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## REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

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### briefs

## Blood drives slated

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

Three upcoming blood drives in Floyd County offer the Kentucky Blood Center a chance to break out of the shortage they have experienced over the last several months.

Bad weather earlier in the year forced officials to cancel numerous drives, bringing the state's blood supply down to near critical level.

Highlands Regional Medical Center will be holding a blood drive today from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. On March 14, a drive is scheduled to take place at Betsy Layne High School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and a mobile drive will be held at Our Lady of the Way Hospital on March 15, from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds, and be in general good health. Active donors may donate every 56 days.

Each donor donor will be receiving the Blood Center's new "Lifesaver" T-shirt.

## Council picks new health coverage

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A special meeting Wednesday of the Prestonsburg City Council brought forth an alternative in health insurance for city employees that the council just could not resist.

Council members had a lengthy dis-

ussion at a previous meeting, trying to find a solution to the growing problem that was slapping the council with high costs to keep city employees on the Anthem Blue Cross plan. According to the insurance agent who proposed the new plan, he was shocked as to what Humana was offering to the city.

The new Humana plan, which the council approved, would save the city

approximately \$15,000 a month compared to Anthem's plan. According to the insurance agent at Wednesday's meeting, the aim of the new plan would be to wipe out as much abuse of benefits as possible.

Anthem was giving city employees a zero deductible, but the Humana plan will carry a \$500 deductible. They hope this will prevent needless doctor visits.

Although there will be a slight increase in some areas of coverage, such as co-pays and prescriptions, Humana will still cover 100 percent of diagnostic, x-ray and allergy testing costs. Also, Humana will accept all pre-existing claims.

Agents with Humana were expected to be at City Hall Thursday so city employees could enroll in the new plan.

## PRO SPORTS IN PIKE?



photo by Jamie Howell

Former NFL quarterback Jay Fielder, left, and partners with the Trinity Sports Entertainment Group (TSEG) could be bringing professional basketball to Pikeville and the East Kentucky Expo Center.

## Pikeville could be home to new CBA franchise

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — In between games of the 15th Region Tournament Wednesday night, officials with Victory Sports & Entertainment Group held a press conference at the East Kentucky Exposition Center to announce the exploration of establishing a CBA (Continental Basketball Association) franchise in Pikeville.

Trinity Sports and Entertainment Group (TSEG) is a sports and entertainment holding and management com-

pany based out of Florida. The company was formed by Jay Fiedler, a 10-year veteran NFL quarterback (currently with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers), five-time NBA All-Star Tim Hardaway and South Florida entrepreneur Demetrius Ford. It was formed to acquire and develop professional sports franchises throughout the United States.

"We want to make this team part of the community," said Fiedler. "This is basketball country. There is tremendous support here for the sport of basketball. That support is evident with the crowd we see

here for the regional tournament. In a community, we look for a hunger in basketball. We definitely see that here."

Officials from the East Kentucky Expo Center submitted a proposal to TSEG. The group is expected to make a decision, possibly even a counteroffer should it be needed, within the next two weeks.

Fielder said investment opportunities with the franchise would be available should the group decide to set up shop in Pikeville.

Indianapolis is already home

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## Grand jury indicts suspect in kidnapping

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A man accused of kidnapping a woman from Meade's BP in Auxier and leading police on a dangerous chase has been indicted by a grand jury and now faces 10 counts related to the incident.

At approximately 9:40 p.m. Jan. 28, Charles Lemaster allegedly entered the gas station with a gun and forced his ex-wife, Nancy Lemaster, into his truck and fled the scene. A vehicle fitting the description of the one driven by Charles Lemaster was spotted in Johnson County, at which time police entered into a chase that eventually

ended up on a dirt road. Nancy Lemaster was able to escape the truck when it stalled out, and she made her way back to the officer who was unable to pursue the vehicle any further due to the weather and road conditions.

Charles Lemaster was located two days later in the Leander community of Johnson County.

On Thursday, a grand jury charged Lemaster with three counts of first-degree wanton endangerment and one count each of second-degree assault, violating a protective order, unlawful imprisonment, kidnapping, first-degree burglary, fleeing or evading police and criminal attempt to commit murder.

## Mayor target of suit over campaign debt

by JESSICA HALE  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A lawsuit has been filed in Floyd Circuit Court, alleging that Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin owes T & K Signs and More nearly \$14,000 for campaign signs used during the 2007 election.

When the purchases were made, Fannin was a part

owner of the sign shop and, according to the complaint filed by Philip Simpson, the mayor failed to pay for 10 purchases, which amounted to \$13,932.45.

Simpson is seeking judgment against Mayor Fannin for purchases made but not paid for, court costs and attorney fees.

Fannin was not available for comment as of press time.

## Mine safety bill clears House, heads to Senate

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Coal miners would have more protection in their dangerous underground workplaces under legislation that unanimously passed the House on Tuesday.

State Rep. Brent Yonts, D-Greenville, said the measure offers hope to Kentucky coal miners by increasing the presence of state inspectors at each operation and by providing methane detectors that will allow miners to monitor for buildups of the explosive gas.

Advocates for coal miners said the

measure, which had stalled in the legislative process last month until intensive lobbying got it moving again, heralded the 100-0 vote in the House, and urged the Senate to act quickly to pass it.

"It will be meaningless for it to pass the House if it doesn't pass the Senate," said Tony Oppgaard, an attorney for Appalachian Citizens Law Center in Prestonsburg. "We'll see if the Senate has the will to protect coal miners or not."

With only six days left in the legislative session, state Sen. Tom

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photo by Jessica Hale

Enthusiasts and non-profit organizations in the area are currently working on completing a new addition to a "Quilt Trail" which is growing in popularity throughout Kentucky and surrounding states. This addition will be a large mural type hanging which is currently being adorned with individual quilt squares hand painted by non profits in the area. The Quilt Trail began in Ohio and continues to be a tourist attraction throughout the region.

### 2 DAY FORECAST

#### Today



High: 63 • Low: 42

#### Tomorrow



High: 67 • Low: 43

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# Senate approves pension overhaul plan

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — State government would borrow more than \$800 million to finance a plan key lawmakers say would keep the pension systems for teachers and government employees from financial collapse, under a bill the Senate approved Tuesday.

If the General Assembly doesn't move now, the state pension fund — which has been underfunded since 1992 — is likely to go broke 15 years from now, Senate President David Williams said. The state would then have to come up with \$2 billion per year for pensions, Williams said.

"This government will implode," Williams said. "And the only choices that we will have in future years are to drastically cut these services which our people depend on, or make huge tax increases."

The plan hinges on an approximately \$830 million bond sale, which the state

would have to pay back over the next 20 years at about \$60 million annually, Williams said. That includes about \$540 million for the Kentucky Retirement System — which includes state and county public employees, police and firefighters — and \$290 million to the Kentucky Teachers Retirement System, which handles public school teachers.

There are about 300,000 members in the state retirement system, not counting teachers.

Another component of the proposal would alter pension benefits for future employees. Current retirees' and employees' pension benefits would not change under the proposal.

State employees' current retirement packages are called defined benefit plans, which are traditional pensions where the employee receives a fixed monthly income. Employees hired after the plan took effect, however, would instead receive a mixture of defined benefits and defined contribu-

tions under the proposal.

Currently, state employees are allowed to retire with full benefits after 27 years with no age limit. If the proposal were enacted, employees would need to be at least 55 years old and work an extra five years before they could retire with full benefits.

House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, said he was "cautious" about the proposal and wanted to make sure existing employees and retirees would not be hurt by the proposal. Richards said he might be open to the bond sale to help out the retirement systems, but wasn't sure about changing benefits.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher said similar plans elsewhere have been effective, and his staff was reviewing the proposal.

The retirement system for state employees currently has about \$12 billion in unfunded liabilities over the next 30 years, while the plan for county and municipal employees is facing about \$7 billion in unfunded liabilities.

The Senate approved the measure on a 35-2 vote, and it now heads to the House for consideration. Sen. Ernesto Scorsone, D-Lexington, and Sen. Daniel Mongiardo, D-Hazard, opposed the bill.

Scorsone said he voted against the bill because he had

not had enough time to review the proposal.

For years, lawmakers have voted on budgets that were crafted by legislative leaders during secret negotiations, Scorsone said. Now, legislators were being asked to make up for years of underfunding

the pension systems, Scorsone said.

"It may very well be the best thing since sliced bread," Scorsone said of the proposal. "But the trust factor is just not there."

## Bill

Jensen, R-London said he's not sure there's time to get the legislation through the Senate.

"I hate that it's coming this late in the session," said Jensen, chairman of the Senate Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, which would likely be the legislation's next stop. "We'll try to take a look at it as quickly as possible."

Jensen said the committee isn't scheduled to meet again until Thursday, at which point lawmakers would have only five days left to pass bills.

The measure was stalled in the House for several weeks, and passed out of the House Natural Resources and Environment Committee only after several provisions were deleted. Yonts pushed for near-

ly two weeks before he was able to get most of the deleted provisions restored.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher hasn't said whether he supports the legislation. Spokeswoman Jodi Whitaker said the officials in the Cabinet for Environmental and Public Protection are reviewing the bill and following its progress.

Key provisions would require two medics to be on duty at underground mines and increase the number of state inspections from three to a minimum of six per year. Ventilation fans would have to stay on at all times unless they were undergoing maintenance, and a vehicle would have to be kept near working crews so that injured miners can get to the surface quickly.

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The only deleted provision that was not put back into the bill would have banned coal companies from circulating air into underground mines through tunnels where conveyor belts are in use.

The legislation follows one of the deadliest years in recent history for coal miners in Kentucky. In all, 16 miners were killed on the job in 2006. Five of the deaths were from a single Harlan County underground mine explosion in May.

"All Kentuckians are heartbroken over these tragic deaths," said state Rep. Larry Clark, D-Louisville.

Nationwide last year, 47 coal miners were killed on the job — the highest toll since 1995. The deaths, which included 12 miners in a single incident in Sago, W.Va., prompted Congress to pass the first major overhaul of mine safety laws in three decades.

Kentucky enacted a law last year to require more oxygen supplies to be stored along underground escape routes in case of emergency, better communications between the surface and underground work areas, and a directional cord or lifeline to make it easier for miners to find their way to exits.

The legislation is House Bill 207.

## Obituaries

### Ricky Daryl Hicks

Ricky Daryl Hicks, 43, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, March 5, 2007, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born October 22, 1963, in McDowell, he was the son of Carlene Hicks of Drift, and the late William Lee Hicks. He was a disabled construction worker; and a member of the Tabernacle Church in Prestonsburg.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Shirley Collins Hicks.

Other survivors include a son, David Ryan Hicks of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Stephanie Ann Figg of Fairfield, Ohio; a brother, Tommy Hicks of Drift; and a sister, Shirley Noble of Minnie.

Funeral services were held Thursday, March 8, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Paul Aiken and Carl Woods officiating.

Burial was in the Drift Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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### Arthur R. Newman

Arthur R. Newman, 63, of Lima, Ohio, died at 4:35 a.m., Tuesday, March 6, 2007, at his residence.

He was born December 27, 1943, in Floyd County, the son of the late Ted and Arminia Jones Newman.

He is survived by his wife, Shelley C. Wright.

Survivors include three sons: Ted (Cindy Kohler) Newman of Botkins; Tony (Becky Hoelscher) Newman of Wapakoneta; and Thomas (Kelly Lange) Newman of Haskins; two daughters: Casey Alexis Newman and Cassidy Ann Newman, both at home; a brother, Donald (Mary) Newman of Lima; and three sisters: Bernice Sargent of Elida; Patricia (Herbert) Johnson of Wapakoneta; and Dallice (Herb) Carpenter of Columbus Grove, Ohio; 12 grandchildren; and his former wife, Bessie Newsome of St. Marys.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Freeman Newman; and three sisters: Hazel Little, Geneve Newman, and Margleen Newman.

He had been a sheet metal worker with Smith-Boughan. He attended both Lima Baptist Temple and Ark of the Covenant Baptist Churches. He was a member of Local 24, Sheet Metal Workers Union. He graduated from McDowell High School in Kentucky. He was a past master of Humer Lodge No. 167, Wapakoneta, and enjoyed gardening, camp-

ing, fishing, golfing, and his children and grandchildren.

The funeral service will be at 11 a.m., Friday, March 9, at Bayliff & Son Funeral Home, Cridersville, with Pastor Gary Homan officiating, and burial will follow at Memorial Park Cemetery, Lima.

Visitation, at the funeral home, where a Masonic memorial service was held at 8 p.m., Thursday.

Memorial contributions may be given to: The Lima Baptist Church, or to Ark of the Covenant Baptist Church. (Paid obituary)

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### Polly Allen Price

Polly Allen Price, 77 years of age, of New Albany, Indiana, died Sunday, March 4, 2007, at Jewish Hospital, in Louisville.

She was a native of Prestonsburg, born September 13, 1929, and cherished her heritage and family ties to her well-known eastern Kentucky family ancestry. She and her late husband, James Edward Price, established in 1978, a private mental health practice: Price Counseling & Associates in New Albany, until retiring after his death in 1996.

In addition, she received awards and recognitions from her work on boards and committees in Indiana, Lexington, Mission, Kansas, and Atlanta, Georgia.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents, Edward L. and Anna Mayo Allen; brothers: Dr. Jack Allen, and Dick Mayo Allen; sisters: Gerry Allen Tolbert, and Anna Allen Neal. She was a member and elder at St. John United Presbyterian Church in New Albany.

Survivors include two sons: John Howard Hill of New Albany, Indiana, and Bill Francis Hill (Bonnie) of Hudson, Florida; a sister, Dorothy Allen Friend of Lexington; and two grandchildren: Christa Eden, and Bill Hill III.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, March 10, at St. John United

Presbyterian Church, 1307 E. Elm St., New Albany.

Expressions of sympathy to: charity or organization of choice.

The family has chosen cremation. Kraft Funeral Service, 708 E. Spring St., New Albany, is in charge of arrangements. (Paid obituary)

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### Ancil Stumbo

Ancil Stumbo, age 76, of Minnie, husband of Lenore McCarthy Stumbo, passed away Wednesday, March 7, 2007, at his residence.

He was born June 18, 1930, in McDowell, a son of the late John Morgan and Bertha Allen Stumbo. He was retired from the U.S. Air Force, was a member of the Retired Enlisted Men's Association, and a member of St. Martha's Catholic Church, Prestonsburg.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by four sons: Barry Stumbo of Prestonsburg; Greg Stumbo of Allen; Kevin Stumbo of Pikeville; and Alan Stumbo of Melvin; a daughter, Renee Allen of Minnie; two brothers: John Morgan Stumbo Jr., of McDowell; and Ezra Stumbo of Columbus, Ohio; three sisters: Adeline Ward of Prestonsburg; Willodene Irwin of Huntington, West Virginia; and Justine Hess of Opeleika, Alabama; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Gail Crabtree; and two brothers: Isom Stumbo and Charles Stumbo.

Funeral services for Ancil Stumbo will be held Friday, March 9, at 11 a.m., in St. Martha's Catholic Church, in Prestonsburg, with Father Bob Damron presiding.

Burial will follow in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, in McDowell, with the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation is after 6 p.m., Thursday, at the funeral home, and after 10 a.m., Friday, at the church. (Paid obituary)

### Card of Thanks

The family of Michael A. Fitzpatrick wishes to express their gratitude for your kindness and caring, but more especially, your prayers, during Mike's illness. We also appreciate the many flowers, donations, food, visiting the funeral home, attending the funeral, and the comforting you showed when the Lord called Mike home. We were honored that Reverend Mark Walz, Julie Walz, Dr. Gary Brown, Leigh Ann Maynard, Debbie Walker, Debbie Holland, Rebecca Haywood, and Estill Carter, made Mike's Celebration of Life service so very touching and uplifting. Thanks to the pallbearers: Robert R. Allen II, Floyd Greene, Ronnie Johnson, Wayne Johnson, Anthony Lafferty, Nick Lafferty, Steven Little, and Kevin Powers, for caring for Mike upon his final resting place in Gethsemane Gardens. A special thank-you extends to Zebulon Lodge No. 273 F&AM, for the Masonic service, and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their care and professionalism.

## Team

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to a CBA team, the Indiana Alley Cats. Representatives from the Indiana franchise were also present for the press conference.

Fielder said the CBA is growing and would include over 30 teams within the next three years. Should the group choose to establish a team based in Pikeville, the Expo Center could host its first professional basketball games as early as November.

In addition to the Indiana

franchise, the CBA is currently home to the Albany Patrons, Minot Sky Rockets, Pittsburgh Xplosion, Butte Daredevils, Yakama Sun Kings, Great Falls Explorers and Vancouver Dragons.

Players with NBA experience who have played in the CBA in the last couple of seasons include Anthony Bonner, Maurice Carter, Josh Davis, Kaniel Dickens, Eddie Gill and Anthony Miller.

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**Local Planning Committee Meeting**

The Floyd County Schools' Local Planning Committee will conduct a meeting on March 14, 2007, at 6:00 p.m., at the May Valley Elementary School, 481 Stephens Branch Martin, Kentucky 41649. This meeting is one of a series of meetings to develop a District Facilities Plan for the Floyd County Public Schools.

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# For the Record

### Marriage Licenses

Crissy Lynn Hamilton, 34, of Banner, to Rickey D. Harlow, 33, of Banner.  
Karen Lynn Irvin, 39, of Hi Hat, to Gary Gale Mitchell, 38, of Hi Hat.

### Civil Suits Filed

Kirk Ramsey vs. Ted Conn and Nationwide General Insurance Company; damages resulting from auto accident  
Misty M. Stapleton vs. Ethicon Endo Surgery Inc., Highlands Hospital Corporation, and Consolidation Health Systems Inc.; damages incurred following treatment

Commonwealth of KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services and Rosanna D. Conn vs. Timothy J. Conn; petition for health care insurance

Commonwealth of KY Cabinet for Families and Children and Elizabeth M. Blankenship vs. Gary E. Blankenship; petition for health care insurance

Tracey L. Taylor vs. Paul Yanis; petition for health care insurance

Christine H. Goble vs. Esther K. Richards; damages resulting from auto accident

David Allen Layne and Ivel Corporation vs. Malcom Darwin Layne and Layne Brothers Ford Lincoln Mercury Inc.; payment provided in agreement

Katrina Tackett vs. Wal-Mart Stores East, LP; damages incurred from injury occurring at Prestonsburg Wal-Mart

Mary Salyers vs. Adam R. Layne; damages resulting from auto accident

John C. Cornette vs. Rothery E. Hall and Hartford Insurance Company; damages resulting from auto accident

Phillip Simpson vs. Jerry Fannin; collection of debt owed

### Small Claims Filings

Don and Melinda Craft vs. Billy and Ruth Howard; eviction notice for rent not paid

Merchant Acceptance Inc. vs. Vickie J. Hamilton and Chris J. Hamilton; to collect debt

Cash in Hand vs. Laura Howard; to collect debt

Steve Slone vs. Stephanie Hunter and James Lowe; eviction notice for rent not paid

The Medical Center at Bowling Green Heritage Radiology of Western Kentucky vs. Gregory Ringham; to collect debt

Capital One Bank vs. Calvin C. Harrison to collect debt

Asset Acceptance LLC vs. Cheri Yates aka Cheri Wasilewski; to collect debt

Commonwealth of Kentucky Calvary Portfolio Services LLC vs. Darrell E. Combs; case transfer to Floyd County District Court

Daphne M. Moore vs. Jeff Allen; to collect debt

### Charges Filed

Boonie Fletcher Jr., 34; theft of services over \$300  
Kenneth W. Kellems, 26; fugitive from another state

David P. Ousley, 41; theft by deception

John W. Moore, 20; flagrant nonsupport

Brian K. Gilbert, 33; distribution of obscene material to minors promoting sex performance by minor under 16 years of age, possession of matter portraying sex performance by minor

### Inspections

Devin's Pizza, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of numerically scaled thermometer for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous food, improper storage of single service articles, all plumbing not maintained according to law, sanitary towel or hand drying device not provided at lavatory or hand washing sink. Score: 95

Tackett's Stop and Shop, Melvin, regular inspection. No violations noted. Score: 100

Halls Community, Bypro, follow up inspection. Violations noted: Lack of numerically scaled thermometers for checking cooking and holding temperatures of potentially hazardous foods, food contact surfaces not properly maintained, non food contact surfaces not properly maintained, floors not in good repair, attached equipment on walls and ceiling not in good repair. Score: 94

Pizza Hut, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of effective hair restraints, chlorine sanitizer concentration level for mechanical chemical sanitizing of utensils and equipment less than 50 ppm, all plumbing not maintained according to law, sanitary towel or hand drying device not provided at lavatory or hand washing sink, cleaning and maintenance equipment not properly stored. Score: 91

Triangle Market, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of numerically scaled thermometers for checking cooking and holding temperature of potentially hazardous foods, lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, food contact surfaces not properly constructed, food contact surfaces not properly maintained, toilet room doors not self closing, garbage and refuse containers not covered as required, floors not in good repair, attached equipment not constructed properly on walls and ceiling, cleaning and maintenance equipment not

properly stored. Score: 90

Prestonsburg Community College, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of effective hair restraints, improper storage of single service articles, single service articles being reused. Score: 96

Dollar General Store, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, food not protected during storage, all plumbing not maintained according to law, floors not constructed properly. Score: 95

Green's Dairy Bar, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigeration and freezing units storing potentially hazardous foods, lack of effective hair restraints, non food contact surfaces not properly constructed, cloths used for food and non food contact surfaces not stored and rinsed frequently in water sanitizing solution, cloths used for wiping non food contact surfaces being used for other purposes, floors not constructed properly, floors not properly covered. Score: 95

KY Tech and Alternative School, Hite, regular school inspection. Violations noted: men's restroom in need of cleaning and sanitizing, no soap or hand towels found in men's restroom, light shields missing from women's restroom, floor tiles in disrepair in both buildings. Score: 90

### Property Transfers

Denzil Allen to Cecil R. Hatton, property located at Richmond Subdivision.

Janice B. Allen to Cecil R. Hatton, property located at Richmond Subdivision.

Bruce Barrowman Executor to Dale Sturgill, property located at Damron Subdivision.

Kacey N. Boyd to Steven E. Boyd, property located at Johns Branch.

Patrick O. Boyd to Steven E. Boyd, property located at Johns Branch.

Cecil R. Hatton Revocable Trust to Dannie W. and Robyn Y. Warrix, property located at Richmond Subdivision.

Jack Edward Clay to Linda and Paul R. Blackburn, prop-

erty located at Allen.

Roger Clay to Linda and Paul R. Blackburn, property located at Allen.

Shirley Clay to Linda and Paul R. Blackburn, property located at Allen.

Wanda Clay to Linda and Paul R. Blackburn, property located at Allen.

Kevin Clay to Teddy Ray Click, Tony Randall Click, Anna Rose Collins, and Gloriana Layne, property located at Prater Creek.

Ralph Collins to Mary M. Katynski and Barbara Sue Manik, property located at Right Beaver Creek.

Mae Fannie to Jodi and Tony Honeycutt, property location undisclosed.

Federal National Mortgage Association to Jodi and Tony Honeycutt, property location undisclosed.

Gary Frazier to Gary Frazier, property located at Martin.

Joyce Renee Gilkerson to Joyce Renee Gilkerson Qualified Personal Residence Trust and Joyce Renee Gilkerson Trustee, property located at Crestwood Subdivision.

William Douglas Gilkerson to William Douglas Gilkerson Qualified Personal Residence Trust and William Douglas Gilkerson Trustee, property located at Crestwood Subdivision.

Margie C. Hale to Prestonsburg Church of Christ, property location undisclosed.

Gene H. Hall Trustee to Anna M. and Jennifer B. Bingham, property location undisclosed.

Billie K. Hatton to Dannie W. and Robyn Y. Warrix, property located at Richmond

Subdivision.

Cecil R. Hatton to Dannie W. and Robyn Y. Warrix, property located at Richmond Subdivision.

Cecil R. Hatton Revocable Trust to Dannie W. and Robyn Y. Warrix, property located at Richmond Subdivision.

Cecil R. Hatton to Dannie W. and Robyn Y. Warrix, property located at Richmond Subdivision.

Kitty R. Holbrook to Gary Frazier, property located at Martin.

Jeanette V. James to James and Jennifer Ousley, property located at Middle Creek.

Russell James to James and Jennifer Ousley, property

located at Middle Creek.

Nellie King Kingsley to Herbert R. and Kaye L. Kingsley, property location undisclosed.

LINKS to Linda Spurlock, property located at Steeles Creek.

Low Income Housing Coalition to Linda Spurlock, property located at Steeles Creek.

Fannie Mae McKinney to Larry Gene McKinney, property located at Toler Creek.

Terry McKinney to Connie Lynn and Terry McKinney, property located at Toler Creek.

(See RECORD, page six)

## SEAFOOD NIGHT

JENNY WILEY STATE RESORT  
SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2007



### MENU

**ENTREES:** Snow Crab Legs, Crab Cakes w/Hot Slaw, Breaded Cod Supreme, Fried Oysters, Breaded Scallops, Fried Catfish, Baked Cajun Styled Chicken  
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Salad Bar with Peel and Eat Shrimp

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— Guest View —

## Editorial roundup

*Chicago Sun-Times, on treatment of injured GIs:*

Support our troops: It's a sentiment you can subscribe to fully whether or not you want those troops to be on the battlefield, which, in the case of the profoundly painful, perplexing conflict in Iraq, can take the form of a roadway or public square or food market. ...

Shockingly, many soldiers who made a physical sacrifice for their country in Iraq and Afghanistan have been denied that kind of support at Walter Reed Army Medical Center. ... Embarrassed by a series of reports in The Washington Post on the substandard outpatient conditions at Walter Reed, and investigations by Congress and the Army itself, the military fired Maj. Gen. George W. Weightman, who was in charge of the hospital, and Army Secretary Francis Harvey resigned. ...

"If we would have known about this, we would have fixed it," Harvey said. But how could they not have known about it? The outlying outpatient building in which the soldiers were put up had holes in the ceilings, mold on the walls, stains in the carpet and bad plumbing. Not a place anyone would want to stay long, but the soldiers had to endure long waits for treatment. Some suffered from depression and attempted suicide. Wounded soldiers moved to outpatient status had to wait an average of more than 200 days to learn whether or not they would be able to return to active duty — a lag that left them in the lurch on the issue of benefits. Criticisms about the treatment of veterans back from fighting are hardly new. Has the government been so consumed by the huge task of establishing control in Iraq that it has lost sight of establishing control in treatment centers back home?

*The Greenville (S.C.) News, on food scares:*

Many people have been forced to dump one of their favorite brands of peanut butter. Recently the problem was fresh spinach. In recent months there have been some high-profile scares involving food that's a staple in many kitchens.

Now we learn that the Food and Drug Administration has been cutting the number of food safety inspections that it makes. There are 12 percent fewer FDA employees in field offices than were there in 2003, reported The Associated Press. The number of food inspectors increased after Sept. 11, 2001. Congress feared terrorists may try to exploit the nation's vulnerable food system.

The number of food inspectors has been declining in recent years, and so have the inspections they conduct. The AP reported that food safety inspections dropped 47 percent between 2003 and 2006. ...

The Bush administration is requesting a budget increase of \$10.6 million in 2008 for food safety, but some experts contend much more money is needed to guarantee an adequate level of inspections. American consumers deserve a food system that's not vulnerable to either outside threats or to dangerous diseases caused by filth and careless practices.

*The Leaf-Chronicle, Clarksville, Tenn., on early primaries:*

At the rate that states are jockeying to be among the first to hold primaries in choosing the presidential nominees, the country might as well just have one super gigantic primary day and be done with it.

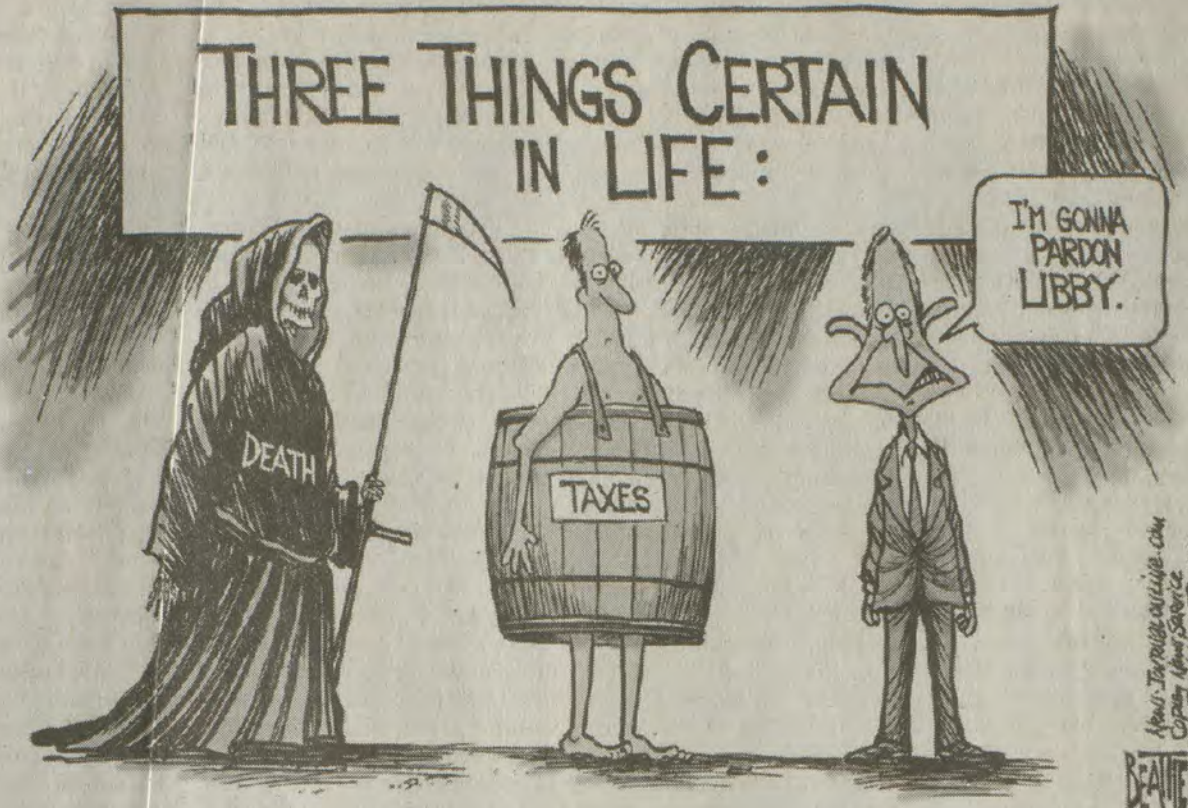
Tennessee is among those dozen or so states that may push their primary date up even earlier to be more relevant in picking a presidential nominee. ...

State Senate Majority Leader Mark Norris, R-Collierville, has sponsored a bill to push the date from the second Tuesday in February to the first Tuesday in February. State House Majority Leader Gary Odom, D-Nashville, has filed a similar bill in the House.

This is, in other words, a bipartisan effort. ...

The entire presidential selection process, in fact, has gotten increasingly earlier and earlier.

A generation ago, whoever would have dreamed that presidential hopefuls would be out shaking hands at coffee shops and speaking at town hall meetings nearly two years before the general election would occur? ...



— Guest Column —

### Let's poll on issues, not popularity

by JASON SALZMAN  
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

The news media, like politicians, love polls. Are John McCain and Hillary Clinton the leaders? Is John Edwards gaining on Barack Obama?

The polling overdose is more about convenience than substance. Polls make an easy story. Reporters don't have to dissect complicated topics, like health insurance, and polls are easy for readers to digest. We can stand around the water cooler wondering if Hillary will slip or gain in the next poll. Everybody's happy with a poll story, right? Wrong.

Personally, I'd rather read what any candidate is saying about health insurance, the Iraq War, or pretty much any other topic, even about Monica Lewinsky. By constantly telling us who's winning the electoral horse race, journalists deprive us of the real information we need to be able to make intelligent choices among candidates.

But that's just one problem with the American media's obsession with polls. A bigger problem is that, more often than not, they are meaningless. And you don't have to be much of a political analyst to understand why. All you need is common sense, and

not much of it.

I hope this doesn't shock you, but polls are manipulated easily by how the questions are asked. Take, for example, polling on the Iraq War.

It was widely accepted that Americans favored the Iraq war before we invaded in March 2003. But, actually, it depended on how you asked the question.

It's true that most Americans supported the invasion by a wide margin, as long as the war didn't last very long. In four separate CBS News/"New York Times" polls conducted in the months leading up to the war, Americans were just about split on whether they favored the war if it lasted "months or even years." Anybody out there remember that polling question coming up very much?

No, the message you got from reading the newspaper headlines was more simple: strong support for the war, maybe fading a touch before the invasion, but strong support nonetheless. And, of course, war support surged, if you'll pardon the expression, after the invasion.

Now it's in the dumps, with about 60 percent favoring withdrawal by the end of next year. There's a lesson here for journalists. If you're going to insist on polling us so much, which I think is a mistake, at least emphasize the nuances in our responses. Don't just run the poll stories with the simplest answers to the simplest questions. Like, do you support Hillary or McCain?

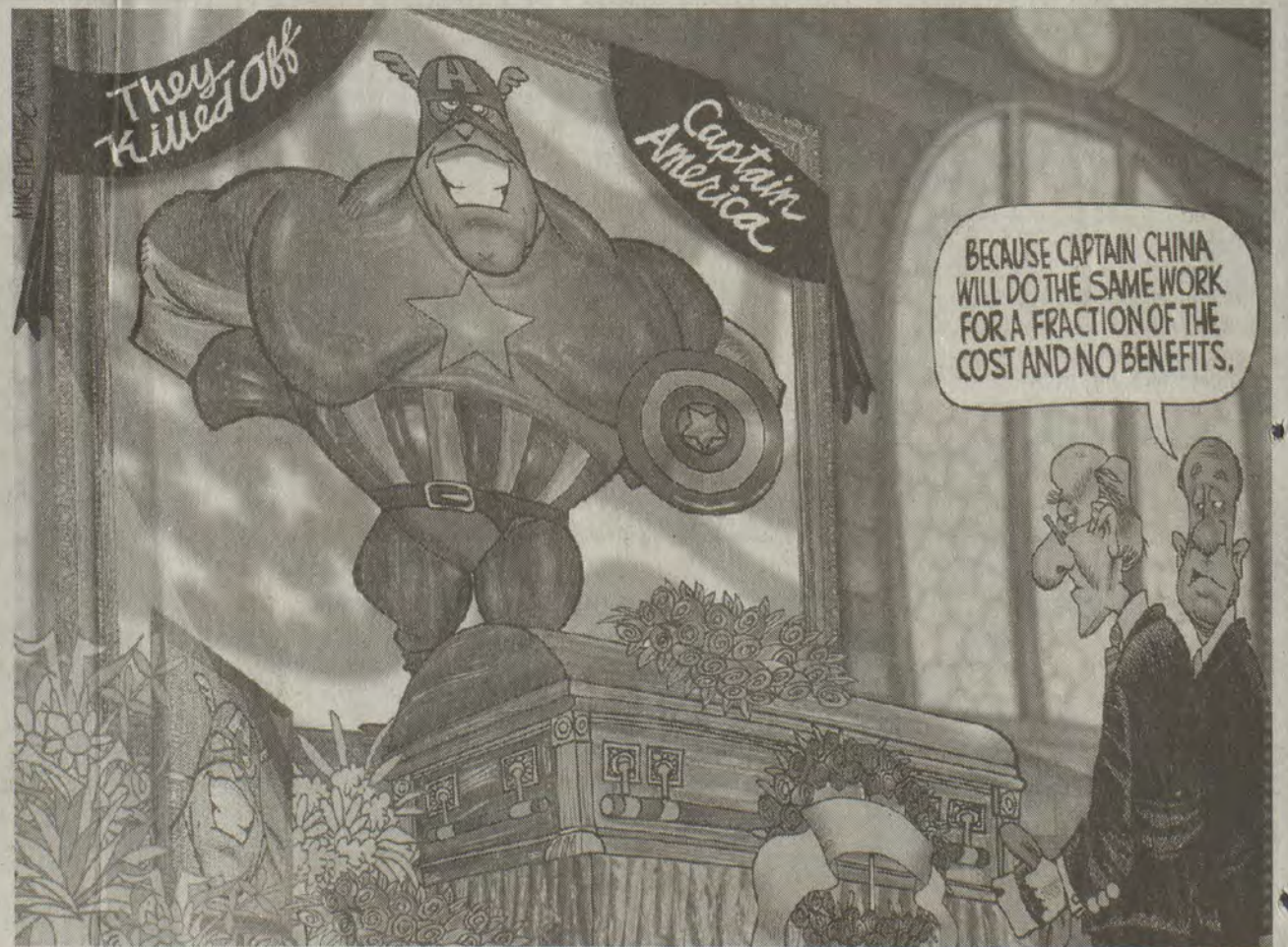
Instead, ask voters what they think about the positions these candidates are taking on the issues. How do voters feel about Dennis Kucinich's position on Iraq? Mitt Romney's? What about John Edwards' proposal on health insurance?

Yes, pollsters would have to explain what the candidates are saying about these issues. The polling would be more difficult but much more useful. The resulting news stories about voter reactions to the candidates' positions on issues such as health care could actually provide some real insight. They'd help us formulate "meaningful" opinions about the candidates. And this information would allow us to get to know candidates that aren't already household names in America.

As it is, a poll asking your typical American about a candidate he or she has never heard of is pretty meaningless, don't you think? And most Americans don't know a thing about folks like Democrat Bill Richardson or Republican Romney.

So, all you journalists out there, how about cutting back on the popularity-contest polls and giving us information to make informed decisions in our democracy?

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# Al Gore explores global warming threat on Showtime's TV premiere of 'An Inconvenient Truth'

by FRAZIER MOORE  
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — For some, "An Inconvenient Truth" may pose an inconvenient question: What's more important, loving the planet or hating Al Gore?

Fortunately, this is a non-issue for the many earthlings who already have embraced Gore's documentary for expressing so well what everyone needs to know: Global warming is a looming threat to a planet we are all forced to share, even when we act as if we live in different worlds.

Opening in theaters last year, then available on DVD a few months later, "An Inconvenient Truth" makes its TV premiere on Showtime at 8 p.m. EDT Sunday (with subsequent re-airings).

This is two weeks after its director, Davis Guggenheim, won the best documentary Oscar, stirring up detractors who sneer at Gore's crusade as "a convenient lie" while lumping him with crackpots, lefties and that Hollywood crowd.

What a moment in the life of the planet, when saving Mother Earth is co-opted as a wedge issue.

But viewers who have not yet seen "An Inconvenient Truth" (and are open to the

prospect that the Earth isn't flat and never was) will likely find the film thought-provoking, even motivational.

Built around Gore's so-called "slide show" — actually a souped-up PowerPoint presentation he says he has given at least a thousand times worldwide — "An Inconvenient Truth" is more than a concert film. It weaves in personal glimpses of the former U.S. congressman, senator, vice president and 2000 presidential winner-but-loser that further enhance and humanize Gore's message.

Underpinning it all: The scientific conclusion that growing amounts of fuel emissions are trapping heat in the thickening atmosphere and causing polar ice caps melting, higher temperatures, heavier rainstorms, more and bigger hurricanes, and other climate changes already being measured and potentially calamitous.

During the 96-minute film, Gore stands before panoramic graphics that show alarmingly increased population figures and skyrocketing carbon dioxide levels. He has then-and-now photos that show the disappearing snows of Mount Kilimanjaro, the ebbing glaciers of Glacier National Park.

He has computer simulations that project the impact of melting ice in Antarctica and Greenland. Large parts of Florida, for instance, could be under water. Same for a vast swatch of Calcutta and Bangladesh that 60 million people call home.

Sobering stuff. (And Gore's half-hour update that follows the film is no more rosy.)

But "An Inconvenient Truth" isn't depressing. Despite facts and figures, photos and video that build a strong case for time running out, there's no scolding, no guilt-tripping.

While Gore allows that "I've been trying to tell this story for a long time, and I feel as if I've failed to get the message across," he offers a non-accusatory reason why lawmakers thus far have largely shirked their duty.

"There are good people who are in politics in both parties who hold this at arm's length," he explains, "because if they acknowledge and recognize it, then the moral imperative to make big changes is inescapable." What they need, he says, is a shove by the voters.

Another surprise from "An Inconvenient Truth": It's entertaining, in the way any

dose of clarity provides a boost. And it's accessible to a wide audience. My 12-year-old son, who ordinarily chooses sports and cartoons as his TV fare but insisted on renting "An Inconvenient Truth," was riveted by it.

One explanation? He liked the straight talk.

Consider Gore's attempt to clear up the misconception that global warming is a theory still open to debate. He cites a study that sampled all the scientific articles on global warming from the past decade. How many took exception to the scientific consensus that global warming is a serious threat? Not one of them, he says.

Then he turns to a study of articles published by consumer media the past 14 years. Fully half of those stories, he says, cast doubt on the truth of global warming.

How did the message get so garbled between the lab and the living room? Gore has his ideas, including a campaign to debunk global warming he likens to past efforts to represent smoking as safe.

But Gore reminds his audience it's not too late to get with the program, and to get

(See TRUTH, page 6)

## Rental Central

by TOM DOTY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

Two sharp comedies and a couple of classic thrillers filled the racks this week, alongside the DVD debut of the final film by a Kentucky based filmmaker who made one of the most successful independent films in box office history when he made "Grizzly" in 1976 and caught the wave of eco-terror begun that year with "Jaws."

"Borat" — The surprise box office champ hit DVD this week and is poised to clean up. Sacha Baron Cohen stars here as a Middle Eastern celebrity reporter who comes to America to make a documentary on our great country. He is quickly sidetracked when he hits on the idea of finding and marrying Pamela Anderson. Along the way he runs into a horde of diverse citizens made up of mostly real people who had no idea they were being filmed as Borat baits them and gets them to show off what is decidedly not their best sides. This is familiar stuff to Cohen's fans who know his work from "Da Ali G Show," which ran on HBO. Cohen is in fine form here even if most of his victims aren't. Cohen had a great year in 2006 and can also be found opposite Will Farrell in "Talladega Nights," where he is well cast as an obnoxious French racer.

"Fast Food Nation" — A New York Times best-selling nonfiction expose on the "heat it and eat it" industry was the inspiration for this fictionalized account of how the business affects a varied group of people. The story observes immigrants who work in the meat packing industry, teens who man fast food counters

and an ad executive who comes up with the slogans to get us into these places to scarf down food that comes in wrappers while sitting on uncomfortable plastic furniture (better to keep you from loitering). This could have easily been heavy handed but gets just the right treatment from director Richard Linklater ("Slacker"). An all-star cast helps this one go down and includes appearances by Ethan Hawke, Bruce Willis and Greg Kinnear.

"Night of the Comet" — Laughs are also in store for anyone who rents this zombie comedy from the 1980s. Catherine Mary Stewart and Kelli Maroney star as Valley Girls who oversleep on the night a comet streaks over the world and turns most people into flesh-eating zombies. The ladies must hone their survival

skills in a hurry, though a save by military types might be even worse when they are whisked away to a secret government lab. Plenty of laughs here and just a little bit of gore. Actor Geoffrey Lewis ("Every Which Way but Loose") steals it as a morally challenged scientist.

"The Manitou" — The last film by Louisville native William Girdler finally hit DVD this week from the folks at Anchor Bay entertainment. Girdler demonstrated here that he could adapt a bestseller (book by Graham Masterson) and work with a bigger budget. The story centers on a phony medium who gets involved with an ancient Native American shaman when said medicine man decides to reincarnate himself by being reborn in a young

woman. It's basically an "Exorcist" remake, though the Native American angle is fresh and the final showdown is well handled in a hospital setting. Girdler, who died shortly before this was released, also proves he can work with a veteran cast and gets earnest performances from Tony Curtis, Michael Ansara, Burgess Meredith and Stella Stevens.

Next week sees the release of the latest Bond film, with Daniel Craig taking over the role in "Casino Royale."

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Thursday, March 1, 2007, Maytown Volunteer Fire Department had one less fire fighter. Freddie Shepherd was killed in a tragic accident while performing his regular day job. He had been a volunteer fire fighter for the past 12 years. Maytown Volunteer Fire Department wants to take this opportunity to thank those who helped us celebrate his life, and give him the funeral he so deserved.

Special thanks to the following:  
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Thank you, Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home staff for your kindness and professionalism.

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# 30 local high school students to compete in Big Sandy Idol

Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC), along with the MAC, invites everyone to attend the first annual Big Sandy Idol Regional Talent and Music Scholarship Competition. The competition, to be held at the Mountain Arts Center on Fri., March 16 and Sat., March 17 at 7:00 PM each evening, will feature 30 high school students from all of our local high schools in our five-county region.

BSCTC launched Big Sandy Idol, its new music scholarship program for high school students, this year. Clayton Case, the BSCTC Music and Drama Assistant Director and Big Sandy Idol Director; along with Laura Ford Hall, BSCTC Director of Music and Drama; and Timothy Cooley, Technical Director, facilitated and hosted a talent showcase at each high school that offered two winners from each of the 16 schools in Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, and Martin Counties, a chance to compete for a demo CD recording, a full-album recording, a \$1,200.00 vocal scholarship to attend BSCTC, cash prizes, and a spot with the Big Sandy Singers who are directed by Hall.

Through the sign-ups, auditions, and school-show productions, all of the winners have been chosen and the two winners from each high school will compete at the Mountain Arts Center for the Big Sandy Idol Regional Showcase Competition, held this-coming weekend.

The Friday night show will feature the Runners-Up from each school and the Saturday night show will feature the First Place Winners. Each high school in the 5-county area will be featured both nights. Out of the 14 students competing on Friday night, one will be crowned the "wild card." The "wild card" will receive a recording contract for a ten song album from BSCTC Production Studio and then go on to Saturday's competition to compete for the other prizes.

In addition, all 30 students, will



Pictured, back-to-front, from left, are the students who will be competing in the Big Sandy Idol Talent Showcase: Katelyn Webb (Paintsville), Lindsey Carty (MCHS), Cara Hall (Pikeville), Hillary Keese (BHS), Allison Daniels (SFHS), Trusonda Dotson (Phelps), William King (SVHS), Nathan Arnett (MCHS), Caleb Tackett (BHS), Ryan Lester (Phelps), Tyler Childers (Paintsville), McKinzie Carter (Pikeville), Waylon Nelson (BLHS), Isaac Thacker (ERHS), James Greer (ACHS), Brennan Case (BLHS), Eric Madden (PCHS), Daniel Zienkiewicz (PCHS), Ashley Hall (JCHS), Britta Hall (SVHS), Holly Rice (Prestonsburg), Candice Preece (SCHS), Tierra Davis (SCHS), Carmie Baxter (ERHS), Savannah Bartley (SFHS), Daniel Tungate (SVHS), Katie Lemaster (Prestonsburg), Holly Pack (Prestonsburg), and Kristina Pescosolido (JCHS).

go on to be a part of the Big Sandy High School Singers, a free summer program, held at BSCTC, where the students will be taught techniques in vocal performance, stage presence, sound and lighting techniques, and much, much more.

Tickets are on sale now for the Big Sandy Idol Competition and are \$5 each. 50% of sales will go to promote the Music and Drama Community Outreach Program at BSCTC and further scholarship opportunities for vocal music stu-

dents. The Big Sandy Idol Regional Showcase will also feature music by The Big Sandy Singers, the college's elite, student singing ensemble, who released their first album "Down to the River to Pray" last year and their second album, "Going Home" which features their signature song "A Father Who Can," has already sold many copies after its release on Dec. 16.

"We are so excited about the Big Sandy Idol Showcase," said Case.

"We hope everyone will come out to support the representatives of their school and to see the show. It would be hard to beat the talent we have among our eastern Kentucky high school students. It is amazing!"

The Big Sandy Idol program is sponsored primarily by Interstate Natural Gas with the Mountain Arts Center, WYMT and Q95 FM. But, the program was made possible by the insight and support of BSCTC President Dr. George Edwards, Provost Dr. Nancy Johnson, and the

creativity of the Music and Drama Team including Case, Hall, and Cooley.

"We hope the community will come out and support these kids," Hall concluded. "We are excited to provide an opportunity for our high school students to receive performance and recording experience, and ultimately a college scholarship."

Order your tickets for the Big Sandy Idol Regional Competition now at 1-888-MAC-ARTS.

# East Kentucky Regional Science Fair to be held March 10

"Junior scientists" from around the region have been working hard on Science projects that apply their science process and critical thinking skills. As a result 27 schools in 6 counties hosted their own

science fairs and are sending their winning projects to the East Kentucky Regional Science Fair on March 10, 2007. The Science Fair hosted by the East Kentucky Science Center is in its 6th year and is

co-sponsored by Citizens National Bank and Morehead State University East Kentucky Regional Gear-Up Program.

Students in grades 4-12 who won first place in their

school fairs will be vying for the top honors at the Regional Fair as well as U. S. Savings Bonds. Teachers will also receive a monetary award to use in their classroom if their student takes first place at the

Regional Fair. The public is invited to view the projects from 2 - 3:00 p.m. at the Morehead Post Secondary Education Center, on the Prestonsburg Campus of Big Sandy Community and

Technical College.

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# Floyd County native appointed to Share America board

Promoting the traditional music sounds of Appalachia in our youth will be a major focus of the Share America Foundation, Inc., a non-profit, operating from Catoosa County, Ga.

Joe Turner, originally of Wayland, who serves on the Board of Governors of Lexington Shrine Hospital for Children, was recently appointed chairman of the organization.

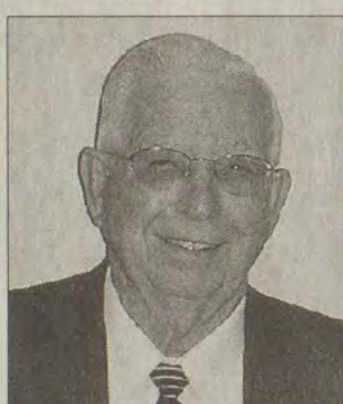
He said he has spent much of his life helping children and one of his passions is encouraging young performers in their talents. He often features young performers at Alhambra Shrine Temple in Chattanooga where he serves as birthday entertainment director.

"I grew up in the midst of the mountain music styles near the borders of Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia," he said. "My home region produced many talented performers such as Loretta Lynn, Patty Loveless, Ricky Skaggs, Keith Whitley, Hylo Brown, and Dwight Yoakum who all share a love for this wonderful American music," Turner said. "I am honored to play a role in encouraging new talents from throughout the South through this new organization and its scholarship."

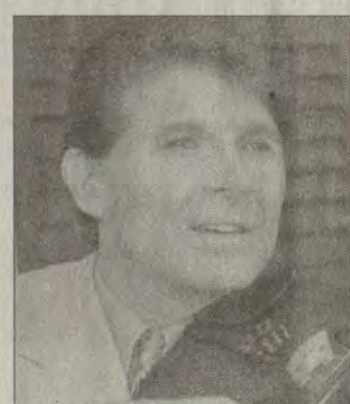
Turner joins TV actor/entertainer Randall Franks and his brother, Jerry Robinson Sr., on the Board of Directors along with Catoosa County (Ga.) Probate Judge Gene Lowery, vice chairman, and Adam Cathey, secretary.

"We are just now beginning to explore all the areas in which we might encourage young people's interest in the true music of our region," said Randall Franks, president, former "In the Heat of the Night" co-star who played "Officer Randy Goode."

Franks' musical stylings have been heard in 150 coun-



Joe Turner



Randall Franks

tries and by more than 25 million Americans. The Atlanta Country Music Hall of Fame member's career boasts 14 album releases, 15 singles, and over 200 recordings with various artists from various genres. In addition to his solo career, Franks is a former member of Bill Monroe's Bluegrass Boys, Jim and Jesse's Virginia Boys and has performed with Jeff and Sheri Easter, The Lewis Family, the Marksmen, "Doc" Tommy Scott's Last Real Old Time Medicine Show and Doodle and the Golden River Grass.

"My brother Jerry and I are extremely grateful that these talented civic-minded individuals have offered their time to serve and help us not only build the scholarship fund

honoring our late parents through fundraising efforts but to guide the program as we seek our first scholarship recipients," Franks said.

The organization oversees the Pearl and Floyd Franks Scholarship Fund, helping graduating seniors talented in the Appalachian musical arts to seek higher education. The fund is named for Franks' late parents, who helped manage his career. Candidates for the scholarship will be accepted initially from Catoosa, Walker, and Whitfield counties in Georgia and Rhea and Cumberland counties in Tennessee and will expand to include other areas in future.

Robinson is a retired fire department captain from Naval Air Station Pensacola.

He currently serves as a team member with the Fraternity All Volunteer Retired Technical Servicemen, who take on service projects in the Molino, Fla. area. He served formerly as a board member for the Children's Fire Safety House serving throughout the panhandle of Florida.

"Involving the community in the effort of helping youth with musical talents is a wonderful endeavor," he said. "While I never learned to play I know all the projects we will take on in the future will honor the legacy left by our folks."

Judge Lowery enjoys a 17-year history of singing Southern gospel music. He also serves on the Adult Protective Service Panel and the Jack Mattox Golf Tournament Invitational Board.

"It is gratifying to know I'm in an organization working to help young people who

are musically inclined further their education," he said. "The tradition of gospel and all of the music of Appalachia are something we need to keep going and promoting to new generations."

Cathey, Catoosa County assistant district attorney, is a great enthusiast of traditional bluegrass music and said he is attempting to learn several instruments. The Marietta, Ga. native said this organization is a great opportunity to honor the musical heritage of the entire Northwest Georgia community.

"My long time interest in this music helps to fuel my interest in this organization's efforts to encourage young musicians," he said.

The organization is also building its Task Force with members from the community and around the country that will serve on various committees and assist the organization

as it moves forward on a number of future projects.

"There is one thing I have learned about any philanthropic endeavor, it only becomes a success through the support of those wishing to donate their time, their hands and their hearts to make it one," Franks said. "I appreciate all those who are offering their support of our efforts."

For information write Share America Foundation, Inc. P.O. Box 42 Tunnel Hill, Ga. 30755.

## Truth

the word out.

"When the warnings are accurate and based on sound science," he tells an audience in Shanghai, "then we as human beings, whatever country we live in, have to find a way to make sure that the warnings are heard and responded to."

This bears out one final, very welcome, surprise in the film: Gore's infectious faith.

"We already know everything we need to know to effectively address this problem," he declares, just as he declared on the Oscar telecast and, surely, a thousand other times.

Will people learn soon enough that the truth isn't too inconvenient? That's the film's big cliffhanger, and maybe the world's.

## Record

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Robert J. Patton to Joann and Robert Caudill, property located at Arkansas Creek.

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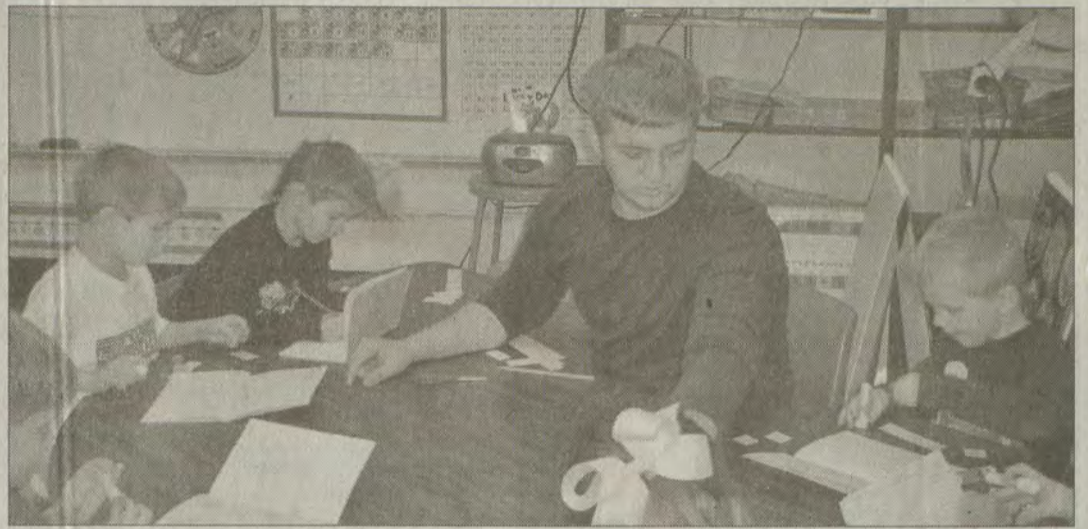
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# FLOYD COUNTY Around Our Schools



### Life Skills

Each month at Osborne Elementary School, a Math-O-Thon is held; students with the highest scores in math, per each grade, receive a certificate and then compete in their grade level for a \$25 gift certificate from Wal-Mart. OES teachers, staff and principal are proud of all OES students and congratulate all those who were participants in this month's Math-O-Thon, you worked hard and you deserve a pat on the back!  
We especially want to commend and recognize our school winners: Back row (L-R) - Jeremy Varney, Joslyn Isaac and Joshua Clemons. Front row (L-R): Blake Johnson, Tieshia Hall, Mathew Compton and Caleb Johnson.



### DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S CUP CHAMPIONS

Congratulations are in order for the Prestonsburg Elementary Academic Team on their win Saturday, March 3, 2007, at Osborne Elementary. They were overall district winners and were also awarded the Katherine Hume Award for best sportsmanship. Pictured from left to right: Front row: Kendra Gambill, Ashleigh Hayton, Lizzie Wilson, Jonathan Boyd, Summer Shepherd, Tate Greene, and John Dillon. Back Row: Coach, Betty Minix, Kayanna Mullins, Austin Bailey, and Coach Joan Cornett. Our students placed in the following categories:  
Math-Tate Greene 2nd place  
Language Arts-Ashleigh Hayton 1st place  
Science-Jonathan Boyd 2nd place; Kayanna Mullins 3rd place  
Social Studies- Tate Greene 1st place; Jonathan Boyd 3rd place  
Arts and Humanities- Austin Bailey 1st place; Ashleigh Hayton 4th place  
Writing Composition- Kayanna Mullins 5th place

Also congratulations go out to our Future Problem Solving team who were also 1st place winners! PES administration, staff and teachers are all very proud of all of our students!



### Tornado drill

Prestonsburg Elementary students learn how to protect themselves during a mock tornado drill held recently at the school.



Students from Prestonsburg High School have paid regular visits to Prestonsburg Elementary School this past year to participate in a mentoring program focusing on decreasing barriers to student achievement. Pictured here are a few of the students in the classroom and proudly showing off certificates of appreciation.

### Prestonsburg Elementary Mentorship Program

Prestonsburg Elementary has worked with both the Guidance department and the Gifted & Talented program of Prestonsburg High School to implement a mentorship program with seniors for the past two years. The PHS Varsity cheerleaders also participate in the program. Mrs. Ousley, Guidance Counselor oversees the program with the assistance of Mrs. Hale-Frazier, Principal, Mrs. Hall, Assistant Principal, and Mrs. Duncan Curriculum Coordinator.

During the first and second semesters, the mentors assist the students and staff of PES in a variety of ways. The target of the program is to decrease barriers to student achievement. Mentors work with students on essential life-skills necessary for future growth in both primary and intermediate programs. Mentors assist both high achieving and at-risk learners specifically in the areas of reading, language, and math. They also serve as motivators for high scoring student performance on assessments—particularly the Kentucky Core Content Test (KCCT) taken in the spring. In addition, the mentors have been trained by the staff of PES on the Reading Recovery methods of instruction. It is a nationally recognized research-based program that identifies best practices that promotes high interest and engaging student activities. Results have shown great gains in reading for at-risk students. The mentors are responsible for small, group work stations and work with (4) to (6) students approximately 45 minutes to an hour each day.  
PES is very appreciative to the staff of PHS: Mr. George, Principal, Ms. April Adams, Floyd County Gifted Program Coordinator, Mrs. Jamie Adams school Gifted Program Coordinator, and Mrs. DeRossett, Guidance Counselor as well as the PHS senior mentors and Varsity cheerleaders for their assistance and support in meeting student needs. It is very valuable for the young, impressionable learners of PES to see positive student role models due to the fact that many of them will attend PHS in the future.

### 2007 National Reading Recovery & K-6 Classroom Literacy Conference

D'Anna Houston, Reading Recovery Teacher at John M. Stumbo Elementary, attended the 2007 National Reading Recovery Conference. This 22nd annual conference was held in Columbus, Ohio on Feb. 3-6th. The conference was sponsored by the Reading Recovery Council of North America and had over 3400 teachers and administrators from around the world in attendance. The key note speakers at the conference included authors and educators such as Bruce McMillan and Richard Allington. Mrs. Houston gained professional knowledge about teaching Reading Recovery and literacy in general. She will pass on the information to fellow teachers at Stumbo Elementary during the next Literacy Committee meeting later this month.

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## 15TH REGION BOYS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TONIGHT SEMIFINALS

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Allen Central vs. Pikeville, 8 p.m.

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# Third quarter outburst lifts Belfry over Ladycats

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – Belfry broke open a close 15th Region Tournament game against the Betsy Layne Ladycats in the second half Wednesday evening. The Lady Pirates outscored Betsy Layne 21-9 in the third quarter, pulling away to win 75-21.

Belfry held a slim 31-30 lead at halftime. Merissa Pruitt paced Belfry with a game-high 22 points. Pruitt was one of four Lady Pirates to reach double figures in the scoring column. Shae Deskins fired in 19 points, Amanda Moon added 15 and Paige Thacker

scored 12 for Belfry, the runner-up out of the 60th District.

Belfry, under the direction of first-year head coach Amanda Collins, led Betsy Layne 18-11 at the end of the opening quarter.

Betsy Layne had a final shot to tie the game just before the halftime buzzer sounded, but a shot from junior Kaitlin Lawson missed its mark.

Belfry hit with consistency on the offensive end throughout the second half. The Lady Pirates (18-10) finished strong, outscoring Betsy Layne 23-12 in the final quarter.



Betsy Layne eighth-grader Taylor Hott chased down a loose ball during Wednesday night's regional tournament game against Belfry. photo by Steve LeMaster

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## Observations from press row at the Expo

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

Odds and ends from the regional tournament's opening round:

■ On Wednesday night, the buzz around press row was still about the incredible shooting performance of Johnny Martin's Runnin' Rebels of Allen Central from the night before.

Leading 39-35 at the half, the Rebels shot an unheard of 76 percent from the floor after the rest of the way (19-of-25), and from the arc, were a blistering 5-of-7 for 71.4 percent to run away for an 87-59 win over the Phelps Hornets.

But with all their shooting prowess, what do you want to bet the focus of Coach Martin's pre-practice discussion was their 45 percent shooting from the free throw line in the second half?

■ Speaking of Allen Central, what about the effort of Ryan Collins? In scoring 37 points Tuesday night, the 6-0 senior missed only three of 17 shots and made all nine from inside the arc. And lest you think he was selfish, he handed out seven of their tournament-high 25 assists in the win.

■ Pike Central senior Haley Ratliff is winding down her prep career but put on a solid show Monday night. She finished with 15 points, four rebounds, six assists and eight steals in only 19 minutes of play.

■ Western Carolina signee Kendra Carroll of Paintsville was terrific in a 61-52 loss to Shelby Valley, scoring 25 and pulling down seven rebounds. It was a nice battle with senior Esther Fleming, who had 29 markers and eight rebounds in the win.

■ Belfry pulled the upset with its 71-66 win over Paintsville in the boys' tournament opener, and did so getting zero points and

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# AC ADVANCES



Senior Ryan Collins (14) scored a career-high/game-high 37 points as Allen Central defeated Phelps Tuesday night in the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament. Josh Martin (34) had a double-double for the Rebels. photos by Steve LeMaster

## Rebels rout Phelps, move on to semis

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – Allen Central senior Ryan Collins owned the East Kentucky Expo Center Tuesday night. Collins ripped the nets for a career-high/game-high 37 points as Allen Central rolled to a convincing 87-59 win over Phelps in the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament at the East Kentucky Expo Center.

Collins hit five three-pointers. He entered halftime with 19 points.

Alex Hammonds and Josh Martin each had double-doubles for the Rebels. Hammonds scored 10 points and dished off 11 assists for Allen Central. Martin, who has been nursing an injured knee, played through pain and added 15 points and 11 rebounds for the Rebels.

"Ryan Collins had a great game for us," Allen Central Coach Johnny Martin commented following his team's opening round win. "Everyone played well. The only area where we struggled was rebounding. Phelps is a good ball club and that showed when they got back into the game."

Collins only missed three of 17 shots. The senior also had seven assists in Allen Central's win.

Allen Central outscored Phelps 27-12 in the opening quarter. The Rebels showed signs of putting Phelps out of the game in the opening half, but the Hornets battled back in the second quarter. Allen Central held on and took a slim 39-35 lead into intermission.

Allen Central heated back up shortly after the half. The

Rebels outscored Phelps 25-12 in the third quarter. Tyler Slone scored five points and JR Robinson added three for the Rebels. Farley Joseph and Logan Crowder rounded out the Rebel scoring with two points apiece.

Charlie Hunt led Phelps with 20 points. Ryan Dotson scored 11 points and Charlie Gannon added 10 for the Hornets.

Phelps ended its season 18-8. Allen Central will take on Pikeville tonight in the regional tournament semifinals. Tipoff for the Allen

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## Valley slips past Bobcats

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – Fifteenth Region frontrunner Shelby Valley had to battle to get past upset-minded Betsy Layne in the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament Wednesday night. The Wildcats, 60th District champs, had to use all nine of their lives and then some to get past Betsy Layne. Shelby Valley, despite being outscored 24-21 in the second half, managed to hold on and edge the Bobcats

45-43. Jacob Bryant paced Shelby Valley (27-3) with a game-high 13 points. Elisha Justice followed with 10 points for the Wildcats. Taylor Newsome and Jonah Justice each had six points for the Wildcats.

Eight different Shelby Valley players broke into the scoring column.

Shelby Valley is the hottest 15th Region boys' basketball team. The Wildcats have now won 11 straight games.

Betsy Layne was never out of the game. The Bobcats took a 10-8 lead out of the opening quarter. Shelby Valley enjoyed one of its biggest advantages at halftime, leading the Bobcats 24-19.

Betsy Layne continued to push Shelby Valley in the second half. The Wildcats

were clinging to a 33-30 lead at the end of the third quarter.

Shelby Valley was behind three points with 1:30 remaining. The Wildcats run off six points to pull off the victory.

Junior guard Brennan Case led Betsy Layne with 12 points. Senior center Trai Witt followed with 10 points for the Bobcats.

The low-scoring game yielded six different Betsy Layne scorers.

Betsy Layne had a chance to tie the game, but an off-balance shot from Witt fell short.

Jerrod Newman narrowly missed double figures for the Bobcats, finishing with nine points. Samuel Keathley scored five points, Justin Collins pushed in four and

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Brennan Case (right) and his Betsy Layne teammates nearly pulled off an upset win over 15th Region power Shelby Valley. photo by Steve LeMaster

## Kinzer finishes OSAS race 14th

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN – Allen driver Brandon Kinzer and his No. 18 dirt Late Model team ventured to the newly-reconfigured Cherokee Speedway in Gaffney, South Carolina on Sunday for the annual 'March Madness' event. Following a solid qualifying effort and a third-place run in his heat race, Kinzer started the O'Reilly Southern Allstars Series (OSAS) feature event from the outside of the sixth row. After 60 green flag racing laps at the new 3/8-mile oval, Kinzer ended the \$10,000-to-win event with a 14th-place finish.

The Kinzer race team doesn't have a race scheduled for the upcoming weekend. BK Motorsports is scheduled to return to competition Saturday, March 17 at Cleveland (Tenn.) Speedway in a \$7,500-to-win OSAS feature event.

## UK NOTEBOOK

### Morris named to USBWA All-District Team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – University of Kentucky junior center Randolph Morris has been selected to the United States Basketball Writers' Association District IV All-District team as announced by the organization earlier this week.

Morris ranks third in the SEC in field goal percentage (.588), seventh in rebounding (7.3 rpg) and eighth in scoring (15.3 ppg) leading the Wildcats in all three categories.

The selections were based on voting from the association's national membership. There are nine regions from coast to coast

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**Bentley**

only one rebound off its bench. ■ Pirate senior Jamie Case was impressive with his 24-point, four-rebound outing. I was equally impressed with senior all-state offensive lineman and post player Aaron Warren, who had nine rebounds to go with six points and blocked a couple of shots for good measure.

■ Shelby Valley's win over Betsy Layne was far from aesthetically pleasing, but the key is the third word of this sentence - win. In the end, that's all that matters. If they cut the nets down on Saturday night, nobody will remember they shot only 39.5 percent from the field on Tuesday.

■ Judging from the players and some of the coaching staff of Phelps, either Peter Creek gets a lot more sun than the rest of us or the tanning-bed business is alive and well in that area.

■ To say Pikeville's 6-10 sophomore Deven Adams had only four points in Wednesday

night's 59-51 win over Magoffin County is to focus on the negative. The big man is clearly improving under the tutelage of Todd May - not to mention dad Marty - and showed it with eight rebounds and six blocked shots.

■ In the opening round's eight games, seven players recorded double-doubles, including Allen Central's Alex Hammonds, who turned the trick with 10 points and 11 assists. The other six were the more common points-rebounds combination.

■ In searching for a difference in the opening round on the boys' side, we looked at shooting percentages. What we found was nobody's shooting great from the line, where the first-round percentage was only 60.8 percent.

But the difference could be found at the arc. The four winning teams shot 45.7 percent, while the teams not advancing were less than half that at 21.3

percent.

■ After seeing the first six games of the tournaments go to the district champions, two runners-up advanced on Wednesday when Belfry's girls and Pikeville's boys won.

■ How clean was the opening round? Consider this: While the guys combined for a respectable 103 turnovers, or fewer than 13 per team, the girls had 156 or just fewer than 20 per team.

■ Check out the stat line of Magoffin County's Ashley Howard: 20 points, six rebounds, four assists, six steals and two blocked shots in Tuesday's win over East Ridge.

■ Cassandra Akers' Betsy Layne team to Belfry lost despite hitting 15-of-19 (78.9 percent) from the line. How? Well, 13.3 percent shooting from the arc and 30 turnovers hurt its cause.

■ Amanda Stiltner's Lady Pirates had two players shade in all the boxes on the stat sheet in Wednesday's win. Shae Deskins had 19 points, 13 boards, five assists, five steals and a block, while teammate Merissa Pruitt tossed in 22 and had nine boards with six steals, four assists and two blocks.

■ By the way, we go with Stiltner as the name of Belfry's coach, but it ain't easy. After spending four years watching her star at Pikeville College as Amanda Collins, appropriately nicknamed Bull, the change will take some getting used to.

■ And finally, today will probably be an emotional day for me, and maybe my whole family. Thirty years ago today, my grandmother woke up me and my brother David Keith with the news that our baby brother had been born.

For 26 of these last 30 years, I had a terrific relationship with him, sharing our common interests and making the most of our differences.

June will make four years since he left, and it's not a bit easier to deal with today than it was the day we lost him.

Happy birthday, brother. I'll see you soon.

**Morris**

and a player and coach of the year are selected in each.

■ The 2007 Kentucky Baseball Youth Coaches Clinic has been scheduled for Saturday, March 10 from 8:30 until 10:30 a.m. at the Nutter Field House on the campus of the University of Kentucky. National Coach of the Year John Cohen and the Wildcat

coaching staff will oversee the morning session of baseball skills, drills, and motivational techniques. The Field House is located directly next to Commonwealth Stadium on the University of Kentucky campus.

Following the coaches clinic, the Wildcats will take on Tennessee-Martin at 1 p.m. All

coaches who attend the clinic will receive a voucher for free admission to the game for themselves and a guest.

The clinic is free of charge, and registration will begin at 8 a.m. Any questions should be directed to Miles Noland in the UK baseball offices at miles.noland@uky.edu or 859/257-6495.

**Belfry**

Betsy Layne, a team without any seniors, showed much promise for next season and

beyond. The Cassandra Akers-coached Ladycats finished the latest campaign 18-11.

Taylor Hott led Betsy Layne in scoring, finishing with 16 points. Lawson followed with 11 points for the Ladycats. Megan Hamilton and Krista Flanery followed with 10 points apiece for Betsy Layne.

In the nightcap Wednesday night, Pikeville defeated Magoffin County 59-51 in the final opening round game of the regional tournament. Matt Clevenger scored 18 points and Daniel Harmon flipped in 16 as Pikeville (17-11) advanced to the semifinals and

a game against Allen Central, a first round winner over Phelps.

Pikeville outscored Magoffin County 16-7 in the opening quarter and went on to maintain a lead at the end of each period.

Devin Rice led the Hornets with 17 points. Eric Arnett added 14 points for Magoffin County (15-16). The Hornets entered the regional tournament as 57th District champs.

15th Region Tournament at East Kentucky Expo Center  
 GIRLS: BELFRY 75, BETSY LAYNE 51  
 BELFRY (18-10) - Deskins 19, Moon 15, Pruitt 22, Robinette 3, Thacker 12, Staten 4.

BETSY LAYNE (18-11) -

Martin 2, Hamilton 10, Flanery 10, Lawson 11, Hott 16, McKinney 2.  
 Belfry.....18 13 21 23-75  
 BL.....11 19 9 12-51

BOYS: PIKEVILLE 59, MAGOFFIN COUNTY 51  
 PIKEVILLE (17-11) - Harmon 16, Honaker 7, Sword 5, Clevenger 18, Adams 4, Bell 8, Clark 1.  
 MAGOFFIN COUNTY (15-16) - E. Arnett 14, N. Arnett 2, Rice 17, Hunley 2, Fletcher 3, Sparks 3, Francis 9, LeMaster 1.  
 Pikeville.....16 11 9 23-59  
 Magoffin.....7 13 13 18-51

**Rebels**

Central-Pikeville game is set for 8 p.m.

In an earlier girls' game played Tuesday night, Magoffin County rolled past East Ridge, winning 78-49.

After taking an 18-16 lead out of the opening quarter, Magoffin County put some considerable distance between itself and East Ridge. Magoffin County led 42-28 at halftime and outscored East Ridge 27-15 in the third quarter.

Ashley Howard paced Magoffin County with 21 points. Michaela Howard followed closely with 20 points for the Lady Hornets. Brittany

Manns also reached double figures for Magoffin County, adding 18 points in the regional tournament win.

Caitlyn Conley and Hollie McCarty led East Ridge with 14 points apiece. Lucy Belcher followed with 10 points for the Lady Warriors.

BOYS: ALLEN CENTRAL 87, PHELPS 59  
 PHELPS (18-8) - Gannon 10, Hunt 20, Stiltner 9, R. Dotson 11, Sullivan 4, B. Workman 1, Blankenship 2, Hager 2.  
 ALLEN CENTRAL (23-7) - Collins 37, Slone 5, Prater 13, Hammonds 10, Martin 15, Robinson 3, Joseph 2, L.

Crowder 2.  
 Phelps.....12 23 12 12-59  
 AC.....27 12 25 23-87

GIRLS: MAGOFFIN CO. 78, EAST RIDGE 49  
 EAST RIDGE (10-20) - Ratliff 4, Conley 14, McCarty 14, Swindall 2, Belcher 10, Sawyers 5.  
 MAGOFFIN COUNTY (28-3) - Manns 18, A. Howard 21, Hall 4, M. Howard 20, Powers 6, Adams 4, Minix 5.  
 ER.....16 12 15 6-49  
 Magoffin.....18 24 27 9-78

**Valley**

James Michael Lafferty added three for the Bobcats.

Betsy Layne finished its season 11-18.

"These kids worked hard all season long," commented Betsy Layne Coach Brent Rose. "They gave a great effort against Shelby Valley. I'm proud of them."

15th Region Tournament at East Kentucky Expo Center  
 SHELBY VALLEY 45, BETSY LAYNE 43  
 BETSY LAYNE (11-18) - Case 12, Collins 4, Lafferty 3, Keathley 5, Witt 10, Newman 9.

SHELBY VALLEY (27-3) - E. Justice 10, Bryant 2, Hatfield 4, Newsome 6, Bryant 13, J. Justice 6, Wright 2, Jackson 2.  
 BL.....10 9 11 13-43  
 SV.....8 16 9 12-45

**Baseball Eagles post 7-2 win over Marshall**

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MOREHEAD - Excellent pitching and timely hitting propelled Morehead State to a 7-2 win over Marshall Wednesday afternoon at Allen Field. The four-game week-end series with Canisius will now begin with a 1 p.m. EST doubleheader today, followed

by a 1 p.m. EST single game on Saturday and a noon EDT single game on Sunday.

MSU starter Henry Mabee (1-2), who pitched six and a third innings and allowed five singles and one run, struck out six and picked up the win. Mark Rhodes pitched an inning and two-thirds and gave up one hit and one run. Tyler Bess pitched a perfect ninth inning.

Eagle outfielders Dustin Miles and Trent Hanna each had two runs batted in. Hanna had three hits, including MSU's only extra base hit, a

double. Shortstop Nick Nail, the OVC Player of the Week, continued his hot streak at the plate with two hits in three at bats.

Marshall starter Alan Gentry (0-1) pitched three innings, allowed two runs and suffered the loss. Designated hitter Jeff Rowley and pinch hitter Josh Valle had RBIs for the Herd.

Morehead State, after setting a school record with nine stolen bases in Sunday's game against Oakland, added eight more steals on Wednesday.

**ATHLETES OF THE WEEK**



Taylor Hott, Betsy Layne Basketball



Ryan Collins, Allen Central Basketball

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SEEING THE COURT: Betsy Layne freshman Megan Hamilton dribbled the basketball up the floor Wednesday in the regional tournament game.

photo by Steve LeMaster

# Senior's perfect game precedes freshman's first win in DH sweep

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

**PIPPA PASSES** – Pitcher Kelley Neace added another notch in her hall-of-fame resume on Tuesday afternoon when she pitched a perfect game to open a doubleheader sweep of Alice Lloyd.

The Lady Bears supported Neace beautifully, winning the game 9-0. The nightcap was also significant, as the state's winningest high school pitcher picked up her first collegiate victory in a 17-0 shutout.

Neace (2-1), a senior from Perry County, took care of the ALC hitters nearly all on her own, recording 10 of the 15 outs on strikeouts. In fact, only two balls left the infield in the win.

A three-sport athlete who has also bowled and played volleyball during her career at Pikeville College, Neace had been named all-conference twice and was honorable

men- tion as well in softball.



**Terri Mullins**

Pikeville (3-2) blew the game open with six in the first in a rally that began with a hit batsman. Four singles followed with a walk and another hit batsman ending a run of seven consecutive batters reaching base.

The Lady Bears added one in the fourth and two more in the fifth.

Junior Heather Robbins had two

hits, scored one and drove one in, with senior Anna Bevins adding a pair of hits, including a double, and an RBI. Melinda Ratliff, Terri Mullins, Krista Kouns, Kelsey Mullen, Cortney Bentley and Cindy Varney all added hits.

The nightcap saw Bentley, a freshman from Robinson Creek, get her first collegiate win after rolling up 132 in her storied high school career at Shelby Valley. In going the distance, she struck out seven and allowed only a pair of singles to the

overmatched Lady Eagles.

Mullins, a junior from Martin, had four hits including a triple, drove in four and scored three in the win, while Kouns had four hits including a double and drove in four. Mullen Katie Parsley had two safeties each, while Ratliff, Bevins, and Conley added hits.

Pikeville College will be at home this weekend when they host King College on Saturday at 1 p.m. and Shawnee State Sunday at 2.

# OUSTED: Tigers, Lady Tigers tumble

**by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR**

**PIKEVILLE** – The Paintsville Tigers and Lady Tigers bowed out of the 15th Region Tournament on Monday night. Both teams, runner-up finishers out of the 57th District, finished with winning seasons. Belfry defeated the Tigers 71-66. Shelby Valley topped the Lady Tigers 61-52. More on each game follows.

Belfry 71, Paintsville 66: Belfry outscored the Tigers in the first and third quarters en route to the win. The Pirates led 18-15 at the conclusion of the opening quarter. Paintsville, however, was able to battle back, leading

34-32 at halftime. The Pirates went back out in front for good in the third quarter, outscoring Paintsville 19-12.

Senior Jamie Case led Belfry with a game-high 24 points. Dustin May followed with 24 points for the Pirates.

JD VanHoose led Paintsville with 21 points., Van Ferguson scored 14 points, Blake Bundy netted 10 and Shane Grimm added nine. Paintsville standout Landon Slone was held to eight points.

Shelby Valley 61, Paintsville 52: Esther Fleming poured in a game-high 29 points and Sally Roberts scored 16 as Shelby Valley defeated the Paintsville Lady Tigers.

Paintsville led 26-25 at halftime. Shelby Valley was the aggressor in the second half, outscoring the Lady Tigers 18-10 in the third quarter.

Western Carolina University signee Kendra Carroll paced Paintsville with 25 points. Jesikah Russell added 14 points for the Lady Tigers.

Paintsville, the defending 15th Region All "A" Classic champion, ended its season 16-11.

**15th Region Tournament at East Kentucky Expo Center**

Boys: Belfry 71, Paintsville 66  
PAINTSVILLE (20-10) – Slone 8, Ferguson 14, Grimm 9, VanHoose

21, Bundy 10, Meade 4.  
BELFRY (24-7) – Steele 12, May 22, Farley 7, Case 24, Warren 6.  
Paintsville.....15 19 12 20-66  
Belfry.....18 14 19 20-71

Girls: Shelby Valley 61, Paintsville 52  
PAINTSVILLE (16-11) – Russell 14, L. Carroll 8, K. Carroll 25, Jarrell 5.  
SHELBY VALLEY (24-3) – Cantrell 3, Roberts 16, Perkins 6, Fleming 29, C. Smallwood 7.  
Paintsville.....8 18 10 16-52  
Shelby Valley....14 11 18 18-61



photo by Steve LeMaster  
Western Carolina signee Kendra Carroll scored 25 points as Paintsville fell to Shelby Valley.

# Pike Central eliminates Lady Blackcats

**by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR**

**PIKEVILLE** – Pike County Central ended a postseason run for the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats Monday night in the opening round of the 15th Region Tournament at the East Kentucky Expo Center. The region runner-up from last season, Pike County Central outscored Prestonsburg in every quarter and defeated the Lady Blackcats 60-31.

Prestonsburg, plagued by injuries throughout much of the campaign, ended the season 10-19.

Haley Ratliff paced Pike County Central with a game-high 15 points. Ratliff was one of three players to reach double figures for the Lady Hawks. AD Slone pushed in 11 points and Kayla Lowe added 10 for Pike County Central.

Eight different Lady Hawks broke into the scoring column in the regional tournament game.

Pike County Central controlled the flow of the game. The Lady Hawks

outscored Prestonsburg 16-10 in the opening quarter and led 36-14 at half-time.

Julianne Frye and Amber Whitaker led Prestonsburg with 10 points apiece. Linsey Fields added six points for the Lady Blackcats. Rikki Hughes and Hannah Fitzpatrick aided the Prestonsburg scoring effort with two points apiece. Nikki Bradley rounded out the Lady Blackcat scoring with a successful free throw.

Pike Central owned a 52-24 lead at the end of the third quarter.

**15th Region Tournament at East Kentucky Expo Center**

PIKE CO. CENTRAL 60, PRESTONSBURG 31  
PRESTONSBURG (10-19) – Frye 10, Whitaker 10, Hughes 2, Fields 6, Fitzpatrick 2, N. Bradley 1.  
PIKE CO. CENTRAL (18-10) – Harris 6, K. Ratliff 7, H. Ratliff 15, Lowe 10, Slone 11, Mullins 7, Coleman 3, Robinson 1.  
Prestonsburg.....10 4 10 7-31  
Pike Co. Central.....16 19 17 8-60



Prestonsburg Coach Jack Pack gave instructions to his team during a timeout.

photo by Jamie Howell

# 14th REGION: Leslie KOs KCC in OT

**by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR**

**HINDMAN** – The Leslie County Lady Eagles survived and advanced Tuesday night in the 14th Region Tournament at Knott County Central. Leslie County outscored host Knott County Central 11-5 in overtime and pulled away to beat the Lady Patriots 58-52. With the win, Leslie County (23-5) advanced to the regional tournament semifinals. By losing, Knott County Central was ousted from the postseason.

Senior Ciara Stidham paced Leslie County with a team-high 19 points. Beth Lewis, another Leslie County senior, added 12 points. Seven different Lady Eagles scored in the 14th Region Tournament opener.

Knott County Central freshman guard Sammy King kept the Lady Patriots alive in regulation, hitting a three-pointer at the buzzer to force the extra session.

Both teams battled back and forth.

Leslie County faced a deficit at half-time and the conclusion of the third quarter.

The two teams were deadlocked at 10-10 at the end of the opening quarter.

Knott County Central outscored the Lady Eagles 19-16 in the second quarter and took a 29-26 lead into halftime. The Lady Patriots led 39-36 at the end of the third quarter.

Leslie County, the 54th District champion, limited Knott County Central in the fourth quarter, outscoring the Lady Patriots 11-8 before the game entered an extra session.

Megan Mosley paced Knott County Central with a game-high 28 points. Kendra Thomas followed with 14 points for the Lady Patriots. King, Knott County Central's hero in regulation, finished with six points. Beth Wooton, Whitney Boggs and Hillary Moore each had seven points for the Lady Eagles. Kim Lewis scored four points and Meghan Bailey added two for Leslie County.

In Tuesday's other 14th Region girls' tournament game, Breathitt County defeated Powell County 87-58. The Lady Eagles will meet Breathitt County Friday night at 8 p.m. in the tournament semifinals. The other semifinal game will pit Perry County Central against Letcher County Central. Tipoff for the Letcher County Central is slated for 6:30 p.m. The regional tournament championship game is set for Saturday at 7 p.m.

**14TH REGION TOURNAMENT AT KNOTT COUNTY CENTRAL**

LESLIE COUNTY 58, KNOTT CO. CENTRAL 52 (OT)  
LESLIE COUNTY (23-5) – B. Lewis 12, Stidham 19, Wooton 7, K. Lewis 4, W. Boggs 7, Bailey 2, Moore 7.  
KNOTT COUNTY CENTRAL (11-16) – M. Mosley 28, Pratt 1, Thomas 14, King 6, Slone 3.  
Leslie County....10 16 10 11 11-58  
Knott Central....10 19 10 8 5-52

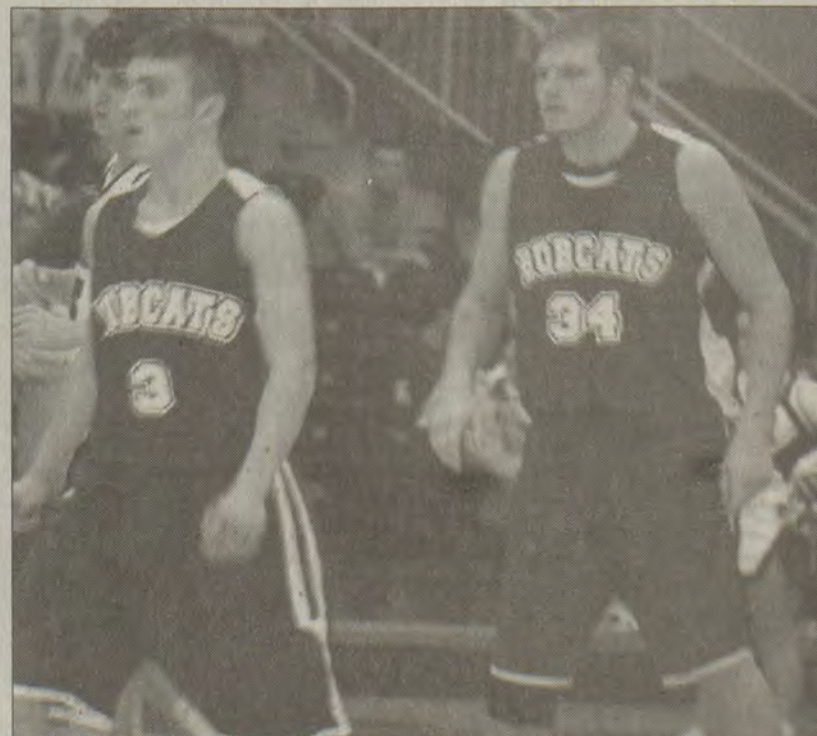
# BETSY LAYNE BOBCATS



photos by Steve LeMaster  
Betsy Layne finished runner-up in the 58th District for a second straight year. James Michael Lafferty (23), Brennan Case (3) and Jerrod Newman (34) will all return next season for the Bobcats.



photo by Steve LeMaster  
**POSTSEASON VISION:** Allen Central Coach Johnny Martin, assistant coaches and players looked on during Tuesday's regional tournament opening round game versus Phelps.



## Baseball Eagles play in cold, snow

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES – The Alice Lloyd College Eagle baseball team continued early season play last weekend as it hosted Taylor University (Ind.) and Mt. Saint Joseph (Ohio). The Eagles were supposed to play Taylor on Friday, but the game was postponed until Monday because of rain. On Saturday, they lost a doubleheader to Taylor, 8-4 and 5-3. In the first game, Justin Woodard was the starting and losing pitcher for the Eagles. Robert Smith had a single and a triple. Matthew Toney had a 2-RBI single and Lamar Williams had a single. In the second game, Travis Slusher was the starting and losing pitcher for the Eagles.

On Sunday afternoon, after snow was removed from the field, the

Eagles hosted Mt. Saint Joseph on a cold and windy day. They lost both games, falling 9-4 and 11-2. Lamar Williams was the starting and losing pitcher in the opener. Smith had two more hits. Chase Cornett had an RBI single. Tyler Turner, a freshman from Allen Central High School, had a single and Carlos Armenteros had an RBI double. In the second game, Williams had a single and 2 RBIs. Caleb Hall also picked up a hit. Kyle Potter was the starting and losing pitcher.

This week, the Eagles had makeup games with Taylor University on Monday. This weekend, ALC will travel to Southwest Virginia Community College for doubleheaders on Saturday and Sunday.

The Alice Lloyd College Lady Eagle softball team began its season

with a doubleheader at Indiana University-Southeast last Friday. The Lady Eagles lost the first game 11-0. Elisabeth Hartley was the pitcher of record. Misty Wells had the only hit for ALC. In the second game, the Lady Eagles lost 10-0. Lauren Combs had the only hit in the game for ALC. Krista Hardy was starting and losing pitcher. The Lady Eagles were scheduled to play at Spalding University on Saturday; however, the game was postponed due to snow.

Several members of the ALC men's basketball team and the cheer-leading team visited McDowell Elementary last Thursday as a part of the Dr. Seuss reading day at the school. The visit was organized by Kristi Crum, ALC cheerleading coach and teacher at the school.



ALC student-athletes visited McDowell Elementary last week.

## BASEBALL: Bears take two from Berea in Diamond Classic

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BEREA – The Pikeville College baseball team got back to its winning ways last Friday, sweeping the host Berea Mountaineers in the first two games of the 2007 Diamond Classic at Mountaineer Field. The Bears pounded out a season-high 13 hits en route to a 15-11 in game one then held Berea to two hits, winning the nightcap 10-0.

The wins improved the Bears to 4-5-1 on the season.

The Bears' offense had been stagnant in recent games, but Pikeville came out storming in the top of the first inning. Thanks to five walks and a hit-batsman, the Bears built a 4-0 lead.

An error and a passed ball led to

three more Pikeville runs in the top of the second. After the Mountaineers got on the board with a run-scoring single by Justin Hammons in their half of the second, Pikeville got two more runs on a Berea error and an RBI-single by sophomore catcher Josh Adams (Pikeville).

With a 9-1 lead it seemed that the Bears had the game wrapped up. But Berea would have none of that, scoring two runs in the bottom of the fifth.

Pikeville answered with two runs of its own in the top of the sixth, thanks to an RBI-groundout by freshman first sacker Kevin Fleming (Logan, W.Va.) and a run-scoring single by freshman third baseman Keenan Muncie (Stanton).

Still, the Mountaineers would not

go away, scoring four runs in the bottom of the sixth, cutting the Pikeville lead to 11-7. But a two-run double by Adams, followed by an RBI-single by sophomore shortstop Obed Quiles (Naranjito, Puerto Rico) padded the lead to 14-7. Quiles would then come around on an RBI-single by freshman Ryan Jones (Haysi, Va.).

But no game is over till it's over, as three Pikeville errors in the bottom of the seventh led to four unearned Berea runs. With runners on second and third and two men out, freshman closer Justin Potter (Flatwoods) induced a groundout to finally end the game, which had taken more than three and a half hours to complete.

The win went to senior southpaw Jordan Compton (Bee, Va.). Compton (1-0) went 4-2/3 innings and gave up

three earned runs on nine hits, while striking out a season-high 10 batters. Potter earned his first collegiate save by not allowing an earned run over the last inning and two-thirds.

The Bears' offense was paced by Adams and Quiles, who each had three hits and three runs scored. Sophomore Ryan Bartolon (Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio) also scored three runs in the victory.

In the nightcap the Bears got on the board early once again, as junior John Williamson (Canada) brought in senior leadoff hitter Donald Tardy (Ellenwood, Ga.) with a sacrifice fly in the top of the first.

The one run proved to be enough for junior lefty Matt DeBlauw (Broadview Heights, Ohio), who did not let a runner get past second base

all night.

The Bears added four runs in the top of the third, thanks to four consecutive two-out singles, and padded the lead in the top of the fifth on an RBI-single by Fleming and a two-run single by Muncie.

The Bears added two unearned runs in the top of the seventh, giving them the sweep.

DeBlauw (2-1) went six innings of two-hit ball, striking out nine. Freshman reliever Justin Criswell (Grayson) struck out two in the final inning to preserve the two-hitter.

Fleming and freshman catcher Kory Darby (Worthington) each had three hits, while freshman Maverick Barnhill (Grayson) had team-high three runs scored in the win.

## UK trustees doubt they'll weigh in on basketball coach

by JEFFREY McMURRAY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON – Several members of the University of Kentucky's Board of Trustees expressed reluctance Tuesday to wade into any decision about the future of head basketball coach Tubby Smith.

Board chairman James Hardyman said the matter should be left to Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart and the school's athletics board. He said the trustees, however, are generally opposed to big contract buyouts – and Smith could be owed around \$4 million if his employment were terminated.

"The board is a big fan of honoring

contracts," Hardyman said. "With our organization of 12,000 employees, the board would be crazy to get involved in any one thing like that."

Smith is in his 10th season coaching the Wildcats. While the team's 20-10 record almost certainly will fetch an NCAA tournament berth, college basketball's winningest all-time team has failed to make the Final Four since its national championship run in 1998, Smith's first season.

Last week, Barnhart heightened speculation about Smith's future with a statement acknowledging fans' disappointment but urging them against

making any evaluations until after the postseason tournaments. University President Lee Todd said in an interview he thought the statement was appropriate.

"I don't like to predict the future," Todd said. "I'm going to let Mitch – he is the professional in this area, working with Tubby – come up with a recommendation for me at the end of the season. We do it every year. We always evaluate every year. I think the fans just need to hang in there with us."

The Board of Trustees met Tuesday, but didn't discuss Smith. Of the six trustees interviewed by The

Associated Press after the meeting, only Billy Wilcoxson predicted the trustees would get involved in a decision about Smith.

"I'm sure we will," Wilcoxson said, but didn't elaborate.

Trustee Russ Williams declined to say whether he backed Smith but insisted it not be a matter for the board.

"I assure you I wouldn't have a thing to say about that," Williams said. "That's an athletics department issue that would not require board action."

Smith's strongest support came from trustees Erwin Roberts and Jonah Brown, a student on the board. Both said the trustees shouldn't get involved but that they personally

believe Smith should stay.

"Coach Smith has proved himself beyond measure," Brown said. "There's no reason for the board to have any involvement. Teams have good and bad seasons. This team has still had a pretty good season. It wouldn't be anything I would support."

Another trustee, Jeffrey Dembo, said he hasn't sensed any push by the board to weigh in.

"I don't think it rises to the extent of board involvement," Dembo said. "It involves management decisions, not policy decisions."

Kentucky was facing Alabama Thursday in the first round of the Southeastern Conference tournament.



Tubby Smith

## BMS names 30 fans to serve on inaugural Advisory Board

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. – Bristol Motor Speedway, on Monday, named 30 members to its inaugural Fan Advisory Board. Geared toward better serving the hundreds of thousands of spectators who visit the Speedway each year, the board will communicate with other fans and BMS management to further strengthen Bristol's commitment to being the most fan-friendly venue in racing.

A total of 1,588 applicants from 41 states and Canada vied for the 30 positions on the Fan Advisory Board. Those selected represent 18 states and Canada.

"The large quantity of applications we received goes to show that fans care about their experience at Bristol Motor Speedway," said BMS

Director of Marketing Ben Trout, who leads the committee overseeing the board activity. "We're looking forward to the enhanced fan interaction the board will provide, and even more so we will anticipate the results it will produce."

The Board consists of a healthy demographic cross-section of loyal fans which will communicate with other fans to provide feedback and offer new ideas to BMS management. The goal is for this communication to aid in the growth and development of the Speedway and its ability to exceed expectations by delivering the ultimate fan experience.

As always, BMS management will continue to be available for direct communication and correspondence with fans. The FAB will simply increase the level of communication

and will provide BMS with an immediate sounding board in which to solicit fan opinions, ideas and suggestions, all with the best interest of the fan experience in mind.

Via online message boards and annual meetings, the Fan Advisory Board will target visible issues, identify challenges and present ideas to enhance and better the "Bristol Experience." To insure all fans have the opportunity to play an active role, those who are not a part of the board will be able to directly communicate with FAB members by utilizing the online message board.

Correspondence and meetings will include Bristol senior level management to ensure all action items are executed in the vision of the fans and the board. Board members will serve a term of one year.

The FAB meetings will take place during NASCAR event weekends at Bristol Motor Speedway for board members in attendance. The online message board will serve as an ongoing open line of communication and involvement/activity is unlimited. Throughout the year, a series of teleconferences also will take place in which board members will actively participate in meetings via phone.

Members of the 2007 Board are, in alphabetical order, Daniel Barry (Oxford, Mass.), Will Daniels (Coldiron, Ken.), Gail Ervin (Columbia, Tenn.), Gloria Flucks (Wyandotte, Mich.), Larry Funderburk (Algood, Tenn.), Rebecca Goggins (Alabaster, Ala.), Richard Hughes (Manquin, Va.), Scott Holdren (Coeymans, N.Y.), Chris Huddleston (Bristol, Tenn.),

Lorna Ivey (Eclectic, Ala.), Evelyn Kelly (Long Branch, N.J.), Debbie Lamb (Glasford, Ill.), David Martus (Dyer, Ind.), Catherine McCause (Martinez, Calif.), James McDonough (Camlachie, Ont.), Michael Payte, Jr. (Branson, Mo.), Tim Puccetti (Bridgeville, Penn.), Beverly Ramsey (Mars Hill, N.C.), David Riel (Fort Recovery, Ohio), Joe Ruch (Grand Rapids, Mich.), Richard Snider (Waynesboro, Va.), Chris Taylor (Mt. Carmel, Ill.), Stanley Taylor (Kennesaw, Ga.), Douglas Titera (Ladysmith, Wisc.), Louis Urschel (Marietta, Ohio), Alma Vance (Bluff City, Tenn.), Taylor Vaughn (Galax, Va.), Loretta Webster (Hernando, Miss.), Lisa Whiteside (Pleasant Prairie, Wisc.) and Scott Wisemandle (Dayton, Ohio).

## Sunoco Bracket Series Open House set for Saturday at Bristol Dragway

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. – The 2006 Sunoco Bracket Series champions will begin defending their titles when the Sunoco Thunder Valley Shootouts Open House takes place Saturday, March 10 from noon to 4 p.m. The Open House signals the beginning of the 2007 season and gives competitors an opportunity to prepare their machines for the upcoming year.

Racers will be able to meet with Bristol Dragway staff and officials, have their cars inspected, and purchase pit parking spaces and Thunder Valley Shootouts Club memberships. Competitors will also be able to have their chassis certified for the 2007 season.

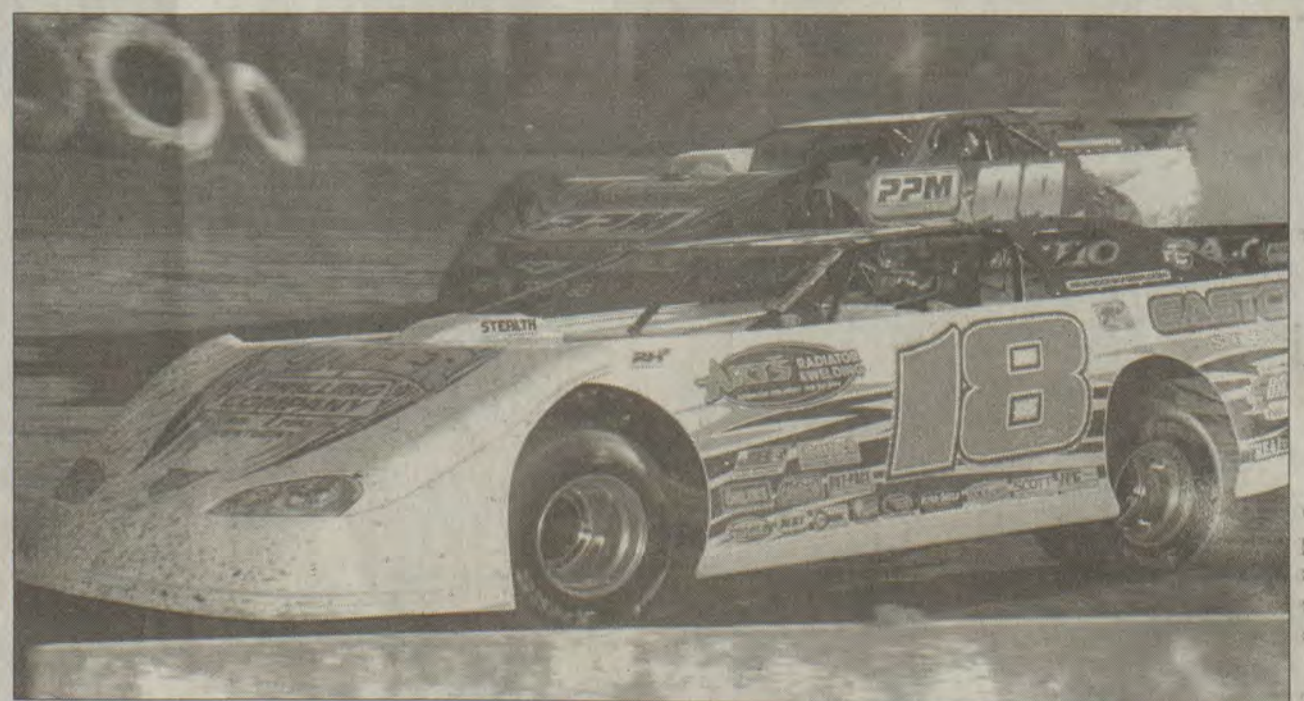
Non-renewed pit parking spaces, which measure 16' x 80', will be sold for \$125 on the day of the Open House. Thunder Valley Shootouts Club memberships will be sold to each class for \$40. Membership in the Thunder Valley Shootouts Club includes a Dragway t-shirt, NHRA

rulebook, Bristol Dragway rules and policies manual, and a Thunder Valley Shootouts membership card and sticker. Being a member of the Shootout Club also qualifies racers for special purses throughout the season.

For those who cannot get enough racing action, spectator season passes will be on sale at the Open House for only \$100. The season pass, being offered for the first time, will save spectators \$50.

In addition, Bristol Dragway will hold test and tune sessions for all classes on Friday, March 30 and Friday, April 6. The cost to participate in each test and tune is \$20 for cars and \$10 for junior dragsters. Spectators can take in the action for \$5.

A non-points season opener will kick-off the season on Saturday, March 31. The 2007 Sunoco Thunder Valley Shootouts season consists of 14 points-paying races and concludes with a non-points "King of the Track" event on Sunday, Sept. 9.



ON DIRT: Brandon Kinzer claimed a 14th-place finish Sunday in an OSAS race at Cherokee SuperSpeedway.

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### THROUGH MY EYES

## Sunny shores, icy hills

by Kathy J. Prater  
FEATURES EDITOR



Kathy Prater  
Lifestyles editor

Well, first off, dear readers, this week has been almost as busy as the three prior when I have opted to share email funnies with you in this column space. Almost as busy, but not quite, so I suppose I am now obligated to shake the cobwebs from my brain and chase the day-dreams from my mind and share a few original thoughts with those of you who so graciously take the time to tell me that you actually read, and enjoy, my little ramblings.

Let's see, first off, I believe I may have promised to bring you up-to-date on my niece Laillie's visit home to eastern Kentucky from those golden shores of California upon which she chooses to take residence. First off, it was, as always, a delight to have her

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Pictured are the cancer survivors who agreed to share their stories on the newly released DVD, "Cancer: Preventable, Treatable, Beatable," along with Ken Carriere and Theresa Scott, who helped to produce it. Front row, left to right: Hollie Blanton, Garnett Fairchild, and Rosalie Burchett. Back row, left to right: Ken Carriere, Goodytime Productions, John Crisp, Kathy Justice, Shirley Davis, Carolyn Lambert, and Theresa Scott, Floyd County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences. Rev. Mark Wahl, who also appears on the DVD, was unable to attend.

photo by Angie Carriere

## Floyd County Cancer Coalition unveils DVD with message of hope, survival

Kathy J. Prater  
FEATURES EDITOR

Recognizing that Floyd County is among the top five for the highest number of new cancer cases each year, as well as among the top five in mortality rates for those who have cancer, the Floyd County Cancer Coalition realized that something needed to be done to help educate eastern Kentucky citizens in regard to the disease.

"We wanted to do something to get information out to the people," said Theresa Scott, Floyd County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences and directive head of the cancer coalition. With the help of local doctors, health care organizations and some brave survivors who agreed to share their stories of cancer diagnosis, their fight against the disease and ultimate triumph, the coalition was able to produce an informative outreach DVD entitled, "Cancer: Preventable, Treatable, Beatable."

With filming beginning in October, 2006, the DVD was ready to unveil to the public last week. Focusing on a faith-based initiative, Scott's office premiered the video to representatives of local churches, as well as representatives of local health care communities, at a luncheon event held Friday, March 2, at the Floyd County Extension Office.

"We decided to focus on getting the word out to local churches," Scott said, "because we have such a great number of churches in the area...what better way to reach people than through their churches."

Participating in the filming of the video were local doctors Dr. Blake Burchett and Dr. Angela Maggard, who both stressed the importance of preventative care and early diagnosis with cancer-related illnesses. But the real "stars" of the video were the brave individuals who agreed to tell their stories on camera, hoping to send a message of hope to all those who believe that cancer is an automatic death sentence. "I feel I've helped a lot of people," said Garnett Fairchild, one of the survivors featured on the DVD. "I've gone early to the hospital to see people who are getting ready to have an operation. Many times, they will be crying. I ask them, 'Why are you crying?' and they tell me, 'Because I have cancer. I'm going to die.' And I look at them and say, 'Well, I didn't die.' And I tell them my story, of being a cancer survivor for 35 years now...and when I leave, they aren't crying anymore. They have hope."

According to the producers of the "Cancer: Preventable, Treatable, Beatable" DVD, there is much hope to be had in today's sophisticated means of waging war against a disease that still

instills dread in the general public. With early diagnosis and a preventative care routine that includes prostate exams, mammograms, colonoscopies, and PAP screenings, the odds for beating the disease are very high. "The important thing is to get yourself tested," said Scott.

"If we can help to prevent cancer and to save

Rosalie Burchett, John Crisp, Shirley Davis, Garnett Fairchild, Kathy Justice, and Sister Carolyn Lambert.

Those who helped to sponsor the production of the DVD include: Big Sandy Health Care, Floyd County Health Department, Highlands Regional Medical Center, McDowell ARH, Our Lady of the



photo by Angie Carriere

Each survivor was presented with a framed portrait as thanks for their participation in the producing of the educational video.

lives through this effort, then it has been worth everything," she continued.

The "Cancer: Preventable, Treatable, Beatable" DVD and accompanying materials are available to local churches inside and outside of Floyd County by calling the extension office at 886-2668 or by emailing Theresa Scott at: tmscott@uky.edu.

Those survivors who appeared on camera to tell their personal stories include: Hollie Blanton,

Way Hospital, Christian Appalachian Project, the KY Cancer Program, members of the Floyd County Cancer Coalition, and the sisters of the Mt. Tabor Benedictine community.

The video was produced by Goodytime Productions and Ken Fugate Productions.

The producers wish to extend special thanks to the Markey Cancer Center, ACCODP Project, funded by the Appalachian Regional Commission.

### DINNER DIVA

## Pantry perk-up

by Leanne Ely

Spring is starting to spring here in North Carolina—the red buds are budding, the Bradford pear trees are almost there and it's starting to warm up! I adore the spring.



Leanne Ely

And while I am not a believer in spring cleaning, I will tell you that my pantry could sure use a dose of it! Open the door to my pantry and you'll see what I mean. I am going to have to set my timer for 15 minutes more than once to get it straightened out.

How's your pantry looking? Do you have five cans of tuna scattered about the cupboard instead of all stacked up together? Can you find cereal boxes here, there and everywhere? How about your staples, like flour, sugar, baking

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### FLY LADY

## There's no place like home

by Marla Cilley

What is it about traveling that brings out the frowns and sad looks on people's faces? You hardly ever see smiles and happy faces in an airport. After spending the last six days on the road and in the air it is good to get home.

There is no place like home unless your home is cluttered and filled with

CHAOS! Years ago, I would do anything that I could to get away from home. Now I know that I was running from my home because it was so cluttered that I could not stand to be there. Everywhere I looked, I was reminded of my own incompetence and laziness. I hated being there, so every chance I got I ran to escape the pain that I suffered while I was there. As a result, it got worse.

Then Robert and I married. I had a houseful of clutter and so did he and then we went to estate auctions and bought more. Clutter, clutter everywhere and not a place to sit! It was

awful. I was always making great plans to remodel and get rid of the green shag carpet and yucky kitchen cabinets. We would go to dinner and draw out these elaborate plans only to push them aside because I felt that since I could not keep the house clean as it was that I knew it would be impossible with a bigger house. Robert was always supportive and didn't even expect me to cook, clean or even do laundry. His comment was that his arm wasn't broke and if it bothered him he would do it himself. Well, this made me feel even worse. Here was this wonderful man that deserved to be

spoiled and I couldn't even keep clean underwear in his drawers. That is when I started to figure out what was going on with me and why I always had trouble with keeping house.

As I have told you many times, it all started with that shiny sink. I had to build one habit at a time and keeping the sink shining was my first and most important habit. This is why your first assignment is to shine your sink. From that one shining sink, clean swept through our home like a white knight on a horse. It was not instantaneous, but after 4 months we were really beginning to see a difference in the



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# Family Medicine

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# Tight control of diabetes provides long-lasting benefits

**Q**uestion: My friend and I both have type II diabetes. When we compare notes on our care, we have found that her blood sugar is much higher than mine. It gets as high as 185 after meals. She says her doctor is afraid she will have hypoglycemia (low blood sugar). My doctor says I should try to keep my sugar as close to normal as possible. Whose doctor is right?

**A**nswer: Management of any illness can vary from patient to patient and doc-

tor to doctor, but several studies have shown that tight glucose control can delay or even prevent the complications of diabetes. People who keep their blood sugar in the same ranges as a person who is not diabetic will benefit in the short term and long term as well.

The immediate benefits of "normal" blood sugar levels are that you feel better and that you no longer have symptoms associated with high blood sugar, such as thirst, frequent urination, fatigue, hunger and blurred vision. The long-term complications

of diabetes can have serious ramifications. They can cause irreversible illness and shorten your life. High blood sugar damages your kidneys, heart, blood vessels and nerves. Once that damage has occurred, it cannot be undone.

So what should your sugar be? Your fasting morning sugar should be less than 105 milligrams per deciliter. In a non-diabetic, normal non-fasting sugar is between 70 and 120 mg/dl. If you are a diabetic, your sugar should be between 90 and 130 before meals, less than 180 two hours after eating, and less than 160 at bedtime. Some sources are a little more stringent. They want 135 two hours after eating and 120 before bedtime. Even using the more lenient guideline, you can see that your sugar should never be over 180.

Also, your at-home blood sugar readings should correlate with the hemoglobin A1C at your doctor's office. It, too, should be close to normal, which is less than 7.

There are many new medications on the market for the management of type II diabetes. There are pills and shots. You should ask your doctor how often you should check your sugar. If he or she is not recommending frequent checks, you may want to ask why. There are some patients for whom such tight control is not generally recommended. Older people, those with complications from diabetes or heart disease, children, and people who are prone to low blood sugar reactions may need a different level of control. But for most of us, tight control will provide long-lasting benefits.

Finally, you may find it beneficial to meet with a diabetes educator. They can answer your questions about diet and control, and they can work with your doctor to get optimal blood sugar control for you.

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## School Happenings

**\*\*March 10 - Fun Fair for New & Expectant Parents, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., at MAC. Free to Floyd County new parents (child up to 1 year) and expectant parents.\*\***

### Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

**\*\*AMS is collecting Food City receipts! Receipts may be given to any AMS student or dropped off at the school office.**

■ "Get Moving AMS," an exercise/nutrition program for students will meet on Wednesdays, during the month of March. Heather Nelson, Floyd County 4-H Agent, will facilitate. Interested students may sign up in the YSC.

■ March 14 - YSC Advisory Council will meet at 4 p.m., in the center. All are invited.

■ March 19 thru 23 - Spring Book Fair. Parent volunteers who wish to assist may call 886-1297.

■ March 22 - Parent Support Group meeting for AMS and Clark parent/guardians, 8:30 a.m., in YSC office. Refreshments and door prizes.

■ To learn about Smarty Camp scholarships, contact the center. Smarty Camp will instruct students in art, music, drama and science, as well as providing recreational activities.

■ Exercise class for adults now in session. Classes conducted by Floyd County Health Dept. staff. Those interested may contact the center for more information.

■ Exercise class for students also being offered. Those interested may contact the center to sign-up.

■ The Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Coordinator is Michelle Keathley. Center telephone is 886-1297. Please call for information on center programs and services.

### Allen Central High School

■ March 12 - Book Fair, in library.

■ March 14 - TAG art trip to MSU.

■ March 16 - ROTC Spot Team trip.

■ March 17 - Pre-season baseball and Knott Central.

■ March 21 - Youth leadership at BSCTC.

■ March 24 - ACT workshop.

■ March 24 - Military Ball.

■ March 27 - TAG trip.

■ March 28 - Sophomores order class rings.

■ March 29 - Internet safety at ACMS, 6 p.m.

■ Center hours: 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Sharon Collins, coordinator. Telephone 358-3048. Center provides services for all families regardless of income.

### Allen Central Middle School

**\*\*Collect Food City receipts and "Box Tops for Education" and turn them in to homeroom teachers!\*\***

■ Career Decisions and Job Development videos available in YSC lending library.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center offers services to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Marilyn Bailey, center coordinator, at 358-0134.

### Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointments.

### Betsy Layne Elementary

■ Lost and Found items will be located in the center. Items not claimed within two weeks will become FRYSC property.

■ Center hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Mon. thru Fri. Center offers services to all families, regardless of income.

■ The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 7th and 8th grade wing. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550.

■ Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator.

### Clark Elementary

■ Dairy Queen coupon cards for sale - \$10 each. Contact any Clark student or call Family Resource Center for information.

■ Send Food City receipts and Box Tops for Education to school.

■ F.I.T. Club meets each Tuesday and Wednesday after school, 3:15-4:15 p.m. (Fitness activities for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students.) Focus on physical exercise and nutrition.

**\*\*Fridays are "School Spirit" days! (All year long!) Wear Clark colors (green and gold) or Clark t-shirts. Students, staff, parents - show your support for CES!!**

■ Nurse services: Floyd County Health Department nurses will be in the Resource Center on selected dates (March 8, 16, and 22). Now taking appointments for 6th grade exams, WIC, and well-child exams for birth-18 years. Flu shots may also be scheduled. Call 886-0815 for an appointment.

■ Lost and Found located in Resource Center.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building.

### Duff Elementary

**\*\*School is collecting Food City receipts again this year! Please drop off your receipts at the school, or mail them to: Duff Elementary School, P.O. Box 129, Eastern, KY 41622.**

■ Yearbooks on sale - \$22.

■ FRC is also in need of clothing, sizes 3T thru adult, for emergency clothing use and burnouts. If you have clothing to donate, please call the FRC.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is on site three days per month. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals (age birth to 18 years); T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you

are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator.

### May Valley Elementary

■ March 10 - Fun Fair for New and Expectant Parents; Mountain Arts Center; 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

■ March 12 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," at the Mountain Arts Center, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ March 12 - "Mr. Molecule," School assembly program that is 100 percent supportive of core curriculum in science.

■ March 19, 20, 21 - Program on personal hygiene.

■ March 27 - V.I.P. Parent Support Group meeting; 1-2 p.m., in library.

■ March 29 - Presentation on weather by the Jackson Weather Station.

■ March 30 - Big Sandy Singers.

■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

### McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center the first three Mondays each month 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.

■ Parent lending library available to all parents for video/book check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Family Resource Center is open weekdays, 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Center is located upstairs in the old high school building, on the McDowell Elementary School campus. For further information, call Clara Johnson, director, at 377-2678. The McDowell FRC provides services to all MES students and their families, regardless of income.

### Mountain Christian Academy

■ Call 285-5141, Mon. thru Fri., from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

■ MCA is an accredited non-denominational Christian school.

### Piarist School

■ The Piarist School is participating in the Food City "Apples for the Students" program, a school/community partnership that awards educational equipment in exchange for store register receipt tapes. More than \$250 million in needed classroom learning tools have been awarded to participating schools for FREE in recent years. The Piarist School

urges all parents and community members to support this valuable program by sending their Food City register tapes to school with their children or by dropping them off at the school office. Receipts will be collected until March 10, 2007. For more information, contact Audrey Collins at 285-3950.

### Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

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

### South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Parents needing assistance with daycare may contact Mable Hall for information, or the "A Step Ahead" daycare center, at 452-1100.

■ SFMS parents with concerns about your child's grades, visit the STI Home! site at <http://iiod.ssts.com> and click on the STI program. Select state, county, school, child's pin number and password. You may view your child's attendance record, class average, schedule, grades, and discipline referrals. Questions? Call 452-9607.

■ SFHS and SFMS will be participating in the Apples for Students program. Please save and turn in your Food City receipts.

■ Floyd County substance abuse counselor will be on the South Floyd campus half a day on Mondays and for a full day on Fridays. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

■ Call center for: list of visiting speakers and presentations to be held throughout year; to make appointments to attend Parent Volunteer Training sessions; or for information in regard to Adult Education programs.

■ Walking track open to public (track closed during special events).

■ The center has a one-stop career station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 452-9607, ext. 243 or 153.

### Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource & Youth Service Center

■ Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

■ The Mud Creek FRYSC is located on the right, by the school gymnasium. Services are offered to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Anita Tackett, center coordinator at 587-2233.

### W.D. Osborne "Rainbow Junction" Family Resource Center

■ March 13 - "Wulfe Brothers,"

1:30 p.m.  
■ March 15 - "Louie, Louie," 8:30 and 9:00 a.m.

■ March 19 - Family Read/Activity Night, 6 p.m., OES library. Please make plans to attend!

■ March 20 - "Read Together, Talk Together," parent meetings, 9:30 a.m., in Family Resource Center. Presenter: Stephanie Conn, BSCTC.

■ Monthly meetings: "Nutrition/Plan Healthy" - second Tuesday of each month, 10 a.m., in library; "OES Homemakers" - second Tuesday of each month, 11 a.m., in library.

■ Lost & Found located in the Family Resource Center. Items not claimed within 3 weeks become the property of the FRC.

■ The FRC accepts donations of children's clothing, shoes, belts, book bags, etc. May be used but need to be in good condition. Donated items will be appreciated and utilized by OES students.

■ The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. Those wishing more information about the center are welcome to visit, or call. Ask for Cissy (center coordinator), Center telephone and fax: (606) 452-4553.

### Wesley Christian School

■ WCS Learning Center accepts toddlers, preschool age (2-4). Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

### BSCTC Adult Education & GED

■ Mondays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - McDowell FRC, Martin Comm. Ctr., Auxier Learning Ctr., and BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Layne House, BSCTC; 4:30-9 p.m., Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Tuesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Dixie Apts., Betsy Layne FRYSC, BSCTC; 6-8 p.m. - Auxier Learning Ctr.

■ Wednesdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.; Auxier Learning Ctr.; BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - David Craft Center, BSCTC; 6-9 p.m. - BSCTC.

■ Thursdays: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - BSCTC, Mud Creek Clinic, Weeksbury Comm. Ctr.; 1-4:30 p.m. - BSCTC, Betsy Layne YSC, Weeksbury Comm. Ctr.; 4:30-9 p.m. - Martin Comm. Ctr.

■ Adult Education teachers are: Ron Johnson, Stephanie Conn, Lynn Hall, Nancy Bormes, Vanessa Adkins and Susan Stephens.

■ Program manager: Kay Hale Ross (886-7334).

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# Births

## HRMC New Arrivals



- Feb. 08, 2007 A Daughter, Takeirah Angelein Mullins to Rocky & Genna of Pikeville, Ky.
- Feb. 08, 2007 A Son, Jacob Cain Boyd to Beth & Simon Boyd of Bevinville, Ky.
- Feb. 08, 2007 A Son, David Elijah Sands to Jesse & Darla Sands of Sitka, Ky.
- Feb. 08, 2007 A Son, Houston O'Brian Patrick to Kasiee Tinikki Minix of Salyersville, Ky.
- Feb. 08, 2007 A Son, Landon Isaac McKenzie to Misty LeMaster of Prestonsburg, Ky.
- Feb. 08, 2007 A Son, Spencer Thomas Hunt to Stephanie Melton of Hazard, Ky.
- Feb. 09, 2007 A Daughter, Nikayla Sarie Osborne to Rae Adkins of Hueysville, Ky.
- Feb. 09, 2007 A Son, Levi Preston Ratliff to Christopher & Jamee Ratliff of Paintsville, Ky.
- Feb. 09, 2007 A Daughter, Isabella Grace Fields to Kimberly Michelle Hoskins of Hazard, Ky.
- Feb. 09, 2007 A Son, Mason Gage Sumner to Daniel & Heather Sumner of Hazard, Ky.
- Feb. 09, 2007 A Son, Joshua Tyler Hensley to Jennifer & Joshua Hensley of Wooton, Ky.
- Feb. 10, 2007 A Daughter, Tasha Danyell Reed to Sarrah & Morris Reed of Salyersville, Ky.
- Feb. 12, 2007 A Son, Isaac James Risner to Jessica & Casey Risner of Salyersville, Ky.
- Feb. 12, 2007 A Daughter, Lacey Ann Maynard to Stephanie & Justin Maynard of Beauty, Ky.
- Feb. 12, 2007 A Daughter, Caden Jada Tayloy to Charly & Paris Taylor of Van Lear, Ky.
- Feb. 12, 2007 A Son, David Paul Gentry to Kristie Lynn & Luther Paul Gentry of Hagerhill, Ky.
- Feb. 12, 2007 A Son, Logan Shane Rice to Monika & Eric Rice of Oil Springs, Ky.
- Feb. 13, 2007 A Daughter, Leah Rachele King to Tabitha & Joe King of Staffordsville, Ky.
- Feb. 13, 2007 A Son, Ethan David Shepherd to Melinda & Jonathan Shepherd of Prestonsburg, Ky.
- Feb. 14, 2007 A Daughter, Autumn Justice Bryant to Danielle Renee Carroll of Langley, Ky.
- Feb. 14, 2007 A Son, Damion Joe Cantrell to Vernie & Floyd Cantrell of Paintsville, Ky.
- Feb. 14, 2007 A Daughter, Mazey Grace Ratliff to Travis & Elisha Ratliff of Stone Coal, Ky.
- Feb. 14, 2007 A Daughter, Rhonda Skyler Watkins to Jennifer Lynn Watkins of Lackey, Ky.
- Feb. 12, 2007 A Son, Hunter Alan Elliott to Atina Jo Robinson of Martin, Ky.
- Feb. 15, 2007 A Son, Gage Russell Neil Collinsworth to Tony & Victoria Collinsworth of Salyersville, Ky.
- Feb. 15, 2007 A Daughter, Keely Shaye Rowe to Marsha & Elmer Rowe of Paintsville, Ky.
- Feb. 16, 2007 A Son, Alex Duayne Ritchie to Brandy Rose McCoy of Dema, Ky.
- Feb. 16, 2007 A Son, Aiden Heath Warren Akers to Toni Coleman of Teaberry, Ky.
- Feb. 16, 2007 A Daughter, Daisy Rhea Hatfield to Amanda & Ray Hatfield, Jr. of HiHat, Ky.
- Feb. 18, 2007 A Son, Noah Michael Stumbo to Santanna & Joshua Stumbo of Prestonsburg, Ky.
- Feb. 19, 2007 A Son, Caleb Nichelas Ryan Everage to April Lee Everidge of Hazard, Ky.
- Feb. 19, 2007 A Son, Nicholas Duane Lester to Teresa & Duane Lester of Stanville, Ky.
- Feb. 19, 2007 A Daughter, Chloe Paige Lovely to Ryan & Clay Lovely of Hindman, Ky.
- Feb. 20, 2007 A Son, Brody Reid Brown Vickery to Jilleyn & Andrew Vickery of Prestonsburg, Ky.
- Feb. 20, 2007 A Daughter, Savanna Lee Hubbard to Elizabeth June & Delbert Hubbard of Staffordsville, Ky.
- Feb. 21, 2007 A Son, Wicker Avery Ryan to Louella Wicker of Dema, Ky.
- Feb. 21, 2007 A Son, Noah Scott Ratliff to Tabitha Ratliff of Williamsport, Ky.
- Feb. 21, 2007 A Daughter, Rileigh Jayden Preston to Kisha Collins of Martin, Ky.
- Feb. 22, 2007 A Son, Gregory Austin Collins to Jamie Lynn Grindle of Prestonsburg, Ky.
- Feb. 23, 2007 A Daughter, Aaliyah Marie Miller to Albert Kevin & Rebecca Jane Miller of Pinetop, Ky.
- Feb. 23, 2007 A Son, Aiden Thomas Spriggs to Joshua & Crystal Spriggs of Flatgap, Ky.
- Feb. 25, 2007 A Son, Aaron Christopher Hammond to Brandi LeeAnn Ross of Grethel, Ky.
- Feb. 25, 2007 A Daughter, Emily Grace Akemon to Kimberly Renee & Randy Shawn Akemon of Hazard, Ky.
- Feb. 26, 2007 A Daughter, Bethany Ann Kaylynn Rose Kendrick to Deonna Faye & Lee Edward Kendrick of Blue River, Ky.

# Wedding



## Curtis-Stumbo

Mae Curtis, of Flat Gap, and Scottie Alan Stumbo, of Price, are pleased to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. Paula is the daughter of Wonnie and the late Lunna Mae Curtis. She is a 2001 graduate of Johnson Central High School and a 2006 graduate of Morehead State University. She is currently employed with Buckhorn Children and Family Services. Scottie is the son of Glenda Sue and the late Jimmy "Dickie" Stumbo. He is a 2001 graduate of South Floyd High School and a 2005 graduate of Big Sandy Community and Technical College. He is currently employed with Bruce Walters Ford, Inc. The couple will wed on Saturday, April 7, 2007, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at the Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg. A reception will follow, at the church. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.

## Eyes

home. Perhaps moreso for me than for her as she nearly froze to death on the night that the power went off in our home as the snow fell, and fell, and fell at a rather regular pace outside. I woke up that morning in the wee morning hours and noticed that the house was unusually cold as I tiptoed down the hallway to, er, "use the facilities." Since my son happens to be unusually hot-natured, I suspected that he had, once again, gotten up in the night to turn off (yes, I said "turn off," not "turn down" - the boy is a madman) the heat.

As it was very dark, and as I said, very cold, and seeing as how I was very sleepy, I found that I actually could have cared less about the situation at the time and opted to feel my way back to my still warm bed and crawl underneath the covers.

Flash forward about three hours later as I opened my eyes to daylight and realized that now I had to get up and pay some attention to the thermostat. Fumbling down the hallway once again, I stuck my hand inside the bathroom door to flip on the light so that I could read the thermostat display in the hallway (why, you may be wondering, did I not turn on the hallway light - simple explanation: burned out light bulb and a houseful of people all too busy, and too lazy, to take care of problem). Imagine my surprise when no light came on. Checking the fan switch and realizing that it, too, failed to operate, I quickly came to the conclusion that was not just a case of yet another burned out light bulb.

I had yet another hope, though, perhaps someone had thrown a breaker in the night. Seemed logical, especially with a houseful of teenagers who like to operate numerous electronic gadgets, not to mention flat irons, curling irons, blow dryers and the like. It seemed not strange to me at all that if one of these darling children had thrown a breaker at 2 or 3 in the morning that they would simply go on to bed and wait to share the news with me the next day... (have to admit, I'm kind of a bear when I get woken unexpectedly - heck, sleep is the only escape I have).

So, now I trot out to the spare room where the breaker box is located. Cold, cold, cold all the way there. I glance out the window - snow, snow, snow, everywhere. "This is not good," I think.

A quick look at the breaker box tells me that no breakers are thrown. That means, of course, only one thing: no power.

"I did pay the bill, didn't I," I anxiously ask myself as I

scout around in a pile of mail that has lain unattended to on my countertop for a (cough, cough) "few" weeks. (I'm busy, people - capital B, busy!)

Okay, bill now located, due date not yet expired, I know for a fact that all the white stuff coming down outside has traded beauty for comfort in our raggedy little home.

I call the power company to verify and find out, that yes, indeed, the power in our area is out and they are "aware of the problem and working on it."

In the meantime, however, my plans of showering and preparing breakfast for my niece are put on hold.

For the second time, I find my bed and scurry underneath the cover, but not before waking everyone in the house and informing them that the power is out and the house is feeling like the inside of refrigerator. (Later, my children asked me, "Why did you wake us up to tell us the power was out?" Well, my dearies, if I was awake and suffering, shouldn't you suffer alongside me? Remember now, mommy had to endure those nasty Caesarean sections to get you here...you owe me some small amount of sufferin' back...)

As the morning wore on and I grew tired of my bed, I grabbed a blanket and made my way to the living room couch. And there I sat, staring out the window at the snow still falling outside while the chihuahua aggravated the daylight of me wanting to share my blanket and body heat. ("Why the heck do we have this little rat, anyway," I thought to myself. "Oh, yeah, Elizabeth's Paris Hilton fascination from a few years back...oh, joy. Now the little hairless runt is going to freeze to death and my kids will blame me for that too!")

As the hours dragged on and I was joined by my children and my niece in the living room, with each of us huddled in a blanket like a group of native Americans, I got to answer the question, "When is the heat going to come back on?" about a gazillion times. (And yeah, like I knew...)

To make matters worse, I had to keep reminding myself that this was actually a day off for me. A Monday off, even. (Mondays are deadline days for me and I don't get many of those off per year.) A day off, and here I was, freezing half to death at 1 p.m. in my living room. We were all hungry, in need of showers and cold...very cold.

As I looked at my young, beautiful, sun-kissed niece, I thought to myself, "California. Yeah, you go, girl. You go."



Mathew Logan Music

achievement, rewards positive performance, and offers independent learning opportunities for students and a positive out-of-level experience. Matthew is the grandson of proud grandparents Ronald and Helen Music, of Auxier, and Charles T. Meade and the late Joyce Ann Meade, of Van Lear.

## Top achiever

Matthew Logan Music, age 9, and the son of Gregory A. Music of Mooresville, NC, and Tina M. Music of Huntersville, NC, recently scored higher than 90 percent of the nation's fourth grade students on the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS). His overall achievement is well above average for the fourth grade. This achievement qualified Matthew to participate in the Duke University Talent Identification Program (TIP). This talent search helps gifted students, such as Matthew, identify how advanced his abilities truly are. TIP motivates students to focus on their academic

## Diva

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powder, cornstarch, etc.? Are they grouped together into a baking center or do you have to go on a pantry scavenger hunt to find them all?

Let's do a little pantry perk-up, shall we? Set your timer for 15 minutes and start getting your dry goods in logical order. Like goes with like. You'll want a shelf for the canned goods (and put the same thing all together, too). A big basket to hold your bags of dried beans, a smaller basket to hold envelopes of spice blends, mixes, etc. (look around the house, I bet you have what you need), and if you haven't done it already, big containers (I like big glass jars) for your flour, sugars, oatmeal, etc.

Getting your pantry together will help you get your meal planning in order, too. Don't forget to do a 27 fling boogie on your pantry if necessary. Get rid of the stuff you don't use (donate it to a food bank if it's good, usable food) and watch your pantry "spring" to new life, blossoming with all sorts of possibilities. Here's a wonderful spring dinner recipe to get you in the mood for a good pantry routine:

### Chicken Nicoise

Serves 4

- 1 cup dry white wine, or use low sodium chicken or vegetable broth
- 4 boneless skinless chicken breasts
- 2 cloves garlic, pressed
- 1/3 cup frozen pearl onions
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- 1 small red bell pepper, deribbed, deseeded and sliced into strips
- 4 each olives, use what you like (I prefer Kalamatas)
- Heat 1/4 cup of the wine (or chicken broth) to boiling in a non-stick skillet.

## Fly Lady

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way our home looked and best of all, how it felt. I like to think of it as giving birth to a new me, because that is exactly what I did! As I was dealing with taking care of me and slowly getting rid of the clutter, our house became a home. Not a museum but a real home that you could enjoy being in and not be afraid to open the doors to strangers or even close friends. I was no longer trying to hide our dirty little secret. I had gotten rid of them. The clutter was gone and our home was a welcoming haven for us. There is no place like home! There is no place like home! There is no place like home! When you can feel this way about where you live then you know that you are FLYing!

Robert and I enjoy our home. It is not spotless but it is lived in and loved! Every square inch of our home makes us smile! This is because we released our clutter, cleaned up our hotspots and established simple routines to keep our home blessed

Cook chicken in wine, turning once, until brown. Remove chicken and keep warm.

Add garlic, onions, olive oil, Italian seasoning, bell peppers, olives and remaining wine (or broth) to skillet and heat till boiling. Simmer for 5 minutes.

Add chicken back to the skillet, reducing heat to medium low. Cook 10 to 15 minutes until chicken is cooked thoroughly.

Per Serving: 330 Calories; 6g Fat; 55g Protein; 4g Carbohydrate; 1g Dietary Fiber; 137mg Cholesterol; 196mg Sodium. Exchanges: 0 Grain (Starch); 7 1/2 Lean Meat; 1/2 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 1/2 Fat.

LC SERVING SUGGESTION: Serve over cauliflower alongside sautéed green beans. (To make cauliflower trim cauliflower and cut into pieces small enough to feed through food processor tube. Process cauliflower till it is grainy and resembles rice. Steam 'rice' on stove top or cook in microwave. Microwave on high for about 10-12 minutes in microwave safe bowl. Add 3 tablespoons water and stir every 4 minutes while cooking.)

SERVING SUGGESTION: Add some brown rice.

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### LEGALS

#### BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Miller Bros. Coal, LLC, P.O. Box 990, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Allen, Kentucky 41601, (606) 874-9003, Permit No. 836-5519, will be blasting at Neds Fork of Frasures Creek, Latitude 37°25'24", Longitude 82°41'41". Blasting will be conducted from March 2007.

to April 2007. Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel by blocking roads and other points of access to prevent unauthorized entry by vehicles, pedestrians, livestock, etc. Also, traffic along Neds Fork Road will be stopped during surface blasting operations. The access control will remain in place until the blast site has been inspected and the all-clear signal given by the blaster in charge. Before each blast is detonated, the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast, the "Warning Signal" will be given. The warning signal will consist of a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren. One (1) minute prior to the blast, the "Blast Signal" will be

One (1) minute prior to the blast the "Blast Signal" will be given. The blast signal will consist of a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above, except in emergency situations, where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, the "Warning Signal" will be given. The warning-signal will consist of a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren. One (1) minute prior to the blast, the "Blast Signal" will be

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**Send Resumes to:**  
 Mountain Christian Academy  
 Mr. Ronald G. Salisbury  
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**Application Deadline:**  
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given. The blast signal will consist of a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

(1) In accordance with 405 KAR 350.093, notice is hereby given that The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for Phase II bond release, permit number 836-5450, which was last issued on 6/03/03. The permit covers an area of 26.45 acres, located 2.0 miles southeast of Drift, in Floyd County.  
 (2) The permit area is approximately 1.25 mile southeast from KY 122's junction with Simpson Martin Branch Road, and located 2.0 miles east of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37°28'37". The longitude is 82°43'07".  
 (3) The bond now in effect for the permit is a Surety Bond for \$ 2 0 , 5 0 0 . Approximately 15% of the original bond amount of \$107,400 is included in the application for

release.  
 (4) Reclamation work performed includes backfilling, grading and seeding, completed 11/18/04.  
 (5) Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601, by April 9, 2007.

(6) A public Hearing on the application has been scheduled for April 10, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite No. 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 9, 2007. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 898-0779**

Amendment 2 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CAM Mining, LLC, P.O. Box 1169, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 1 mile northwest of McCombs in Pike County, Kentucky. The amendment will add 73.28 acres of surface disturbance making a total area of 301.54 acres within the amended permit boundary. The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.5 miles west of the Bevins Branch Road junction with KY 194 and located 0.2 miles west of John's Creek. The latitude is 37-39-59. The longitude is 82-35-48. The proposed amendment is located on the Thomas USGS 7 ? minute quadrangle map.

The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Cliff Blackburn. The operation will use the combination of surface and auger mining. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the KYEPPC's Division of Field Services Pikeville Regional Office located at 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the City of Prestonsburg, 200 N. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, has filed with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to repair a break in the Big Branch Road of Abbott Creek Road. Said project is located one half mile up Big Branch, and will consist of placing gabion baskets to secure creek bank, as well as resurfacing of the road. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Ky. 40601. Phone (502) 564-3410.

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