt had surgery, freshman forward Brandon Bender quit the team, saying he didn't fit into Pitino's system.

The 6-foot-9 Louisville Ballard product had the best game of his career against Ohio

State on Dec. 15 with 11 points, eight rebounds, three assists and two blocks.

His departure a month later left Louisville with no player taller than 6-8.

The height deficiency was aided by 6-10 Marvin Stone's decision to leave Kentucky.

Stone wanted to transfer to Louisville, but UK officials at first disallowed it. They eventually reversed their stance and after Stone and his mother met with Pitino, Stone emerged from the tunnel with the team before its Jan. 12 game with TCU.

Stone will be eligible to play by late December next season.

Pitino criticized his team's lack of talent all year, but promised that help was on the way next season.

He signed a trio of recruits - 6-10 Kendall Dartz, a junior-college transfer; 6-2 Taquan Dean, a guard from New Jersey; and 6-7 Francisco Garcia, a forward from Massachusetts.

"We're going to be better next year. We're going to be better the year after," Pitino said. "We're going to get more talent. We're going to get more size."

Most of the rest of Louisville's roster will return intact, with only seniors Hajj Turner and Joseph N'Sima missing.

Gaines and Erik Brown will be Louisville's only seniors. The 6-5 Brown, Louisville's second-leading scorer on Crum's last team, averaged only 8.8 points and shot 37 percent from the field under Pitino.

"This program's really going to take off," Pitino said. "We've got it going right now, but's going to take time."

GIRLS' STATE TOURNAMENT

Muhlenberg North 38, West Carter 37

by KRISTIN HILL ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOWLING GREEN - Holly Mills scored the game-winning basket for Muhlenberg North with 2:50 to play. But it was the Stars' defense that beat West Carter 38-37 Wednesday.

Megen Gearhart was 1-of-2 from the free-throw line with 1:23 to put the Lady Comets (31-3) within one. But two West Carter turnovers that followed sealed the victory for Muhlenberg North (26-6), which made its third consecutive state tournament appearance.

Jade Perry led the Stars with 18 points and 10 rebounds.

Meghan Hillman scored 12 points for West Carter, which ends its 10-game winning streak in its five straight trips to state.

Lindsay Sparks tied the game at 36 with 3:40 to play, and Mills followed to give the Stars the lead for good.

Sparks hit a 3-pointer with 6:45 to play in the third quarter to bring the Stars within three, 24-21. Muhlenberg North ended the third period leading 30-29, thanks to five points by Jasmine Perry in a 7-1 run.

Jade Perry led Muhlenberg North's first-half rally with 12 points. She scored the first Stars basket with 2:18 to play in the first quarter, made a layup to open the second quarter and closed the half with another bucket.

West Carter scored the first 12 points of the game and led 22-16 at intermission.

Beefhide, currently carrying a 3.97 GPA, majors in biology/chemistry. The pair were coached by Bill Watson.

Standout senior Amanda Collins, several times a Mid-South Conference player of the week honoree was named third-team All-American. Collins, who was also coached by Watson, was joined by fellow PC student athlete Cedric Taylor. Joining Collins, a Pike County Central standout on the list of honorees, Taylor went into this past season tabbed by many as a first- or second-team All-American. He was included on the men's honorable-mention list.

POSTSEASON HONORS

Pikeville College basketball players honored

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

OLATHE, Kan. - Two Pikeville College women's basketball players have been honored as Daktronics-NAIA Division I Basketball Scholar-Athletes. Two more PC basketball players - one male, one female - have received All-American player honors.

Charity Burke, a senior with a 3.97 average has been honored along with fellow senior Michelle Stanley, a senior student-athlete with a 3.76 GPA majoring in business administration, hails from Haysi, Va. Burke, a senior from

JCHS

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The Lady Commodores quickly extended its one-point halftime lead to 51-38 with 2:46 to play in this third period. Bertha Sebastian sparked an 18-6 run with her 3-pointer to open the second half. Polly Sebastian followed with eight points.

Perry County Central scored 28 points off 24 Johnson Central turnovers. The Lady Commodores had 11 steals, compared with Johnson Central's four.

Jayne Dials hit a 3, bringing Johnson Central within one. But Bertha Sebastian with a 3-pointer on the other end, putting the Lady Commodores up 27-23 with about four minutes to play.

The Lady Eagles took an early 11-2 lead, but Baker scored five points in the last three minutes of the first quarter for the Lady Commodores.

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ner of each pool will meet in the championship contest set for Friday, April 5 at noon.

Tournament Director Brack Davis of the LCA Baseball Booster Club said, "we are thrilled with the teams that are traveling from all over the state to participate in this second annual tournament. Several of the participating teams will roster a number of top seniors that will be playing college baseball at various schools next year. We feel the level of play will be very competitive, and encourage folks to come out to Applebee's Park for a great week of high school baseball."

Tickets for the tournament are now on sale at the Lexington Legends ticket office.

Athletes of the Week



Garrett Brown, Prestonsburg, 3 Gold Medals



Ashley Wireman, Johnson Central, junior, 22 points vs. Perry Central



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EACH FRIDAY, THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES DEVOTES 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: Food City 500  
Track: Bristol Motor Speedway  
Date: Sunday  
TV: FOX  
Radio: MRN

# GM teams angry over not getting any aero help

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRISTOL, Tenn. — Richard Childress walked into NASCAR's hauler with just one question on his mind. "Are we getting any help?" he asked.

When the sanctioning body told him the Chevrolets would not be receiving

any aerodynamic assistance, the car owner turned and walked out.

The issue of alleged aerodynamic discrepancies has heated up, creating bitter feelings and a war of words in NASCAR.

"It's totally ridiculous," said Childress, who owns the Chevrolets driven by Kevin Harvick, Robby Gordon and Jeff Green.

"We don't have a fighting chance out there, and they know it. They have the data and the results to prove it, and they won't do a thing to help us. It's a joke."

Over in the Dodge camp, the leaders are singing a much different tune.

"I'm so sick of the whining," said Ray Evernham, owner of the Intrepids driven by Bill Elliott, Jeremy Mayfield

and Casey Atwood. "If they think the Dodges have such an advantage, then take it away from us and give us Jeff Gordon."

It's unlikely General Motors will agree to that switch — after all, Gordon has won four Winston Cup titles in their Monte Carlo. But with Chevrolet yet to break into the win column this season and its drivers complaining they aren't

competitive on the track, the manufacturer is working hard to get some help for both the Chevys and the Pontiacs.

Their argument was boosted last week when NASCAR took all four makes to the wind tunnel. Results are not made public, but GM claims the data showed the Chevrolets lag behind

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## Renegade DirtCar member drivers offered sponsorship concept

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

A unique sponsorship opportunity for 2002 Renegade DirtCar Racing Series member drivers is being offered by the DirtCar sanctioning organization. An agreement between the Renegade DirtCar Racing Series and Team SMART long distance has been reached allowing each 2002 member driver

to utilize an innovative concept to easily gain sponsorship cash for their race team. And, this innovative concept also allows fans of each 2002 member driver to save money on their long distance charges.

It is important for any driver and their race team to generate sponsorship, especially in today's economy, to offset expenses and travel costs as it is for their fans to save money

to go racing and support their favorite driver. The Team SMART Renegade DirtCar Racing Series member driver plan is strongly believed to be able to generate sponsorship dollars for each member drivers race team. The plan offers sponsorship dollars for the member drivers when their fans, family members and friends switch their long distance service to Team SMART long distance offering a low state to state rate of 3.9 cents a minute including 800 numbers.

Two-time defending Renegade DirtCar Racing Series champion Chub Frank just recently took advantage of the Team SMART member driver sponsorship plan as have 1989 and 1990 series champion Mike Balzano and Dennis Erb Jr. Other 2002 Renegade DirtCar Racing Series member drivers that are part of Team SMART include four-time series champ Donnie Moran, Steve Shaver, Chuck Harper, Dan Schlieper and Rodney Patterson.

**FYI**

For more information on the Team SMART long distance plan visit the Renegade DirtCar Racing Series website located at [www.RenegadeDirtCar.com](http://www.RenegadeDirtCar.com).



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Some 180,000 NASCAR Winston Cup fans are expected to be in attendance for Sunday's Food City 500. Sterling Marlin comes into the race with two wins to his credit this season.

# Full field of drivers ready for Bristol

*180,000 fans expected for Food City 500*

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

BRISTOL, Tenn. — On Monday morning, the NASCAR Competition Department received an entry for a No. 71 Chevrolet with a TBA driver and sponsor, making it the 43rd entry for Sunday's \$4,032,688 Food City 500 at Bristol Motor Speedway, the sixth of 36 races in the NWCS season.

That total includes the sponsorless No. 26 Haas Carter Motorsports Ford for driver Joe Nemechek, which plans to be at the event, a team spokesman said Monday morning.

Marcis' entry saved the division from having its first short field for a regularly scheduled event since 1997.

The last Winston Cup event that started less than 43 cars was

the 2001 season finale New Hampshire 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway. That event had a 43-car field set in September when the event was postponed in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

By the time the event was run on Nov. 23, one of the qualified teams had ceased operating and its position was not filled.

The last regular event that

started with a short field was the 42-car DieHard 500 at Talladega (Ala.) Superspeedway on Oct. 12, 1997.

This season, after 53 cars attempted to make the Daytona 500, 46 tried for 43 spots at North Carolina Speedway in Rockingham. Only 44 cars attempted to make the show at

(See BRISTOL, page five)



photo courtesy of HMS

Royalton's Half Mountain Speedway will feature dirt track action at the end of April. The track, owned by Floyd County resident Jim Branham, figures to be one of the best tracks in Eastern Kentucky.

## Risner Motorsports seeking sponsorship

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

SALYERSVILLE — Magoffin County residents are no different than other Eastern Kentuckians. Most all Magoffin Countians enjoy racing in some form or fashion.

One Magoffin County race team, Risner Motorsports, is seeking sponsors for the 2002 season.

"We appreciate each of our sponsors tremendously," said a represen-

tative with Risner Motorsports. "Without them we could not be nearly as competitive as we are. To Continue our strive to be the best in class, we need all the support we can get."

Any business or individual wishing to sponsor the Risners, may do so by calling 606/884-7009 or 606/884-8212. The Risners raced at several area dirt tracks during the 2001 season, including Prestonsburg's Thunder Ridge Speedway, Sitka's

201 Speedway and the Half Mountain Speedway in Royalton.

**Drivers/Cars:**

- Ryan: Age 17, No. R7 Chevy Nova Bomber
- Randy: Age 25, No. R77 Chevy Impala Road Hog
- 2001 Sponsors: Don's Super Lube, TCI Mining Supply, Ideal Water
- Conditioning, J&J General Store, and Bethney Trucking.

## Kentucky Speedway launches new-look website

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

SPARTA — Kentucky Speedway launched a new-look, more fan-friendly World Wide Web site today at [www.kentuckyspeedway.com](http://www.kentuckyspeedway.com).

The improved design features simplified navigation menus, and new items such as:

- "Tickets" pages that feature a "pop-up" seating chart to make it easier for visitors to select seat location when purchasing event tickets,
- "Speed Wire" - which gives fans links to the latest news stories about the speedway,
- "Fan Pages" where fans can download Kentucky Speedway computer screen savers, view the schedule for popular driving schools, gain information about weather conditions and contact the speedway via e-mail,
- "Corporate Packages" pages that outline entertainment and seating options at the speedway,
- "Marketing" pages that include

information about how sponsors and companies can gain valuable exposure among the brand-loyal motor sports audience.

The site also will continue to deliver news items and promotional highlights on its home page.

"Our new site is designed to deliver the information fans and media want most in a fun, concise format," Kentucky Speedway Communications Director Tim Bray said. "As our three-year-old facility continues to gain notoriety around the country, we wanted to be sure that fans and media could follow events at Kentucky Speedway accurately and with ease."

Kentuckyspeedway.com is powered by Agency Technologies, Inc. (ATI) of Cincinnati. ATI, [www.agencytech.com](http://www.agencytech.com), provides information technologies services that allow clients to concentrate on growing and improving business through proper planning, design, implementation, training and support based on its clients technology needs.

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## Paintsville

President Robert Lyons. "We feel our program is second to none." The Paintsville program is always competitive, including All-Star competition. The program has won six Kentucky State Championships in different divisions. Paintsville teams have been

runner-up eight times. The league has also hosted state tournaments. This season, the league hopes to continue its streak of having at least one team in a State Tournament. For the past 14 years the league has had at least one team in state tourney play.

"We are extremely proud of our accomplishments and we have the community of Paintsville to thank," said Lyons.

The 9-10 year olds All-Stars

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## Sweet

Smith, known more for his bug-eyed, angry stare than his compassion on the sidelines, has taken to smiling and clapping — even when a player makes a mistake — as a way to get his team to play to its potential.

After a chaotic regular season full of head-scratching losses, suspensions and other unexpected distractions, Smith decided it was time to change his approach for the NCAA tournament.

It seemed to have the desired effect as the Wildcats (22-9) rolled to an 83-68 victory over Valparaiso and a hard-fought 87-82 win over Tulsa.

Now it's on to the East Regional semifinal, where the Wildcats will take on high-powered Maryland (28-4) today.

"You get to a point where you try a lot of different things with players and you figure out what's going to be most effective," Smith said Wednesday. "This is a team that's been beat down and has had a lot of distractions. We needed something positive, so I figured it better start with me."

"I needed to just put some things behind me because they were probably more distracting to me than to the players. They get over things a lot quicker than

I do." Smith opened the season claiming this year's team had more talent than any he'd ever coached. He since has called the season his most difficult in 20 years of coaching.

He's had to endure a player's transfer to bitter-rival Louisville, multiple suspensions of key players for disciplinary reasons and the forced resignation of the school's athletic director.

All of those things, combined with the team's erratic play on the court, had Smith even more frustrated than normal as his team entered the postseason.

"I just felt like I needed to refrain from allowing that type of stuff to change my personality and make me do and say and react negatively," he said.

"That's why you see me smiling and clapping and saying, 'It's all right. Get 'em next time. That turnover, kicking it out of bounds, that's all right.'"

Smith said he's still getting used to the calmer, more laid-back style.

"That's not easy to do, man," he said with a chuckle. "It's tough. I have to catch myself — consciously. And I have to tell the other coaches, 'Sit down and shut up. You guys just clap.'"

"I have to do it for the whole team and the staff, too. It's a kinder, gentler Blue Nation now."

Senior Tayshaun Prince, who scored a career-high 41 in the victory over the Golden Hurricane, said the players have responded to Smith's unexpected burst of positiveness.

"Everybody is really comfortable right now — you can see it on their faces and in the way they are playing," Prince said. "Now, everybody's keeping a positive attitude and it starts with him. He's the leader."

Smith knows it will take more than encouragement to beat Maryland, the region's top-ranked team.

Four of the Terrapins' starters average in double figures led by senior guard Juan Dixon, the school's all-time leading scorer, at 19.9 points per game.

"Juan Dixon and Steve Blake are an outstanding backcourt," he said. "I think Steve Blake leads the nation in assists and Dixon is the leading scorer in the NCAA right now, so we've got our hands full trying to contain those two young men."

Smith and his players met the media in Syracuse on Thursday with tonight's game scheduled for approximately 10 p.m. EST.

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## GM

the Intrepids in downforce by 10 percent and the manufacturer was outraged when the sanctioning body did nothing to correct the problem.

Downforce gives cars the ability to stick to the track and gain stability at speed.

"I was definitely surprised we didn't get anything after the wind tunnel tests," Jeff Gordon said. "But I'm anticipating that will change because I don't see how things can go on this way and NASCAR expect us to believe it's a level playing field."

General Motors does have a case to back up its argument.

Its teams have only one win — and that came from Pontiac's Tony Stewart — in the first five races, compared with three Dodge wins and one Ford victory. They've also got just four drivers in the top 15 in the points standings.

And its cars appear to struggle in traffic, proven in the last few weeks when Stewart domi-

nated all day at Las Vegas but struggled to a fifth place finish after coming out in traffic after the final pit stop.

Jeff Gordon had a similar fate last week at Darlington, running alone up front most of the race, only to have his car become mediocre once he got into traffic.

"It was so obvious what was going on out there," he said after his ninth-place finish at Darlington. "Up front, in clean air, we were good. Put us in a pack and we turned to junk."

GM can't figure out why its pleas are falling on deaf ears. Its teams point to the season-opening race at Daytona, when the Fords complained from the day the cars arrived and eventually got two separate reductions in its rear spoiler height.

Dodge also lobbied for help and got a reduction before the race.

"We certainly remember how quickly NASCAR moved prior to the Daytona 500 to help

Dodge and Ford," said GM group manager Doug Duchard. "With the data from (the wind tunnel) test and the precedent set in Daytona, we expected consistent and equitable treatment."

Now it's up to NASCAR to decide which arguments have the most validity and how to address them. For now, president Mike Helton said the sanctioning body plans to do nothing.

"We're not going to react just because someone is raising holy Cain. We'll react because we feel like we need to," Helton said.

NASCAR wants to sort through all of the complaints, he said.

"It gets turned up pretty high depending on what moment we're in. That takes a lot of time. That's a big distraction, trying to cut through all of that," Helton said.

Adding to the GM frustrations is an inspection process that teams claim is a little more rigid under new Winston Cup director John Darby, who has added ends to the templates that go over the car and forbid too much leniency on the car's width.

"He made some changes," Helton said. "That doesn't mean last year's inspection process was deficient. It's a different way of doing it, and it's a more exact way."

But the teams claim Darby's method has compounded the problem.

"His inspection process has taken a much closer look at the noses of our cars," said Robbie Loomis, Jeff Gordon's crew chief. "There used to be a gray area and maybe you could sneak some things through there. Not anymore and it's making the problem worse."

One solution would be for NASCAR to go to a common template, where every car would be the same. Currently, the Dodges and the Fords are very similar to each other, and the Chevrolets and Pontiacs each have their own mold.

But the new Pontiac scheduled to debut next season is rumored to have a strong resemblance to the Intrepid and Taurus. If true, it would leave the Monte Carlo alone and likely continuing to struggle.

Helton isn't sure that NASCAR will ever reach the stage of one model for all its cars.

"There is a benefit for Chevrolet, Pontiac, Dodge and Ford to have brand identity in these garage areas," he said. "That's the backbone of the competition and the business."



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Kendra Gambill, Blue River, bronze medal, forms, bronze medal, weapons.

## Sideline

the Terrapins and they've gotten the best of us."

Containing a very versatile Juan Dixon is also a key for the Cats.

"They have Juan Dixon and Steve Blake in an outstanding backcourt," said Smith, when questioned about Maryland's Dynamic Duo. "Juan Dixon is the leading scorer in the NCAA, and we have our hands full trying to contain those two young men. If you add in Lonny Baxter and Byron Mouton and Chris Wilcox, you have a real challenge."

The coach also echoed his delight for being one of the last 16 college men's basketball teams still playing.

"We're excited to be participating in the Sweet 16 and representing the SEC," admitted Smith. "It'll be a matter of us going up there and playing the type of games we played against Valpo and Tulsa. I think we have to play better than we did against Tulsa to have a chance against the Terrapins. Practices have been going well, and we're looking forward to getting up to Syracuse."

Is your Final Four still intact? A Kentucky win will likely make or break many brackets across the country.

### Info.

Beginning with the Sunday, March 24 edition, we'll run a sports calendar each issue. Be sure to get your information in to us. If we don't know about it, chances are others don't know as well. Area high school softball and baseball schedules will also appear in this Sunday's edition, as well as a preview of the upcoming Major League Baseball season.

## Whitt

often few and far between in the high school ranks. Work ethic is a big question for most of the big guys, but Butcher doesn't question Whitt's work ethic.

"Shawn Whitt has an excellent work ethic, he demonstrated that this past wrestling season," added Butcher. "Often times he would come straight to wrestling practice from weightlifting and

## Bristol

I'll be in Bristol, Tenn. on Sunday for the 10th annual Food City 500. Will you be there? if so, I hope to see you there.

## College: Undecided?

The Times covers college signings. If you have an athlete signing to play at the next level, let us know, we want to be there. We have several outstanding players throughout Eastern Kentucky. It'll be very interesting to see which school a Rusty Tackett, or a Shawn Newsome signs to play college ball for. Stay tuned.

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football conditioning, or vice-versa."

One thing off the Prestonsburg junior's plate this spring is dirt bike racing. Although he's achieved motocross success, Whitt has opted to step back this season as he prepares for next football season. Racing's loss is definitely the Prestonsburg High School football team's gain.

## Bristol

Las Vegas and 45 tried at Atlanta.

Beginning with last weekend's Carolina Dodge Dealers 400 at Darlington Raceway, a full field has seriously been in question. Only a late entry from Marcis Auto Racing allowed a full field to take Sunday's green flag.

The biggest impact on entries has come from sponsorship woes experienced by no less than two multi-car teams. Andy Petree Racing has been trying to find sponsorship for its No. 33 Chevrolet, which won a race last season. It competed in the season's first two events but has been shelved since Rockingham.

Haas Carter Motorsports took a setback before the season even got started, when the Kmart Corporation, which sponsored both Nemechek's Ford and the No. 66 Ford driven by Todd Bodine, filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy at the end of January.

Kmart sponsored the two cars in the first two races and then HCM took them both to Las Vegas unsponsored. The team put its 66 car on hold after LVMS and has run only the blank-sided 26 since Atlanta.

There are currently 41 full-time Winston Cup teams, counting the No. 26 HCM car. There are a number of teams intending to run partial schedules, including owner/driver Hermie Sadler, who entered his No. 02 Autism Awareness Chevrolet at Bristol. Elliott Sadler is the defending Food City 500 champion.

Owner/driver Brett Bodine is another who has struggled with sponsorship, but Hooters Restaurants has been on his car for the last two races, ensuring his participation.

Bud Pole Qualifying for the Food City 500 is set for this afternoon at 3:05 p.m. ET.

The Associated Press contributed to this article.

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## Speedway

Kentucky Speedway opens its 2002 season May 10-11 with a Friday evening "Short Track Special" and the ARCA RE/MAX Series "The Channel 5-155" on Saturday evening. Tickets for all 2002 events at Kentucky Speedway are on sale now and can be purchased in four easy ways:

■ By phone at 1-888-652-RACE

■ On the World Wide Web at www.kentuckyspeedway.com

■ In person at either the speedway's Ft. Mitchell ticket office or at the Kentucky Speedway Fan Center off Ky. Hwy. 35 in Sparta, Ky.

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Paintsville

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have won 48 straight games, in the Area 2-District 7 Tournament and have not even lost a game, during the last 10 years.

The league plans on inviting Governor Paul Patton, Little

League President Steven Keener and numerous other politicians, to its 50th anniversary ceremonies in 2003.

"We have some of the best facilities in the state and what bet-

ter way to have our 50th anniversary, but with Little League people," said Lyons.

Opening Day is set for April 13. Tryouts will be held today at 5:30 p.m., and again, tomorrow

beginning at 9:30 a.m.

This year the Minor League program will use live pitching for the first 3 innings and the pitching machine, for the remainder of the game.

All players will be eligible, but a limit of one twelve year old, will be enforced.

The age group will be ages 9-12, since the formation of the Rookie League will have the 7-8

year old players.

In three years, Paintsville Little League will host a Central Region qualifier game for the prestigious Little League World Series.



# March Excitement



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16. Winthrop (19-11) Saturday 1:00 or 3:30  
8. Notre Dame (21-10) Thursday 7:30  
9. Charlotte (18-11) Thursday 10:20  
5. Indiana (20-11) Thursday 10:20  
12. Ulan (21-6) Saturday 3:30 or 7:30  
4. Southern Cal (20-9) Thursday 7:30  
13. UNC Wilmington (22-8) Friday 2:30  
8. California (22-8) Friday 2:30  
11. Pennsylvania (25-6) Saturday 12:10 or 2:30  
3. Pittsburgh (27-9) Friday 12:20  
14. Central Conn. St. (27-4) Thursday 12:20  
7. Oklahoma St. (23-8) Thursday 12:20  
10. Kent State (27-5) Saturday 1:40 or 3:30  
2. Alabama (26-7) Thursday 2:00  
15. Florida Atlantic (19-11) Friday 7:40  
16. Boston U. (22-9) Saturday 12:10 or 2:30  
8. UCLA (19-11) Friday 10:00  
9. Mississippi (20-10) Thursday 12:40  
12. Missouri (21-11) Saturday 3:30  
4. Ohio State (20-7) Thursday 6:10  
13. Davidson (21-9) Thursday 7:40  
9. Gonzaga (29-3) Thursday 7:40  
11. Wyoming (21-4) Saturday 3:30  
3. Arizona (22-9) Thursday 10:00  
14. UC Santa Barb. (20-10) Friday 3:00  
7. Xavier (25-6) Friday 3:00  
15. Hawaii (27-5) Friday 12:30  
2. Oklahoma (27-4) Friday 12:30  
15. Illinois-Chicago (19-13) Friday 12:30

**East**

1. Maryland (26-4) Friday 10:00  
Washington D.C. Sunday 3:00  
8. Wisconsin (19-11) Friday 7:40  
9. St. John's (20-11) Friday 7:40  
5. Marquette (25-6) Thursday 2:30  
12. Tulsa (27-5) Saturday 5:30  
4. Kentucky (22-9) Thursday 12:25  
12. Vapores (20-7) Friday 7:00  
11. Southern Illinois (27-7) Sunday 4:40  
3. Georgia (21-8) Friday 10:30  
14. Murray St. (19-12) Friday 12:30  
7. N.C. State (21-10) Saturday 2:30  
2. Connecticut (20-6) Friday 2:45  
2. Connecticut (25-8) Thursday 7:50  
1. Kansas (20-3) Saturday 3:00  
16. Holy Cross (16-14) Thursday 10:30  
8. Stanford (19-9) Thursday 10:30  
3. Western Ky. (28-3) Friday 12:30  
12. Creighton (23-8) Sunday 2:20  
4. Illinois (25-8) Friday 2:30  
13. San Diego St. (21-11) Friday 10:20  
6. Texas (21-11) Saturday 2:15  
11. Boston College (20-11) Friday 7:50  
3. Mississippi St. (26-7) Thursday 2:42  
7. Wake Forest (20-12) Saturday 5:30 or 7:30  
2. Oregon (23-8) Thursday 3:00  
15. Montana (16-14) Thursday 3:00

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# Happy Birthday, Baby

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

My youngest daughter celebrated a birthday last week and we took off to the Huntington Mall on Saturday to honor the occasion by purchasing a few items she had been wishing for since our last trip there.

First stop was a trendy little place where "girls in the know" go to purchase the latest in fashionable threads. Just the type of place I have



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- Kathy Prater  
Lifestyles editor

always liked to avoid. My daughter, however, being not like me, is quite into fashion and likes to stay up on the latest "look." So, Saturday afternoon found us browsing the racks and me trying to maintain my sanity as I eyed

the price tags on the eye-catching clothing.

One outfit my daughter got her eye on amounted to nothing more than a pair of "shorty" pajamas in my opinion. A pair of pink cotton-knit shorts with the word "Dance" across the backside and the trendy shop's logo adorning the front. A cotton-knit screen print t-shirt completed the set. A mere \$48 was all the little "pajama set" amounted to.

But, my daughter reasoned, it was just "so cute." In addition to this "just so cute" set of playclothes, there was another "I've got to have it" item that she begged me to purchase. This time, a pastel striped cotton-spandex shirt with a Johnny-collar that, of course, carried the shop's logo. And, oh yes, a

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Lowell Brock

# Brock named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Lowell Brock, of Prestonsburg, has been named an All-American Scholar. The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to

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by Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

(Over the past three months or so, several topics have been about parenting—setting limits for children, allowing them to be responsible for their feelings and behaviors, and being able to let them go as necessary. There have also been discussions of learning to make changes as needed, and the process of doing so. Last week, after deciding to attend one more session, a mother, who had been coming with her teenager, reviewed what she thought she learned through the process of therapy, its ups and downs. While she finished, I

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asked her if she would be willing to write down a summary of her thoughts, because it seemed to be so similar to how others have described the benefits of the "therapeutic process" of psychotherapy. Her willingness to share her experience was appreciated.)

"Being one of the eldest of nine children, born into poverty in rural eastern Kentucky, forces one to accept responsibility early in life. Responsibilities, such as taking care of younger siblings while our mother worked outside the home, to help bring income to the family. My father was a

painter/bricklayer, so his work was seasonal. There wasn't a lot of money, which forced my mother to leave her children and go to work.

A person is poor, only if they choose to be. Is this looking through rose colored glasses? I don't know. What I do know is

that our clothes were not trendy, but they were clean and decent. Sometimes people would give us clothes that their children had outgrown, and we were happy to get them. I remember going to school barefoot on the first day of school in the second grade. By evening, Daddy came home with a new pair of shoes for me. My mother is one of those rare people who can take a few staples and make them a feast fit for a king. Many times beans, pota

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# This Town That World

*Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request. The following column was written in 1961.*

Trying to get this column started. I begin to understand why a dog will turn round and round and change ends time after time for no apparent purpose before lying down... The difference is, the dog is usually satisfied with his effort.

## THE CHILDREN CARED ENOUGH TO GIVE

Did you read on this page last week of the difficulties faced by the Floyd County Emergency & Rescue Squad? And did you merely remark "Too bad," turn to another part of the paper and give the matter no further thought?

Well, the youngsters in Mrs. Frankie Best's home-room at the Prestonsburg Grade School aren't old enough to get calloused. Their sympathies were touched, and they did something about it. The letter from them to the Squad tells the story:

"We read of your plight, just now, in The Floyd County Times. The boys and girls in our room emptied their pockets and by the help of our teacher, too, we were able to get together \$3.50. We hope this small contribution will help a little. We plan to have a bake sale to raise further money for the Squad. May God bless you all."

It may be that such an example set by children will lead some of us oldersters to part with a little money.

If any April Fool's Day pranks were perpetrated last Sunday, we haven't heard of them—unless the capers the weather cuts are to be counted.

## A MATTER OF DIRECTION

Laugh if you will at those weird figures of speech, such as, "She cast her eyes to the ceiling," and wonder what happened to them when they came back down. You might also try this figure from an actual incident.

The man was drunk, and he heard a remark at which his temper boiled higher than the proof of his liquor. "Why, I'll take my pistol, ram it down that so-and-so's throat and blow his brains out!" he blustered.

## HOP-SCOTCHING ALONG

Ever see things through a stranger's eyes? Try it. But, if you want to be happy about the result, pick your spot.

Last Friday, I walked from this office down Third Street, up Court to the corner of Lake Drive and on for a "coffee break" with a visitor from Atlanta. The day was dark, drizzly, and as we hop-scotched along the sidewalks, dodging puddles of water and hoping to land on dry, solid footing I began to see our streets and sidewalks as I imagined this visitor was seeing them. He was very polite, and I was very discreet, neither commented on the situation.

## WHO? ME?

The other morning, I almost worked myself up to the point of writing something about the nation's newspapers, since they had given Liz Taylor and her latest love affair and run-out on her husband so much Page

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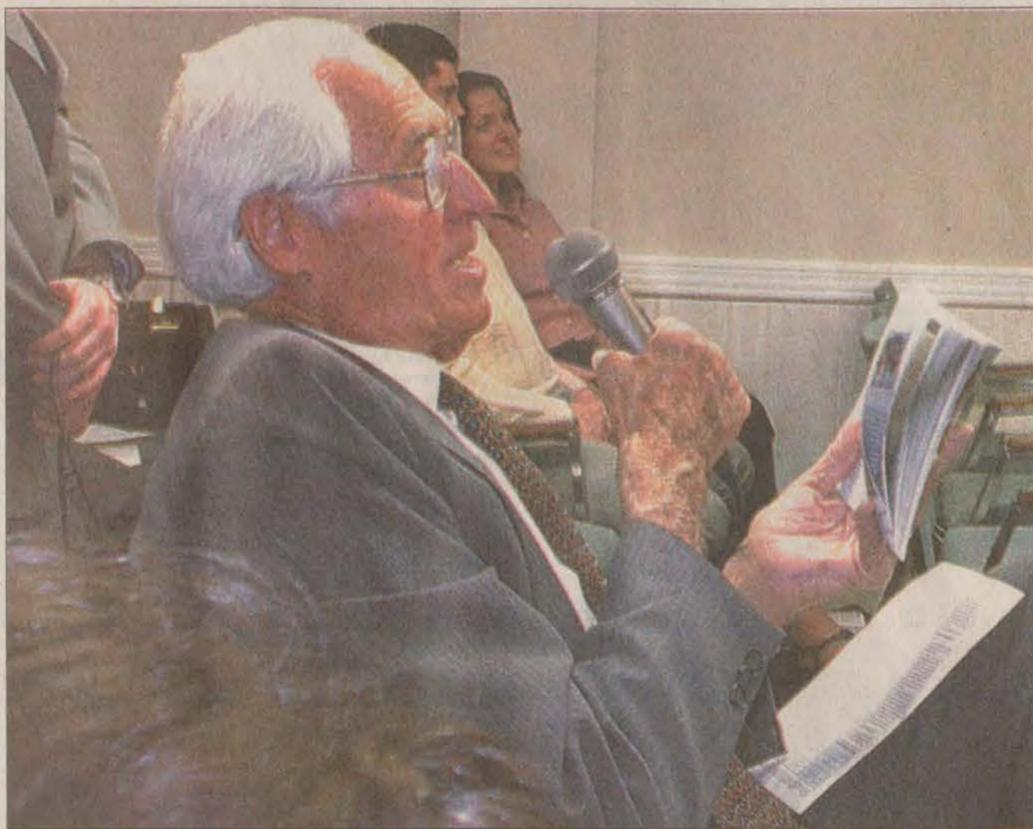


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Elder Meredith Spurlock shared his thoughts during the congregation's open-mike session. Spurlock said he was raised "an Old Regular Baptist," but later joined the Jehovah's Witnesses.

# Dedicated to the message, the Jehovah's Witnesses

*So eager, in fact, that dedicated Jehovah's Witnesses go door to door in an attempt to deliver their Christian message to their neighbors and communities. This activity is referred to as "field ministry" by the Witnesses.*

by KATHY J. PRATER  
FEATURES EDITOR

**D**edicated is the one word that comes foremost to mind upon investigation of this week's selected church. "Jehovah's Witnesses" is a religious group that meets five days a week and is committed to delivering their message to each and every household in their congregational area. If that's not dedication, then we would be hard pressed to determine what is.

According to material printed by the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society, several misconceptions prevail when the name "Jehovah's Witnesses" is spoken. The congregants have been called Christian propagandists, a cult, and have been accused of being fanatics who reject medical treatment. Actually, says the Society, Jehovah's Witnesses are none of these things. "Probably the worst thing, though,



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Brittany Halbert, the daughter of Todd and Beverley Halbert, offered her voice in praise to Jehovah at Tuesday evening's meeting of the Prestonsburg congregation of the Jehovah's Witnesses.

that I have had people ask me is 'Do you all believe in Jesus?'" said Elder Danny Conner. "Why, I tell them, yes we do. A lot of folks just don't understand, but we're eager to deliver our message and help them to."

So eager, in fact, that dedicated Jehovah's Witnesses go door to door in an attempt to deliver their Christian message

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# The Silversmith...

A group of women in a Bible Study class were examining the book of Malachi. As they were studying chapter three, they came across verse three which reads: "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver." This verse puzzled the women and they wondered what this statement could mean about the character and nature of God. One of the women offered to find out about

the process of refining silver and get back to the group at their next Bible Study meet.

That week the woman called up a local silversmith and made an appointment to watch him at work. She did not mention anything about the reason for her interest in silver beyond her curiosity about the process of refining silver. As she watched the silversmith, he

held a piece of silver over the fire and allowed it to heat up. He explained to her that in refining silver, one is required to hold the silver in the middle of the fire - where the flames are hottest - in order to burn away all of the impurities. The woman thought

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## THINGS TO PONDER

# A mother's reflection's on therapy

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One space. But just as I was about to rise, pound my chest and roar. "O, tempora! O, mores! I was brought up short. "Look," said I to myself—look who's been reading all this guff about the aforesaid Liz and her loves."

**TAKIDEEZY**

I have a feeling I've reprinted what follows, some months or years ago. But, since I found it amusing again, we repeat with this conversation which took place when two fishermen met.  
 "Hiyam... Lobuddy... Bincarloug... Cuplours... Ketchanney... Goodafew... Kindarthay... Bassencarp... Ennysizetoom... Cupalapowns... Hittinard... Sordalite... Gobbawurms... Fishanonaboddum... Rydonnaboddum... Igoddiago... Tubad... Seeyaroun... Yeaktakidezy... Guluk."

**Silversmith**

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about God holding us, his precious children, in such a hot spot. She thought again about the verse, that "He sits as a refiner and purifier of silver." She asked the silversmith if it was true that he had to sit there in front of the fire the whole time the silver was being refined. The man answered, "Yes," and additionally, that he not only had to sit there holding the silver, but he had to keep his eyes on the silver the entire time it was in the fire. If the silver was left for even a moment too long in the flames, or if he were to avert his eyes for even a few seconds, it would be quickly destroyed.

The woman was silent for a moment. Then she asked the silversmith, "How do you know when the silver is fully refined?" He smiled at her and replied, "Oh, that's easy—when I see my image in it."

If today you are feeling the heat of the fire, remember that God has His eye on you and will keep watching you until He sees His very own image in you, His Child.

**Brock**

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offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. These students must have earned a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor, or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA.

Brock, who attends Prestonsburg High School, was nominated by his school's guidance counselors. He will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, a national publication. He is the son of Rita and Lowell Brock, of Prestonsburg. He is the grandson of Phyllis Johnson, of Middlesboro, and Jim Brock, of Pineville.

**Dedicated**

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to their neighbors and communities. This activity is referred to as "field ministry" by the Witnesses.

Field ministry is an important part of a Jehovah's Witnesses life, as the Witnesses possess a genuine concern for the welfare of their neighbor's and wish, wholeheartedly, to share their thoughts and beliefs with them.

Witnesses also rely heavily on the use of their power of reason. When attending a congregational meeting at one of the Witnesses Kingdom Hall's, you will note that members of the congregation deliver talks upon common subjects, habits and behaviors of today's society. As they speak, it becomes apparent that they have researched their topic, consulted the Bible, and come, by way of reasoning, to a logical conclusion on the matter.

At an evening meet held this past Tuesday at the Kingdom Hall on Water Gap Road, Allen Boyd, a seventeen year old high school graduate, gave a talk on idolatry. Boyd informed the Prestonsburg congregation that no carved images of any sort should be used in worship and that even hobbies, careers, and other daily activities can be logically defined as "idols when we allow them to interfere with our worship of Jehovah," he said.

The congregation assembled at the Water Gap Kingdom Hall presented as a group of meticulously dressed and very well-groomed members who were intently focused on Bible study and interpretation. The members listened as others presented talks and, later, exchanged thoughts during an open-mike opinion session. Thoughts and opinions were backed up by Bible scripture, quotes and study.

In closing, the congregants joined in a song of praise and thanksgiving. Indicative of their belief in reasoning, study and the acquisition of knowledge, the assembled congregants sang, "Happy are those you choose to invite, into your courts of instruction and light... Now our desire is by you to be taught... Praise to Jehovah, our glorious King."

If you are interested in learning more about the Jehovah's Witnesses, you may contact Elder Andrew Stamper, the presiding overseer of the Prestonsburg Congregation, or call the Kingdom Hall at 874-9638 to request either informational materials or a home visit. You may also access the official Jehovah's Witnesses website at www.watchtower.com.

*Happy Birthday*



**Kimbra is two!**

Kimbra Dawn Akers celebrated her second birthday on January 28, 2002 with a party held at Pizza Hut. Many family members and friends attended to help Kimbra celebrate her special day. Kimbra is the daughter of Brad and Kim Akers, of Grethel. She is the granddaughter of Kenneth and Mary Ann Newman and Ishmeal and Verbal Akers, all of Grethel.



**Celebrates 88th birthday!**

Della Crum, of Martin, will celebrate her 88th birthday on Sunday, March 24, 2002. Mrs. Crum's family of nine children, 20 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren, along with a host of friends and neighbors, will be on hand to make her special day an especially loving and joy-filled event.

*New Arrivals*



**New arrival**

Kathleen Denise Scott was born to Sheri and Howard Scott, of Glen Burnie, Maryland, on March 8, 2002, at 12:10 p.m., at the Greater Baltimore Medical Center in Baltimore, Maryland. She weighed 7 lbs., 5 oz., and measured 20 inches in length. She is the granddaughter of Dennie and Lois Williamson, of Jonancy, formerly of Prestonsburg, and Charles and Roma Scott, of Phyllis. She is the great-granddaughter of Harold and Kathleen Hall, also of Jonancy, and Effie Williamson, also of Phyllis. Kathleen has one big brother, Joseph Scott.



**It's a boy!**

Zachary Brance Spradlin was born to Sheena and Glenn Spradlin II on February 6, 2002, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. He weighed 8 lbs., 3 oz., and measured 20 inches in length. He is the grandson of Zachary and Bonita Akers, of Grethel, Anna Spradlin, also of Grethel, and Glenn Spradlin, of Harold. He is the great-grandson of Icess and Pearl Newsome, of Grethel, Jake and Melvina Akers, also of Grethel, and Hattie Howell, of Craynor, the late Fair Howell, James Spradlin, of Boldman, and the late Nora Beatrice Spradlin.

**Pikeville Methodist Hospital**

- February 16:**  
A son, Ethan Cole, to Melissa and Shannon D. Webb.
- February 18:**  
A daughter, Bayli Renee, to Barbara Bales and Scott Steven Collins; a son, Cameron Scott, to Kristy and Tracy Wright.
- February 19:**  
A daughter, Karrena Jade, to Karen Sue and Jared Sanders; a daughter, Isabella Marie, to Kimi Marie and David James Seastone.
- February 20:**  
A son, David Domonique, to Amanda Jean and David Eugene Francis; a son, Shawn Curtis, to Amy and Shawn Cole; a daughter, Allison Brooke Fleming, to Rhonetta Williams and Jody Fleming.
- February 21:**  
A daughter, Destiny Starr Thacker, to Zelfhia Diane Shepherd and Anthony Derek Thacker.
- February 23:**  
A daughter, Alexis Dawn, to Belinda and Anthony Greer; a daughter, Anna Grace, to Suzanne and Charles Henson.
- February 24:**  
A son, Casby Willis, to Pamela and Willis Bartley; a son, Brady Lee, to Nikki and Anthony Turner.
- February 25:**  
A daughter, Chole Madison, to Minci and Gregory Wayne Robinson; a son, Christopher Shawn, to Misty Dawn and Don Richard Ramey; a son, Alexander Scott, to Amy Louise and Kevin Scott Williams.
- February 26:**  
A son, Joshua Bruce, to Jessica and Joshua (C.J.) Damron; a daughter, Scarlet Brooke Willis, to Melissa Ann Willis and Curtis Dale Blakenship; a son, Christian Patrick, to Tiffany and Gary Dwayne Lowe; a son, Dalton Dean, to Barbara and Larry Hall.
- February 27:**  
A daughter, Madison Grace, to Amy and Jason Hall; a daughter, Kerston Delaina, to Kali Holbrook.



The residents of Riverview Health Care Center presented a check for \$245 to the Christian Appalachian Project this past Valentine's Day. Shown presenting the check to Connie Little, program coordinator, are Juanita Stratton, left, and Joann Hall, right.

**Riverview residents trade hugs for donations**

Riverview Health Care Center residents presented a check for \$245 to the Christian Appalachian Project on February 14, 2002. The funds were raised from a "Hug Campaign" contest that 25 residents held in honor of the Valentine's Day holiday. Residents of the center exchanged hugs for donations. The money will be used to purchase supplies for babies in our area. JoAnn Marsillett, activities director at the center, said that the residents really enjoyed the contest and that a few of them even gave away some hugs for free.

*School Happenings*

**Adams Middle School Youth Services Center**

- 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 home-room 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
- 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.
- 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.

**Mud Creek Family Resource Center / John M. Stumbo Elem.**

- 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**

- 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 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.

**South Floyd Youth Services Center**

- 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.
- Tuesday: Cliffside Housing Project Community Center, 5 - 8 p.m. Call 886-9860.
- Wednesday: Floyd County Detention Center, 4:00 - 6 p.m.
- Thursday: Auxier Lifetime Learning Center, 1 - 4 p.m. Call 886-0709.
- Thursday: St. James Episcopal Church, 5 - 7:30 p.m. Call 886-8046.
- Friday - The David School, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Call 886-8374.

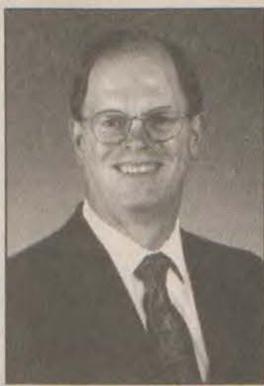
**W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center**

- "Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks.
- "Clothing Closet" available to all students.
- Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen.

*Wedding Engagement*

**Dillon-Lawson exchange vows**

Jamie Dillon, the daughter of Don and Chiquita Dillon, and Darren Lawson, the son of Jimmy and Brenda Lawson, of Paris, were united in marriage on March 6, 2002 in a wedding ceremony officiated by the Reverend Buddy Jones. The couple, who reside in Abbott, will honeymoon later this summer in Hawaii.



# Family Medicine

John C. Wolf, D.O.  
Associate Professor  
of Family Medicine



## Diet pills not a good idea for nursing Mom – or the rest of us!

**Question: Are there certain medications or dietary supplements to avoid while breastfeeding? Specifically, I am interested in a supplement called apple cider vinegar dietary supplement. It is supposed to aid in fat loss.**

Answer: Nutrition is a big issue for all of us since we all need to eat, and we want to stay healthy. It is obvious that what we eat plays a role in our health. In your case, what you eat plays a role in your baby's health as well. There are many areas of confusion

regarding food. Part of this problem is because we humans eat a wide variety of foods. (Technically, we are "omnivores," who eat anything that doesn't eat us first!) And, despite what diet we eat, if we are protected from disease and violence, we all seem to live a reasonable number of decades. Therefore, it is quite challenging to "prove" that one diet has significant health advantages over another one. That said, there is considerable evidence that some dietary practices contribute to developing some disease conditions. And conversely, there are claims that some foods or food supplements help reduce the risk of disease.

The greatest nutritional hazard for our society at the moment is excess calories. Or, in the vernacular, "We eat too darn much!" Obesity is associated with an increased risk of diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, arthritis, and also premature death. Your concern about your weight may be because of these risks, or more likely it is just that you would like to get your figure back after having your child.

When more calories are consumed than are used up in the course of the day, weight is gained. Weight loss is accomplished by using up more calories than the diet supplies. Nursing imposes some special concerns because the quality of breast milk is influenced by your diet. A mom of a new infant produces 600 to 900 ml of milk each day. That requires an additional 600 or more calorie each day just to make that milk. Some of the weight that is gained during pregnancy is extra fat (energy stores) to be used in

milk production. Other nutrients such as vitamins and proteins need to be consumed daily.

Use of a weight loss supplement is, in my opinion, generally unnecessary and usually ineffective as well. If you are convinced that apple cider vinegar will help you, I'd suggest that you use a quality cider vinegar as part of your salad dressing rather than taking a "pill" supplement that you hope will make dieting easier.

There are quite a few diet medicines, both prescription and non-prescription that have come and gone over my years of practice. That is because if the product actually worked, it also impacted the metabolism in such a manner some health problem eventually developed. Most diet aids that are sold now are primarily psychological aids. That is, they are a crutch to help people cope with the stresses of dieting. And, if history is a good teacher, there are also some prod-

ucts out there that will ultimately prove to cause troubles that are worse than the health problems associated with obesity itself. Unfortunately, today no one can tell which products actually fall into this category.

March is National Nutrition Month. I encourage you to eat a balanced and diverse diet. Go easy on animal fats. Watch the carbohydrates; this includes such common culprits as white flour, potatoes, white rice and sugar. Talk to your doctor and a dietitian about the best diet for you, and in your case, also the best one for your baby. Save your money on the diet supplement. Instead, buy the baby a new toy.

"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](http://www.fhradio.org/fm).

### Eyes

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tiny, tiny picture of a cluster of grapes - set off with a few sparkly rhinestones, of course. Another \$24.

As we made our way to the back of the store where the check-out counter was located (how clever of them - to make us poor hardworking mothers walk the entire length of the shop with our daughters stopping to beg every four steps, "Oh, mommy, look! Oh!"), my child, naturally, laid her eyes on a few more items.

By the time I made it to the register, I was thinking that maybe birthday celebrations shouldn't be quite such a big deal after all. At any rate, I gathered the purchases and handed them to the clerk who quickly began to ring up the damage.

She also quickly began to spout off information in regard to how the store's "frequent buyer" plan worked. "With each purchase, we stamp your card. With each stamp, you earn a discount, entitling you to another stamp. Why, you're only \$6.88 cents away from another stamp. Would you like to make another purchase? You only need \$6.88!"

"There's nothing in this store you can buy for \$6.88," I said.

The clerk looked at me as if I were a senile, but sweet, grandmother. She gave me a "tsk, tsk," smile that said, "Really, must you be so cheap?"

My daughter took me by the hand and off we went to locate our next purchase, a \$6.88 item that cost only \$12.50.

Back to the clerk.

The register began to ring again. Then - "Why now you're only \$12.00 away from another stamp," chimed the cheery voice.

Not being quite so dumb as I look, it didn't take me more than a second or two to figure this scam out. If I didn't get my child out of this store, and fast, it was gonna be food stamps we were gonna be lookin' at.

"No, I think we'll pass," I said.

I got another one of those "Oh, must you be so cheap?," looks from the sales clerk, who placed our purchases in a tiny, brightly colored logo-embellished shopping bag as she smiled benignly at me and sympathetically at my daughter.

I took the bag, and turned around, feeling at once as though I had won and yet knowing at the same time that I was carrying a bag that contained five clothing items when we had originally come in to purchase only two.

Five pieces of very colorful, extremely cottony-soft, pieces of apparel. They fit inside a tiny plastic bag that was smaller than a quart-sized ziplock baggie.

And how many hard-earned dollars did that tiny bag represent? I'm trying not to dwell on that. It was my daughter's birthday and they come only once a year, but those precious smiles of hers, they come every day. And that's something that can't be bought.



Stewart visits Duff students

During the week of February 25-March 1, Duff Elementary celebrated "Read Across America" and Dr. Seuss's birthday. Activities at the school included reading competitions, decorating classroom doors in "book covers," character dress-up day, and community readers. P-4 students in Ms. Kitty's class enjoyed a Dr. Seuss classic, "Green Eggs and Ham," read by Jim Stewart, Director of Youth Programs, Big Sandy Area Community Action. Stewart also treated the class to "green cupcakes."

Something different...

## A primer on quinoa

by DANA JACOBI

FOR THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

The lightest of all grains, quinoa (pronounced "KEEN-wah") has an intriguing history. It grows best at high altitudes, a legacy of its evolution in Peru, Bolivia and parts of Ecuador and Chile, in the area called the Altiplano. Today, it also flourishes in the U.S., where it is commercially cultivated high up in Colorado.

Because this protein-rich grain was a staple of ancient Andean civilizations, the Conquistadors tried to eradicate it. They failed, and now there are literally thousands of quinoa varieties, ranging in color from pale ivory to yellow and even purplish black.

Nature protects quinoa by coating each sesame seed-like grain with saponin, a bitter, soap-like substance that acts as a natural insect repellent. This invisible coating is either washed or polished away during processing, but it is still important to rinse quinoa before cooking it, as a tiny bit of saponin can impart faint bitterness to the cooked grain.

Unlike the case with other grains, the entire kernel of quinoa is covered by the germ. As quinoa cooks, the germ separates from the kernel, making little white rings. Seeing these rings among the caviar-like kernels is one way to know the grain is fully cooked.

Quinoa is good served hot or at room temperature, so it works well for pilafs, stews, soups, salads and as a morning cereal drizzled with maple syrup. Cooked quinoa holds well, so dishes made with it will keep for several days.

To cook quinoa for a pilaf or salad, or to serve as cereal, you have two choices. Cook it in water or broth or, for breakfast, use apple or orange juice. To make the cooked grain particularly fluffy, after rinsing it, roast the quinoa in a dry, non-stick pan over medium-low heat, stirring

until it is fragrant and the grains pop. When this popping stops, in about three minutes, add the liquid, cover and cook until the quinoa is done. I sometimes prepare it this way when making tabbouleh, using quinoa in place of bulgur.

### Chicken with Quinoa

- 1 Tbsp. extra virgin olive oil
- 4 large skinless chicken thighs
- 1 medium onion, thinly sliced
- 2 tomatoes, seeded and diced
- 1 large garlic clove, minced
- 1/2 cup fat-free, reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 2 Tbsp. fresh lime juice
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 cup quinoa, rinsed and drained

1/4 lb. green beans, cut in 1-inch pieces

1 Tbsp. fresh thyme leaves, or 1 tsp. dried

Freshly ground black pepper, to taste

Heat oil in medium non-stick skillet over medium-high heat. Add chicken and brown on both sides, turning pieces once, about 10 minutes. Transfer chicken to a plate.

In same pan, saute onions until lightly browned, about 5 minutes. Add tomatoes and garlic. Cook until tomatoes soften, stirring occasionally, 5 minutes.

Return chicken and any juices to pan. Add chicken broth, lime juice and salt. Cover pan tightly and simmer 20 minutes.

Add quinoa, beans and thyme. Cover and cook until quinoa is swelled and almost tender to the bite, about 20 minutes. Remove pan from heat and let sit, covered, 10 minutes, until quinoa is fluffy and soft. Add salt and pepper to taste, if desired, and serve.

Makes 4 servings.

Per serving: 228 calories, 8 g. total fat (1 g. saturated fat), 23 g. carbohydrate, 18 g. protein, 3 g. dietary fiber, 434 mg. sodium.

"Something Different" is written for the American Institute for Cancer Research (AICR) by Dana Jacobi, author of The Joy of Soy, and recipe creator for AICR's Stopping Cancer Before It Starts.

### Ponder

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atoes, and cornbread were potatoes, beans, and bread for the next meal. But, there was food on the table. I do not ever remember thinking that we were poor, broke certainly, but I always knew that we were blessed.

Now that I have grown children of my own and deal with everyday stressors, I have come to realize that I have been too serious all of my life. While I was being a responsible person, I never learned how to laugh or have fun. All that I ever knew was work, school, and church. That was my childhood.

Recently, when our son was involved in a "skirmish" and became acquainted with the legal system, I realized that my dreams are not the dreams of my children. It has been a "mission" of mine to see my son graduate from high school. While his grades have always been less than mediocre, I felt that he would graduate, that is until our lives went into a tailspin. During the course of about four months, my husband and I were doing everything that we could to keep our son out of more "trouble," and he was doing everything that he could to perpetuate the problem. Life for us became a nightmare. The holidays practically went un-noticed. There were days that I didn't think we could get through them, and looking back on them now, I wonder where they went.

One of the "silver linings" through all of this was "therapy." My son was forced to attend counseling sessions. It isn't something that one publicly acknowledges, but here we are. I have attended every session with my son. There have been a couple of sessions when he was sullen and wouldn't talk, a few sessions when he was combative and argumentative. There was even one session in particular when I felt that our parenting was being questioned. I took issue with that, since my husband and I have both worked hard all of our lives so that our children would never have to be without. All of their basic needs, and much of their wants, have been met. As far as we knew, we

were doing what we expected from ourselves and certainly what society expected from us. Our children have always known that we love them and that they have a good home, or so I thought. Their definition of love can be so different than ours.

There were also some good sessions, when our son would converse and tell us what he thought of "certain situations." Ever so slowly, I would catch a glimmer of hope. His rude, obnoxious, loud, know-it all behavior was becoming soft conversation, he began adhering to his curfew, and was becoming more manageable at home. His grades began to improve and I have been getting good reports from school.

What I have learned through all of this, is that I cannot make my dreams theirs. The dream of my son graduating from high school may not happen, but he will be all right, as will I. It won't be the end of the world, as I previously thought. In the beginning of our "therapy sessions," I believed that my children's failures were my own. I did not feel that way now. I never realized that I wasn't mothering, but smothering. I was refusing to let my son be accountable for his actions. While it is a parent's duty to love, guide, protect and nurture their children, it is also their duty to let them spread their wings and grow into adulthood. I have carried my children's burdens as far, and as long as I can. It is past time to let them go, grow, and learn. If they should make a few mistakes along the way, and they will, it is all right. Nothing is final except death, as my husband so gently reminded me.

Whatever I have done for my children has been done with love, and always with their best interest at heart. I have always said that if my children love me, just a measure of the love that I have for my own precious mother, then I will die a happy woman. In the end, I will stand before God Almighty, and be accountable. I pray that He will say that I am "worthy," and "Job Well Done."



### One last look...

Spring officially arrived in Floyd County this past Wednesday, despite the rains and floods that followed it in. We thought a final look back at the winter of 2002 would be interesting to note before the upcoming warm temperatures lead us to forget all about it. Fred Goble, or "Munroe," as most folks know him, snapped these shots shortly after one of January's snowfalls. Guess we all know now just why "Fairy Belle" loves him so.



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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.

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 process. 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 Owner.

**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.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0268, Renewal # 4

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Carbon Tech Fuels, Inc., P.O. Box 218, Ivel, Kentucky 41642, has applied for renewal of a permit for a surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.1 mile south of

Honaker in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 10.74 surface acres, and will underlie 143.59 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 154.33 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.5 mile southwest from Ky.'s 2030 junction and Ky.'s 1426 junction, and located 0.15 mile west of Little Mud Creek. The latitude is 37° 31' 20". The longitude is 82° 40' 37".

The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Bernard Clark, Ronald D. Newberry and Willie Lawson. The operation will underlie land owned by S. T. Parsons, Henry Harvey, George Kidd, John P. Hall, Aaron Tackett, Vernon Case, Ronald D. Newberry, Willie Lawson and Bernard Clark.

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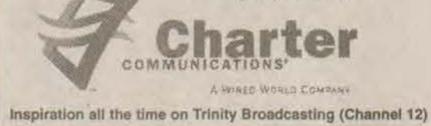
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BUT IT IS ONLY A BEGINNING! SOON, A LONG LINE OF MEN HAS FORMED, ALL SEEKING JUDGEMENTS! WHO IS THE RIGHTFUL OWNER OF A JAR OF WILD HONEY? THE OWNER OF THE JAR - OR THE MAN WHO GATHERED THE HONEY? TO WHOM DOES A CERTAIN GOAT BELONG? WHICH MAN INHERITS HIS FATHER'S GOODS? IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THIS IS A DAILY DUTY FOR MOSES!

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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.  
Auzer Freewill Baptist, Auzer: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.  
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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.  
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Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.  
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Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.  
Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Expt. on Rt. 1428: Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.  
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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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Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinsville: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barrett, Minister.  
Kely Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.  
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Liberty Baptist, Denver: Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Mele Life, Minister.  
Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Esch: Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.  
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McDowell First Baptist, McDowell: Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Harry Hargis, Minister.  
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Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Shem Williams, Minister.
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Church of Christ, South Lake Drive: Sunday School, 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.  
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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.; Lonnie Meade, Minister.  
Mare Creek Church of Christ, Starville: 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.  
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Weeks Church of Christ, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mike Hall, Minister.
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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: Sunday School, 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.  
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Emma United Methodist, Emma: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Paul Aiken, Minister.  
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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.  
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Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton: Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sarant, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.  
Goodfellow Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David: Sunday 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.  
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- 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. Lowe, Minister.
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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.; Randy Hagans, 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 Lafferty, Minister.  
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.: Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.  
Marlin 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.  
Sparkoff Bible, Sparkoff Fork of Middle Creek, Prestonsburg: Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heinzelman, 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.  
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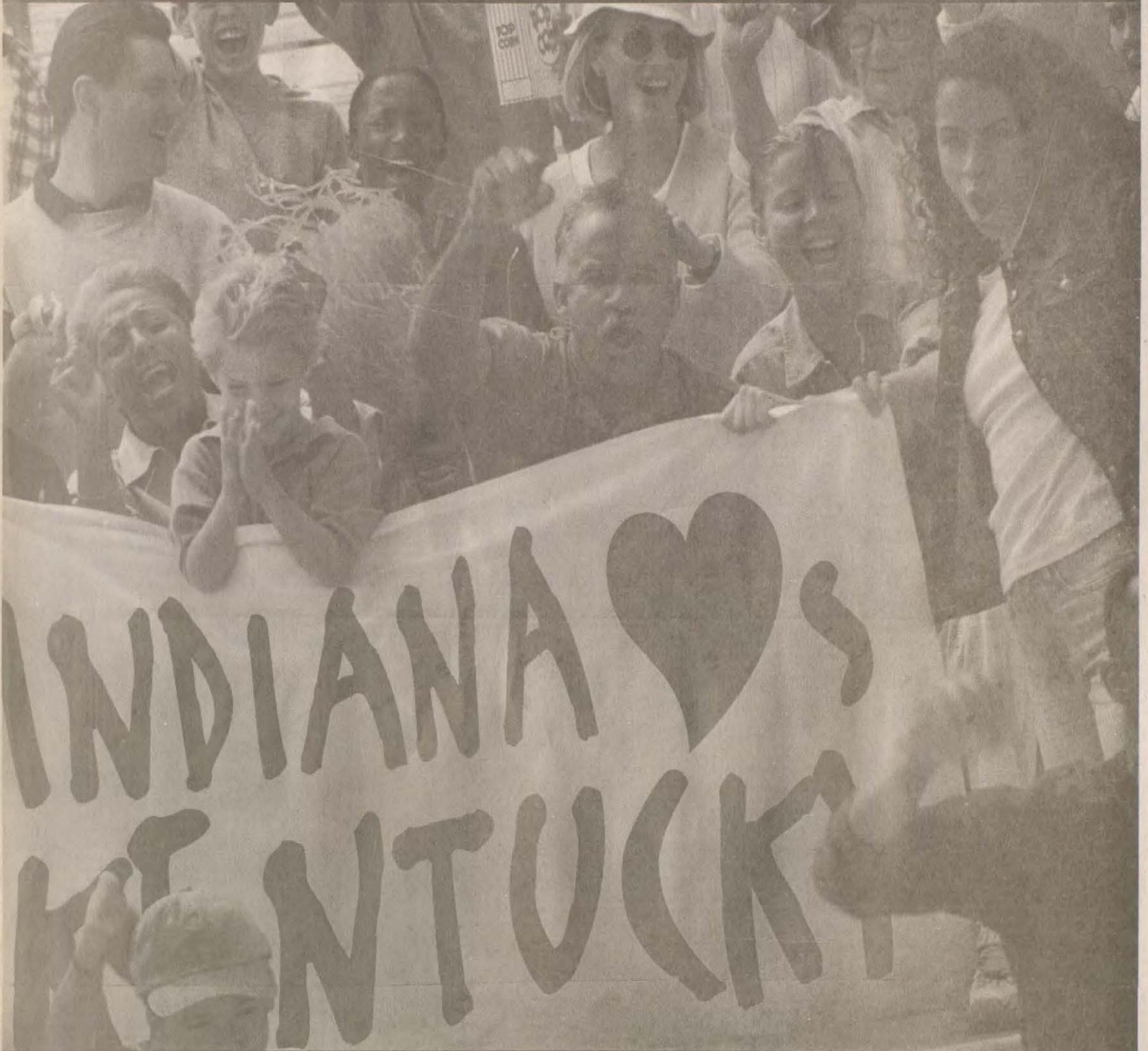
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That's real madness. And no one is cheering in Kentucky. We're facing an ongoing budget crisis and struggling to meet our commitments.

We can't afford to send tax money to Indiana. Kentucky teachers want better salaries, seniors need Rx drugs and many children need health insurance.

Before we raise taxes or cut vital programs, our legislature should end the ban on video gaming at existing racetracks. They can add up to 1.7 billion dollars in new revenue over the next six years — without raising taxes.

Ask your legislator to end the ban on video gaming at our existing racetracks. Keep Kentucky tax money in Kentucky.

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