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## Man, wife accused of beating mother

by Randell Reno  
Staff Writer

A Hunter man and his wife were taken from a Floyd District Courtroom and placed in jail for allegedly assaulting a family member.

Bench warrants were issued for Bill Sammons, 60, and his wife Brenda, 49, after Sammons' mother walked into the courtroom battered and bruised.

Alma Sammons, who just turned 80, told the judge that her son and daughter-in-law had allegedly assaulted her. She suffered from multiple bruises and abrasions on her face, arms and chest.

Bailiffs Ray Bates and Glenn Blackburn said Alma Sammons was appearing in court to report her son's and daughter-in-law's violation of an emergency protective order.

Bill and Brenda Sammons have been ordered to stay away from Alma but had allegedly broken that order by entering her property.

Assistant County Attorney Jimmy Marcum said the Sammonses were in court for con-

tempt.

Alma alleges she was at her mailbox when she was hit by a brick and knocked out, then dragged into her house by her son and daughter-in-law.

Alma had the domestic violence order placed on her son last May after he allegedly tried repeatedly to cut off her toes with a hoe. After breaking the hoe, he then allegedly hit her with the handle, bruising her arms.

Bill Sammons had formal charges brought against him in that case, in which he was alleged to have assaulted two others and damaged Alma's car. Those charges are pending in Floyd Circuit Court.

Alma Sammons said the two had whipped her to keep her from testifying, said Bates and Blackburn.

"Whoever gave it to her gave her a hell of a whipping," said Bates.

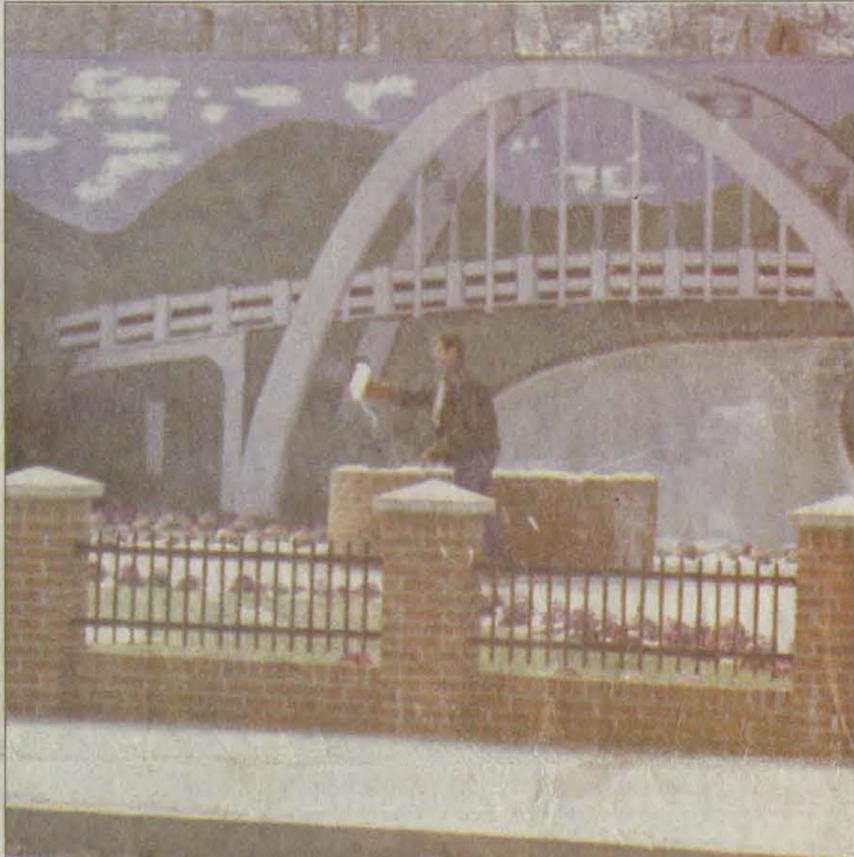
Alma Sammons has one of her eye sockets broken, a broken arm, and possibly a broken foot, said Marcum.

The Sammonses are being held on separate \$500,000 cash bonds.

**Whoever gave it to her gave her a hell of a whipping.**

— Bailiff Ray Bates

## Getting rid of the ice...



A Prestonsburg city worker fought what must have seemed like a losing battle during the bitter cold temperatures of the past week — removing ice from a city fountain. Mother Nature relented Saturday, sparing the region the single-digit temperatures of the past few days. But new snow and ice was expected last night. (photo by Randell Reno)

## Budget proposal has goodies for Floyd County

Times Staff Report

The proposed state budget unveiled by Gov. Paul Patton this week contains plenty of goodies for Floyd County.

Two million-dollar projects for Floyd County are contained in the budget proposal.

One of those, additional funding for an East Kentucky Center of Science, will be located in Prestonsburg.

Two years ago, the General Assembly appropriated \$2.6 million for that project. Now, Patton is asking legislators for \$1 million more to pay for additional equipment and higher-than-expected costs.

The original appropriation was to include \$1.6 million for the building and another million for the center's equipment. Building

cost estimates, however, have risen between \$300,000 and \$400,000. The remainder of the additional \$1 million request in Patton's budget will be used for high-tech planetarium projectors and additional site preparation.

Patton is also asking the General Assembly to fulfill a request from state Sen. Benny Ray Bailey to spend \$1 million on waterline extensions throughout Floyd County.

The water project is just one of 12 coal severance tax projects requested by Bailey that Patton is asking the legislature to grant, and represents slightly less than half the money Bailey is asking to be spent.

Other projects Bailey is requesting include:

- \$200,000 for industrial site

expansions

- \$200,000 in matching funds for flood control in McDowell

- \$150,000 for parks and recreational improvements

- \$100,000 each for renovations to the Floyd County Courthouse, Betsy Layne High School football field and Allen Central High School football field.

- \$60,000 in matching funds for the Martin flood control project

- \$40,000 for matching funds for the Sugar Loaf flood control project

- \$25,000 each to the David School and Wayland Community Center for equipment

- \$25,000 for the John M. Stumbo Community Park

Bailey's requests total \$2.025 million.

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## Martin sex offender sentenced

by Randell Reno  
Staff Writer

A Martin man was sentenced in Floyd Circuit Court Friday after pleading guilty to a single charge of sexual abuse.

Steve R. Carrol, 34, entered a plea of guilty to first-degree sexual abuse in a deal with the commonwealth's attorney's office that netted him a soft sentence.

Carrol admitted to subjecting a minor, under 12 years old, to sexual contact.

His attorney, Vickie L. Ridgeway, argued that Carrol was not considered a potential repeat offender by the Department of Justice. Because he was not on the list of potential repeat offenders and because he had made changes in his life, Ridgeway said he should be put into a treatment program for his crime.

Ridgeway attempted to convince the court that evaluations performed on Carrol were based merely on hearsay.

Judge John David Caudill said that if the court considered the evaluation of the Department of Probation and Parole, the evaluation of the sex offender's treatment program, and the recommendation of the commonwealth's attorney's office all as hearsay, then her objection was overruled.

Ridgeway asked that Caudill go against the recommendation of the commonwealth after Carrol had previously agreed to the proposed terms. That agreement traded Carrol's guilty plea for a two-and-a-half-year sentence that would place him in jail for one year.

Caudill said although Carrol was considered low on the list of potential repeat sexual offenders, he did have two previous domestic violence cases against him.

Carroll told Caudill he wanted to change his life, raise his children and give them a good life. But because he has an existing domestic violence order against him that says he cannot be around minor children, he would not be able to be with his children anyway, said Caudill.

Caudill concluded that because Carrol's victim was a minor, he was a risk to repeat his crime.

The judge followed the Commonwealth's recommendation of two-and-one-half years. After credit for time spent was given to Carrol, 204 days, he will finish his year of incarceration in 161 days.

Carrol will be placed under supervised probation for 18 months following his release and will be entered into an offender treatment program. Due to the nature of his offense a state mandatory additional three years of probation will be added to his sentence.

## What time is it? Sporting Times

New publication hits newsstands Monday

A new publication will be on the newsstands Monday, January 31, across the 15th Region.

The new publication, appropriately named "The Sporting Times," will be a 32-page monthly tabloid featuring articles dealing with all sports from around the 15th Region and even beyond.

Regular features of the new publication will include:

- Fishing articles from the pen of Jim Lyons and Tee Watkins.
- How-to-stay fit, as profes-

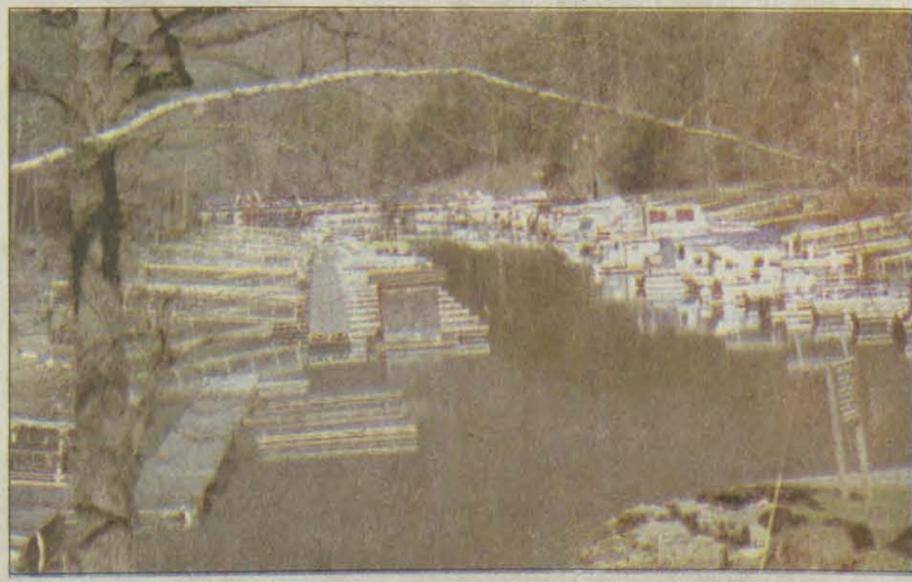
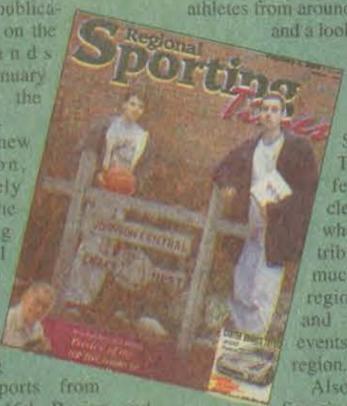
sional trainer Don Fields and veteran bodybuilder Randy Burruss share some of their secrets on how to stay fit.

You will like the personal side of some of the high school athletes from around the region and a look at the past in pictures and stories.

The Sporting Times will feature articles on those who have contributed so much to our regional youth and sporting events across the region.

Also, the Sporting Times welcomes any input you have, maybe someone you would like to see featured within its pages.

We are sure you will like the new publication and you may pick up a copy at newsstands across the region.



The boats patiently wait for the return of spring as they sit peacefully at the Jenny Wiley docks. Recent temperatures may lead them to believe spring will never come. (photo by Willie Elliott)

# Bitter cold causes record demand for electricity

The extreme cold recently thrust onto the area has meant heaters are running longer to keep homes at a comfortable temperature. This has caused residents to increase their use of electricity, according to American Electric Power.

AEP says its 170,100 Kentucky customers used record amounts of electricity Thursday morning. From 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., AEP customers used 1,558 megawatts of electricity, an all-time peak internal load.

The previous record for electrical usage was set just two days before on Tuesday.

AEP officials said that, despite the demands for electricity, the company has sufficient capacity to meet the demand.

The longer-running furnaces and heat pumps have translated to bigger power bills for area residents, but this need not be the case.

To help manage higher heating bills, Tim Kosher, Kentucky president of AEP, recommends signing up for an equal payment plan. The payment plan establishes an average power usage for the customer in one year. This plan reduces the higher winter bills and cooling bills you will incur in the summer.

The heating system is the biggest energy user most of the year. With that in mind, AEP offers the following tips to reduce your heating expense.

- Clean or change heating equipment filters frequently — ideally, every three months.

- Vacuum heating grills and outlets frequently. Trapped dirt can hinder airflow.

- Make sure furniture and draperies don't block heating outlets or air grills. Blocked outlets and grills can restrict air circulation and

make your heating system work harder.

- Make periodic inspections of your heating equipment as recommended by the manufacturer. Making required repairs right away helps save energy and money.

- Open draperies and blinds during the day so that the sun's heat will help warm your home. Close them at night to retain heat. Insulated draperies or linings reduce heating loss even more.

- Insulate stairway walls adjacent to unheated areas and install weather stripping. If your basement, garage or attic aren't heated, keep the connecting doors closed.

- A lower, constant thermostat setting results in better equipment efficiency and lower annual energy consumption. Many people prefer a constant reduced temperature (68 to 72 degrees) for the entire heating

season instead of drastic nighttime temperature reductions. In fact, a constant indoor temperature of 69 degrees uses about the same amount of energy as a 72-degree setting during the day with an 8- to 10-degree setback at night.

- Heat pump owners should set a desired temperature and leave the thermostat at that setting unless they have a special nighttime thermostat specifically designed for heat pumps.

- Install a humidifier in your home if it is too dry in the winter. Humidifiers moisturize the air and help you feel comfortable at lower temperatures.

- If your family spends the majority of the time in one or two rooms, it is efficient to heat just the room(s) being used instead of the entire house. Simply reduce your thermostat 10 degrees and use a portable electrical heater to heat the smaller area to the desired tempera-

ture. When using a portable electrical heater, use caution to prevent burns or fire. Keep portable heaters away from children, furniture, and draperies.

If you have any questions on how to reduce your heating usage or your heating bills you may contact them at AEP at 1-800-572-1113. News releases and other information about AEP can be found on the World Wide Web at <http://www.aep.com>.

## A bargain online saves you time

(NAPSA)-Rummaging through sales racks. Trekking to the nearest outlet mall. Hopping from store to store. Saving sales flyers. Waiting for sales. Cutting coupons. Is this how you want to spend your time, in order to afford all those things you need?

Don't worry. Now the Internet helps shoppers save with fewer hassles. You no longer need to panic if you don't have the time or energy to drive out to the outlet mall to possibly come up empty-handed. In fact, you don't even have to leave your living room.

"There's a natural reluctance to get in the car when it's cold and snowy outside, only to go to the mall and fight the crowds," said Andy Johnson of AndysAuctions.com. "If you like to shop, but don't enjoy leaving home during the winter, you now have another option. There are no storms in cyberspace."

Also, on the Web, store hours aren't an issue—they never close. You can find a bargain before breakfast or after the late, late show. The bargains, increasingly abundant, are just a few clicks

away.

### ■ A Bargain Hunter's Map

The Web has many places to find bargains. Many shopping Web sites are service-oriented and offer complimentary, customized newsletters. Some even email bargains directly to you. For example, BargainDog.com offers products at reduced prices, ranging from beauty supplies to books. After registering your product likes and dislikes on their Web site, BargainDog's tailored newsletter-containing only items that suit your interests—will let you know of sales via email once or twice a week.

If you're shopping for clothes, check out DesignerOutlet.com, where designer clothing is accessible and affordable. Well-known designers, such as Ralph Lauren and DKNY, are among many to choose from.

If you're the ultimate bargain shopper, AndysAuctions.com and AndysGarage.com offer retail overstock and liquidated items at very low prices. The two sites have similar, extensive offerings: home fur-

nishings, electronics, clothing, toys, and knick-knacks. Both are hosted by Andy, a down-to-earth, average Joe, who believes in selling stuff "dirt cheap." At AndysAuctions.com, you suggest a price and bid, ideally winning the auction at a low price; at AndysGarage.com, you get the same discount price every time.

Using Andy's sites together often means getting a great deal. If an item at AndysAuctions.com escalates above the price at AndysGarage.com, you can stop bidding and make your purchase at AndysGarage.com. If the item up for auction stays beneath the clearance price, you can keep bidding. Separately, Andy's sites provide quality products at great deals, and together, they help you get the price you're seeking.

Many people lose their cheer due to the stresses of traditional shopping. If you have found yourself grumbling to yourself after hitting the malls, perhaps Internet shopping will help restore your mental health—and your bank account.

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## Leased uniforms save money



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(NAPSA)-An increasing number of companies are discovering how they can make their workers and their accountants happier. How? By getting their organiza-

tions involved in Uniform Leasing Programs that give their workwear and their bottom lines "new leases on life."

In recent years, companies that used to buy uniforms have been getting more and more involved with leasing programs because of the many benefits offered by such agreements. As the nation and the world have become increasingly more service-oriented and cost-conscious, many companies have found they can achieve cost savings, of up to 20 percent each year, by switching to uniform leasing programs vs. straight purchasing. With an arrangement, such as UniFirst Corporation's Val-U-Lease Program, employees are custom fitted with a supply of select workwear garments for a low weekly charge.

Customers receive full program management, including

weekly visits by a Uniform Service Professional for garment inspections and a requirements check-up. As employees are hired or leave, uniforms are immediately supplied or surplus ones removed. The customer is only charged for their workers actually "in uniform." Idle clothing costs are a thing of the past.

The leasing program includes free garment deliveries, free garment mending and repairs, and free replacements of worn or damaged clothing. Employees take care of their own cleaning, but UniFirst takes care of "everything else." Of course, if customers want weekly uniform laundering, in addition to all the other services, full-service rental programs are also available.

The definition of the word "Uniform" has changed, over the years, to include all types of workwear. So, when it comes to modern leasing programs, the clothing styles available range from industrial uniforms and workwear to a corporate casual look to executive clothing. All are considered "Uniforms" by today's standards.

For more leasing information and/or a free catalog, showing the attractive uniform varieties and accessories available, contact UniFirst at (800) 225-3364 or visit the company's website at [www.unifirst.com](http://www.unifirst.com).

## Roberts wants to see equal education for all



**Don Roberts**  
by Willie Elliott  
Staff Writer

Don Roberts, a Betsy Layne native and the newest member of the Floyd County Board of Education, represents Education District 3 and has been on the board for one year.

Roberts said he has not been able to serve the students in his district or other districts as well as he hoped because of some health problems that he had to deal with. With the time he did have to work for students, he "tried to be sure each child had a safe environment to attend, including a safe building."

Roberts said the present board has had major accomplishments. He said the board was not where

the members want it to be, but he said the board is headed in the right direction.

Roberts cited the balanced budget as one of the major accomplishments of the present board. Roberts said even though the board had to be very carefully about spending, it was able to do some major repairs that have been badly needed. He also mentioned the extra effort the board has made to provide better instructional supplies for teachers and children.

Roberts said one weakness that needs to be worked out is the concept of equity throughout the system.

He said, "The system needs to be better balanced so that the children of District 3 receive the same type of education that children from other districts receive."

Roberts said his goals for the coming year include raising instructional practices to a greater level, seeing that scoring on CATS rise to the highest potential possible, providing the children with all the necessary means and material to learn and improving the current conditions of our present facilities.

Roberts said parents could help him accomplish his goals by seeing that their children go to school on a regular basis. He also said parents should bring important issues to the superintendent's attention.

He said children could do their part by learning to their fullest ability and let the board hear their feelings about their present environment and other concerns.

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## Property transfers

Gary and Dinah Anderson of Harold, to John Henry Salisbury of Harold, property location not listed.

Nathan Wright of Martin to Almar Industrial Park of Allen, property location not listed.

Garland and Nancy Keathley of Harold to Raquel Lawson of Harold, property location not listed.

Ronnie M. Slone of Prestonsburg to Benita J. Riley of Prestonsburg, property located in Brandy Keg Subdivision.

Susie Ousley Wright of Martin to James Earl Wright of Munitz, Mich., property located at Bob Ousley's Branch.

John A. and Mary Walker of Columbus, Ohio, and Emerson C. and Ligaya R. Walker of Lahabaa, Calif., to Interstate Natural Gas Company of Pikeville, mineral property along Big Sandy River.

Floyd County Fiscal Court to R & J Development of Warfield, property located at intersection of US 23 and Route 1428.

Morris and Marcia Hylton Jr. of Ivel to Morris and Marcia Hylton Jr. of Ivel, property located at Ivel.

Virbil B. Hall of McDowell, Robert D. and Jennifer D. Hall of Teaberry, Robert V. and Angela Hall of Teaberry, and Barbara and Barry Conley of Martin to Robert D. Hall of McDowell, property located at Frasure Creek.

Edith Cline of Allen to Teresa Spurlock of Allen, property location not listed.

Kevin James and Kelli R. Stumbo of Ivel to Christopher M. and Mary M. Hackworth of Van Lear, property location not listed.

George P. Archer and Sandi Archer V of Prestonsburg to Al and Peggy V. Fraley of Prestonsburg, property located on Court Street in Prestonsburg.

Burnis and Inis Bradford of David to Ottis and Cynthia Jane Bradford of David, property located at Pyramid.

Big Branch Development Company Inc. of Prestonsburg to Paul Phillip Hughes of Prestonsburg, property located in Cedar Trace Subdivision.

Rita Owens and John Gerretson of Banner to Curtis and Angela Ann Hall of Granite Falls, N.C., property located in Garrett.

Interstate Natural Gas Company of Pikeville to Eddie and Geraldine Howell of McDowell, property located on Frasure's Creek.

Stephen R. and Christine D. Thames of Wagoner, Okla., to Peter and Nicole Rottier of Banner, property located in Windy Brooks Subdivision.

Rhonda and Phillip Joel Little of Bypro to Brian R. and Melissa Johnson of Melvin, property located at Melvin.

Wright Properties of Salyersville to Red Hed Oil Company of Richmond, property located at Lackey.

Clyde and Sheila Boyd of Banner to Lorine Wakeland of Banner, property location not listed.

Vernon and Connie Nunemaker of Hager Hill to Jimmy E. and Patricia Goble of Prestonsburg, property location not listed.

Terry L. Wright of Prestonsburg to Connie L. Wright of Prestonsburg, property located on Trimble Branch Road.

D&D Investments of McDowell, Douglas Ray and Kelli Ann Hall of Eastern, and Danita Daw Hall and Larry Stumbo of McDowell to Hall and Hylton Development Inc. of Ivel, property located at Bear Hollow.

Darvin and Miro Burchett of Prestonsburg to Charles T. Miller of Prestonsburg, property location not listed.

Robert Nelson and Sarah Kathryn Moore of Prestonsburg to David Ray and Gay Nell Cooley of Prestonsburg, property located at Cliff.

Jeffrey Mark and Debbie Jones of Catlettsburg to Blake R. and Rebecca H. Burchett of Prestonsburg, property located in Garfield Addition.

Porter and Helen P. Mayo of Lexington, David Ferrell Mayo of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Jane D. Howard of Prestonsburg, and Howard Family Limited Partnership of Baltimore, Md., to Interstate Natural Gas Company of Pikeville, oil and gas lease.

Citizens National Bank of Paintsville to Floyd County Board of Education, former Bank Josephine Building in Prestonsburg.

Volney D. Allen of Langley and Volney B. and Karen Allen of Eastern to Harry G. and Doris Allen of Eastern, property location not listed.

Josephine Litton of Martin to Everett Russell Hunter of Martin, property location not listed.

Dock and Loretta Blanton of Dwale to Joan and Charles Howard of Warsaw, Ind., property located in Dwale.

Gladys Sue Hall of Wheelwright to United Companies Lending Corporation of Baton Rouge, La., property located in Wheelwright.

Hazel Shepherd of Harold to Henry Shepherd of Harold, property located at Branhams Creek.

Margaret B. Gray, as executrix of the estate of Billie Bowling, formerly of Prestonsburg, to Stella Bowling of Prestonsburg, property located at Right Fork of Middle Creek.

Connie and Keith Akers of Allen to Connie and Keith Akers of Allen, property located in Allen.

James and Judy Collins of Kendallville, Ind., to Sherrell and Jalenda Shepherd of Garrett, property location not listed.

Clayton C. and Lora Katherine Akers of Dana to Russell David and Wendy Conn of Dana, property location not listed.

Anna Belle Harris of Prestonsburg to Joe Jack and Brenda Harris of Prestonsburg, property located at Middle Creek.

Willard and Isabell Scott of Garrett to Jay and Rose Conley of Garrett, property located at Stone Coal Creek.

Marlene Hammond Tackett of Allen to Robert Alexander of Beattyville, property located in

Allen.

Junior L. and Loretta Conn of Dana, Pauline Akers of Dana, Allene and Clarence Gilbert of Newark, Del., Buford and Rosalee Conn of Almont, Mich., and Glenda Conn of Hindman to Frank Junior and Gennivene Kidd of Dana, property located at Samsom Fork of Prater Creek.

Terry Thornsberry of Martin and Larry and Artie Sue Thornsberry of Martin to Henry Michael and Diana Vanderpool of Drift, property located at Hite.

Barbara C. Bow, as trustee of Jack E. Conn Trust, to Jerry T. Bow of Betsy Layne, property location not listed.

Richard J. and Eunice Hites of Prestonsburg to Richard J. Hites, as trustee of the Richard J. Hites 1999 Revocable Trust, property located on Court Street in Prestonsburg.

Joe and Nettie Martin of Beaver to Delorse Ann Martin of Beaver, property located at Big Mud Creek.

Mitchell Wayne and Elizabeth Williams of Stanville to Tony and Stefanie Kidd of Stanville, property located in Stanville.

Dana L. Woods of Hueysville to Clarence Stephen Woods of Hueysville, property located at Hueysville.

Azzie Tackett of El Paso, Texas, to James and Earnesteene Kendrick Jr. of Warren, Mich., property located at Frasure Creek.

Joyce Daniels of Prestonsburg and Bonnie Sue and Frank Goble of Ypsilanti, Mich., to Rose Annie Martin of Prestonsburg, property located in East Avenue in Prestonsburg.

Ed Hall of Allen to Edmona Calhoun of Allen, property located in Allen.

Ed Hall of Allen to Danny Hall of East Point and Mary Sue Dillion of Vermilion, Ohio, property located in Allen.

Star Bank N.A., now known as Firstar Bank N.A., of Owensboro to Karen Kay Ousley of Prestonsburg, property located at Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek.

Bobby J. Hamilton of Topmost to Childers Oil Company of Whitesburg, property located in Wayland.

Edward and Peggy B. Ousley of Prestonsburg to Lloyd Keith Hall of Prestonsburg, property located at Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek.

Curtis Lee and Edith Mae Holbrooks of Prestonsburg to Edith Mae Holbrooks of Prestonsburg, property location not listed.

Frank M. and Hester Leslie of Prestonsburg to Darrell Leslie of Prestonsburg, Bennett Leslie of Prestonsburg, John P. Leslie of Prestonsburg, and Jerry M. Leslie of Chapmansville, W. Va., property located at Cow Creek.

## Civil suits filed

Mae B. Howell vs. Vernon Howell

Della M. Carrol Hall vs. Andy Steve Hall

Conseco Finance Servicing Corporation vs. Earl Tackett, et al

Community Trust Bank vs. Armino Allen vs. Ricky Allen

Nola Nelson

Dr. Donald V. Bryson vs. Malcolm Wallen, et al

Leader Mortgage Corporation vs. Gregory R. Trusty, et al

Tina Renee Kurkowski vs. James Anthony Kurkowski

Rhoda J. McKinney Hall vs. Ford Motor Company

Genevieve McKinney vs. Teresa Hall

Inez Deposit Bank vs. Richard Bickford, et al

Appalachian Regional Healthcare vs. Phillip Ray Caudill

Patrick T. Conley, et al vs. City of Prestonsburg

Contimortgage Corporation vs. Stevie Clark, et al

Conseco Finance Servicing Corporation vs. Ricky Thomas

Greenpoint Credit Corporation vs. Johnny D. Howell

Raymond Bragg, et al vs. Kentucky RSA #9-10 Inc., et al

Connie Clark vs. Gary Rogers Johnson

Community Trust Bank vs. Anita Daniels

Mary A. Elkins vs. Bellsouth Telecommunications

FirStar Finance vs. John Ousley, et al

Rosanna Edmonds vs. James Edmonds

Owens, Vickie L. vs. Mary Blair

Jeffrey Maggard vs. Gabriel Shepherd, et al

Larry Dale Mitchell vs. Alisa Mason Mitchell

Kinzer, Lettie Jo Smith vs. Gary Edward Kinzer

Alta Thomas vs. Willis Thomas

Annetta Stegall vs. Stanley Stegall

Hurt, Virgie vs. Deborah Short Rita Ousley vs. Clifford Ousley

William Powers vs. Regina Powers

Maggie Salisbury vs. Charles Salisbury

Bank of America vs. Paulette White, et al

Kentucky Medical Services Foundation Inc. vs. Rogers Power

Willie B. Honeycutt, et al vs. Wanda S. Morgan, et al

Garth Bolen vs. Heather W. Woods

Greenpoint Credit vs. Kevin Hall, et al

Towayna Blevins vs. Rachel A. McCurley

Randy Ray vs. Stephania Blair Ray

Hazard ARH Psychiatric Hospital vs. Elmer McKenzie

Jessica Dawn Young Vance vs. Cola J. Vance

Kelli Lynn Mitchell vs. David M. Mitchell

Melissa Kidd vs. James Smith

Pamela Burchett, et al vs. Rebecca Dye

Armino Allen vs. Ricky Allen

FirStar Bank vs. Timothy Randall Allen

Amanda Williams Bentley vs. Anthony Wayne Bentley

Adam C. Tackett vs. Harold Henry, et al

Floyd County, Kentucky, et al vs. Loran Raschella, et al

Floyd County, Kentucky, et al vs. Miller Mining Company

Providian National Bank vs. Vernon Goine Jr.

City of Prestonsburg vs. UniSign Corporation Inc.

Damon L. Hill vs. April L. Hill

Donna Jones Jarvis vs. Charles Dwayne Jarvis

Carolyn Hill vs. Highlands Regional Medical Center

John Allen Jr. vs. Gabriel White, et al

Greenpoint Credit vs. Claude L. Little

Jill Reynolds vs. Brent L. Bentley

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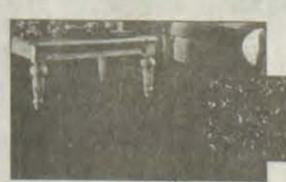
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# Viewpoint

Sunday, January 30, 2000 A4

## QUOTE OF THE DAY...

Beauty is how you feel inside, and it reflects in your eyes. It is not something physical.

Sophia Loren—

## Editorial

### Which way, governor?

Gov. Paul Patton unveiled his proposals for how the state will collect and spend money over the next two years, and in the process sent a confusing message.

Bowing to pressure to reform the state's tax code by distributing the load more fairly, Patton proposed reducing state income taxes on low-income families, eliminating them entirely for 200,000 of the poorest taxpayers.

Yet, in the same breath, the governor also proposed expanding the state sales tax to cover some, but not all, services which are currently exempt.

Guess who will be stuck with the shaft on that one?

Should Patton's proposal pass, Kentuckians would begin to pay the state's 6 percent sales tax whenever visiting a barber, auto mechanic or appliance repairman.

However, notably absent from the list of services are those used more often by wealthier Kentuckians, such as legal and financial services.

While the income tax changes would take \$25 million off the backs of low-income taxpayers, the service sales tax would add \$165 million to the state treasury over the next year, with the bulk of that being paid by those very same low-income families by income tax reform, and even those currently who do not make enough to pay income tax.

Plus, gas prices would jump seven cents more a gallon due to a proposed hike in the gasoline tax — a tax already scorned as one of the most regressive in existence.

So would low-income Kentuckians be better off under Patton's tax plan? It seems very unlikely.

Still, the governor's approach is nothing new. Kentucky has for years lived with a tax policy lacking direction, a policy in name only.

What is needed is a fresh approach to the state's tax structure which both the state and the families residing in it can live with. The time is rapidly approaching to scrap the current code entirely and start over from the beginning.

Patton's proposal, on the other hand, is more of the same.

—Ralph B. Davis



## Letters to the Editor

### Posting of the Ten Commandments is no cure—but it's a start

Editor:

I am amazed to see all the furor regarding the posting of the ten commandments in public places—courthouses, schools, offices etc. I commend those in Harlan, Pike, Floyd and other counties who have taken a stand for what's right, albeit 30 years late.

When I was child growing up in South Florida we had prayer in school, we had a Bible reading or thought for the day, we had the ten commandments posted in public, we were taught right from wrong, to respect authority and to practice good manners as well as the golden rule.

I am bright and observant and failed to see any child harmed in any way by these practices. In the turmoil and liberalism of the late '60s early 70s.

our parents let individuals and small splinter groups take these rules of ethics and morality out of the public eye to the great detriment of society.

When I was a child, parents for the most part took an active role in teaching and raising their kids right. The schools reinforced that training. Now materialism and self gratification have replaced quality time with our children, and the schools are not allowed to teach what we once were taught.

Just look around you. You see youth gangs, violence, crime, etc., that is far worse than it was 30 years ago. Parents are too busy to be held accountable or responsible and expect the government and the schools to raise their kids.

The problem is the government will not allow the schools to help out even though it is not their main function. So we get generation upon generation of young people who feel it is OK to lie, cheat, steal and stab your friends in the back as long as you get ahead and make some money doing it.

Let's set a couple of things straight right now.

First of all, the federal government has no authority (read the 9th and 10th amendments) to control local schools and the decisions made therein.

Secondly, the founding fathers did not, once again, did not separate church and state. They were godly men who did not want a state religion as was the case with the Anglican church in England and the Catholic Church in much of Europe.

The issue was to keep churches from dominating the government and to allow religious freedoms, not to outlaw morals, ethics and references to God in government and public places.

Also, am I not correct in assuming that in a democracy the majority rules? If 70-80 percent of the public wants the ten commandments posted anywhere, then so be it. No one is being forced to memorize them, no one is threatened if they walk by and don't read them. They are a good set of rules for any race or religion to go by.

In our headlong rush to guarantee every splinter group, every kook and misfit their civil rights we have trampled on the civil liberties we as a people have under the constitution.

If one person whines and 500 don't, we kiss the butt of the whiner. Under these operating rules "Bubby Crotchgrab" who got three votes for Governor should be in Paul Patton's chair if he whines and says he's been unfairly treated. What a joke of a premise.

But we have allowed it to go on for 30+ years now. One last truth—man's law does not supersede God's law.

No, the ten commandments won't solve society ills (unless universally practiced) but it is a small step in the right direction.

Charles E. Scoville  
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### Commandments are secular, not religious

Editor:

I am amused by the actions of our Floyd County Fiscal Court in bravely displaying the Ten Commandments. The implication here seems that they are defying the godless Supreme Court by publicly displaying an article of their Christian religion. It does not seem equal, however, to nailing 95 theses to a cathedral door.

The Ten Commandments are a beautiful sentiment, a worthwhile set of rules for any people to learn and follow. But they are technically a secular, ethical statement and not a part of the actual scripture or dogma of any existing religion. Thus, in this sense, the Supreme Court's ruling against displaying the Commandments and people defiantly displaying them seems to be much to do about nothing. The Ten Commandments can easily be defended as a secular document.

The Ten Commandments are part of the Old Testament, which Christians are taught to accept as the history of our universe, our earth and the creation of mankind. In this context, the Old Testament imparts to us the knowledge of God and His relationship to mankind.

Of signal importance to us as Christians, the Old

Testament states that God selected the tribes of Israel as His "chosen people" and in time established His laws through the prophets such as Abraham and Moses. It is in the "Law of Moses" that we receive the truly magnificent Ten Commandments. But the laws

(See Letter, page five)

### Quizlet poll results

Last week's question: "Should the Ten Commandments be displayed in public buildings?"

Yes - 65 votes, 81 percent.

No - 15 votes, 19 percent

80 total responses

This week's question: "Who do you favor for the Democratic nomination for president?"

To answer this question, visit the Times' website at [www.floydcountytimes.com/opinion.htm](http://www.floydcountytimes.com/opinion.htm)

Results will be published each Sunday on this page.

## Poison Pen

by Ralph Davis  
Managing Editor



### An interesting election at last

It's going to be an interesting, interesting year for local politics...

Tuesday was the deadline for all those folks wanting to run for office to get their candidacy papers in, and the election year got off to a rolling start with two surprises.

First off, Commonwealth's Attorney John Earl Hunt redrew the expected political landscape by simply deciding to stay home. Hunt's decision not to run for re-election ended a heavyweight match-up with his predecessor, former prosecutor Jerry Patton, before it ever began.

Instead, stepping into the vacancy left by Hunt was his assistant, Brent Turner.

At this stage of the game, one would most certainly have to give the edge to Patton over newcomer Turner. But then again, this stage of the game doesn't count.

I learned that lesson long ago when a fellow by the name of Bill Clinton was dead and buried, only to come back and win the presidency, then repeated the performance to win a second term.

With four months to go before the primary, it will be interesting to see how the race plays out. While Turner doesn't have an extensive record, he's also not had the opportunity to make any political enemies. And while Patton does have a record he can point to, that necessitates a certain amount of baggage, such as his most recent feud with the school board.

But the biggest surprise of the newborn campaign has to be the entry of Drift resident and Johnson Central High School basketball Coach Johnny Ray Turner into the race against longtime Sen. Benny Ray Bailey.

For the longest time, Bailey was the golden child of local politics, along with state Rep. Greg Stumbo and U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers. None of the three could be beat, it seemed.

While that's still true for Stumbo and Rogers, this latest term has not been the kindest for Bailey. After masterminding the ouster of longtime Senate President John "Eck" Rose by forging an allegiance with Republicans, Bailey saw his star rise in Frankfort, becoming chairman of the all-powerful Appropriations Committee.

But those fortunes took a turn for the worse after Sen. Dan Seum of Louisville and Sen. Bob Leeper of Paducah jumped across the aisle to give Republicans their first-ever majority in the senior body.

When the dust settled, Bailey had to say goodbye to the chairmanship and hello to some fairly angry members of his own party.

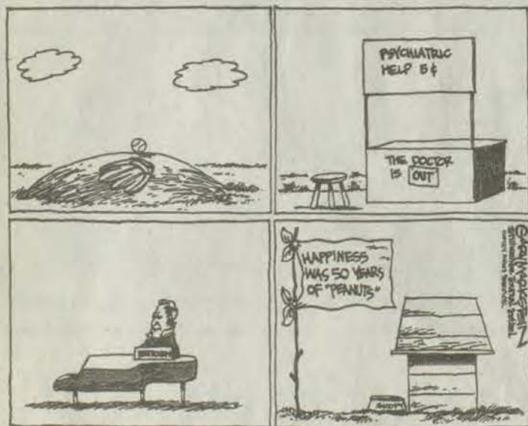
Of course, that's all Frankfort politics, and the fallout is by no means certain to drift into the mountains. Still, Bailey is stinging and he now faces a popular coach of a popular sport in a bid to save his seat.

Turner, of course, has weathered a few storms of his own in the coaching ranks and has come out victorious. And if you think that doesn't count, just try to survive being a JCHS coach who loses to cross-town rival Paintsville 16 games in a row. There are few challenges of that magnitude to be found in Frankfort.

So, with Bailey taking a few lumps and Turner having strong ties to two of the district's most populous counties, look for a close race in May and don't be surprised if Turner stages the upset.

But Bailey will be tough to beat. While Turner can only point to basketball wins as his strongest public record, Bailey has the luxury of pointing out the millions of dollars he's helped bring to the region.

Hardwood vs. hard cash? That's a match-up to close to call in eastern Kentucky. Like I said, it's going to be an interesting, interesting year...



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Floyd County native Nikki Ratliff Salunga was given an award for her service aboard the USS MAHAN.

# Technology fuels franchising growth

(NAPSA)-Franchising continues to be a hot business opportunity. FranInfo reports that a recent Gallup Poll of franchisees found that more than 94 percent considered themselves successful. And according to a study by the U.S. Small Business Administration, retail technology should keep franchise operator satisfaction high well into the next millennium.

The SBA study identified improvements in the technology of retailing as a primary factor in the record growth in franchising in this country. The SBA says that franchising sales will account for nearly 40 percent of total retail sales in the U.S. in 2000, up from 34 percent in 1990 and 28 percent in 1975.

One example of how technology is positively impacting the franchising industry is GNC Franchising, Inc.'s new GENEral Nutrition Electronic Support Information System (GENESIS), a secure intranet site created to assist operators with virtually every aspect of running a GNC store.

"Genesis is a tool designed to give every GNC franchise operator immediate access to the resources they need to be successful," said Russell L. Cooper, senior vice president and general manager of GNC Franchising, Inc., a subsidiary of General Nutrition Companies, Inc. "With GENESIS, a GNC store operator can do everything from instantly accessing the latest

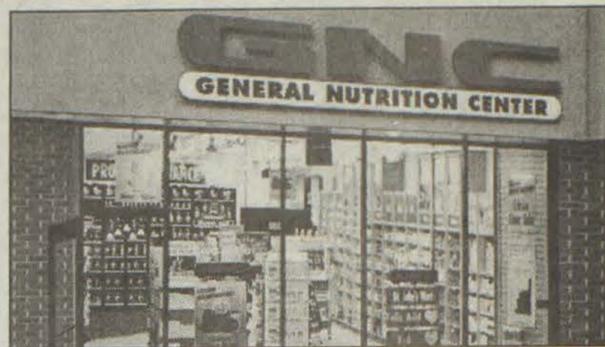
information on products, pricing, marketing and operations to participating in online business-building sessions with other franchisees, outside vendors and GNC support teams."

Cooper said that such technology has helped enable retailers like GNC to expand into small and medium-sized towns across the U.S. GNC also makes genesis available to international franchise operators, helping the company to establish a presence in 25 countries.

"Technologies such as genesis, working in conjunction with GNC's comprehensive field support infrastructure, allows franchise operators to have the same level of company support, regardless of their location," he said.

GNC Franchising has identified nearly 500 expansion markets across the U.S. that have no GNC presence as part of an aggressive expansion program the company is backing with a special financing package including direct financing to qualified candidates.

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## Salunga receives medal for service

Lieutenant junior grade (LTJg) Nikki Ratliff Salunga was recently awarded her second Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for service onboard USS Mahan (DDG 72).

Salunga is assigned as the fire control officer and leads 18 technicians who maintain the SPY-1D fire control radar and the Aegis Weapons System, the most advanced weapons system in the world. During October 1999, she coordinated MAHAN's preparations for a highly successful firing exercise which took place in the Puerto Rican Operating Area alongside ships from the Eisenhower Battle Group.

The citation for Salunga's award reads, "In preparation for Eisenhower Battle Group's missile exercise, she demonstrated technical expertise far beyond her formal technical training. She expertly prepared, developed and tested a comprehensive missile firing plan that provided step-by-step procedures to properly configure the Aegis weapons system to fire missiles. Her efforts enabled the ship to successfully fire three standard missiles during two extremely challenging and realistic target presentations. All three engagements were

evaluated as kill, with one scoring a direct hit. Mahan was the only battle group ship to achieve perfection. Salunga's direct involvement in all phases of the exercise ensured success and guaranteed Mahan's qualifications for the Maritime Warfare Excellence Award."

Salunga was awarded her first Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal earlier this year for service as an Engineering Officer aboard USS Haylor (DD 997) from January 1997 — December 1998. She was also recently selected for promotion to lieutenant, a rank she will assume in May.

Salunga, daughter of Allen Central Middle School teacher Sheila Ratliff, is a native of Wayland, and a 1992 graduate of the June Buchanan School. Following graduation from the United States Naval Academy in 1996, she was commissioned a naval officer and has since served onboard two Navy destroyers, completing two deployments overseas to the Mediterranean Sea and the Persian Gulf. Her ship will deploy for six months to the Mediterranean Seas, with Eisenhower Battle Group in February.

## Popular spray lubricant going for 2,000 in 2000

(NAPSA)-Marketplace trends are making scientists of marketers. Competition continues to force companies to chisel out niches and subdivide from there to deliver products designed to appeal to sharply defined target audiences. Marketers are pleased if they can find a single appealing and enduring product use, let alone more than one.

A precious few companies deliver a product that takes care of more than one area of our lives. Baking soda is a winner with dozens of uses from baking to brushing your teeth.

But how many companies can boast 2,000 uses for a single product? WD-40 Company is about to be the first.

The makers of the familiar WD-40® recently announced the launch of an official search to identify 2,000 unique uses for the

multi-purpose spray lubricant in the year 2000. The "Search for 2000 Uses" Sweepstakes carries a grand prize of \$10,000 worth of WD-40 Company stock.

According to the Company, many people have written over the years sharing new uses they've discovered for WD-40. People use WD-40 for everything from keeping locks from freezing to removing crayon marks on walls to loosening rusted bolts. Police even used it to free a naked burglar who was stuck in an air duct!

Through the Search for 2000 Uses Sweepstakes, the company plans to gather and catalog the uses and share them with other consumers.

"We put up a new web site last year that features use tips for all

our brands, and the number one request we get is for a list of all the uses of WD-40," said Tom Barman, brand manager for WD-40.

Entries can be submitted online at <http://www.wd40.com> through Nov. 30, 2000 or by mail by hand-printing name, address, phone number, age, e-mail address (if applicable) and the use for WD-40 on a piece of paper (8.5" x 11"). Entries submitted by mail must be sent to WD-40 "2000 USES" SWEEPSTAKES, P.O. Box 6041, Sherman Oaks, CA 91413.

A full set of rules may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to WD-40 RULES at the above PO Box.

## Letter

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of Abraham and Moses, and the entire text of the Old Testament, from Genesis to Malachi, is Judaism, of course, as described by Christian writers down through the centuries. Yet, throughout the countless centuries covered by the Old Testament, the text and the prophets foretold the birth of Jesus Christ. This was done as unerringly as the flight of an arrow, with four centuries elapsing from the period covered by the prophet Malachi and the disciple Matthew. We, as Christians, accept that Christ was born in the city of Bethlehem 2,000 years ago. The birth of Christ, His ministry and His crucifixion fulfilled the tenets of the Old Testament as well as the laws of Abraham and Moses. The Commandments are a part of the Law of Moses. This fulfillment and completion of the prophecy of the Old Testament places it in a kind of twilight zone.

Three great religions, Judaism, Islam and Christianity, have their origins or history in the events covered by the Old Testament. Yet, each religion has its own distinct scripture aside and separate from

the Old Testament.

To argue as to what religious status this places the Old Testament is somewhat like debating how many angels can dance on the head of a pin. The verdict can only be what you believe and accept. My personal belief is that the birth of Christ, His ministry, crucifixion and resurrection ended the covenants of the Old Testament. Yet this magnificent book brings us across all the centuries to Bethlehem and Calvary. And we become Christians within the province of the ministry of Jesus Christ. Thus, the Old Testament is not our covenant.

Yet, to me, the Ten Commandments remain a magnificent statement of ethics and rules to guide one through life. But they are secular rules and statements of ethics, outside any consideration of the separation of church and state. But I cannot think of a more appropriate place on this earth to hang the Ten Commandments than the Floyd County Fiscal Court. They have needed them for two centuries.

Lloyd "Blue" Goble  
Prestonsburg, Ky.

## Attention all Grandparents!



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According to the Vinyl Siding Institute, many historic areas in the U.S. have approved the use of vinyl siding. Many accents and trims are also available to complement the appearance of a historic home. Details around windows, sunbursts, dentil molding, pediments, fish-scale shingles and a variety of profiles are all available to create or restore the integrity of an older home.

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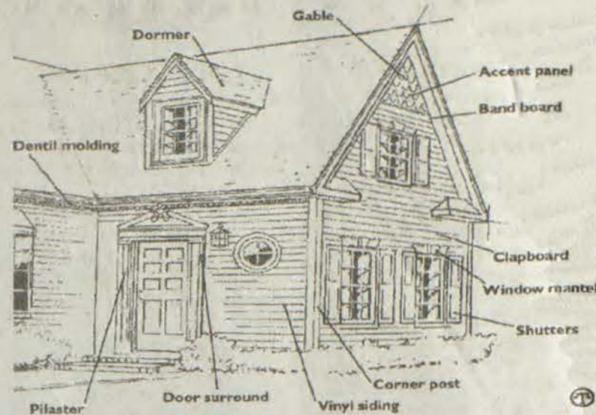
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Low-maintenance vinyl exteriors are available to replicate all parts of a home's historic details.

# Millennium news for small business: 10 ways to improve your cash flow

It's the topic of books, the focus of seminars, and a critical part of most business plans. Why all the fuss? Easy. Cash flow is a lifeblood of a business. Whether you're a mom and pop operation or the latest Internet start-up, a healthy cash flow is essential for small business success.

The key, reports the Kentucky Society of CPAs, is to accelerate your cash inflow and postpone your cash outflow. Here are 10 tips to get you started.

## • Establish sound credit practices

When dealing with new customers, always obtain at least three trade references and a bank reference. Credit information reports, such as those supplied by Dun and Bradstreet, can report a firm's general financial condition, as well as how quickly (or slowly) the company pays its bills. Never grant credit before you are comfortable with the customer's ability to pay.

## • Expedite fulfillment and shipping

Make every effort to fill orders accurately and efficiently, and then use the quickest means of delivering your products or services to your customers. Unnecessary delays in filling orders or delivering services can add days or weeks to your cash inflow, not to mention give your customers a negative impression.

## • Bill promptly and accurately

The faster you mail invoices, the faster you'll be paid. Where possible, an invoice should be sent when the order is shipped. If deliveries do not automatically trigger invoices, establish a set schedule for invoicing, preferably weekly. If you're doing a job that takes a long time to complete, bill in stages. Check invoices before mailing to

ensure accuracy. An invoice should include the date it was prepared, the customer's name and address, a description of the goods or services delivered to the customer, the amount due, and when payment is expected. Invoices without payment terms may automatically fall to the bottom of customers' payment piles.

## • Offer discounts for prompt payment

Some customers will pay sooner if you give them an incentive to do so. Trade discounts typically give customers one percent or two percent off the total amount due if payment is made in 10 days. Consider offering such a discount to customers who pay promptly—especially if this is a common practice in your industry.

Many businesses deal with each collection problem on a case by case basis. You can benefit from establishing written credit and collection policies in advance. These policies represent a systems approach to help you and your employees determine who should get how much credit and what will happen at various stages in the collection cycle. Using a systematic approach will improve your cash flow. A credit and collection policy may include some of the ideas that follow below.

## • Aggressively follow up on past due accounts

As soon as a bill becomes overdue, call the customer and ask when you can expect payment. Note the content of your conversation and the customer's promises for future reference. Set a date for following up in the event payment is not received. If you have delinquent customers with genuine financial problems, try to get at least some small amount every week. Don't accept too many promises before you bring in the professional help of

an attorney or collection agency.

## • Deposit payments promptly

Once you receive payment, don't let the check sit in a drawer waiting to be deposited. The sooner you make the deposit, the sooner you can put the money to work in your business. If you're really serious about speeding up your cash flow, a post office box or lockbox banking can accelerate the receipt of checks.

## • Seek better payment terms from suppliers and banks

The simplest way to slow down your company's outflow is to negotiate better payment terms with your suppliers. Although most suppliers provide terms of 30 days, terms of 60 and 90 days are sometimes available. If you can get better credit terms, essentially you have borrowed money interest-free. Sometimes getting longer payment periods may mean changing suppliers. However, faced with this possibility, your current supplier might agree to meet your company's needs. If it's your bank loan payment that is choking your business, talk to your banker about restructuring.

## • Keep a tight control on inventory

Less cash tied up in inventory typically means better cash flow. Suppliers are often willing to offer deeper discounts on volume purchases, but if that inventory sits on the shelf for a long time, it is tying up money that could be put to more productive use.

## • Review and reduce expenses

Take a critical look at all expenses to determine if they are truly necessary. If you're not sure, hold back until you are confident that the expense will favorably impact the

bottom line. Keep your eyes open for ways to decrease operational costs. For example, switching from weekly to bi-weekly payroll can reduce payroll processing costs significantly and slow your cash outflow. Do not reduce critical costs that will potentially reduce your "top line." For instance, rather than reducing marketing costs, consider redirecting the expenditures to generate a more positive impact.

## • Pay bills on time, but never before they are due

The basic rule of delaying cash outflow is to take as long as you're allowed (without incurring late fees or interest charges) to pay your company's bills. Consider making an exception to this rule only when you are offered a trade discount for early payment.

If you need to help maximizing your business's cash flow, consult with a CPA who works with small businesses.

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## This week at PIKEVILLE COLLEGE

<b>Sunday, January 30</b>	SGA Event: Ski Trip sign-ups Dining Hall Broozeway
5:30 p.m.	SGA Event: Super Bowl Party
<b>Tuesday, February 1</b>	Chapel: Guest Speaker-Charlie Higgins of Meta Baptist Church Meditation Chapel
7:00 p.m.	SGA Event: Double Feature Movie Night
<b>Thursday, February</b>	Women's Basketball vs. University Va-Wise
5:30 p.m.	
<b>Friday, February 4</b>	SGA Event: Ski Trip
11:00 a.m.	PCSOM Guest Speaker: Lloyd Vest Chrisman Auditorium
<b>Saturday, February 5</b>	Trustees' Meeting Lexington, KY
3:00 p.m.	Men's Basketball @ Brescia College Owensboro, KY

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# Breast cancer early detection: A year-round mission

(NAPSA)-Breast cancer is the most common form of cancer in women in the United States, and every woman is at risk. Statistics show that one in nine women in the country will develop breast cancer in her lifetime. Some breast irregularities are found by women themselves, yet most women do not perform breast self-exams regularly.

Avon Products, Inc. started the Avon Breast Cancer Awareness Crusade in 1993 to spread the vital message that early detection offers the best chance for successful treatment. Every woman can practice the three recommended steps for early detection: annual mammogram beginning at age 40 (or as appropriate for family history); annual clinical breast exam beginning at age 20; and monthly breast self-exam beginning at age 20.

Since its inception, the Avon Breast Cancer Awareness Crusade has delivered more than \$37 million in grants to support 500 breast cancer early detection and education programs in the U.S., making Avon the largest corporate supporter of breast health in the country. Year-round the Crusade raises funds through the sale of special pink ribbon products and a series of fundraising events called AVON Breast Cancer 3-Days.

Nearly 500,000 U.S. Avon representatives sell the Pink Ribbon Collection, including the new scented Avon Pink Ribbon Candle (\$3.50), Pink Ribbon Pen (\$3) and Pink Ribbon Pins (\$2 each). Each product comes in an attractive gift box, perfect for any special occasion,

and includes educational material about breast cancer. All proceeds from these sales fund non-profit breast cancer early detection programs.

"The programs we support reach women of every age, ethnic background and income level with vital information about breast cancer, mammograms and clinical breast exams," said Patricia Sterling, Manager of the Avon Breast Cancer Awareness Crusade. "Avon recognizes how important it is to spread the life-saving message of early detection, and will continue to dedicate resources to women's health into the millennium."

In 1998 the Avon Crusade expanded to include the first AVON Breast Cancer 3-Day—a 60-mile, three-day fundraising walk in southern California with 2,400 walkers and 500 volunteer crew, that raised net proceeds of \$5 million. Based on the event's success, four 3-Day events took place in 1999, and in 2000 the AVON Breast Cancer 3-Day will come to seven cities: Atlanta, Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Washington, D.C.

To learn more, visit Avon's website at [www.avoncrusade.com](http://www.avoncrusade.com). To register to walk, volunteer or pledge financial support to the AVON Breast Cancer 3-Day, visit the website or call toll-free 1-888-3DAY-

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# OBITUARIES

# REGIONAL OBITUARIES

## Bessie Lewis Goble

Bessie Lewis Goble, 81, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, January 27, 2000, at her residence.

She was born March 12, 1918 at Ivel, the daughter of the late Samuel Taubie and Julia Crum Lewis. She was a member of the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church at Auxier.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Leon Goble.

She is survived by six sons, Samuel Goble of Trenton, Florida, Willie Lee Goble, Leslie Goble and Arthur Dean Goble, all of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Frankie Goble of Tecumseh, Michigan, and Carvel Goble of Allen; five daughters, Imile Kathryn Hunt of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Cora Muck of New Boston, Michigan, Arizona Vines of Means, Lockie Blevins of Kingsport, Tennessee, and Zina Goble of Prestonsburg; one sister, Coulie Lewis of Prestonsburg; three half-brothers, Roscoe Lewis and Monroe Lewis, both of West Liberty, and Marvin Lewis of Tram; four half-sisters, Letha Lewis of Tennessee, Elmo Hunt of Tram, Doris Jean Hunt and Della Faye Hunt, both of Stanville; 23 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, January 29, at 1 p.m., in the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bobby Joe Spencer officiating.

Burial will be in the Family Cemetery at Cow Creek, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

## Georgia Lee Ward

Georgia Lee Ward, 75, of Pikeville died Friday, January 28 at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. A former chief operator for South Central Bell, she was also owner of WLSI until her retirement in 1989.

A member of the Baptist faith, she was born January 21, 1925, in Harlan to the late Seretta Wilson and Charles Gross. She was also preceded in death by her husband, John M. Ward, and two sisters, Mae Brooks and Faye Dant.

Survivors include two sisters, Jean Justice of Pikeville and Jewell Glasgow of Indianland, Florida; two daughters, Karen Friend of Pikeville and Connie Ritz of South Shore; four grandchildren, John Friend, Nicole Friend, Tina Amos and Linc Ritz; and three great-grandchildren, Derek Logan Friend, Lucas Bradley Amos and Julia Elizabeth Ritz.

Visitation was held Saturday at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Services will take place at 11 a.m. tomorrow at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home under the direction of Rev. Steve Knisley. Burial will follow in Johnson Memorial Park in Pikeville.

Pallbearers include John Friend, Linc Ritz, Tom Friend, Mike Ritz, Shaun Amos, Charles Lynn Brooks and Richard Justice. Honorary pallbearers include Jim Kreutzer and Charles Moore.

## John E. Coleman

John E. Coleman, 64, chairman of the Board of Directors of Kentucky National Bank of Pikeville, died January 28, 2000, at his residence.

Born in Pike County, January 6, 1936, the son of the late Lou Carroll Coleman and James M. Coleman, he was a banker and member of the Shelby Church of Christ.

He is survived by his wife, Fern Justice Coleman; two daughters, Mitzi Richardson of Elizabethtown, Janie Coleman Rice of Chatsworth, Georgia; and two brothers, Jack Coleman of Muskegon, Michigan, Daryl Johnson of Mountain City, Tennessee and one sister, Charline Nelson of Ashland.

Funeral services were to be conducted Sunday, January 30, at 2 p.m., at the J.W. Call Funeral Home, with Bud Ford officiating.

Entombment is in the Whispering Woodlands Mausoleum at R.H. Ratliff Cemetery, Shelbiana, under the direction of J.W. Call Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers are Bill Casebolt, John Scalf, Buddy Workman, Paul Howell, Dorby Hopkins, Kermit McPeck, Junior Phillips, Tivis Newsome Jr., Chris Ford and Roger Ford.

Honorary pallbearers are: Ronald Gene Ward, Joey Justice, Jim Bowersock, Kennel Little, Pernell Little, Blake Belcher, Troy Robinson, Victor Mullins, Jim DeBoard, Eugene Price, Robert Page, Marquetta Blackburn and the Board of Directors at the Kentucky National Bank.

## Lucille A. Kraft

Lucille A. Kraft, 57, of Williston, Fla., formerly of Floyd County, died Friday, January 28, at her sister's residence at Indianapolis, Indiana, following an extended illness.

Born on June 8, 1942, in Halo, she was the daughter of Hattie Hamilton Tackett of Hi Hat and the late William Bill Tackett. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Edward Josh Kraft; six brothers, Donald Ray Tackett of Craynor, Robert "Bobby" Tackett of Alabama, John D. Tackett, Ronnie Tackett, Randy Tackett of Hi Hat and Larry Tackett of Teaberry; and six sisters, Eartha Deitz and Patty Fowler of Indianapolis, Noralene Hamilton of Prestonsburg, Irene Pellegrino of California, Billy Faye Henson of Price, Betty Kiser of Pikeville.

Funeral services will be conducted on Monday, January 31, 2000 at 1 p.m. at the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church at Hi Hat officiated by ministers of the Old Regular Baptist faith.

Burial will follow in the Hamilton Cemetery at Tinker Fork, Teaberry.

Visitation will be held at the Little Nancy Old Regular Baptist Church at Hi Hat, after 5 p.m. Saturday.

## Pike County

Billie Jean Adkins, 68, of Detroit, formerly of Pikeville, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at her home. Funeral services were under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Imal Faye Brown, 76, of Pikeville, died Sunday, January 23, 2000, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Everett C. Brown. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, January 26, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Ethel Lowe Clark, 80, of Pikeville, died Saturday, January 22, 2000, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home in Pikeville. She is survived by her husband, Dennis Clark. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 25, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Jimmy Lee Daniel, 53, of Titusville, Florida, died Sunday, January 23, 2000, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Moriea Robinson Daniel. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 28, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Clinton Dove, 60, of Phelps, died Friday, January 21, 2000, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 25, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home-Phelps Chapel.

Glen Edward Gannon, 34, of Waxhaw, North Carolina, formerly of Raccoon, died Thursday, January 20, 2000, in Waxhaw. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 23, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Grace Elizabeth Holmes, 92, of Winchester, died Sunday, January 23, 2000. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, January 26, under the direction of Wallace-Thompson Funeral Homes-Bradford-Sullivan Chapel.

Luna Elizabeth Lowe, 87, of Hatfield, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, January 27, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

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## The "Word" for the Week But it's not fair

by Dr. Dennis J. Prutow  
No one likes unjust suffering. It happens a great deal. You get a bad wrap at school or at work. Someone else does not do their share on a project. The boss calls you on the carpet. "It's not fair," you say. Look at what the Bible says. "It is better, if God should will it so, that you suffer for doing what is right than for doing what is wrong" (1 Peter 3:17). When you suffer for doing something wrong, you should accept it, not grumble and complain, reform, and get on with living.

What about suffering for doing what is right? It is actually far better. You should not do wrong and

Rexford Donald Polley, 63, died Wednesday, January 19, 2000, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Norma Polley. A memorial service was to be held Saturday, January 29. Arrangements are under the direction of Justice Funeral Services.

Landon "Fodderhead" Ratliff, 76, of Ferrells Creek, died Monday, January 24, 2000, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, January 27, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services.

Kenneth Tackett, 52, of Virgie, died Saturday, January 22, 2000, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann Stewart Tackett. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, January 26, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Earl McKinley Tilley, 87, of McCarr, died Saturday, January 22, 2000, at Good Shepherd Community Nursing Center. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 25, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Pricy Varney, 87, of Sidney, died Sunday, January 23, 2000. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, January 26, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Walter Hall, 73, of Virgie, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Janet Hall. Funeral services were under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Stella Justice, 88, of Virgie, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Stella M. Osborne Justice, 88, of Virgie, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 28, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Cazzie Tackett, 75, of Little Creek, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000. He is survived by his wife,

Ella Branham Tackett. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 28, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Oma Holloway, 83, of Upper Chloe, died Wednesday, January 26, 2000. She is survived by her husband, Frank Holloway. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 29, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Wade D. Thacker, 45, of Canada, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 29, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Walter Douglas Hall, 73, of Virgie, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000. He is survived by his wife, Janet Hall. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 28, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Bessie Ellen Robinette, 91, of Varney, died Wednesday, January 26, 2000. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 30, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Ravenell D. Snider, 61, of Louisville, formerly of Dry Fork of Shelby, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at Jewish Hospital in Louisville. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 29, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Gladys Margie Grizzle, 68, of Mouthcard, died Wednesday, January 26, 2000, at the Morgan County Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, January 30, under direction of the Bailey Funeral Home.

Eugene Mann, 67, of Turkey Creek, died Wednesday, January 26, 2000. He is survived by his wife, Gail Bevins Mann. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 29, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Fannie M. Call, 86, of McAndrews, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital's Skilled Nursing Facility. Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 28, under the direction of

Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

Dewey H. Crabtree, 79, of Hart, Michigan, died Tuesday, January 25, 2000, at the Lakeshore Community Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 29, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

## Magoffin County

Mody Mullins Cole, 88, of Salyersville, died Friday, January 21, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 24, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Home.

Honna Lou Keeton Gividen, 64, of Franklin, Ohio, died Friday, January 14, at Hospice, of Dayton, Ohio. She is survived by her husband, Richard A. Gividen. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 18, under the direction of Unglesby-Anderson Funeral Home.

## Johnson County

Clarence "Jack" Endicott, 87, formerly of Martin County, died Friday, December 31, 1999, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 3, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Herma Lee Church, 79, of Volga, died Friday, January 21, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, January 24, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Sanford Sherwood Williams, 71, of Flat Gap, died Wednesday, January 19, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted at Fish Trap United Baptist Church, Staffordsville, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Nellie Johnson, 70, of Hager Hill, died Sunday, January 23, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 25, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Nolda Castle, 94, of Johnson County, died Wednesday, January 26. Funeral services were under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

## Women urged to take control of their health

(NUE) - Women face many health risks throughout their life simply because they are women. Heart disease is the No. 1 cause of death in women, and women are twice as likely to die in the year after a heart attack as men. In addition, women who smoke can expect a first heart attack 19 years earlier than a nonsmoker.

Recognizing that too many women take good health for granted or do not even know their own risks, the American Medical Women's Association is teaming up with Family Circle magazine and Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories to launch the "Guide to Women's Wellness." This women's wellness outreach encourages women to take charge of their health by promoting healthy living, preventive therapies and practical advice for women of all ages.

Working with some of the nation's most esteemed health care providers, AMWA helped create a video and guidebook program that profiles prominent women achievers who have overcome health obstacles, such as Gail Devers and Cathy Rigby.

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health," remarked Cathy Rigby, former Olympic gymnast and current star of "Peter Pan," the Broadway production. "I get an annual mammogram and pap smear, and plan to talk to my doctor about the risks and benefits of hormone replacement therapy in an effort help ward off heart disease, osteoporosis and the emotional roller coaster associated with menopause."

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Good health begins with commitment — your commitment. Whether you're in the spotlight or on the run, the "Guide to Women's Wellness" can help you take better care of yourself. To order your own copy, please call 1-800-334-0428.

## KFC® grants fund research in fight against birth defects

(NAPSA)-Continuing its efforts to prevent birth defects, KFC® has awarded two grants from the Colonel Sanders Memorial Endowment Fund with the March of Dimes to scientists researching common problems in today's pregnancies.

Michael G. Ross, MD, MPH, will receive \$49,768 to research how to correct a condition in which there is not enough amniotic fluid surrounding the fetus. Richard H. Finnell, Ph.D., will receive \$61,441 to research how the B vitamin called folic acid helps to prevent certain malformations of the brain and spinal cord.

Ross serves as professor and chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Harbor-UCLA Research and Education Institute in Torrance, California.

His research will examine whether a new drug treatment he developed can safely increase the amniotic fluid that surrounds a baby during pregnancy. Too little amniotic fluid, known as oligohydramnios, can cause underdevelopment of fetal lungs, fetal or newborn death and complications during delivery. This occurs in as many as 8-15 percent of all pregnancies. Ross' drug works to increase the main normal component of amniotic fluid.

Finnell, a professor at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in the Department of Cell Biology and Anatomy, is studying whether folic acid prevents malfor-

mations by lowering levels of an amino acid (homocysteine) in the body, or by some other mechanism. The March of Dimes recommends that women of childbearing age take a multivitamin containing 400 micrograms of folic acid every day before pregnancy, in conjunction with a healthy diet.

Colonel Harland Sanders, the founder of KFC, had a personal interest in preventing birth defects. One of his grandchildren was born with a malformation. Shortly after Sanders died in 1980, KFC established the memorial fund to help fund ongoing research.

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## Card of Thanks

The children of Ruby Tackett would like to thank all of our family and friends for the love and kindness shown during our time of sorrow. A special thaks to Dr. Gopel and Dr. Siddiqui for caring for our mother. Also, thank you to Gene, April, Anna and Bethany on 3rd floor support care unit for taking a special interest in our mother. Again, thank you.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, The Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to The Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication, 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication, or 5 p.m. Thursday for Sunday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.

### Aerobic workshop class

There will be an Aerobic Workshop class in the John M. Stumbo Elementary gym beginning February 8. Classes will be from 4-5 p.m. on each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Danita Johnson will be the instructor. Class is sponsored by the Mud Creek Family Resource Center and is free to the public. Anyone interested may call the center at 587-2233.

### Sullivan College holds information night

Sullivan College will be holding an off-campus information night at Pike County Central High School on Monday, January 31, from 2:30-4 and 5:30-7 p.m. Information concerning academic programs, housing, accreditation, faculty, and financial aid will be available to all interested students. This information session is open to the public. For additional information or directions, call Sullivan College at 1-800-467-6281.

Sullivan College, located in Lexington, Kentucky, is Kentucky's largest private College or University, receiving its accreditation from the prestigious Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Sullivan College awards Diplomas, Associate, Bachelors and Masters Degrees.

### AARP Tax Aide service begins, February 1

Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), will begin its tax service for senior citizens and low-income taxpayers on Tuesday, February 1, and will continue through April 13.

The service will be offered at the Floyd County Library, in Prestonsburg, from 8:30 to 3:30 each Tuesday, and is free to all senior citizens and low-income taxpayers.

### Mud Creek family resource center

The regular meeting of the Mud Creek Community Family Resource/Youth Service Center Advisory Council will be held at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, February 1, in the center.

All interested members of the public are invited to attend.

### ALC video conference

The Division of Teacher Education at Alice Lloyd College in Pippa Passes, will host a Multicultural Regional Video Conference on March 4, in the Campbell Arts Center. Videos on a wide range of issues pertaining to the education of diverse students will be available. Participants will select from these quality films. Following each viewing, facilitators will guide the audience in discussion of the issues raised. A luncheon will be included in the \$20 registration fee. The luncheon speaker will be local author, Verna Mae Slone. Professional Development credit of six hours will be awarded, with district approval. The deadline for registration will be February 19. For more information, contact Dr. Nancy Billingsley at 606/368-6090.

### James A. Duff Elementary

resource center to meet  
The James A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center will have

an advisory council meeting on Thursday, February 3 at 5:30 p.m. in the center. The meeting is open to the public.

### Exams for census extended

Opportunities for persons interested in working with the 2000 Census to take the required exam are much broader than originally announced. The exams will be administered at sites throughout Floyd County from now through March. For information on times and locations, call 1-888-325-7733. Jobs are available as census takers and crew leaders and pay between \$6.50 and \$13 an hour. If you call the toll-free number, indicate that you live in the Ashland, Kentucky, region.

### Center time change

The Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center is changing its hours of operation, old hours were 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. New hours move back by half an hour, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This is to take effect February 1.

### Support for former addicts

As recovering addicts, we have found it is possible to live without the use of drugs with the help of Narcotics Anonymous. If you are still using and can't stop, we can help. Give yourself a break. Call 886-6760, 886-9167 or 1-888-987-7700 for more information.

### Retired teachers to meet

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association has scheduled a called business meeting for February 3, at 10 a.m., at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

### Pikeville Methodist Hospital Community Calendar February, 2000

February 14: ABC (After Breast Cancer) Support Group meets at 6 p.m., at the First Christian Church located on Chloe Road. This support group meets during the second Monday of every month.

February 15: Prepared Childbirth Classes will be offered from 7-9 p.m., at the Education Center, located in the Wallen & Cornette Building. Pre-register at 437-3938.

February 17: CPR Community Class will be offered from 9-12 a.m., at the Education Center, located in the Wallen & Cornette Building. Pre-register at 437-3965.

PANDA Program, a one-hour smoking cessation class, will be offered at 6 p.m., at the Education Center, located in the Wallen & Cornette Building. Call to register at 437-3563.

February 18 & 19: ACLS (Advanced Cardiac Life Support). This two-day seminar will be offered from 8-12 a.m., at the Education Center, located in the Wallen & Cornette Building. Pre-register at 437-3965.

February 25: An AIDS class will be offered at 6 p.m., at the Education Center, located in the Wallen & Cornette Building. The class will be taught by Dr. Mary Fox. Call to register at 437-3965.

February 29: So your going to have a baby? An Epidural Class will be offered from 7-9 p.m., at the Education Center, located in the Wallen & Cornette Building. Pre-register at 437-3938.

For a complete listing of hospital-sponsored events, call our Events Line at 437-2003.

### Domestic violence?

Is your intimate partner jealous? Do they try to control you? Do they have an explosive temper, even over little things? Do they have difficulty expressing their feelings? Do they often blame you for everything wrong in their lives? Do they call you names or use put downs to damage your self-esteem? You may be a victim of domestic violence, even though no one hits you. Emotional abuse can be just as hurtful as a fist. Don't wait around to see if it's going to get worse, call the crisis line at 886-6025 or out-of-area, 1-800-649-6605, we are here 24-hours a day, every day, because "Love

doesn't have to hurt."

### Fibromyalgia group meeting

The Fibromyalgia Family Support Group meeting for individuals with FMS and the people who care about them are encouraged to attend our meetings.

The meeting will be held the first Tuesday in each month at 7 p.m. in the Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Building.

For more information, call: Phyllis at (606) 874-2769 or Sharon at (606) 478-5224.

### SSI representative to visit Mud Creek Clinic

A Social Security representative will visit the Mud Creek Clinic each Tuesday during the month of January.

The representative will be in the clinic to assist people in filing Social Security claims and appeals.

People can also apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Black Lung and Social Security numbers. You can also pick up booklets on Social Security and get questions answered.

### Energy Assistance Program

Are you in a crisis with your home heating costs? If so, Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Inc. may be able to help you through its Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

Applications for home heating assistance will be taken beginning January 10 through March 15, or until all of the agency's crisis funds have been expended, between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at your local Community Action Program Office.

To be eligible for Crisis assistance, a household must:

- meet the 110% poverty income guidelines, and
- the household is within four (4) days of running out of fuel if bulk fuel (coal, fuel oil, propane, kerosene, or wood) is the heat source; or
- has received a past due/disconnected notice if natural gas or electric is primary heat source; or
- the household's home heating costs are included as an undesignated portion of the rent, and the household has received an eviction notice for non-payment of rent.

To make application, clients should bring social security numbers, birth dates, and proof of income for the previous month for all household members, certification that the household is out of heat or going to be out of heat or has a past due/disconnect notice from their heating source as stated above.

The program is funded through the Cabinet for Families & Children Community Based Services and the Kentucky Association for Community Action.

For more information, contact Big Sandy Area Community Action Program Inc., in Floyd County at 886-2929.

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### You or someone you know can't stop drinking

Alcoholics Anonymous is willing to help. For more information, call 1-800-467-8019.

Al Anon: For support and understanding of the disease—meets, 8 p.m., Saturdays, at the Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. (Alanon is for family members of alcoholics).

### Depressed Anonymous

Are you feeling lonely, hopeless and trapped in a self-constructed prison and can't overcome it or get out? This support group is not for those people who need it but for those people who want it. We

understand. For more information, call: Randall, 886-0483; Jim, 886-3027; Jane—886-8219; Sue—789-8712.

### G.E.D. classes

Linda Bailey of The David School will teach G.E.D. classes at the Mud Creek Community Family Resource/Youth Service Center each Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Classes are free.

### SF Youth Service Center

Walking track is open to the general public, 7 a.m. till 5 p.m. (walking track is closed during special events). The Center is sponsoring several guest presentations. Contact the center for time and subjects. The center has a One-stop Career Station satellite, available to the community as well as to the students. Stop in Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Anyone interested in Adult Education should contact the center.

The South Floyd Youth Services Center is located on South Floyd's campus in room 232. For more information, contact Keith Smallwood or Mable Hall 606/452-9600, ext. 243.

### Martin High alumni

Mark your calendar now for Martin Purple Flash Bash, 2000 on Memorial Day weekend, 2000. This will be perhaps the last Martin Purple Flash Homecoming. The event will begin on Friday evening and end Saturday night with the alumni dance.

### McDowell Family Resource Center Activities

G.E.D. classes are each Monday from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., free of charge for those interested in earning their G.E.D.

The Floyd County Health Departments Nurse is at the Center each Monday to see patients needing immunizations, T.B. Skin tests, pre-natal W.I.C., W.I.C., and school physicals (head start, kindergarten, 6th grade).

Call to schedule an appointment, 377-2678.

A Mountain Comprehensive Care counselor is at the Center each Tuesday to see students in need of counseling services. If you feel your child is in need of counseling services, call the Center for more information, 377-2678.

If you would like more information on any of the above programs or services contact the Center, 377-2678.

### Veterans rep.

A Veterans Benefit Field Representative for the Kentucky Department for Veterans Affairs has an office on the third floor of the Floyd County Courthouse. He is there to assist veterans and their dependents in filing for state and federal benefits. This service is free and is provided by the commonwealth. Call 606/886-7920. If there is no answer, leave a message and he will return your call.

### Apples for the students

James A. Duff is collecting Food City receipts that will help us to get free computers and other items that we can use in our school. Help us by saving your receipts and either send them to school with your child or dropping them off at the Family Resource Center. You may also drop them off at the front office of our school. We would appreciate any help you could give our school with this project.

### Veterans affairs

The Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs is trying to locate family members of missing soldiers that fought in the Korean War, U.S. and North Korean Governments have been negotiating to bring our missing comrades home. If you are a family member of such a serviceman, from any branch of service, or know of someone that is, please contact your local KDVA field representative, Roger Belcher at 606/ 886-7920.



New technology is helping prevent the spread of bacteria via touch-screens.

## Protecting against a 'touchy' subject: Bacteria

(NAPSA)—In recent years, there has been a steady increase in the use of antibacterial coatings to control the spread of germs. This technology has been proven effective in a wide array of consumer and medical products, including disposable wipes, scrubbing sponges, active wear, socks and disposable diapers. Now it's even available on computer touchscreens.

The touchscreen is becoming very popular for such applications as automated teller machines (ATMs), self-service kiosks, restaurant and hospital systems, casino and amusement games, public telephones and Internet appliances. Because hundreds, even thousands, of people may use a touchscreen before it's cleaned off, these modern conveniences are exposed to bacteria on a regular basis.

One way that manufacturers are helping protect their customers and products from contamination is through the use of a touchscreen that has anti-bacterial protection built in. This new product is called the CleanScreen.

"The touchscreen is rapidly replacing the keyboard and buttons as the common user interface in

many public-access and business computer systems because it is intuitively easy to use," said Janet Muto, MicroTouch vice president of worldwide marketing. "Although the glass touchscreen is inherently cleaner than plastic keys or buttons, CleanScreen gives users a new level of confidence that the surface of the touchscreen is protected from contaminants."

CleanScreen uses a proprietary antibacterial treatment marketed by Aegis Environments, and based on technology developed and tested by Dow Corning Corporation. The Aegis Microbe Shield technology, commercially available since 1976, is used in schools, hospitals, offices and homes to combat bacterial and fungal contamination problems and is specifically registered with the Environmental Protection Agency for treatment of glass fixtures.

Unlike conventional antimicrobials and disinfectants, the Microbe Shield technology does not create an environment that allows bacteria or fungi to adapt or create resistant strains.

To learn more about the MicroTouch CleanScreen, visit the website at [www.microtouch.com/es](http://www.microtouch.com/es).

## Ounce of prevention means safer roads

(NAPSA)—Any government official worth his salt will tell you that when it comes to winter driving, preventing ice and snow from accumulating is usually cheaper and more effective than waiting to plow.

This approach is called anti-icing. It involves using a liquid chemical—usually liquid calcium chloride—on a highway just prior to a snow fall or freezing rain to prevent snow and ice from adhering to a driving surface. It's also effective against black ice.

The benefits of using liquid calcium chloride, rather than other liquid chemical deicers, result from a number of chemical properties.

- It's more efficient than other melting agents on a gallon-to-gallon basis.
- Liquid calcium chloride's low freeze point keeps it effective at below-zero temperatures.
- Calcium chloride is safer for the environment. It is actually used



Liquid calcium chloride's low freeze point makes it effective at below zero temperatures.

as fertilizer for some crops, and as an ingredient in both animal feed and some human foods.

One form of liquid calcium chloride—Liquidow® Armor™ deicer from Dow—is a new corrosion-inhibiting form which is better for vehicles.

To learn more, visit The Dow Chemical Company's Web site at [www.dowcalciumchloride.com](http://www.dowcalciumchloride.com).

## The great sugar-free candy challenge

(NAPSA)—Here's some sweet news for the many Americans who are on sugar-restricted diets due to medical reasons.

Over 16 million people have diabetes and an estimated 20 million have impaired glucose tolerance that could lead to diabetes, according to the American Diabetes Association.

The ranks of Americans who will be on sugar-free diets is growing dramatically as the population of baby boomers ages.

The answer for sugar lovers in this group may be in sugar-free sweets that have the same delicious flavor as their sugary counterparts.

That's where the challenge comes in. To make a scrumptious tasting candy—without real sugar—using artificial sweeteners.

The sugar confectionary industry has developed more and better confections made with alternatives to sugar. Many people who

have tried these great American treats report they taste great—in fact, it's often hard to tell that they're made without real sugar.

For example, an outrageous sugar-free version of Jelly Belly beans has been released by the Herman Goelitz Candy Company to please the ever-discerning palates of sugar lovers.

The company says the demand is strong for their artificially sweetened Jelly Belly beans. It could possibly be due to the ten unbelievably delicious flavors...juicy pear, sizzling cinnamon, buttered popcorn, licorice, cherry, lemon, tangerine, green apple, strawberry and pineapple.

All this good flavor and no sugar, no fat. Each sugar-free jelly bean has just four calories. For further information you can call the Jelly Belly Hotline at: 1-800-JB BEANS or visit the Web site at: [www.jellybelly.com](http://www.jellybelly.com).

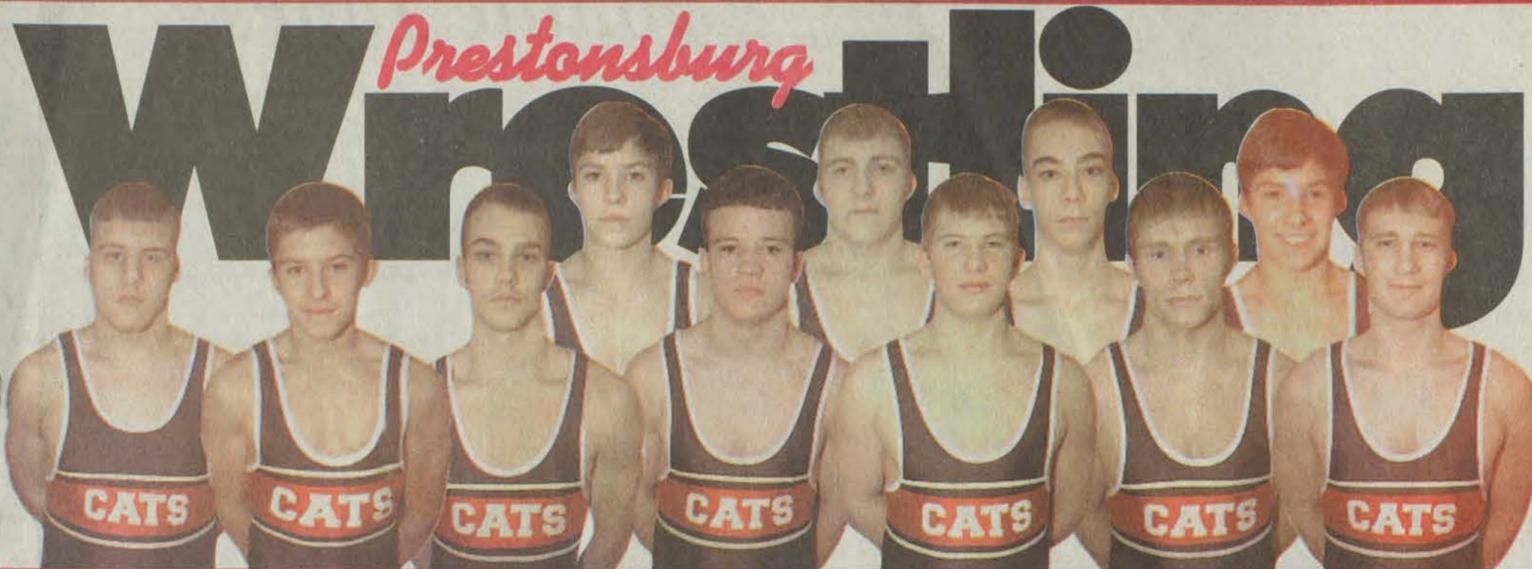
# FLOYD COUNTY Sports



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## Prestonsburg program growing

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

A new sport has come to town and it has blossomed each year and Prestonsburg Coach John Butcher expects the numbers to increase even next season.

"The first year we had three high school wrestlers," he said. "We had one qualify for the regional tournament. Last year we had three come out but only two went to the district tournament."

Hank Mullins, who has been wrestling since the program began in 1997, was the only grappler to qualify for the state meet in the second season.

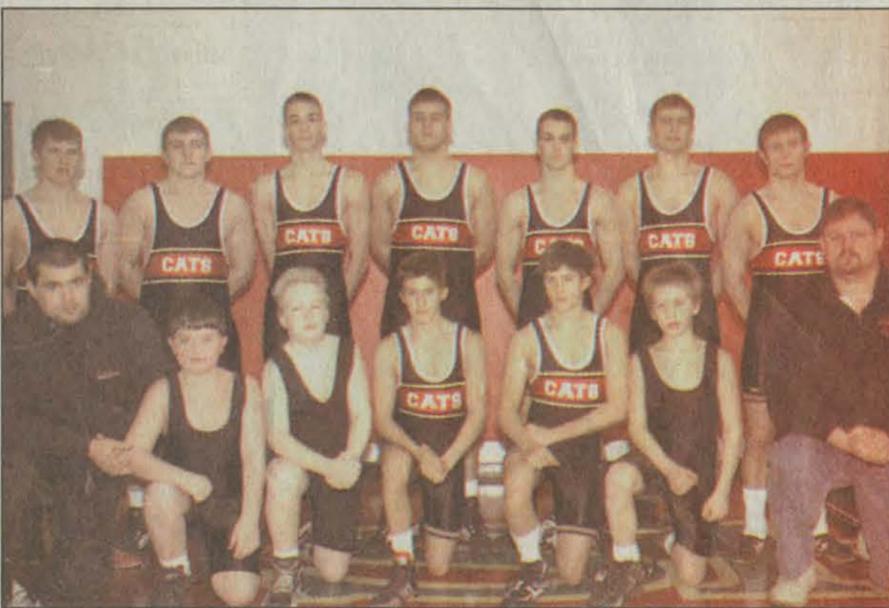
"Nick and Heath Chaffins, twins, have been highly rated," said Butcher. "Nick, who wrestles in the 103 class, is probably the second seed in our district and ranked about fifth in the state."

"Heath, who wrestles in the 112 class, is the number one seed in this district."

Heath Chaffins is quick to admit that wrestling is his number one sport, although he plays basketball and football.

"I got started in it three years ago," said Chaffins. "My dad, who

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PRESTONSBURG'S WRESTLING TEAM will be in district action this coming Saturday at Sheldon Clark High School. The program is in its third season (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Bobcats place five in double figures in loss to Cardinals

by Karen Joseph  
Sports Writer

It was not a regular scheduled game on Friday night when the Bobcats of Betsy Layne hosted the Cardinals of Sheldon Clark. The Bobcats were supposed to play the Raiders of South Floyd, but due to the Raiders appearing in the All "A" Tournament in Richmond, game was rescheduled.

So the Cardinals and the Bobcats played on Friday night. Normally the cat gets the bird, but this was not the case as the Cardinals of Sheldon Clark upset the home standing Bobcats 81-76.

This was a very tough played basketball game, with a lot of fouls being assessed to both teams. But the Bobcats had a hard time defending against the three point shooting of the Cardinals. Sheldon Clark hit ten three point baskets, while the Bobcats only hit six.

Sheldon Clark also had a very good night at the charity line, hitting 20 of 23 free throws. Stewart Blankenship shot eighteen of those, hitting 15.

Sheldon Clark's Stewart Blankenship lead both teams in scoring with 22. Sheldon Clark had two other players in double figures. Adam Brown had 18, including four three point baskets, while Nick Marcum finished

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## Dusty Rowe



1999 WINTER NATIONAL OLYMPICS  
Gatorback Cycle Park - Gainesville, FL

## New millennium finds Rowe still making dust

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Prestonsburg's Dusty Rowe continues to "make dust" across the motocross world.

Rowe finished the 1999 season in style and doesn't appear to have backed off in the new millennium.

During the week of Thanksgiving, Rowe competed in the Motocross Mini-Olympics held at Gatorback Trace in Gainesville, Fla. There, Rowe competed in the TT Scrambles, the Supercross and Motocross events.

Rowe had two fourth-place finishes in the TT Scrambles, one in Stock Class and one in the Modified Class.

In the Supercross competition, which was felt by everyone to be the most difficult of the entire week, Rowe guided his KTM 65 over the huge jumps with near perfection, taking a fourth-place overall in the stock competition and a sixth-place overall in the modified competition.

The last two days of the week were the motocross races which were expected by everyone to be Rowe's best events. The motocross track at Gatorback formerly hosted pro-national events and is considered to be one of the toughest in the country.

Unfortunately, racing luck struck Rowe in the qualifiers. In the

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## Boys

Sheldon Clark 81	Betsy Layne 76
Pike Central 87	Prestonsburg 61
Belfry 88	Feds Creek 75
Magoffin Co. 56	JCHS 53
Shelby Valley 90	Whitesburg 47
Greenup Co. 44	Lawrence Co. 30

## Games on tap

### Girls

#### Mon., Jan. 31

Sheldon Clark at Betsy Layne  
Paintsville at Prestonsburg  
Pike Central at South Floyd

#### Tues., Feb. 1

South Floyd at Allen Central  
Betsy Layne at Prestonsburg  
Rosehill at Piarist

#### Wed., Feb. 2

Fleming Neon at Piarist

### Boys

#### Tues., Feb. 1

South Floyd at Allen Central  
Betsy Layne at Prestonsburg

## A Look At Sports... Wrasslin' at Prestonsburg

I had never been to a high school wrestling match before Saturday.

The reason, of course, is we have never had high school wrestling in the county until 1997.

So, off to Sheldon Clark I went, where the Prestonsburg matmen were competing against some area teams and teams from West Virginia.

I got a quick lesson on the sport from Don Chaffins, whose two sons, Nick and Heath, compete as freshmen.

I became interested in what I was watching. I confess that I still don't know much about it, but like volleyball, it is interesting enough to

find out more about it.

I like the sport. I really do. I intend to make some matches and I hope to take in some of the district meet next Saturday at Sheldon Clark. Some of the Blackcat grapplers have a chance to make the state meet later.

I found out that four of the top teams go on to the regional. The four top region teams move on to the state meet.

It seems that Don Chaffins is always introducing us to some new sport. Not that wrestling is new, but it is new to our county.

Don was instrumental in bringing in the middle school football conference, which turned out to be a great development on the local sports scene. If this goes over like that, look for wrestling to become popular in the county.

Of course, Prestonsburg football Coach John Derosssett had wrestling at Betsy Layne when he was head football coach there.

It would be good to see Betsy Layne pick it back up, as well as South Floyd and Allen Central getting involved.

Well, the South Floyd Raiders dropped a

tough one at Richmond. Some have questioned why the Raiders did not take some air out of the ball in the closing minutes. The Raiders got to where they were by running the ball. They play that way all the time. Why pull it out?

The team did well and the kids need to hold their heads high for there is another regional tournament on the horizon.

The Magoffin County Hornets and Coach Danny Adams are not ready to concede the 57th District championship to anyone. The Hornets won over powerful Johnson Central Friday night and threw that conference race into a three-way tie.

The Hornets own victories over both Paintsville and now Johnson Central, which created a three-way tie with a loss each.

Oh, by the way, the district tournament is held on Magoffin's home court. They are tough to beat there.

Here in the 58th, Allen Central will host the district and the Rebels will have to come out of it to make it to the region, also on the Rebels home floor.

The Betsy Layne Bobcats have slowed down, losing to Sheldon Clark Friday night. The Bobcats also lost to Lawrence County and Belfry before beating Piarist. In falling to Sheldon Clark they have dropped three of their last four games.



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## Sports News

The 2000 Grade School basketball tournament, boys and girls, has been set for this coming Tuesday night weather permitting.

The first game is set to tip off at 6 p.m. with Betsy Layne taking on South Floyd. Game two will pit the John M. Stumbo Mustangs against defending champion Allen Central Middle School.

We are looking for old photos from past teams, football, basketball, baseball, etc.

If you have one you would like publish, call Ed at the Times Sports Department.

Also, if you would like to cover sports as a "stringer" give Ed a call at 886-8506

# Bentley's COMMENTS

BY RICK BENTLEY

It didn't take long for me to realize Donnie Jones would be a success.

He's articulate, represents himself well, and is the kind of person you want representing you, or your school. Since graduating from Pikeville College in 1988, he's been representing some school or another for a living.

For two years after graduating, he worked here at his alma mater. Not only was he coaching basketball, but he was also working in admissions, trying to encourage students from all areas to follow his footsteps and enroll at Pikeville College.

Then he headed back home. The Point Pleasant, W. Va., native was hired as an assistant basketball coach at Marshall University. He stayed with the Thundering Herd for six seasons, and through a coaching change. Professionally, that was the best thing to ever happen to him.

At that time, Rick Pitino was turning the program around at Kentucky and churning out head coaches like a factory. One of them was Rick's protege, Billy Donovan. Billy the Kid went to Marshall, and was so impressed with the job DJ had done holding things together in the interim that he hired him.

When Donovan went to Florida, he took his entire staff with him, including Jones and Paintsville native John Pelfrey. All of a sudden, the guy from Point Pleasant who went to tiny Pikeville College was coaching in the big time of the Southeastern Conference.

In short, he has turned a terrific personality into a great profession.

DJ had something of a strange career at Pikeville. It seemed every fall, Greg White had a big-time stud of a point guard who was going to throw the ball to Todd May a hundred times a game and help the Bears toward their goal of winning the KIAC.

And then by Christmas, that player was gone — homesick, ineligible, etc. — and the point guard was Donnie Jones.

Looking back, it is clear this was a mistake. When he left, Donnie Jones was the all-time leader in assists at Pikeville College. Not only that, but also he had established new marks for season and single game handouts.

"I love Pikeville," Jones said. "Coming to school here was the best move I ever made. I've made friends here that I'll have for the rest of my life."

Jones came to town last summer to run the High Intensity Basketball Camp at the Pikeville Area YMCA. Not only was it an opportunity for him to see some old friends, but it also gave him a chance to give something back in his adopted hometown.

Running camps is something DJ knows about. In addition to coaching games, recruiting and practice settings, Jones is in charge of the individual workouts and summer camps at the Gainesville school.

Jones, 33, uses his experience from Kentucky and West Virginia in his position at the SEC school. "Where else do they worship basketball as they do here?" he said. "It was a great experience for me. I loved playing here."

"I always knew I wanted to coach," he continued. "And working these camps helps me prepare for that."

Jones then talked about the differences in being at Marshall, considered a "mid-major", and Florida, a "high major". "There's a difference in the talent level," he said. "At a mid-major, you could compete with a Florida or a Kentucky on any given night. At Florida, you'll play Kentucky tonight, and tomorrow, you have to prepare for Arkansas."

"But I consider Marshall to be one of the best mid-majors in the country."

## Success comes easy to Donnie Jones

We're headed in the right direction."

The other goal is a personal one. "I want to be a (NCAA) Div. I head coach," he said. "I've been very fortunate to have success and be around one of the best up-and-coming coaches in the country in Billy. I've loved every day with him."

Jones said time was not a factor for him. "I'm not in a hurry to just take any job," he said. "I've got a great job at the University of Florida."



by Jason Blanton

### A look at the All 'A' Classic; 15th Region has good draw in Sweet 16

by Jason Blanton  
Sports Columnist

A tournament for only small schools sounded crazy when I first met Stan Steidel at Pikeville High School in the early 1990s.

Steidel, who was then and still is the coach of the boys' basketball program at Dayton High School in northern Kentucky, was touring the state trying to get his tournament some publicity.

Steidel and Bill Frey, of Holy Cross, began the tournament in January 1980.

The first tournament was held at Holy Cross High School and was moved to Bellevue in 1982. The first three years it consisted of teams from only Northern Kentucky.

In 1982 until 1989, the tournament went statewide by inviting six Class A schools from around the state to compete with 10 northern Kentucky teams.

Then came 1990 and Steidel's dream came true.

Across the state, 16 boys' regional tournaments were held with the winners competing in Lexington in a state tournament.

The next year, the All "A" Classic expanded to include the field of 16 boys' regional and included four girls' sectional winners competing on a statewide stage.

In 1992, the tournament was expanded to eight girls teams and then in 1993 included a full complement of 16 boys and 16 girls teams.

Since then, the All "A" Classic has become a fixture for a lot of high school teams from across the state. It gives some schools that might not ever get a chance, due to their enrollment, to play in a state tournament.

It's not the "big" show that the KHSAA puts on in March. Then again, the KHSAA cannot touch the All "A" Classic.

What makes Kentucky high school basketball great is that it is not in classes. Right now, I think, there is only a handful of states that don't have classes in basketball.

The Kentucky All "A" Classic is not only a basketball tournament but also a full program for the smaller

schools. This year, the classic will provide over 10,000 smaller school students with the opportunity to participate in academic scholarship competition, an art competition and two different cheerleading competitions.

With the help of sponsor Touchstone Energy Partners, the classic will give away over \$40,000 in scholarships. Those scholarships go to any Class A senior who is planning to attend a Kentucky college.

Steidel, the rest of All "A" committee, Eastern Kentucky University and the city of Richmond can be very proud of what they have accomplished with the All "A" Classic.

The bigger schools might not understand, but for the tiny schools — which this may be their only chance of ever making a state tournament — the players, cheerleaders, fans, coaches and supporters will tell you a different story.

#### ■ All "A" Radio Network

A lot of people have asked me about the radio network over the past few years.

The network started because the tournament wanted the best coverage for the teams making its to the state level.

Over 75 stations have been a part of the network since it started.

Dicky Martin, of Ashland, has been the main man of the network since the first statewide tournament. Over the years, we've had many sportscasters to help with the games.

I was asked to join the network in 1992 and this is the ninth straight year helping provide coverage throughout the state.

It is sometimes hard for a station that might have many teams in its area to send a crew to the state tournament and that is why the tournament has a radio network. We do every game and it can be a long week for everyone involved.

But the friends I have made over the past nine years have made the job worthwhile.

All proceeds from our network go back to the All "A" Classic to help run the tournament.

#### ■ Speaking of the "Big Show"

The KHSAA held its drawing for the state tournament pairings Friday afternoon.

The boys' tournament will be held at Rupp Arena March 15-18 and our region got a pretty good draw.

The 15th Region winner will square off against the Region 2 winner in the last opening round game on Thursday, March 16, at 8:30 p.m.

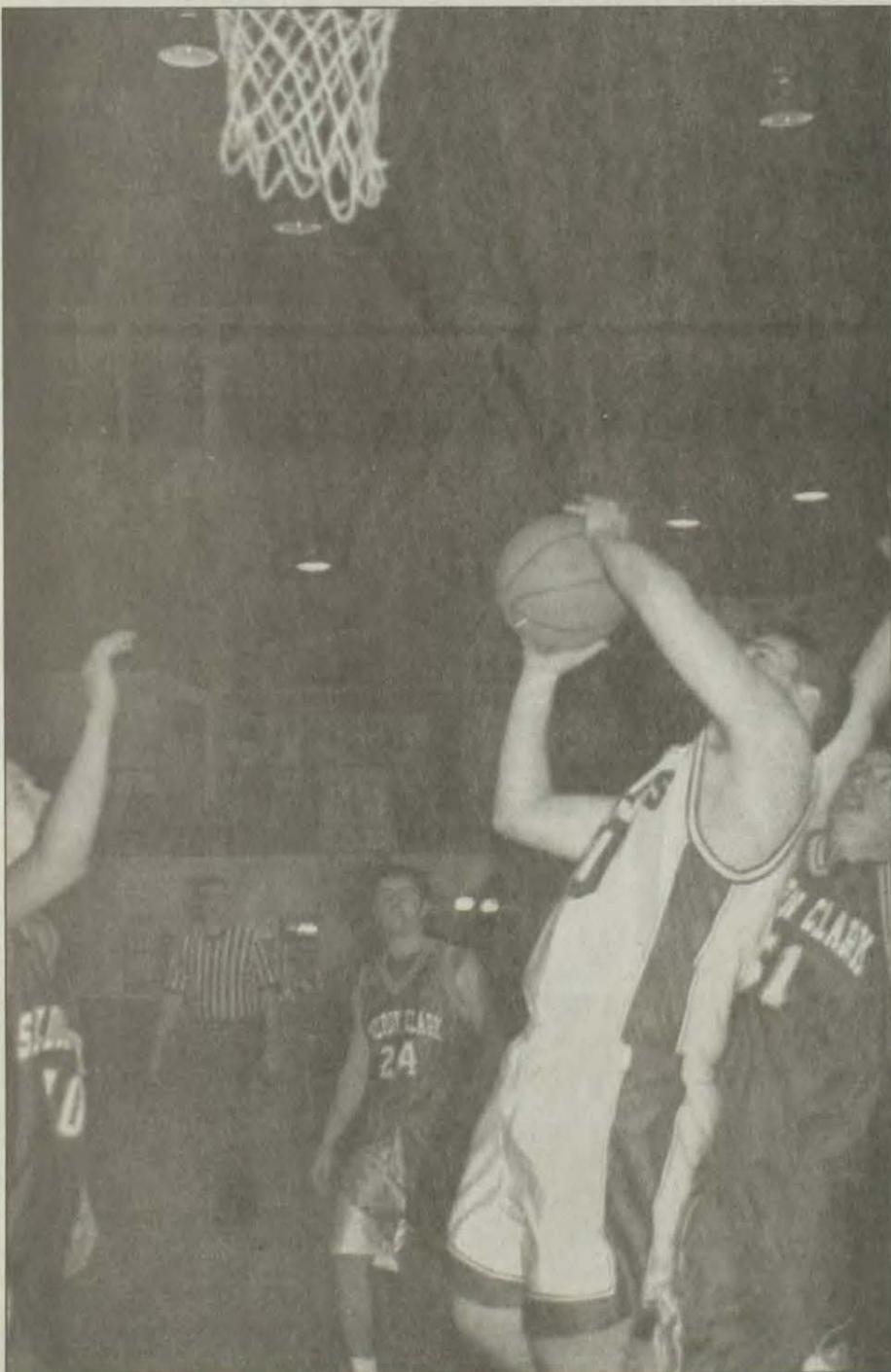
The girls' 15th Region champion will open up action on Wednesday, March 22, at 1 p.m., taking on the winner of Region 8. This year's tournament will be held at McBrayer Arena on the Eastern Kentucky University campus March 22-25.

It was a great move by the KHSAA to move the starting time from 7:30 p.m. to 7 p.m., so that will get the final game underway around 8:30 p.m. instead of after 9 p.m. each night.

Now we know when our regional winners will play, but now the only questions are which teams will represent us in state play.



THESE ELEMENTARY WRESTLERS are getting an early start in the sport. The threesome wrestles on the JV level for Prestonsburg.



PRESTONSBURG'S DUSTIN MUSIC (34) scored under the basket against Pike Central Friday night. The Blackcats dropped a 87-61 decision to the Hawks (photo by Ed Taylor)

## FROM THE TACKLE BOX

by Jim Lyon

#### WHERE AND WHEN TO CATCH BIG WALLEYE

When the weather gets very, very cold, most anglers hang up their fishing equipment, unhook the boat from their vehicle, take off their coats and thermal underwear, and stay home and watch fishing programs on TV. But the facts are that big walleye can be caught in this extremely cold weather. It is also a fact that those anglers who catch big walleye during this time are extremely stouthearted, dyed-in-the-wool, avid, hot-blooded walleye anglers. These folk are a rare breed but they do exist, and they do catch big fish. Shall we say, it can be a rough but rewarding experience. I have never heard one of these anglers complaining about being bothered by pleasure boaters and water-skiers.

During the winter months, when streams up north are freezing over and the water of streams and lakes are frozen over, anglers will slip out on the ice, use ice augers to bore holes and go fishing. In the north, the ice freezes thick enough to support the angler's weight. Some of the more timid ones will place a tent over the hole in the ice, sit in a chair near a heat source and fish.

The practice of ice fishing in our area would not be recommended. As a general rule, our weather is not cold enough to freeze ice to a depth that can safely support an angler's weight. Ice

that freezes over some of our streams and lake coves should not be walked upon. Falling through the ice into the cold water can bring hypothermia and death in just a few minutes.

What we have in our fishing area is just plain and simple cold water, without the ice. The big walleye are still awaiting your lure or bait to arrive just as anxiously as they would if ice covered their habitat. At this period the females are developing their eggs for spawning in the spring. They will be lethargic during this time but they still eat, and will take a slow moving bait. Many times, the walleye caught during this time are the larger spawning fish. Walleye anglers will tell you that the largest fish of the season are taken during this time.

Don't expect to catch these fish in the shallow part of a lake or stream. They will be deep. It helps if you know the lake or stream well enough to find the deep holes with a concentration of fish. In the late fall, walleye will begin to migrate to deep areas of a stream or lake and school. When you catch one walleye stay in place, it is very likely many more will be in the same location. When choosing an area to fish, don't choose areas of cover. Walleye will be in open water in the drop-off areas.

According to the old successful walleye fishermen, nothing is better to use for bait than tying an enticing jig on your line. Remember the term lethar-

gic, they move very slow, but will take a slow moving lure. They probably will not take a second look at a fast moving bait. I have found that just gently shaking the jig up and down is a good technique to use. This type action puts the lure in front of them for a longer time, giving the fish ample time to strike. I have found that a good way to work a jig slowly is by using a float. Set the float on the line to the desired depth, cast out, then let the float bounce the jig up and down as you retrieve it slowly across the water. Patience may be required to find the right spot, the right bait and the right depth, but it will pay off with a good catch.

Some anglers prefer to embellish their jig with a small minnow. As I have said before, nothing will catch fish better than natural live bait. There are many variations that can be used with a jig. If you are a jig fisherman, you may use what works best for you.

When fishing streams and rivers, and you find a calm hole of water, that does not necessarily mean you will find a concentration of walleye. The hole may be too shallow and swift. Remember the walleye will continue to migrate up stream until they find a suitable place of ample depth. After locating the calm hole of water, you will probably find the concentration of fish on the downstream side of the hole. On the upstream side, the current may still be too strong.

# Wrestling

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works at Inez, is a good friend of Jim Matney at Sheldon Clark High School. He got the idea for a wrestling team from him. Ever since I started I like it and it is my favorite sport."

Chaffins who wrestles in the 112 class says he is a small 112.

"A lot of people are bigger than me," he said. "I don't have to cut any weight to make it. A lot of people have to and I think it is a hard class."

Nick Chaffins, a freshman, says he hopes to continue wrestling throughout his high school career.

"I should be bigger when I am a senior," said Nick. "If I can, I want to stay at 103 and that will give me an advantage over my opponents."

Chaffins said high school wrestling is not to be compared to the pro stuff on the tube.

"Speed is very important in high school wrestling," he said. "If you are going to take someone down, you have to be quick."

Nick said he and Heath practice together about every day.

"We have done that for about three years," he said. "We are pretty much used to each other when

we wrestle."

Mullins said he was invited to join the program in its infancy and he has grown to like it.

"It's been great since I joined the team," said Mullins. "The big difference between wrestling and football is the discipline in wrestling. You have to go out and want to win. All the moves you make, you have to work at it."

Mullins said the team puts in a lot of practice time that go from two to two-and-a-half hours each day.

"We run a lot to build our stamina," he said. "A day before a match we will come out to break the sweat and sometimes will play basketball."

Kevin Jervis wrestles in the 135 class and is rather new to the program.

"The sport is catching on around here," said Jervis. "People are getting to know the sport. I like it because it is a one-on-one sport. Coaches can't take you out because you did something wrong. It is just you out there."

The Prestonsburg coach said he was pleased with the way the pro-

gram has progressed over the first three years.

"We have beaten some teams who have been wrestling for several years," he said. "I am really pleased with this team. We have come a long way."

Prestonsburg will dress 11 wrestlers of the 14 required to have a full team. Coach Butcher is hoping the other classes will be filled next season.

"We have Chris and Kevin Jervis along with Tony White and Tommy Nelson. Each one of those is contributing to the program," said Butcher.

Fourteen players are the limit a team can have and the weight classes runs from 103 to the heavyweight class.

The program gets underway around the first of November when football ends. Butcher said he likes to give the football players a couple of weeks off before practice begins.

"We'll come in and do a lot of agility drills and we will do a lot of running as well as a lot of wrestling."

Michael Fannin, who joined the

program at the start, wrestles in the 152 class. He was invited to join the team but it was late in the season of the infant year.

"Don Chaffins invited me to come out and wrestle," said Fannin. "Basketball had just ended and I didn't want to play AAU basketball. So he said, 'Why don't you come out and wrestle with us?' So I came out and I liked it pretty good."

Tony White is a sophomore at Prestonsburg and competes in the 171 class. He is in his first year as a grappler.

"It helps keep me in shape for football," he said. "I also think it makes me a better football player."

White said he also likes the sport because it puts him against his opponent and he is on his own. "I like winning by myself," said White. "Just knowing you did it all yourself."

White said he hasn't placed in any event yet but that doesn't discourage him.

"If I don't place, that just causes me to work harder," he said.

Josh Francis, a freshman at Prestonsburg will wrestle in the 215 class. He admitted that the sport is new to him and he is in need of some improvement.

"Overall, I need to improve on my technique," he said. "I am going to try and stay in the same

class throughout high school. I really don't want to go to the heavyweight class. There are some big people up there."

Francis said wrestling helps him prepare for the football season, which he also plays. He has hopes of making the state meet next year.

"There is no better feeling than when a ref smacks the mat and you win and your hands are raised in victory."

Francis has won some matches this season.

Butcher said the kids who join the program and stick with it are encouraged and their confidence is built by picking up some victories.

"They like it. We have six kids wrestling in the middle school," he said, "and I have one Pee Wee wrestler."

The Pee Wee matman is Zack Rowe, who is in kindergarten at Allen Grade School.

"He has wrestled several matches this year," said his father Rocky Rowe. "He likes it."

David Harris, a junior at Prestonsburg, competes in the heavyweight class. Harris is in his first year with the team.

"I really just got started two weeks ago," said Harris, who was urged to join the fun by Coach Butcher. "He called me up and asked me if I wanted to wrestle. I

liked it the first day out and I have stuck with it."

Harris is hoping that the new-found sport will benefit him in the future.

"I definitely will be here next year," he said. "I love the competitiveness of it. It is a physical sport. It makes you stronger for football. I like the one-on-one competition."

Harris said he needs more mat time and said coming in late was hard for him.

"I didn't know any of the holds or the moves," Harris admitted. "I am getting better. I have learned some things."

Mullins said he was encouraged to wrestle at the beckoning of football Coach John Derossett.

"I was on my way to lift weights and he stopped me and Hank and said, 'Do you want to go and wrestle for us?'"

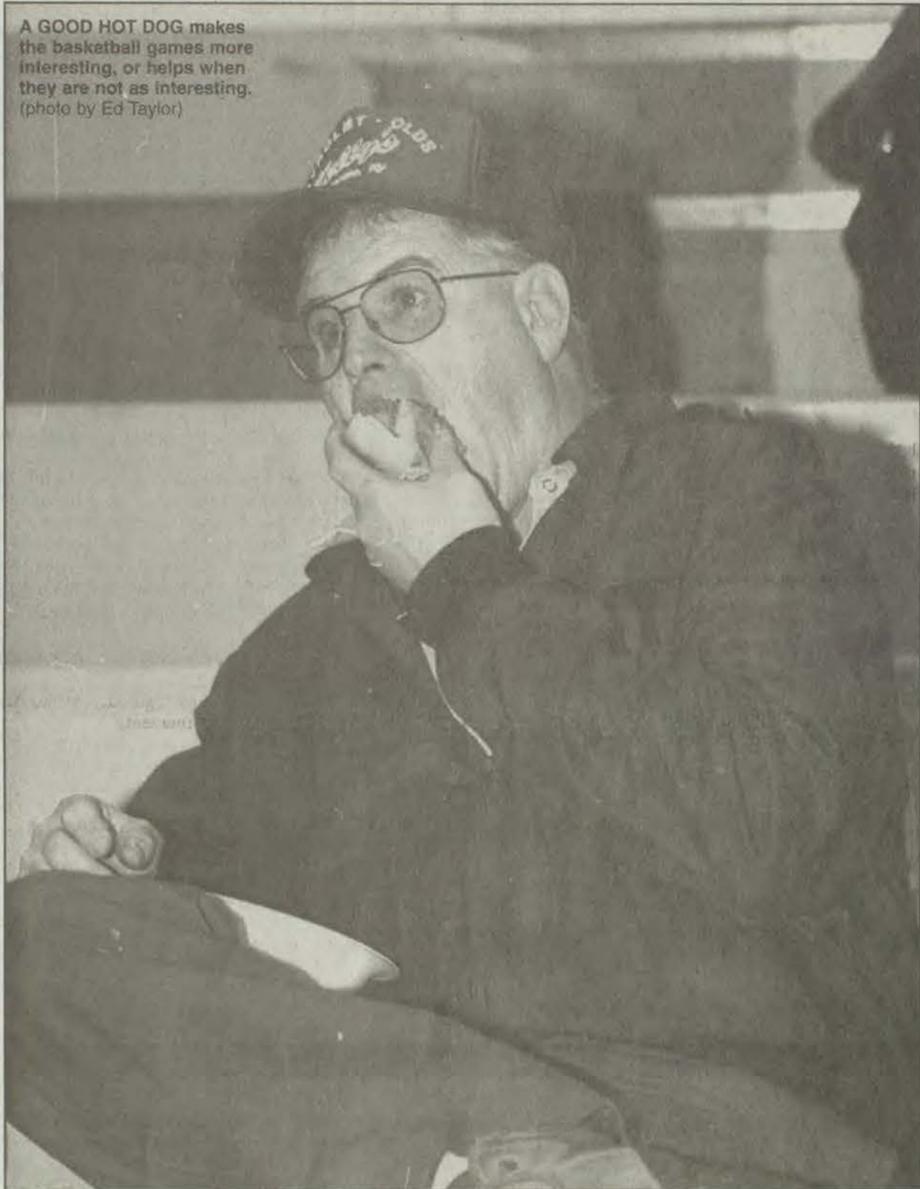
Mullins said he asked the football coach, "What is it?"

"I have been with it ever since and really love it," said Mullins.

The Prestonsburg coach said he looks for more to be added to the program next season.

"If it does as well as it did from last year to this year, we are really going to pick up next year," he said. "I look for Prestonsburg to be a competitor for a district championship in a couple of years."

A GOOD HOT DOG makes the basketball games more interesting, or helps when they are not as interesting. (photo by Ed Taylor)



# Rowe

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stock qualifier, Rowe's bike lost a transmission oil plug and he fried his clutches. In the modified class, a chain adjuster broke on landing after the huge finish line jump which caused Rowe's rear wheel to lock up. He was unable to finish the race.

When asked about his week in Florida, Rowe said that "while I was there to win all of my races and hopefully win an overall, I was really pleased with my finishes in the TT and Supercross events."

"It's really hard to compete with the California and Florida kids who have so many tracks to ride on and who can ride all year round because they don't have the bad weather we have in Kentucky."

Rowe said he was pleased to have Chuck Ware, the KTM amateur track support manager, "to help me that week and go to the starting gate with me for all my races. Only two of us had factory representatives going to the line with us. It really helped my confidence."

Bobby Rowe, Dusty's father, said that after the motocross events, "I am sure he will want to fire his mechanic but unfortunately, he wouldn't have had any other way home and it's hard to fire your father."

After the Mini-Olympics, Rowe returned home to Kentucky where he stayed a couple of weeks. But while most kids were enjoying Christmas, Rowe was on the road again, headed back to Florida on

Christmas night for a full week of intense practice and training.

Rowe spent the week at Hardrock Cycle Park in Ocala, Fla., practicing with some of the best amateur riders in the country.

Rowe's day started out with an intense exercise workout which included running the bicycle track through the gator pits at Hardrock. Track time followed, which usually ran from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Tuesday evening, Rowe traveled to Orlando, Fla., for a night practice. The week culminated with Rowe racing back to Gatorback in Gainesville where he finished fifth overall.

Rowe said the week of hard practice really helped him.

"I really felt that I had a chance to win the race at Gatorback and beat the top riders in my class," he said. "In the first moto, I was in third place going into the first turn when the second place rider crashed in front of me. It was all I could do to battle back to fifth place."

"In the second moto, I got a bad start but battled back to fourth place. My front tire washed out on me in a turn and I ended up fifth again."

Rowe got the new millennium off to a fast start at the Ultra Cross Indoor Race in Huntington, W. Va., on January 8-9. Rowe easily won the 65cc Class and even ran away with the 85cc Junior Mini-Class riding his KTM 65cc bike.

Rowe said it was a special weekend for him because it was the closest race for the first time

and he was really proud to win.

"This let a lot of family and friends come to see me race for the first time," he said. "I was really proud to have won."

The weekend of January 14-15 found Rowe in Asheville, N.C., for the Victory Sports Winter Series indoor race. The Friday night qualifier was exciting, with Rowe squaring off against his teammate, Zack Osborne, from Abingdon, Va. Osborne finished second in the 1999 National Championships and is considered by many to be the nation's top rider in the 65cc class.

In the qualifier, Rowe and Osborne were running very close through the whoop section. When Osborne stumbled, Rowe was ready and was able to make the pass and win the qualifier.

In the main event, Rowe and Osborne again battled throughout the race but this time Osborne didn't give Rowe a chance to pass him and they finished first and second respectively.

On Saturday, Osborne left and Rowe was able to easily win the 65cc Class and the 80cc Class.

Rowe expressed, and welcomed, his appreciation to his 2000 sponsors. Team KTM, Champion Cycle, Smith Eyewear, Pro-Circuit, Fox, HRP, Dunlop, Suspension Plus, Summers Racing Components and Twin Air sponsor the local rider.

Rowe also expressed appreciation to his family for all their support and, "especially the gang at the Prestonsburg Cycle Center for all their help."

## PRESTONSBURG JUNIOR PRO BASKETBALL

### BULLS VS LAKERS (JUNIOR VARSITY)

The Bulls defeated the Lakers by a score of 26 to 12. Due to the threat of bad weather, the Lakers only had four players to show up, but the game went on as usual.

Mikey Crum lead all players in scoring with 12 for the Bulls. The Lakers were led in scoring by James Lafferty with 5.

In the first quarter the Bulls only outscored the Lakers by one point. Mikey Crum had four of the six points for the Bulls and Brooks Herrick had the other two. Chayse Martin and Carman Maines each had a basket for the Lakers and James Lafferty hit one of two free throws. The Bulls led at the end of the first period by a score of 6-5.

The second quarter was a low scoring quarter for both teams. Really a no-scoring quarter for the Lakers. The Lakers failed to put any points on the board in the second quarter, while Mikey Crum scored the only two points for the Bulls. The Bulls led at the half, 8-5.

The Bulls came out in the third quarter and outscored the Lakers by seven points in the third quarter. The Laker's two point came on free throws by Carman Maines and James Lafferty. For the Bulls, Tommy Johnson, Jarrod Willis, and Andrew Shepherd each had two points, while Mikey Crum had three in the third quarter. The Bulls extended their lead at the end of the third quarter to 10 points. The score was 17-7.

In the fourth and final quarter, the Bulls again outscored the Lakers. This time by four points. Josiah Reno had two points for the Lakers and James Lafferty had three, giving the Lakers five points for the quarter.

For the Bulls, it was Brooks Herrick having the big quarter. Herrick scored six points in the quarter. Mikey Crum had the other three points for the Bulls giving them nine for the quarter. Making the final score 26-12 in favor of the Bulls.

### HAWKS VS PACERS (Junior Varsity)

It was a very good game between the Pacers and the Hawks and it was the Hawks narrowly escaping the Pacers to come away with the win 39-35.

Zack Stanley led all players in scoring with 22. The Pacers had two players to place in double figures. Nick McQuire had 15, while Bobby Hughes finished with 10 for the Pacers.

In the opening quarter the Hawks outscored the Pacers by one point. Zach Stanley had nine of the 11 points for the Hawks. Chris Baker had the other two points for Toney Conn's Hawks. For the Pacers Zach Ousley had five points, including a three pointer for the Pacers. Meghan Slone also had a three point basket for the Pacers, while Nick McQuire scored two points. The Hawks led 11-10 at the end of the first quarter.

Each team scored nine points in the second quarter. The Pacers were led by Bobby Hughes with three, while Meghan Slone and Morghan Slone each had two. For the Hawks, Michael Lackey led in scoring with three free throws. Benji Fish and Matthew Crisp each had a two point basket for the Hawks. At the half, the Hawks clung to a one point lead over the Pacers.

In the third quarter the Hawks again outscored the Pacers by only one point. Zack Slone had seven points in the third quarter, while Matthew Crisp had two and Michael Lackey had one point. For the Pacers, Nick McQuire got hot. McQuire had six points in the third quarter for the Pacers. The Pacers other three points came on a three point basket by Bobby Hughes.

In the fourth and final quarter, the Pacers came up one point short. The Hawks outscored the Pacers by one point in the last quarter of play. Nick McQuire continued to score for the Pacers. McQuire had seven points in the quarter, including a three point bucket. Bobby Hughes scored the other four points for the Pacers.

For the Hawks, Zack Stanley also continued to

score. Stanley had six points for the Hawks. Michael Lackey had four and Matthew Crisp had two, giving the Hawks enough for the three point victory over the Packers.

### HORNETS vs HAWKS (Training League)

Randy Reno and his Hornets took on Mark Boatwright and his Hawks. There were four players that did the scoring, two from each team. Shawn Wallen led both teams with 20 points. Jared May led the Hawks with 10.

The score was tied at the end of the first quarter. Jared May scored four for the Hawks and Shawn Wallen scored four for the Hornets.

In the second quarter the Hawks outscored the Hornets by two points. Shawn Wallen scored the only two points for the Hornets, while Joshua Head and Jared May each had a basket for the Hawks. The Hawks led at the half 8-6.

Both teams scored six points in the third quarter and the Hawks managed to hold on to their two point lead.

But in the final quarter, Shawn Wallen hit four baskets to help the Hornets outscore the Hawks and capture the victory. Timothy Marsillett had two points for the Hornets. Joshua Head scored the only two points for the Hawks, making the final score 22-16 in favor of the Hornets.

### SIXERS vs SONICS (Training League)

Randy Tincher and his Sixers easily defeated Blake Burchett and his Sonics. Nathaniel Stephens lead both teams in scoring with 22 points.

The Sixers had a big second quarter and outscored the Sonics 18-4. Nathaniel Stephens scored 12 points for the Sixers, while Seth Setser scored six. Michael Burchett scored the only four points for the Sonics.

The Sixers again outscored the Sonics in the third quarter. Vincent Hayes scored the only two points for the Sonics, while again Nathaniel Stephens score all six points for the Sixers.

In the fourth quarter, the Sonics outscored the Sixers by two points, but it was hardly enough as the Sixers defeated the Sonics 32-16.

Cameron Tincher and Seth Setser each had a basket for the Sixers. The six points for the Sonics came from Michael Burchett, Joshua Craynon and Alexis Derossett.

### MAGIC vs BULLS (Pee Wee League)

It was a low scoring game between the Magic and the Bulls. Neither team scored in the first half. Steve Shelton scored two points for the Magic in the third quarter and Will Allen hit a free throw for the Bulls. These were the only points scored in the game and the Magic came away with the win 2-1.

### PACERS vs BULLS (Pee Wee League)

Evan Hayes led all players in scoring by scoring 6 points for the Pacers. In the first quarter, Will Allen hit the only basket and the Bulls took the two-zero lead. The Pacers tied the score on a basket by Evan Hayes. So things were even at the half.

In the third quarter the Pacers were able to gain two points on the Bulls. Evan Spradlin and Evan Hayes each had a basket for the Pacers. The Bulls only basket came for Will Allen.

In the fourth quarter, the Pacers were again able to outscore the Bulls by a basket. Mika Hackworth and Evan Hayes each had a basket for the Pacers, while Will Allen scored the only basket for the Bulls. The final score had the Pacers on top 10-6.



**Mark Martin's newest fan?**

**M**AYBE, just maybe, I have been wrong about Mark Martin. I hate to admit it (I still think he whined for way too long about Fords not being strong enough), but Mark Martin is a class act.

How can someone not appreciate the determination of a guy who has battled back from tragedy and the limits of physical pain to return to the profession he loves?

Don't get me wrong, Jeff Gordon is still my favorite driver. He's still the best driver, and he's still the best thing that's happened to NASCAR in years. He's going to win his fourth Winston Cup championship this year.

But Martin, the sport's most focused participant, is definitely something special. I recently received a letter from someone claiming that Martin is his uncle.

First of all, I'm sure that ever since Martin has become a popular celebrity he has gained thousands of new nephews, family members and long-lost friends. However, this writer did ask me to put myself in Mark Martin's shoes.

I have to admit it: Despite my response at the time, those shoes may just be a little too big for even me, with all my knowledge and greatness, to fill.

Here's a guy who lost his beloved father in a tragic plane crash. Martin suffered. He cried aloud and his heart was heavy with emotion. He won a race two weeks later.

Here's a guy whose career has been phenomenal yet could have been cut short by immense pain in his back. He even said he couldn't bear thinking about living with that pain the rest of his life. But he didn't want to miss a single chance at driving his race car. Everyone should be so passionate about at least one thing in their lives. Heck, maybe if athletes in other sports showed that kind of desire, they wouldn't get such a bad rap.

Martin looked at his options. Most of them weren't appealing.

He decided surgery was the answer. He went into the hospital the day after the season-ending race in Atlanta, again showing the most discipline, the most commitment and the most focus of anyone in any sport.

Still, that surgery didn't guarantee his return. Only excruciating rehab - which meant, in part, lying on his back 22 hours a day for nearly two months - could give him a shot at climbing back in the race car for the season-opening Daytona 500.

Amazingly, Mark Martin is ready.

How can I bash that? How can I have a negative thought about that kind of courage? (Though I am thinking that Tony Stewart should try to learn from this classy man.)

Here's to you, Mark Martin. Here's to your complete recovery. Here's to a Daytona 500 victory, a victory that would be the story of the year.

And here's to second place in the final 2000 Winston Cup point standings.

After all, while I can admit that I was wrong about Martin, that doesn't mean I was wrong about Gordon.

Care to disagree with The Lugnut? Write to him at: Track & Speed.

# TRACK & SPEED

## Fast Fact

If Dave Marcis can qualify for this year's Daytona 500, it will be the 33rd straight time he's made the season-opening race.



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# Magical Victory Tour

## Darrell Waltrip gears up for his farewell season

By HENRY MILLER

**W**hen Darrell Waltrip takes the green flag for the start of the Daytona 500, it will be the last time he'll start in NASCAR's most prestigious event.

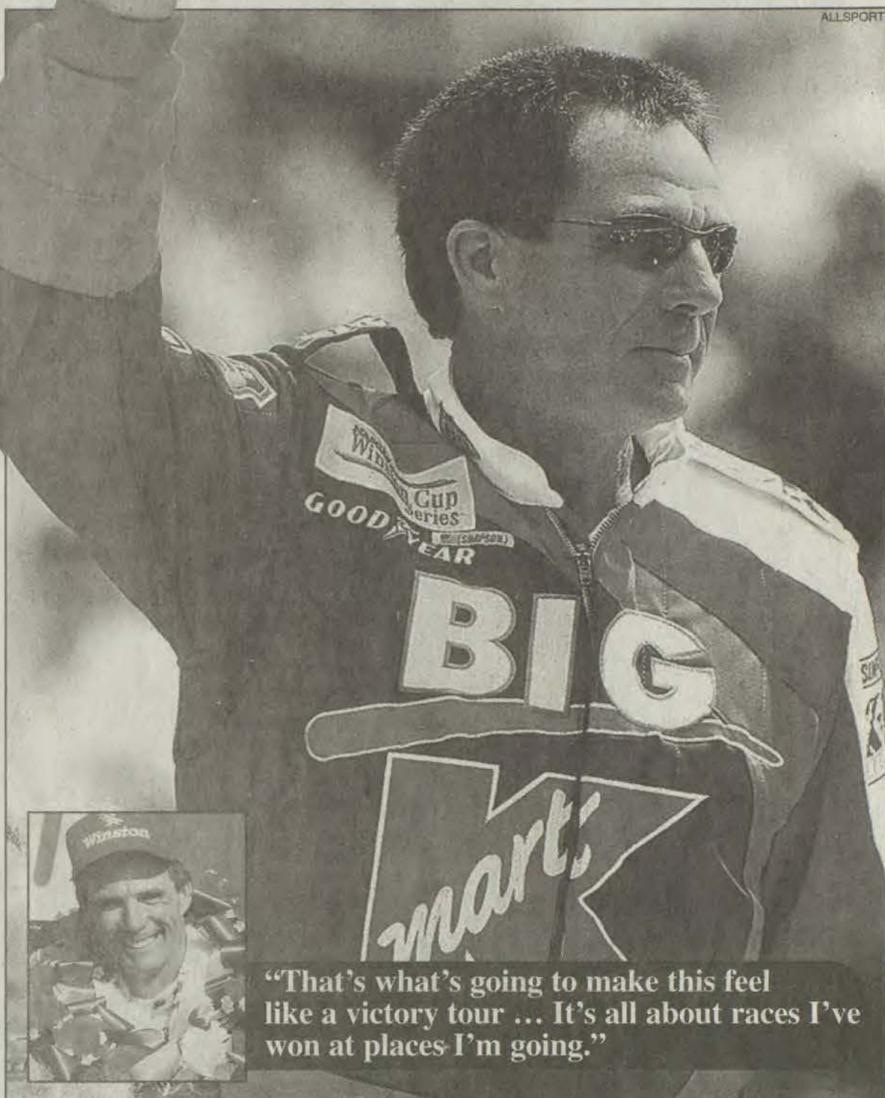
Likewise, each track he goes to and each race he races will be his last. But the Victory Tour 2000, signaling the end of a legendary NASCAR career for Waltrip, winner of 84 Winston Cup races, is not all about good-byes. It's about memories.

"When I go to Daytona, I'm going to be thinking about the Daytona 500 that I won in 1989," said Waltrip, who will drive the No. 66 BigK Ford for his final season. "I'll be thinking about the victories I've had there, the Busch races I've won there, the IROC race, the modified races - all the things I've won at Daytona."

"That's what's going to make this feel like a victory tour even though we won't win a race. It's all about races I've won at places I'm going."

That means Waltrip will be celebrating at least once at 12 of the 21 different tracks where the Winston Cup series will make stops. Waltrip has scored 60 of his victories at those 12 tracks. He has 12 victories at Bristol and 11 at Martinsville to lead the way.

Besides the 12 current tracks where he has won, Waltrip has 24 victories at four inactive tracks - North Wilkesboro, N.C. (10); Nashville, Tenn. (8);



"That's what's going to make this feel like a victory tour ... It's all about races I've won at places I'm going."

Riverside, Calif. (5); and Texas World Speedway (1).

"I'm really excited about this year and am really gonna try and enjoy it," Waltrip said. "Hopefully I can be competitive."

Waltrip's brother Michael is also hoping his older sibling can be competitive. Michael

said too many people are focused on last year, a season when the elder Waltrip finished a career-worst 37th in points and had a pair of 12th-place finishes as his season's best finishes.

"Everybody talks about Darrell and what last year was like, and it was disastrous basi-

cally, and so that's what everyone is focusing on," said Michael, who is still looking for his first Winston Cup victory after 428 races. "If he could just come out this year and run respectfully and make races and compete every now and then, last year will be so far apart from his history that it won't

come up again." Darrell Waltrip took serious abuse last year when he used provisionals to make the first four Winston Cup races of the season. He took a fifth in the fifth race of the season, but it wasn't counted against him because he was in the top 25 in owner points. He took a fifth provisional just four races later. He ended up taking eight provisionals and didn't qualify in seven other events.

"Think what that man has done for the sport," Michael Waltrip said. "Not only did he win 84 races and three Winston Cup championships, he stood in front of the world and told everybody about Winston Cup racing, and people listened. He made a difference in our sport, took it up another step or two."

Waltrip is joining up for the second straight year with car owner Travis Carter and driving teammate Jimmy Spencer. Waltrip said there's a different approach going into this season. The focus is on teamwork.

"I believe our team will be a lot better this year. Our approach to the 2000 season and the two-car concept is to be able to utilize the two-car team and work closer together and share information," Waltrip said. "Our plan is to have two identical race cars. Mine is going to be the same as Jimmy's, and Jimmy's will be the same as mine. That way, when we unload the cars at the track, we start off the same way, and if there are any problems we'll be able to help each other out. We couldn't help each other out this past year. That's one of the reasons I think 2000 will be better."

Another reason is the fact that both Waltrip and Spencer will be running with Robert Yates engines.

"I've already seen a performance difference in the engine department," Waltrip said. "I think if you poll people in the garages on whose engines they'd like to have the most, it would be Yates engines."

"This could be a good year for me."

## Does Hamilton have what it takes to tackle Daytona?

By HENRY MILLER

**H**ere's a quick quiz for you: Which car owner has the most Daytona 500 wins since 1991?

Rick Hendrick? Nope, he's got two.

Richard Childress or Robert Yates? Wrong again. Childress has just one Daytona 500 win, and Yates, like Hendrick, has two.

Leading the way over the last nine years is the Morgan-McClure team and the No. 4 Kodak Chevrolet. That combination has three Daytona 500 victories - two with Sterling Marlin (1994 and 1995) and one with Ernie Irvan (1991).

Now, with Bobby Hamilton behind the wheel, the Morgan-McClure team is hoping to make it "Four for 4" in NASCAR's

Super Bowl.

With winter testing in full gear, Hamilton and crew are gaining a lot of confidence. Hamilton has the ninth-fastest lap among all manufacturers during winter testing on the 2.5-mile Daytona International Speedway.

Hamilton got caught up in an accident in last year's Daytona 500 and finished 29th after starting 16th. He returned in the summer for the Pepsi 400 and finished eighth, climbing up after starting 18th. That was his best career finish at Daytona.

Hamilton didn't win in 1999, breaking a small streak of three years with at least one victory. His three wins all came on tracks no bigger than Rockingham's 1.017-mile circle. He's won there, at Phoenix (1 mile) and Martinsville (.526 mile).

But not only does Hamilton have confidence this year, he's also banking on history repeating itself for the No. 4 car.

Morgan-McClure Motorsports won the 1995 Daytona 500 with a newly designed Monte Carlo. Hamilton and team owner Larry McClure hope the debut of the 2000 Monte Carlo will bring similar results.

"Chevrolets have always run well in the draft at Daytona and Talladega, and we've won our share of races at those two tracks," McClure said. "We know it's going to be a competitive season, but we're going to hold our own against the top teams on the circuit this season. We won the 1995 Daytona 500 with a new Monte Carlo, and with a little luck, we think we've got a good chance to do it again. Hamilton and [crew

chief] Robert Larkins have grown into a strong combination. The team is pumped."

Hamilton is excited about NASCAR's newly mandated shock rules and also feels the team is working better than it has, in the past, as the 42-year-old Mount Juliet, Tenn., resident prepares to drive the No. 4 for the third season.

"The shock rule has got you doing a lot of different stuff than you did in the past," Hamilton said. "I like the shock package a lot. We're real happy with it right now."

"We rearranged some stuff over the winter and got everybody working together a lot better. The Daytona test was real organized and everything went smooth."



### On the air

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#### • Inside NASCAR

Ned Jarrett, Stephanie Boyd Durner and Steve Waid host this series dedicated to NASCAR with field reporters Phil Werz, Randy Pemberton and Mike Massaro.

Saturday, Jan. 29, 4 p.m. ET; TNN

#### • NASCAR Garage

The NASCAR spotlight shines on testing; a rear-end performance report; the Busch Grand National Series; and team compliance on this weekend series with hosts Chris McClure and Leslie Gudel.

Sunday, Jan. 30, Noon ET; TNN

### In Brief

#### More Marcis

Dave Marcis, the veteran, 58-year-old Winston Cup driver, will return to the circuit and attempt to qualify for his 33rd straight Daytona 500 this year with Realtree Outdoor Products as his sponsor for a fourth season. Marcis has qualified for 32 straight editions of the "Great American Race" and will once again use his No. 71 Chevrolet during Speedweeks 2000 and throughout the season. Marcis' best finish in the Daytona 500 was sixth in 1975 and '78. He made his first start in 1968 when he qualified 35th and finished 20th. Realtree Outdoor Products is the manufacturer of Realtree and Advantage camouflage.

### By the Numbers

**Darrell Waltrip is tied with Bobby Allison for third on the all-time Winston Cup win list with 84. Following is a glance at where Waltrip has claimed those victories:**

#### Active tracks:

- Bristol: 12
- Martinsville: 11
- Richmond: 6
- Charlotte: 6
- Darlington: 5
- Talladega: 4
- Pocono: 4
- Rockingham: 4
- Atlanta: 3
- Michigan: 2
- Dover: 2
- Daytona: 1

#### Inactive tracks:

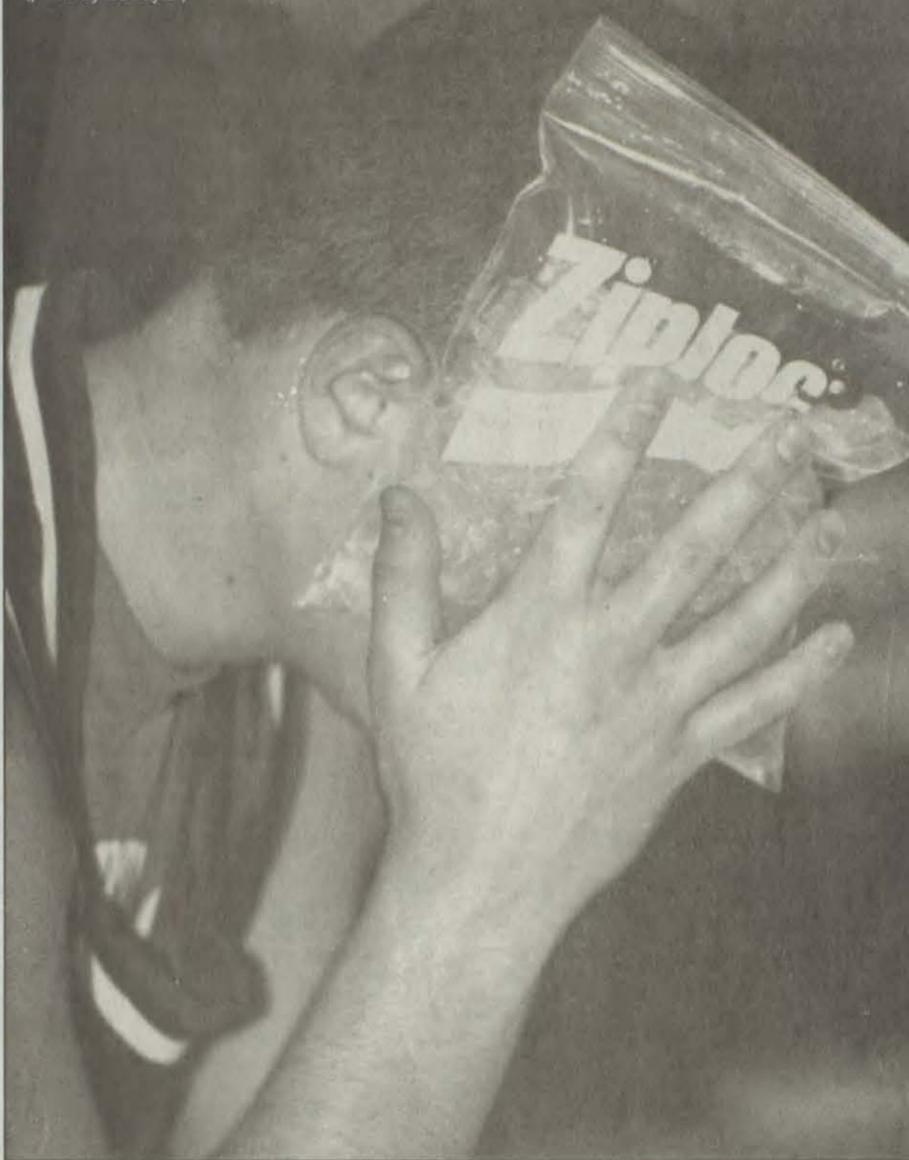
- North Wilkesboro: 10
- Nashville: 8
- Riverside: 5
- Texas World Speedway: 1

### Listen up

**I've never tested before for Dale [Earnhardt]. I guess they picked me because no one else was available. I've got a lot of laps at Daytona. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to drive at Daytona and Talladega, but I'm pleased they called me.**

- Jay Sauter, test-driving the No. 3 Goodwrench Chevrolet while Dale Earnhardt recovers from back surgery

PAINTSVILLE'S MITCHELL GRIM gave attention to a headache during a time out against South Floyd in the All "A" Regional at Pikeville (photo by Ed Taylor)



# Mustangs one game away from title

by Karen Joseph  
Sports Writer

The student body at John M. Stumbo has really been excited this basketball season. And they have had something to be excited about. The Mustangs are 10-1 for the season.

Mickey Newsome and his Mustangs have shocked a lot of people. When they won the Shag Campbell tournament, everyone started to take notice of this very talented ball team.

John M. Stumbo has an ace in the hole with Jack Slone. Slone leads the Mustangs in all stats. He can shoot from the outside as well as drive to the basket. Slone also does a fabulous job in going to the boards. He is unstoppable most of the time.

The John M. Stumbo Mustangs will take on the Allen Central Middle School Runnin' Rebels in the championship game on Tuesday night, February 1. Allen

Central advanced to the championship game by defeating the Mountain Christian Academy Falcons, then knocking off the number two team, the Allen Eagles.

John M. Stumbo got to the finals by defeating the South Floyd Raiders. This will be a very good match up.

Along with Slone, Stumbo has some other great talent on this team. C.R. Mitchell complements Slone. Mitchell can hit from anywhere on the floor as well as rebound with the rest of them.

Another big man for the Mustangs is Jimmy Akers. Akers can play hard in the middle but can also step to the outside and knock down the threes. He poses a defending nightmare for the opposing team.

Brandon Hall and C.J. Newsome are the other two weapons Stumbo has on its side. Both Hall and Newsome are capable of playing sound basketball. They both play very tough defense

as well as being able to score.

Ryan Mitchell and Mason Hall can come off the bench to give the Mustangs a lift when they need it. Both Mitchell and Hall are very quick and play very good defense, causing the other team to commit several turnovers. Both can shoot the ball as well.

With all the talent that Mickey Newsome has on his team, and with Newsome being a veteran coach, the Mustangs are surely the favorite in this game. But this is tournament time and no one knows what will happen.

Newsome can go to the bench to use Ryan Bryant, Kevin Newsome, Mike Spradlin, Eric Hamilton, Troy Swain, Dustin Hamilton, Jeremy Johnson and Brandon Kidd.

Over the years, John M. Stumbo has been legendary in Floyd County Grade School Basketball. They also have a lot of support from their fans. So, win or lose, they the winners in the hearts of Mustang fans.

## In Coach Roberts' heart, they are the champions

by Karen Joseph  
Sports Writer

When the school year began this past fall, Jim Roberts knew he would have a winning season.

"With all of the talent that I saw with these girls, I knew I would have a winning season and we have had a good season," says the head coach for the Lady Bobcats.

Weather permitting, the championship game of the grade school tournament will take place Tuesday night, (February 1) at Allen Central High School.

In the girls championship game, the Betsy Layne Lady Bobcats will take on the very talented South Floyd Lady Raiders. Both teams lost one game during the regular season and that came at the hands of each other, so there really is no favorite in this match up.

The Lady Bobcats started their season in September and everything seemed to be going their way. Then after their first game, they lost Jessica Bentley. Bentley was diagnosed with meningitis. According to Coach Roberts this really hurt the team.

"Jessica was such a good basketball player," Roberts said. "She played with the grade school and the high school. She and Whitney Lykens were best friends. Not only were they best friends, they really complemented each other on the floor. This really affected the team. But then they decided that they would dedicate the season to Jessica and they have played all season with dedication."

Jessica is now home and recuperating. She still has several more trips back to Lexington for rehabilitation, but she is going to be all right.

"Her courage and strength have helped us all to have more strength," said Coach Roberts.

The championship game was initially scheduled for January 14 but was postponed due to inclement weather. Coach Roberts doesn't think that this has hurt his ball team.

"Most of the girls that play on the grade school team also play on the freshman team at Betsy Layne High School," Roberts said. "They practice with the high school team and have played several freshman games. Betsy Layne participated in a freshman tournament this past Saturday and won the tournament. Seventh-grader Kim Clark had a fabulous tournament. Clark scored 17 points in the first two games and 22 in the championship game against Pike Central. Clark is playing very good basketball lately."

Even though the Lady Bobcats have been playing with the high school team, Coach Roberts still thinks this will be a tough game against South Floyd.

"They have a very talented bunch of girls on that team," Roberts said of South Floyd. "Most are eighth-graders and have experience behind them. Megan Ousley and Ashley Johnson are very talented young ladies that can play the game of basketball. So this should be a very good ballgame."

South Floyd defeated the Lady Bobcats on the Lady Raiders' own floor in double overtime. But, the Lady Bobcats defeated the Lady Raiders on their home floor by eight points. And the Lady Bobcats also defeated the Lady Raiders in a tournament game. But no one can tell by previous games. Both teams have been playing with high

school teams, therefore all players have matured.

The Lady Bobcats have won all of the tournaments they have played this season. They won the both the Right Beaver Classic and the Shag Campbell Invitational.

Whitney Lykens is the Lady Bobcats' strongest player. Lykens averages over 20 points a game and will pull down at least 10 rebounds a game. Whitney sees a lot of playing time on the girls varsity team at Betsy Layne high school.

Whitney, along with Kim Clark, Tabetha Witt, Breann Akers, Lynsdey Frasure and Candice Meade make up the first six. Yes, that's right the first six. Because even though only five start, these six young ladies see about the same amount of playing time for the Lady Bobcats.

"When the season began, I expected this team to do well, but after we lost Jessica, I really had decided to quit coaching," Roberts said. "Seeing a child you were so close to go through that was just too much. But Jessica's father asked me to continue coaching, so I decided to stay on as coach of these girls."

Another boost this team has had is when Kim Clark decided to return to the team.

"When the season began, Kim had decided that she was not going to play grade school ball, only high school ball," Roberts said. "But after the regular season got underway, Kim decided to play for the grade school team. At first, she was a little nervous and would get down on herself very quick. But in the last month, Kim has really come around. She will really help this team in the game against the Lady Raiders. And Kim is only a seventh grader, so she will be back next year."

In the center for the Lady Bobcats will be eighth grader, Tabetha Witt.

"Tabetha has the height and the strength," said the coach of the Lady Bobcats. "She always gives her best. She has a good head on her shoulders and is a leader."

At the forward position for the Lady Bobcats will be Breann Akers.

"This is the first year that Breann has played basketball," said Roberts. "She has always cheered before. She decided that she wanted to play ball this year. Breann does a wonderful job on the floor. She doesn't always score a lot, but she will get in there and battle the boards against anyone. Next year, Breann will really contribute to this team."

The other two players who round out the starters for the Lady Bobcats are Lyndsey Frasure and Candice Meade.

"Lyndsey is only a seventh-grader, but plays with a lot of force in the forward position. She always hustles and gives you everything she has," said Coach Roberts. "Little Candice is our hustler on the team. Candice has really stepped up after we lost Jessica. She doesn't shoot a lot, but she plays very tough defense and causes a lot of turnovers by the other team. Both of these girls will be back next year."

Whoever wins the championship game, both teams have had a very successful season and both can go home proud.

"This has been a very emotional season for myself and these young ladies," said the smiling coach. "They are a very close team and, win or lose in the championship game, they are all champions in my heart."

## From the... PRESSBOX

by Ed Taylor

### Legends return but were missed

Over the past week we had two local celebrities in town and I got to miss both of them.

"King" Kelly Coleman was at Wayland along with former UK great Richie Farmer. But the second legend was former McDowell standout Geri Grigsby. I got to speak with Geri briefly and hope to do a feature on her soon.

It is always good to see these folks come home, those who are still household names and known across the state.

I think they sometimes don't really realize that their name is spoken quite often by basketball fans all over. They are still remembered as two of the greatest to come out of Floyd County.

Kelly was in Wayland at his parents' old homeplace. According to Bobby Hamilton, owner/operator of the Wayland Kwik Mart, he made an appearance at the local establishment because Richie Farmer always wanted to meet the greatest scorer the game has ever known.

"I don't think Kelly realizes that he is still just as popular as when he played in high school and college," said Hamilton.

Coleman is still the leading all-time men's basketball scorer in America. I remember watching him

play when he was at Wayland High School. Those will always be precious memories for me. I thought he was the greatest to play the game and he was hard to stop. I can't remember too many teams stopping him. Oh, several held him to the high 20s but that is a normal game for kids today.

Kelly averaged 47 points a game his senior year. He had the uncanny knack of knowing where the ball was coming off the basket and he didn't miss the second time.

I still think he was the greatest to ever have donned a basketball uniform. But Kelly is laid back through all this stuff and, although recognized by the Kentucky High School Athletic Association as a Hall of Famer, he has never been inducted. Not that the KHSAA hasn't wanted to, but Kelly has held back from it.

"I think we have Kelly convinced to let them induct him," said Hamilton, a close friend of Coleman. "But he said the one condition would be if they inducted 'Copper' John Campbell along with him."

Coleman still holds the state tournament scoring record, hitting 68 points against Bell County in a quarterfinal game.

Who can forget the great career of Geri Grigsby? I remember very little about Geri's basketball accomplishments personally. When I was in the photography business back in the late 1970s I did a photo shoot of Grigsby for the Courier-Journal.

She was amazing. She could play better than most men. She was all over the court, cutting to the basket, pulling up and hitting the short jumper or just dishing the ball off.

After taking this job here at The Floyd County Times 12 years ago, the first assignment given me was a feature story of Geri.

Since then I have done a couple others as she has moved up as an attorney.

Geri was the leading scorer throughout America, boys and girls, until the KHSAA recognized Jamie Walz's seventh and eight grade seasons and added them to the accomplishment of her four high school years.

Geri played but three seasons of high school basketball when Title IX came in. She accomplished all her achievements in her short three-year playing days.

She would go to practice with her father, Pete Grigsby Jr., and practice against the "boys." When the game came to the girls program, Grigsby was named with other greats like Bridget Clay, Prestonsburg, Robin Harmon (Newsome), Sheldon Clark, and Kathy Isaac, Allen Central.

Geri went on to play for the University of Kentucky before finishing her college playing career with Western Kentucky. She then returned to the UK law school.

There was no professional women's team then, but if there had been, Grigsby would have gotten a shot at the big time.



**RICHEE MEET KELLY!**  
Former University of Kentucky standout Richie Farmer (left) finally got to meet legendary basketball player "King" Kelly Coleman. The two met at the Wayland Kwik Mart.

# Bobcats

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with 11. The starting five finished in double figures for the Bobcats. They were led in scoring by Adam Collins. Collins finished with 18 points, but also pulled down 11 rebounds for the Bobcats. Collins was following in scoring by Bradley Brooks. Brooks had 16 points in the game for the Bobcats, and also had a good night on the boards. Brooks finished the game with 10 rebounds and one blocked shot.

Brock Keathley contributed with 14 points and three steals for the Bobcats, while Justin Bartley finished with 12 points and Scott Collins had 11 on the night for the Bobcats.

The Betsy Layne Bobcats have been out of school for nearly two weeks and apparently this really affected their playing. They appeared to have difficulty getting up and down the floor. Brent Rose, head coach for the Bobcats seemed to have a hard time finding the right combination.

The Bobcats were playing without the services of Brad Daugherty. Daugherty has not played since he was injured in the Belfry game. They are not sure how long he will be out. Daugherty always comes off the bench to give the Bobcats

several points and some very good defense. They really missed him against the Cardinals.

Nathan Tackett saw a lot of playing time for the Bobcats and is doing a great job after being out for so long. But the Bobcats just couldn't get things together on Friday night.

Sheldon Clark took the first lead of the game on a two point basket by Chad Howell. Eric McCoy followed with a two point basket to give the Cardinals a four-zero lead. But Justin Barley would answer for the Bobcats with a three point basket. But the Cardinals jumped out to a 21-12 lead. Adam Collins hit a three point basket as the buzzer sounded at the end of the first period to bring the Bobcats within seven. The Cardinals led at the end of the first quarter by a score of 21-15.

The Bobcats came out ready to play ball in the second quarter. Brock Keathley went on a run of his own. Keathley opened the quarter by hitting a two point basket to bring the Bobcats with five. The Keathley stole the ball twice to score four quick points to tie the score with six minutes remaining in the half.

Sheldon Clark called a time out to try and regroup. But after the

time out, Justin Bartley hit a two point basket to give the Bobcats their first lead at 23-21. But their lead was short-lived. Adam Brown would answer for the Cardinals to tie the score. Sheldon Clark regained the lead on a free throw by Stewart Blankenship.

The Cardinals went on a seven-zero run to give them back the lead at 29-23 with 4:47 remaining in the half. Brock Keathley would hit again for the Bobcats and the Bobcats would go on to come within six with 3:12 left to play in the half. But that is as close as they would come in the remaining minutes of the first half. The Cardinals went into locker room with a 43-38 lead. It was Scott Collins hitting a shot at the buzzer this time to bring the Bobcats to within five points.

In the first half, the Bobcats had a difficult time defending against Adam Brown and his three point shooting. So in the second half, they adjusted and put more pressure on him, but in the second half Nick Marcum hit from the three-point line for the Cardinals. Scott Collins got the scoring started for the Bobcats in the second half by hitting a three point basket. But Nick Marcum answered for the Cardinals by hitting a three point

basket for the Cardinals.

Even though the Bobcats had trailed the majority of the game, they never did give up. With 3:27 remaining in the third period of play, the Bobcats came to within six point when Scott Collins attempted a three point basket and was fouled. Collins hit two of the three free shots to make the score 51-57. But again the Cardinals would outscore the Bobcats 10-5 and hold on to a 11 point lead at the end of the third quarter, 67-56.

The Bobcats went on a 8-2 run to start the fourth quarter. Not only did Adam Collins score six points in the final quarter, Collins along with Brooks pretty much dominated the boards. Justin Bartley hit a three point basket with 1:41 left to go in the game to bring the Bobcats within two. And with 50 ticks left in the game, Brock Keathley was fouled and when to the charity stripe. Keathley hit the first but missed the second and it was the Cardinals pulling down the crucial rebound. Who other than, Stewart Blankenship was fouled and went to the free-throw line. Blankenship had only missed two free throws up until this point. This trip he hit the first, but missed the second. This time it was Adam Collins grabbing the much needed

rebound for the Bobcats. But there was a scuffle on the floor and Brock Keathley was called for his fifth foul. And again, Stewart Blankenship went to the line with the Cardinals having a two point lead, with 22.7 seconds remaining in the game. Blankenship hit the first and missed the second, therefore the Bobcats had a chance to tie the game.

The Bobcats brought the ball down the floor and tried to set up. Scott Collins attempted the three

point but the ball went in and came out. And this time it was the Cardinals pulling down the rebound with 8.3 seconds remaining. The Bobcats immediately fouled, but it was in vain as the Cardinals hit both free throws and won the game by a score of 81-76.

The Bobcats will have a tough week this coming week. They will face all three district teams this week. Prestonsburg on Tuesday, Allen Central on Friday and South Floyd on Saturday.

## Sports In PERSPECTIVE

Denis Harrington

Sports in Perspective

by Denis Harrington

Just 12 months ago, the Denver Broncos were marching resolutely toward a second successive Super Bowl appearance and the upstart Atlanta Falcons and New York Jets were the joint surprise of pro football.

Fast forward to the present and we find the Broncos and Falcons floundering with losing records, as are the perennially strong San Francisco 49ers, while the St. Louis Rams and Tennessee Titans are headed to the big game. In addition, the Seattle Seahawks, Miami Dolphins and Jacksonville Jags all posted strong seasons.

What a difference a year can make.

But no matter who is on top of the standings, the National Football League is still plagued by shoddy play overall. Missed tackles, blown blocks, stupid penalties and mass fumbling continue to be the order of the day.

Take the case of the Washington Redskins. Midway into the current season, they led the league in total offense and were last in total defense. They had a daunting array of scoring weapons but couldn't keep the opposition from matching them point for point. What it comes down to is whoever has the ball last, wins.

No way this state of affairs should prevail. However, it does.

But why?

Good question.

Remember the San Diego Chargers? They came out of the blocks at the start of the season showing much promise. A varied offense — a little run and a little pass — to go along with the best defense in the league gave them every opportunity to become a legitimate contender for division honors.

Then the wheels came off. Suddenly, they couldn't get a touchdown and their prevent unit gave up a total of 60 points in two weeks. At this juncture in time they're swirling down the drain in freefall status.

Weird, you say? Yeah, something like that.

Near the end of the season, we had a lot of bad teams very much in the running for a post-season

playoff spot, a bizarre situation that continued until the campaign's final gun.

Let's examine the matter a mite more closely.

John Madden, the winningest coach the Oakland Raiders ever had, once said, "To be consistent, to win championships, you've got to have a balance of personnel. You need about a third old pros, guys nearing the end of their careers but who can get the job done. They give your team stability. And then you need a third maturing pros, guys who will be the old pros in a year or two but still have their skills. Finally, you need a third young guys, who can fill in adequately to spell your seasoned guys without general performance dropping off too markedly. The team that keeps this third to third to third ratio year after year will always be a winner."

Unfortunately, said formula can no longer be implemented due to expansion and free agency.

Chuck Noll said recently, "Coaching in the NFL now is like coaching in college. Once you get the players you want and have a good year, they're all gone. Graduated to better things. And then you're back to ground zero, starting all over again."

With John Elway at quarterback and Terrell Davis running the ball Denver had balance and, hence, ball control. Their defense only needed to play good in spots, not for extended periods of time.

Since Elway retired and Davis was lost to injury, Denver could no longer play possession football. Their defense was on the field longer and more frequently and it showed. Exposure makes for fallibility.

Too many teams dilute the limited amount of talent available. And with a relative few premier players accounting for a lion's share of the payroll, what's backup is necessarily of five-and-dime quality.

Sans Madden's a third, a third and a third ratio teams can't hope to be consistent. But with expansion and free agency this ratio is now impossible to achieve. As a result we have the vagaries of play that beset the NFL today.

The league euphemistically refers to the situation as parity.

A rose by any other name...



P.D. FRANCIS is expected to be at full strength when the Allen Central Middle School Rebels face Stumbo in the championship game of the boys' grade school tournament (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Sports

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In girls basketball in the 58th, a big, big game is on tap Tuesday night when Cassandra Akers and the Betsy Layne Ladycats visit Prestonsburg. The Ladycats won over Prestonsburg on their home court and are 2-0 in the conference.

We are told that the grade school tournament, which was scheduled for Tuesday night, has been switched to Thursday night.

Now, Whitney Lykens, who is

one of the top players for Betsy Layne, was going to play in the grade school tournament had they played it. But I am glad that Whitney will not have to make that decision.

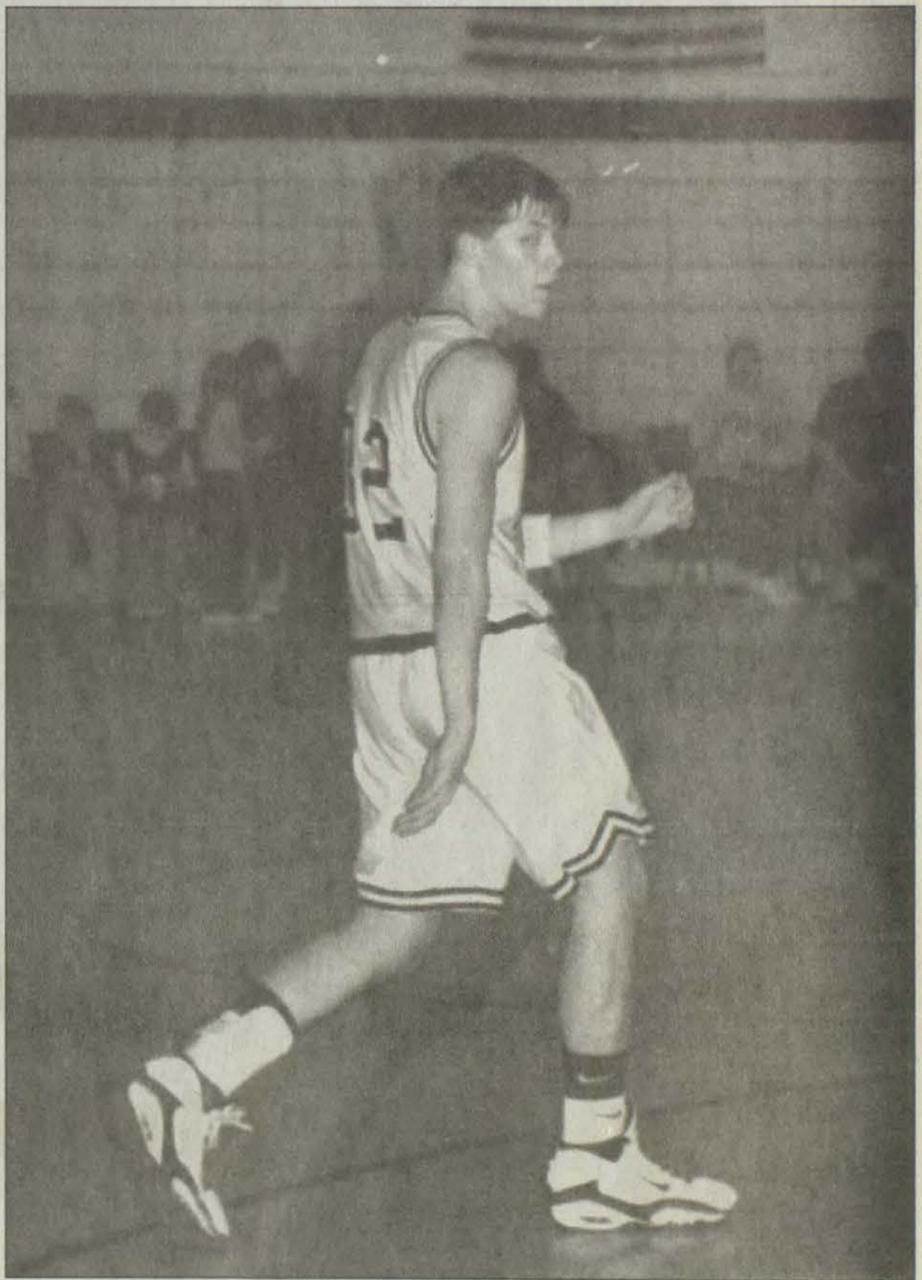
Well, there is a lot of good basketball left in this season although it is closing fast.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



Prestonburgs Matt Clay

# Around the County



# Sports Plus

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■ South Floyd Middle vs. Betsy Layne

## Ousley, Johnson and Co. meets Betsy Layne

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

If you missed either of the first three match-ups between the South Floyd Middle School Lady Raiders and the always tough Betsy Layne Elementary Ladycats, then you will have a chance to catch both teams in round four of their 1999-2000 battle that will crown one as the Floyd County Grade School champions.

The two powerhouses meet on the Allen Central High School basketball court and the game should be a good one if it is anything like the first three.

The first meeting occurred in the semifinals of the Right Beaver Classic, a game that took two overtimes before the Ladycats pulled out the win.

Game two took place at the South Floyd Raider gym and round two went to South Floyd. Again, it took an overtime period to settle the matter.

Over at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse at Betsy Layne, round three went to Betsy Layne, but this time without an overtime.

The first round was not counted as a conference game but the other two were. The two teams tied for the conference championship, but a flip of the coin gave the number one seed to South Floyd. But both teams were expected to reach the finals anyway.

Both teams are loaded with some of the top talent in girls basketball around the region.

South Floyd has the dynamic duo of Megan Ousley and Ashley Johnson. But you can throw in two more in Leigh Ann Tuttle and Brandy Anderson.

Ousley is the team's leading scorer but she does so much more than score. She is a very unselfish basketball player and leads the

team in assists.

Ousley could average much more than what she does, but she likes to set up the other players. She is quick, has good speed and can drain the trey. It seems like she has been playing basketball forever.

Johnson is the taller of the two players and that gives her an advantage outside as well as in the paint area. Just a super player with a great future ahead of her.

She runs the court well, takes the ball to the basket and has a nose for where the ball is. Beyond the arc, she needs all the attention that Betsy Layne can give her. She is dangerous.

Anderson is a deceiving player. Deceptive in that her size would have the opposition to think that she can only handle the ball. Well, she does that well but she can shoot as well and beyond the three-point circle.

Anderson is quick, has good foot speed, but lacks a presence of any sort under the basket. She will fill the two guard or play some at the point.

Tuttle has the size and knows how to use it around the basket. But something opponents have discovered of her this year, she can nail the three as well.

Tuttle is a good rebounder and a strong defense in the paint area.

The small forward will be played by Sharee Hopkins, who does not look that much to the basket, but can score if needed. Hopkins is sort of the garbage player who works hard on the floor, gets the loose ball and scores.

Hopkins suffered an injury to her shoulder earlier in the year and had to sit out most of the regular season before returning when the county tournament began. If the delay in playing the tournament

will benefit anyone, it will be Hopkins who will have additional time to rest.

A player who could crack a lot of starting lineups is Carla Hall. She is instant offense off the bench for the Lady Raiders. Can hit the trey but her strength lies in pulling up for the 10-footer on in shot.

The South Floyd bench may be a little more shallow than Betsy Layne's, meaning the first six or seven players will have to spend more time on the floor.

The up-and-down tempo will benefit the Lady Raiders but both Ousley and Johnson will have to stay out of foul trouble. Both are essential to the team and tournament title.

Others to watch include Tabitha Trammel, Candice Hall, Courtney Blocker, Miranda Gregory, Erica Howell, Pam Younce, Mary Bentley and Tabatha Tackett.

### KEYS

■ It is imperative that South Floyd get off to a quick start offensively. They cannot afford to let the Ladycats to build early confidence.

■ One of the hardest jobs in basketball is to try to stop Betsy Layne's Whitney Lykens. The Lady Raiders will have to contain the others and try to slow Lykens as much as possible.

■ Johnson is a key to South Floyd. She must stay out of foul trouble. She is needed on the court, not the bench. It is imperative that she play at least 20 of the 24 minutes.

■ Taking care of the basketball. Anderson must handle the ball so as Ousley will not have to work so hard in getting the ball up court. Anderson is a very capable guard, but she has to watch the double teams.

Game time is set for a 6 p.m. tip off.



WHITNEY LYKENS AND KIM CLARK will lead the Betsy Layne Ladycats against South Floyd Middle School in the finals of the girls county tournament (photo by Ed Taylor)

# Allen Central Middle is hoping for another strong tourney finish

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Wait a minute!

Gone are the Allen Elementary Eagles. Also missing will be the Betsy Layne Elementary Bobcats. Make a third missing team the South Floyd Middle School Raiders.

All three teams were expected to be one of the teams who would be playing for the championship of the Floyd County Grade School Tournament.

But while all three are watching, the John M. Stumbo Mustangs and Allen Central Middle School Rebels will be playing in the final game.

The tournament, held up because of no school, will hopefully resume Tuesday night at Allen Central High School. The first game will be a girls championship game followed by Allen Central versus Stumbo.

Stumbo owns two wins over the Rebels this season during the regular games.

However, for Allen Central, they were not the favored team last year but walked away with all the marbles after Allen and Betsy Layne were last year's choice teams.

Allen Central reached the tournament finals with a big, big win over the Allen Eagles in the semifinals. Stumbo reached by virtue of a win over Betsy Layne.

Coach Kevin Stumbo, in his second year at the helm of the Allen Central program, said he is hoping that his team can repeat as tournament champions.

"We are a good team," he said. "We are playing the best basketball of our season right now. I sure would like to win it again, but Stumbo is a great team."

It was the defense of the Rebels that did in Allen as they were held to a low shooting percentage. In fact, the Rebels defense did not give the Eagles too many good looks at the basket.

One of the brightest high school prospects in Floyd County is part of the Rebel roster. Austin Francis is quick, has good size and can fill the basket from the outside.

"Austin is a good basketball player," said Stumbo. "He has been consistent all year for us."

Add Justin Hall and you have a duo who can carry a team. Hall has the best speed on the team and also, like

Francis, can drill the treys.

His ability to get up and down the court so fast, gives him the edge on the defense. He also can kill a zone and is not be left open behind the arc.

Guard play is in the capable hands of Paul David Francis. Francis runs at point guard and is a lefthander. You only know that when he shoots. He dribble the basketball with the right hand and it is confusing to the defense when he shoots.

Francis gives the Rebels a third three-point threat but he will not put up as many attempts as Hall or Austin Francis.

You have Francis, Hall and Francis. While they sound like a law firm, still a fourth could be added. Dustin Addis is the fourth Allen Central player who nails the three from the three-point circle. He is a streak shooter. If he gets in the groove, he can score from the stands. He is that confident.

"We feel like we are capable of winning over Stumbo," said Stumbo, "even though they have beaten twice this season. It is a matter of playing our game and watching Jack Slone."

Slone is the leading scorer for the Mustangs but when all the cancellations were going on, Slone was on crutches but should be healed up by game time Tuesday.

Coach Stumbo gets good help from his bench and does not lose much when he goes to the pines.

Josh Huff gives the Rebels some solid minutes off the bench. James Slone and Jonathan Vanderpool also contribute and will see a lot of minutes.

Others to watch include Terry Moore, James Meade, Anthony Prater, Wes Tackett, Michael Coon and Dustin Hancock.

Allen Central, led by Austin Francis and Meade gives the Rebels strength on the boards. The Rebels are a good rebounding ballclub and they will go against one of the teams that matches up well with them in Stumbo, also a strong team on the boards.

The Rebels like to get after you all over the court a.k.a. Johnny Martin basketball. Their relentless pursuit of the ball will cause the opposition less looks at the basket. The intensity of the Rebs will help wear the other team down

and cause mental mistakes.

### KEYS

■ The Rebels must contain both Jack Slone and Jimmy Akers. Both are solid basketball players. Both will go to the boards strong.

■ Allen Central must take care of the basketball. They cannot give Stumbo more looks at the basket than normal. Possession of the ball will be critical against a good team like Stumbo.

■ Francis, Hall and Francis have to have good games. Addis must keep the Stumbo defense honest with outside

shooting, not allowing the Mustangs to sag in on Austin Francis.

■ Blocking out! It is imperative that the Rebels control the boards and not allow Stumbo second and third chances, something they are good at getting.

■ The bench has to contribute. The two teams collide at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday night and it could be a barn-burner.

Trophy presentation will take place at the conclusion of the game. A first and second place trophies will be presented as well as cheerleader, dance team, and individuals to both runners-up and winners.



AUSTIN FRANCIS AND THE ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL REBELS will defend their county championship against Stumbo Tuesday night at Allen Central High School (photo by Ed Taylor)



# The MAC attack

## New manager expects to succeed

by Pam Shingler

"I hate to fail, and I don't plan on it here."

Kevin Shannon is mild-mannered and soft-spoken, but those words have a matter-of-fact edge to them that assures you he's serious about making the Mountain Arts Center a local success story.

On the job since January 17, the new executive director of the MAC faces a deficit in six figures, wrangles over control of the facility, and staff upheavals. He steps into a position that's been up in the air since last summer when the center's first director, Bob Meyer, left to enter private business.

Shannon appears confident he can bring about the changes necessary to turn the three-year-old center into what it was intended to be, a regional Mecca for the arts and arts education.

"I would love to see the MAC be what it was envisioned to be," says Shannon, a 1968 Prestonsburg High School graduate, "with headline performers, more children's programming, more utilization of the recording studio, and more private instruction."

The new director brings a strong business background and experience in working with diverse people, characteristics that the MAC Management Commission wanted in a manager.

Shannon started and still operates Gateway Counseling Center, and he owns and manages office rental property in Lexington. He has also led Prestonsburg's Main Street program for several years.

And though he doesn't consider himself an artist, Shannon admits to a lifelong

interest in the arts. He laughs when he says he got his start in the arts as the spotlight operator during the first season of



Jenny Wiley Theatre in the mid-1960s, when it was truly community theater.

He worked on "South Pacific," the theater's first production. Having seen the show dozens of times from behind the lights, he's not particularly eager to see it on this year's Jenny Wiley schedule, he jokes.

The businessman, whose red hair now has tinges of gray, is serious, however, about closer cooperation between the MAC and the theater.

"We're kicking around the idea of running a bus and giving group rates to people who come here to see theater productions, so they can see performances by the Kentucky Opry and other events at the MAC," Shannon says.

"There are a lot of openings for working with Jenny Wiley Theatre and Jenny Wiley State Resort Park — all of us working together with tourism."

Shannon's immediate challenge is to improve the MAC's financial status. He knows he must concentrate on fund-raising, including securing corporate sponsorship for some productions and writing

grant proposals.

He is particularly hopeful of getting

state grants to enhance children's programming since Gov. Paul Patton has pledged support of early childhood education. Shannon thinks children's theater and special shows for children can fit into that focus.

He is also determined to review the operating policies of the center, advising change where needed, and to examine and perhaps rework job descriptions for the eight full-time staff members.

He says he also wants to look at employees' hours, staggering some "to keep from killing anybody." He cites, in particular, Keith Caudill, who served as interim director before Shannon's appointment. Overseeing the MAC and the Kentucky Opry, Caudill was working 80 to 90 hours a week, which, Shannon contends, is too much to ask of anyone.

Shannon also wants to improve communication within the center and with its publics. He insists that much of the arts and education activity that goes on at the MAC is not known in the community. "People don't think anything is going on, but many things are not publicized," he

says.

He mentions the children's programming, which has exposed "thousands and thousands of children" to plays and music, as well as the musical instruction that goes on every day at the MAC.

Opening Thursday, for instance, is a major exhibit from the Louisville Science Center. He expects up to 10,000 school children from counties all around the area to visit the interactive exhibit, called "The World We Create."

The MAC's recording studio, he says, is known among people in the music industry throughout the region as the best place to come to record music.

Countering rumors that no big acts are scheduled at the MAC in the near future, Shannon points out the band Exile, which has local ties, will be in concert on February 26, and the Don Rigsby Homecoming with Longview and

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### Coming soon to the MAC

"The World We Create," an interactive exhibit from the Louisville Science Center, opens Thursday, February 3, at 10 a.m.

(Volunteers are needed to assist visitors during the run of the exhibit. Call 886-2623 or toll-free 1-888-MAC-ARTS.)

Exile, the pop/country, hit-making band, Saturday, February 26. Tickets on sale now at the MAC box office.

## 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 1960.*

I'll give you a blow by blow description of what ails me—if you'll supply the fresh handkerchiefs.

### WHERE THE PAGES WENT

Those other four, six or eight pages usually making up your weekly edition of The Floyd County Times were RESERVED this week for advertisers who didn't advertise.

### HE TOOK LITTLE FROM HOME

Many the editorial has been written—and we've contributed a few such ourselves—about the natural resources of our region and how little they have been developed for the benefit of our people. But of them all, perhaps the most eloquent is that of Henry W. Grady, famed editor of The Atlanta (Ga.) Constitution, in his "Pickens County Funeral." We reprint it in full:

I attended a funeral once in Pickens County in my state. A funeral is not usually a cheerful object to me unless I can select the subject. I think I could, perhaps, without going a hundred miles from here, find the material for one or two cheerful funerals. Still, this funeral was peculiarly sad.

It was a poor "one gallus" fellow, whose breeches struck him under the armpits and hit him at the other end about the knee... They buried him in the midst of a marble quarry; they cut through solid marble to make his grave; and yet a little tombstone they put above him was from Vermont.

They buried him in the midst of a pine forest, and yet the pine coffin was imported from Cincinnati.

They buried him within the touch of an iron mine, and yet the nails in his coffin and the iron in the shovel that dug his grave were imported from Pittsburgh.

They buried him by the side of the best sheep-grazing country on the earth, and yet the wool in the coffin bands themselves were brought from the North.

The South didn't furnish a thing on earth for that funeral, but the corpse and the hole in the ground. There they put him away and the clods rattled down on his coffin, and they buried him in a New York coat and a Boston pair of shoes and a pair of breeches from Chicago and a shirt from Cincinnati, leaving him nothing to carry into the next world with him to remind him of the country in which he lived, and for which he fought for four years, but the chill of blood in his veins and the marrow in his bones.

## Just a common soldier

(anonymous)

He was getting old and paunchy and his hair was falling fast, and he sat around the Legion Post, telling stories of the past, of a war that he had fought in and the deeds that he had done, in his exploits with his buddies, they were heroes, everyone. And tho' sometimes to his neighbors, his tales became a joke, all his Legion buddies listened, for they knew whereof he spoke.

But we'll hear his tales no longer, for old Bill passed away,

and the world's a little poorer, for a Soldier died today.

He'll not be mourned by many, just his children and his wife,

for he lived an ordinary and quiet, uneventful life; held a job and raised a family, quietly going his own way.

And the world won't note his passing, though a Soldier died today.

When politicians leave this earth, their bodies lie in state and thousands note their passing and proclaim that they were great!

Newspapers tell their life stories, from the time that they were young.

But the passing of a simple Soldier goes unnoticed and unsung.

Is the greatest contribution to the welfare of our land a person who breaks promises and cons his fellow man? Or the ordinary fellow, who in times of war and strife, goes off to serve his country and offers up his life?

It's so easy to forget them, for it was so long ago.

The "of Bills" of our country went to battle, but we know,

it was NOT the politicians, with their promises and ploys.

who won for us the freedom that our country now enjoys.

He was just a "common Soldier" and his ranks are growing thin.

But his presence should remind us we may need his like again.

For when countries are in conflict, then we find the soldier's part

is to clean up all the troubles, that others often start.

If we cannot give him honor, while he's here to hear the praise,

then at least let's give him homage, at the ending of his days.

Perhaps a simple notice in a paper that would say:

"Our country is in mourning, because a Soldier passed away."

(Submitted by Dewey Conn of Martin; reprinted from Ex-POW Bulletin)



### Up, up and away

More than 300 people showed up Wednesday evening to learn more about recruitment by UPS and Metropolitan College for employees and students from the mountain region. The Louisville-based company, UPS, is offering employment with benefits, as well as free tuition and other perks for the employees to attend Metropolitan College, a joint effort of the University of Louisville, Jefferson Community College and Jefferson Technical College. Recruiters interviewed about 18 applicants on Wednesday and another 30+ on Thursday. Interest was so great that they plan to return in two weeks to do more interviews. Interested persons should contact the Department of Employment Services office in Prestonsburg, 886-2396. (photos by Ed Taylor)



Laura "Maw" Sargent, 95, still attends church regularly.

## Longtime member honored

The Martin Church of Christ recently honored Laura "Maw" Sargent for her many years of faithfulness to God and to the Martin church.

She was born on April 7, 1904, and was baptized in 1918. She has been a faithful member of the Martin Church of Christ since the establishment of the congregation in May of 1935.

She has been a Sunday School teacher and still attends morning worship at the church as often as she can. In fact, she attended 40 of 52 Sundays in 1999, according to her pastor, Rev. Ralph Elkins. Members of the church, he said, take turns picking her up.

Elkins added that she writes to several ministers and churches on a weekly basis, encouraging them and making sure they stay informed about happenings in other congregations.

She formerly lived in Allen, but now resides at Riverview Manor Nursing Home in Prestonsburg, where she witnesses to staff members and other residents.

Her late husband, George Dewey Sargent, was also a faithful leader in the church, according to Elkins. They have a daughter, Barbara, who lives in Indiana.

# Youth News

## Pikeville College announces dean's list for fall 1999

Pikeville College Dean and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Wallace Campbell, has released the names of the top students for the 1999 fall semester. To qualify for the Dean's List, students must receive a grade point average of 3.5 (B+) or better.

Kentucky, Pike County full-time students are Brian J. Green and Nikki S. Wallace of Belfry; Carolyn May of Canada; Betty C. Thacker oforton; Rebecca A. Swiney, Jillian M. Coleman, Angela R. Hensley, and Alisha S. Childers of Elkhorn City; Toni M. Casebolt of Fords Branch; Edna M. Slater, Shannon Leigh Lockard, and Heather L. Leedy of Hardy; Jamie L. Montgomery of Hatfield; Genesia L. Kilgore of Helliell; Amber Shawntrell Moon of Huddy; Bradley S. Johnson of Jonancy;

Also, Sherry E. Varney and Crystal D. Phillips of Kimper; Jason S. Sanson and Nicholas Brett Smith of Majestic; Sammy J. Maynard and Rhonda Collins of McAndrews; Lisa Rose Addington, April S. Tackett, Karla Renae Groves, and Charity Burke of Myra; Jamie Lynn Daugherty, Michele Dawn Smith, Christa L. Smith, Julia Casey, Erika Brooke Fannin, Bethany M. Fields, Andrea Paige Blankenship, and Angela Marie Coleman of Phelps.

Other students include Dania L. Stiltner of Phyllis; Jennifer A. Robinson, Sunny M. Phillips, Jamie D. Tucker, Robert N. Sparks, Hemang G. Patel, Lisa M. Knisley, Malinda Shondale McKinney, Dava Megan Collier, Crystal Lynn Moore, Jay A. Damron, Tandi L. Hamilton, Julie A. Sharp, Selena D. Muncy, Amanda H. Rader, Finicia M. Compton, Crystal K. Compton, Elizabeth A. Cassady, Melanie A. Cable, Debra K. Evans, Bethany Dianne Bliffen, Jody M. Damron, Paula M. Osborne, Vernon E. Little, Carrie M. McGuire, Rebecca Smith, Kendra Hamilton, Kimberly D. Coleman, Carie A. Justice, Kenneth T. Huffman, Stephanie L.

Little, Christian K. Zane, Mosey M. Mullins, Laura R. Ford, Bethany L. Stanley, Kelly A. Barker, Suzy Dyan Gibson, Mary Rebekah Norman, Melissa S. Vernon, and Chasity Hope Lester, all of Pikeville;

Amy C. Parsley and Cherish Renae Hatfield of Pinsonfork; Olivia N. Gannon, Beverly D. Thacker, and Claude J. Robinson of Raccoon; Madeana Kaye Justice of Regina; Kevin B. Johnson, Gloria Yates Kilgore, Stephen F. Hunt, Kermit R. McPeck, Jessica L. Bentley, Amanda R. Rowe, Rachel E. Meek, Kelli J. Johnson, Bonnie K. Potter, Elizabeth A. Adkison, and Martha M. Waldron, all of Shelbyana; Melinda Dawn Maynard, Jamie L. Heflin, Amy Reed Swiney, and Mary E. Pinson-Pierce of Sidney; Carla S. Bowns of Stone; Harold Brent Blankenship of Stopover; Matthew E. Chandler of Turkey Creek; Olivia S. White, Roger D. Mullins, Sara E. Osborne, and Anthony J. Tackett, all of Virgie.

Pike County part-time students are Jamie D. Newsome of Dorton; Stefanie R. White of Myra; Monique Holbrook, Amy E. Slone, and Joseph M. Steele of Pikeville; Julie Ann Young of Varney.

Floyd County full-time students are Wesley D. Nelson of Banner; Jeremy C. Parsons of Beaver; Heather A. McCoy of Betsy Layne; Kyle E. Turner and Amanda L. Wallen of Garrett; Jessica S. Frasure of Grethel; Diane Robinette, Kimberly Denise Clark, Misty Lynn Stevens, and Candi E. Mullins of Harold; and Karen D. Wallen of Hueysville; Mary Ann Hall and Misty L. Price of Prestonsburg; Diana R. Bowman of McDowell.

Floyd County part-time student is Lana M. Anderson of Harold.

Letcher County full-time students are Crystal I. Perry of Ermine; Robbie N. Royalty, Laura R. Bates, Timothy A. Vanover, and Letha Carol Bailey of Jenkins; Harold D. New of Letcher;

David B. Short of Neon; and Jennifer L. Malan of Whitesburg.

Letcher County part-time student is Candala P. Brock of Whitesburg.

Johnson County full-time students are Alexander C. Ward of Hager Hill; Amanda L. Austin of Paintsville; and Matthew G. Ratliff of Thelma.

Boyle County full-time student is Brian Christopher Russell of Danville;

Boyd County full-time student is Brandy L. Kazee of Ashland.

Greenup County full-time student is Lori A. Smith of Greenup.

Knott County full-time students are Layla Jean Fugate of Litt Carr, Angela Jacobs of Pippa Passes.

Lawrence County full-time students is Melissa A. Kelly of Louisa.

Jefferson County full-time students are Robyn Michelle Ball and Staci L. Bowman of Louisville.

Rowan County full-time student is Joseph Mitchell Mirus of Morehead.

Bullitt County full-time student is Christopher S. Maiden of Shepherdsville.

Powell County full-time students are Chrystal L. McClure and Lana K. Sparks of Stanton.

Martin County full-time student is Paul C. Patrick of Warfield.

Virginia full-time students are Suzanna K. Potter and Kellie R. Cline of Grundy; Kathy Lee Scarberry and Flora Keen of Hurley; and Letitia N. Horn of Vansant.

West Virginia full-time students are Jessica R. Farmer of Delbarton; John M. Fleming of Dingess; Rebecca Justice of Kermit; Brian L. Ooten of Lenore; Scarlette A. Moore of Matewan; Melissa R. Crigger, Jacqueline M. Layne, Sybil Renea Parsley, Candace D. Maynard, Andrea R. Layne, and Kendra Leigh Staton of Williamson.



Tiffany Bailey, left, and Katherine Smith, center, accept scholarships from ALC financial aid director, Nancy Melton.

## Alice Lloyd College students awarded Avon scholarship

Alice Lloyd College announces that two students were recently awarded scholarships sponsored by the Avon Products Foundation Inc.

Tiffany Bailey, a sophomore English major, and Katherine Smith, a senior education major, both of Floyd County, received scholarships for the 1999-2000 academic year. Bailey plans to pursue a career in law, and Smith is completing her student teaching requirement in order to teach preschool through fifth grade after graduation.

"We are extremely proud of these two women. They have recognized the importance of education, made goals for themselves and hurdled all obstacles in order to reach their goals," commented Nancy Melton, ALC Director of Financial Aid.

The Avon Foundation is a longtime supporter of Alice Lloyd College. The Foundation established an Endowed Scholarship Fund for Non-traditional Female Students at the College, which has played an important role in meeting the educational needs of many female students over the years.

## Local student chosen to KMEA all-state chorus

Greta Hicks, daughter of Derek and Debbie Hicks of Prestonsburg, has been chosen as a member of the 2000 Kentucky Music Educators Association (KMEA) All-State SATB (TTBB, SSA, SATB) Chorus which will perform as part of the 42nd annual InService/Professional Development Conference, February 2-5, in Louisville.

Students are chosen as members of the KMEA All-State Choruses as the result of rigorous auditions held during the fall each year.

Greta is a student at Prestonsburg High School where she is a member of the Honor Choir which was under the direction of the late Elizabeth Frazier (choral director).

Rehearsals for the All-State TTBB Chorus, the All-State SSA Chorus and the All-State SATB Chorus will be held February 2, 3 and 4, in Louisville. The experience will culminate in a concert open to the public on Friday evening, February 4, beginning at 8:15 p.m., in the Kentucky Center For The Arts.

Conductor for the 2000 KMEA All-State TTBB Chorus will be Michael Schwartzkopf; for the SSA Chorus, Z. Randall Stroope; for the SATB Chorus, Moses George Hogan.

Schwartzkopf is the conductor of the internationally acclaimed Singing Hoosiers of Indiana University. Stroope is Professor of Music and Graduate Fellow at the University of Nebraska in Omaha. Hogan is Artist in Residence at Loyola University in New Orleans and Artistic Director of the Moses Hogan Chorus.

Chairperson for the 2000 All-State Choruses is Julie Bohannon, choral director at Pleasure Ridge Park High School in Louisville.



Greta Hicks

Tickets for the concert may be obtained directly from the Kentucky Center For The Arts Box Office at 1-502-584-7777 or toll-free at 1-800-775-7777. Tickets may also be ordered on the internet at <http://www.kcea.org/tickets/tickets.html>.

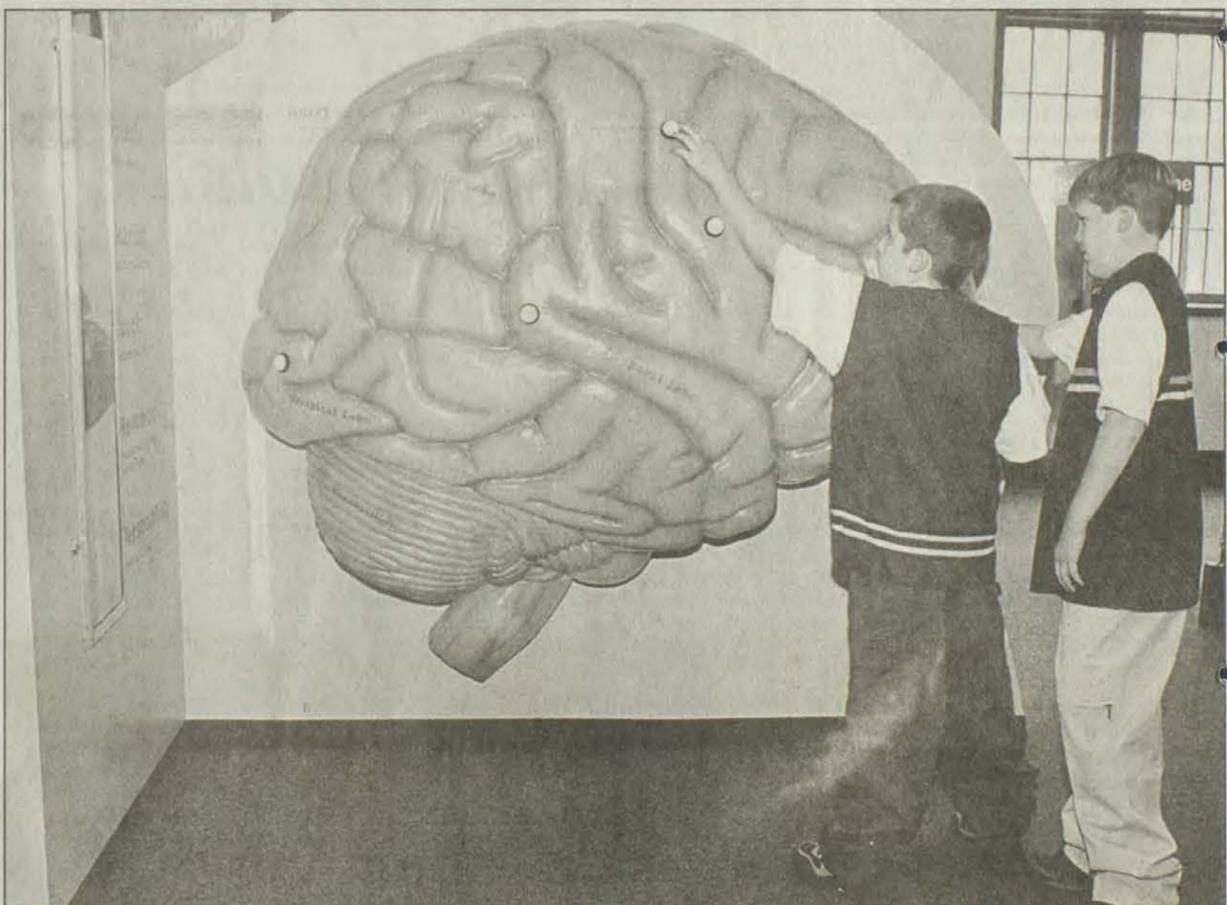
The Kentucky Music Education Association is an organization of more than 1,200 in-service music educators representing music education interests from early childhood through adulthood, and some 250 pre-service music educators currently preparing to teach music in Kentucky's college and universities.

KMEA seeks to improve the quality of music education in Kentucky and works in cooperation with those educational agencies and organizations that share like interests. KMEA is affiliated with the Music Educators National Conference.

The current president of KMEA is Dr. J. Robert Gaddis, dean of the School of Music at Campbellsville University.

### Student winner

Nikki Patton of Prestonsburg High School has been selected among 42 nominees throughout KHSAA Regions 12, 13, 14, and 15 to receive a \$1,000 WYMT-TV Mountain Classic Scholarship. The scholarship, based on academic and scholastic achievement, is made possible by proceeds and donations collected through the annual WYMT Mountain Basketball Classic tournament. She is the daughter of Sharon and Paul Patton of Prestonsburg.



Ryan Cumberledge, left, and Michael Cumberledge examine "Brainzilla," on display at the Lexington Children's Museum.

## Brainzilla arrives at The Lexington Children's Museum

Did you ever see a six-foot, thousand-pound brain? If not, you are in for a treat when you come see "Brainzilla" at The Lexington Children's Museum.

The interactive brain exhibit is one of a kind. There is no other exhibit like it in the country, according to William Whiteside, special projects manager for General Exhibits & Displays in Chicago, where the brain was manufactured.

The exhibit is a collaborative effort of a community-based committee and was funded by Good Samaritan Foundation through a grant to the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department. It is a permanent exhibit of the museum, which is located at 440 West Short St.

"As Kentucky's largest independent grant-making health philanthropy, we are pleased to par-

ticipate in such a great health education community project that will serve many thousands of children and adults," said Foundation Grant's Committee Chair, Rev. Donald R. Herren.

The exhibit is a three-dimensional model of brain anatomy, with the exterior on one side, and the other side cross-sectioned to show the interior anatomy.

The exterior part of the model is labeled with different areas of the brain associated with body functions such as hearing, vision, speech, etc. The areas have push-button switches with corresponding lights, audio and photos showing children in action using the senses or functions appropriate.

The opposite side or interior view of the brain has a chasing light system representing constant cell activity. These lights have a push-

button so visitors can slow the chase speed to show the effects of drugs and alcohol on the brain.

Included as an ancillary exhibit are two talking sports helmets. The sound for the helmets is provided by the fifth grade class from the School for Creative and Performing Arts performing a "brain rap." Action photos of children wearing different sports helmets are part of this exhibit.

"This unique exhibit will be a great educational tool for the children in the community," said Dr. Russell L. Travis, neurosurgeon, who was a volunteer consultant on the project.

"We hope this exhibit will bring awareness to safety precautions such as jump, don't dive, when swimming, and wearing helmets for sports. A great many head injuries happen because safety precautions

are not taken," he said.

A real brain in fixative will be displayed to further educate visitors, along with touch screen monitors with educational CD rom programs.

"Brainzilla," the name for the exhibit was selected by a panel of judges from 160 entries submitted by area school children. Nathan Ward, a student at Deep Springs Elementary School, had the winning entry.

"Even with all the latest discoveries about the human brain, our understanding of this incredible system is incomplete. This unique new exhibit will inspire the imagination of all museum visitors, including the next generation of brain scientists and neurosurgeons," said Sara Nees Holcomb, museum executive director.

# South News

## MCA announces honor roll

Mountain Christian Academy announces its second quarter Honor Roll. To achieve Honor Roll status a student must have a 3.0 GPA. To obtain High Honor Roll, a student must have all A's with an average of 94 percent or above.

Third Grade, High Honor Roll: Kandice Scaff, daughter of Dwayne and Lisa Scaff; Rebecca Rose, daughter of Doug and Vicki Rose; Devin Burchett, son of Jack and Kathy Burchett; Maegan Leslie, daughter of Larry and Lynn Leslie; Lindzey Thacker, daughter of Steve and Renee Thacker; Taylor Moak, son of Tom Moak and Joann Harvey; Branden Coleman, son of Ralph Jr. and Melissa Coleman.

Honor Roll: Christian Smith, son of Thomas and Robin Simpson Smith; Whitney Hackworth, daughter of David and Jennifer Hackworth; Julia Burchett, daughter of Chuck and Kay Burchett; Elizabeth Kilburn, daughter of Solomon and Matilda Kilburn; Raya Calhoun, daughter of Donald Calhoun and Elisha Calhoun; Matthew Tackett, son of Marty and Christina Tackett; Staci Carriere, daughter of Kenneth and Angie Carriere; Elizabeth Davis, daughter of Brett and Virginia Davis; Jackson Osborne, son of Marty

Osborne and Julie Paxton.

Fourth Grade, High Honor Roll: Vincent Ganzon, son of Rudy and Jackie Ganzon; Shilpa Sachdeva, daughter of Rakesh and Seema Sachdeva; Taylor Clark, son of Eddy and Robin Clark.

Honor Roll: Courtney Gullett, daughter of Greg and Janeah Gullett; Lindsay Maggard, daughter of Richie and Michelle Maggard; Zachary Parsons, son of Barry and Sherry Parsons; Robin Warrix, daughter of Bobby and Valerie Warrix; Jarred Tackett, son of Devon and Melissa Tackett; William Hogg, son of Stephen and Juanita Hogg; Zachary Hamilton, son of Sandra Stapleton and Lanny Hamilton.

Fifth Grade, High Honor Roll: Jacob Moak, son of Tom Moak and Joann Harvey; Lincoln Slone, son of Ronnie Slone and Benita Riley; Myranda Elliott, daughter of Andy and Myra Elliott; Joshua Ousley, son of Philip and Debbie Ousley; Mikka Riley, daughter of Jeff and Libby Riley.

Honor Roll: Katelyn Lemaster, daughter of Paul and Janie Lemaster; Kellie Farthing, daughter of Stephen and Emma Farthing; Dustin

Rowe, son of Bobby and Beth Rowe; Kendra Sammons, daughter of Dewey and Pamela Sammons; Whitney Austin Bradley, daughter of Randy and Polly Bradley; Matthew Hicks, son of Stephen Hicks and Teresa Moore.

Sixth Grade, High Honor Roll: Sean Leslie, son of Keith and Teresa Leslie.

Honor Roll: Ryann Thornsberry, daughter of Gary and Lisa Thornsberry; Matthew Potter, son of Tim and Donna Potter; Stephanie Williams, daughter of Steven Williams and Greta Howard.

Seventh Grade, High Honor Roll: Molly Burchett, daughter of Blake and Becky Burchett.

Honor Roll: Samantha Farthing, daughter of Stephen and Emma Farthing; Sarah Hill, daughter of Harold and Madge Hill; Caitlin Clark, daughter of Eddy and Robin Clark.

Eighth Grade, High Honor Roll: Shawna Peters, daughter of Johnnie and Billie Peters.

Honor Roll: Matthew Francis, son of Bill and Demetra Francis; Lora Gibson, daughter of Terry and Gladys Gibson; Tessa Shepherd, daughter of Donald and Pam Shepherd; Nikita Thornsberry, daughter of Ricky Thornsberry and Renee Thornsberry.

## Prestonsburg Elementary announces honor roll

### 4th grade

Linda C. Combs, B Honor Roll—Kim Collins, Amanda Conn, Raymond Conn, David Hicks, Amanda Jarrell, Paige Lewis, Jonathan Lowe, Jeannie Meade, Joshua Paige and Joshua Slone.

Debra Holland, B Honor Roll—Samantha Jarrell, Adam Layne, Joshua Rodebaugh, Nathaniel Stephens, Rachel Tussey, and Jocelyn Phillips.

Lisa Hunt, A Honor Roll—

Brittany Collins, B Honor Roll—Joshua Barnett, Whitney Caudill, Josh Clouse, Chris Daniels, Krissy Goble, Megan Goble, Nakeesha Maines, Kim Martin, Whitney Ousley, Eddie Webb and Randall Yeilding.

Betty Minix, A Honor Roll—Natalie Combs, Charlotte Hale, Maura Minix, Emily Stanley, B Honor Roll—Michael Adkins, Robert Allen, Rebekah Goble, Joshua Holbrook, Rikki Hughes, Zachary Mitchell, Caitlin

Newsome, Joshua Salyers, Dane Sizemore and Justin Spears.

### 5th Grade

Joy Adams, A Honor Roll—Elizabeth Chaffin, Andrea Crum, Mike Crum, Amanda Slone, B Honor Roll—Carmen Maines and Chayse Martin.

Jalenda Shepherd, B Honor Roll—Vanessa Barnett, Matthew Collins, Ashley Gallimore, Shawn Goble, Zach Hicks, Paula Lafferty, Holly Rice and Wesley Woods. Marcella Stone, B Honor

Roll—Whitney Allen, Justin Conn, Benjamin Fish, Jared Harmon, Jordan Ochala, Sarah Salisbury, Kevin Sherman, Meaghan Slone, Morghan Slone, Jarrod Willis and Katie Yates.

Glessie Stumbo, A Honor Roll—Westley Hall, B Honor Roll—Sam Chaffin, Tommy Goble, Kelly Hatfield, Kevin Horn, Victoria Hughes, Kayla Marsillet, Jenny McNutt, Holly Pack, Brittany Ousley and Jordan Williams.



Rogers Scholar Blake Montgomery (Magoffin County) examines the inner-workings of a computer as part of his networking class.

## An exciting, learning experience for juniors

"The best week of my life" is how one teen described the exciting learning opportunity that will be available for 48 rising high school juniors this summer.

For the third consecutive year, The Center for Rural Development will conduct the Rogers Scholars program, an intensive one-week summer session that emphasizes technical skills development while fostering an entrepreneurial spirit, leadership, and a commitment to rural Kentucky.

The heart of The Center for Rural Development's mission is "that no young person will need to leave home to find his or her future." These words, spoken by the program's namesake, Congressman Hal Rogers, frame its goals of encouraging youths to seek job opportunities at home while increasing their marketable skills in the field of telecommunications.

Besides learning about the latest in communication technology, students will participate in exercises designed to build leadership and cooperation.

"There will be serious instruction, but it will be presented in a fun, exciting, learning environment," says project coordinator Margaret F. Sloan. "Students will develop bonds and relationships that they can carry throughout their lives."

Students will also have a opportunity to interact with some of the nation's leaders through a partnership with the Kilby Awards Foundation of Dallas, Texas.

With a mission "to identify, celebrate and provide heroic role models for future generations, the leaders of the 21st Century," the Kilby Awards Foundation was created as a tribute to Jack St. Clair Kilby, who is acknowledged as one of the 20th Century's most important inventors for his development of the microchip.

Last summer, Kilby Award

Laureate and renowned virologist Dr. Karl M. Johnson came to Somerset to speak with the Rogers Scholars.

Other Kilby Laureates, such as Dr. Francine Penny Patterson, who studies the linguistic abilities of primates, as well as Jack St. Clair Kilby himself, visited with the Scholars via videoconference. This year Scholars will be treated to similar meetings.

Being chosen for Rogers Scholars involves a highly competitive process. Scholars must have 3.5 grade point averages or above and complete essays entitled "How telecommunications will affect rural Kentucky in the year 2025." Showing active participation in the community is also a requirement.

One student will be selected to participate from each county in The Center's service area along with eight at-large Scholars from across the region.

Eligible counties include: Adair, Bell, Breathitt, Casey, Clay, Clinton, Cumberland, Estill, Floyd, Garrard, Green, Harlan, Jackson, Jessamine, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Lawrence, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Lincoln, Magoffin, Martin, McCreary, Menifee, Metcalfe, Monroe, Morgan, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Russell, Taylor, Wayne, Whitley, and Wolfe.

All expenses for the program, such as food, lodging, and instruction, will be provided. Two sessions will take place during the weeks of July 16-22 and July 23-29. Deadline for the receipt of applications is February 20.

If you are a high school sophomore, are interested in technology, and would like to spend a week of your summer vacation being motivated and challenged, check with your school's guidance counselor for an application or call Margaret F. Sloan at The Center for Rural Development at 606/677-6000.

## Piarist School announces honor roll

Three Piarist School students received perfect 4.00 grade point averages for having straight "A's" during the first semester. Eight other students received First Honors for having gpa's above 3.70, and eight students received Second Honors for having gpa's between 3.25 and 3.70.

The three students with perfect gpa's are junior Nora Traum of Prestonsburg and sophomores Morgan Caldwell of Prestonsburg and William Jones of Langley.

Students receiving First Honors are seniors Tai England of Hi Hat and Chastity Ison of East Point; juniors Thomas Greene of Prestonsburg; and Matthew Goeing of Melvin; sophomore Bonnie Cleary of Prestonsburg; and freshmen Sarah Hill of Prestonsburg, Balin Loftus of East Point, and Sarah Tan of Hazard.

Students receiving Second Honors are seniors Jonathan Joshi of Sitka and Ryan Mullins of Salyersville; juniors Joel Castle of East Point, Brett Hall of Wayland, John Layne of Martin, and Tabitha Nunemaker of Hager Hill; sophomore Kari Ross of Prestonsburg; and freshman Molli Hall of Paintsville.

The Piarist school is a small, private, college preparatory high school located on KY 80 in Martin.



Students participating, from top left, are Jeremiah Parsons, Johnna Ison, Shauna Case, Callie Tackett, Sarah Nichols, Jessica Martin, Erica Sexton, Heather Handshoe, Jamie Gunnell, Larry Mullins, Kris Fultz, and Robert Fitzpatrick.

## ACHS wins at 'Party'

On December 8, 1999, the Mountain Regional Prevention Center and Champions for a Drug Free Kentucky held their annual Project P.A.R.T.Y. at the Mountain Arts Center. P.A.R.T.Y. stands for Promoting Alcohol Resistance This Year.

Each year the program offers high schools in the region an opportunity for their drug-free clubs to get together and share club information, fund raising ideas, and drug programs.

Each school also has the chance to compete in four areas to win money that is to be used for their After Prom/Graduation Program. The categories are Vocal Talent, Dance, Lip Sync/Skit, and Fun Olympics.

Each year the students are given a theme to follow but this year the school could pick their own. Ten high schools competed: Sheldon Clark, Shelby Valley, Millard, Elkhorn City, Betsy Layne, Pike Central, Paintsville, Magoffin County, Johnson Central, and

Allen Central.

Allen Central came out the big winner of the day and earned \$500 for their Project Prom. They took first place in the Dance category by putting together a three-minute routine they called "Dancing Through the Decades."

They performed dances such as the Cha Cha, Tango, Stroll, Charleston, Disco, Swing, and the Booty Call. The students put their program together along with the music and costumes, working before and after school.

They are all members of Rebels Against Drugs, sponsored by the Youth Services Center staff Sharon Collins and Linda Nichols.

They also took first place in the Lip Sync/Skit category by Lip Syncing and dancing to South Park Cartman's rendition of "Come Sail Away."

They also received second place in the Fun Olympics.

## Exchange program offers new options on web site

The American Intercultural Student Exchange, a non-profit high school student exchange organization, announces the unveiling of its renovated web site.

The updated site offers a wealth of information to those who may be interested in sending their son or daughter overseas for a year of study, as well as those who are considering opening their home to a foreign exchange student for a semester or school year.

"For those interested in hosting an exchange student in their homes, the web site offers the opportunity

to browse through student photos and read their profiles online, something which was not offered on the previous site," commented Judy Scott, AISE's Southern Regional Coordinator.

To protect its students, AISE has password-protected portions of the web site, including the areas where personal information about the students is given.

To access these areas, families are asked to follow the links from the main page and fill out an online request for information. Once this is done, potential host families will

receive the passwords by e-mail and regular mail and they may begin browsing student profiles.

For more information on the AISE program, call 1-800-SIBLING, or visit the updated web site at [www.aisessouth.com](http://www.aisessouth.com).

### Correction

Ronald Tackett of Melvin, who recently was named to the dean's list at Transylvania University, is a graduate of South Floyd High School, and not Prestonsburg High School, as was incorrectly stated in a previous edition.



Representing 'Show man'

Levi Castle on trumpet; Stephanie Reeves and Beth McKenzie on flute; Sara Shafer on trombone; and Lucinda Castle on flute represented Paintsville's Marching Showmen at The Kentucky Music Educators District 9 All-District Band January 6-9 at the Mountain Arts Center. Everett Windland conducts the group.

# PostScript

by Pam Shingler  
Editor



## Life in the village

Last Monday morning, my two big, outdoor dogs were feeling unusually playful. Normally, they have their morning run and then tumble back home to gobble down breakfast and be tied up for the day (not that they particularly like the last part).

This day, they would not come back. I could see them occasionally across the tracks in the village proper. Every time I went toward them, though, they barked, "Nah, nah, nah, nah, nah, nah," and dashed off.

I had no choice but to go to work. I just hoped they wouldn't try to follow me across the bridge onto the main road, which fortunately they did not.

Around noon I went home, visions in my mind of two big yellow splats on the highway or the railroad track.

When I pulled onto my street, there they were in the yard, sitting pretty. I expected them to jump up and run to the car, but they did not.

Lo, and behold, they were tied up, each in his rightful place. Now, these are smart beasts, but really ...

Knowing they didn't put themselves up, I figured one of my neighbors had either clubbed or maced them and dragged them to their chains.

In this frigid weather, we don't see each other much, but a couple of days ago, Donna Ousley and I were out at the same time, and she owned up to capturing the wild dogs. And, I'm pretty sure she did it solely on the strength of a warm tone and sturdy hand.

I feel lucky to live in a neighborhood where folks look after your critters. Thanks, Donna. Until I get my fence up, I'll probably need your care.

I had been thinking of dashing off some bitter thoughts on news items that have been ruffling my dingy feathers lately, but I think I'll continue on a mellow flow.

What comes to mind more powerfully is the need to wish a belated birthday greeting to one of my heroes, Betty Music Cavins of David turned (ahem) on Friday.

She is a person who truly has the love of God in her. She is an exceptional friend, a fine and fun wife (if Daryl is to be believed), a caring and devoted mother, a good and dependable daughter, a fun-loving sister, a dedicated worker, and an untiring volunteer who helps out just about anybody who asks and many who don't.

She is one of the finest people I know.

Betty, consider this your card.

Here's another card — get well wishes to Jimmy Goble, who has the flu.

Although he formally retired more than 10 years ago, he has continued to work at the paper, putting in many hours every week on the tedious job of proofreading.

Into his eighth decade, he reads small type without glasses. He has spent more than six decades here at the Times, much as his father before him.

Even more valuable than his proofreading and his priceless knowledge of the community are his sense of humor and his genuine love of people.

The day is not right here until he makes his rounds of each desk, extending greetings and sharing stories.

Mr. Goble, we're going crazy proofreading car ads and columns, but mostly we miss your lovely presence.

by Mable Rowe Lineberger,  
Ph.D.

Last time the focus was on describing the bully in the workplace. The definition of bullying was given as, "the deliberate, hurtful, repeated mistreatment of a Target person by a bullying harasser driven by her or his need to control others."

The different types of bullies include:

(1) Chronic Bully tries to dominate others in all areas of life, is likely to have begun in childhood, and may be trapped by an inability to change as an adult;

(2) Opportunist Bully appears most often at work, is so competitive that he will "climb" all over everyone at any price, but can be stopped;

(3) Accidental Bully is a "social fool," who is unaware of his action on others, stops when confronted to never do it again, and can learn social skills; and

(4) Substance Abusing Bully is often very dangerous and threatening because he does not control his decisions, is not inhibited, has mood swings, and is frequently the boss, who often remains undetected, due to being able to by-pass the madness that their Targets must endure.

If bullies don't bully everyone, then who are more likely to be their targets and why?

Many Targets of the Bully are "ethical, just and fair" people. Targets don't have an integrity problem. They often work in institutions—schools, medical centers, churches, and nonprofit organizations—that are dedicated to improving public health.

These individuals, who become Targets, seem to expect their employers to both proclaim and act in accordance with higher, moral goals; of course, they are frequently

disappointed with the situation.

It is hard to believe that bullying starts small between two individuals and then spreads so far, sometimes across the whole group. Since bullies have no shame, they are likely to get the reward that the Target worked hard to do, but was chased away from the job by the bully.

Even though Targets usually prize equity and justice, most are smarter than their bullies, and stand for rewards being proportional to the person's talent. "Fighting" for the principle of justice creates for the Targets limitless pain in that they are outraged with the bully's tendency to lie, even when confronted about their misconduct.

Sometimes other folks, the middle of the road guys, just wish the Targets would go away, due to their being driven by a strong sense of equity, justice, and integrity. The Targets may make others, who do not speak up about what needs to be done, feel uncomfortable about their inaction and being reminded about what they need to aspire to become.

Supposedly, according to the Drs. Namie of the Campaign Against Workplace Bullying, the witnesses to the bullying are prone to abandon the "principled, passionate, and driven" Target, because of the guilt they feel from not responding to the "cause," as the Target does.

In addition, a major experience, while "fighting for the principle," was that co-workers—who were "amen-ing" what needed to be done, while the Chronic Bully was out of sight and before the Chronic Bully hit the screws, scattered like sitting hens on a hot rock to save

themselves and began reciting whatever the Chronic Bully wanted to believe.

It is also very painful when these "save-yourself" got their turn, which usually happens in such organizations. Remember, patterns and outcomes do not change, unless behaviors are adjusted before hand.

My experiences and observations have also been similar to other ways that the Drs. Namie described the "typical" Target-type of worker.

"Paradoxically, bullies... are by nature, creatures haunted by their own inadequacy... but the public person they present is a mask of bravado and superiority. Bullies prefer to lash out at others who threaten their presumption of superiority. Into their work come genuinely bright, creative, self-assured people. Since these people are a threat, bullies work hard to undermine them."

Mr. Bully, especially when it is the boss, puts forth a lot of energy doing in these kinds of Targets. Often it is not realized until he comes in for the "kill." An example of a damaging method used by Mr. Bully may include sabotaging Targets when, how, and wherever possible.

One way often seen is Mr. Bully spreading rumors to subordinates about a supervisor, who is making productive changes and being applauded by those receiving important services. These Targets may choose to walk away in disbelief that such things are allowed to happen by "somebody," whomever Mr. Bully has to answer to.

Reportedly, another problem for Targets is that they are very proficient in what they need to do, but oblivious to office politics—Mr.

Bully's only reason to exist from his viewpoint.

Targets also tend to be "cooperative, 'nice' people" and are often eaten "alive" by Mr. Bully. In the competitive workplace with its bullies, cooperators are viewed as second-class citizens.

I thought this description by the Drs. Namie was right on the money. "Cooperators are not weak; they are simply over-optimistic that good will naturally and automatically prevail. (You talk about the unreal world!) Bullies interpret 'nice' as the unlikelihood to confront or to stop them."

Then, the "animalistic" characteristics appear when Mr. Bully checks the group for the weakest—"Vulnerable People." This usually means the Targets who put up no resistance to attacks.

Supposedly, 75 percent of people working will not tolerate being controlled by another person.

Additionally, bullies back off when resisted. So bullies are also identified as "lazy. They want an easy mark. Since so many people avoid conflict and confrontation and will do anything for peace and quiet, Mr. Bully picks likely Targets by their verbal and nonverbal messages that come across as non-confrontational and non-threatening.

Target behaviors that Mr. Bully is likely to notice are statements similar to "I only slow the others down" actions, such as walking and carrying herself that projects a low self-confidence, and allowing Mr. Bully to exploit her personal space to his advantage. Again, the Target just does not set appropriate boundaries as needed.

As with so many areas of life, the Target's "Private

Vulnerability"—created by having been previously traumatized—will frequently keep having negative impact on her life.

According to the Drs. Namie's research results, the following has been learned about previously traumatized Targets: (1) "are more reluctant to tell others about their torment by a bully; (2) lack confidence that she is not the reason for the bullying; (3) tolerate much more craziness and instability at work because she is accustomed to chaos in her Family-of-Origin; (4) experience so much shame that is especially hard to ask for help or to talk about it, even to spouses; (5) finally, appear angry to co-workers and management when (their complaints)... come spewing out angrily and unfiltered; (6) are more susceptible to the uninvited assaults by a bully because of the re-traumatization effect; and (7) experience an emotional setback from the re-living memories (as they fight back)."

As often happens in other areas, the information of the Target's prior trauma will often be used against her. It is even more important that she have the unconditional support of her family more than ever.

Although there is no excuse for Mr. Bully's unconscionable, despicable behavior, this is another instance where an individual needs to be aware of what, when, and how he/she is participating in an inappropriate situation.

If a person takes responsibility for her feelings and behaviors and allows others to do the same, plus sets boundaries as needed, then she will be less likely to be the "easy target" for Mr. Bully.

Of course, I realize that these things are easier said than done, when in a workplace that provides financial support and good self-perceptions. But if we do not take care of ourselves, who is going to?

## BIRTHDAYS



### Leland turns 2

Randall Leland Ousley celebrated his second birthday on November 11, 1999, at his home with family and friends. He is the son of Randall and Jenny Ousley of Middle Creek. His maternal grandparents are Clyde and Lenora Jackson of Salyersville. Paternal grandparents are Earl D. and Nancy Ousley of Middle Creek.



### Celebrates second birthday

Alex Shepherd, son of Mark and Kari Shepherd of Prestonsburg, celebrated his second birthday with a "Bear in the Big Blue House" party on Saturday, January 15, at his home. He is the grandson of Eddie and Betty Gayheart of Prestonsburg, and Virgil and Brenda Shepherd of Salyersville. Those attending included his parents and grandparents, Jeff, Midge and Ryan Gayheart, David Woods, Alan, Jodi and Brooklyn Shepherd, and Scott Shepherd. He turned two on Sunday, January 16, 2000.

## WEDDINGS/ENGAGEMENTS



### Engagement announced

Mr. and Mrs. Stevie Hall of Allen announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber Raye Hall, and Timothy Koger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Koger of Harlan. The bride-elect is a senior at Betsy Layne High School where she is a member of the Beta Club and captain of the Dance Cats. The groom-to-be is in Arizona, where he is employed by Worldwide Surveying and Mapping of Prestonsburg. A wedding date will be announced later.

## MAC

Lonesome River Band will be here in March.

Shannon says the impact of the MAC on local businesses is ever on his mind. "I need to look out for the interests of the hotels and restaurants in the vicinity," he says, adding that they depend on the business of MAC patrons.

The center director says he was "semi-retired" when he was approached by a couple of members of the MAC screening committee about considering the job. "I said 'No' right off the bat," he says. "Then I started thinking about it and decided to give it a shot."

One problem Shannon has no control over right now is the road construction going on in front of

the MAC, the four-laning of a two-mile section of KY 114. Traffic stops make it hard sometimes for visitors to get into and out of the MAC, and blasting of the hillside is believed to have already caused at least one rift in the building.

But Shannon concludes that right now he has to concentrate on what he can change, including the replacement of a weak railing in the auditorium his second day on the job.

The new manager is married to the former Paula Pigg. He has three grown children, Katie Gray and Tara Chaffin of Prestonsburg and Chris Shannon of Lexington. He is the son of the late Lee Shannon, who was a respected architect, and

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the late Vivian Shannon, who was a prominent supporter of the arts in the community.

If you want to hear some interesting stories, ask Shannon about his military experience aboard the presidential yacht on the Potomac River while Richard Nixon was president.

In happier times, Shannon got to know the Nixon family and to participate in Pat Nixon's unpublicized program for underprivileged children. He also was at the helm of the yacht in the latter days of the Nixon presidency when the privacy of the water was the setting for meetings with lawyers and advisers.

## Helmets: Not just for cycling

by Richard H. Middleton Jr. & Penny Gold

Just like bicyclists, more and more skiers and snowboarders are wearing helmets to help protect them from head injuries in the event of a crash, with good reason.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), there were 188 skiing and snowboarding-related deaths from 1990 to 1997. The agency concluded that 108 of the deaths were attributable, in part, to head injuries.

Eighty-four of these deaths were attributed solely to head injury.

Head injuries associated with skiing and snowboarding for 1997 alone tallied 17,500.

A recent CPSC study concluded that nearly 8,000 of these injuries—and 11 deaths—could be prevented or reduced in severity each year simply by using skiing or snowboarding helmets.

"(Helmets) sales are going up, no question about it," says Bill Clapper, associate director of communications and public relations for the trade association SnowSports Industries America (SIA).

Helmet sales tracked by SIA from August 1, 1998, through March 31, 1999, show that alpine sports specialty stores sold 267,035 helmets, and larger sporting goods chain/department stores sold 29,586 helmets.

Sales of alpine sports helmets have been on the rise for several years, and, says Clapper, anecdotal reports from SIA members indicate sales picked up considerably after the skiing deaths last January of Sonny Bono and Michael Kennedy.

Clapper says of the two high-profile fatal crashes, "Even if they

were wearing helmets, it may not have made a difference. A helmet is an added level of protection, but an out-of-control skier may slam his whole body into a tree," which, he explains, can lead to severe internal injuries of the whole body, not just the head area.

He cautions, "A helmet is a good idea, but if you're going to be irresponsible, no helmet will save your life."

According to the CPSC, it is important to wear a helmet appropriate for each activity in which you participate. That means horseback riders have different helmet needs from all-terrain vehicle (ATV) riders, and skiers and snowboarders have different needs from bicyclists.

Clapper says bike injuries typically involve someone flipping over the handle bars and landing on the top or front of their head. For skiers or snowboarders, says Clapper, there is less worry of physically pitching over the top of an object as there is of going off-trail and hitting trees, rocks and branches—objects with sharper angled surfaces, as opposed to flat pavement.

The outer shell of alpine sports helmets, says Clapper, "is very hard, so if you're skiing through trees, branches will be deflected."

In addition, wearing a hat underneath an alpine helmet is not advised, so the helmet alone must keep the user's head warm. Special materials in the helmet's inner layer provide warmth. However, some users have complained about the heat generated inside alpine helmets. Now manufacturers are engineering the helmets so that wearers can regulate the airflow inside the helmet.

The SIA offers the following tips for buying, renting and wear-

ing helmets:

- The right fit is key. The helmet should fit snugly, but not too tightly. Some helmets initially seem tight, but after you wear them they will loosen to a snug fit as the inner liner conforms to your head.

- Rent or demo. Try out a helmet for a couple of hours if you can. (If you're worried about the previous wearer's hygiene, buy an inexpensive, thin head covering to wear under the helmet).

- Remember your eye protection. Take all goggles, glasses and sunglasses with you to try on helmets. Make sure the helmet doesn't press parts of your glasses/goggles into your head.

- Clothing layers. You may need one less layer of clothing since the helmet is designed to keep the head warm (and most body heat is lost through your head).

- Check the temperature. On warm days you might want to give yourself a "breeze break" while you ride the lifts.

In addition, make sure your helmet is marked as meeting the Snell Memorial Foundation protective headgear standards and the new standards proposed by the American Standard for Testing Material (ASTM).

For more information, see SIA's website at [www.snowlink.com](http://www.snowlink.com).

For more health and safety information and tips, visit ATLA's "Keep Our Families Safe" Web site at <http://familiesafety.atla.org>.

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