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Infant found dead at home

Times Staff Report

IVEL — Kentucky State Police are investigating the death of a 2-month-old Ivel boy who was found dead at his home early Sunday morning.

According to police, although an investigation continues, foul play is not suspected.

Police said when they arrived at the home of John and Jamie Hall on Carlisle Hollow Road in Ivel, the couple's 2-month-old son, Joshua, was unresponsive. Attempts were made by an unidentified family member to resuscitate the infant, but were unsuccessful.

Floyd County Deputy Corner Greg Nelson pronounced the child dead at the scene just before 8:30 a.m. Sunday morning and the body has since been taken to Frankfort for an autopsy.

Agencies responding to the scene Sunday also included the Floyd County Sheriff's Office and Respond Ambulance Service.

The incident remains under investigation by KSP Detective Mike Goble.

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Today



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Thursday



High: 67 • Low: 51

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photo by Loretta Blackburn

State Rep. Greg Stumbo celebrated with his family after winning his bid to represent the Democratic Party in November's race for attorney general. Stumbo eked out a 2.6 percent-victory in a field of three strong candidates.

Stumbo celebrates win with hometown

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

INSIDE Statewide results from the attorney general's race.

Results from other races in Tuesday's election.

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PRESTONSBURG — Democrat Greg D. Stumbo celebrated his 3.3 percent-win for a spot on the November ballot for attorney general at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center last night, where his victory speech claiming that "it started here and it ends here" appeared to ring true as Pike and Floyd County's combined votes were just over the 6,324 that marked his win in the final tally.

Stumbo enjoyed 36.4 percent of the vote, while Ed Hatchet, state auditor,

netted 34.1 percent, and Chris Gorman, former attorney general, received the rest.

A party that eventually earned the title of "victory" at the end of a long night was held at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park building named after the longtime house floor majority leader, where friends and family gathered to watch the election results.

Stumbo earned 78 percent of Floyd County's vote with a total of 4,098, while Pike County returned 69 percent in his favor with a total of 3,621.

(See STUMBO, page three)

Low turnout mars local election

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The statewide primary elections were not enough to bring roughly 82 percent of Floyd County to the polls yesterday.

The Floyd County Clerk's Office reported that only 18.3 percent of Floyd Countians came out yesterday to go to the polls. That translates to only 5,816 of the 31,748 registered Floyd County

voters who actually exercised their rights to choose a candidate during the May primary.

Floyd County native Greg Stumbo saw 4,098 of those votes to push him through as the Democratic candidate for attorney general. His Democratic opponents, State Auditor Ed Hatchett and former Attorney General Chris Gorman, received 458 and 724 votes, respectively.

As predicted, Ben Chandler came out ahead in the county for

the Democratic nomination for governor with a total of 2,997 votes. Jody Richards came in second with 1,674 votes, while Otis Hensley Jr. garnered only 192 votes, still 123 less than Bruce Lunsford, who dropped out of the race Friday. Lunsford received 315 votes in Floyd County yesterday.

Another Democrat who prevailed in Floyd County was Russ Maple, with a slim edge over

(See LOCAL, page eight)

Judge sends case light on evidence to grand jury

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — In what Floyd District Judge Eric Hall called a "rather close" preliminary hearing, two burglary cases against Jarred B. Harvey were referred to a grand jury on Monday.

It appeared that the deciding factor concerning the referral of two second-degree burglary charges against Harvey was a maroon Pontiac belonging to Matt Marshall. After nearly a year of investigation, Tpr. Chris Collins

arrested Harvey on the burglary charges at the detention center, where he was being held due to a second-degree robbery and a theft case.

Collins testified that Marshall told him that Harvey had borrowed his car around 4 or 4:30 a.m. on July 13, 2002, which is the same date that two burglaries occurred at the homes of Edna Blackburn in West Prestonsburg and Kathy Friend in East Point. Collins reported that a neighbor in East Point had identified the car and Aubert Clevenger at the scene on that day, but did not identify

Harvey. A neighbor at West Prestonsburg had reported seeing a big screen television, identified as stolen property of Blackburn, fall out of a maroon Pontiac and saw a man with tattoos all over him. Though Harvey did have a number of tattoos on his arms and neck, his attorney, Lena Baharaspan, questioned the neighbor's ability to see them at 5:15 in the morning.

Baharaspan questioned Collins as to whether he had a witness, fingerprints or merchandise, to which

(See CASE, page eight)

Chandler, Fletcher win races

by CHARLES WOLFE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Attorney General Ben Chandler won the Democratic primary for governor Tuesday, edging past House Speaker Jody Richards.

Richards conceded defeat at 9 p.m. EDT, 20 minutes after telephoning Chandler with congratulations. "I have no doubt Democrats across the state will unite behind him," Richards said.

U.S. Rep. Ernie Fletcher won the Republican nomination and with it the challenge of ending 32 years of unbroken Democratic rule in the Capitol.

Fletcher defeated three opponents, one of whom, Steve Nunn, tried in court to get him knocked off the ballot. Nunn conceded defeat before 8 p.m. EDT, and a third candidate, Rebecca Jackson, followed suit less than an hour later.

Fletcher said he got a congratulatory call from the White House — from President Bush's deputy political director. "They're looking for new leadership in this state," Fletcher told supporters.

With all precincts reporting, Chandler had 141,398 votes, or 51 percent, and Richards had 125,578, or 45 percent. Otis Hensley had 9,219 votes, or 3 percent.

In the Republican race, Fletcher had 88,747 votes, or 57 percent. Rebecca Jackson had 43,147, or 28 percent, and Nunn had 20,147 votes, or 13 percent. Virgil Moore had 2,311 votes, or 1 percent.

In the general election, Fletcher said he would draw a sharp contrast between himself and Chandler.

"It's going to be a very aggressive campaign," he said in an interview. "That's the nature of campaigns in Kentucky, and we're ready for it."

He said he would ask President Bush for help in the race. "Tonight, we got a good indication he will be here to help us," Fletcher said.

Chandler's reaction was one of profound relief. He called it "the end of one long journey and the beginning of another."

Chandler also threw praise toward

(See GOVERNOR, page eight)

Results



Chandler

Democrats

3,464 of 3,464 precincts - 100 percent
A.B. "Ben" Chandler III 143,080 - 50 percent
Jody Richards 132,558 - 47 percent
Otis Hensley 9,375 - 3 percent



Fletcher

Republicans

3,464 of 3,464 precincts - 100 percent
Ernie Fletcher 90,859 - 57 percent
Rebecca Jackson 44,068 - 28 percent
Stephen R. Nunn 21,235 - 13 percent
Virgil Moore 2,357 - 1 percent



photo by Loretta Blackburn

Lisa Hinkle, of Dwale, cast her vote at Allen-Dwale precinct 44, at the Allen Volunteer Fire Department on Tuesday afternoon. Floyd voters were scarce at the polls, with only 18 percent showing up to vote.

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The Associated Press

■ **FULLERTON, Calif.** — It smells like road kill, stands 6 feet tall, and last bloomed three years ago.

Tiffany, one of the world's biggest, stinkiest flowers, is expected to unfurl its petals Tuesday at the California State University, Fullerton Arboretum. It will be the first Amorphophallus titanum to bloom in Southern California in a year.

A similar plant bloomed in July 2002 at Quail Botanical Gardens in Encinitas, where crowds gathered to smell the odor that gives the plant, also known as Titan Arum, its unappetizing nickname, the "corpse flower."

Native to Indonesia, Titan Arum blooms only a few times in its 40-year life span and rarely blooms in cultivation. For eight hours, it emits a nauseating odor to attract pollinating, cadaver-eating beetles.

The plant has been seen in bloom only about 15 times since its first U.S. display in New York in 1937. About 63,000 people flocked to the Huntington Library in San Marino when a Titan bloomed in 1999 and hundreds went to the arboretum in Fullerton in 2000 to inspect Tiffany.

In June 2002, thousands lined

up to see and smell the corpse flower at the University of Wisconsin.

■ **McLOUTH, Kan.** — A reminder of the last ice age is embedded in the middle of a residential street in this northeast Kansas town.

It's a gnarled red rock so big, so deep and so stubborn that local officials couldn't remove it.

So they paved around it. "That is why they call it Granite Street," said McLouth resident Mary LaMar.

No flashing signs or billboards point the way to the rock, which reaches only halfway up a car's door now, thanks to decades of paving that have raised the level of the street.

The town has never tried to make a fuss about the stone. Years ago, a high school student printed bumper stickers that read "McLouth: Not just another rock in the road." Few sold.

But almost everyone in this town of 868 knows about it or has a story about it.

"My grandfather told me he

used to stand on that rock to direct cattle drives, because it was tall enough for him to be seen over the cattle," said John Bower, a 91-year-old McLouth native who spent 24 years in the Kansas Legislature.

Most folks seem content to leave the rock as it is: unadorned, unfenced, unfazed by modernity.

"It's McLouth's little thing," Connie Hedgepath said proudly.

■ **FLAT ROCK, N.C.** — A humongous cookie broke a world record over the weekend before a crowd of 1,500 hungry onlookers.

It took eight hours and a cookie sheet the size of a basketball court to bake the 100-foot, 20-ton chocolate chip colossus. The cookie was baked in an oven bag that released the smells of chocolate and warm, sugary dough when opened.

"It looks like a giant mud pie," said 18-year-old Sarah Fante.

The curious crowd that braved a steady drizzle for a glimpse of the cookie Saturday soon began nibbling it down to

(See **ODDS**, page seven)

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, May 21, the 141st day of 2003. There are 224 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 21, 1927, Charles A. Lindbergh landed his Spirit of St. Louis near Paris, completing the first solo airplane flight across the Atlantic Ocean.

On this date:

■ In 1542, Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto died while searching for gold along the Mississippi River.

■ In 1832, the first Democratic National Convention got under way, in Baltimore.

■ In 1840, New Zealand was declared a British colony.

In 1881, Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross.

■ In 1892, the opera "I Pagliacci," by Ruggiero Leoncavallo, was first performed, in Milan, Italy.

■ In 1924, 14-year-old Bobby Franks was murdered in a "thrill killing" committed by Nathan Leopold Jr. and Richard Loeb, two students at the University of Chicago.

■ In 1956, the United States exploded the first airborne hydrogen bomb over Bikini Atoll in the Pacific.

■ In 1968, the nuclear-powered U.S. submarine Scorpion, with 99 men aboard, was last heard from. The remains of the sub were later found on the ocean floor 400 miles southwest of the Azores.

■ In 1991, former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi was assassinated during national elections by a suicide bomber.

■ In 1995, former Secretary of Defense Les Aspin died at a Washington D.C. hospital after suffering a massive stroke; he was 56.

Ten years ago:

President Clinton met at the White House with Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev; afterward, Clinton expressed pessimism over finding a long-term solution to the ethnic conflict in the Balkans, and pledged not to send American soldiers into a "shooting gallery."

Five years ago:

Teen gunman Kip Kinkel opened fire inside Thurston High School in Springfield, Ore., killing two students, a day after killing his parents. Kinkel was sentenced to 112 years in prison for the slayings. In the wake of deadly anti-government

protests, Indonesia President Suharto stepped down after 32 years in power and was succeeded by Vice President B.J. Habibie. Frank and Shirley Capaci of Streamwood, Ill., announced they were the holders of a winning Powerball ticket worth \$195 million.

One year ago:

President Bush warned that al-Qaida terrorists still "want to hurt us," while his Pentagon chief, Donald Rumsfeld, said terrorists inevitably will acquire weapons of mass destruction

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Stumbo wins Democratic primary; Wood surprise winner

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — House Majority Leader Greg Stumbo, long a legislative powerbroker, Tuesday won the Democratic nomination for attorney general.

Stumbo, of Prestonsburg, overcame questions about his personal life to defeat state Auditor Ed Hatchett and Chris Gorman, a former attorney gen-

eral who tried to regain the office.

In November, Stumbo will face off against Jack D. Wood, the surprise winner in the Republican primary. Wood ran a limited campaign but defeated state Rep. Tim Feeley of Crestwood and Louisville attorney Philip Kimball.

Wood, who was an assistant Jefferson County attorney and once was a district judge in

Monroe County, raised \$774 for a limited campaign. He did not take part with Feeley and Kimball in a forum on Kentucky Educational Television.

The eventual winner in the November election will succeed two-term incumbent Ben Chandler, who won the Democratic nomination for governor Tuesday.

Stumbo was the fund-raising pacesetter. Stumbo, a Prestonsburg lawyer, raised about half of the more than \$770,000 contributed to the candidates.

Stumbo's personal life provided fodder for his opponents. Stumbo said his message of "vision and leadership" prevailed.

"We're just thrilled and really elated that the voters of Kentucky accepted that message," Stumbo said.

Gorman accused Stumbo of trying to "weasel out" of paying

child support in a paternity case. A lawsuit by the mother in Fayette County accuses Stumbo of delaying the case when she tried to collect child support. Stumbo says he began paying regular child support for the 14-year-old boy last year after a DNA test confirmed he was the father.

The attorney general heads the Child Support Enforcement Commission. Gorman said Stumbo's paternity case damaged his credibility. Hatchett said the attorney general must be able to claim "the moral high ground" on collection of child support.

In firing back, Stumbo accused Gorman of representing a manufactured housing maker that was the subject of consumer complaints to the attorney general's office. Stumbo said Hatchett lacked legal experience.

Hatchett, who is completing

his second term as state auditor, said he was hurt by the low voter turnout.

Hatchett said he thought Stumbo can win in November. He said that questions about Stumbo's personal life "have

been vetted rather fully, so they may not have much of an impact."

Stumbo he said was somewhat surprised by Wood's victo-

(See WINNER, page eight)

Stumbo

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Proposing that his campaign had been about "vision and leadership", Stumbo dismissed the numerous attacks his opponents had waged against him. His response to the questions raised relating to child support, criminal doctors and vote hauling was simply that Tuesday's race showed that the voters of Kentucky were not interested in a negative campaign.

"You can talk about vision and leadership and get elected in this state," said Stumbo during his victory speech.

"It started here and it ends here," Stumbo said in reference to his home county and the support he enjoyed from the area. He said that it would be his hometown's friendship and support that would serve as a beacon to bring him home, which could be called true as Pike and Floyd's combined votes were a bit over a thousand more than the amount that earned him the win.

Stumbo will share the ballot with Republican former prosecutor and district judge Jack D. Wood in the November race. Wood took the Republican vote by nearly 8 percent, with a mere \$774 campaign compared to Stumbo's, which spent over half of the \$770,000 raised by the Democratic party.

Stumbo said that he "looks forward to a spirited campaign", but claims he will stay away from negativity and stay true to his "vision and leadership" stance.

"I never once said anything negative about my opponents," said Stumbo last night.

According to Associated Press writer Charles Wolfe, Stumbo did say — during a debate — that Chris Gorman needed to explain to consumers why he went to work for Taylor Building Corp. of America, which had been subject to consumer complaints, after leaving the attorney general's office.

Farmer wins GOP primary; Baesler wins Democratic

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Alice Baesler, a Fayette County farmer and wife of an ex-congressman, emerged from a crowded field Tuesday night to win the Democratic nomination for agriculture commissioner.

Baesler's victory sets up a match up with former University of Kentucky basketball player Richie Farmer in the November election.

Farmer, a first-time candidate, scored a decisive victory in the Republican primary over Leonard "Buck" Beasley of Bloomfield, a longtime promoter of truck and tractor shows and racing events.

With 97 percent of the precincts reporting, Farmer had 106,822 votes, or 79 percent, and Beasley had 28,198 votes, or 21 percent.

In the Democratic primary, Baesler outdistanced seven other candidates. With 97 percent of precincts reporting, Baesler had 55,987 votes, or 23 percent, and state Sen. Joey Pendleton of Hopkinsville received 46,213 votes, or 19 percent.

Barney Hornback, a longtime administrator in the Agriculture Department, had 40,373 votes, or 16 percent. Further down in the totals were Roy Massey, a former deputy agriculture commissioner; Glen Holbrook of West Liberty; and Glendale farmer Steve Meredith.

Baesler is a former ranking aide in the Agriculture Department. She is married to Scotty Baesler, a former congressman and Lexington mayor and a former University of Kentucky basketball captain under coach Adolph Rupp. The couple operate a large tobacco and cattle farm in Fayette County.

Farmer, a financial planner in Manchester, earned a degree in

agriculture economics and agribusiness management at Kentucky but is best known as a basketball player.

"I think there's no doubt that that helps," Farmer said. "The people of the state have always supported me and been good to me."

The winner in November will head the agriculture department, which boasts about 310 employees and an approximately \$25 million budget. Democrat Billy Ray Smith, a two-term incumbent, is barred by the state Constitution from running for a third term.

The agriculture department's responsibilities include inspecting gasoline pumps, supermarket price scanners and amusement rides, regulating pest-control companies and promoting Kentucky ag products. The department distributes surplus USDA food to various groups in the state.

Family reluctant to talk in knifing incident

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Although, as Deputy Jeremy Shepherd stated, it was hard to get anyone to tell him anything as "they were all family", the Floyd County District Court found enough evidence to send a case involving an altercation between a Huesville man and his nephew to a grand jury.

Appearing before Judge Eric D. Hall for a preliminary hearing Monday in district court, Lowell D. Castle, 38, faced charges of second-degree assault for allegedly sticking his 15-year-old nephew in the leg with a knife during an altercation.

Testifying on behalf of the commonwealth, Shepherd said that Robert Castle told him that his uncle had stabbed him in the leg and that a Respond medical unit had treated the wound. He testified that the family was

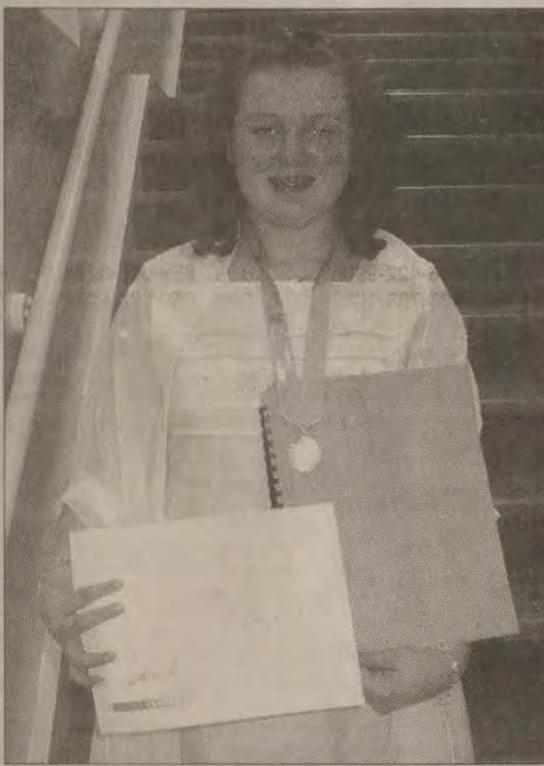
reluctant to talk to him, but he said he was told that Castle had disposed of the knife under the house, which he could not see with a flashlight. He reported that no weapon had been recovered.

According to Shepherd, the defendant's sister, Donna Turner, and his son, Lowell D. Castle II, gave him statements and then left the scene quickly. The statements were that Castle stuck Robert Castle in the leg to break up a fight between him and Lowell Castle II.

Judge Hall referred the case to the grand jury and bond was set at \$25,000 property or 10 percent cash.

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— Jonathan Swift

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Guest View

The color of money

It was only five years ago that the redesigned \$20 bill began showing up in cash registers and ATM machines, part of a makeover of U.S. currency that began in 1996 with the \$100 bill and ended in 2000 with the \$5 and \$10 bills.

This week, Treasury Secretary Jack Snow and Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan unveiled yet another redesign of the \$20 bill, which will include colors other than the traditional green and black for the first time in modern history. It is slated to go into circulation in the fall.

This latest makeover of the \$20 is necessary, federal officials say, to stay ahead of counterfeiters. The ready availability of sophisticated color copiers, computer scanners, color inkjet printers and publishing-grade software have made it much easier to produce bogus bills.

Indeed, as recently as 1995, less than 1 percent of counterfeit notes detected in this country was digitally produced. By 2002, that figure had grown to nearly 40 percent, according to the U.S. Secret Service, the law enforcement agency responsible for combating counterfeiting.

The Secret Service estimates that more than \$130 billion in counterfeit U.S. money currently is in circulation. That's not an extraordinary amount, given that more than \$650 billion in U.S. currency is in circulation around the world. But it is worrisome, nonetheless, to custodians of the nation's currency.

"The soundness of a nation's currency," said Greenspan, "is essential to the soundness of its economy. And to uphold our currency's soundness, it must be recognized and honored as legal tender and counterfeiting must be effectively thwarted."

"U.S. currency is a worldwide symbol of security and integrity," said Snow. "This new design will help keep it that way, by protecting against counterfeiting and making it easier for people to confirm the authenticity of their hard-earned money."

The \$20 bill was the logical first choice for a new state-of-the-art, colorized makeover because it happens to be commonly counterfeited currency here in the United States. A newly redesigned \$100 bill, the most copied note outside the country, will debut in 2004 and a new \$50 in 2005.

The most noticeable difference in the new \$20 bills is the subtle green, peach and blue colors featured in the background. The use of colors adds complexity to the note, making it that much more difficult to counterfeit.

Meanwhile, the new \$20 design retains three important security features from the previous makeover — the watermark, the security thread and color-shifting ink. Those features are so difficult to reproduce well that most counterfeiters don't even try.

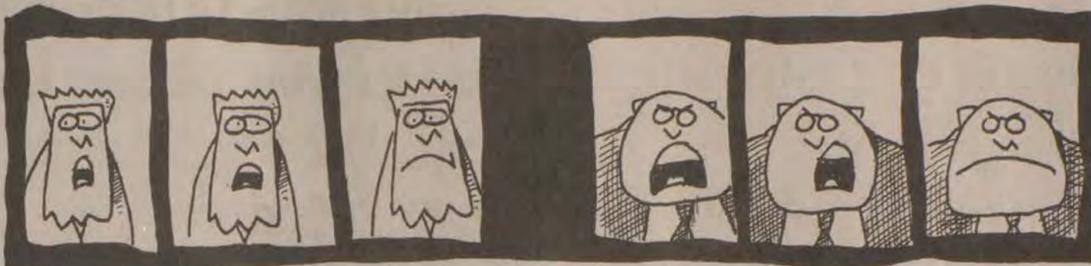
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Sticks & Stones

The true political crisis

It's interesting that I'm scribbling this circa 2:30 a.m. Tuesday morning, unable to sleep, and that by the time you read it Wednesday, the May primary to trim the race for our next governor will be over.

This could lead you to believe that I'm preparing to expound my own predictions about the outcome, only to be able to boast later and point to my vast understanding of Kentucky politics, but you would be wrong.

Admittedly, what I don't know about politics could fill a library, but, make no mistake, Chandler is our Democratic candidate and Fletcher is our Republican candidate, and those are anything but predictions. There must be some sense of alternate possibilities before a thing can be predicted.

To extend this thought, it can then be safely gathered that Chandler, the prodigal grandson, will be our next governor.

The number of voters who will certainly pull the curtain on an election

booth tomorrow morning or afternoon and hurriedly search for Chandler's name without a second glance elsewhere are countless, as well as unsettling.

It's unsettling because Chandler cleared his path not by making the people more aware of where he stood on the issues, but through diversionary character attacks, an enduring weapon of great politicians everywhere.

Ask anyone how Chandler or Charlie Owen feels about Bruce Lunsford and you'll get a quick and dead-on accurate answer. Ask the same person what Chandler's preliminary plans are for increasing the percentage of coal severance tax coming to Eastern Kentucky and suddenly you're their second-grade teacher asking for forgotten homework. Except it's not been forgotten, it's been unfairly omitted from the lesson plan.

As contradictory as it may sound, is another of these great politicians what we really need to better assist the common Kentuckian?

Otis Hensley spent about 20 minutes

or so talking on WYMT Monday evening and was never able to effectively answer any of several intelligent questions sent in his direction. He stumbled, twisted in the wind and essentially revealed that most of his research into solutions for an economically gut-punched state came from things he "saw on TV".

But I'm confident in saying that we should listen to, and as a result encourage, the Otis Hensleys of the world to improve.

Mind you, I disagree with the roughly 1 percent of the state who will likely vote for Hensley, the bumbling Everyman in this political tragedy, because he would undoubtedly leave Frankfort and every vein trailing from Frankfort in shambles. But his courage should be noted

because it could be he would only fail miserably because the job he seeks has been transformed from a position aimed at protecting the interests of the common man into a post not especially unlike that of a king who has become distracted from duty by comfort and status.

(See STONES, page eleven)



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Letters

Publicize abortions

There is a website called "abortioncams.com" that posts pictures of mothers going in and out of abortion clinics. Their theme is, "If you are going in to butcher your child, you get your picture taken!"

I think this is a great deterrent for abortion. People are usually ashamed and tell very few people about choosing to murder their child. Knowing that their photograph could be posted on the web will certainly make people less likely to follow through.

Is this legal? Yes! Luckily in our country photos can be taken of anyone in any public place.

If you were pregnant, would you be more or less

likely to go kill your baby if you knew there was a possibility your picture might be published? A place where your friends and family and the whole world might see it? I believe they would be less likely.

It is time that we stop protecting people who abort their children. They are not "innocent victims." There are words for it and those words must be used: infanticide, homicide, evil and sin.

Were they misled by the government? By the time a mother reaches child-bearing age, God gives her the grace to know right from wrong no matter how evil the government or society she is a part of. A mother has to be prepared to resist those evil forces that would tempt her to kill her child. I think everyone should help and promote this website to end the holocaust of abortion.

Thomas Messe, M.D.
Groton, Conn.

Build 'Malpractice Memorial'

According to a National Academy of Sciences' Institute of Medicine report, between 44,000 and 98,000 Americans die in hospitals each year as a result of medical mistakes, more than those who die of car accidents, breast cancer, or AIDS.

I suggest that we build a Malpractice Memorial modeled after the Vietnam Memorial. Family members of malpractice victims could go to that wall to mourn, to touch the name of someone they loved, to place flowers of remembrance, to shed

tears of loss, of anger, of despair for someone who sought to be healed, but met death instead. That would be a long, long wall.

Speaking of walls, people speak of the blue wall that policemen construct when one of their own is found wanting. There is a white wall that is constructed by doctors when one of their own is found wanting, a wall that must be demolished in order to protect patients who blindly place their trust and their lives in the hands of doctors who are known by other doctors not to be trustworthy.

Five percent of the doctors are responsible for over half of the malpractice incidents in this country. The medical profession needs to set its house in order by evicting repeat offenders.

Jane Marshall
Clarksville, Tenn.

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Health Extra

Students given info on keeping safe for prom



Prestonsburg High School performed "Johnny Be Good" during Practice Prom Pride May 1 at the Mountain Arts Center.

PRESTONSBURG — "I always said that'd be it..." as Rebecca Lynn Howard began to sing her smash hit "Forgive" the Floyd County juniors and seniors erupted into cheers of approval for the "hometown" girl at the annual Practice Prom Pride program held May 1 at the Mountain Arts Center.

Rebecca Lynn Howard, a native of Magoffin County and MCA recording artist, was introduced by Randy Jones, WDHR deejay, as the final act of a day filled with great talent and an unwavering message.

The program began with Dr. Paul Fanning, superintendent of Floyd County Schools, encouraging the students to make wise choices during this prom and graduation season. Dr. Fanning also used a historical approach to drive his message home. Clayton Case, a member of the Kentucky Opry and an alumnus of Betsy Layne High School, gave a spectacular performance of "God Bless America" as the audience stood with a lump in their throat and tears burning their eyes.

Each of Floyd County's four county high schools was represented as skits were performed delivering the message of the dangers of drinking alcohol, use of other drugs and driving while under the influence. Students from Allen Central High School performed "Turn Around"; Prestonsburg High School performed "Johnny Be Good"; South Floyd High School performed two skits, "Only a Few" and "One Every Twenty-Two Minutes"; Betsy Layne High School performed "Please Remember," a skit written by their guidance counselor Vickie Ratliff.

Kentucky State Police trooper Craig Stalker closed the program by reminding the students that they knew each prom date and their goal is to protect the safety of all people.

The prom program began in 1996 as an effort to deliver the message about the dangers and consequences of drinking/driving and the use of other drugs

(See PROM, page eight)

Summer camp program offerings include Great Electricity Show

PRESTONSBURG — The East Kentucky Science Center will generate hair-raising excitement for summer campers this summer with its new line up of summer camp programs for organizations conducting their own camps in the region.

Programs include continuation of the Science Center's Great Electricity Show in Pike Auditorium on Prestonsburg Community College Campus, Prestonsburg. Campers will get a charge out of this exploration of static electricity that includes a hair-raising 750,000-volt Van de Graff Ball and a lightning bolt generating 1,000,000-volt Tesla Coil. The Great Electricity Show will be available from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Fridays.

Other program presentations include:

■ Viewing the Summer Sun, a daytime program. Campers soak up rays as they investigate solar processes and observe different solar features through telescopes equipped with white light and hydrogen alpha filters. Available in two 1 hour sessions or four 1 hour sessions.

■ What's Up Down There?, a daytime program. Campers dig in the dirt as they use field techniques to study soil characteristics at different sites on their school or campgrounds. Available in two 1 hour sessions or four 1 hour sessions.

■ The Wild in My Backyard, a daytime program. Campers will explore their school or camp environment and make observations of current weather conditions, landforms, flora, fauna, microenvironments and much more. Available for two 1 hour sessions

or four 1 hour sessions.

■ Night Hike, a nighttime program. Night Hike starts at dusk and is a three-hour session. Campers sharpen their night vision skills and look for nocturnal critters on this walk in the dark. The location should have few or no street lights and a safe area or trail for walking in the dark. Flashlights with red lenses will be provided.

Viewing the Summer Sun, What's Up Down There, The Wild in My Backyard, and Night Hike are outdoor programs only and are held weather permitting. A rain date will be available on the following day if inclement weather occurs. These programs are not appropriate for preschool and kindergarten students.

Summer camp participants are also encouraged to attend the Science Center's Public Star Parties. Star Parties are free, open to the public and are held near the Stone Crest Golf Course, on Maggie Mountain at Prestonsburg. Star Parties are appropriate for all ages. Star Parties are scheduled for Friday, June 27, and Friday, July 25. The event usually begins at sunset. Star Parties are subject to cancellation if inclement weather occurs. Check the Science Center's website: www.wedoscience.org for postings.

To schedule a program, contact Pauletta Burke at the East Kentucky Science Center at (606) 889-0303. For additional information about the programs or about the Science Center, visit www.wedoscience.org. The East Kentucky Science Center is a non-profit education organization based in Prestonsburg.



Our Lady of the Way Hospital recently recognized the following employees for their years of service: Front row, left to right, Pam Anderson, Valerie Hall, Brenda Francis, Betty Little, Mary Martin, Blanche Pelphrey and Waneta Newsome; second row, left to right, Billie Turner, Carol Jo May, Linda Daniels, Jenny Twiss, Chris Dye and Kathy Stumbo.

OLW recognizes employees

MARTIN — Our Lady of the Way Hospital's annual Employee Recognition Awards Luncheon was held Thursday, May 8, at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park's May Lodge.

"We have the best health care employees in Kentucky," said Kathy Stumbo, president and chief executive officer. "We value their years of service and dedication to OLWH."

Waneta Newsome, director of volunteers, received special recognition for her 55 years of service.

Other employees honored for 2003 were:

■ 20 years of service: Pam Anderson, Linda Daniels and Betty Little.

■ 15 years of service: Blanche Pelphrey.

■ 10 years of service: Mary Martin, Larry Robinson and

Jenny Twiss.

■ 5 years of service: Chris Dye, Dian Flanagan, Brenda Francis, Kay Fugate, Valerie Hall, Jamie Martin, Carol Jo May, Carla McGlone, Elisha Tackett and Terry Wright.

Employees in attendance were eligible for a number of door prizes and all employees recognized for years of service received a service pin to commemorate the special event.

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Obituaries

Card of Thanks

The family of Charles Edward Hall would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We appreciate all the flowers, food, and any kindness that you may have shown to our family. A special thanks to Lavonne Lafferty for her comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home of Martin, Ky., for the wonderful job, and as always, the professional, courteous service.

THE FAMILY OF
CHARLES EDWARD HALL

Card of Thanks

The family of Ronnie Duane Blackburn would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved ones who helped comfort us during our time of sorrow. Thank-you to all those who sent flowers, or just spoke kind words. All your acts of kindness will never be forgotten. We would like to send a special thanks to the Old Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Old Beaver Regular Baptist Church for being so kind and gracious to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF RONNIE DUANE BLACKBURN

Card of Thanks

The family of Joseph "Eddie Joe" Akers wishes to gratefully acknowledge the kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We greatly appreciate you all. A special thanks to Clergymen Don Fraley Jr., and Louie Ferrari, for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care.

THE FAMILY OF JOSEPH "EDDIE JOE" AKERS

Card of Thanks

The family of Bernice Caudill expresses sincere appreciation to all the many friends and neighbors, who sent flowers, food, or said a prayer, or kind word of support, during the loss of our loved one. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church, for all opening their hearts and door to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF BERNICE CAUDILL

Card of Thanks

The family of Glenn Ivory Hall expresses sincere appreciation to all the many friends and neighbors who sent flowers, food, or said a prayer or kind word of support during the loss of our loved one. A special thanks to Bishop Ken Carriere and Karl Hansen for their comforting words, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

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UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT



Maggie Dye

Maggie Dye, 52, of Sandy Hook, died Monday, May 19, 2003, at the Elliott County Medical Clinic, at Sandy Hook.

Born November 23, 1950, in Grethel, she was the daughter of the late John Henry and Senta Parson Parker. She was a disabled CNA.

She is survived by her husband, Phinas Dye.

Other survivors include two sons, Phinas Dye Jr., and Cliff Dye, both of McDowell; four daughters, Cynthia Gayheart of McDowell, Gina Lisa Johnson of Melvin, Magarita Bowman of Sandy Hook, and Darlena Johnson of Mayking; three brothers, Orville Parker of Wyandotte, Michigan, George (Dave) Parker of Lincoln Park, Michigan and William (Bill) Parker of McDowell; and 21 grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Mickey Parker; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, May 22, at 1 p.m., at the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church at McDowell, with ministers of the Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Dye Cemetery (Spewing Camp) at Orkney, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Martha Nelson

Martha Nelson, 79, of Wabash, Indiana, died Monday, May 19, 2003, at her residence.

Born July 7, 1923, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late James Rose and Lulu Stone Rose. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jeff Nelson Jr., in 1974.

Survivors include six sons, Martin Nelson (Linda), Ballard Nelson (Sandy), Rick Nelson (Barbara), Ralph Nelson, Freddy Nelson and Billy Cloud, all of Wabash, Indiana; five daughters, Mrs. Imo Jean Milligan, Mrs. Dave (Sue) McKernan, Mrs. Chuck (Deborah) Hein, Mrs. Phillip (Barbara Jean) Sadler, and Mrs. Shane (Jayne) Ridenour, all of Wabash, Indiana; one brother, Ballard Ross of Wabash, Indiana; one sister, Mrs. Henry (Maggie) Shoemaker of Wabash, Indiana; 16 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter; two brothers; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, May 22, at 10 a.m., at the McDonald Funeral Home Eddingfield Chapel, 231 Falls Avenue, Wabash, Indiana, with Danny Honeycutt officiating.

Burial will be in the Falls Cemetery, in Wabash, Indiana.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

William H. "Bill" Scutchfield

William H. "Bill" Scutchfield, age 69, of Prestonsburg, husband of Vivian Thacker Scutchfield, passed away, Wednesday, May 14, 2003, at St. Mary's Medical Center, Huntington, W. Va.

He was born January 5, 1934, in Water Gap, the son of the late Darvin Scutchfield and Rebecca Haywood Scutchfield. He was a retired welder, electrician, and diesel mechanic, and an U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors, in addition to his wife, include one daughter, Debbie Scutchfield of Prestonsburg; one brother, Darvin Scutchfield Jr., of South Bend, Indiana; two sisters, Josephine Herald and Julia Tussey, both of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services for William H. "Bill" Scutchfield were conducted Saturday, May 17, at 1 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Clergyman Steve Pescosolido officiating.

Burial was in the Scutchfield Cemetery, Prestonsburg.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Kenny Bentley, Rudy Thacker, Darwin Scutchfield, Larry Herald, Morris Osborne, Bill Haywood, and Gordon McKee.

Please sign the guest register at: www.hallfuneralservice.com

(Paid obituary)

Thomas N. Kuss Sr.

Thomas N. Kuss Sr., 82, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, May 16, 2003, at his daughter's residence in Lexington.

Born January 25, 1921, in Pennsylvania, he was the son of the late Mehron Nercesian and Ellen Emily Baker Kuss; and a step-son to the late William Thomas Kuss.

He retired from the National Aeronautics Space Administration in Langley, Virginia, as head of Failure Analysis and Development; a veteran of the U.S. Army, Marines, Air Force, and World War II; a life member of the 32nd degree Masons; Zebulon Lodge No. 273, in Prestonsburg; Robert Circle Lodge in Lexington; an Oleika Temple Shriner; and a member of the Odd Fellows.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Edna Banks Kuss.

Survivors include two sons, Thomas N. Kuss II, and Ed Kuss (wife, Becky), both of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Jana Floyd Spalding of Lexington; a sister, Joan Kuss Scott of Florida; five grandchildren, Rachel Swift (Tim), Thomas Floyd, Heather Adkins (Jim), Eddybanks Kuss and Elisha Kuss (Cameron), and three great-grandchildren, Brittany Adkins, Ben Swift and Cameron Michael Powell.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, May 20, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Rev. Tommy Nelson and Tom Thacker officiating. DAV Chapter 128 of Garrett, conducted the military service.

Burial was in the Banks Family Cemetery at Water Gap, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was Sunday, May 18, at 4 p.m., at the funeral home, with Scottish Right ceremony being performed, Monday night at 7:30 p.m.

Active pallbearers: Eddybanks Kuss, Thomas Floyd, Tim Swift, Jim Adkins, Lawrence Smith, Gary Wright, Ron Wright, and Anthony Swiger.

(Paid obituary)

Arvle Spears

Arvle Spears, 77, of Bevinsville, died Saturday, May 17, 2003, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born October 12, 1925, in Boons Camp, he was the son of the late Isaac and Mary Dutton Spears. He was a retired coal miner, and a member of the U.M.W.A. at Wheelwright.

He is survived by his wife, Virble Burke Spears.

Other survivors include two sons, Glenn Berlin Spears of Bevinsville, and Ricky Darrell Spears of Weeksbury; two daughters, Virginia Gibson and Brenda Carol Hall, both of Bevinsville; one brother, Homer Spears of Belfry; two sisters, Irene Mosley of McDowell, and Gerogene Mosley of Garrett, Indiana; eight grandchildren, and one great-grandson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one daughter, Wanda Sue Spears; four brothers, Elmer Spears, Isaac Spears Jr., Freddie Spears, and Bobby Gene Spears; and one grandchild.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, May 21, at 11 a.m., at the Little Rock Old Regular Baptist Church at Bevinsville, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Silas Burke Cemetery, at Bevinsville, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Linda Sue Duff

Linda Sue Duff, age 56, of Langley, wife of Willie Duff, passed away Friday, May 16, 2003, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

She was born May 12, 1947, in Garrett, the daughter of the late Lacy Shepherd and Stella Hicks Shepherd. She was a former employee of the First Commonwealth Bank, and a member of the Hueysville Church of Christ.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, include one daughter, Willa Anita Joan Lykens of Langley; three brothers, Don Shepherd of Allen, and Danny Wayne Shepherd and Jimmy Shepherd, both of Garrett; four sisters, Lola Click of Langley, Wava Turner of Garrett, Bonnie Smith of Hazard, and Brenda Martin of Hueysville; two grandchildren, Breanna Michelle Duff and Conner Wade Lykens.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one brother, Lloyd Ray Shepherd, and one sister, Clara Shepherd.

Funeral services for Linda Sue Duff were conducted Sunday, May 18, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Clergyman Chester Ray Varney officiating.

Burial was in the Shepherd Family Cemetery, (Rockfork) Garrett, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Please sign the guest register at www.hallfuneralservice.com

Pallbearers: Mark Wedding, Tim Lykens, Kevin Thacker, Mark Wallace, Tim Shepherd, Wesley Moore, Harvey Martin, and William Smith.

Honorary: Sterlin Turner, Danny Shepherd, Donald Shepherd, Cordis Smith, Jimmy Shepherd, and Teddy Click.

Please sign the guest register at www.hallfuneralservice.com

(Paid obituary)



Beecher Layne Scutchfield

Beecher Layne Scutchfield, age 91, of Martin, passed away Saturday, May 17, 2003.

He was born in Water Gap, on June 8, 1911, the son of the late Frank Scutchfield and Mary Layne Scutchfield.

He graduated from Prestonsburg High School in 1929, and attended Berea College, where he graduated with highest honors in 1933, being chosen for Phi Kappa Phi Honorary. He then taught at Prestonsburg High School, before attending the University of Kentucky, where he received a Masters Degree. He then moved to Wheelwright, where he worked for Inland Steel Corporation as a medical and radiology technician.

He married Ann Osborne, of Martin, in 1941.

In 1944, he followed in the footsteps of his father, Frank Scutchfield, becoming a licensed veterinarian. He moved his family to Hazard in 1947, where he worked at the Hazard Clinic, and practiced veterinary medicine at his home.

In 1957, he moved again, to become head of the UMW Hospital laboratory in McDowell. In 1965, he took the position of laboratory director of biological sciences at the University of Kentucky Department of bacteriology and animal research. In 1970, he assumed the position of head of biology at Ashland Community College.

In 1972, he retired to Martin, and practiced veterinarian medicine, until his complete retirement in 1988.

He attended the First Methodist Church, Prestonsburg.

He is survived by two sons, Dr. Frank Douglas Scutchfield of Lexington, and Dr. Scott Beecher Scutchfield of Danville; three grandchildren, Alex Layne Scutchfield of Lexington, Samuel Appleton Scutchfield of Danville, and Elizabeth Layne Scutchfield of Danville; two great-grandchildren, Cassandra Ann Scutchfield, and Ethan Layne Scutchfield, both of Lexington; and one sister, Evelyn.

His interests included photography, public health, and eradication of rabies. He vaccinated thousands of animals in clinics held across most of eastern Kentucky. In his later years he took great pride in the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren.

He joined his beloved wife, Ann, who died in 1983, in the peace of paradise.

Visitation was Monday, May 19, at 5 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, with the funeral, Tuesday, May 20, at 11 a.m., at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Berea College.

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Mine operators to voice opposition to dust testing plan at MSHA hearing

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — Prepared testimony to be delivered by the nation's mine operators at a hearing this week on the government's proposed federal takeover of coal-dust testing says the proposal is "a bad idea," The Courier-Journal reported Tuesday.

The National Mining Association and the Bituminous

Coal Operators Association join opposition already voiced by the United Mine Workers of America.

The federal Mine Safety and Health Administration faced similar opposition, from operators and miners, that ultimately killed a federal takeover in 2000.

Officials with the two mine operators groups will tell MSHA that the government's

proposal is being rushed, is "inconsistent" and is "a bad idea," according to prepared testimony that The Courier-Journal obtained copies of Monday.

The two groups are scheduled to testify Thursday in Grand Junction, Colo.

MSHA has not listened to concerns from the miners or from the industry, Joseph Main,

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Odds

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size for \$10 a slice. Ten percent of the proceeds will go toward building a craft museum.

Immaculate Baking Co. owner Scott Blackwell and a team of 70 volunteers built the cookie from 6,500 pounds of butter, 30,000 whole eggs and 5,000 pounds of sugar.

Jonathan Collins, a representative of the former record holder, Cookie Time of New Zealand, witnessed the event. Cookie Time set the previous record in 1996 by baking an 82-foot wide cookie.

Blackwell said the record belongs in American hands because the chocolate chip cookie is an American invention.

BOSTON — A group of Massachusetts teenagers have filed a lawsuit to force the government to include women in

the draft.

Combat roles played by women soldiers in the war with Iraq show the all-male selective service system is discriminatory, lawyers for the plaintiffs argued Monday.

"Women were dropping bombs on Baghdad. Women were being captured, shot at," said lawyer Harvey A. Schwartz, who is representing his 18-year-old son, his 17-year-old stepdaughter and two other teenagers.

Lawyers for the Department of Justice tried to have the case thrown out, arguing that a 1981 Supreme Court decision already upheld the Selective Service System that drafts only men.

"Why we should have a draft and who should be drafted should be left to Congress," attorney Rupa Bhattacharyya told the court.

Judge Edward F. Harrington did not rule in the case, but asked Schwartz whether America is prepared to draft 18-year-old women.

"I tend to disbelieve at this stage this is what the American

public wants," he said.

DAVENPORT, Wash.

It was the perfect date for the farmer and the farmer's daughter.

Last March, Kyle Zellmer hired a crop-duster to take him and his girlfriend, Kristin Alme, on an aerial tour.

Pilot Lee Swain showed them the sights then flew to a field of wheat stubble near Zellmer's home just outside Davenport.

There, in block letters 100 feet tall, was the question: "Will you marry me Kristin?"

Alme was too surprised to answer.

"I think I asked him first, 'How did you do that?'" she said.

"And then she said, 'Oh, yes,'" Zellmer added.

"I was just waiting for the right gal to do it for," said Zellmer, 30.

He found her last year after some matchmaking by mutual friends. Alme, 23, grew up on a farm near Shelby, Mont., and was a student at Eastern Washington University.

Zellmer used a cultivator and some help from his father to carve the proposal into the soil. The project took about six hours over two days.

"It was perfectly readable," Alme said. "I guess I never realized you could write in a field."

The couple plans to marry in September.

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from countries like Iraq, Iran or North Korea.

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Jeanne Bates ("Ben Casey") is 85. Actor David Groh is 64. Rhythm and blues singer Ron Isley (The Isley Brothers) is 62. Actor Richard Hatch is 58. Musician Bill Champlin (Chicago) is 56. Singer Leo Sayer is 55. Actress Carol Potter is 55. Comedian Al Franken is 52. Actor Mr. T is 51. Music producer Stan Lynch is 48. Actor Judge Reinhold is 46. Actor-director Nick Cassavetes is 44. Actor Brent Briscoe is 42. Jazz musician Christian McBride is 31. Actress Fairuza Balk is 29. Rapper Havoc (Mobb Deep) is 29. Actress Ashlie Brillault is 16. Actor Scott Leavenworth is 13. Actress Sarah Ramos is 12.

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Gippy Graham — 1,695 to 1,670. The third Democratic candidate in that race, Joe Lanter received 783 Floyd County votes.

Crit Luallen came out on top in Floyd County as the Democratic candidate for the office of state auditor with 1,581 votes, only 3 percent better than second-place finisher Michael Wayne Gayhart, but 11 percent better than Jim Glenn's 1,124 votes.

Drift resident Jimmy "Gabe" Turner walked away with 60 percent of the county's votes for Democratic candidate for

Commissioner of Agriculture with 2,853, far more than 2,000 votes better than his nearest of seven opponents in that race.

On the Republican side it was U.S. Rep. Ernie Fletcher who won out in county votes with 216 to aid in his nomination for governor, 138 more than his nearest competitor, Steve Nunn, who came away with 78. Rebecca Jackson finished out the Republican candidates with 70 votes and underdog Virgil Moore managed only 7 votes countywide.

Jack D. Wood received the Republican nomination for attorney general with 132 votes com-

ing from Floyd County, while Peppy Martin garnered the most votes for state auditor in Floyd County with 126 total.

Former University of Kentucky standout and Republican candidate for Commissioner of Agriculture Richie Farmer saw the majority of votes in Floyd County go his way, receiving a total of 304, while his opponent, Buck Beasley, received only 46.

Of Floyd County's 43 precincts, the highest percentage of votes came from Precinct 1, the

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Courthouse/Trimble Branch precinct. With 638 registered voters, 218 voted in this area for a turnout of 34 percent.

On the opposite end of that spectrum, Precinct 40, Branham's Creek, had a turnout of only 11 percent with a meager 54 of the area's 466 registered voters going to the polls.

Of registered Democrats in the county, 18.5 percent voted yesterday, while 14 percent of the county's registered Republicans participated in the primary election.

Man found dead by police

Times Staff Report

HUEYSVILLE — A Hueysville man who police said had a history of drug and alcohol

abuse was found dead at his home Tuesday by Kentucky State Police.

David Shepherd, 37, of Shepherd Village in Hueysville, was found unconscious inside his home by a family member, according to police.

He was pronounced dead at the scene by Floyd County Deputy Coroner Glenn Frazier.

No foul play was suspected, police said, but the incident remains under investigation.

Governor

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Richards — "a fine, fine gentleman" — and even to Hensley, never seriously regarded as a candidate, who Chandler said "brought some spirit to this race that was badly needed."

He did not mention Bruce Lunsford, who spent most of his campaign bashing Chandler before withdrawing Friday. Lunsford threw his support to Richards, whose campaign enjoyed some sudden but short-lived momentum.

Kentucky is one of three states, along with Mississippi and Louisiana, electing governors this

year.

Chandler was the acknowledged leader for the Democratic nomination last week. The size and strength of his lead was in dispute after Lunsford quit the race on Friday and endorsed Richards.

Lunsford spent \$8 million of his own money — a record for a Kentucky primary. Because he withdrew so late, Lunsford's name remained on the ballot. County clerks had to post notices that votes for Lunsford and running mate Barbara Edelman would not be counted.

Democrats have won the last eight gubernatorial elections. That streak is threatened because of scandal surrounding term-limited Gov. Paul Patton, who was caught in an extramarital affair. Patton is being investigated to determine whether his former mistress got business favors from his administration — a claim he denies.

Chandler, who has been elected attorney general twice and state auditor once, bears one of the best known names in Kentucky politics. His grandfather, A.B. "Happy" Chandler, was twice governor, a U.S. senator and commissioner of baseball. He was elected to baseball's Hall of Fame in 1982.

Fletcher, a physician and former Air Force fighter pilot, was viewed by many in his party as being its best hope. But the Nunn campaign attacked his right to run after Fletcher's original running mate, Hunter Bates, was declared ineligible. The Kentucky Supreme Court allowed Fletcher to replace Bates with Steve Pence, a former U.S. attorney.

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Case

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he replied that he did not.

"All we are going on is a maroon car in the general vicinity that these burglaries took place," said Baharaspan.

Assistant County Attorney Jimmy Marcum reminded Collins that they did have the shattered television that allegedly fell from the maroon car.

Collins testified that Aubert Clevenger and Matt Marshall had told him that they ran around all

night and went to Breathitt County to get rid of a set of truck speakers, which were reported stolen in another theft case.

Hall ruled that although the hearing was rather close, it did appear that the witness was able to place the car in the vicinity. Hall referred the case to a grand jury and left Harvey's bond at \$10,000 cash due to a "multitude of charges" accumulating against him.

Winner

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ry in the GOP primary. "His party obviously places a great deal of faith in him, and I think that will make him a formidable opponent," Stumbo said.

Feeley, a Crestwood lawyer in his third term as a state representative, said he never crossed paths with Wood during the campaign. Wood did not join his two opponents in the televised debate on Kentucky Educational Television and missed several candidate forums as well.

"I've never met him," Feeley said. "As far as I can see, he did not campaigning. He just had an all-American sounding name."

A common thread to the campaign was a pledge to fight drug trafficking and abuse, which the

candidates said has become a growing scourge.

Stumbo proposed creating a Kentucky Bureau of Investigation to focus on drug crimes. Hatchett said he would convene a "summit on substance abuse," and Gorman called for creation of a "drug squad" in the attorney general's office to concentrate on drug cases.

The attorney general's office also deals with consumer protection, utility rates, Medicaid fraud, public corruption and crimes against senior citizens, among others. It represents the state in criminal appeals and defends actions of the General Assembly.

Prom

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to high school juniors and seniors. The focus is on the two days, prom and graduation, in which more young people are killed in motor vehicle accidents than any other time of the year. The goal of the program is for all students to have a safe and memorable prom.

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CEDAR celebrates anniversary

by GAYLE COMPTON
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The following reprinted from *Coal People Magazine*, by permission.

PIKEVILLE — Harry Caudill, author of *Night Comes to the Cumberlands*, was being kind when he referred to coal as "a blessing and a curse." Ever since John C.C. Mayo bought his first tract of mineral property with a handful of silver dollars nearly a century ago, this dichotomy has persisted making coal the mongrel of big business. Thanks to an organization known as CEDAR (Coal Education and Development Resources) and its president, John F. Justice, coal is gaining a new respectability in six Eastern Kentucky counties.

I was faced with two problems when I set out to interview John Justice, Karen Hamilton, Regional Coal Fair manager, said John was a modest man who was not likely to submit to a "This is Your Life" personal profile. Furthermore, he was out of town caring for his daughter who had been wounded in a Shakespeare play.

Imagining drawn swords and chivalry run amuck, I reached John by telephone at his daughter's apartment in Jefferson City, Tenn. It seems that 21-year-old Ellie, a student at Carson-Newman College, had recently added some unrehearsed drama to the balcony scene in *Romeo and Juliet* by falling off the stage during "lights out," breaking her right arm in two places. Her father had been that right arm for the past six weeks.

John Justice, indeed the self-effacing professional, lives with his wife Carolyn at Chloe Creek near Pikeville. John first learned the value of family — and of coal — as a 12-year-old boy living on this same Pike County backroad. His father, a staunch Baptist minister, was also a coal miner who remained on the home front during World War II, hand-shoveling 50 tons of coal a day. "I wondered why he didn't go into the service. He said they wouldn't take him because he worked in coal and that was as important as being on the front lines."

John is a full-time employee of Pace Carbon Fuels, LLC, a synthetic fuels producer based in

Chantilly, Va. He drives daily to his office in Blackwood, Va., where he is products manager for the plants at Norton, Va., and Chelyan near Charleston, W.Va. But it's John's volunteer work for CEDAR, now entering its 10th year, that is changing the way we look at coal.

May is Coal Fair month in Eastern Kentucky. During the week of the 19th through the 23rd,

Pikeville expects to host more than 2,500 visitors at an annual showcase of student talent, K-12, in the areas of science, math, English, art, music, technology/multimedia and social studies. Entries range from the historic to the futuristic: detailed models of ancient pony mines, computer designed layouts of modern underground mines, figurines laboriously sculpted from black diamond, coal scenes

in oil, student-written histories and in-depth analyses of critical issues facing today's coal industry.

They are the classroom projects of students from Pike, Floyd, Knott, Martin, Johnson and Magoffin counties — all winners in their local fairs and competing for cash prizes. Displayed and judged at the Pikeville College gymnasium, these are exhibits the likes of which cannot be found at the Kentucky Fair, the World's Fair or the Smithsonian. Uniquely Appalachian, they are important because they combine the best of Eastern Kentucky's two greatest natural resources — our children and our coal.

The birth of CEDAR occurred on a December day in 1992 when the president of the North Carolina Coal Institute came to John Justice asking his advice on how to best spend a portion of a discretionary \$50,000.

"It seems we always had \$50,000 left in the bank," John said. "Groups for years have preached about how we need to

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Phelps woman killed in single-vehicle crash

Times Staff Report

HARDY — A Pike County woman was killed Monday after losing control of her vehicle while traveling along Route 319 in Hardy, according to reports from Kentucky State Police.

Sylvia Collins, 54, of Dark Bottom Road in Phelps, was traveling north along Route 319 at about 5:50 p.m. Monday evening when the vehicle she was driving dropped off the shoulder of road.

Police determined through an initial investigation into the accident that when Collins tried to

bring her vehicle back onto the road, she overcorrected and then lost control a second time, and crashed into a nearby tree.

Collins was transported to South Williamson Appalachian Hospital by First Respond Ambulance where she was later pronounced dead by Pike County Deputy Coroner Mike Hall.

There were no reports as to whether Collins was wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident.

The accident is still under investigation by KSP Trooper Brad Hamilton.

Luallen wins Democratic nomination for state auditor

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Longtime Frankfort political insider Crit Luallen won the Democratic nomination for state auditor Tuesday, despite ties to tainted Gov. Paul Patton.

With 97 percent of precincts reporting, Luallen had 102,161 votes, or 44 percent. Michael Gayhart, her closest competitor, had 66,910 votes, or 29 percent. Jim Glenn had 63,752 votes, or 27 percent.

Luallen said she was honored to win the nomination.

"I think it's a tremendous victory for a first-time candidate who has never run for public office before — who has been working behind the scenes my entire career," Luallen said.

Meanwhile, Linda Greenwell won the Republican nomination for state auditor. With 97 percent of precincts reporting, Greenwell had 49,318 votes, or 41 percent. Peppy Martin, the 1999 fluke Republican nominee for governor, had 31,698 votes, or 26 percent.

Greenwell, who spent less than \$2,500 on her primary campaign, said she thought she was "the front-runner in the primary." And, Greenwell said, she's not planning to back down from a more well-known and better financed opponent in Luallen this fall.

"I will be relentless in getting the votes, getting the money and getting the office," Greenwell said. "I think I'm going to be the best person of the two people that voters have to choose from."

Kentucky's auditor of public accounts is responsible for auditing state agencies and rooting out fraud and waste. Other Republicans seeking the office included Basha Roberts, owner of a computer technology consulting company, and Osi Onyekwuluje, a Bowling Green lawyer.

Meanwhile, Democrat Russ Maple won the Democratic nomination for secretary of state. With 97 percent of precincts reporting, Maple had 102,198 votes, or 43 percent. Former state Rep. Harry G. "Gippy" Graham, his closest opponent, had 94,546 votes, or 40 percent.

The race for secretary of state also included Joe B. Lanter of Lexington, a retired state employee.

The winner will face Republican C.M. "Trey" Grayson of Park Hills, an attorney who was opposed for the nomination. The officeholder is the state's chief election officer and heads administrative departments.

Luallen was secretary of the Cabinet under Gov. Paul Patton, making her the ranking member of the Executive Cabinet. She resigned shortly after Patton acknowledged an extramarital affair that has since led to investigations of whether his one-time mistress, Tina Conner, got official favors from his administration.

Luallen led all other auditor candidates with \$270,000 raised and \$83,000 spent during the primary.

Incumbent state Treasurer Jonathan Miller, a Democrat who is the only constitutional officer eligible to run for re-election and had no primary opposition. His Republican opponent is Adam Koenig of Villa Hills, a Kenton County commissioner who likewise had no primary.

Two-term state Auditor Ed Hatchett, barred from seeking a third term, ran for attorney general. Secretary of State John Y. Brown III also is finishing a second term

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Unknown Spouse of Brenda Lawson
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RE: America's Wholesale Lender vs. Unknown Defendant # 2, Spouse of Brenda Lawson; Floyd Circuit Court; C.A. No. 03-CI-00499

Dear Sir:

By an order of the Floyd Circuit Court dated May 2, 2003, I was appointed warning order attorney with directions to make diligent efforts to notify you of the pendency and nature of a civil action filed against you in the Floyd Circuit Court.

In the action filed against you, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. d/b/a America's Wholesale Lender, seeks to foreclose on a note and mortgage executed by Larry Michael Johnson on May 22, 2002. The complaint seeks to recover unpaid balance due on the note and mortgage of \$32,594.67 and interest accruing upon such unpaid balance at the rate of 7.125 percent per annum from August 1, 2002, plus late charges and escrow advances. In the lawsuit, America's Wholesale Lender further seeks to have the real estate which secures the note and mortgage sold in order for the proceeds from the sale to be applied to the debt owed on the note and mortgage, cost of the action, interest, interest credits granted, fees and surcharge due America's Wholesale Lender.

A claim has been asserted against you, as the unknown spouse of Brenda Lawson, due to the fact that the property was deeded by Brenda Lawson and the deed made no reference to Brenda Lawson's marital status. Therefore, if you were married to Brenda Lawson on January 28, 1996, and the property is ultimately sold by order of the Court to satisfy the unpaid mortgage on the property your rights with respect to the property may be affected.

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Well-water arsenic study continues

Medical research has found that elevated levels of arsenic in drinking water can contribute to diabetes, certain cancers (lung, bladder, prostate, liver), cardiovascular disease and other serious health problems.

While public water systems are beginning to protect their water from arsenic contamination to comply with new federal

regulations, most private well owners are not aware that arsenic might pose a risk to their water, too. In fact, private wells are more susceptible to arsenic contamination than public water supplies are because they are dug deep into the ground, where arsenic might occur naturally.

Due to the lack of data in Eastern Kentucky and outlying

areas about arsenic in private well water, Dr. John Shiber, human ecology professor at Prestonsburg Community College, will be continuing his well water arsenic study in this region over the summer months. He works in cooperation with the Environmental Quality Institute out of University of North Carolina-Asheville, where he sends well water samples for analysis.

Involved in a well water arsenic study itself, on a national basis, the EQI has the most up-to-date, sensitive equipment to detect the element. Most local labs cannot detect arsenic below 2.0 parts per billion (ppb), but the EQI can get as low as 0.5ppb. Furthermore, it does arsenic analyses on a regular basis, and, thus, has one of the largest databases on arsenic and lead in drinking water being used by the US Environmental Protection Agency.

Dr. Shiber reminds well-

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Mine

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administrator of the union's Department of Occupational Safety and Health, said Monday.

"They've got themselves in a mess here," he said of MSHA officials.

Rodney Brown, spokesman for the agency, did not have specific comments about the concerns of the two mine industry organizations, pointing out the agency has not yet officially heard from them.

"Once the process is completed," he said, "we'll consider all comments before writing a final rule."

Mine-safety officials, who unveiled their plan in March, said it was intended to be the next step in government efforts to combat black lung, a debilitating and sometimes fatal respiratory disease caused by exposure to excessive levels of coal dust. Black lung kills about 1,000 people every year. More than 112,000 people receive monthly benefit checks for black lung.

The mine workers' union has criticized the federal proposal as a reversal in policy that would allow operators to run dustier mines, presenting increased health hazards and risk of explosions.

In his testimony, Watzman will say that mine operators were disappointed that MSHA did not wait to see how new dust monitors work.

"Denying us the ability to utilize, in the rule-making, the knowledge that will be gained during the underground in-mine testing is inconceivable," according to Watzman's prepared remarks.

While the federal proposal has some good features, he said in the remarks, "other elements are inconsistent with what we believe is necessary to restore confidence in the system."

The mine operators oppose the federal plan to use individual coal-dust samples taken on single shifts as the basis for citing mines for excessive levels of dust. Under the current system, an average of multiple samples is used.

Another MSHA proposal would allow mine operators to give miners special helmets with air purifiers in places where dust levels cannot be kept low. Dave Beerbower, vice president for safety at Peabody Energy Corp., will say mine operators would have to negotiate with MSHA over when other dust-control

methods have been tried and exhausted, and in the past those conversations have been "confrontational disputes" between companies and the agency.

Finally, the mine operators will object to the requirement that, while the government will take over sampling of dust during operations — something the industry has been doing for more than 30 years — the companies still must conduct some sampling to verify that their dust-control plans work.

"The operators are still in the dust-sampling business" under the new plan, "still subject to accusations of tampering and fraud," Joe Lamonica, a health and safety consultant to the coal operators group, will tell the mine-safety agency.

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CEDAR

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improve the image of coal. At one of our meetings the president suggested that we take this money and do something to educate people about coal. I did some thinking and called David Gooch, president of Coal Operators and Associates of Pikeville. He said if some operators would join the NCCI effort we could start something. We knew that Reo Johns, Pike County school superintendent, was also in the coal business. The schools would have to agree to work the CEDAR program into their curriculum. I met with Reo and he jumped all over it."

CEDAR became an all-volunteer, not-for-profit corporation in July 1993. The inaugural Coal Fair that year involved 1,997 students and 47 teachers with 260 entries. It was a promising start.

"We knew when we started we couldn't improve our image overnight. We felt we could offer a program that was fact-based since we don't offer teaching plans and canned programs. We offer the tools — money in a lot of cases — and educational materials. We're a source for teachers to draw from and we give them guidelines to use as part of a grant agreement, but they have academic freedom to develop and implement a coal study unit in a classroom."

By the year 2000, five other counties had joined Pike, with 5,159 students and 130 teachers benefiting from grant money and educational materials offered for the creation of coal study units. CEDAR has made the study more enticing by offering a Student Project of the Year Award of \$2,250 for the best overall project.

Since 1995, a School Awards Program has awarded points to those schools distinguishing themselves in the Coal Study Unit and

Coal Fair programs. The top five schools get \$500 each with the second five receiving \$250 each. The money goes to the library fund of each school.

"With school budgets as tight as they are, a lot of teachers are really taking advantage of this. They work hard to get extra things for their students."

Since its implementation in 1996, the CEDAR Scholarship Program has attracted some of the region's most talented seniors. One senior from each high school is eligible to win \$1,000 for researching and writing a paper on the benefits of coal and a chance for additional money by giving an Oral Presentation before a panel of judges. An Overall Award of 1st-\$5,000, 2nd-\$3,000 and 3rd-\$1,000 are given to those with the highest combined scores between the writing submission and the oral presentation. Thus far, 75 scholarships have been awarded totaling more than \$130,000.

"One of the things I've seen come out of the oral presentation is that these kids are all astounded at how much they've learned. The common thread of it all was summed up by one student who said: 'There's this coal truck that goes by every morning at 3 o'clock hitting those pot holes and waking me up. I cursed that truck every morning until after I did research for this paper. I know now what that truck involves, the electricity it produces, the jobs it creates, the food it puts on my table.' The experience has taught a lot of kids that rather than looking at one thing in a great collage, they need to see the overall picture."

While talking with John Justice, one of the most positive human beings I've encountered, I was painfully reminded of those

who have made it their business, and pleasure, to malign our homeland and its people. As early as 1873, long before coal was king, Lippincott's Magazine described Central Appalachia as "a strange land and a peculiar people." More recently, such documentaries as CBS's "Muddy Gut," Roary Kennedy's "American Hollow" and Robert Schenkkan's play "Kentucky Cycle" have presented Appalachia as a benighted culture. I asked John Justice if he felt CEDAR had become an effective antidote for such venomous publicity.

"From the beginning I have had a little saying that we want to be the Paul Harvey of the coal industry. There are two sides. We want to tell the rest of the story."

"Mr. Justice, may I show you my project?" With these words from a little girl at the first Coal Fair in 1993, John came to a full realization of CEDAR's purpose.

"She was Melissa Ratliff from Elkhorn City Elementary. Her family owned some property and had been approached by a coal company to lease. There were more against than for it. Melissa took it upon herself to do a financial study to see how her family and their community would benefit from leasing the property. They calculated the number of truck-

loads of coal at 40 tons a load, the number of jobs for truckers, the number of trainloads, the jobs it would create in grocery stores — even the drycleaners. It was like dropping a pebble in the water and seeing how far those waves reached. As a result of the study, Melissa's family leased that coal, but I've often wondered what would have happened had it not been for CEDAR."

How far have we come? The answer, for me at least, comes from Crystal Kanney of Pikeville High School. Entitled "Cleaning Up", her painting was a winning entry in the 2001 Regional Coal Fair. It seems simple at first, this watercolor of a coal miner taking his bath. He is a rather large miner, too large, in fact, for the galvanized wash tub into which he has insinuated himself for the purpose

of removing several layers of Number 2 Elkhorn before supper. He looks like a man who has put in a shift with a breast auger in low coal. Perhaps he has loaded his proverbial "16 tons" doubling back in one of the old deep mines at Wayland, Estill or Wheelwright. For convenience the tub sits in the kitchen where the heat of the cook-

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PHYSICIANS SCORE LOW POINTS

Chiropractors are not surprised to learn the conclusions to a recent study of medical doctors and their knowledge of musculoskeletal conditions. The authors of an article in "Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery" set out to determine how much medical school graduates know about muscle, joint and bone problems. All participants had just passed the necessary courses to become physicians.

The result: 82 percent of those interviewed failed to show a basic understanding of musculoskeletal medicine. A full 78 percent did not indicate "basic competency." This is true, despite the fact that one of every four or five primary care visits, is for a musculoskeletal problem.

In contrast, chiropractors are thoroughly trained to treat aches or pains in the joints, bones, and muscles, especially those to the spine or the neck. Chiropractors complete a minimum of four years of education, emphasizing muscle and skeleton management and care. The authors concluded that "medical school preparation in musculoskeletal medicine is inadequate."



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owners that even if they get their water tested regularly, arsenic is not yet among the contaminants in the list of those routinely determined, not even by the health department. With the recent lowering of acceptable arsenic levels in drinking water and the common occurrence in this region of diseases that are found to be linked to arsenic in water, he urges them to have their water analyzed for arsenic as soon as possible.

For more information on the project and how to participate, contact Dr. Shiber at (888) 641-4132, ext. 6302, at (606) 789-1017, or by e-mail: John.Shiber@kctcs.edu.

Stones

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Washington's first instinct was to reject the presidency when nominated by his newly liberated Americans. He is said to have complained then that the position smacked of a monarchy, the very thing he and numerous others had just finished battling to win freedom from.

However, as we all learned in grade school, he was convinced otherwise, but not without insisting that the people who put him there keep a strong voice in government. He was firm on this point, and capable enough to help cure the problem.

This is all we really need from a leader: passion and capability. The education and refinement so apparent in political royalty such as Chandler is sorely lacking in candidates such as Hensley, and the genuine passion Hensley was trying, without tools, to express Monday evening is regrettably absent in Chandler.

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stove can warm his aching back while he lathers up with a bar of Big Deal soap most likely purchased at the company store with a piece of script. His wife, a woman with a young'un on her hip, has perhaps caught his bath water in a rain barrel set under the leak of the house and warmed with a pan of scalding water from the cookstove. She is not in the picture but I imagine her giving her husband's back a rub every now and then, keeping one eye on a kettle of beans and the other on members of the brood who have been told to "stay out of here till your daddy gets his clothes on, or I'll take his mining belt to you!"

Crystal Kanney is busy wrapping up her freshman year at Savannah College of Art and Design in Savannah, Ga.

One of the goals of CEDAR is "to enable our citizens to form a knowledgeable and unbiased opinion of the coal industry." This is a tall order when one considers the Matewan Massacre, for example, or recent slurry spills that have altered lives and disrupted an entire ecosystem. But John Justice is optimistic.

"Everything in life has positives and negatives. The coal industry has created some of its own problems but overall I think we have evolved to a level where those in the mining industry are working environmentalists. Coal companies are working hard on becoming good neighbors."

For the people of Eastern Kentucky, coal is both livelihood and heritage, something to which we cling with umbilical tenacity. Coal is about doing an honest day's work, taking care of our families and being good neighbors. Many of us, however, are too busy enjoying the blessings of coal to realize that it is a business whose vitality depends not only upon its market value but its reputation as well. For John Justice, improving the face of coal has become both a mission and a responsibility. Might we all be as loyal.

John is proud of his staff of dedicated officers and directors, especially Coal Fair manager Karen Hamilton and Coal Study Unit manager Karen Smith. "I don't want to be perceived as somebody trying to take all the credit," John said emphatically. "I see myself as a coach at this point. I've got an excellent team. The two Karens, our directors and volunteers, along with the continued support of our corporate contributors, have kept CEDAR going. If I were to disappear today CEDAR would go on."

In spite of the vicissitudes of

both the coal industry and student enrollment, CEDAR appears unstoppable. According to its president, "at the completion of this school year there will have been some 1,000 teachers receiving \$400,000 to implement 650 Coal Study Units involving 39,000 stu-

dents who have produced 5,000 Coal Fair projects." Meanwhile, CEDAR Inc. is being emulated in two other coal fields with Western Kentucky CEDAR and CEDAR of Southern West Virginia. Not bad for what began as a seed planted on a cold day in 1992.

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COMMENTARY

'Blue-collar' gelding may have the final laugh

by BILLY REED
TIMES COLUMNIST

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Billy Reed

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The Rockies show up in Harrodsburg

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Harrodsburg and the Mercer County Fairgrounds hosted a recent regional Rocky Mountain Horse Show. The show, held on the weekend of May 10, was put on by the Tri State Rocky Mountain Horse Club of Mason, Ohio.

The huge Tri State show is normally held in the vicinity of Cincinnati.

Officials moved this year's show south of the Ohio River to be more centrally located to the large number of horses and owners of the Rocky Mountain Horse.

Harrodsburg is located in Mercer

County nestled among breathtaking palisades and gently rolling countryside laden with historic stone fences and manicured horse farms.

Harrodsburg importantly ranks as Kentucky's oldest town, as well as the first permanent English settlement west of the Allegheny Mountains.

The old but prestigious Mercer County Fairgrounds became the home for the Rocky Mountain Horses and the oldest sanctioned RMHA show the Tri State.

The fairgrounds itself reeks of per-

(See ROCKIES, page five)



photo by Steve LeMaster

The Allen Central baseball team is the No. 1 seed for the upcoming 58th District Baseball Tournament. The Rebels are the district's defending champion.

H.S. BASEBALL

Bobcats outlast Belfry

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN — Host Betsy Layne turned back Belfry's challenge Friday. The Bobcats had 11 hits and beat Belfry 8-5.

Bobby Preston picked up the win for Betsy Layne and Zane Smith was the losing pitcher for Belfry (10-10).

David Curry accounted for much of the Belfry offense, hitting a home run and a double while driving in four runs in the process.

Betsy Layne scored five runs in the bottom of the fifth inning and never trailed again en route to the win.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Two 7-footers sign with Kentucky

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — For the first time in Kentucky basketball history, the Wildcats will have two players on their roster who stand 7 feet or taller.

Kentucky announced the signings of Shagari Alleyne and Lukasz Obrzut on Monday. Alleyne and Obrzut each signed during the spring signing period that ended Thursday.

"I'm excited about the chance to coach two 7-footers like Shagari and 'Woo' (Obrzut)," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "They'll both be able to step in and fill our needs in the post after the losses of Marquis Estill and Jules Camara."

According to UK officials, Obrzut and Alleyne will be the fourth and fifth 7-footers to wear a Kentucky

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BASKETBALL CAMP



file photo

Allen Central head boys' basketball coach John Martin has announced the dates for his annual Runnin' Rebel Basketball Camp.

Dates announced for Runnin' Rebel Basketball Camp

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN — Veteran Allen Central boys' basketball coach John Martin has announced the dates for the 2003 edition of the Runnin' Rebel Basketball Camp. The camp will take place June 9-13 at Allen Central High School. The camp will run from 8:30 a.m. until noon, daily. Cost of the camp is \$60. The camp is for children in kindergarten through eighth grade.

The camp will cover all aspects of the game and include many contests.

- Individual offense and defense
- Dribbling, shooting, passing, rebounding
- One-on-one, three-on-three, league play

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District tourneys set for Floyd Co. teams

AC teams come in as No. 1 seeds

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — Coaches from the 58th District in baseball and the 57th District in softball met at South Floyd High School on Friday afternoon to set the upcoming district tournaments.

South Floyd and Prestonsburg had to flip a coin to determine the third and fourth positions in the softball tourna-

ment. Prestonsburg won the flip and received the third seed.

The Allen Central baseball team is again the No. 1 seed in the 58th District. Betsy Layne is second, followed by South Floyd third, and Prestonsburg fourth. The 58th District Baseball Tournament will be held at Drift Park, home of the South Floyd Raiders.

South Floyd and Prestonsburg will open the tournament on Monday, May 26 in a game at 5:30 p.m. Betsy

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Reds on pace to break team home run record

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — During an up-and-down season notable for leaky defense and wobbly starting pitching, the Cincinnati Reds are hitting home runs at a pace that would break the team's record.

At their current rate, the Reds would finish with 254

homers. The club record is 221 in 1956.

The Reds have hit homers in 13 consecutive games, with 25 homers coming during those games.

They were off Monday, before starting a home stand against Atlanta.

Adam Dunn leads the

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Dunn



Kearns

The two U19 soccer teams from Floyd County met up over the weekend. The spring soccer season for area teams concludes this month.



Kentucky

uniform. The others were Bill Spivey (1950-1952), Tom Payne (1970-1971) and Sam Bowie (1980-1984). Bowie, at 7-1, was the tallest of that trio.

The 7-2, 260-pound Alleyne averaged 21 points, 14 rebounds and five blocked shots per game this past season for Rice High School in New York, which finished 19-8. Rice won the city and state titles in New York during Alleyne's junior season.

After this season, he received team most valuable player honors in the Kentucky Derby Festival Classic in Louisville, finishing with 16 points, nine rebounds and two blocks. All but one of his baskets came on dunks.

He also played this spring in the Michael Jordan Capital

Classic, another national high school all-star game, scoring two points and grabbing four rebounds in 13 minutes. He played on the same team as consensus national player of the year LeBron James of St. Vincent-St. Mary of Akron, Ohio.

Kentucky won the recruiting battle for Alleyne over Rutgers.

"He really gives us an inside presence and shot-blocking ability that we can put to good use," Smith said.

Obrzut, from Gliwice, Poland, played for Bridgton Academy in North Bridgton, Maine, this past season, averaging 12 points, eight rebounds, three assists and two blocks per game. It was his first season of organized basketball in the

United States. The 7-1, 240-pound Obrzut originally planned to sign with Fordham, but changed his mind when Fordham coach Bob Hill resigned at the end of the season. Utah also recruited Obrzut.

"Lukasz is a very good athlete to be 7-foot tall," Smith said. "He has good hands and good footwork."

Bridgton Academy finished 25-8 and won the top spot in the New England Prep School

Conference's top division. Seven players from the team signed with NCAA Division I schools.

"He's an A-B student whose game has already shown phenomenal growth since arriving in the states," Bridgton Academy coach Whit Lesure said of Obrzut. "To coach Hill's credit, he saw the potential in Lukasz and he feels that given the right situation, he'll become a dominant player. And we both think that Kentucky is the right situation."

Obrzut and Alleyne will join 6-8 swingman Bobby Perry of Durham, N.C., and 6-8 forward Shery Thomas of Montreal in Kentucky's recruiting class. Perry and Thomas signed with the Wildcats in November.

Kentucky finished 32-4 this

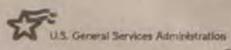
past season. The Wildcats entered the NCAA tournament ranked No. 1 and had a 26-game winning streak ended when they lost to Marquette in the Midwest Region final.

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Reds

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Reds and the majors with 16 homers going into Monday's games. Austin Kearns and Aaron Boone have 13 apiece.

The three have combined to hit 42 of Cincinnati's 69 home runs.

"If you make a mistake at any time, we'll pop it," said Reds manager Bob Boone, father of Aaron Boone.

The Reds player with the most career home runs, Ken Griffey Jr., has just one homer this season. He returned to the lineup only last week after missing most of the season because of a dislocated shoulder he suffered while diving for a ball in early April.

Aaron Boone had 26 homers last year. Before that, he had never hit more than 13 in one season.

He hit two homers to account for half of the Reds' runs in their 6-3 victory Sunday in 10 innings at Milwaukee.

He has improved in large measure because he is now better at hitting curve balls, his father said.

"He has hit a bunch off breaking balls this year, and he is learning to hit the breaking ball," the manager said.

Aaron Boone has sharpened

his ability to recognize curve balls and off-speed pitches through daily drills in which hitting coach Tom Robson throws balls at differing speeds.

"It has helped me a lot," Boone said. "I think it's just the experience of seeing those pitches and recognizing them. I think it has made me a better off-speed hitter."

Boone, the starting third baseman last year, began this season at second base during an experiment to allow Brandon Larson to start at third.

But after Larson started poorly and was demoted to the minors, Boone returned on April 22 to his natural position at third. Since then, he has hit .326 with nine home runs and 23 runs batted in.

Reds pitchers are still struggling, though. Cincinnati is second in the National League in walks allowed with 197 in 44 games, an average of 4.48 per game. Reds pitchers walked seven batters on Friday and 11 Saturday, both losses to Milwaukee.

The Reds on the Radio
In Floyd County, listen to the Cincinnati Reds on 100.1 (WMDJ, Martin).

H.S. BASEBALL

Tigers take two from P'burg

PAINTSVILLE - Two games resulted in two wins for the Paintsville High School baseball team Monday night. Paintsville won the first game 9-5 and the second game.

The visiting Prestonsburg Blackcats came across with four runs in the first inning to lead Paintsville 4-0 early in the first game. The Tigers trailed 5-0 before scoring eight runs in the second inning. Thomas Nelson, Matt Setser, Josh Colmenares

and Joey Willis all reached base and scored in the first inning. Blackcat catcher Adam Dixon also singled in the first inning, but was left on base, stranded. After reaching and scoring on an error in the first inning, Matt Setser doubled and scored in the second frame.

Paintsville dominated the second game, winning 11-3. The Tigers were led by many players, including junior Shane Simpkins.

District

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Layne and tournament host South Floyd meet in the second and final opening round game on Tuesday, May 27. The championship game is set for Wednesday, May 28 at 5:30 p.m.

The 57th District Softball Tournament will be held at Minnie Park.

The Allen Central softball team, like its male baseball counterpart, is seeded No. 1. The Lady Rebels and tourney host South Floyd play on Monday, May 26 with Betsy Layne (2) and Prestonsburg playing on Tuesday, May 27. Both first-round games start at 5:30 p.m. The championship game will be played on Wednesday, May 28 at 5:30 p.m. No school on Memorial Day

on Monday, doesn't mean baseball and softball won't be played.

"We have no choice but to start on Monday the 26th," said South Floyd Coach Barry Hall.

Brackets for each tournament appear to the right.

Dates

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- Skills tests
- Hotshot, free throw and three-point competition

Free breakfast and lunch will be served daily. Each participant will receive a T-shirt, basketball and trophy. For more information, call 358-9217.

Bobcats

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Brian Combs had three hits for Betsy Layne, one a double, driving in three runs. Phillip Stapleton had two hits for the Floyd County team, including a

double. Stapleton also scored twice.

Jordan Kidd had a triple, a double and two runs batted in for the Bobcats.

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A LOOK AT SPORTS

Rumors: It is that time of year again

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

I got three emails recently that Cindy Halbert is leaving the Allen Central girls' basketball program and heading back to Pike County and Pikeville High School. The odd thing about one of the emails, they made the statement that she was going then asked, "Have you heard if this is true or not!" Well, if they said in the email that she was leaving, it must

have been true then. I emailed Cindy to find out her plans but never have received a reply from her. As of this writing, Monday, I do not know if it is true. I spoke with one of her players yesterday (Sunday) and she told me it was true that the coach is leaving. So, if it is a fact, then it will



be a big loss at Allen Central and plus for Pikeville High School. I have followed Cindy when she was Belfry's coach and figured once her and Tony hitched up she would never leave Floyd County and remain at Allen Central. She has been one of my favorite coaches over the years. I like the way she ran her program at Belfry and was turning

the Allen Central program around the past four seasons. Again, if it is a fact, then I wish her the best at Pikeville.

Now, who will get the Allen Central job if Cindy leaves? Ronnie Patton comes to my mind when I think of a replacement. Ronnie has been around the program a long time and I think he is deserving of the head-coaching job. He certainly will return some good players this year and the girls' program should challenge again for a district title. Melinda Osborne is another name that has been mentioned.

Up at South Floyd, the girls' program is in need of a coach after Melinda resigned. Good friend Tony Isaac has been rumored to fill that position. Tony has been faithful to the program at the middle school and, again, deserves a shot at the high school job.

On the football side of things, Betsy Layne will drop out of district competition, as football will return. Great decision on the part of someone. The Bobcats probably have the state's longest losing streak. Here is hoping all that ends this coming season.

The new football alignment drops Sheldon Clark from 3A to 2A and puts them in Region 4, District 8 with the likes of Belfry and Prestonsburg. The Cardinals are going to be one of the top 2A teams in the state. Magoffin County moves from 3A to 2A as well and joins the cast in District 8.

The district girls' softball and boys' baseball tournaments get the first pitch Monday with South Floyd the host school.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

Reed

It's not so much the Funny Cide of racing as it is the Sweet Cide.

When Funny Cide won the Kentucky Derby, his owners dominated the story lines. A few years ago, 10 buddies from Sackets Harbor, N.Y., kicked in \$5,000 each to form Sackatoga Stable, a combination of Sackets Harbor and Saratoga, both in upstate New York. Their stable silks were silver and maroon, the colors of the Sackets Harbor High School Patriots.

But only a week after the Derby, the Miami Herald, flagship newspaper of the Knight-Ridder chain that also owns the Lexington Herald-Leader, dropped a bombshell by running photos that, the paper claimed, indicated Santos may have carried more in his right hand than a whip.

The unmistakable implication was that he may also have carried a battery, or "buzzer," that he could have used to jolt his horse on the neck in the final strides in order to make him run faster.

Naturally, given the nature of today's media, it was reported internationally that Funny Cide's victory may have been tainted. The words "controversy" and "scandal" were thrown around indiscriminately. It became a major story for almost every major newspaper and TV network in the nation.

The only thing wrong was that The Miami Herald, one of the nation's most respected newspapers, was completely wrong. As the Churchill Downs stewards rightly determined after a lengthy study of hundreds of photos and tapes, Santos carried nothing in his right hand except his whip.

The appropriate response would have been for The Herald to make an immediate apology to Santos and fire the editor who made the decision to run the non-story. Instead, the paper, which has suddenly been exposed as being little more ethical than the National Enquirer, dug in its heels and stood by its discredited story. And we wonder why a vast majority of the public no longer trusts the media.

To his eternal credit, Santos handled the allegations with class. He denied the allegations and made a special trip to

Louisville to appear before the Churchill Downs stewards. When the stewards vindicated him, Santos didn't gloat or lash back at The Herald. He simply expressed relief and began concentrating on winning the Preakness.

Going into last Saturday's race at Pimlico, Funny Cide's detractors were saying he got a perfect trip in the Derby. The implication was that he was lucky, or that his win was a fluke. But all such chatter came to a screeching halt in the Preakness stretch as Funny Cide drew off to a 9 3/4-length victory, the second largest winning margin in the race's 128-year history.

Breaking from the No. 9 post position, which hasn't produced many Preakness winners, Santos hustled Funny Cide from the far outside to the stalking third position heading into the first turn. The race may have been won right there. No longer was post position a factor.

He did it without using much horse.

"I thought Jose did a super job of getting him in position without losing any ground," Tagg said. "The n e-hole is not a favored hole you want in this race, but he overcame it, and Jose overcame it, and it worked out beautifully."

On the backside, Funny Cide, obviously full of run, laid just off the pace-setting Peace Rules and Scrimshaw. When Santos finally turned him loose in the turn for home, he swept to the lead at the top of the stretch and simply annihilated his field. Runner-up Midway Road got trapped inside and had to swing out to find running room, but he wasn't going to beat Funny Cide, even with a perfect trip.

After crossing the finish line, Santos kissed his right fist in victory.

Then he flashed the "V" sign, indicating victory and two Triple Crown races down with one to go. And then he opened his right palm and showed it to all the world, just so there would be no doubt about what he carried in the hand.

"The only machine that was carrying me was the horse, the red horse," Santos said. "He showed it to you today that he can run like a nice machine. He was rolling. All the way, he was crushing those horses."

The Belmont will be the fifth time since 1997 that a horse came to the Belmont after winning both the Derby and the Preakness. At the moment, Funny Cide would have to be

less than even money. Still, it should be noted that the following Derby and Preakness winners weren't good enough to compete the Triple Crown sweep: Silver Charm in 1997, Real Quiet in '98, Charismatic in '99, and War Emblem last year.

If Funny Cide wins the Belmont to complete the Triple Crown sweep, it won't do much for the breeding industry, but it could do wonders for the racing industry. Since a gelding can't be rushed off to stud duty — what's the point? — he tends to race longer, thereby providing the industry with the heroes it needs.

The roll call of champion geldings includes Kelso in the early 1960s, Forego in the mid-1970s, John Henry in the early 1980s, and Creme Fraiche in 1985.

The last was the fourth of trainer Woody Stephens' five consecutive Belmont winners, a record that may never be broken.

The crowd at the Belmont may reach unprecedented levels. Funny Cide, who was born a colt sired by Distorted Humor out of the mare Belle's Good Cide, was conceived in Kentucky, but born in New York. He now could be the first gelding and the first New York-bred to win racing's most coveted prize.

He won the Preakness so easily and powerfully that the race couldn't have taken a lot out of him. In the Belmont, however, he'll again face Empire Maker, the well-bred Derby favorite who finished second on the first Saturday in May at Churchill Downs. In addition, Atswatimtalkinbout, a highly regarded California-based colt who didn't fire in the Derby and didn't run in the Preakness, may take another shot.

Yet the Funny Cide of racing is that the gelding, along with his jockey, trainer, and owners, have become the people's choice. Many New Yorkers always have loved little guys more than big shots, underdogs more than favorites, the unlikely more than the predictable.

Now they're waiting to embrace Funny Cide, the blue-collar, lunch-pail gelding who proves that there's room in racing for anybody who loves horses, no matter if they're Arab oil sheiks or high-school pals who got into the sport just to have some fun together.

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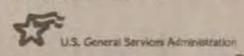
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Funny Cide next in line for Triple Crown try

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Less than 24 hours after he won the

Preakness aboard Funny Cide, jockey Jose Santos returned home to the strains of "New York, New York."
"Thank you," Santos said

Sunday as he walked from the jocks room to the paddock as fans applauded and chanted "Triple Crown! Triple Crown!" and the Frank Sinatra classic

blared over Belmont Park's public address system.

Even after the fourth race, in which he finished fourth aboard 16-1 long shot Monkey Junior, fans sought out Santos for handshakes and autographs. Last Sunday, the locals jeered Santos after a report in The Miami Herald, accompanied by a photograph, speculated he had something in his hand other than a whip in the Derby. Santos was cleared of any wrongdoing last Monday by Churchill Downs stewards.

Sunday's tribute clearly moved Santos, who couldn't keep a smile off his face. He said he expects a huge, partisan crowd for the Belmont Stakes on June 7, when Funny Cide attempts to become the 12th Triple Crown winner and first since Affirmed in 1978.

Last year, a record crowd of 103,222 packed the racetrack to see if Derby-Preakness War Emblem could win the Triple Crown, but the colt stumbled at the start and finished eighth.

After Funny Cide's electrifying 9 3/4-length victory in the Preakness on Saturday in Baltimore, there's only one question in the world of horse racing: Can he pull it off?

Since Affirmed beat Alydar to complete the Derby, Preakness and Belmont sweep,

eight horses took the first two races but fell short in the Belmont.

Funny Cide, a New York-bred gelding, is up next.

"A great story is unraveling, and I hope it ends with a Triple Crown," Affirmed's jockey, Steve Cauthen, said. "The horse seems to be in great form."

Everything is jelling at the right time — it's exactly how you want it."

The debate will continue until Belmont day. So far, there aren't many doubters.

"He ran two bang-up races now, and if he can run back in

(See TRIPLE, page five)

PROFILE

Layne in 14th season as Major League ump

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Eastern Kentucky native Jerry Layne is in his 14th season as a Major League Baseball umpire. Layne, who still has family members who live in Floyd County, began the current season on a down note following a Red Sox-Orioles game in mid-April

Layne was hit in the face-mask by a fastball as he was working home plate in a Red Sox-Orioles series in April.

In the fourth inning of the game, a rising fastball that Red Sox pitcher Pedro Martinez

threw for a strike just tipped off the glove of Boston catcher Jason Varitek and struck Layne on his mask near his forehead.

"It was really scary more than anything," Layne said in an interview with MLB.com.

Layne stayed in the game for one more pitch to finish out the inning, and then at the advice of umpire crew chief Dana Demuth left the game and went to the lockerroom to see if he needed medical attention. Following several tests at the hospital later on, doctors ruled that Layne did not have a concussion.

Layne is a member of MLB

Umpire Crew M along with Demuth, Greg Gibson and Marvin Hudson. He began umpiring baseball in 1978 and has never had quite the feeling he had from the Martinez pitch that got away on that April day. He has been a Major League umpire since 1989.

Layne has now recovered fully from the April injury although he battled sore muscles many days after the game. He returned to his regular crew just a few days after the injury. Layne's first game back was a Texas-Anaheim meeting in

(See SEASON, page five)

PIKEVILLE COLLEGE

Staggs to coach volleyball

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

PIKEVILLE — The second volleyball coach in Pikeville College history is someone his new players, area coaches and the community is very familiar with.

Robert Staggs, an assistant women's basketball coach who just completed his first season as head softball coach, has been named head volleyball coach.

Staggs replaces Missy Gragg, who left for Tusculum College in January. In four varsity seasons, Gragg's club has posted a 59-43 record. They were 17-9 last year after a 2001 season that saw the Lady Bears go 23-6 and qualify for the NAIA Region XI tournament for the first time.

"First of all, I'd like to thank God for all my blessings and the doors he has opened for me," Staggs said. "Secondly, I'd like to thank Ron Damm and President (Hal) Smith for the confidence they've shown in me, first with softball and now with volleyball."

"I've always loved Pikeville College, from the days I was a student here playing basketball and then as a coach. This is an honor for me."

In January, Staggs took over as softball coach. After a three-win season in 2002, the Lady Bears won 12 games this season.

Staggs recently completed his sixth season as an assistant coach with the women's basketball team. Prior to that, he assisted Roy Cutright for five seasons in his duties with the men's and women's basketball teams, and helped with the baseball team for five years under Cutright and Wayne Albury.

"I'll expect out of these girls what I have my softball and basketball players," said Staggs. "They'll play hard and compete. If they do that, we'll have success. But it all begins with working hard, and we'll do that, both in practice and games."

He and his wife Nanette reside at Cedar Creek with her sons, David and Drew.

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Blazers save best for last

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The all-girl U10 Trailblazers defeated the (nearly) all-boy Breathitt County Hurricanes in the aftermath of a near hurricane at Jackson on Saturday, putting together their best game of the season. The young ladies outscored the young men 6-3. Kelsey "Big Monster" Hughes scored two goals, while playing less than half the game at left side forward. Madyson Nunnery, Alexis "A.D." DeRossett, Clara "Eugene" Osborne, and Kathleen "Suppy Lou" Smith all added single scores. All the scoring occurred on a field that was covered with as much as three inches of water, following a pre-game downpour.

Kaitlyne "Meanness" Minix nearly drowned one of the Hurricanes in a midfield collision which left the young man face down in a huge mud puddle. Tori "Really Wet Feet" Hunt, Allison Conley, Brenna Ousley, Christine Walz, and Rachel Pescosolido all contributed excellent defensive efforts to ensure the win. Goalkeeper Kasey Rae Moore blocked a Hurricane penalty kick early in the game to preserve a 2-0 lead. The game was never close after that excellent stop.

The Blazers led 4-1 at the half and were up by as much as 6-2 late in the game. This margin was nearly expanded when Smith set up a streaking Meghan Banks with a beautiful corner kick that was somehow thwarted.

Since beginning play as an all-girls team in the spring of 2002, this season resulted in the best record for the Blazers, finishing with a 5-2-1 league record, and a 1-1 out-of-league record. The Blazer coaches were very happy with the improvement of play by the rapidly gelling squad.

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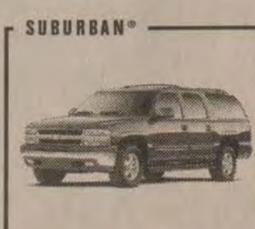
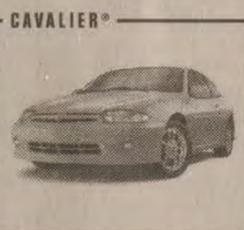
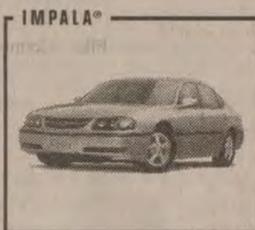
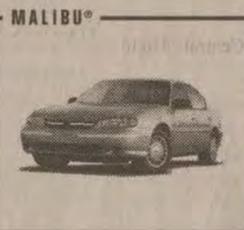
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- Sports Calendar -



Johnson Central senior Brianne Daniels signed Monday to play college softball for nearby Pikeville College. Standing from left to right: Back row: Pikeville softball coach Robert Staggs, Johnson Central Coach Darren Gamble, JCHS Athletic Director Harry Burchett. Sitting: Michelle Justice (mother), Brianne and Robert Daniels (father).

Rockies

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performances of former champions in the American Saddlebred breed and the popular Tennessee Walking Horse. This show ring has hosted many of the recent World and World Grand Champion of these two popular breeds.

This weekend however, the ring would host the old time horses bred for work and pleasure in the hills and hollows of Eastern Kentucky.

The facilities though old, are well kept, clean and excellent repair.

The weather cooperated completely with the show management and held its fury until the show concluded at 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 10.

Judging honors were entrusted to the Honorable Joan Walters of Indianapolis, Indiana.

The 2002 World Grand Champion, Rockin Dobbin, an Indian Hill Farm entry of Williamsburg Ind., with Joe Mullins in the irons started the festivities with the displaying of the colors.

The standard approved high point classes were entrusted to Joan to officiate.

This she performed admirably and the show moved smoothly throughout the day without hesitation.

The local juveniles riders from Prince Albert Stables started early and often to ring up wins and to claim victories in the juvenile classes.

The climax of the days events

was when the Charles Kilburn Championship class was called to the ring to determine the winner of this year's much sought after memorial trophy.

The ringside was filled with anxious spectators as over 12 entries answered the ringmaster's call. When the riding had ceased and the nerves of the crowd and riders had calmed, the little black mare that traces her roots to the Mountains of Eastern Kentucky was called to the winner's circle to claim first place and the 2003 Charles Kilburn Memorial trophy for this year's Tri State Champion.

Honors and awards to Miss Kit's Amazing Grace and rider Josh Murdock of Prince Albert Stables.

Gracie is owned by Jane Whitson of Jonesboro, Tennessee and has frequented the winner's circle many times in her short show career.

This is continuing proof of the amazing willingness of this Mountain breed animal to please and perform under any conditions. The Rocky Mountain Horse continues to prosper in the mines and hearts of their owners and individuals so fortunate to be associated with this animal.

Surviving the automobile, tractor and many modern conveniences, the Rocky Mountain Horse owes its present existence to the old time breeders for preserving this animal for us as well as future generations.

Golf • Blackcat Touchdown Club Golf Scramble

The Blackcat Touchdown Club Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, May 24 at Beaver Valley Golf Course at Stumbo Park. The entry fee for each team is \$200. First place will pay the winning team \$1,000; second-place \$750; third-place \$500; fourth-place \$250.

Longest drive, longest putt and closest to the pin will also win cash prizes. Tee-off is scheduled for 8:30 a.m.

To pre-register call any of the following people: Gerald DeRossett - 886-6090; John DeRossett - 886-6639; Bobby Hackworth - 886-2301; Rodney Ousley - 874-0317.

Belfry Golf Scramble

The Belfry High School football team will hold a golf scramble June 6 at the Mountain Pub Links. Registration will be at noon and the scramble starts at 1 p.m. The fee is \$50 per person and \$200 per team and includes a free meal after the event. For more information, call 606/353-7239 or 606/353-7230.

Morehead State Golf Camp

The 2003 Morehead State University Golf Camp will be held June 8-13 at Sunny Brook Golf Course in Morehead. Call 606-783-2500 for more information.

Basketball • And 1 Skills Camp

Pikeville College will host the And 1 Skills Camp, directed by former University of Kentucky star Rex Chapman, June 30-July 2. The camp runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day and lunch is included. Registration costs \$220 and includes lunch daily, instruction by former NBA and UK players, three-point and free-throw contests, gift packs and T-shirts. For more information, call 859/231-1244.

Pike Central Basketball Camp

Pike County Central High

School will host the annual Hawks Basketball Camp June 9-12. The camp is co-ed and will run from 9 a.m. to noon each day. Registration costs \$60; each additional child from the same family can register for \$30. To pre-register or for more information, contact David Rowe at 606/432-7044 or 606/432-5137.

SV Basketball Camp

The annual Shelby Valley Boys' Basketball Camp will be held June 2-5. The camp will run from 9 a.m. to noon and is open to boys in kindergarten through ninth grade. The fee for each camper is \$40. To preregister or for more information contact Coach Rodney Rowe at 606/639-9816 or 606/639-0033.

Panther Basketball Camp

The annual Panther Basketball Camp will be held June 2-6. The camp will run from 8:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. for boys and girls ages 6-10 and 12:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. for boys and girls ages 11-14. The fee for each camper is \$50. Preregistration is recommended. To register or for more information contact Coach Dave Thomas or Coach Bart Williams at 606/432-0185.

YMCA Summer League

The Pikeville Area Family YMCA will accept registration for its men's and women's summer basketball leagues through Friday. Referees are also needed for those leagues. Referees will receive a complimentary YMCA membership. For more information, contact Carl Johnson at 606/433-9622.

Soccer • Pikeville Boosters Meeting

The Pikeville High School Soccer Boosters meets the fourth

THUNDER RIDGE

First points races washed out

PRESTONSBURG - JD Racing officials were forced to cancel the races scheduled for Saturday at Thunder Ridge Raceway due to the heavy rains that moved through the area during the morning and on into the evening hours. However, racing is scheduled to resume this weekend. The Memorial Day weekend will feature races in all five classes as each and every driver runs for the checkers and the top prize in his or her division.

Late Models will be running a \$1,500 to win feature event. Limited Late Models a \$1,000 to win feature event, Street Stock a \$600 to win feature event, Bombers a \$500 to win feature event, and 4-Cylinders a \$400 feature event.

The STARS Battle of the Bluegrass Dirt Racing Series rolls into Prestonsburg for two complete racing shows May 30-31. On Friday, May 30, Late Model racers will battle for a \$3000 feature purse. Late Model drivers will run for \$5000 to win on Saturday, May 31.

LITTLE LEAGUE

Griffith pitches Rangers to wins

The Rangers reeled off recent wins over the Braves and Pirates in Prestonsburg Little League action. The Rangers beat the Braves twice (6-3, 6-5) and the Pirates once (12-9).

In a 12-9 win over the Pirates on May 1, the Rangers' Alex Griffith reach base four times and scored four times. Griffith also recorded the win for the Rangers, pitching his way to the victory. Griffith also pitched the Rangers to wins in the other two games.

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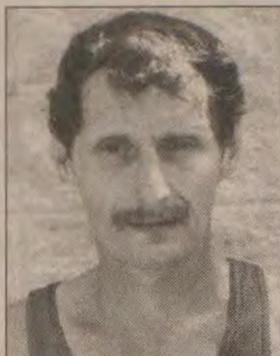
Youth Baseball

The Pikeville Area YMCA has several youth baseball

leagues open for registration. The league includes T-ball for ages 3-6, coaches' pitch for ages 5 and 6, coaches' pitch for ages 7 and 8 and coaches' pitch for ages 9-11. For more information call Greg Boggs at 606/433-9622.

RUNNING

Stanley wins Historic Matewan 5K Run



Frank Stanley

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MATEWAN, W.Va. - Over 50 runners and walkers showed up on a rainy day in May on Saturday for the Matewan 5k. That's the largest group of competitors ever for a Tug Valley Road Runners Club race, excluding their always popular Marathon & Half Marathon.

The Fourth Annual Historic Matewan 5k and Kids' Fun run was held in conjunction with festivities surrounding the 83rd Anniversary of the Battle of Matewan. The course is a com-

plicated one, due to the peculiarities of an historic small town in the coalfields of West Virginia. The race started at the main entrance through the flood wall that surrounds and protects the town, looped through town twice, went back to the start line, then followed the path outside the flood wall, under the railroad, out to the elementary school, then back through town for an almost loop to the finish line in front of the Matewan City Building.

First to appear through the flood wall heading to the finish line was Frank Stanley, 44, Paintsville, who finished with a time of 17:12. Randall Watts, 48, of Floyd County, was next, with a time of 18:29. Finishing third overall was first female finisher Kelly McGraw, 31, with a time of 19:11. (If you'll recall, she pulled the same trick at last month's Williamson 10k.)

Fourth overall and third place male was Mike Maynard, 32, finishing in 19:32. Second place female at 20:27 was Robin Weiner, 44, of Logan, West Virginia. Finishing third for the females was Holly Roooper, 13, of Scott Depot, West Virginia.

Triple

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the Belmont the way he ran in the Derby and Preakness, then he's got it," said trainer Bob Baffert, denied a Triple Crown three times by losses in the Belmont. "I'll be rooting for him."

Even Funny Cide's trainer, Barclay Tagg, ever the pessimist, sounded somewhat confident.

"There's going to be some fresh faces in, and our horse will have gone through a pretty good campaign by then, so that's a concern," Tagg said Sunday before heading off to the horse sales at Timonium in Maryland. "As long as he handles everything like he did the last few weeks, I can't see any problem with it."

The Belmont will offer the toughest test of all. At 1 1/2 miles, it is the longest Triple Crown race, a distance not commonly run in the United States.

"I have no clue how he'll run a mile and a half, but I have a feeling he'll handle it rather easily," Tagg said. "So far he's proven he can do it, but adding another quarter-mile onto it, anything can happen."

Several well-rested 3-year-olds will present a new set of challenges. Among them are Derby runner-up Empire Maker, who skipped the Preakness; Atswhatimtalknabout, fourth in the Derby; and Lone Star Derby winner Dynever, a rising star in his own right and set for his Triple Crown debut.

Also under consideration are Midway Road and Scrimshaw, the second- and third-place finishers in the Preakness; Ten Most Wanted, the Illinois Derby winner who was ninth in the Kentucky Derby; Most Feared, Outta Here and Ten Cents a Shine.

Hall of Fame jockey Jerry Bailey, who rode Ten Cents a Shine to a ninth-place finish in the Preakness, will be back on Empire Maker in the Belmont.

Bailey, who was aboard for

Empire Maker in the Derby, sized up Funny Cide's Preakness performance.

"His race was about as impressive as you can get, so it's hard to knock him," Bailey said. "But there are a couple of others who sat out the Preakness waiting for the Belmont. As good as he is, it's still going to be a tough race."

This will be the fifth time in the last seven years the Belmont plays host to a Triple Crown try. Before War Emblem, Charismatic broke his foot in the stretch and finished third in '99; Real Quiet lost by nose in '98; and Silver Charm lost by three-quarters of a length in 1997.

The 25-year Triple Crown drought matches the longest in history. Citation won in 1948, and the next Triple Crown champion was Secretariat in 1973.

Others who failed in their bid to succeed Affirmed were Sunday Silence (1989), Alysheba (1987), Pleasant Colony (1981), and Spectacular Bid (1979).

While the race will be won on the track, Funny Cide already has become "the people's horse" thanks to the cast of characters surrounding him.

His owners are high school buddies from upstate New York who kicked in \$5,000 to start Sackatoga Stable. His dour trainer worked for decades in relative anonymity. His jockey was questioned about his Derby ride. A gelding has never won the Triple Crown. Neither has a New York-bred horse.

"This horse has been the underdog," Baffert said. "He's coming home for the Belmont and the place will be packed. It's a great story."

As for the home advantage, Tagg said Funny Cide "likes the track and he trains on it every day." Funny Cide, who was vanned back to Belmont early Sunday morning, is 3-for-3 over the track.

"He ran well on it last year," Tagg said. "You'd like to have four or five weeks (to prepare) but he's a big stout horse and seems to be handling everything well."

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Arlington, Texas. Layne has worked two All-Star Games (1994, 2001) and League Championship Series (1997, 1999). He umpired the 1999 Opening Day game in Monterey, Mexico between the San Diego Padres and

Colorado Rockies and was behind the plate for Fernando Valenzuela's no-hitter. Layne's most memorable moment behind the plate could have come in 2001 when San Francisco slugger Barry Bonds hit his 71st home run.

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Miss Morgan Katlyn Hughes

'LITTLE GIRL - BIG TALENT'

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

As we wind down our "Jr. Pro Spotlight" series, we find ourselves meeting the youngest member of the group, Miss Morgan Katlyn Hughes. Morgan, who is only 10 years of age, may be pint-sized in stature and young in years, but when it comes to talent, this little pint-sized cowgirl wears a 10-gallon hat.

Looking at this little lady's long list of accomplishments, it appears that she must have been born with a microphone in her hand and a song on her lips. Morgan competed in the Renfro Valley Gospel Talent Competition at the mere age of four, coming in as second-place winner. Shortly after, she signed on as the youngest performer to ever appear under contract

(See HUGHES, page four)



Miss Morgan Katlyn Hughes



Morgan gives it her all during a performance at the Mountain Arts Center.

The tiny singing sensation says that her favorite type of music is, hands down, country. And as much as Morgan loves country music, country music loves her right back. Morgan competed in the North American Country Music Association International (NACMAI) Talent Competition held at Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, in March, 2001, where she was named the NACMAI Female Country Entertainer of the Year. Morgan also garnered second place in the NACMAI Female Country Vocalist of the Year Competition.

TID BITS & NOTES



■ Kim Little Frasure

Kim's Korner: Choices

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE

For one reason or another it seems our Internet connection has been on the fritz every Monday. Being that through that little connection of cyber space is how this column makes it to print, has caused us to miss a time or two. My apologies extended.

Some of the advertising staff here at the paper have questioned lately how to handle a particular situation that seems to have reared on more than one occasion.

It seems one or even two of the sales representatives have incurred a particular client who doesn't wish to advertise with us any longer due to something that has been written in the paper. You have to understand, these sales reps represent this paper and are designated a territory (with the exception of Rita who sells Special Sections and Promotions and may go into all territories). They work hard to help each of their clients get the best and most profit from their advertising dollars.

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(See KORNER, page three)

School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER
**CPR classes for 8th graders will be offered in May. Interested students may sign up for the classes in the Youth Services Center office.

■ May 22 - 4-H projects will be judged at 9 a.m.

***8th grade class is selling Papa John's cards (pizza discounts) to help raise money for the 8th grade class trip to King's Island. If you would like to help the Adams eighth-graders by purchasing a Papa John's card, please contact the Youth Services Center at 886-9812 or Diane at 886-7926.

■ Center distributes school activity calendars and newsletters on the last day of each month to all students. Parents please be advised to be watching for these informational materials as a way of staying informed with your school's happenings.

■ Health Records Update: Parents who have health records to bring in to the school may bring them to the Youth Services Center any weekday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

■ Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m. Updated each day after 4:00 p.m.

■ Center is open each day from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any listed activities, call 886-9812. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley. Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to students regardless of income. Center telephone: 886-9812.

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ May 22 - Rick Arnold presentation for 6th, 7th, and 8th

(See SCHOOL, page two)

POISON OAK

From ginseng to Chihuahuas

by CLYDE PACK

Frequent readers of this column—if indeed there are any—know of our interest in old-time cures and superstitions. Over the years, some interesting home remedies have been sent to us for just about every ailment one could imagine.

For example, a New Paris, Ohio, woman suggested that one can cure a headache by smearing crushed onions on your forehead. A lady from Louisa said a headache will go away if you tie a flour sack around your head. And a reader from Riverview, Michigan, suggested putting several ginseng roots into a piece of brown paper and tying it to your head.

Few common afflictions are more annoying than the hiccups. But, according to a reader from Springfield, Ohio, they'll go away if you'll just close your eyes, place a finger on each eyelid and apply slight pressure. From West Van Lear came the suggestion that hiccups can be cured by placing a napkin over a glass of water and drinking through it. But this next cure, sent in by a woman from Fort Gay, West Virginia—even if it



Clyde Pack

(See OAK, page four)

School

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grades, 9:00 a.m.

**May 22 - SBDM Council Election to elect parent members for the 2003-2004 school year. Election will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., in the ACMS Conference Room. Any parent of a child currently enrolled at ACMS or a parent of an incoming student may vote to elect the parent council member.

**If your child has lost a coat or any type of clothing this year, you or your child may come to the Youth Service Center to look for it. All coats that are left in the Center by the end of the year will become the property of the Youth Service Center.

■ Youth Service Center office hours are from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ May 22 - 4-H Project judging, 12 p.m.

**School now holding KINDERGARTEN registration. Please call the school at 874-2165 to schedule an appointment.

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations and

WIC appointment.

■ G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

■ May 28 - 4-H Project judging, 9 a.m.

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

■ Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

Betsy Layne High School

■ May 23 - Parent election, 7-8 p.m. *Parent volunteers needed to work during election. Please contact Vicky Ratliff or Becky Kidd if you would like to volunteer.

■ May 26 - Memorial Day -

School will be in session.

■ June 2, 3 - Quarter exams to be given.

■ June 3 - Senior Honors Night, 7 p.m.

■ June 4 - Last day of school.

■ June 4 - GRADUATION, 7:30 p.m.

■ BLHS Alumni Association is offering a 2-volume set pictorial history book featuring seniors and faculty members of the BLHS classes from 1937-2003. Cost - \$30 per set. To order, write to: BLHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 25, Stanville, KY 41659. Numbers are limited, so order early. For more information, contact Betsy Layne High School at 478-2233.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

■ May 29 - Floyd Co. Health Dept. nurse at center. To schedule a school entrance exam, 6th grade entrance exam, immunizations, or WIC services, call 886-0815 for appointment. Services available to ALL community members. CURRENTLY SCHEDULING EXAMS.

■ May 21 - 4-H Project judging, 12 p.m.

■ May 22 - "Especially for Girls" program for 4th and 5th grade girls.

■ May 23 - KINDER-

GARTEN REGISTRATION, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Parent/guardians will need to bring the following items: (1) Official copy of child's birth certificate; (2) child's original immunization certificate; (3) child's Social Security card; (4) child's completed medical exam form; and, (5) child's completed Kentucky Eye Exam form. For questions, call 886-2487.

■ May 23 - 5th grade "Dinner and Dance."

**SUMMER CAMP available for month of July. Call the Family Resource Center for more information or to enroll your child for camp.

All SBDM Council meetings open to public. All are welcome to attend.

**School now collecting "Box Tops for Education" from General Mills products. Parents and community members, please send your "Box Top" coupons to the school Family Resource Center.

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. The center is currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for students who will enter the 6th grade in the upcoming school year, kindergarten

entrance exams and TD boosters for sophomores. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These nursing services are available to anyone in the community.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY

■ Call school Family Resource Center at 358-9878, to make an appointment for a free physical for your child who plans to enter Kindergarten in the fall semester, 2003.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and Well-Child physicals; T.B. skin test; and WIC services. Please call for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

■ Lending Library available for use of students, parents and teachers. Videos on a variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd Co. Health Dept. is at

the school each Wednesday. Services include 6th grade physicals and immunizations; WIC; well-child physicals; Kindergarten and Head Start physicals; blood pressure checks; TB skin tests, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment. Donna Samons-Bartrum, FRC Director.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ May 23 - 4-H Project judging, 9 a.m.

■ School is collecting Food City receipts. Have your students turn receipts in to their home-room teachers. Community members may also turn receipts in to school office. Help McDowell Elementary receive computers, audio visual equipment, etc. through the "Apples for Students" program.

■ SBDM Council meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

■ FRC Advisory Council meets first Thursday of each month in FRC office at 5:30 p.m.

■ GED classes are held in FRC each Monday and Wednesday from 8-11:30 a.m.

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YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from
The Floyd County
Times,
10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and
60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago

(May 26 and May 28, 1993)

Incumbent Floyd County Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson, came cleanly away from what was easily the muddiest campaign of the primary season to lead all vote-getters, Tuesday. Although former deputy sheriff John K. Blackburn had been expected by some to run neck and neck with Thompson, the incumbent pulled away to cross the finish line with more than 4,000 votes more than the second-place Blackburn...Incumbent Floyd County Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo turned back a spirited challenge, Tuesday, from one well-known radio personality to earn a chance against another this fall. Surprisingly close, as early returns filtered in, Tuesday, Stumbo's margin over Republican-turned-Democrat Dale McKinney, widened as the night drew on. McKinney, owner-operator of Martin radio station WMDJ, made an issue of the county's solid waste problems during his campaign, and that issue obviously helped McKinney carry 12 of the county's 41 precincts. Unofficial totals gave Stumbo the win, however, with a 8,994 vote total to McKinney's 7,011 votes. Stumbo will now face Republican nominee Gorman Collins Sr., in the November election. Collins is owner of Prestonsburg station WQHY, and is currently a member of the Prestonsburg City Council...Eula Hall, founder of the Mud Creek Clinic, received yet another honor, Sunday afternoon, when she was awarded an honorary Ph.D. by the president of Hartford, Connecticut's prestigious Trinity College. According to Trinity College President Tom Gerety's speech, Hall was awarded the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters Sunday for her "...countless acts of caring kindness..., selfless toil..., and (her) message of hope for the people of Appalachia" ...The Prestonsburg City Council is proceeding with caution on plans to offer a portion of the Bert T. Combs Airport property as a potential site for a new Veteran's Administration nursing home. The plan was first announced, last week, when Floyd County Development Authority Executive Director Darrell Gilliam told members of that agency that an informal consortium, including members of the governmental bodies of Prestonsburg and Paintsville, and Floyd, Martin and Lawrence counties, had suggested submitting an application to the federal government, offering property adjacent to the airport for the facility. One problem with the plan, Big Sandy Area Development District Director Roger Recktenwald told members of the board, last week, is that the VA nursing home facility might not be compatible with the airport strip...Problems at

the polls plagued the political process in Floyd County, Tuesday, preventing some early morning pollsters from casting their ballots and giving the state Board of Elections pause for thought. The problems started early, Floyd County Clerk Carla "Robinson" Boyd said, when workers transporting the voting machines to the election precincts, inadvertently switched the machines designated for Auxier and Abbott Creek...Floyd County voters unseated incumbent Commonwealth's Attorney Jerry Patton, Tuesday, electing dark horse challenger John Earl Hunt by a slender margin, in what may have been the primary's greatest upset. In unofficial totals of the 17,030 ballots cast in Tuesday's election, representing more than 56 percent of registered voters in the county, Hunt defeated Patton by a 539-vote margin, receiving 8,383 votes to Patton's 7,894...Bingo is back at Prestonsburg High School, and the first numbers are expected to be called at the weekly game's revival on Monday, June 7. Floyd County school board members approved a proposal from principal Karen Trivette, Wednesday, to bring back one of the top money-making fund raisers for that school...Despite mechanical malfunctions and apparent vandalism that compelled out-going Commonwealth's Attorney, Jerry Patton, to request that seven ballot machines be impounded immediately after the election, Tuesday, Floyd County Clerk Carla Boyd said, Thursday, that none of the losing candidates have as yet asked for a vote recanvass. Boyd said that she, Patton and Attorney General Chris Gorman, had asked the Pikeville Post of the Kentucky State Police to impound the machines after mechanical malfunctions at the Wheelwright, Maytown and Cliff Number Two precincts, forced voters to cast paper ballots, and the locks on machines at the Auxier, Abbott Creek, Porter and Garrett precincts had apparently been tampered with...President Bill Clinton's controversial new energy tax plan may spell trouble for Eastern Kentucky, Fifth Congressional District Representative Harold Rogers said Wednesday, costing the region nearly 2,000 jobs. Rogers said in a press release issued Wednesday, that Clinton's energy plan, which went before the House of representatives Thursday, contains the "largest tax increase in America's history" and will have a dramatic impact on rural America, particularly Eastern Kentucky...A Floyd County man was allegedly held at gunpoint, Wednesday, by a Prestonsburg woman who demanded the man take her to the First Guaranty National Bank and withdraw funds from an account. The man, Mike Taylor, told police that a woman, identified as Rhonda Harris, also known as Rhonda Vanco,

came to his business place, Thursday, claiming that her car had a flat tire, and that she was pregnant and needed assistance. Floyd County deputy Ricky Thornsberry said the victim said the woman pulled out what appeared to be a .45 caliber weapon and said she was wired with explosives. Taylor reported that the woman instructed him to drive to the bank at Martin. When Taylor pulled into the parking lot at the bank, he fled the vehicle and phoned the sheriff's department. The woman was later taken into custody...A site preparation contract was awarded, Wednesday, to Ooten Coal Company, for work to begin on the physical education facility at South Floyd High School. Because the site preparation part of the project was declared an emergency, four companies were contacted to submit proposals, and Ooten's \$91,398 cost estimate was the lowest received...There died: Sonja Sue Meade, 50, of Harold, Thursday, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington; Melvin Floyd Conn, 82, of Harold, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Virgil Handshoe, 75, of Gunlock, Saturday, at his residence; Dollie K. Mitchell, 82, of Harold, Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Dennis Gene Johnson, 46, of Wyandotte, Michigan, Monday, at the University of Michigan Hospital, Ann Arbor; Juanita J. Cook, 70, of Urbana, Ohio, Monday; Eulah Stephens May, 85, of Orange City, Florida, formerly of Langley, May 22, at her home; Norcie Gibson Hunt, 89, of Hueysville, Friday, at the Knott County Nursing Home, Hindman; Stella Mae Lafferty, 66, of South Bead, Indiana, formerly of Dwale, Monday, in Plymouth, Indiana; Herman Ward, 52, of Orient, Ohio, a Wheelwright native, March 27, at Mt. Carmel Medical Center, Columbus, Ohio; Luther Tackett, 81, of Drift, Wednesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Hugh Vinson Osborne, 42, of McDowell, Tuesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; George Edward Allen, 79, of Lancaster, formerly of Langley, Tuesday, at the Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center, Danville.

Twenty Years Ago

(Wednesday, June 1, 1983)

Voting machines were held under seal, and retally widened the lead of Carla Robinson Boyd over Thomas Lafferty Jr., and Benny Ray Bailey over Ray Turner...John M. Stumbo left the Floyd County Board of Education where he was a member for 31 years. Stumbo is the new judge-executive, after Barkley Sturgill resigned as acting judge-executive...A judge rejected the motion of a new trial for William "Oakie" Bevins...Alvis

Randall Frasure, 38, of Martin, was jailed for the murder of Larry W. Wilson, 31, at the home of Wilson's ex-wife...The nomination of John M. Stumbo as the Democratic candidate for judge-executive in November election is challenged...There died: Ota McIntosh Anderson, 73, of Prestonsburg, Friday, in Lexington; Nellie Martin Shelton, 65, of Drift, Monday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Pearlie Moore, 61, of Martin, Sunday, at her home; William (Bill) Dye, 71, of Hi Hat, Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Greeley Waddles, 77 of Bypro, Thursday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Janie Akers, 95, of Banner, Tuesday, at the home of her daughter; Clark Jones, 63, of Estill, Tuesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Thirty Years Ago

(May 30, 1973)

Floyd County was spared its daily threat of rain until 3 p.m., election day, but the bright weather failed to bring the voters out to the polling places in great numbers...In some parts of the country Memorial Day travelers were warned they might have to shop around for enough gasoline for the drive home, but not so in this county...If the federal government persists in its policy of refusing help to municipal water systems, three proposed rural systems in the Prestonsburg vicinity may have to find a water supplier other than Prestonsburg...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Neal, of Garrett, a son, May 15; to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newsome Jr., of Hi Hat, a daughter, May 16; to Mr. and Mrs. Danny Bryant, of Estill, a son, May 20...There died: Jobe Hughes, 53, Thursday, at his home at Hippo; Mrs. Mindy Newsome Hamilton, 84, Thursday, at her home, at Teaberry; Mrs. Shelba Jean Crager, 34, formerly of Garrett, Tuesday, at Garrett, Ind.; Lee T. Lewis, 74, Thursday, at home on Cow Creek; Edward William (Bill) Ackerman, 53, of Prestonsburg, last Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Gordon W. Branham Sr., 57, of Wheelwright, Thursday, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Estill Jarvis, 47, of Banner, Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Forty Years Ago

(May 30, 1963)

Kentucky's spirited Democratic gubernatorial campaign ended Tuesday in dra-

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New Arrivals

Pike Methodist births

April 9:
A daughter, Alexis Oneal, to Jennifer and Neal Hamilton; a daughter, Caylin Noel, to Nolita and Bobby Coleman.

April 10:
A daughter, Alyssa Grace to Kendra and Keith Cavins; a son, Dakota Blake, to Glenda Janelle and Mark Colin Compton.

April 11:
A daughter, Alexis Lashell Rudder, to Amanda Michelle Adkins and Marion Wayne Rudder II.

April 13:
A son, Kaden Eugene, to Krista Danielle and Shannon Eugene Robinson.

April 14:
A daughter, Takeyla Leann Jean, to Robin and Kelly Fields; a son, Ty Carson, to Stephanie and Larry Dove II.

April 15:
A daughter, Jasmine Alexis, to Jessica M. and James Rowe; a daughter, Caitlin Cathea, to Wendy and Eric McClanahan.

April 17:
A daughter, Courtney Marie,

to Samantha Renee and Robert Lee Howell; a son, Jared Sanders II, to Karen Sue and Jared Sanders; a daughter, Tori Renee, to Sandra Kay and Steve Mullins.

April 18:
A son, Harley Dewayne Ratliff to Tabatha Ann Curry and Jimmie Dewayne Ratliff Jr.

April 19:
A son, Gabriel Dennison Kiser to Sarah Beth Duty.

April 20:
A son, Tyler Marvin, to Laura Marie Wolford; a daughter, April Gail, to Mary Lou and Kermit Howell.

April 21:
A son, John Patrick Jr., to Kimberly Lynn and John Patrick Justice.

April 22:
A daughter, Brooklyn Shyann, to Morgan Brooke and Rick Moberly; a daughter, Alyssa Dawn, to Samantha Lynn and David Michael Price; twin sons, Dillon Chase and Dalton Lee Farmer to Amy Sue Fields and Jimmy Trent Farmer; a son, Jason Keith, to Rebecca Marie Coleman.

April 23:
A daughter, Morgan Etta, to Kimberly Gayle and Roy Dean Miles; a son, Preston James Edward, to Brandee Nicole and Terry Edward Briggs.

April 26:
A son, William Joseph, to Sharana Kay and William Estil Ray Bowns.

April 28:
A daughter, Kennedi Blake, to Amy Michelle and Erik Wayne Rash; a son, Logan Alexander, to Brandy Gail and Tate Boyd; a daughter, Alexis Paige Pearl, to Norma Dean and Roger Dean Thacker.

April 29:
A daughter, Hannah Elizabeth Tackett, to Tami Sue Bradley and Scott Eugene Tackett; a daughter, Kylie Mystique, to Beverly Isabel and Shawn Byron Hunt; a son, Mason Ryan, to Leela Gail and Darian Wayne Riddle; a daughter, Peyton Peje, to Stefani and Kirk Ramsey.

April 30:
A son, Christopher Barry, to Whittany and Barry Rowe; a son, Dawson Cole, to Crystal Lea and William David Little; a son, Nicholas Chase Lockard, to Elizabeth Smith.

School

Classes are FREE. Please bring paper and pencil. Instructor, Teresa Allen, David School.

Parents of fifth-graders should call now to have their child scheduled for school physicals and immunizations. A series of three HEP B vaccines are required for entry into sixth grade next fall. Students should begin the series now in order to be ready by next fall. Call 377-2678 for appointment.

Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

MOUNTAIN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

May 24 - School will be holding entrance exams for Kindergarten-8th grades. For those interested in registering for the exams, call 285-5141 or 285-5142. Limited space available for new students, so please register early. MCA is a non-denominational Christian school.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

May 21 - 4-H Project judging, 9 a.m.

May 23 - Hot Air Balloon Ride - 5th grade students. 8:30 a.m. Weather permitting.

May 29 - School Picnic. Parents are invited to attend and enjoy having lunch with your child at his/her designated lunchtime. Sponsored by the FRC and Food Service Dept.

June 14 - "Fun Fair for Expectant and New Parents," at the Mountain Arts Center. FREE for Floyd County expectant parents and for those parents with babies up to 1 year of age. Door prizes, exhibits, refreshments and more.

MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.

Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

June 4-6 - 2nd Annual Coach Crisp Blackcat Basketball Camp, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the PHS Fieldhouse. Ages 5-12. Fee required. Contact Kim Compton at 886-1206 to pre-register.

June 6 - SUMMER SCHOOL begins, 8:15 a.m. (students who have pre-registered need to be at school by 8:00 a.m.). No transportation provided on the first day, but will be available thereafter. First session: Mon.-Fri., June 6-19; Second session: Mon.-Fri., June 20-July 3. (2 weeks=1/2 credit; 4 weeks=1 credit) *Applications available in the counselor's office. Space is limited and placement is first-come, first-served.

SOUTH FLOYD MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOLS

May 21 - Election for SBDM Council parent members at 6 p.m., in the school cafeteria.

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

Walking track open to public (except during special event).

Center has a one-stop career station satellite station that is available to the community, as well as students.

Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

May 21, 23 - PRIDE Environmental Education, K-8.

May 26 - "Good Touch, Bad Touch" program, K-1.

May 27 - Kentucky Reptile Center show, K-4th at 8:30 a.m.; 5th-8th at 9:30 a.m.

May 27 - 4-H Project judging, 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades, 1 p.m., school library.

May 29 - "Let's Talk About Drugs" program, grades K-3, 8:30 a.m. Presented by OLOTW Hospital.

July 10 - Our Lady of the Way Hospital will be performing FREE Athletic Physicals at the Betsy Layne Clinic from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Please call the Resource Center if you plan to attend.

Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For questions, call 587-2233 - ask for Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

THE DAVID SCHOOL

Adult Education Class Schedule

Monday and Wednesday Betsy Layne High School, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389 for more information.

Morehead State Prestonsburg Campus, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405 for more info.

Tuesday and Thursday St. James Episcopal Church, 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Church is located on University Drive, Prestonsburg, between PCC and the BP station.

ALL GED CLASSES ARE

FREE. BOOKS AND MATERIALS ARE ALSO FREE, EVEN THE ACTUAL GED TEST IS FREE! So, please take advantage of this wonderful learning opportunity. For more information about the free GED program, call Crissy Compton at The David School at 886-8374 (Fridays).

WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Weekly Chapel Services, each Wednesday morning, 10 a.m.

For information on the development of the new Wesley Christian High School, please contact Gary Frazier at 874-8328.

W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

"Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks. Any items not claimed within two weeks, becomes the property of the FRC.

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

Yesterdays

matic fashion—in the defeat of veteran A. B. "Happy" Chandler by a comparative newcomer, Edward T. (Ned) Breathitt Jr....In local elections, the race for Circuit Clerk was the most spintingling, as Frank DeRossett, a newcomer to Floyd politics, edged out David Hereford by only five votes...Adrian Allen Dingus, 24, of Martin, and Clarence A. (Alf) Click, 53, of Langley, were killed and two others were seriously injured shortly after midnight, Saturday, when one automobile struck a bridge at Martin and careened out of control into another...A series of natural causes, dry weather, freeze, frost, then rain, has cut delivery of strawberries to the processing plant here to as low as 100 crates per day for several days, according to the management...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. John G. Heinze, of Prestonsburg, a daughter, Lisa Allen, May 22, at the Paintsville Hospital...There died: Mrs. Mollie Woods, 70, last Thursday, at her home at Allen; Mrs. Kitty Swiger, 38, of Printer, last Thursday, at Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Arthur Lee Hall, 40, of Wayland, Sunday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Ezra Crisp, 57, of Dana, last Thursday; Eddie B. Newsom, 39, of Weeksbury, May 13, at Louisville.

Fifty Years Ago

(May 28, 1953)

Construction of the McDowell Hospital of the United Mine Workers Welfare Fund, is expected soon, as work is scheduled to begin in a few weeks on the Pikeville UMWA hospital...The City of Prestonsburg has purchased an 8-acre tract in the Mayo Addition for a future site of the city water plant and a municipal swimming pool...Two prominent Prestonsburg men—Atty. Edward L. Allen, 63, and Dr. Marvin S. Ransdell, 66—have died within the week. Mr. Allen died here last Friday; Dr. Ransdell at a Louisville hospital...The Princess Elkhorn Coal Company awarded scholarships to five graduating seniors, four going to Prestonsburg High School students: Bonnie Jean Wells, Lowell Hager, Joe Jack Arnett and Mazie Frances Brown...Robert Hayes, 40, of Allen, suffered third degree burns in an explosion at Price, last Thursday...A labor dispute idled 500 miners at David this week...There died: Mrs. Della Hopkins McCown, 54, of Melvin, Monday, at Lackey; Mrs. Belle Burchett Richmond, 89, Tuesday, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary R. May; James Sparks, 62, of Wayland, Saturday, at Lackey; Tony Stone, 63, May 18, at the home, at Allen, of his daughter, Mrs. Virgil Smith; Mrs. Hester Ann Stephens, 82, May 22, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fanny Jarrell.

Sixty Years Ago

(May 27, 1943)

The War Labor Board decision, made Monday, opens the way to a wage

increase of \$1 a day for miners...Two of 10 Kentuckians listed Monday, as killed in action, are Floyd Countians—Pvt. Robert Mosley, of Minnie, and Pvt. John H. Young, of Wayland, both victims of the fighting in North Africa. Pfc. Fred Williams, of Wayland, is now listed as a prisoner of war, taken at the fall of Bataan...William Albert Burke, 83, was killed at Auxier, Friday, by a passenger train...Contract for resurfacing 11.4 miles of the Right Beaver highway from Martin to Lackey, was awarded, Monday, to the Gay-Coleman Company...Avery Goble, 22, was fatally injured, Tuesday, when thrown from a motor in a mine of the Inland Steel Co., Wheelwright...Aviation Cadet Paul Hayes, 20, of Fed, was commissioned a second lieutenant, May 20, at graduation exercises of the AAF Technical Command School at Yale University...There died: Mary Cole, 67, Saturday, on Mud Creek, minutes after the close of the funeral of a relative, which she attended; Mrs. Perry Crider, 60, last Thursday, at her home on Buffalo; John L. Hager, 74, brother of Mrs. William Greenwade, of Prestonsburg, at Greenup; G. W. Greer, 77, nationally known dealer in roots and herbs, at Pikeville, Friday; Mrs. Virginia Johns Smith, 46, of Betsy Layne, Tuesday, at a Pikeville hospital.

Seventy Years Ago

(May 26, 1933)

F. P. Bell, inspector, representing the State Board of Education at the examination being held here, today and tomorrow (Thursday and Friday), for teachers' certificates, ordered all persons who already have life certificates from the examination rooms. Others in the vicinity of the grade school building, where the exam is being held, were told their presence will be inquired into by the state department...A Right Beaver Creek farmer who has failed to realize any cash from the county court order, given him in 1930 in payment for right-of-way over his land, has thrown a fence across the route of the new road there...Henry Layne, 21, of Prestonsburg, was killed by a train, Thursday night...The Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company (A&P) announced, this week, that it is closing its Prestonsburg and Louisa stores...A. P. Campbell, about 50, was killed, Monday, by a slatefall in the Standard Elkhorn Coal Company mine at Garrett...Bill Adams Jr., of Martin, was seriously burned by a shot of powder in the Turner-Elkhorn mine, at Drift, Thursday night...Frank M. Fairchild is bringing two airplanes to his flying field, near Allen, this weekend...One hundred fifty Ligon miners, claiming their pay is past due, are idle this week...Born: to Prof. and Mrs. H. H. Vincent, of Martin, May 4, a son, Haskell Jr...There died: Dr. T. T. Webb, 53, Friday, at his home at Laynesville; former Magistrate Cain James, 48, suddenly, last Saturday, at his home at Endicott.

Birthdays

The Big 4-0!

Donna Hall, of Dinwood, will celebrate her 40th birthday on Sunday, May 25, 2003. Her friends and family all wish her a very happy day.



Happy 95th Birthday, Mrs. Warrens!

Mrs. Peacie Warrens celebrated her 95th birthday on May 14, 2003. Helping her to celebrate this special day were her daughters, Phyllis Lambert, of Ranger, W.Va., Catherine Whitaker, of Ocala, Fl., and Sharon Turner, of Langley.

Happy Birthday, Logan! You're 2!

Logan Triplett celebrated his second birthday on March 25, 2003, at the Holiday Inn, Prestonsburg. Logan was joined in celebrating his special day by his proud parents, Rodney and Tiffney (Stone) Triplett, of Staffordsville; grandparents Lowell and Sherry Baldwin, also of Staffordsville, and John and Carol Triplett, of Webbville; his aunt's Tish (Stone) Hamilton, of Prestonsburg, and Sandy Stone, of McDowell; and lots of other relatives and friends, along with "special guest," "Thomas the Tank Engine." Aunt Tish and Aunt Sandy helped decorate and everyone enjoyed lots of cake and ice cream, playing games and helping Logan open all of his very nice gifts.



CRITTER CORNER: Hot Spots and Hematomas



"Reba," a Schipperke, is owned by the Akers family, of Branham Creek. Reba was "best friend and pal" to "Ma," with whom she is pictured here. The Akers family shares that Reba would "always want Ma to scratch her all day long...now that Ma is gone, Reba misses her very much."

By Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

Q What is a "Hot Spot"?

A "Hot Spot" is the common name for acute moist dermatitis, a condition of the skin in dogs.

Usually a Hot Spot results from some minor irritation like an insect bite, scrape from a thorn, etc. that itches and causes the dog to scratch that spot intensely. The scratching makes the area even more irritated, and also introduces bacteria from the nails into the damaged skin. The dog may then even have an allergic reaction to the bacteria on top of everything else.

A dog suffering from a Hot Spot presents with an area of raw, weeping tissue, usually around the shoulder/neck area, although they can occur in other places. The size can

range from about the diameter of a quarter to several inches across. They are obviously infected, and extremely painful.

The hallmark of a Hot Spot is its speed of onset. I have many owners apologize in advance for failing to notice their dog's problem sooner. Others are dead set on convincing me that it wasn't there yesterday. My first order of business is often to make them understand that it's not their fault, and it wasn't there yesterday. (Then there are the owners who have decided that someone poured boiling liquid on the dog. I have had to calm down more than one irate owner plotting retaliation against some unsuspecting and innocent neighbor.) Hot Spots really can look bad enough to mistake for a scald wound.

We usually treat them by cutting away any long hair around the affected area so it doesn't become matted in the exudate. We then clean up the

lesion as best we can and apply a topical salve or wound powder. This may require sedation because of the pain.

I give the dog a steroid injection right away, to stop the inflammation that started the whole thing in the first place. Antibiotics are necessary to mop up all the secondary infection. The owner is advised to keep the dog inside to protect the wound from flies until it starts to heal. Within a few days, the lesion generally looks much better and the dog is much more comfortable.

There's not a lot you can do to prevent Hot Spots, other than good flea/tick control, and keeping frequent check on your dog's skin, especially if he is long-haired.

Cats occasionally get a similar condition, which mostly seems to result from their scratching behind their ears due to a bad ear mite infestation. The treatment is about the same in both species.

Q My neighbor has a dog whose ear swelled up suddenly. The vet said it was a "hematoma" and the dog has to have surgery. What is that?

A The word "hematoma" literally means, "blood tumor", or, more loosely translated, a swelling containing blood. Since in this case the swelling involves the ear, it is an aural (pronounced "oral") hematoma.

The dog has broken a blood vessel inside his earflap, and the blood has accumulated between the cartilage and skin. If the blood is left there, it will eventually be absorbed back into the body, but it will leave the ear deformed, like the "cauliflower ear" of a boxer. The blood can be drawn out with a needle, but once the pressure is off the vessel it almost always starts bleeding again. Surgery is generally the best option.

In most cases, the dog is anaesthetized and a cut is made

into the ear, usually on the underside. The pooled blood and any clots are removed through this incision. Next, several stitches are taken all the way through the ear so it can't swell back up. The ear looks like one of Grandma's old-fashioned tack quilts. These are removed after the ear has had time to heal and form adhesions. It will never be as thin as it once was, but usually the appearance is very acceptable.

One other problem has to be solved before the treatment is finished. What caused the broken blood vessel in the first place? Usually there is an ear infection or a case of ear mites to blame. The itching and discomfort caused the dog to scratch his ears and shake his head violently, breaking the vessel in the process. With the underlying problem fixed, the ear should be fine.

Cats can get aural hematomas also, but their short ears are not as prone to this type of injury. Nearly all these cats have a major case of ear mites.

Hughes

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at the Renfro Valley Barn Dance.

The KY Opry Jr. Pro's have been fortunate to be able to lay claim to Morgan for the past 7 years or so. Though Morgan greatly enjoyed performing at Renfro Valley, her mother, Kathy Hughes, says that traveling to Prestonsburg's Mountain Arts Center is a much easier trip for the family. Lucky for us because Morgan possesses a talent that leaves an ever-lasting impression on anyone who has the good fortune to see her perform. We first saw Morgan a couple of years back performing during a KY Opry Christmas show. She sang a sweet duet with "Munroe," the MAC's comedy king. It was nice to see Munroe (Freddie Goble, of Prestonsburg) settled down and being serious for a moment and it was phenomenal to see a child

as young as Morgan handling herself so maturely onstage. As the couple shared a seat on a park bench, crooning out a sentimental Christmas tune, everyone present, we're sure, felt the true meaning of the Christmas season.

Morgan says that she remembers first becoming really interested in music when she was three years old. "I have always sung at church," she said, "and I have always had an interest in music. I have grown up singing in church and I am taking mandolin lessons now."

The tiny singing sensation says that her favorite type of music is, hands down, country. And as much as Morgan loves country music, country music loves her right back. Morgan competed in the North American Country Music Association International (NACMAI) Talent

Competition held at Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, in March, 2001, where she was named the NACMAI Female Country Entertainer of the Year. Morgan also garnered second place in the NACMAI Female Country Vocalist of the Year Competition.

The year before, she took first place in both the NACMAI's Female Country Entertainer of the Year and Female Country Vocalist of the Year competitions.

Morgan has made quite a name for herself in recent years performing not only at the MAC and Renfro Valley, but also throughout Tennessee and Kentucky and Ohio. In Ohio, Morgan competed in the Buckeye Country Music Organization of America Talent Competition, in Columbus, in 1999, where she won the titles of 1st Place Female Country Vocalist of the Year, 1st Place Female Country Entertainer, and 1st Place Female Gospel Entertainer.

The list of accomplishments goes on and we can't help but wonder if it won't be long before we find ourselves channel-surfing one afternoon to catch sight of this tiny talented wonder on a Country Music Television video. Though Morgan remains a typical 10 year old and elementary student who says she enjoys school, she also says that she "loves singing and performing."

"I hope that I will have a career in music," she said, "I

just love singing and performing at the MAC. I love singing on stage with a real live band."

Morgan has traveled quite a bit with the Jr. Pro's, performing with them in Somerset, West Virginia, Nashville, Tennessee, and Washington, D.C. While in D.C., Morgan and the rest of the Jr. Pro's performed at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. "I was five when we performed at the Kennedy Center," she said, "and nine when we went to Nashville."

"While we were in Nashville, I got to sing for Dwight Yoakam, Montgomery Gentry, Rebecca Lynn Howard, Ricky Skaggs and Billy Ray Cyrus," she said.

Morgan says that her parents, David and Kathy Hughes, of Stanton, have always supported her interest in music, along with all of her aunts and uncles. "They are my 'fan club'," she said.

Morgan, who was featured in the Louisville Courier-Journal in December, 1997, attends the fifth grade at Stanton Elementary where she is a member of the Jr. Beta Club. Aside from music, Morgan says that she enjoys reading and swimming.

Morgan Katlyn Hughes, "last but certainly not least" in the Mountain Arts Center's Jr. Pro's "Spotlight" series.

And, like Kentucky's "Blue Moon," we expect this little lass to "shine on" for quite some time to come!

Korner

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receive negative input or comments. But in this type of business, it's bound to happen one time or another.

The best and most appreciative sign I can recall is one seen at a local fast food restaurant.

"We know you have a choice and we thank you for choosing us!" That little slogan fits just about every imaginable business there is. And it sure fits us, too!

The Floyd County Times has served this county as well as

neighboring counties since 1927. Not every article will please all the people all the time. No matter how we wish it could.

Still, on behalf of the advertising department we want you to know, that we realize you do have a choice and we're very thankful to those of you who choose The Floyd County Times!

'Til next week, may your choices be good ones, and may God bless.

Oak

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doesn't work—is sure to be popular: Hiccups will go away if you take 16 sips of white moonshine.

Although I haven't had one for many years, when I was a kid I wore a boil constantly, usually on the back of my neck. Mom always managed to take care of them, perhaps even using this cure, sent in by a woman in Waverly, Virginia. Bring a boil to a head by covering it with a piece of country-cured meat fat and a thin slice of white potato. A Hager Hill lady suggested a boil can be cured by making a poultice from blue clay, mixed with linseed oil; while a Utica, Ohio, reader suggested that boils can be avoided altogether if you eat lots of sorghum molasses.

Speaking of preventative medicine, a man from Oil Springs said that keeping a Chihuahua dog around the house will ward off asthma.

And finally, something many

of us may need pretty soon, are cures for poison ivy. A reader from Thealka said that lather from lye soap will dry up poison ivy, and a woman from Parksburg, West Virginia, recommended crushed leaves from the night shade bush, mixed with canned cream. Then there's this one, recommended by a friend who told me that he'd recently tried it, and it worked great: Get rid of poison ivy by applying ordinary white shoe polish to the affected area.

Born from necessity and desperation, these old cures, many of them no doubt originating right here in Appalachia, have been handed down from generation to generation for hundreds of years. One wonders, though, who was the first to come up with some of them. For instance, who—and under what circumstances—discovered that fresh cow manure was good for sunburn?

Wedding



Burchett-Biliter

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burchett, of Prestonsburg, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jennifer Clark, to Michael Justin Biliter, the son of John Paul Biliter, of Prestonsburg, and Debbie Scott, of Lexington. Jennifer is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and Georgetown College. Justin is also a graduate of Prestonsburg High School, as well as the University of Kentucky. The couple will be wed on Saturday, June 7, 2003, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon at the First United Methodist Church, Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed. A reception will follow in the Church's Family Life Center.

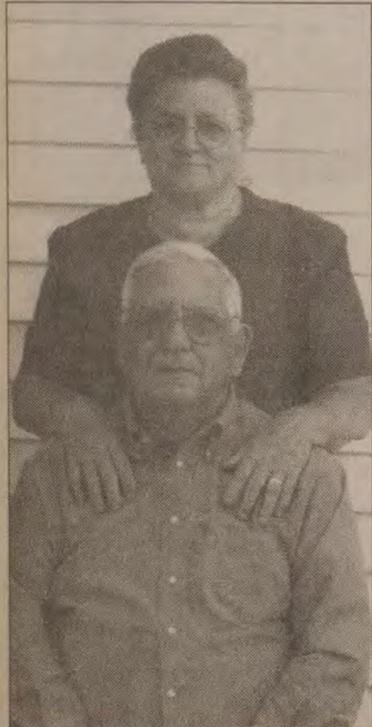
Organizations



Riverview Manor honors 'Mothers'

Mr. Raymond Lawson presented a beautiful carnation to Mrs. Peacie Warrens in honor of Mother's Day this past May 11, 2003, at the Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Mr. Lawson also presented carnations to several other ladies present on the special day. Pictured between Mr. Lawson and Mrs. Warrens is her grandson, David Moore.

Anniversary



Happy Anniversary! 52 years!

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kidd, of Drift, marked 52 years of marriage on April 18, 2003. The still-happy couple were treated to a surprise anniversary dinner hosted by family and friends in honor of the special occasion.



Floyd native named National Collegiate Award winner

Mary Spittler, the daughter of Amos and Jeanette Prater, of Prestonsburg, has been named a National Collegiate Award winner by the United States Achievement Academy. The Academy selects winners of this award upon the exclusive recommendation of professors, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors. Mrs. Spittler, who is the wife of Benjamin Spittler, is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in Paralegal Studies with a minor in Organizational Communication at Morehead State University. During her college career, Mrs. Spittler has also been awarded membership to the Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society, the Morehead State University Dean's List, and the National Dean's List, as well as serving as a student marshal at Morehead State University's Fall 2002 Commencement Ceremony. Mrs. Spittler and her husband currently reside in Morehead.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 C.A. NO. 02-CI-831 TMS MORTGAGE, INC. C/O FAIRBANKS CAPITAL CORP. PLAINTIFF VS. JAMES SPURLOCK, SUSAN SPURLOCK, UNKNOWN DEFENDANT,

SPOUSE OF TIMOTHY C. SPURLOCK ON JULY 21, 1983, COUNTY OF FLOYD DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 8th day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$67,450.24, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, on Thursday, the 22nd day of May, 2003, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 2935 U.S. Highway 23, Prestonsburg, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying on the Mutton Fork of Bull Creek, Floyd County, Kentucky, and thus described: Beginning at a poplar tree, running South 250 feet to a stake running up the hill 150 feet, then in a straight line to a twin Ash tree, and down the hill 150 feet to the beginning. This property adjoins West Campbell, Jr., on one side and Billie D. Wallen on the rest of sides.

Being the same property conveyed to Mortgagor by deed of even date and recorded simultaneously herewith in Deed Book 425, Page 366, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate

taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFFS COUNSEL: Hon. David E. Johnson Lerner, Sampson & Rothfus P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 03-CI-014 BANKERS TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE PLAINTIFF VS.

KEVIN TACKETT; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KEVIN TACKETT; MATEWAN NATIONAL BANK/KENTUCKY, F/K/A BANK ONE, PIKEVILLE, NA; CARDIOVASCULAR & THORACIC ASSOCIATES, PSC; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON BEHALF OF F. MICHAEL HAYDON, SECRETARY OF REVENUE DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 11th day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$53,661.34, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 22nd day of May, 2003, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 643 Tackett Road, Beaver, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Tract No. 1: Lying and being on Tackett Fork and Big Mud in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on a White Walnut at J.M. Hall's line; thence running up the hill with J.M. Hall line to the top of point to G.B. Tackett lines; thence down the point to the grave yard to a oak stump at the fence; thence straight line to the bottom to a stake; thence across the bottom to the creek; thence with the creek to the beginning, containing 3 acres more or less, and including with the County Road to the main Shingle Hollow, thence down the drain to the Main Creek to the beginning of the White Walnut.

Less and except the following: That certain tract or parcel of

land heretofore conveyed from Magalene Tackett to Gregory Allen Tackett by Deed dated February 15, 1996, and which is more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a stake at the creek, running a straight line to a stake at back of the bottom, thence straight around the hill to another stake, thence straight across the bottom to another stake, thence running with the creek to the beginning stake.

Tract No. II: Beginning on a stake and Noah Tackett line, J.B. Tackett line; thence running straight across the bottom, thence up the hill with J.B. Tackett line to J.M. Hall and Mary Hall line; thence with the said line to top of hill; thence running around top of hill to Riley Reynolds and Ben Tackett line; thence with Ben Tackett line to simon tree; thence around the hill to a coal bank; thence down the hill to a stake in 8 ft. of any apple tree; thence around the hill to a cliff; thence from cliff straight to the barn; thence out of the branch; thence down the branch to J.B. Tackett line, including all inst. the first parties own in this boundary.

Being all of the same property conveyed to Kevin Tackett, unmarried, by Deed dated October 15, 2001, being of record in Deed Book 465, Page 199, in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed

matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFFS COUNSEL: Hon. Eric S. Deskins Andrews & Gault P.O. Box 2220 Lexington, Kentucky 40588-2220

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CA NO. 02-CI-00464 KNOTT FLOYD LAND COMPANY, INC. PLAINTIFF VS.

PAUL SHEPHERD AND UNKNOWN SPOUSE; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND SPOUSES OF UNKNOWN HEIRS OF KELSEY SHEPHERD, ET AL. DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 18th day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, to determine the divisibility of said property, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 22nd day of May, 2003, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described surface property together with a 1/2 undivided interest in oil and gas, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Located and lying on Apple Orchard Branch of Brush Creek of Right Beaver Creek, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning on a poplar tree running up the point to Isaac Richmond's line; thence with the ridge of C.J. Allen; thence straight line down the branch with Linda Jane Bailey's line to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed by deed dated November 16, 1928 from K.E. Shepherd and Rosey Shepherd to Ida Oney, Ward Shepherd, Linzie Shepherd, Dorothy Rollyson, Lura Warner, Seigler Shepherd, Bertha Shepherd, Guy Shepherd, Evert Shepherd and Aron Shepherd. Reference is made to Affidavit in Aid of Title of record at Miscellaneous Book 8, Page 510, and to the following: Deed from Ida Oney to Alice Shepherd dated February 4, 1981 of record at Deed Book 254, Page 88; deed from Bertha Shepherd to Linzie Shepherd dated June 3, 1978 of record at Deed Book 233, Page 493; Deed from Alice Shepherd to Rita Schneider dated December 12, 1981 of record at Deed Book 262, Page

415; Deed from Rita Schneider to Roger Rinne dated July 25, 1991 of record at Deed Book 386, Page 114; Deed from James E. Dowell to Knott Floyd Land Company dated February 22, 2002 at Deed Book 470, Page 47; Deed from Guy Shepherd Heirs to Knott Floyd Land Company dated March 2, 2002 of record at Deed Book 470, Page 267; Deed from Everett Shepherd Heirs to Knott Floyd Land Company dated August 8, 2002 of record at Deed Book 476, Page 176; Deed from Aron Shepherd to Knott Floyd Land Company dated February 24, 2003 of record at Deed Book 483, Page 510; Deed from Ida Mae Schultz to Knott Floyd Land Company dated March 10, 2003 of record at Deed Book 484, Page 188; Deed from Roy Lee Warner to Knott Floyd Land Company dated March 3, 2003 of record at Deed Book 484, Page 199; and deed from Marjorie Shepherd Bollinger dated April 4, 2003 and of record at Deed Book 485, Page 199, all in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

The coal and 1/2 undivided interest in the oil and gas has been previously conveyed to Beaver Coal and Coke Company by deed dated November 5, 1905 and of record at Deed Book 15 1/2, Page 145.

TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property.

(f) The net proceeds of the sale herein ordered shall be distributed 75% to surface owners and 25% to oil and gas owners as set out in the Court's Judgment and Order of Sale.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 02-CI-746 HOMEQ SERVING CORPORATION F/K/A THE MONEY STORE HOME EQUITY CORP. PLAINTIFF VS.

DENNIS R. HALL; DAISY MORRISON N/K/A DAISY HALL; ANTHONY RAY SPENCER; MATEWAN BANK, F.S.B.; HOMEQ SERVING CORPORATION F/K/A THE MONEY STORE HOME EQUITY CORP.; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON BEHALF OF

F. MICHAEL HAYDON, SECRETARY OF REVENUE DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF In Rem Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 2nd day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$40,689.82, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 29th day of May, 2003, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at Kentucky Route 3, Box 338, Auxier, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake in the center of Johns Creek a corner to Elmer Morrison; thence 370 feet south to iron stake on the point corner to Elmer Morrison and Jack Morrison; thence 321.05 feet west to a stake at the edge of the tobacco barn; thence west 200 feet to the line of John Perry; thence approximately 200 feet along the line of Jack Morrison to the center of the creek; then with the meanders of the creek in an easterly direction to the point of the beginning.

SAVE AND EXCEPT therefrom the above described property, a parcel of land conveyed from Melvin Morrison and Daisy Morrison, his wife, to Gary T. Preece and Barbara Sue Preece by deed dated October 17, 1996, and recorded December 16, 1998, in Record Volume 400, Page, 298, of the Floyd County Records, Beginning at a stake

at the corner of properties owned by Gary Preece and Barbara Preece, thence proceeding in a northerly direction a distance of 297 feet to the southerly side of Johns Creek; thence turning right and proceeding in an easterly direction with the meanders of Johns Creek, a distance of 25 feet, to a drainage ditch and being the boundary of the Bud Morrison properties, thence turning right and proceeding in a southerly direction with said drainage ditch and the properties of Bud Morrison a distance of 330 feet, to a stake at the corner of the properties of Bud Morrison and Gary Preece and Barbara Preece; thence turning right and proceeding in a westerly direction with the properties owned by Gary Preece and Barbara Preece, a distance of 134' to a stake, the point of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Daisy Hall and Dennis R. Hall, by deed dated July 2, 1998, being of record in Deed Book 421, Page 503, in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky.

TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
 DIVISION NO. II
 C.A. NO. 03-CI-162
 WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A.
PLAINTIFF
 VS.
ROBERT L. HOOD
 COUNTY OF FLOYD
 CITY OF WHEELWRIGHT
 UNKNOWN DEFENDANT,
 OCCUPANT DEFENDANTS

(12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.
 (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.
 (c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County and City of Wheelwright, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of Wheelwright, Kentucky, real estate taxes, will be paid from the sale proceeds.
 (d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.
 Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 29th day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$37,285.99, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 5th day of June, 2003, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 280 Shop Fork Road, Wheelwright, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:
 Lot No. 280, shown on plat of city of Wheelwright prepared by Richard E. Martin and recorded in Map File No. 348A in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.
 Being the same property conveyed unto Robert L. Hood, a single person, by deed, dated August 21, and recorded in Deed Book 452, Page 187, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
 DIVISION NO. I
 C.A. NO. 01-CI-00674
LORETTA CAROL TUSSEY, ET AL.
PLAINTIFFS
 VS.
LARRY A. PITTS

AND GLENDA PITTS, HIS WIFE DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Final Judgment and Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 29th day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, to determine the divisibility of said property, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 5th day of June, 2003, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following property, located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:
 Several tracts or parcels of land, constituting approximately 191 acres, more or less, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Pitts Fork of Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, and being bounded and described as follows:
 BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Bill Jack Pitts, et al., bearing date of April 4, 1955, and recorded in Deed Book 197, Page 131, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
 BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Edith Pitts Houchins, et al., bearing date of September 3, 1945, and recorded in Deed Book 196, Page 558, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
 BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Maggie Salmons, Carol Ousley, et al., bearing date of February 26, 1966, and recorded in Deed Book 191, Page 514, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
 BEING THE SAME

property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Darvis Pitts, et al., bearing date of October 16, 1937, and recorded in Deed Book 108, Page 420, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
 BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Hobert Pitts, et al., bearing date of August 9, 1941, and recorded in Deed Book 130, Page 186, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
 BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed bearing date March 16, 1946, from Elzie Ousley, et al., and recorded in Deed Book 129, Page 630, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
 BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Jim Cecil Pitts bearing date of October 10, 1935, recorded in Deed Book 108, Page 419, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
 The above stated deeds are referred to for a more particular description of the property conveyed herein.
 The above described property being the same property of which the party of the first part inherited the interest of his deceased wife, Goldia Pitts, by reason of a Will probated and recorded in Will Book H, Page 148, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.
EXCEPTION
 There is hereby excepted from the above described and referenced property that said property conveyed by Alan Pitts, et al., to Larry Pitts and Glenda Pitts, his wife, by quitclaim deed dated May 14, 1988, recorded in Deed Book 341, Page 489, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE:
 (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.
 (b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.
 (c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.
 (d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.
 (e) If the successful bidder is a party to this action, he shall be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her ownership interest in the above described real property.
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 C.A. NO. 02-CI-01120
BANK ONE, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE (ASSIGNEE OF SOURCE ONE MORTGAGE CORPORATION)
PLAINTIFF
 VS.
TREVOR BREWER; THERESA BREWER; FIRST GUARANTY NATIONAL BANK OF MARTIN;

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FIRST GUARANTY NATIONAL BANK; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF FLOYD, BY AND ON BEHALF OF F. MICHAEL HAYDEN, SECRETARY OF REVENUE DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF In Rem Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 24th day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$35,517.44, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 5th day of June, 2003, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 606 Steels Creek Road, Wayland, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:
 A certain tract or parcel of land, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on the waters of Right Beaver Creek, containing 20 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described as follows:
 Beginning at the branch on left hand side of the branch at the lower end of the garden; thence up the hill with Martha Collins' line to the top of the hill to the Elkhorn Coal Corp. line; thence with the Elkhorn Coal Corporation line to the Farris Collins' line to a marked black gum; thence with Farris Collins' line down the hill to the branch; thence running down the branch with the old water course back to the beginning.
 Being the same property conveyed to Trevor Brewer and Theresa Brewer, husband and wife, by deed dated March 23, 2000, of record in Deed Book 445, Page 403, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
 Pursuant to Application Number 898-5937, Major Revision #1
 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, Kentucky 41549, has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.5 mile south of Beaver in Floyd County. The major revision will add 0.40 acre of surface disturbance, making a total area of

NOTICE FOR BIDS
 Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission is accepting bids for the sale of 1 (one) 1993 F250 Heavy Duty 4x4 Regular Cab Ford Truck, with 5.8L V-8 engine and Automatic Transmission. This vehicle is to be sold "as-is," with no warranty, and can be viewed at Prestonsburg City's Utilities, from the hours of 8:00 a.m., to 5:00 p.m. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Friday, May 23, 2003. Bids can be turned in at Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission office, at 2560 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg Ky.

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that Donald Conn, 122 Peach St., Ivel, Ky 41642, has files an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a small fill for a building seat. The property is located approximately 500 feet south of the junction of US 23, and the Betsy Layne Branch Road, and is approximately 350 feet east of the east bank of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River.
 Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: KY Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort office Park, Frankfort, KY 40601. Phone (502)-564-3410.

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595.90 acres within the revised permit boundary.
 The proposed major revision is approximately 1.1 mile south from the intersection of KY 979 and Tackett Fork Road, and located on Tackett Fork road of Mud Creek of the Big Sandy River. The latitude is 37°22'34". The longitude is 82°39'00".
 The proposed major revision is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Pike-Letcher Land Company. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of a stream and a public road (unnamed tributary of Tackett Fork). The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.
 The major revision proposes to add a treatment facility area.
 The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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