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# Baseball coach Clyde Selby dies

Known for his years with youth league, strong patriotism

BY BOB HERTZEL  
The Dominion Post

Clyde Ira Selby is best known for his work in Morgantown's youth baseball program, but the retired carpenter and contractor was also a passionate member of the American Legion. Selby, 90, died Tuesday. Selby not only coached Morgantown's Post 2 Legion team to state championships in 1973, 1974, 1976, 1980, 1981, and served as state American Legion baseball commissioner, but he was also state president of the American Legion. "He was an extremely patriotic man," said WAJR-radio general manager Dale Miller, who

**FULL OBITUARY** for Clyde Ira Selby appears on **Page 7-A**. **COVERAGE** of Selby's contributions to the community appears on **Page 5-B**.

took over as manager of the American Legion team from Selby in 1985 after Selby had coached it for 40 years. Miller noted that Selby would attend games after leaving as manager and would offer a scowl if both the American flag and the American Legion flag weren't displayed. "We would have the American flag and either the pledge of allegiance or the national anthem before every game," said John Raese, head of Greer Industries and senatorial candidate. Raese played three years for Selby. Selby was known as a level-headed leader of young men. "He wasn't a coach that yelled, cussed and threw things," said Karl Sommer, a

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Craig (left), his late mother, Sarah, David and Clyde Selby gather in this undated family photo.

Submitted Photo

## Cheat Lake BFS to come down



Bob Gay/The Dominion Post

The Mon-Fayette Expressway (top circle) will join with Interstate 68 near Exit 10 and the BFS Foods store (right circle).

## Mon-Fayette roadwork comes to Morgantown

Roads to be realigned just off I-68 Exit 10

BY EVELYN RYAN  
The Dominion Post

If you regularly use Interstate 68 Exit 10 at Cheat Lake, or take the Fairchance Road north, be prepared.

On Tuesday, the state Division of Highways will open bids for a major realignment of the intersection where the access road from I-68 meets Monongalia County 857 in front of the BFS Foods store. The work is part of the Mon-Fayette Expressway project and is expected to cost about \$12.8 million. The construction involves demolishing the existing BFS Foods store, which the state bought some

months ago. Once construction starts at Cheat Lake, motorists will be encountering traffic delays off and on until spring 2008, said DOH District 4 Construction Engineer Donald Williams.

According to the project advertisement, the work will run up to Goodwin Hill Road (County Route 69/17) and involves constructing a new road and relocating an existing road. "This project is all around the BFS, on local roads," Williams said Tuesday. "It's going to involve realigning Bowers Lane (County Route 80/1) and redoing some of County 857."

Another piece of the Mon-Fayette, the bridge crossing Mor-

SEE ROADWORK, 2-A



Bob Gay/The Dominion Post

Workers are constructing the foundation for the new BFS Foods location on a lot across the road from the present store.

## BOE fights to keep Jesus at high school

\$150K raised to keep picture

Associated Press

CLARKSBURG — The Harrison County Board of Education said Tuesday it will fight civil liberties groups' efforts to remove a painting of Jesus Christ at Bridgeport High School.

The board vowed earlier not to spend public money defending itself but had given outside interests a Tuesday deadline to raise at least \$150,000 for a defense fund.

That goal was surpassed, Board Member Mike Queen said after the board met in private.

"This board is moving forward," Queen told a cheering audience of about 50 people, many of whom wore white T-shirts that read, "You can't take our Jesus down."

"I feel proud to be a West Virginian and an American today because of what these people did here," said actor Mayf Nutter, who helped with the fundraising. "They said they would not be pushed off their own porch."

Americans United for Separation of Church and State and the West Virginia American Civil Liberties Union sued in federal court in June, saying the painting, "Head of Christ," sends the message that the school endorses Christianity as its official religion.

SEE JESUS, 2-A

## City bans Jell-O shots, beer bong

Associated Press

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas — Upset at unruly, drunken behavior, the City Council didn't exactly ban Jell-O shots — it went after small cups.

An ordinance passed Monday does not specifically address alcoholic gelatin, but was crafted to focus on containers of 5 fluid ounces or less.

Concerns about rowdy tubers downing shots and tossing the cups into the Guadalupe and Comal rivers spurred the ordinance. Already this year, floating parties provoked the City Council to increase fines for noise-ordinance violations and to ban "volume drinking devices" — better known as beer bong.

## Scientists search for original tapes of moon landing

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — NASA officials are searching for the original videotapes from the first moon landing in 1969 in the hopes that they can use modern technology to produce sharper images of the event.

The video, including footage of Apollo 11 astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin walking on the moon, was transmitted from the moon to tracking stations in California and Australia. The images that were then sent to Houston —

and seen by the rest of the world — were substantially degraded.

Space program veterans believe the original tracking station recordings are stored somewhere at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md. Telephone calls Monday night to NASA and Goddard spokesmen were not immediately returned.

"I would simply like to clarify that the tapes are not lost as such, which implies they were badly handled, misplaced and are now

gone forever. That is not the case," John Sarkissian, operations scientist at the Parkes Radio Observatory in Parkes, Australia, told the Space.com Web site.

Sarkissian also rejected any suggestion of wrongdoing on the part of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. "The archiving of the tapes was simply a lower priority during the Apollo era," he said.

In a paper published in May, Sarkissian wrote that the use of dig-

ital processing techniques on the tapes would make it "possible to recover the original high quality TV of the first lunar EVA (extravehicular activity) and make it available to the public for the first time."

"The Apollo 11 mission represents a defining moment in human history," Sarkissian wrote. "For the sake of posterity and the benefit of future generations, it is imperative that the search for the Apollo 11 magnetic data tapes be more vigorously pursued."

## Federal judge rules Nationwide policy excluded flood damage

Associated Press

GULFPORT, Miss. — A federal judge ruled Tuesday that an insurance company's policies do not cover damage from wind-driven water in a decision that could affect hundreds of upcoming cases related to property damage from Hurricane Katrina.

U.S. District Judge L.T. Senter Jr. ruled that a Mississippi Gulf Coast couple cannot collect damages from storm surge caused by Katrina because Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co.'s policies do not cover wind-driven water damage.

Senter Jr. said Paul and Julie Leonard of Pascagoula could be compensated for damage that they could prove was caused by high winds, however.

"Almost all the damage to the Leonard residence is attributable to the incursion of water," Senter wrote in the 13-page decision.

Senter's ruling could set a precedent for hundreds of other court challenges to the insurance industry for denying billions of dollars in claims after the Aug. 29 hurricane ravaged the coasts of Louisiana and Mississippi.

## SELBY

FROM PAGE 1-A

local pharmacist. "He treated you like an adult. If you had a problem or needed to talk to him, he was there."

"He made you want to play for him," said Rick Rice, who played with four brothers in the American Legion program under Selby and later would manage the Post 2 team. "He enjoyed the relationships with the kids. You wanted to win for him."

Selby was an accomplished carpenter who built his own home, worked on many houses in the Mor-

gantown area and who helped to build the Little League field in Marilla Park.

Selby's son, David, is a noted character actor who has appeared on Broadway, in films and in such television series as "Falcon Crest," while his other son, Craig, is president of the Charleston Newspapers Inc.

His wife, Sarah E. McIntyre Selby, died two years ago.

A memorial service for Selby will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Spruce Street United Methodist Church, of which he was a lifetime member.

## Star City council to consider TIF district

**MORGANTOWN CITY COUNCIL** OKs \$7 million in bonds for parking garage. **Page 1-B.**

BY JUDITH BALLANGEE

For The Dominion Post

Star City Council agreed Tuesday to consider seeking a Tax Increment Financing district based on a preliminary proposal from the city's Visioning Task Force.

Council plans to vote on the project at its Aug. 29 meeting.

Task Force Co-chairmen James Gaston and Delbert Royce briefed

council on the proposal.

"The city is going to grow without or without a TIF," said Gaston, noting that University Town Centre in Granville will be fully occupied when Wal-Mart and Sam's Club open this fall.

"New businesses will be looking for locations near the center, and we want them to come to Star City," Gaston said.

The TIF, he continued, is a way to manage that growth so that, "When we look down the road, we know we will have a safe, enjoyable and livable city."

Royce explained that the TIF would allow the city to borrow money based on anticipated future growth as outlined in a comprehensive plan.

The money could then be used to undertake improvements in infrastructure necessary to attract that growth.

TIF districts work by establishing a base property tax value for the district.

As property values increase, any taxes collected above the base value go to pay off bonds used to finance improvements.

If council approves pursuing a TIF district, the proposal will be expanded into a comprehensive plan.

That plan, once passed by council, must then be approved by the Monongalia County Commission and the state.

The proposed district would include property bounded by the city's southern border to Normandy Avenue, north along Normandy to Pleasant Avenue, Pleasant to Somerset, Somerset to Broadway, and Broadway to the Monongahela River.

## Minister's wife accused of murder released from jail on bond in Tenn.

Associated Press

SELMER, Tenn. — A minister's wife accused of killing her husband held her head down and refused to speak Tuesday as she walked out of jail on \$750,000 bond.

Mary Winkler, who has been behind bars since March 23, got into her father's car and continued holding her head down as she was driven away from the McNairy County Jail.

She is charged with first-degree

murder in the death of Matthew Winkler, 31, minister of the Fourth Street Church of Christ in Selmer, a small town about 80 miles east of Memphis.

Defense lawyers continued to refuse to talk about a motive for the killing, though attorney Leslie Ballin noted his client told investigations she had been "emotionally abused and verbally abused."

Prosecutors also refuse to discuss a motive.

## Gerald Ford admitted to Minn. hospital for unspecified testing

Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Former President Ford was admitted Tuesday to the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota for "testing and evaluation," his office said in a statement.

The statement gave no details about why the 93-year-old former chief executive went to the clinic in Rochester, about 75 miles southeast of Minneapolis.

"No further releases or updates are anticipated prior to early next week," said the statement issued from Ford's office in Beaver Creek, Colo. Ford also has a home in Rancho Mirage, Calif.

Mayo Clinic spokesman John Murphy confirmed that Ford had

been admitted but said he had no additional information. He did not expect Ford's family or the clinic to disclose any details on Tuesday.

A message seeking comment from Ford's chief of staff, Penny Circle, was not immediately returned.

A California friend, Lee Simmons, said he heard in the last two days that Ford planned to undergo a series of tests for various "medical problems." He did not have details but said he believed the tests had been planned in advance.

"I did hear that they want to do a series of tests to make sure he's OK and improve his quality of life," Simmons, of Palm Desert, said in a telephone interview.

Simmons said he visited Ford last week at the former president's vacation home in Beaver Creek.

"I just saw him and he was doing fine. He's talking. His mind is sharp ... he's eating, talking to his family," Simmons said.

## ROADWORK

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gans Run, is to be let to contract around the first of the year, Williams said. The bridge is budgeted at \$22.5 million.

A new, 9,000-square-foot replacement BFS store is under construction across the highway from the existing store, BFS spokeswoman Hayley Graham said Tuesday. Commercial Builders is the contractor.

"We are pushing to be in to the new location by the end of this year," she said.

In addition to the BFS retail outlet, the building will have three fast-food options: Little Caesars Pizza, Gloria Jean's Coffee and Charlie's Grilled Subs, she said.

BFS wants to remain in the old store until the new one opens, she said, but that timetable depends on the DOH and the firm receiving the contract.

A survey of some of the motorists who use the intersection showed some grumbling about future delays, but in general a positive response.

Ken Weaver, a retired businessman who lives on Tyrone Road, was enjoying lunch at Ruby's & Ketchy's restaurant.

The construction, he noted, "won't bother my travels. I have three different ways to get around. When you're old and retired, you don't have too many needs to get out for."

The impact of the road, he believes, will come when it's done, not during construction.

"This new road is certainly going to change this neighborhood," Weaver observed.

Construction worker Jeff Harbaugh lives in Normalville, Pa., but he's working at the new Wal-Mart being built off Grafton Road. He travels Monongalia County 857 regularly to get to work.

"It's going to slow me up going to



Bob Gay/The Dominion Post

The current BFS Foods store stands in the area where the two highways will merge, and will relocate once construction on a nearby lot is finished.

Morgantown," he said. "I'll have to leave home a lot earlier. It will be nice if they get Route 43 done. It will make the trip a lot easier."

Nick Colasassano, the route salesman for Coca-Cola, said he usually spends about an hour at BFS when he delivers an order.

"I can't tell you how many close calls and near misses I see at the intersection, especially at 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. People are in a hurry," he said.

"It's going to be an inconvenience for a while because it's change, and people don't accept change well," he said.

Williams said the contractor will realign the roads at that intersection so that it will be ready to when they bring the Mon-Fayette four-lane highway down from its present end.

All of the buildings that need to be removed have been taken out, he said, except for the BFS. That demolition is part of next week's contract.

Ruby & Ketchy's, St. Luke's

Catholic Church and the new church under construction just off the intersection will not be affected by the construction, Williams said, except for traffic delays.

The 4.2-mile stretch of W.Va. 43 connects with Pa. 43, a toll road built by the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. When completed, the Mon-Fayette will stretch from I-68 to the eastern side of Pittsburgh.

Pennsylvania opened the 7.8-mile stretch from the state line to Uniontown in spring 2000.

Williams said the state is relocating a major wetland as part of the W.Va. 43 construction. Laurita Contracting is building a major replacement wetland for them just off I-68 at Hazelton, Preston County.

Once the two newest projects are under construction, the rest of the Mon-Fayette Expressway work here will be bid in multiple contracts, Williams said. The biggest part remaining is a new interchange.

So far, W.Va. 43 consists of two

## Expressway info

**Mon-Fayette Expressway (W.Va. 43)**

**LENGTH:** 4.2 miles in W.Va.

**ROUTE:** From I-68 Exit 10 to Pa. 43, a toll road built by the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission

**ALREADY COMPLETED:**

- Rubles Run Bridge, \$15.9 million contract
- 2.08 miles of road, \$15.8 million contract

**NEEDED:**

- Morgans Run Bridge, contract to be let in 2006
- about 2 more miles of road
- new interchange at Cheat Lake

**FIRST CONSTRUCTION:** 1999

separate stretches of pavement, totaling about two miles, and one bridge — none of it open to traffic.

The expressway project was mentioned in the DOH's six-year plan, covering what it will be doing through 2011. The executive summary noted in part:

"On average, the DOH has received \$345 million annually in federal-aid funds over the last several years ... It is impossible to predict the amount of funding that will be available for the period, but for planning purposes the six-year program assumes that there will be a 25 percent increase...."

The report said the six-year program will target spending on three projects — W.Va. 9, \$105 million; U.S. 35, \$84 million, and the Mon/Fayette Expressway, \$66 million. Another \$562 million will be needed to complete these three projects.

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following publication.

Pittsburgh Steelers' coach Bill Cowher's name was misspelled by a copy editor in Tuesday's *The Dominion Post*, and while Cowher's comments about Jerome Bettis implied that he wanted him to stop talking about his future plans, Cowher did not use the words "shut up."



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# ACT scores at highest level since 1991

W.Va. students lag behind national average

Associated Press

The high school class of 2006 posted the biggest score increase on the ACT college entrance exam in 20 years, and recorded the highest scores of any class since 1991.

Average composite scores on the exam, which measures students' readiness for college-level work, rose to 21.1 from 20.9 last year. Both boys and girls posted gains, as did all racial groups except Hispanics, whose scores held steady. ACT scores range from 1 to 36.

Officials at the independent, non-profit ACT said an increase of 0.2 points is significant when considered across a record 1.2 million test-takers nationwide, or 40 percent of graduating seniors.

"It takes an enormous amount of change for that large a group to move even a little bit, particularly when that group is changing and we're seeing more students take the ACT for the first time," said Richard Ferguson, CEO of the Iowa City, Iowa-based organization.

Some of the improvement may come from the ACT's growing pop-

## Graduates average higher ACT scores

2006 showed the largest score increase on the ACT college entrance exam in 20 years. The average composite score rose to 21.1 from 20.9 a year ago.

**Average ACT composite score for 2006 graduates, by race**

All students	21.1
Asian American	22.3
White	22
Other	21.1
American Indian	18.8
Hispanic	18.6
Black	17.1

**Percentage of 2006 graduates who meet ACT benchmark scores**

English	67%
Math	39%
Reading	42%
Science	53%
All four ACT benchmark scores	20%
	21%

SOURCE: ACT

AP

ularity among high-achieving students in states where the rival SAT exam has traditionally been more popular. The ACT is more attractive to some students because it focuses more on material covered in high school classes than on general ability.

Despite improvements in English, math, reading and science over the past five years, West Virginia's average composite score of 20.6 lagged behind the national average.

The bright spot this year was in English. The state's average score

on the subject was 20.8, ahead of the national average of 20.6.

West Virginia's worst subject is math. The state's 19.6 average score lagged behind the national average of 20.8.

In Connecticut, 12 percent of 2006 graduates took the ACT, up from 10 percent a year ago, and scores rose from 22.8 to 23.1. In New Jersey, 8 percent took the test, up from 6 percent of 2005 graduates, and scores rose from 21.3 to 21.8.

But Ferguson said the national increases were broad-based. Illinois and Colorado — the two states where nearly all 11th graders are required to take the test — saw scores rise 0.2 and 0.1, respectively. Other states with large numbers of ACT takers, such as Kentucky and Tennessee, also recorded increases in line with the national gains.

Historically, the ACT has been more popular in states in the center of the country, while the SAT predominates on the East and West Coasts. But in addition to Connecticut and New Jersey, Florida, Delaware, Vermont and New Hampshire all had double-digit percentage increases in the number of students taking the ACT.

# TSA seeks to reassure public that X-rays of shoes detect weapons

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The government sought to assure airline travelers Tuesday that X-raying shoes at security checkpoints was a reliable way of detecting weapons and explosive devices.

"Screening shoes by X-ray is an effective way of identifying any anomaly, including explosives," said Kip Hawley, Transportation Security Administration chief, at a news conference at Reagan National Airport just outside Washington.

Under new orders this week, all airline passengers must put their shoes through X-ray machines at checkpoints.

But according to a Homeland Security report on aviation screening obtained by The Associated Press, the machines don't help screeners find a specific liquid or gel that can be used as a bomb. At the news conference, Hawley said the machines can detect improvised explosive devices, which he said were "the No. 1 threat that we guard against."

He displayed a mock-up of shoes worn by Richard Reid — arrested aboard a trans-Atlantic flight in 2001 when he tried to ignite an explosive device hidden in his shoe — and shoes with no explosive device.

"You can see very clearly the difference between a shoe with an explosive and one without," Hawley said.

The new screening procedures were put in place after British police last week broke up a terrorist plot to assemble and detonate bombs aboard as many as 10 airliners crossing the Atlantic

Ocean from Britain to the United States.

Among the new procedures are a ban on liquids and gels in airline passenger cabins, more hand searches of carry-on luggage, and random double screening of passengers at boarding gates.

On Sunday, the TSA made it mandatory for shoes to be run through X-ray machines as passengers go through metal detectors. They were begun in late 2001, after the Reid's arrest. The shoe scans have been optional for several years.

In its April 2005 report, "Systems Engineering Study of Civil Aviation Security — Phase I," the Homeland Security Department concluded that images on X-ray machines don't provide the information necessary to detect explosives.

Machines used at most airports to scan hand-held luggage, purses, briefcases and shoes have not been upgraded to detect explosives since the report was issued.

TSA contends, however, that screening shoes is an important security strategy for detecting concealed weapons or tampering.

"Our security officers, after they've screened thousands of shoes, can see that shoes have been tampered with or an anomaly in the shoe," TSA spokeswoman Ellen Howe said.

She also said that TSA doesn't need large bomb-screening equipment to find a problem in a shoe. "We've definitely found things that need to be looked at further," she said.

# Study: More breast cancer patients suffer chemo side effects

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Younger breast cancer patients seem to suffer more serious side effects from chemotherapy than previously thought.

Roughly one in six of those women wind up at the emergency room or hospitalized because of such side effects as infection, low blood counts, dehydration or nausea, researchers reported Tuesday.

Some of the side effects occurred at rates three to four times higher than earlier research had predicted.

Tuesday's study marks the first attempt to assess the real-world risks of chemotherapy for some 35,000 breast cancer patients under age 64 who get the drugs each year.

Most side-effect information comes

from clinical trials of medications that can underestimate toxicity. Those trials are designed to prove if the drugs fight cancer and therefore should be sold, and they tend to enroll only the best candidates instead of women who might be particularly sensitive to side effects.

Adding to that conundrum: Many breast cancer patients don't need chemotherapy in the first place; surgery, radiation and hormone treatment are enough. But doctors don't always have an easy way to tell who would benefit from chemo on top of that.

And for women in the to-treat-or-not gray zone, age sometimes is the deciding factor — because those under 64 are thought to tolerate

chemotherapy better than older women.

"We don't believe our study is saying that chemotherapy is not helpful," stressed Dr. Michael Hassett of Boston's Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, who led the research, published in Tuesday's *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*.

But, "we've been struggling as a professional community to understand which women benefit from chemotherapy," he added.

If a woman knows how often she is likely to be admitted to the hospital, it may help her decide whether to gamble on the drugs or skip them, he explained.

Hassett and colleagues culled a massive database of insurance claims

to study how often breast cancer patients under 64 wound up at the hospital in the year after diagnosis, and how often some leading chemotherapy side effects were blamed.

A total of 16 percent of chemo recipients received either emergency room care or hospitalization for those side effects. Most common: infection and fever, afflicting 8 percent of the patients. That's not a high number — but it is four times what previous clinical trials had predicted, the researchers reported.

Moreover, 61 percent of the chemo recipients had an ER visit or hospitalization for some reason — not just a chemotherapy-related side effect — compared with 42 percent of breast cancer patients not on the drugs.

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# Israel begins troop pullout from Lebanon

Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Israel began slowly withdrawing its forces from southern Lebanon on Tuesday and made plans to hand over its captured territory as hopes were raised that a U.N.-imposed cease-fire would stick, despite early tests on its first day.

Hezbollah guerrillas fired at least 10 rockets in southern Lebanon overnight, but none crossed the border into Israel. On Monday, at least six Hezbollah militiamen were killed by Israeli troops waiting for a peace-keeping force before beginning a full-scale withdrawal.

Lebanon was under intense international pressure to move its soldiers south into Hezbollah territory — a key element in the U.N. Security Council plan to end the 34-day conflict that claimed more than 950 lives.

Lebanon's Defense Minister Elias Murr said the country's contribution of 15,000 soldiers could be on the north side of the Litani River by the end of the week. But they still must cross the river and try to enact control over Hezbollah areas for the first time in decades.

In Jerusalem, the Israeli army said it planned to begin handing over some captured positions on Wednesday and hoped to complete the withdrawal from Lebanon by next week. The plan for handing over territory showed the complexity of the border zone: Israel would transfer it first to the U.N. force, which would then turn it over to Lebanese envoys.

The army, meanwhile, said it had already begun thinning out its forces



AP Photo

**Displaced Lebanese children** sit in a van at a school in Beirut, Lebanon on Tuesday as they prepare to return with their family to the house they left following Israeli air strike attacks. Tens of thousands of Lebanese jammed bomb-cratered roads Tuesday for the second day as they returned to scenes of destruction after a tenuous cease-fire, that took hold Monday, ending 34 days of vicious combat between Israel and Hezbollah.

in Lebanon, but did not give figures. During a final ground offensive, about 30,000 Israeli soldiers were believed to be in southern Lebanon.

By Tuesday, there were no Israeli soldiers or tanks left in the key southern Lebanese town of Marjayoun, Lebanese security officials said on

condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to give information to the media.

Israeli forces occupied Marjayoun on Thursday as they pushed deep into Lebanon in the final days of the fighting. The area is largely Christian and Hezbollah has little

support there. But it has strategic value as it overlooks both the Israeli border and the Litani River valley.

Israeli troops also were pulling out of Bourj Al-Mulouk, a town on the road halfway between Israel and Marjayoun in the frontier's eastern sector.

# NATO official likens Taliban's tactics to those of Hezbollah

Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — A senior NATO official likened the tactics of Taliban militants who hide among civilians to those of Hezbollah in Lebanon on Tuesday. U.S. and Afghan forces killed an al-Qaida suspect disguised as a woman during a raid.

Meanwhile, insurgents in western Afghanistan killed six police officers, including a new local police chief, and wounded four other officers.

Taliban-led militants have escalated attacks in recent months, sparking the deadliest fighting since the country's hard-line regime was ousted in the U.S.-led invasion in late 2001 for hosting Osama bin Laden.

Most of the violence has taken place in volatile southern provinces where a NATO-led force took control of security from the American-run coalition on Aug. 1. Militants have used suicide bombings, rocket attacks and ambushes with an intensity that has surprised Afghan and Western officials.

Hikmet Cetin, NATO's top civilian representative in Afghanistan, said the Taliban's method of blending in with local civilian populations after attacks is similar to a tactic used by Hezbollah and militants in his own country, Turkey, where troops are fighting separatist Kurdish guerrillas.

"This kind of strategy is very, very difficult not only for NATO in Afghanistan but also in other parts

of the world," Cetin said at a news conference in the capital, Kabul.

Afghan and U.S. troops killed one al-Qaida suspect and detained 13 others Tuesday in a raid on eastern Afghanistan's Khost province, seizing numerous detonators and other bomb-making material, chief U.S. military spokesman Col. Tom Collins said.

The troops asked people inside the compound in the village of Yaqubi to surrender. Most did, but a militant disguised as a woman resisted arrest and was shot dead, Collins said.

More than 60 women and children were inside the compound at the time of the operation, he said.

Militants also fatally shot a new local police chief and five other officers in an ambush on a desert road in the volatile Dalaram district of Farah province, provincial police chief Gen. Sayed Aqa Saqib said.

Taliban fighters have moved into the district after fleeing NATO-led military operations in southern Helmand province.

In neighboring Pakistan, government forces arrested 29 Taliban suspects, including two local militant commanders during a raid on a private hospital, Interior Minister Aftab Khan Sherpao said.

The raid took place at the Al-Khair Hospital in Quetta, capital of Baluchistan province — a city viewed by Afghan and Western officials as a hotbed for Taliban militants and their leaders, despite persistent Pakistani denials.

# African-American leaders call on their own to take responsibility to end AIDS among blacks

Associated Press

TORONTO — It is time for the African-American community "to face the fact that AIDS has become a black disease" and find ways to defeat it, said the chairman of the NAACP at the international AIDS summit Monday.

Julian Bond, the Rev. Jesse Jackson and other powerful African-American leaders called on their own com-

munity to accept responsibility for ending the devastation of AIDS, which has claimed more than 200,000 black Americans since the epidemic began 25 years ago.

In a first for the political leaders, they blamed the disaster on a lack of will and pledged to do more.

"The story of AIDS in America is mostly one of a failure to lead and nowhere is this truer than in our

black communities," said Bond, chairman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. "We have led successful responses to many other challenges in the past. Now is the time for us to face the fact that AIDS has become a black disease."

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, African-Americans account for half of all new cases of HIV, the virus that caus-

es AIDS. It is the leading cause of death for black women between the ages of 25 to 34. Overall, blacks are seven times more likely to die from AIDS than other at-risk groups.

"Because of poverty, ignorance and prejudice, AIDS has been allowed to stalk and kill black America like a serial killer," said Jackson, chairman of Rainbow Push Coalition. Jackson didn't make the conference, but issued

a statement of support with the other leaders.

"But we have also been a compliant victim, submitting through inaction," Jackson said. "It is now time for us to fight AIDS like the major civil rights issue it is."

The U.S. black delegation pledged to draft a five-year plan to reduce HIV rates among African-Americans and to boost the percentage of those who

get tests and learn their HIV status.

The 16th annual AIDS summit has drawn more than 24,000 researchers, activists and health workers from 132 countries this year, which marks the 25th anniversary of the first reported cases of HIV.

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## Police arrest another suspect in airplane plot

LONDON — British police detained another suspect Tuesday in an alleged plot to blow up jetliners over the Atlantic, the first arrest in the case since the plot was foiled last week after 24 other people were taken into custody.

The announcement came after police said they raided two Internet cafes in the investigation of an alleged plot to blow up jetliners over the Atlantic, and a news report said officers found firearms in a search of a woodland near where some of the suspects were arrested earlier. Travelers also continued to face

problems at Britain's main airports, where delays and cancellations exacerbated confusion over shifting rules governing hand luggage.

London's Metropolitan police said the suspect was detained around noon in the Thames Valley area just west of London but offered no more details, including the person's gender or identity.

## Pakistan arrests 29 suspects in hospital raid

QUETTA, Pakistan — Pakistani forces arrested 29 suspected Taliban militants Tuesday in a raid on a private hospital after they came from neighboring Afghanistan, officials said.

The raid took place at Al-Khair Hospital in Quetta, capital of Baluchistan province in southwestern Pakistan, where 10 men were being treated for wounds suffered in fighting in southern Afghanistan's Kandahar province, hospital official Mohammed Amir said.

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# Proposal would boost planet numbers to twelve

Associated Press

PRAGUE, Czech Republic — Our solar system would have 12 planets instead of nine under a proposed "Big Bang" expansion by leading astronomers, changing what billions of schoolchildren are taught about their corner of the cosmos.

Much-maligned Pluto would remain a planet — and its largest moon plus two other heavenly bodies would join Earth's neighborhood — under a draft resolution to be formally presented Wednesday to the International Astronomical Union, the arbiter of what is and isn't a planet.

"Yes, Virginia, Pluto is a planet," quipped Richard Binzel, a professor of planetary science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The proposal could change, however: Binzel and the other nearly 2,500 astronomers from 75 nations meeting in Prague to hammer out a universal definition of a planet will hold two brainstorming sessions before they vote on the resolution

next week. But the draft comes from the IAU's executive committee, which only submits recommendations likely to get two-thirds approval from the group.

Besides reaffirming the status of puny Pluto — whose detractors insist it shouldn't be a planet at all — the new lineup would include 2003 UB313, the farthest-known object in the solar system and nicknamed Xena; Pluto's largest moon, Charon; and the asteroid Ceres, which was a planet in the 1800s before it got demoted.

The panel also proposed a new category of planets called "plutons," referring to Pluto-like objects that reside in the Kuiper Belt, a mysterious, disc-shaped zone beyond Neptune containing thousands of comets and planetary objects. Pluto itself and two of the potential newcomers — Charon and 2003 UB313 — would be plutons.

Astronomers also were being asked to get rid of the term "minor planets," which long has been used to collectively describe asteroids, comets and

other non-planetary objects. Instead, those would become collectively known as "small solar system bodies."

If the resolution is approved, the 12 planets in our solar system listed in order of their proximity to the sun would be Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Ceres, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, Pluto, Charon, and the provisionally named 2003 UB313. Its discoverer, Michael Brown of the California Institute of Technology, nicknamed it Xena after the warrior princess of TV fame, but it likely would be rechristened something else later, the panel said.

The galactic shift would force publishers to update encyclopedias and school textbooks, and elementary school teachers to rejigger the planet mobiles hanging from classroom ceilings. Far outside the realm of science, astrologers accustomed to making predictions based on the classic nine might have to tweak their formulas.

Even if the list of planets is officially

lengthened when astronomers vote on Aug. 24, it's not likely to stay that way for long: The IAU has a "watchlist" of at least a dozen other potential candidates that could become planets once more is known about their sizes and orbits.

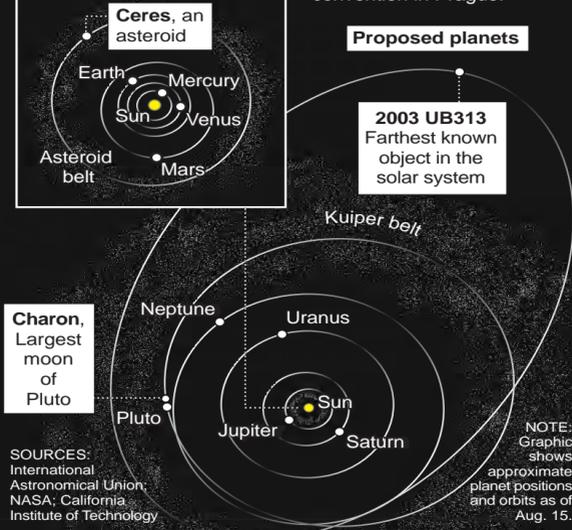
"The solar system is a middle-aged star, and like all middle-aged things, its waistline is expanding," said Jack Horkheimer, director of the Miami Space Transit Planetarium in the United States and host of Public Broadcasting's Stargazer television show.

Opponents of Pluto, which was named a planet in 1930, still might spoil for a fight. Earth's moon is larger; so is 2003 UB313 (Xena), about 70 miles wider.

But the IAU said Pluto meets its proposed new definition of a planet: any round object larger than 800 kilometers (nearly 500 miles) in diameter that orbits the sun and has a mass roughly one-12,000th that of Earth. Moons and asteroids will make the grade if they meet those basic tests.

## Considering the possibilities

Leaders of the International Astronomical Union have proposed a draft resolution that would reclassify three large celestial bodies as planets. A final vote will take place next week at the IAU's convention in Prague.



## Chile gets tough on smoking

Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Chile — Millions of Chileans will now be forced to take their cigarette breaks outside because of a tough nationwide anti-smoking law that took effect Monday.

The government said the measure, which bans smoking in schools, hospitals, government offices, stadiums, buses and other public places — aims to reduce an annual rate of 14,000 tobacco-related deaths in this country of 15.5 million people.

Smoking also will be restricted in restaurants, with large eateries given until May 2007 to create fully partitioned nonsmoking sections. Small-

er restaurants will be able to choose between being smoke free or upgrading their ventilation systems.

Chileans who light up in defiance of the ban face fines of about \$30.

The new law also restricts tobacco advertising, including a ban on promoting cigarettes as light or low-tar. At least half of cigarette packaging must now be devoted to warnings about the health risks of tobacco.

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**GUEST EDITORIAL**

## In the air, resolutely

Travel may not be as convenient as it used to be, but at least it's safer

Under the best of circumstances, a trip to the airport carries a bit of doubt and dread. Will the plane be on time? How long will the security lines be? On Thursday, with news that the British had foiled a massive alleged terror plot to blow up U.S.-bound airliners over the Atlantic Ocean, travelers across the country absorbed an added jolt of uncertainty.

Suddenly there were new rules. These were hurriedly declared because the terrorist suspects arrested in Britain apparently planned to use explosives disguised as common liquids. They'd be detonated by ubiquitous electronic devices, such as MP3 players or disposable cameras. The bombs were to be assembled on the aircraft, law enforcement officials said.

That made every bottle of water, every tube of toothpaste, every container of hand lotion suspect. A little patience was called for, and by all accounts, airline passengers obliged. With a minimum of griping they tossed their toiletries, including pricey bottles of perfume, with a shrug. Who wants to die for a bottle of hair gel?

Since the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, we've all had some experience with this, balancing personal freedom and comfort with the requirements of tightened security. By Friday, most people had adjusted, wisely stowing toiletries in checked luggage. There were reports of a huge increase in checked luggage and near-empty overhead bins in planes. That's not a disaster. Most people carry far too much onboard anyway.

But how far will passengers go? Should carry-ons be banned, as they were in Britain, at least temporarily? Some passengers see the wisdom of a no carry-on policy. But there are no fool-proof security screenings. Clever and determined terrorists will find the potential weaknesses and attempt to exploit them.

Flying without the creature comforts — laptops, cell phones, iPods and all the rest — wouldn't be pleasant. Let's face it — long air trips are, if you're lucky, boring. Business travelers want their laptops to do work. Others are rescued by being able to listen to music rather than crying babies.

But you only have to watch the typical airline passenger lugging a bloated carry-on bag down the aisle, cramming it into the overhead bin or attempting to (while blocking the aisle), to imagine the benefits of limiting carry-on luggage.

Boarding planes would be a lot quicker, for one thing. It's a good bet that we'll all be getting accustomed to some new security procedures beyond the shoe removal and bag searches that have become routine. In most places, the intrusive searches had blended into routine. The lines got shorter as everyone learned to cooperate, to wear shoes that could be slipped off easily, to stop packing nail clippers or pocketknives or all the other things that might set off the scanners.

The same will happen now. Air travel isn't going to be quite as convenient. But it will be safer, which is what counts.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

### Let's make people feel at home in Morgantown

Thank you, Morgantown. It is often said you don't know how many people care about you until you are put into a tough situation. That saying is true. When I was first diagnosed with breast cancer, back in February, I was flooded with cards, phone calls and prayers. Those actions made my life brighter and the thought of cancer less of a burden because it was being shared by many. Then, two special women had a vision, a benefit for me. I was speechless. I want to thank all those involved and I apologize in advance if I miss any of you because I have no clue just how many people were involved.

To Texas Roadhouse, Garfield's Restaurant, Krogers, Mona Supply, Acropolis Coins, WVU Athletic Department, Coca-Cola, Morgantown Police Department, Jerry Lorentz, Betty Favro, Molly Linticum, Brandi Buchanan, friends and family, thank you for the donations and words of hope.

However, there is one negative I must address. For those of you in the community who have passed me on the streets or in stores and wouldn't respond when I said hello or even make eye contact with me, and for those that made negative comments at my expense due to you being uncomfortable with my having cancer, your excuse to yourself and to me has been that you didn't recognize me. This may be true but, I didn't know you had to recognize someone to show compassion and empathy. Morgantown is a wonderful community, one that I have given my heart to. I ask you to stop ignoring and passing judgment on people that make you uncomfortable. Instead, embrace these individuals and face your fears. Let's make Morgantown a community where all persons may feel at home no matter what there differences.

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### Israel's actions cannot be defined as 'genocide'

*The Dominion Post* recently ran an interview piece with some local Lebanese-Americans with which I take issue. I realize that when home and heritage are at stake, passions become inflamed,



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but I am compelled to respond in particular to the quote, attributed to Rania Salem which is, "Israelies are committing a genocide against the Lebanese people." This is inaccurate and irresponsible; the word "genocide" was invented by Raphael Lemkin after the Holocaust to describe "a coordinated plan of different actions aiming at the destruction of essential foundations of the life of national groups, with the aim of annihilating the groups themselves." The United Nations definition is based on this, and there

was debate on the U.N. floor concerning whether the unambiguously genocidal conflicts in Rwanda and Bosnia-Herzegovina were actual genocides. Israel's actions, even if they are excessive or unethical, are intended to defend Israel from attacks taking place from Lebanese soil, and the Israelis approach (which may well be too heavy handed) is clearly not intended to exterminate the Lebanese people.

Since the term "genocide" was coined to describe the Holocaust (so terrible that no existing term

was appropriate), accusing the Jewish nation of Israel of "genocide" strikes me as very tasteless, especially with so little evidence of intentional malice of their part. It is true that Israeli airstrikes have damaged or destroyed residential neighborhoods, hospitals, and schools, and killed innocents. It is also true that Hezbollah launches rockets from these very locations to cynically take advantage of the media fervor. This is an ugly and unfortunate war, but to imply that men who deliberately endanger nurseries and fire untargeted rockets (which also hit residential areas) are freedom fighters is foolishly idealistic. Furthermore, to accuse Israel of genocide rather than over-reaction in the name of self defense is a slander. I agree with all the Lebanese-Americans interviewed on one point; this is a complicated issue, and one which all sides should be approaching with greater historical and diplomatic understanding.

**Paul Adams  
Morgantown**

# While we've been fighting welfare battle, poverty persists

TEN YEARS HAVE PASSED since President Clinton signed a tough welfare reform law in August 1996. I feared the worst. Ten years later, it feels good to be wrong. The worst has not happened, but the success is mixed.



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Clinton signed the law with Republican support, fulfilling his promise to "end welfare as we know it" and make welfare "a second chance, not a way of life." The law was not as tough as two earlier Republican-backed bills Clinton vetoed that would have cut Medicaid, child care and other benefits for those moving from welfare to work. Yet, even the late Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan, D-N.Y., a long-time critic of the way welfare had bred long-term dependency, feared thousands of poor children would wind up "sleeping on grates."

"In our confusion we are doing mad things," he lamented on the Senate floor. "The premise of this legislation is that the behavior of certain adults can be changed by making the lives of their children as wretched as possible. This is a fear-some assumption."

A study by the Urban Institute, a liberal-leaning Washington-based think tank, agreed, estimating the bill would plunge 1.5 million adults and

1.1 million children below the poverty line. Three Clinton administration officials quit their jobs in protest.

"So much for welfare as we knew it," I wrote warily at the time. "Now, we wonder, what welfare will we know? Or, more to the point, what kind of poverty will we know?"

Ten years later, I can happily report that few, if any, families have been sleeping on grates. Boosted by a robust economy in the late 1990s, many families, three-fourths of whom are headed by single moms, have entered the world of work with some assistance from public aid offices that learned to function more like employment-service agencies.

Earnings for the poorest 40 percent of families headed by women doubled from 1994 to 2000, before a

recession that wiped out almost half of that gain.

Child poverty rates have dropped, particularly among blacks and Hispanics. The overall child poverty rate fell from 20.8 percent in 1995 to 17.8 percent in 2004, which means 1.6 million fewer children were living in poverty, happily proclaims Robert Rector, a Heritage Foundation research fellow who helped draft the reform legislation.

However, his liberal counterparts in Washington's think tank communities are quick to respond that child poverty already had begun to decline a couple of years before the bill was passed and has been rising since a historic low of 15.9 percent in 2000 when the economic boom cooled.

Unfortunately, a disturbing number of former welfare recipients have

merely moved to the ranks of the "working poor," still struggling to make ends meet with a sub-poverty income. More than half of those eligible for welfare payments do not receive them, indicating the new system discourages many deserving people from even submitting an application.

The Bush administration is pushing for tougher requirements — with a goal of getting at least half of those on welfare into job training, community service or some other alternative activity. That's only a modest part of what needs to be done. The next round of welfare reform needs to take into account the needs of the new working who were produced by the first round.

With that, welfare reform should expand into a pro-work, anti-pover-

ty program, which means inclusion of what may be the largest group left behind: young males, particularly young, under-educated black males.

Recent university studies have found that both the economic boom and welfare reform, which is aimed mainly at mothers with children, left young black males worse off than before by every economic measure. Reaching this group will require more than government action. It will require widespread public and private-sector action at the national and neighborhood levels. But the welfare debate is a good place to begin. We've made unexpected progress in the fight against welfare dependency. Now let's fight poverty.

**CLARENCE PAGE** writes a column for the *Chicago Tribune*.

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OBITUARIES

**ALL OBITUARIES** can be directed to [obits@dominionpost.com](mailto:obits@dominionpost.com).

**Stanley T. Tuchalski**

Stanley T. Tuchalski, 84, of Weirton, died at the Inn at Wyngate on Monday, Aug. 14, 2006, the Feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe of Poland.

He was born Dec. 19, 1921, in Steubenville, Ohio, the son of the late Wadyslaw and Casmira Tluchowska Tuchalski.

Stanley was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years, Mary Jane Platt Tuchalski; infant son, John Tuchalski; brothers, Anthony and Walter; and sister, Stella Yenchochic.

Stanley retired after 42 years of service with Weirton Steel Corp.

He was an Army Veteran of the Pacific Theatre of World War II, serving as a chauffeur for HDQ of the 40th Infantry Division and USO entertainers including Vivian Leigh, Jack Benny and Dorothy Lamour.

While serving on the Philippine Island of Iloilo, he was honored by a local family to be the Godfather to their newborn, Betty Otones, now of Alameda, Calif.

He was a member of Sacred Heart of Mary Church serving on various committees and events.

He was also a member of the Weirton Steel 25-Year Club, Polish National Alliance Lodges 652 and 3001.

He was proud to have a four-generation 100 percent family.

For several decades, he was the officer of visitations to the infirm members of his local lodges. He also served as a delegate on Council 50.

He was a "pierogi pincher" for St. Mary's Byzantine Church and enjoyed the reunion gatherings of St. Stanislaus Grade School Class of 1935.

Stanley enjoyed his fundraising efforts for the PNA and speculation with numbers.

Stanley was proud of his Polish heritage and avidly corresponded with his relatives in Poland, with phone calls to each of them the day before he died, expressing his love for them and saying his final "good-bye."

He is survived by his sons, Walter and Rita of Gettysburg, Pa., Stanley of Washington, D.C. and Michael of Pittsburgh, Pa.; daughters, Yvonne Tuchalski of Eatontown, N.J., and Mary Kay and Michael Smith of Richmond, Ohio; six grandchildren, Brian and David Tuchalski, Michelle Sealy, Raymond, John and Mary Mueller; two great-grandchildren, Marie and Jacob Tucker; and many nieces, nephews and extended family.

Stanley requested that his body be donated for medical research to the West Virginia University School of Medicine in Morgantown, to benefit medical studies in the cardiovascular, bone irregularities and joint replacement fields.

During his final year, he thoroughly enjoyed daily pastoral calls from Sister Mary Presentatia Wilamowska, CSSF, of Coraopolis, Pa. and pen-pal correspondence with Alveta T. Arcuri of Fairmont, W.Va. Stanley's daily companion, a pug dog named Maxine, accompanied him to the Inn at Wyngate in June, 2006.

Stanley and Maxine lived life fully with their many revered friends there, especially the staff that cared for him so well. With deep gratitude, Stanley's children bequeathed Maxine as a therapy dog for the residents at Wyngate.

A Memorial Mass and Celebration of Stanley's life will be announced at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Some of Stanley's favorites were the Felician Sisters of Coraopolis; Sacred Heart of Mary Church; Valley Hospice and the Polish National Alliance Charities.

Arrangements are under the direction of Greco-Hertnick Funeral Home, 3219 Main St., Weirton, WV 26062.

Share tributes and memories at [grecoherntnick.com](http://grecoherntnick.com).

**Ruth W. Edwards**

Ruth W. Edwards, 91, of Morgantown, formerly of Kingwood, died Sunday, Aug. 13, 2006, at Heartland of Preston County, Kingwood.

Friends will be received at the Rotruck-Lobb Funeral Home, 295 S. Price St., in Kingwood from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, and from 1:30 p.m. until the time of the service at 2 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 17, in the funeral home chapel, with the Rev. Paul Mateer officiating.

Interment will follow at the Mount Zion Cemetery in Marquess.

Personal condolences may be offered to the family at [rotruckslobb.com](http://rotruckslobb.com).



Ruth Edwards

**Abigail Michelle Ritzman**

Abigail Michelle Ritzman, infant daughter of Seth B. and Lisa Shenberger Ritzman of Morgantown, died Friday, Aug. 11, 2006, in the Monongalia General Hospital.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her maternal grandparents, Paul and Diana Shenberger of Dubuque, Iowa; and her paternal grandparents, Joseph and Mary Ritzman of McAllisterville, Pa.

Services will be private. Arrangements by Dering's Funeral Home.

Condolences may be offered to the family at [derings@earthlink.net](mailto:derings@earthlink.net).

**Derings**

**Alma Irene Copeland**

Alma Irene Copeland, 86 of West Jefferson Street, Westover, went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2006.

She was born Sept. 9, 1919, in Connellsville, Pa., a daughter of the late John and Anna Veshnisky Spittler.

Alma was a retired secretary for Borg Warner Chemicals and attended the Westover United Methodist Church.

Her husband of 66 years, Ernest Copeland, one daughter and spouse, Sandra and Patrick Ryan of Westover and one grandson Scott Ryan of Morgantown survive her.

One brother, Ralph Spittler; and one sister, Ruth Clawges preceded her in death.

Friends will be received at McCulla Funeral Home from 11 a.m. until the time of funeral service at 1 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 17, with pastor Kevin Cain officiating.

Burial will follow at East Oak Grove Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [McCulla@labs.net](mailto:McCulla@labs.net).



**Ruby Helen Ringer**

Ruby Helen Ringer, 70, of Terra Alta (White Oak community), died Sunday, Aug. 13, 2006, at Ruby Memorial Hospital, following a short illness.

Friends will be received at the Arthur H. Wright Funeral Home, Terra Alta from noon until the time of service at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, at the funeral home, with the Rev. Berlin H. Wilhelm officiating.

Burial will follow in the Oak Grove Cemetery.

Personal condolences may be offered at [arthurwrightfuneralhome.com](http://arthurwrightfuneralhome.com).

**Clyde Ira Selby**

Clyde Ira Selby, 90, of Morgantown, died Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2006.

Born July 26, 1916, in Morgantown, he was the son of the late Ray and Dessie Dunn Selby.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sarah E. McIntyre Selby; his brother, Lloyd; and his sister, Elsie Newhouse.

Clyde was a retired carpenter and contractor.

A proud Navy veteran of World War II, he was a member and past state president of the American Legion and a member of the Forty and Eight and the International Order of the Odd Fellows.

He was also a lifetime member of Spruce Street Methodist Church.

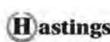
He had a great love and passion for baseball, helping to build the Little League field in Marilla Park and coaching both Little League and Morgantown's American Legion team.

Survivors include son, David and his wife, Chip, of Los Osos, Calif., their son, Todd and his fiancée Paige Harman of Los Angeles, Calif., their daughter, Brook Griffiths and her husband, Brent, and daughter, Brianna of Morrow Bay, Calif., and their daughter, Amanda Beck and her husband, Matt, of Berkeley, Calif.; son, Craig and his wife, Mary Sue, of Charleston and their daughters, Allyson of Chicago, Ill., and Crista Reed and her husband, Doug, and daughter, Emily of Flower Mound, Texas; brother, Ray and his wife, Zeta; and nieces, Jodie, Marina Ray, Robin and Tracey.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, Aug. 18, at Spruce Street Methodist Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that contributions be made to Spruce Street United Methodist Church, 386 Spruce St., Morgantown, WV 26505.

The family would like to extend a very special thank you to Frankie, Becky, Wilma and all the other wonderful caregivers at the Village at Heritage Point and MonPointe Continuing Care Center.



**William Ewing Silcott**

William Ewing Silcott, 86, of Newburg, went to be with the Lord on Monday, Aug. 14, 2006, at his home.



William Silcott

He was born Feb. 24, 1920, in Newburg, a son of the late Guy Thornton Silcott and Laura Emma Stuck Silcott. After the death of his mother, his stepmother, Mida Bell Stuck Silcott, raised him.

Bill was a 1937 graduate from Newburg High School, a U.S. Army veteran during WWII, a member of the Newburg Rotary Club, Newburg Ruritan Club, Colonel Rowan VFW Post 2345 in Tunnelton and for 62 years he was a member of the Aurora Lodge 43 AF&AM.

For many years Bill was a faithful volunteer for the Kingwood Fire Department during the buckwheat festival, helping in the meat room and frying the cakes.

He was a lifelong member of the Newburg United Methodist Church.

Bill loved gardening, golfing, flowers, his grandchildren, his nieces and nephews, but most of all, his loving wife.

Bill was the owner and operator of Silcott Store in Newburg for many years and worked at Sheidow Bronze of Kingwood where he retired.

Bill is survived by his wife of 59 years, Kathleen Virginia Shaffer Silcott; one son, William Carl Blackstock and wife, Diana, of Arthurdale; one brother, Paul Silcott of Weston; four grandchildren, Gayle Nicholson and spouse, Kevin, of Newburg, Carla Tasker and spouse, Terry, of Newburg, John Blackstock and spouse, Jodie, of Newburg and James Blackstock and companion Sue Lowdermilk of Masontown; eight great-grandchildren, Christifer Bragg, Jennifer Annon, Thomas Tasker, Terry Tasker Jr., Jessie Blackstock, Ryan Blackstock and Christian Blackstock; and two great-great-grandchildren, Kathleen Annon and Rylie Tasker, both of Newburg.

He was preceded in death by a great-grandchild, John Blackstock II; two brothers, George Silcott and Carl Silcott; and his sister, Hilda Ervin.

The family would like to give special thanks to Bill's caregivers, Cindy Ridenour, Anita Goff and Connie Morris. They would also like to express their appreciation to Hospice Care Corp., the VA Hospital and Dr. Michael Schwartzberg and staff.

Friends will be received at the Rotruck-Lobb Funeral Home, Taylor Chapel in Newburg from 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, and from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 17, and at the Newburg United Methodist Church from 10 a.m. until the time of service at 11 a.m., Friday, Aug. 18, with the Rev. Robert Sisler, the Rev. Berlin Wilhelm and the Rev. Casper Dalton officiating.

Interment will follow at Damon Cemetery in Newburg.

The Col. Rowan Post 2345 VFW will accord Military Graveside Rites and the Aurora Lodge 43 AF&AM will accord graveside honors.

Personal Condolences may be offered to the family at [rotruckslobb.com](http://rotruckslobb.com).

**Mary Maxine 'Chink' Murphy Willard**

Mary Maxine Murphy Willard, 86, known to her friends and family as "Chink" passed into heaven on Monday, Aug. 14, 2006, at the Madison Rehabilitation and Nursing Center.

Friends will be received at the Fred L. Jenkins Funeral Home from 5-8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, and from 11 a.m. until time of services at noon, Thursday, Aug. 17, with the Rev. Sandra Firth officiating.

Burial will follow at the Beverly Hills Memorial Gardens.

Donations may be made in memory of Maxine to Hospice Care, 3363 University Ave., Morgantown, WV 26505.

**Virginia G. Liston**

Virginia G. Liston, 81, of Morgantown, died Sunday, Aug. 13, 2006, at MonPointe Continuing Care Center.

Friends will be received at the Rotruck-Lobb Funeral Home, 295 S. Price St. in Kingwood from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, and from 10 a.m. until the time of the service at 11 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 17, in the funeral home chapel, with the Rev. Dr. David M. Hudson officiating.

Interment will follow at the Sugar Valley Cemetery in Valley Point.

Personal condolences may be offered to the family at [rotruckslobb.com](http://rotruckslobb.com).

**Lottie Mae**

**McBee Hixenbaugh**

Lottie Mae McBee Hixenbaugh, passed away suddenly Monday, Aug. 14, 2006, at the Monongalia General Hospital.

She was born on Aug. 17, 1931, in Morgantown (Grafton Road), daughter to the late Wallace and Edna McBee.

She is survived by two daughters, Shirley Gibson and Linda Furlong; an ex-son-in-law, Charles Gibson; a great-grandson, C.J. Leighty; her companion Keith Roby; one brother, Doyle (Bud) McBee; two sisters, Connie Dias and Ruby Hartley; and several nieces; and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Robert "Bobby" Hixenbaugh; grandson, Charles Gibson Jr. (Junie); granddaughter, Kathy Jean Gibson; four sisters, Opal Holmes, Pauline Taylor, Della (June) Andrews and Martha (Bucky) Grover.

Lottie was very loved by all her family and friends.

She will be greatly missed.

Friends will be received at the Fred L. Jenkins Funeral Home from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 17, and from 10 a.m. until time of services at 11 a.m., Friday, Aug. 18, with pastor Fred Tomlinson officiating.

Burial will follow at the Beverly Hills Memorial Gardens.

Condolences may be offered at [fredjenkinsfuneralhome.com](http://fredjenkinsfuneralhome.com).

Elizabeth "Libby" "Nenon" Zinn, 86, of Summers School Road, went to be with the Lord, Sunday, Aug. 13, 2006, at the home of her daughter, in Wayne, W.Va.

She was born April 26, 1920, in Morgantown, a daughter of the late Charles E. and Gertrude Burns Everly.

She was a long-time member of the Brookhaven United Methodist Church, where she enjoyed baking for church events.

She was a beautician, her shop was in her home on the Summers School Road, and Libby was also employed with Hastings Funeral Home for more than 20 years as a hairdresser.

She was an avid bowler, having bowled on the Early Risers and the Busy Bees bowling teams.

Elizabeth was a very giving compassionate person and will be greatly missed by friends and family.

She is survived by her daughter and spouse, Patricia and Charley Perry of Wayne; a son and spouse, William Owen and Deborah Zinn of Cincinnati, Ohio; three sisters-in-law, Mrs. Dale (Mary Kathryn) Randolph, Mrs. James (Genevieve) Everly of Morgantown, and Mrs. Willard (Dean) Garlow of Galion, Ohio; four granddaughters, Mrs. Scott (Candi Lynn) Gamp of Minford, Ohio, Mrs. Scott (Michele Lynn) Bellomy of Wayne, Krista Ann Zinn of Cincinnati, and Mrs. Jason (Lindsay Jennifer) Cordes of Indianapolis, Ind.; two stepgrandchildren, Martin and Holly Perry of Wayne; three great-grandchildren, Morgan and Matthew Gamp and Tyler Bellomy; two step-great-grandchildren, Bria and Martina Perry.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Owen Edward Zinn, of 59 years; a very special daughter, Carolyn Grace Zinn; her brothers, Edward, James; and a sister, Hilda Petsko.

Friends will be received at Hastings Funeral Home, 153 Spruce St., Morgantown from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, and from 10:30 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 11:30 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 17, with pastors Lois Sandy and Herb Varney officiating.

Burial will follow at Beverly Hills Memorial Gardens.

Donations may be made in her memory to Hospice of Huntington, 1101 Sixth Ave, Huntington, WV 25701 or the Memorial Bible Chairman Gideon's International, P.O. Box 11, Lavalette, WV 25535.

Condolences may be extended to the family at [hastingsfuneralhome.com](http://hastingsfuneralhome.com).

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**Tennis E. Goff**

Tennis E. Goff, 68, of Tunnelton, died Monday, Aug. 14, 2006, in Cumberland, Md.



Tennis Goff

He was born Jan. 22, 1938, in Newburg, the son of Grace Nestor Goff Dudley of Kingwood and the late Russell Goff.

He was the owner and operator of Tennis Goff Trucking for 48 years and a member of the Denver United Methodist Church.

Active in his church and community, he served as Sunday School Superintendent, Chairman of the Church Board of Trustees, was a member of the church choir, an honorary member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and served as caretaker of the Shaw Cemetery in Denver.

A loving son, husband, father, grandfather and brother, he enjoyed farming and tinkering with antique cars and tractors.

He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Phyllis Wolfe Goff; one son and spouse, Mark Goff and Loretta Goff of Tunnelton; two daughters and spouses, Cindy Layton and Jay Layton and Regina Bell and Chuck Bell, all of Tunnelton; one brother and spouse, Carl E. Goff and Donna Goff of Newburg; seven grandchildren, Dyanna Auvil and husband, Glen, Russell Goff and wife, Abby, Samantha Layton, Josh Layton, Noel Nelson, Joel Nelson and Marilyn Bell; and two great-grandchildren, Abigail Auvil and Clint Auvil; and an expected great-grandchild in October.

In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his son, Clay Goff; a grandson, Ty Hunter Bell; and one brother.

Friends will be received at the Browning Funeral Home, 201 East Main St., in Kingwood from 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, and from 2-9 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 17.

Mr. Goff will lie in state Friday, Aug. 18, at the Denver United Methodist Church from 11 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at noon, with the Rev. Tom Strahin and the Rev. Ray Frankhouser officiating.

Burial will follow the service at the Shays Chapel Cemetery in Newburg.

The family requests that expressions of sympathy be donations in his name to the Denver United Methodist Church, c/o Renee Wolfe, Route 1, Tunnelton, WV 26444 or Hospice Care Corp., P.O. Box 760, Arthurdale, WV 26520.

**G. Steve Swecker**

Gary Steve Swecker, 63, of Kingwood, W.Va., died Monday morning, Aug. 14, 2006, in the HealthSouth Rehabilitation Center, Morgantown, following a brief illness.

He was born March 5, 1943, at Elkins, a son of Troy R. and Maxine (Corley) Swecker, who survive at Reedsville, W.Va.

Also surviving are his wife, the former Patricia Ann Stewart, who survives at their home in Kingwood; one daughter, Cheryl "Sherry" Oliver, Kingwood; one brother, Richard N. Swecker, Kingwood; three grandchildren, Travis Joshua Ruckle, Hunter Lee Oliver and Skyler Marie Oliver, all of Kingwood; and a number of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one brother, Lt. Col. Gregory Alan Swecker, USAF (Ret.).

Mr. Swecker was a 1961 graduate of Tygart Valley High School.

He was employed as a computer programmer at the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health at Morgantown.

He was an avid sportsman who particularly enjoyed hunting, fishing and golf.

He was a Christian and spent many days and months in study of the scriptures. His paramount gift was his faith in the Lord.

Friends will be received at the Schoonover — Stemple Funeral Chapel, 609 Crim Ave., Belington from 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, and from 9 a.m. until the time of funeral service at 1 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 17, in the funeral home, with Robert Reger, a good friend of the family, delivering the eulogy.

Burial will follow in the Knights of Pythias Mountain View Cemetery near Junior.

Schoonover — Stemple Funeral Chapel is entrusted with arrangements.

**Russell H. 'Peaszie' McFadden**

Russell H. "Peaszie" McFadden, 60, of Gans, Pa., died Sunday, Aug. 13, 2006, at his home, with his loving family at his side.

Friends will be received in the Richard R. Herod Funeral Home, Point Marion, Pa. from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 16, and until the hour of service at 1 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 17, with the Rev. Sheryn Robinson officiating.

Burial follows in Evergreen Memorial Park, Point Marion.

**TODAY**

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS:** 9 a.m., Manchin Health Care Education Center, 401 Guffey St., Fairmont; 7 p.m. Christ Episcopal Church 405 9th Street, Fairmont; 7 p.m. United Methodist Church, W.Va. 7, Masontown, info: 864-5746 or 329-0764; 7:30 p.m. Suncrest United Methodist Church, Trinity Campus, 520 Burroughs St., Morgantown.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** noon Meeting, O, D, and 6 p.m., Living Sober, O, D, 17 Club, 502 White Ave., Morgantown; 7 p.m., Green Street, C, 12&12, NS, Jones Methodist Church, 333 Green St. (OS, last Wednesday of month); 8:30 p.m., Into Action, O, D, NS, wheelchair accessible, Suncrest United Methodist Church, Trinity Campus, 520 Burroughs St., Morgantown. Info: 291-7918 or [www.aawv.org](http://www.aawv.org).

**FOOD ADDICTS IN RECOVERY:** 6:30 p.m., at the Gateway United Methodist Church, (formerly Diamond Temple), 301 Diamond St., Fairmont. FA helps people overcome food issues such as anorexia, bulimia and obesity. There are no dues, fees or weigh-ins. Info: 366-5641.

**CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP:** 10-11 a.m., card room, Senior Monongalians Inc., 238 High St. Info: 296-9812.

**ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP:** 10 a.m., Senior Monongalians, Mountaineer Mall; info: 599-1159 or (800) 491-2717.

**MASON-DIXON CIVIL WAR ROUNDTABLE:** 7 p.m., The Village at Heritage Point. For those interested in the American Civil War, particularly as it pertains to the Mountain State. Info: Steve Walker, president, 296-0074.

**Bruno Kirby dies at age 57**

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Bruno Kirby, a veteran character actor who costarred in "When Harry Met Sally," "City Slickers" and many other films, has died at age 57, his wife said Tuesday.

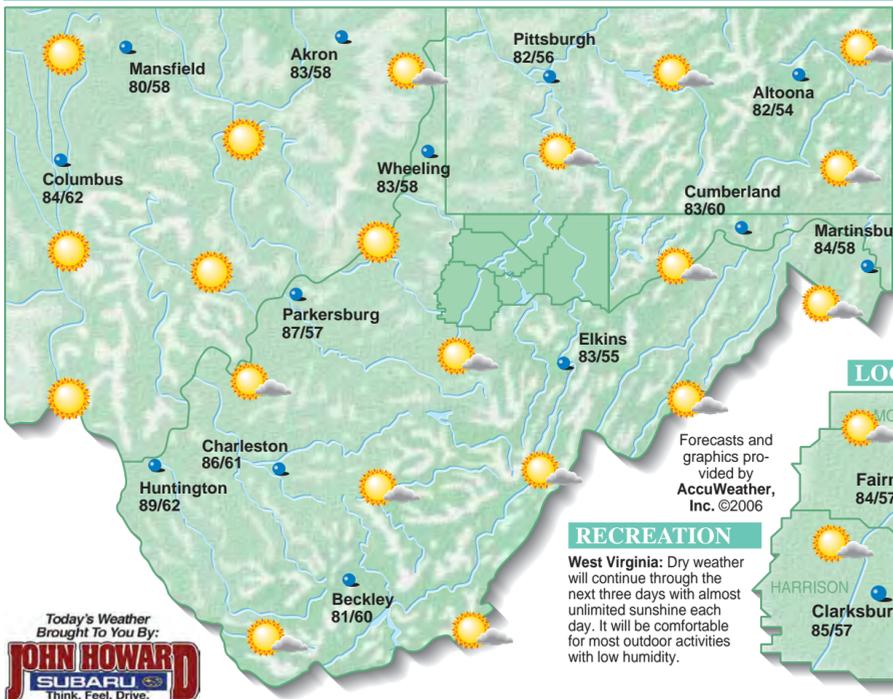
Kirby died Monday in Los Angeles from complications related to leukemia, according to a statement from his wife, Lynn Sellers. He had recently been diagnosed with the disease.

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FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR MORGANTOWN



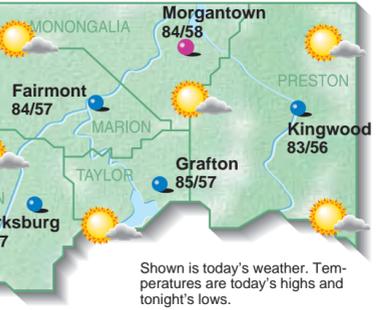
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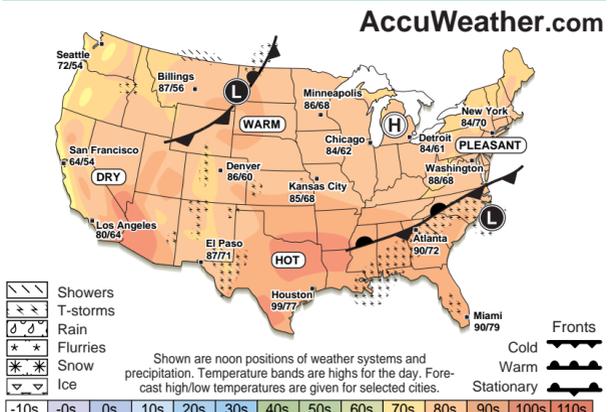
West Virginia: Dry weather will continue through the next three days with almost unlimited sunshine each day. It will be comfortable for most outdoor activities with low humidity.

LOCAL WEATHER



Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.

**POLLEN**

Grasses: Absent Weeds: Moderate  
Trees: Absent Molds: High  
Source: WV University

**UV INDEX**

Highest today: 7 high  
The ultraviolet index is a guide to exposure to the sun. The higher the UV index number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

**SOLUNAR TABLE**

Five-day forecast indicates peak feeding times for fish and game.

Major	Minor	Major	Minor
Wed.: 6:16 a.m.	12:02 a.m.	6:44 p.m.	12:30 p.m.
Thu.: 7:09 a.m.	12:55 a.m.	7:37 p.m.	1:23 p.m.
Fri.: 8:01 a.m.	1:47 a.m.	8:29 p.m.	2:15 p.m.
Sat.: 8:51 a.m.	2:37 a.m.	9:18 p.m.	3:04 p.m.
Sun.: 9:38 a.m.	3:26 a.m.	10:04 p.m.	3:51 p.m.

**REGIONAL CITIES**

City	Wed. Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W
Beckley, WV	81/60/s	83/63/s
Charleston, WV	86/61/s	89/65/s
Columbus, OH	84/62/s	87/68/s
Cumberland, MD	83/60/s	85/62/s
Fairmont, WV	84/57/s	89/62/s
Grafton, WV	85/57/s	87/62/s
Huntington, WV	89/62/s	90/67/s
Kingwood, WV	83/56/s	86/60/s
Pittsburgh, PA	82/56/s	84/60/s
Wheeling, WV	83/58/s	86/62/s

**LAKES AND RIVERS**

Lake	7 a.m. Yest.	24-hour Chg.
Cheat Lake	869.50	+0.2
Deep Creek, MD	2459.00	+0.0
Jennings Randolph	1453.66	-0.5
Stonewall Jackson	1072.12	+0.0
Tygart	1092.31	-0.2
Youghiogheny	1430.19	-0.4

**River Stages**

Fld: flood stage, Prs: stage in feet at 7 a.m. yesterday, Chg: change in previous 24 hours. M: missing.

Monongahela	Fld.	Prs.	Chg.
Morgantown	22	9.71	+0.48

ALMANAC

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 16, the 228th day of 2006. There are 137 days left in the year.

**HIGHLIGHT IN HISTORY:**  
**IN 1977,** Elvis Presley died at Graceland Mansion in Memphis, Tenn., at age 42.

**ON THIS DATE:**  
**IN 1777,** American forces won the Revolutionary War Battle of Bennington.

**IN 1861,** President Lincoln prohibited the states of the Union from trading with the seceding states of the Confederacy.

**IN 1948,** baseball legend Babe Ruth died in New York at age 53.

**IN 1954,** *Sports Illustrated* was first published by Time Incorporated.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Actor Fess Parker is 82. Actress Ann Blyth is 78. Actor Robert Culp is 76. Sportscaster Frank Gifford is 76. Actress Julie Newmar is 73. Movie director Bruce Beresford is 66. Ballerina Suzanne Farrell is 61. Actor Reginald Vel Johnson is 54. TV personality Kathie Lee Gifford is 53. Movie director James Cameron is 52. Singer Madonna is 48. Actress Angela Bassett is 48. Actress Actor Timothy Hutton is 46. Actor Steve Carell is 43. Singer Vanessa Carlton is 26.

Husband's college affair sends family reeling

**DEAR ABBY:** Recently, my husband's college roommate came to visit us. These men are in their 40s, Abby. My son, who is 16, heard them talking out on the patio about their life at college. It seems the two of them had sex with each other that continued during all the four years they were in college. Once he got an earful about their relationship, my son told me he stopped listening.

This has frightened me in so many ways, and now I need to discuss the situation with my son and my husband and control the damage. My son refuses and is pretending now that it's not important. Can you help me? — **DUMBFOUNDED IN SAN JOSE**

**DEAR DUMBFOUNDED:** Your son may have stopped listening, but he knew what he heard was important enough that he came and told you. People have been known to "experiment" with their sexuality in college. You need to find out if your husband has continued his bisexual activity since college. If he has, you need to contact your doctor and be tested for sexually transmitted diseases.

Once you know your health status, it will be time to ask your physician for a referral to a licensed family therapist who can help you discuss this with your husband and your son.



**DEAR ABBY:** My parents have been divorced for about eight years. Frankly, they stayed married too long. Dad is now happily remarried, and Mom lives with her boyfriend. My children love their new step-grandmother, "Ellen," and they also love my mother's boyfriend.

I have never invited Dad to any of my children's birthday parties (my oldest will be 10 next month) because I invite my mother. However, when my 5-year-old insisted I send invitations to her grandfather and Ellen, I didn't hesitate.

My mother doesn't want Ellen to have any kind of relationship with "her" grandchildren. How can I break it to Mom that my daughter wants everyone there? — **IN THE MIDDLE IN STOCKTON, CALIF.**

**DEAR IN THE MIDDLE:** Tell your mother you will no longer choose sides. Explain that your family would love share milestones with her, but Dad and his wife will be included.

**JEANNE PHILLIPS** writes "Dear Abby" under the pseudonym Abigail Van Buren.

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**State Police: Body found in Preston County**

State Police are investigating the discovery of a body found in Preston County, Sgt. James Merrill said.

The body was found Monday. They are not releasing details. "We have not confirmed, or disclosed, whose body it is at this point," Merrill said Tuesday. "Before we say whose body that is, we've got to make some proper identification, and notify the next of kin."

**American Indian gathering set for the weekend**

Red Hawk, a group of native and non-native people from the northeastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania areas, will hold an American Indian gathering from 10 a.m.-dusk Saturday and from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday at the Willow Ranch, South Hubbard Road, Coitsville, Ohio.

Cost is \$4, adults; \$3, seniors; \$3, children ages 6-12; and children under 5 are free.

Info: Nancy Bottiglieri, (330) 847-8853.

**Building Commission seeks volunteer**

A volunteer is needed to serve on the Morgantown Building Commission.

The applicant must be a resident, cannot hold a political office and cannot be employed by the state, federal or local government.

Deadline for applications is Aug. 31. Info: City Clerk at 284-7439.

**'Doctors on Call' focuses on spine problems**

Two WVU experts will answer viewers' questions about spine problems in a live presentation of "Doctors on Call" at 8 p.m. Thursday on West Virginia Public Television.

Dr. Sanford Emery is the chair of the department of orthopedic surgery at WVU. Dr. Beverly Epstein is a neurologist and the director of the Spine Center at WVU.

"Doctors on Call," with host Dr. Bob D'Alessandri, is a joint production of the Robert C. Byrd Health Sciences Center at WVU (www.health.wvu.edu) and West Virginia Public Broadcasting (www.wvpubcast.org), a statewide network of radio, television, Internet and educational resources.

**Mason-Dixon Festival wants pageant contestants**

Organizers of the Florence Merow Mason-Dixon Festival are seeking pageant contestants for the 20th annual festival, Sept. 15-17, at Hazel Ruby McQuain Park.

Info: Jackie Morgan at 292-7150.

The festival also features concerts, a frontier musical, pageants, fireworks and cruises. The festival runs from 5:30-10 p.m. Sept. 15, 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Sept. 16 and noon-8 p.m. Sept. 17.

**MEETINGS**

**Today**  
**MONONGALIA COUNTY COMMISSION**, 10 a.m., commission chambers, Monongalia County Courthouse.

**MORGANTOWN BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION**, 4 p.m., the Public Safety Building.

**MORGANTOWN BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**, 6:30 p.m., Morgantown City Hall council chambers.

**MONONGALIA COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**, 6 p.m., Morgantown Municipal Airport Conference Room.

**Thursday**  
**MORGANTOWN-MONONGALIA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION ORGANIZATION**, 7 p.m., Morgantown City Hall Council Chambers.  
**MONONGALIA COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY**, 3 p.m., 140 Walnut St. office (under PRT).

## City OKs \$7M in bonds for garage

### Structure will serve waterfront development

BY GARY GRAY  
The Dominion Post

Morgantown City Council voted Tuesday to issue \$7 million in bonds to fund a new parking garage for the Riverfront Development Project.

The tax increment revenue bonds will finance construction of a garage

next to the planned West Virginia Performing Arts Center. The garage will serve that facility as well other venues, including nearby offices and restaurants.

Platinum Properties will construct the parking garage as a component of mixed-use development on the Monongahela riverfront near downtown.

Notable riverfront structures, such as The Waterfront Place Hotel and WVU administrative offices, will be joined by the Monongahela River Center, which could be complete by next fall.

The River Center will sport a restaurant, boat slips, and a boathouse for the WVU crew team and a community boating group.

TIF financing relies on future tax revenue created by economic development to pay for public improvements. When the district is created, the existing tax base is used as a base value, and any increase above the base — stemming from rising property values — goes toward the TIF payments.

"There is no recourse to the city of Morgantown, meaning if they don't get repaid, the responsibility

goes back to the bond holders," said Rich Lane, Platinum Properties director of brokerage and development.

The city also will require an updated feasibility study of the Morgantown Riverfront TIF District to gauge support and long-term performance of the garage. To do that, council approved a \$12,000 contract with Lipman Frizzell & Mitchell LLC of Columbia, Md., to assess the local market and Platinum Properties' track record.

"It will, in essence, be a snapshot of the vitality of the market,"

Lane said.

The analysis will be made available to public officials, bond issuing agencies and others.

"This is very important to the potential buyers of the bonds," Morgantown City Manager Dan Boroff said about the analysis.

Council also awarded Mountaineer Grading Inc. a \$4,146,364 contract to finish the third and final phase of Morgantown Municipal Airport's runway safety extension.

The company, based in Elkview, will complete the runway safety

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**Logan Cushing tries** to attract business to his lemonade stand by holding his sign up along South High Street on Tuesday afternoon.

## Children squeeze out a profit with lemonade stand

### 20 purchase drinks from the young trio

The Dominion Post

Three young entrepreneurs took to the street Tuesday in Morgantown to raise a sweet profit with a traditional plan.

Logan Cushing, 7; Adam Roh, 9; and Lucy Roh, 4, decided to make some late-summer cash with a neighborhood lemonade stand.

Cushing, who will attend St. Francis Central Catholic School this fall, said the lemonade shop — which they opened around 2 p.m. — attracted about 20 customers, including Morgantown Police officer Mike Bloniarz.

"Yeah, he bought a small one," Lucy said.

By the end of their business day, the trio said they had earned a little more than \$7.

Although the children said they plan to split their earnings, they said they do not know how they will spend it.

"Not on school supplies though," Adam said, wincing.



Jason DeProspero/The Dominion Post

**Adam Roh hands** Morgantown Police officer Mike Bloniarz a glass of lemonade Tuesday.

## Motion: WVU slow honoring asbestos-suit settlement

### Plaintiffs ask court to order WVU to move ahead with its testing

BY J. MILES LAYTON  
The Dominion Post

Testing for 5,600 current and former WVU employees for asbestos-related diseases hasn't moved ahead as planned, a motion filed Tuesday in Kanawha County Circuit Court contends.

The testing was one of the terms of a 2005 settlement of a class-action lawsuit filed against WVU in 2000. The motion asks the court to order

WVU to honor the terms of the settlement.

Patrick Jacobs, of the Bickley and Jacobs law firm in Charleston, the local counsel for the case, said the university is dragging its feet.

"We became impatient with what we perceived as slow progress with implementing the settlement agreement between WVU and the plaintiffs," he said.

The university maintains that it has done nothing wrong.

"We have not received any court filing from plaintiffs at this date and therefore are not in a position to respond, except to say that we continue with implementation of the

plan described in the settlement agreement," said Jim Davis, university news services.

The university maintains the settlement is not an admission of liability, fault or responsibility.

According to the terms of the settlement, the university was to provide a medical surveillance program that identified people with potential asbestos-related health problems as a result of working in buildings containing asbestos insulation.

Any full-time WVU employee on the Morgantown campus who has worked there for a total of five years from 1986 to the present

could enroll in the program. WVU would cover the costs of chest X-rays, lung-function exams and other testing as often as once a year for the people covered by the settlement.

The university also promised to provide funding for the start-up costs and expenses for industrial hygienists and medical professionals who would be conducting the health tests. WVU said it would conduct informational meetings for anyone enrolled in the program within three months before health examinations were to start in April 2006.

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## Preston BOE will vote on levy Monday

### Maintenance issue will be discussed

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BY KATHY PLUM  
The Dominion Post

KINGWOOD — The Preston County Board of Education will decide at a special meeting Monday whether to put a maintenance levy before voters in November.

Board members planned to discuss the question this week, but after a nearly three-hour student hearing and other business that kept them until about 11:40 p.m. Monday, they decided to delay the discussion.

"I plan to place two to three options before them, and they can look at the wording," Superintendent John Lofink said Tuesday.

Aug. 22 is the final day the board can notify the county clerk's office if it wants to place a levy on the Nov. 7 ballot.

"We asked (Lofink) to put together a maintenance levy with specifics for each school that he's going to spend money on," Board President Jack Keim said Tuesday. "I felt, and the board felt, the packet (Monday) was too vague."

Information included in this week's board agenda discussed a five-year, \$1.5 million per year levy "earmarked for materials, supplies, equipment, contracted services, equipment upgrades and renovations to wiring, heating, air conditioning, air flow, plumbing, roofing, window and door replacement, lighting upgrade, paving and security issues."

Under this proposal, the money would be used at schools listed as remaining open in the current county Comprehensive Educational Facilities Plan. Schools slated for closure in the current plan would only receive levy funds for "emergency issues."

Preston County's CEFP for 2000-2010 calls for:

- Keeping Aurora, Rowlesburg, Bruceton, Terra Alta/East Preston and Preston High, with Aurora adding through eighth grade;

- Closing Fellowship, South Preston and Tunnelton/Denver and building a new pre-kindergarten-fourth grade/fifth-eighth school to serve Fellowship, Newburg and Tunnelton;

- Making Central Preston fifth-eighth;

- Making Kingwood a pre-K through fourth;

- Closing West Preston and building a new pre-K/fifth-eighth in the Masontown area.

Any funds collected above the \$1.5 million, in the plan in Monday's agenda, would be used to upgrade the maintenance fleet and for other equipment upgrades and replacements, and further maintenance needs.

By state law, none of the money could be used for salaries unless the levy specifically lists salaries as a use.

The board also was provided some options Monday for changing the current CEFP to make official the elimination of one trailer at Fellowship Elementary and closure of the old shop/band building at West Preston Middle. It also asked the board to consider adjusting the plan to conform with the W.Va. School Building Authority's economies of scale requirements to apply for state funding.

Under that heading, the board may consider amendments to build a new pre-kindergarten through eighth school, possibly near PHS; adding a sixth-eighth grade at the

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current Valley Elementary site; building a new pre-kindergarten-eighth school to serve the Tunnelton-Denver, South Preston, Fellowsville attendance area, possibly at the existing Tunnelton-Denver site.

"We're looking at amending the CEFP plan to address the three worst buildings in the system, which are Central Preston, West Preston and South Preston," Keim said.

The CEFP is a 10-year plan that includes proposed repairs, upgrades and replacements for school facilities that county boards of education are expected to follow. The current plan runs through 2010 and can be amended by the board of education.

Keim said the board wants to be able to show how it spends any maintenance levy money to gain voters' trust toward a possible construction bond election in the future.

"We've got to do something with the buildings now, because even if we passed a bond today, you've got some time before you can build a new building," Keim said.

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Jacobs said the university has done little to achieve these aims. "It's not to their benefit to stonewall because it is their own employees," he said. "Procrastination affects the morale of all WVU employees."

The plaintiff's motion said the enrollment process should be under way by now, but there was no formal announcement as to how the employees could enroll in the program until July 3 when an e-mail contained in a WVU employee newsletter, *Mountaineer E-News*, announced where employees could pick up the necessary forms to participate in the program.

A notice was also placed in the WVU employee newspaper, the *Mountaineer Spirit*. The notice said employees who are "members of the class action suit and have not been provided an enrollment form to participate in the program are encouraged to pick up a form at the Department of Human Resources at One Waterfront Place or at the HSC Human Resources Office." To date, the motion said,

only 71 people have sent in enrollment forms.

According to the plaintiff's motion, no administrator has been appointed to manage the daily operations of the program. A certified industrial hygienist has been brought into the program to design exposure questionnaires or complete a review of historical exposure data, but the motion claims the university would not say whether or not these tasks have been completed.

Asbestos was long regarded for its resistance to fire and heat. But in the 1970s, the medical community warned that asbestos fibers, when inhaled, can scar the lungs and cause lung cancer.

The seeds of the lawsuit were planted in 1998 when Sam Nadler Jr., a WVU mathematics professor, filed a complaint with the Monongalia County Health Department.

The health department inspected Armstrong Hall and found it unsuitable for use.

In 1999, federal regulators demanded a massive cleanup of asbestos in the ceiling of the WVU Coliseum, closing it during the 1999-2000 basketball season.

Litigation started in 2000 when six university employees wanted the university to provide medical monitoring concerning possible health-related problems.

The lawsuit alleged university officials knew asbestos insulation in the Coliseum ceiling was in poor condition and "significantly damaged" since at least 1992.

In 2004, Kanawha County Circuit Court Judge Tod J. Kaufman opened the door to more plaintiffs when he found it "credible" that the claims of an estimated 5,600 people share a significant risk of asbestos-related disease due to their exposure to asbestos as WVU employees.

The university maintains that it has strictly adhered to all Environmental Protection Agency guidelines for managing and monitoring the condition of buildings built before 1980 and continues to do so in compliance with all applicable standards.

Several buildings, including the Coliseum, Agricultural Sciences Building, Hodges Hall and the Law Center have been part of a multi-million dollar asbestos abatement project.

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extension with Federal Aviation Administration grant funds.

"The company will be completing the final paving and bringing everything level," said Bob Hammel, airport manager.

"They also will be realigning navigational aids, such as lights and signage."

Completion of the \$10 million, 1,000-foot runway safety area, mandated by the FAA, is expected to be complete by next spring, Hammel said.

Morgantown Municipal Airport is in the middle of its most notable expansion in 69 years.

The airport is nearing completion of a \$1.3 million water project, including a new tower.

A new access road, a business park, Reserves center and light industrial park also are in the works.

"That \$4 million — that's more than most cities in West Virginia see in three to five years," Boroff said.

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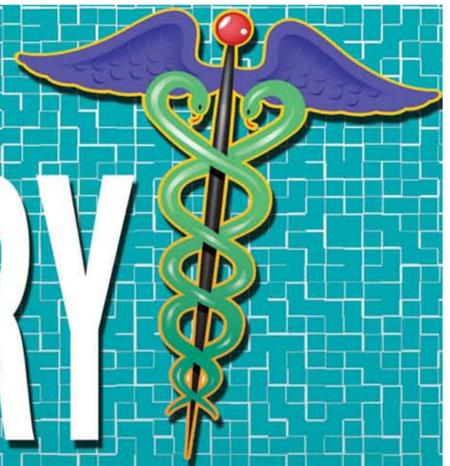
**Parent seminar set at Trinity Christian**

A local coalition of concerned pastors, youth workers and Christian parents have invited Josh McDowell and his team to conduct a parent seminar, "Why Belief Matters," at Trinity Christian School from 7-10 p.m. Aug. 29. Info: 291-4659 or TrueFoundations.com/events.

**Tuesday pickup set for Cheat Lake schedules**

Cheat Lake Middle School students may pick up their advisory assignment and schedule Tuesday. Fifth- and sixth-grade schedules will be available from 9-10:30 a.m.; seventh- and eighth-grade from 1-2:30 p.m. All schedules not picked up will be distributed the first day of school, Aug. 28, Guidance Counselor Robin Johnson-Belmeir said. New student orientation for students who registered during the summer will be from 1-2:30 p.m. Monday. New students still needing to register should report at 12:30 p.m. to the main office. Info: 594-1165.

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# Wholesale inflation rises by smallest amount in 5 months

WASHINGTON — Inflation at the wholesale level edged up by the smallest amount in five months in July as falling food prices helped offset another rise in energy costs.

The Labor Department reported that wholesale prices increased a slight 0.1 percent in July, far below the 0.5 percent jump in June. The improvement reflected a retreat in food prices, which fell by 0.3 percent in July, after having surged by 1.4 percent in June, which had been the biggest increase in nearly two years.

Federal Reserve policy-makers broke a two-year string of interest rate increases last week, saying they believed that a slowing economy would help restrain inflation pressures. But some private economists are worried that the relentless rise in energy costs could force the Fed to resume rate increases in coming months.

The 0.1-percent rise in the government's Producer Price Index represented the smallest amount of inflation since wholesale prices actually fell by 1.2 percent in February. Excluding volatile food and energy, core wholesale inflation fell by 0.3 percent in July. That was the best showing for core inflation in nine months, since a similar 0.3 percent decline last October.

Price pressures have been accelerating this year as energy costs have soared, reflecting rising tensions in the Middle East and tight supplies because of increased demand from emerging economies such as China.

Crude oil hit a record high, closing at \$77.03 in New York trading July 14. The increases in crude prices have pushed gasoline costs above \$3 per gallon in many parts of the country, increases that have spurred rising voter unhappiness with the economic policies of the Bush administration.

For July, energy prices were up 1.3 percent, the biggest increase

since a 4 percent jump in April. Gasoline prices were up 0.7 percent, natural gas for home use was up 0.9 percent and residential electricity costs jumped 1.8 percent, the biggest increase since January.

Those higher energy costs were expected to show up quickly in higher consumer energy bills. Analysts were forecasting that the Consumer Price Index would register a 0.4 percent increase for July when that figure is released on Wednesday.

Analysts are worried that rising inflation pressures may force the Fed off hold and result in further interest rate increases in coming months. The 0.3 percent drop in food costs

reflected a retreat in a variety of food costs which had surged in June. Egg prices fell by 26.1 percent, the biggest one-month drop in six years while fish prices were down 9.1 percent and soft drink prices dropped by 1.4 percent.

Outside of food and energy, prices were mostly lower with some notable exceptions. Tire prices jumped 3.5 percent, the biggest one-month gain in 27 years.

Offsetting that increase, the price of newspapers dropped by 1.2 percent, the biggest decline in 13 years, while the cost of light trucks was down 3.1 percent and the price of passenger cars fell by 0.8 percent.

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### Wal-Mart posts first profit fall in 10 years

Wal-Mart Stores Inc. posted its first profit decline in a decade Tuesday as the world's largest retailer paid a hefty price for closing its loss-making German stores while high energy prices hit its sales and costs at home.

Chief Executive Lee Scott said sales were disappointing at Wal-Mart's U.S. stores, its largest division. Customers were making fewer shopping trips to save gas, while Wal-Mart's own bills for fuel and utilities were up, he said.

"In the United States, customers tell us they are most concerned about gas prices," Scott said in a prerecorded message. "This has been consistent every month this quarter."

Results were still in line with expectations and the company reiterated its guidance for the year.

But analysts questioned whether a third-quarter forecast on the low end of expectations meant the company could meet its target for the year. Wal-Mart's stock fell 73 cents, or 1.6 percent to \$44.37 in late morning trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

### National home sales slow in the spring

WASHINGTON — The slowdown in the once-sizzling housing market is spreading, with 28 states and the District of Columbia reporting spring sales declines, led by big drops in former boom areas of Arizona, Florida and California.

Nationally, sales were down 7 percent in the April-June quarter this year compared with the same period in 2005, the National Association of Realtors said Tuesday in its latest state-by-state look at housing conditions around the country.

The Realtors survey showed that the biggest declines occurred in states that had been enjoying red-hot sales during the five-year housing boom.

The five biggest declines this spring compared to the April-June period of 2005 were Arizona, down 26.9 percent; Florida, down 26.7 percent; California, down 25.3 percent; Virginia, down 23.9 percent, and Nevada, down 23.5 percent.

### GM may sell western Pa. plant

PITTSBURGH — General Motors Corp. is considering selling an auto parts stamping plant in West Mifflin that employs more than 400 workers and is slated to close by the end of next year, union and company officials said.

"The plans to cease production at the plant sometime next year haven't changed. We're exploring all our options to reuse the plant" and that would include possibly selling it, said GM spokesman Dan Flores said.

Union officials, however, expressed optimism that selling the plant could save its 400 manufacturing jobs.

General Motors announced in November that it was cutting 30,000 jobs companywide to save \$7 billion by closing 12 plants by 2008. Last week, a union newsletter told workers that GM had advised the union that the company was trying to sell the plant, said Rick Mismas, shop chairman of United Auto Workers Local 544.

### Report: Jones Apparel pulls itself off auction block

NEW YORK — Jones Apparel Group Inc., the \$5 billion-a-year clothing company, is pulling itself off the auction block after failing to find enough interest, according to a newspaper report published Tuesday.

Jones is expected to make the announcement about the aborted attempt as early as Tuesday, according to *The New York Times*. While such private equity firms like Texas Pacific Group and Bain Capital were among the interested suitors, the newspaper said they were not willing to pay the company's asking price, which was more than \$35 a share. As of July 26, Jones had 112.8 million shares outstanding, making a \$35-per-share bid for the company worth a total of about \$3.95 billion.

# Gibson rocking as pricey American icon in guitar-loving Japan

Associated Press

TOKYO — The hand-aged Gibson Les Paul Special is a replica of the 1960 original, but an American master craftsman made it exactly the way the guitar would look today, complete with aging cracked paint and tiny dents from scuffs and scratches.

What's more unique, the instrument isn't sold anywhere else but in guitar-loving Japan, where the entire limited edition of the electric guitars are sold out, underlining this nation's never-ending affair with American guitars.

Never mind that Japan has its own respected guitar brands, including Yamaha and Ibanez. No Japanese-made guitar has the ring of an American icon, and Gibson Guitar Corp.'s biggest competitor here may be another American company famous for electric guitars, Fender Musical Instruments Corp.

Nobuaki Suzuki, an editor at *Guitar Magazine*, a major Japanese publication, says more Gibson and Fender electric guitars sell here in numbers — not just in revenue — than Japan-made guitars.

"The Americans dominate in numbers," he said. "Then come the domestic-made guitars."

Although Gibson is making marketing pushes elsewhere where demand is expected to grow, such as China, Japan is still Gibson's biggest market outside the United States and twice as large as its biggest European market, Great Britain, although the Nashville-based producer of electric and acoustic guitars isn't disclosing numbers.

Gibson makes a range of guitars



AP Photo

A visitor to Tokyo Guitar Show tries out a classic Gibson as staff helps to tune an amplifier at a local Gibson shop's booth recently in Tokyo. The Gibson isn't sold anywhere else but in guitar-loving Japan, where the entire limited edition of the electric guitars are sold out, underlining this nation's never-ending love affair with American guitars.

solely for the Japanese market, including rocker Tak Matsumoto's signature Les Paul in special guitar shades like canary yellow and sunburst.

"It is so cool," said Yuki Yamaguchi, a 19-year-old student who bought a \$5,400 Tak Matsumoto

Gibson on three-month credit. "I open the case and look in and go: 'It is so cool.'"

Amateur musicians like Yamaguchi, who acknowledges he hardly has time to play his guitar and spends more time admiring it, may

be just buying a dream. But they make for serious business.

Gibson is among the huge successes among American exports, which have over the years met mixed results in the finicky Japanese mar-

## Industry preaches safety as motorcycle sales, accidents soar

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — As Sean Mizlo lay in a hospital bed last summer, he wondered if he'd ever ride a motorcycle again. He knew he could, even though doctors had just removed his left leg above the knee. But would he want to?

"When I first said I was going to ride again, everyone said, 'Are you nuts?'" said Mizlo, 36, of Orion, Ill. "But it's just something you've got to do."

As the motorcycle industry continues to report record sales 14 years in a row, the industry and the government are looking to curb a rising number of injuries and deaths. They're encouraging motorcyclists to ride sober, wear protective gear such as helmets, take training courses and get licensed.

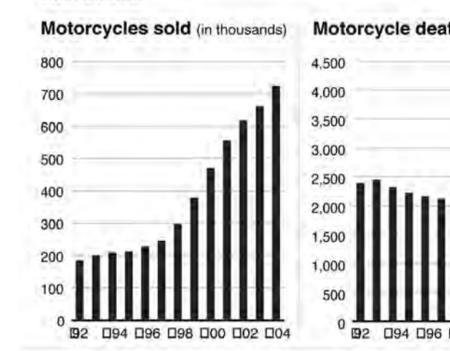
Riders attending this month's Sturgis Motorcycle Rally were being reminded to "Take It Easy" in ads and banners sponsored by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation, an industry group.

But industry experts and the government say other factors complicate things. Riders are getting older, riding more miles on rural roads and drinking more. And the rising number of riders is also making it harder to get into training programs, they say.

Motorcycle sales were up 11 percent in the first six months of this year and interest continues because of high gas prices, the Motorcycle Industry Council said. In 2004, the most recent year data are available, the industry posted \$7.6 billion in sales of 725,000 on-highway bikes,

### Motorcycle deaths on the rise

As motorcycle sales skyrocketed in the past decade, fatalities rose as well.



SOURCES: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; Motorcycle Industry Council

up from nearly \$4.7 billion in 2000 with 471,000 bikes sold.

"A big part of what you need to look at it is the simple fact that there are lot more motorcycles on the road," said Bob Klein, spokesman for Milwaukee-based Harley-Davidson. It sold 154,041 motorcycles in the first half of the year, up about 7 percent from the previous year.

Motorcycles accounted for 2 percent of all registered vehicles in 2004 but made up 9.4 percent of all highway deaths, up from 5 percent in 1997, according to government statistics.

In 2004, 4,008 people died on motorcycles, up 8 percent from the previous year's 3,714 deaths, accord-

ing to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. At the same time, total traffic deaths dropped less than 1 percent to 42,636.

Preliminary numbers from last year show a 7.7 percent increase in motorcycle fatalities, the NHTSA reports.

"Every fatality is huge to us because in almost all cases they're completely preventable," said Tim Buche, president of the Motorcycle Safety Foundation. "If riders make good choices, they ride trained, they ride within their limits, we don't have to have crashes."

More than half of the time, other vehicles are involved in crashes and the majority of those are the other vehicle's fault, Buche said. He cited the recent accident of Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback Ben Roethlisberger, who collided with a car in June, breaking his jaw and nose. He was cited for riding without a license and not wearing a helmet.

## MUTUAL FUNDS

Table listing various mutual funds with columns for fund names and their corresponding percentage changes. Funds include RiverSource B, St Farm Assoc, SirMuninc, Vanguard Instl Fds, and many others.

Advertisement for 'The Circle of Love pendant' by Jane Jewelers. The ad features a circular pendant with a heart and the words 'The Circle of Love pendant'. Below the image, it says 'Wear it. Feel it. Be it.' and provides contact information for Jane Jewelers at 1137 Van Voorhis Road, Suite 11, 599-8080.

Advertisement for 'HEALTHY READING!' by Em-media, inc. The ad promotes 'The Dominion Post' as a resource for patients of WVU Hospitals. It includes logos for WVU Hospitals, Em-media, inc., and The Dominion Post.

Advertisement for SCHÜCO WINDOWS USA. The ad features a large window with a view of a house and the text 'The most energy-efficient window in the world!'. It also mentions 'Exclusively at H&H WINDOWS Certified Installers' and provides contact information for two locations in Morgantown, WV.

Advertisement for 'Opt to Adopt' adoption services. The ad features a stork carrying a bundle and the text 'Adoption Services for over 30 years'. It lists services such as 'International & Domestic Adoptions', 'Home Study Preparation', and 'Consultation'. Contact information for Brenda Pizatella is provided.



**BOB HERTZEL**

## Liebig waited turn and is ready to shine

**YOU'VE READ THE STORY** so many times by now that it has become the cliché of modern day college football.

Poor minority kid, raised in the inner city, drug dealers on every corner, a cousin shot when caught in a crossfire, brother in jail, raised by his kindly grandmother, escapes through football to find a meaning in life.

Nice story. Warm, touching. But that isn't the way it always is.

The truth is that football isn't always a tunnel out of crime, sin and poverty.

Consider Pat Liebig, West Virginia University's nose guard.

Like so many kids before him, he came to Morgantown from Florida, but when they come to write his autobiography it won't be titled "Escape from Liberty City" or "Miami Mayhem" as it is with so many others.

Liebig is from Naples, which is one of the nicer resort towns on the West Coast of Florida.

His father is a car dealer and we're not talking about "Honest Abe's Pre-Owned Hondas."

We're talking European luxury cars, as in B and M and W.

Liebig was born in Germany, moving to the United States when he was 5½.

Time for a quick aside here. The 5½ comes from him. For some reason, as the comedian George Carlin points out, when we are young we deal in half years.

If he came to the states at 21½, he would undoubtedly say 21, not 21½.

Enough digression. "The family has been in the car business for over 95 years," Liebig said. And no, that wouldn't be 95½ years. "BMW's. Before that it was other companies. I don't even know the names. They don't make them any more."

The truth is that when Liebig graduated from Naples High, an undersized defensive lineman of 230 pounds, his parents did want him to attend college, certainly not out of state.

It wasn't that they didn't value education, it's just that things were done differently in Germany than they were done in the United States. Liebig once explained that it was German tradition that children don't immediately go off to college after graduating high school.

They work. They would have liked to have seen him go into the family car business.

He had to turn down the offers that did come his way, until West Virginia offered him a chance to do this new thing they called being a "gray shirt", meaning he delayed entrance into school until January.

"That was the best thing I did," he admits now. "I was too small. That allowed me time to gain weight and get strong."

Strength became Liebig's greatest asset, offsetting the fact that even now he weighs but 278 pounds. While that is a rather healthy figure for common man, it is considered petite among defensive linemen.

They actually were expecting big things from Liebig as early as his redshirt freshman year. He wound up starting a game and, wouldn't you know it, he blew out his ACL, needing surgery.

But he hung in there. "He's battled knee surgery and back problems, but by the end of last year he was playing as well or better than any defensive lineman we had," coach Rich Rodriguez said.

Now healthy, he's in line to replace Ernest Hunter at the nose.

"When we've had a strong player at nose we've had a good defense," Rodriguez noted.

He believes that now, with a fully-grown, healthy Liebig there, that will be the case.

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## Incoming frosh break through Wannstedt's wall

### WVU FOOTBALL

**BY BOB HERTZEL**  
*The Dominion Post*

When Dave Wannstedt took over the reins of the University of Pittsburgh's football program from the not-so-dear but departed Walt Harris, he made one vow.

"We want to put a fence up around [Western Pennsylvania] and dominate that area," he said not long after being named coach.

Well, maybe Coach Wannstedt ought to start looking for tunnels.

Freshmen wide receivers Carmen Connelly and Wes Lyons escaped to West Virginia some way.

This isn't just two schlemiels that Wannstedt wouldn't want.

They come with impressive resumes. Take Connelly, who when asked

what he thought of Wannstedt's vow, answered:

"He should have done that a lot earlier."

Connelly led Seton-LaSalle to the WPIAL championship last year, catching a state record 116 passes for 1,580 yards and 16 touchdowns.

Lyons, a stretch limo in gold and blue, towers over all of West Virginia's wide receivers at 6-foot-7, more than a head taller than all of them and even a half head taller than Rayshawn Bolden, who is listed at 6-5.

Lyons played last year at Woodland Hills and led the 10-3 Wolverines to the WPIAL Class AAAA finals.

He made 62 catches for 1,100 yards and 13 TDs as a senior.

Put it together and you have Western Pennsylvania exporting 178 catches and 2,680 yards and 29

touchdowns into West Virginia.

"Must be a hole in that wall somewhere," said WVU coach Rich Rodriguez with the kind of laugh a coach who has pulled off a recruiting coup is allowed to laugh.

"Western Pennsylvania has always been a good area for us," Rodriguez continued. "We've always had Western Pa. guys. We see that as a staple in our program."

Why, though, at a time when excitement was high with the arrival of Wannstedt, a former coach of both the Chicago Bears and Miami Dolphins, to say nothing of being a Pitt graduate, would they bolt for WVU, where they throw the football almost as often as they used to lose to Temple.

"It's not too far from home and they play a Western Pennsylvania

SEE WALL, 6-B



**Wes Lyons**, left, and **Carmen Connelly** are two prized freshman at WVU from Western Pennsylvania.



Ron Rittenhouse/*The Dominion Post*

**This montage shows** the love that Clyde Selby had for the game of baseball. Selby was a long-time coach of the Morgantown American Legion baseball team and guided Post 2 to state titles in 1973, 1974,

1976, 1980 and 1981. The pictures are of some of Selby's teams he coached over the years, which circles an award given to him in 1983 for his dedication to the American Legion program.

## A love of the game Long-time baseball coach Selby dies

**BY BOB HERTZEL**  
*The Dominion Post*

It was neither the balls and strikes nor the wins and losses that Clyde Selby cherished when it came to the game of baseball, for he knew the true result of his efforts were posted on a far larger scoreboard than the one that hung in whichever stadium his team was playing that night.

Instead, the outcome would be measured in the game of life for the kids who played for him and it

was to those kids that he was dedicated.

"He touched an awful lot of lives," said his son, Craig, on Tuesday after he learned that his father had died at age 90. "He had a great passion for baseball and for youth."

It was shown in more than 40 years of managing youth baseball teams in Morgantown, from the tiniest tots to the American Legion Post 2 team that completely involved him.

John Raese, who went on to be the driving force behind Greer

Industries and currently is involved in a bid for the United States Senate against Robert C. Byrd, played three years of American Legion baseball for Clyde Selby.

"One of the best lines I heard from him was when he said 'We never had any bad boys playing Legion baseball.' He meant it, too. He made sure all the boys that played for him turned out right," Raese said.

"He had that feel to him like a father or a grandfather," said Dale

Miller, general manager of WAJR-radio, and the man who replaced Selby as manager of the Post 2 American Legion team in 1985.

An accomplished carpenter who could be remembered for much of the work he did on houses throughout the area and who helped build Marilla Park, it was his avocation of youth baseball coaching that lifted him to his highest moments.

"He was a one-man band —

SEE SELBY, 8-B

## Young UHS line growing up fast

**BY MICHAEL CASAZZA**  
*The Dominion Post*

Ask any running back and he'll admit his offensive line can make him a better, more productive runner. It's the big bodies up front opening holes and deflecting the advances of defenders so the back can scoot by and make plays.

The bigger the openings, the stronger the blocks, the better the results.

Ask University High football coach John Kelley and he'll say the opposite is true, too. Running backs who can find the space and shed the grasp of defenders who break the initial line of resistance make those on the offensive front look better and learn faster.

That may be a major theme for the Hawks this season as they

lean on a pool of talented backs while hoping they can develop a young, though talented offensive line.

"It all works together," Kelley said. "When you run the football really well, the offensive line starts to get into it. When you start pounding people, the offensive line sprints back to the huddle and says, 'Let's do that again.' And the running backs tell the offensive linemen, 'Good hole,' or 'Good block,' and that helps the offensive line feel good about what they're doing."

Surrounded by mostly sophomores and juniors and pulling the strings for what is the youngest team he's overseen, Kelley points out one particularly bright spot.

"If there's anything I'm excited

SEE UHS, 7-B



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**Tyler Riddle (67)** clears space during Tuesday's workouts.

## Talks stalled on Cowher's contract

**BY ALAN ROBINSON**  
*AP Sports Writer*

**PITTSBURGH** — The Pittsburgh Steelers made official what has seemed evident for weeks: coach Bill Cowher is no longer negotiating an extension to a contract that runs through 2007.

The team announced Tuesday that it has ceased talks with Cowher on signing an extension so he can focus on coaching the returning Super Bowl champions. The team, which has had just two coaches in 38 seasons, has long had a policy of not negotiating contracts during a season, but wants to renew talks with Cowher once the season ends.

This is the first time since Cowher was hired by his hometown team in 1992 that he will go into a season with as few as two seasons remaining on his contract. Cowher and the team had been discussing an extension since shortly after the Steelers won the Super Bowl in February.

Cowher said several times during the offseason that he prefers now to work on a year-to-year basis, a stance he adopted after the Steelers went 6-10 in 2003 after winning 23 games the previous two seasons. Cowher, although he is just 49, is beginning his 15th season in Pittsburgh and is the NFL's most tenured coach with a single team.

"Over the past several months we have had a continuing and positive dialogue with coach Cowher's representative, Octagon President Phil de Picciotto, concerning Bill's contract and the future," team president Art Rooney II said in a statement issued by the team.

"I remain optimistic and hopeful that we will be able to conclude a contract extension which will keep Bill coaching the Pittsburgh Steelers for many more years. However, we have all agreed that at this time we will continue those conversations after this season so that Bill's focus, and the focus of the entire organization can be on the excitement and challenge of defending the Super Bowl championship."

Cowher's decision to not sign an extension has created speculation he may retire at the end of the season, with the possibility of him returning elsewhere as an NFL coach in a few years. He and his family have purchased a \$2.5 million luxury home in Raleigh, N.C., where he attended North Carolina State, and Cowher's wife and youngest daughter are expected to live there this season.

His other two daughters will attend Princeton.

Cowher said as recently as last month that he hasn't decided if he will coach again next season. However, Cowher was unhappy when former Steelers star Jerome Bettis predicted on NBC-TV on Sunday that Cowher might be in his final season in Pittsburgh.

Cowher wouldn't comment Tuesday on the Steelers' statement, standing by remarks he made Monday that he won't talk again this season about his future plans.

"There's been a lot of speculation about my future, I'm here to say once again that it's purely that, speculation," Cowher said Monday. "I don't like talking about the contract because we're in camp. I love coaching football, I love coaching here and there's been a lot of speculation and I'm going to leave it at that."

"I can't control the future — again, that takes two sides — but I do have two years left on my contract, contrary to what some people think. And that's all I want to talk about it," he said.

# Floyd Landis' former cycling team to cease operations

**Associated Press**  
Floyd Landis' former cycling team will shut down at the end of the season. Phonak owner Andy Rihs said Tuesday that he has been unable to find a buyer for his team since Landis, this year's Tour de France champion, was busted for doping. "I've had to do something I've never done in my whole life: Give up," Rihs said. The Swiss hearing-aid firm had already decided to pull its sponsorship because of doping issues. American company iShares, a subsidiary of Barclays Bank, was to replace Phonak as title sponsor in 2007, but the deal was called off after Landis' positive doping tests. The 30-year-old Landis tested positive for an unusually high amount of testosterone after a tough Alpine stage on July 20 — when he made a remarkable comeback and went on to win the Tour de France. Both his "A" and "B" samples tested positive.

**Football**  
Former Ohio State football star Maurice Clarett and attorneys likely will be banned from talking to the media about his legal

troubles because of heavy national news coverage after a highway chase with police last week, a judge said Tuesday. Assistant prosecutor Doug Stead requested the gag order, accusing defense attorneys of talking to reporters too much. Judge David Fais is hearing robbery charges accusing Clarett of holding up two people in January.  
■ Carolina Panthers All-Pro wide receiver Steve Smith looked sharp Tuesday in his return to practice after missing more than two weeks with a strained hamstring. Smith caught three consecutive passes, including a deep throw down the middle, at one point in morning practice. Smith, who led the NFL with 1,563 receiving yards last season and helped the Panthers reach the NFC championship, showed no sign that the hamstring still bothered him.  
■ Running back Lee Suggs failed his physical with the New York Jets on Tuesday, voiding his trade from Cleveland. Suggs, who has had a myriad of injuries throughout his four-year career, was brought in to help bolster the group of backs struggling without the injured Cur-

**BRIEFS**  
tis Martin. Now, he is headed back to the Browns. Cornerback Derrick Strait, who was sent to Cleveland in the deal made Monday, returns to New York.  
■ Cincinnati waived defensive tackle Matthias Askew on Tuesday, one of five Bengals accused of breaking the law in the past three months. A fourth-round draft choice in 2004 out of Michigan State, Askew has been repeatedly hampered by injuries. Askew was charged last month with resisting arrest, obstructing official business and two parking violations. Cincinnati police said a dispute broke out over his illegally parked car and the 6-foot-5, 302-pound lineman struggled with officers trying to handcuff him and broke away before being shocked with a stun gun.  
**Baseball**  
San Diego Padres minor league catcher Matthew Lauderdale was suspended for 50 games Tuesday after testing positive for a drug of abuse. Lauderdale, a native of

Atlanta who attended the College of Charleston, was selected by the Padres in the ninth round of the 2003 first-year player draft. Lauderdale started this season with the Lake Elsinore Storm of the Single-A California League, playing four games there. He has spent the rest of the 2006 season with the Double-A Mobile Bay-Bears of the Southern League, batting .233 in 44 games. The penalty for an initial positive test this year was increased from 15 games to 50 for players with minor league contracts.  
**Basketball**  
The Seattle SuperSonics and power forward Chris Wilcox agreed Tuesday on a three-year, \$24 million contract. In 29 games with the SuperSonics last season after being traded by the Los Angeles Clippers, Wilcox delighted Seattle fans with his athletic play and thunderous dunks that meshed well with the Sonics' up-tempo style. He averaged 14.1 points and 8.2 rebounds, shot 59 percent and averaged 30 minutes, all career highs.  
■ Center Loren Woods signed with the

Sacramento Kings on Tuesday after two seasons with the Toronto Raptors. Woods, a five-year NBA player, also has played for Miami and Minnesota, which drafted him in 2001. He averaged 2.3 points and 4.1 rebounds in the Raptors last season. Woods could be a backup for Brad Miller alongside Vitali Potapenko in Sacramento.  
**Tennis**  
Martina Navratilova's retirement send-off will include induction into the U.S. Open Court of Champions. She'll be inducted along with the late Don Budge, a two-time winner, in ceremonies at Arthur Ashe Stadium on Sept. 10 before the men's final. The 49-year-old Navratilova announced this summer that she will retire again after the U.S. Open. She'll join previous Court of Champion inductees Jimmy Connors, Margaret Court, Chris Evert, Steffi Graf, Billie Jean King, Jack Kramer, Rod Laver, Ivan Lendl, John McEnroe and Bill Tilden, who have a total of 231 Grand Slam titles.

## NOTICES

**MISCELLANY**  
**WVU FAN DAY**, 1:15 p.m., Aug. 20, Caperton Indoor Facility at Milan Puskar Stadium. Autographs of WVU coaches and players.  
**MONONGALIA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT** comprehensive sports physicals for children 18 and younger. Sliding fee scale available. Some insurance accepted. Info: 598-5119  
**SPORTS PSYCHOLOGY SESSIONS** with Dr. Jack Watson at the HIT Center. Appointment only. Info: 292-9404.  
**BASKETBALL CAMPS**  
**NATE SMITH CAMPS** at Fair Play, Aug. 19-22 for girls and boys grades 1-3. Info, or to sign up: 599-5544, 594-3760, www.fairplaycenter.com  
**HIT CENTER PRE-SEASON TRAINING**, Aug. 7-31. Info: 292-9404.  
**BASKETBALL TECHNIQUE LESSONS** with Alexis Basil or Nick Patella at the HIT Center in Westover. Appointment only. Info: 292-9404.  
**SPORTS CITY U BASKETBALL ACADEMY** fall classes and leagues, Sept. 5-Oct. 23, in Hurricane, for all ages and abilities. Classes taught by Nike shooting and skills specialist Jim Clayton and staff. Info: (304) 562-2424; www.schooops.com  
**SPORTS CITY U BASKETBALL ACADEMY** summer follow-up conditioning and skills tune-up camps, in Hurricane, Oct. 7 summer follow-up camp; Oct. 24-26 middle school boys and girls camp; Oct. 30-Nov. 2 high school girls camp; Nov. 6-9 high school boys camp; Nov. 13-15 youth camp. Info: (304) 562-2424.  
**GOLF**  
**LEAGUE PLAY:** Tuesday Mountainview Senior League: Weekly blind draw and skill prizes (594-2011). Mountaineer Golf Course Senior League: 50 and over (Loren Stumpe, 292-6211). Preston Country Club Senior League. Minimum age 55. Lakeview Ladies, all skill levels welcome, clinics available and a professional will be on the tee to offer tips (594-2011).  
**3RD ANNUAL 201ST GOLF TOURNAMENT**, 9 a.m. Aug. 19 at Mountaineer Golf Course. Four-man scramble, best-ball format. Proceeds help support the 201st field artillery family support of the W.Va. army national guard. Info: 363-1010.  
**WHITE DAY OPEN**, Aug. 26-27 with practice round during the week. Six flights, including championship flight. Cash prizes. Info: 363-1909.  
**CENTRAL WEST VIRGINIA COAL MINING INSTITUTE** fall outing benefiting Tri-State Coal Operators Association Mine Rescue Team covering Dana Mining, Kinwood Mining, Redbone Mining, Steyer II, Cobra Mining, H & H Coal, 8:30 a.m. Aug. 26, Bel Meadow Country Club. \$65 individual, \$250 team.  
**DAY-NITE 3-MAN SCRAMBLE** in memory of bumper Sanders, 9 holes before dark, 9 holes after, Sept. 2 at Paradise Lake Golf Club. Bring your own team. One person with 10 or under handicap. Info: 291-0827.  
**SENIOR MEN'S TRI-STATE**, Aug. 26-27, Preston Country Club. Age 50 and over. Info: Preston Pro shop, 329-2100.  
**SWIMMING**  
**WEST VIRGINIA AQUATICS** strokes clinic, Aug. 28-31, WVU Natatorium, 5-6 p.m. for ages 10-and under and 6-7 p.m. for ages 11 through high school. For year-round swimmers, high school swimmers and summer league swimmers. Info: www.wvaquatics.org or 906-8603.  
**SHOOTING**  
**SPORTING CLAY SHOOT**, register 2:30 p.m. first Sunday of month until October, Mason Dixon Rifle Club, Tyrone Road. Info: 292-5078 and http://www.mdrcc-inc.com/  
**ARCHERY**  
**SPORTSMAN'S EMPORIUM REDNECK WEDNESDAY BOW SHOOT**, every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Info: 225-2697.  
**BIG EAST CHALLENGE** at Bobtown Rod & Gun Club - Aug. 19 & 20. More info at www.sportsmansrevenge.com.

**FOOTBALL**  
**MENS ADULT 8-MAN FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE** forming. Games on weekends at Windmill Park, Fairmont beginning second week of September. Fee, \$250. Info: Ed 304-826-0912 or Mike 304-368-1102.  
**SOFTBALL**  
**PITCHING CLINIC**, Aug. 19-20, Salem International Field, instructed by Tom Mattioli, cost is \$50. Info: Steve Potts at 842-2631 or Sam Gould 884-8802 or 657-7655.  
**TOURNAMENT**, Aug. 26-27, White Park in Morgantown, cash prizes, entry fee is \$125 and hit your own 44-core balls. Info: Starr at 216-1422 or 292-3313 or Tracy at 288-9893.  
**MENS USSSA STATE E QUALIFIER (E)** - Windmill Park, Fairmont, Aug. 19-20. Info: 304-290-6484  
**NOTHING FANCY TOURNAMENT**, double elimination, Aug. 19 at Point Marion (Pa.). Entry fee, \$75 and two softballs. Drawing Aug. 18 at the park. Info: 724-725-1063.  
**MENS FALL SLOW-PITCH LEAGUE** forming at Windmill Park. Entry fee, \$140. Info: 304-290-6484  
**BOPARC'S FALL SOFTBALL PACKETS** available at the Morgantown Ice Arena and Marilla Office. Limited team (24) men's and (12) co-ed teams. First paid will be in the league. Forfeit fee (\$50)/roster due Aug. 23 and league fee (\$322) due Aug. 30th. Weekly games start September 11. Info: Gordon 292-6865 or Michele 282-9246.  
**HOCKEY**  
**MORGANTOWN HOCKEY ASSOCIATION** registration for the 2006-07 youth hockey programs at the Morgantown Ice Arena. Online registration at www.morgantownhockey.com.

**BASEBALL**  
**FALL BASEBALL LEAGUE**, hosted by MVP Baseball. Weekends September through October. Ages 11-18. Games and Tournaments. Deadline: Aug. 16, tryouts Aug. 19-20. Info: 276-0462 or info@mvpwestvirginia.com  
**FALL BASEBALL CAMP**, hosted by MVP Baseball. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Aug. 29-Sept. 21. Ages 7-10. Deadline: Aug. 23. Fee \$40 Info: 276-0462 or info@mvpwestvirginia.com  
**DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY BASEBALL CLINIC**, Aug. 23, Duquesne Field, for ages 15-18. Players receive skill instruction, evaluations from Division I coaches from four-state area. Pitchers, catchers: 10-12:30 p.m.; position players: 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Info: (412) 396-5245.  
**WRESTLING**  
**HIT CENTER PRE-SEASON TRAINING**, Aug. 7-31. Info: 292-9404.

## TVSPORTSWATCH

**LITTLE LEAGUE SOFTBALL**  
**9:30 p.m.**: ESPN2 — World Series, championship game, teams TBA, at Portland, Ore.  
**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**  
**2 p.m.**: WGN — Chicago Cubs at Houston  
**7 p.m.**: ESPN — Detroit at Boston  
**TENNIS**  
**1 p.m.**: ESPN2 — ATP, Western & Southern Financial Group Masters, early round, at Cincinnati  
**7:30 p.m.**: ESPN2 — ATP, Western & Southern Financial Group Masters, early round, at Cincinnati

## BASEBALL

**NL standings**

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	71	47	.602	—
Philadelphia	58	60	.492	13
Atlanta	55	63	.466	16
Florida	52	63	.446	16
Washington	52	67	.437	19 1/2

**Central Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
St. Louis	62	55	.530	—
Cincinnati	61	57	.517	1 1/2
Houston	57	61	.483	5 1/2
Milwaukee	56	63	.471	7
Chicago	50	68	.424	12 1/2
Pittsburgh	46	74	.383	17 1/2

**West Division**

W	L	Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	63	56	.529	—
San Diego	60	58	.508	2 1/2
Arizona	59	59	.500	3
Colorado	58	60	.492	4 1/2
San Francisco	55	63	.466	7 1/2

**Monday's games**

Pittsburgh 4, Milwaukee 2  
Allantra 10, Washington 4  
Philadelphia 13, N.Y. Mets 0  
Chicago Cubs 3, Houston 0  
Colorado 4, Arizona 3  
San Francisco 1, San Diego 0  
L.A. Dodgers 4, Florida 2

**Tuesday's games**

Milwaukee 6, Pittsburgh 3  
Washington 5, Atlanta 0  
Philadelphia 11, N.Y. Mets 4  
Chicago Cubs at Houston, (night)  
Cincinnati at St. Louis, (night)  
Arizona at Colorado, (night)  
San Francisco at San Diego, (night)  
Florida at L.A. Dodgers, (night)

**Today's games**

Milwaukee (Capuano 10-8) at Pittsburgh (Duke 8-10), 12:35 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs (Hill 2-5) at Houston (Pettitte 11-12), 2:05 p.m.  
Florida (J. Johnson 10-6) at L.A. Dodgers (Hendrickson 3), 3:10 p.m.  
Atlanta (Smith 10-5) at Washington (Traber 2-1), 7:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets (Glovine 12-5) at Philadelphia (Lieber 4-9), 7:05 p.m.  
Cincinnati (Arroyo 9-8) at St. Louis (Reyes 4-5), 8:10 p.m.  
Arizona (Hernandez 9-9) at Colorado (Cook 10-9), 9:05 p.m.  
San Francisco (Lawry 5-7) at San Diego (Park 7-7), 10:05 p.m.

**Thursday's games**

Atlanta at Washington, 1:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, 1:05 p.m.  
Cincinnati at St. Louis, 2:10 p.m.  
Arizona at Colorado, 3:05 p.m.  
San Francisco at San Diego, 3:35 p.m.  
Houston at Milwaukee, 8:05 p.m.

**BREWERS & PIRATES 3**

MILWAUKEE	PITTSBURGH
abr cf	dbr rf
BClark cf	5 0 0
Griffino 2b	5 1 2
Fillar lf	5 1 2
Mench II 4	0 1 1
BHall ss	4 0 1 1
CHarrif	4 0 1 1
DoBell 3b	3 1 1 0
DMiller c	4 1 2
ODavis p	1 0 0 0
Catalin	0 0 0
CRillo ph	1 1 1 0
FCDerp	0 0 0 0
Totals	36 6 11 5

**BREWERS & PIRATES 3**

MILWAUKEE	PITTSBURGH
E-FSanchez (7), Castillo (17), DP-Milwaukee 3, Pittsburgh 1, LOB-Milwaukee 6, Pittsburgh 6, 2B-Graffanino 2 (10), DMiller (26), Castillo (20), HR-Charl (2), JBautista (13), CS-BHall (7), Castillo (4), S-DDavis 2, SF-Randa.	

**Tuesday's line scores**

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

Detroit	000 201-3 11 0
Boston	001 000 010-2 6 0
Bonderman, Ledezma (8), Rodney (8), T.Jones (9) and Rodriguez, WWilson (8); Schilling, Timlin (8) and Mirabeli, W-Rodney 6-3, L-Timlin 5-2, Sv-T.Jones (3). HR-Boston, Crisp (6).	
Toronto	000 100 020-4 13 0
Tampa Bay	200 010-3 8 1
Halladay, Accardo (8), Schoeneweils (8), League (8), Bryan (9) and BMalina; Seo, Meadows (8), Miceli (8) and Navarro, W-Halladay 15-3, L-Meadows 2-3, Sv-Bryan (27), HR-Tampa Bay, Norton (10).	
Cleveland	000 000 001-1 4 0
Minnesota	001 000 00x-4 8 0
Westbrook and Shoppach; JoSantana, Nathan (9) and Maurer, W-JoSantana 14-5, L-Westbrook 9-8.	
Baltimore	000 012 000-3 8 1
New York	000 001 02x-4 12 1
Bestard, Hawkins (7), Byrdak (7), Britton (8) and Rihernandez; Mussina, Villone (7), Proctor (7), MRivera (9) and Posada, W-Proctor 5-3, L-Hawkins 1-2, Sv-MRivera (31), HRs-Baltimore, Millar (10), New York, Damon (17).	

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

Atlanta	000 000 000-0 2 2
Washington	013 010 00x-5 8 0
Cormier, McBride (5), Roy (6), Yates (7), Barry (8) and McCann; Astacio and Schneider, W-Astacio 3-2, L-Cormier 2-4.	
New York	101 000 020-4 7 0
Philadelphia	423 200 00x-11 13 0
O'Hernandez, Feliciano (5), Rof Hernandez (7), Hellman (8) and LeDuzo; Wolf, Sanchez (8), Geary (9) and Lieberthal, W-Wolf 1-0, L-O'Hernandez 8-9, HRs-New York, Reyes 3 (14), Philadelphia, Victorino (6), Dellucci (12).	

## WALL

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style of football. I feel like I'm at home here," Connelly said.  
More than a receiver, the Mountaineers got a football player in Connelly.  
"It's a family tradition," he said. Listen to this family tree.  
"My cousin, Bruce Gardkowsky from Toledo, was the sixth-round draft pick of the Miami Dolphins this year. Another cousin, Joe DelSardo is a wide receiver at Pitt. Ralph DelSardo was a Division I-AA All-American at Morehead State," he said.  
The nice thing about Connelly is that he's a tough kid, originally recruited as a defensive back by WVU despite the 116 catches.  
"That surprised me but any way I could play at the Division 1-A level was good with me. I didn't have a lot of other 1-A offers," he said.  
Lyons admits he never had any intention of going to Pitt.  
"I never had any interest in Pitt," he said. "They knew I wasn't interested."  
Like Connelly, football was in his family and they had gone away from the Pittsburgh area. His brother, Devon, is a wide receiver at Ohio State and a cousin, Ryan Mundy, is playing at Michigan.  
Both players said it didn't take long from them to begin feeling like Mountaineers.  
"You catch on pretty quick," Lyons said. "When I came down here for a visit the fans were crazy. It was incredible how they were into the game. You learn there's no pro basketball, no pro baseball, no pro football here. Just Mountaineer football."  
His brother didn't do anything to draw Lyons to Ohio State.  
"We were definitely close. I talked to him every day. Ohio State offered me but he wanted me to go to the best place for me," Lyons said.  
That was WVU, even though it has no reputation for throwing the ball.  
"I know Coach Rod wants to throw,"

## GOLF

**PGA Championship tee times**

**At Medinah Country Club Medinah, Ill. Thursday-Friday First Hole-10th Hole**

8 a.m.-1:05 p.m. — Mike Small, Ryan Palmer, Andres Romero  
8:10 a.m.-1:15 p.m. — Steve Flesch, Gregory Bisconti, Anders Hansen  
8:20 a.m.-1:25 p.m. — Ted Purdy, Jim Kane, Charl Schwartzel  
8:30 a.m.-1:35 p.m. — Pat Perez, Charles Howell III, Joey Sindelar  
8:40 a.m.-1:45 p.m. — Jerry Kelly, Heath Stocum, Padraig Harrington  
8:50 a.m.-1:55 p.m. — Craig Barlow, Mike Weir, Todd Hamilton  
9 a.m.-2:05 p.m. — Lucas Glover, Robert Allenby, Trevor Immelman  
9:10 a.m.-2:15 p.m. — S.K. Ho, Brett Wetterich, Jose Maria Olazabagi  
9:20 a.m.-2:25 p.m. — Zach Johnson, Ben Curtis, Peter Lonard  
9:30 a.m.-2:35 p.m. — K.J. Choi, Rod Pampling, Tim Heron  
9:40 a.m.-2:45 p.m. — Greg Owen, Tim Weinhart, Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano  
9:50 a.m.-2:55 p.m. — Harrison Frazar, Johan Edfors, Ryan Moore  
10 a.m.-3:05 p.m. — Simon Khan, Sam Arnold, Billy Mayfair

**Thursday-Friday 10th Hole-First Hole**

8 a.m.-1:05 p.m. — Bo Van Pelt, Mark Brown, Dean Wilson  
8:10 a.m.-1:15 p.m. — Kenneth Ferrie, John Aber, Hideto Tanihara  
8:20 a.m.-1:25 p.m. — Miguel Angel Jimenez, Tim Clark, Tom Pernice Jr.  
8:30 a.m.-1:35 p.m. — Rich Beem, Steve Elkington, David Toms  
8:40 a.m.-1:45 p.m. — Fred Funk, Stewart Cink, Thomas Bjorn  
8:50 a.m.-1:55 p.m. — Retief Goosen, Chad Campbell, David Duval  
9 a.m.-2:05 p.m. — Mark Calcavecchia, Luke Donald, Vaughn Taylor  
9:10 a.m.-2:15 p.m. — Michael Campbell, Chris DiMarco, Lee Westwood  
9:20 a.m.-2:25 p.m. — J.J. Henry, Graeme McDowell, Aaron Baddeley  
9:30 a.m.-2:35 p.m. — Phil Mickelson, Geoff Ogilvy, Tiger Woods  
9:40 a.m.-2:45 p.m. — John Senden, Nick Dougherty, Scott Verplank  
9:50 a.m.-2:55 p.m. — Brad Faxon, Don Yare, Camilo Villegas  
10 a.m.-3:05 p.m. — Steve Scheiner, Bradley Dredge, Ben Crane

**Thursday-Friday First Hole-10th Hole**

1:05 p.m.-8 a.m. — Nathan Green, Lee Rinker, Richard Johnson  
1:15 p.m.-8:10 a.m. — Kelly Mitchell, Jesper Parnevik, Brandt Jeay  
1:25 p.m.-8:20 a.m. — Aaron Oberholzer, Jason Gore, Bart Bryant  
1:35 p.m.-8:30 a.m. — Adam Scott, Kenny Perry, Rory Sabbatini  
1:45 p.m.-8:40 a.m. — Shaun Micheal, Bob Tway, Davis Love III  
1:50 p.m.-8:50 a.m. — Jim Furyk, Angel Cabrera, Shigeiki Maruyama  
2:05 p.m.-9 a.m. — Tom Lehman, David Howell, Robert Gomez  
2:15 p.m.-9:10 a.m. — Sergio Garcia, Fred Couples, Ernie Els  
2:25 p.m.-9:20 a.m. — Colin Montgomerie, Stuart Appleby, J.B. Holmes  
2:35 p.m.-9:30 a.m. — John Daly, Jeff Sluman, Vijay Singh  
2:45 p.m.-9:40 a.m. — Corey Pavin, Bernhard Langer, John Rollins  
2:55 p.m.-9:50 a.m. — Steve Lowery, Alan Schulte, Richard Green  
3:05 p.m.-10 a.m. — Chris Wiemers, Mark Hensby, Rose

**Frontier League Thursday-Friday 10th Hole-First Hole**

1:05 p.m.-8 a.m. — Woody Austin, Craig Thomas, Justin Rose  
1:15 p.m.-8:10 a.m. — Stephen Dodd, Chip Sullivan, Jason Bohm  
1:25 p.m.-8:20 a.m. — Wes Short Jr., Chris Riley, Henrik Stenson  
1:35 a.m.-8:30 a.m. — Larry Nelson, Ron Philo Jr., Wayne Grady  
1:45 p.m.-8:40 a.m. — Olin Browne, Daniel Chopra, Sean O'Hair  
1:55 p.m.-8:50 a.m. — Paul Casey, Justin Leonard, Nicolas Fash  
2:05 a.m.-9 a.m. — Jeff Maggert, Robert Karlsson, Kirk Triplett

# Pelliccioni leads MHS past Elkins

## PREP ROUNDUP

The Dominion Post  
**ELKINS** — Brice Pelliccioni shot an even par 36 to win low medalist honors, as the Morgantown High golf team defeated Elkins, 162-178, Tuesday, at the Elks Country Club.  
Jon Goodwin shot a 39 for MHS (19-24, 2-0 NCAC), Ryan Ponzurick shot a 43 and Zack Romito a 44 for the Mohigans. Justin Nida shot a 1-over 37 to lead Elkins.  
■ Fairmont Senior defeated University High in a sudden-death playoff hole, at the Mountainview Golf Course.  
Buckhannon-Upshur finished third on the day and East Fairmont was fourth.  
Both UHS and Fairmont Senior were tied at 167 following play, meaning the two teams had to replay hole No. 1. The Polar Bears won the hole by shooting 3-under, while the Hawks shot 2-under.  
Mark Johnson shot a 4-over 40 to lead UHS (12-2, 3-1 NCAC), while teammate Brian Robinson shot a 41. Leo Fleming and Todd Gutta both shot a 43 for UHS.  
Fairmont Senior was led by Matt Pellillo, who shot a 2-over 38 for low medalist honors.

## TRANSACTIONS

**BASEBALL**  
MLB—Suspended C Matthew Lauderdale (San Diego) for 50 games for testing positive for a banned drug in violation of the minor league drug prevention and treatment program.  
**American League**  
TEXAS RANGERS—Placed RHP Kip Wells on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 12. Recalled RHP Scott Feldman from Oklahoma of the PCL.  
**National League**  
ATLANTA BRAVES—Recalled RHP Lance Cormier from Richmond of the IL. Optioned OF Scott Thorman to Richmond.  
HOUSTON ASTROS—Waived OF Preston Wilson.  
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Promoted OF Vic Butler to Indianapolis of the IL and C Neil Walker and OF Andrew McCutchen to Altoona of the EL.  
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Recalled OF Timo Perez from Memphis of the PCL. Optioned RHP Brad Thompson to Memphis.  
WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Agreed to terms with LHP Glenn Gibson and assigned him to the Nationals of the CL.  
**International League**  
PAWTUCKET RED SOX—Sent RHP Barry Herzler to Portland of the EL. Recalled RHP Charlie Zink from Lowell of the New York-Penn League. Agreed to terms with LHP Rob Henkel.  
**American Association**  
SIOUX FALLS CANARIES—Agreed to terms with C Jake Smith.  
ST. PAUL SAINTS—Agreed to terms with RHP Mike Paek.  
**Atlantic League**  
BRIDGEPORT BLUEFISH—Announced the Milwaukee Brewers have purchased the contract of P Luther Hackman and assigned him to Huntsville of the Southern League. Signed P Nick Bierbrodt.  
LANCASTER BARNSTORMERS—Announced the Boston Red Sox have agreed to terms with LHP Rob Henkel.  
SOMERSET PATRIOTS—Purchased the contract of INF Nick Ortiz from the Rod Warriors.  
**Can-Am League**  
NEW JERSEY JACKALS—Agreed to terms with C Nick Prosie and 1B-OF John Lindsey.  
QUEBEC CAPITALS—Agreed to terms with LHP Juan Hernandez.  
**Frontier League**  
CHILLICOTHE PAINTS—Agreed to terms with RHP Ryan Flanigan. Acquired OF-1B Taylor Johnson and LHP Ted Juske from Gateway of OF Daniel Sellers. RHP Ryan Rofferty and a player to be named.  
GATEWAY GRIZZLIES—Acquired RHP Noah Russo. RHP Mike Mlakowski and a 2007 second-round draft pick from Windy City for OF Kevin House and a player to be named. Traded RHP Todd Pennington to Lancaster of the Atlantic League for a player to be named.  
ROCKFORD RIVERHAWKS—Agreed to terms with IF David Keese.

WASHINGTON WILD THINGS—Agreed to terms with C Kevin Butler.  
WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS—Agreed to terms with OF Anthony Albano and LHP Scott Nicholson.  
**BASKETBALL**  
**National Basketball Association**  
CHARLOTTE BOBCATS Re-signed C Jake Voskhil to a two-year contract.  
SACRAMENTO KINGS—Signed C Loren Woods.  
**FOOTBALL**  
**National Football League**  
ARIZONA CARDINALS—Signed QB Matt Leinart to a six-year contract.  
CLEVELAND BROWNS—Signed DB Jeremy LeSueur. Waived WR Brent Little.  
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Released WR Leo Bookman.  
NEW YORK JETS—Negotiated the trade with Cleveland that sent RB Lee Suggs to the Jets for DB Derrick Strait after Suggs failed his physical.  
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Placed KR Darren Sorens on injured reserve. Waived DB Raymond Walls.  
TAMPA BAY BUCCANERS—Re-signed FB Robert Douglas. Released TE Leonard Stephens. Placed TET J. Williams on injured reserve.  
WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Signed LB Jeff Posey, OL Spencer Fallow and RB A.J. Harris.  
**HOCKEY**  
**American Hockey League**  
CHICAGO WOLVES—Announced Marty Howe, assistant coach, will not return for the 2006-07 season.  
GRAND RAPIDS GRIFINS—Signed Greg Ireland, coach, and Jim Paek, assistant coach, to contract extensions through the 2007-08 season.  
**ECHL**  
LAS VEGAS WRANGLERS—Agreed to terms with LW Marco Peluso and RW Nick Anderson.  
READING ROYALS—Agreed to terms with D T.J. Kemp.  
**COLLEGE**  
ALABAMA—Named Randy Hosenbaw cross country, assistant track and field coach.  
CALIFORNIA, PA.—Named Justin Barroner interim men's golf coach.  
DOMINICAN—Named Bill Diener women's assistant basketball coach and Jim Soyre men's assistant basketball coach.  
GREAT FALLS—Announced the resignation of Antonio Veloso, athletic director and men's basketball coach.  
GWYNEDD MERCY—Announced athletic director and women's basketball coach Keith Mondillo has been named to the NCAA Division III Women's Basketball Rules Committee.  
PFEIFFER—Named Sarah Denton women's soccer coach.  
SCRANTON—Named Becky Davis interim women's lacrosse coach.

Lyons said. "Maybe it will be this year, especially if they stack everyone in the box."  
"If you split three and four guys out at a time, you are bound to throw at some point. Someone will get a lot of catches," Connelly added.  
Rodriguez says that Connelly, who came to school in January, is more advanced than Lyons right now. Lyons, however, believes he can make an impact this year.  
"I can make an impact right away," he said. "I just have to focus, get hungry and play football."  
Make no doubt that Rodriguez will try to take advantage of his 6-7 frame on goal line fade routes.

## PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

## Tiger and Mickelson in main event

BY DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

MEDINAH, Ill. — The 10th tee is tucked away in a far corner of Medinah Country Club, where green mesh on a chain-linked fence separates the world's best golfers from a steady stream of cars on Lake Street.

It's not much of an arena for the main event at the PGA Championship.

Considering how rarely Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson go head-to-head in a major, it should be quite a stage.

"Obviously, the fans that Phil has and the fans I have, it'll make for a very loud atmosphere," Woods said.

"I think that the PGA has everything under control safety-wise," Mickelson said. "That would be the only concern. But I think it should be fine and a lot of fun."

The PGA Championship traditionally puts together the three major champions of the year for the first two rounds, and this year it has a doozy at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday.

In one corner is Woods, the British Open champion, fresh off consecutive victories that brought him his 11th major at Royal Liverpool and his 50th career PGA Tour title at the Buick Open.

In the other corner is Mickelson, the Masters champion, defending PGA champion and the greatest threat to Woods' throne.

Joining them in the role of Switzerland is U.S. Open champion Geoff Ogilvy.

"I'm sure it will be a zoo," Ogilvy said Tuesday. "It'll be interesting to see how they get along with each other. I've never played with both of them at the same time. I know them both well enough, and I've played with them a few times, so it'll be interesting. It'll be quite funny, and the crowd will be quite vocal."

They have been rivals for the better part of the last decade — Woods the ruthless champion, Mickelson the people's choice. Strangely enough, this will be only the 14th time they have played together, and the third time in a major.

Mickelson chatted his way around Augusta National with Fred Couples during his Masters victory in April. He was asked how it might be different Thursday at Medinah.

"Amount of conversation," he replied.

Their last meeting at a major was a classic. It was the final round of the 2001 Masters, where Woods was going for an unprecedented fourth consecutive major and Mickelson, who had stopped two of Woods' streaks, was one shot behind. Woods pulled away with mistake-free golf on the back nine for a two-shot victory.

"That was fun," Woods recalled. "I was lucky enough to win, but to be able to go down the stretch in a major championship is always fun. With a talent like Phil, you always know you have to play your best in order to come out on top."

According to Mickelson's coach, Woods' best might not be enough this time.

Dave Pelz, the short-game guru who has helped shape Mickelson's revival over the last three years, told the Chicago Tribune in a story Tuesday that when Mickelson is at his best, "I'm thinking nobody can beat him."

Nobody?

Does that include a certain No. 1 player with 11 majors to Mickelson's three?

"You bet it does," Pelz said. "If Phil's long swing is good, his short game, I believe, is the best in the world. 'I'm not saying Tiger's short game is bad; he has a great short game. But I think Phil putts more consistently than Tiger does. He has more imagination and a few more shots around the green.'"

Told these comments, Woods paused and said, "I think I'm pretty tough to beat when I'm playing well, too."

Mickelson described Pelz' comments as "enthusiastic."

"I've tried not to give you too much to run with, and so I'm paying other people to do it," he said with a laugh.

Mickelson once needled Woods in a magazine story three years ago by saying Woods used "inferior equipment." Woods was coming off knee surgery that year and in his first tournament back, at the Buick Invitational, he met Mickelson in the final group and drummed him.

That was one of many showdowns between golf's two biggest stars, and Woods usually has the last word.

## USA ready for worlds after rout of South Korea

BY JIM ARMSTRONG

AP Sports Writer

SEOUL, South Korea — A 53-point win over South Korea wrapped up a perfect Asian exhibition tour for a star-studded U.S. team on its way to the world championships.

LeBron James scored 23 points Tuesday to lead the Americans to a 116-63 win over South Korea in their final tuneup for the world championships. The U.S. squad went 5-0 in exhibitions leading up to the worlds, which begin Saturday in Japan.

"We were a little sluggish at first and I was able to pick up my energy level and the guys followed," James said. "We got better as the game went on and took care of business."

U.S. coach Mike Krzyzewski said he was pleased with the progress the team has made since its first exhibition game against Puerto Rico on Aug. 3, a game the Americans won 114-69.

"We're proud of our team," said Krzyzewski. "We had two good games here in Korea and it's exciting the way we've played to get ready."

In other exhibition games leading up to the world championships, Vasilis Spanoulis scored 23 points to help Greece defeat Germany 84-47 in the final of the Stankovic Cup in Kunshan, China. Dallas Mavericks forward Dirk Nowitzki was held to



LeBron James, right, scored 23 points in the United States 116-63 victory over South Korea on Tuesday.

nine points for Germany.

Boris Diaw of the Phoenix Suns scored 15 points to lead France to third place in the Stankovic Cup with an 86-74 victory over Brazil. Suns teammate Leandro Barbosa scored a game-high 29 points for Brazil, but the Brazilians lost Cleveland Cavaliers center Anderson Varejao to a foot injury.

Yao Ming of the Houston Rockets scored the winning basket and had

21 points to lift China past Australia, 63-61, to capture fifth place in the tournament. The Milwaukee Bucks' Andrew Bogut had 20 points for Australia.

Dwyane Wade and Elton Brand scored 16 points each against South Korea, and the United States also got 13 points from Carmelo Anthony. The Americans took control early, led by James. The Cleveland Cavaliers star hit a 3-pointer and then gave the

United States a 9-2 lead on a layup. Late in the first period, James' two-handed dunk made it 13-5.

Wade gave the U.S. a 20-point lead midway through the second period when he broke through the Korean defense and finished with a two-handed jam.

James, who had 19 points in the first half, stole the ball at center court and went in all alone for a dunk with 3:49 left in the second period as the U.S. widened its lead to 62-35 at halftime.

After a visit to a U.S. military base Wednesday, the team will head to Sapporo, Japan, for its opening game of the championships against Puerto Rico.

In previous tournaments, the United States was criticized for not playing as a team. James doesn't see that as a problem with this team.

"I didn't play for the team in 2002," James said. "I played on the Olympic team in 2004 and we didn't have the right mind-set. This team has the right mind-set to get the job done."

The U.S. still must cut one of its players before the world championships. The roster was reduced to 13 when Gilbert Arenas of the Washington Wizards strained his groin during practice Monday and was unable to compete for a spot on the 12-player roster.

## Yao leads China over Australia

KUNSHAN, China (AP) — Yao Ming scored the game-winner and finished with 21 points Tuesday to lift China past Australia, 63-61, in its final exhibition before the World Championships.

Andrew Bogut's jam tied the game at 61, but he missed a free throw and a chance to take the lead. China took possession with 15 seconds left and Yao scored the winning basket.

The game turned into a battle between Yao and Bogut, the Milwaukee Bucks' No. 1 pick in the 2005 draft, who scored 20 points. Yao seemed to get the better of most of their exchanges, with Australia grabbing only 12 rebounds in the first half to China's 23.

With the return of guard Liu Wei, China was able to play with its full complement of stars. Liu, who had a tryout with the Sacramento Kings in 2004, had 10 points. Wang Zhizhi, China's first player in the NBA, added nine.

China won its first game in four exhibition appearances at home this month. The Chinese team lost to the United States, Germany and Brazil.

## NFL preseason crucial for those low on depth chart

## Meanwhile most veterans want the number of games cut in half

BY JOSEPH WHITE

AP Sports Writer

ASHBURN, Va. — Before Clinton Portis resumes his campaign to shorten the NFL preseason, he might want to talk to Washington Redskins teammate James Thrash.

Thrash owes his 10-year pro career to the garbage time he once had as a no-hoper in a pair of 1997 exhibition games. The undrafted rookie from Missouri Southern was No. 12 of 13 receivers in training camp and had zero chance of making the team — until he returned kickoffs for touchdowns in back-to-back weeks.

"I just remember being last on the depth chart, even on special teams," Thrash said. "To run that kickoff for a touchdown, it just opened the coaches' eyes. If we don't have any preseason games, I wouldn't be here right now."

Eight-year veteran Benji Olson, Tennessee's right guard, also wants all the snaps he can get this August for the Titans' revamped offensive line.

"That's what's great about the preseason," Olson said. "Four practice games to work out the kinks."

Portis fired up the debate over the nature of the NFL preseason after the star running back partially dislocated his shoulder in the Redskins' Sunday night loss at Cincinnati. The debate's revived

every time a key player is injured in an exhibition. Jason Sehorn (knee, 1998), Trent Green (knee, 1999), Michael Vick (broken leg, 2003) and now Portis are only the most memorable of recent preseason casualties.

Portis said he hopes to return for opening day. But the Minnesota Vikings lost Chad Greenway for the season after the rookie linebacker injured his left knee Monday in the team's first exhibition game.

"Four games is ridiculous, man," Portis said. "How much wear and tear can you get? Maybe they need to let us start smoking cigarettes or something in the locker room again, like they did back in the day. And play with no mouthpiece, play with the pads and the helmets that they did back then, then maybe you'll need to go through all this training."

NFL teams have played four preseason games — not counting special events like the overseas American Bowls and the Hall of Fame game — since 1978, when two exhibitions were dropped and the regular season expanded from 14 to 16. The long preseason was a necessary routine for decades, because players would spend their off-seasons working other jobs to supplement their football incomes.

"There was no limit on when

you came to training camp in those days," said Buffalo general manager Marv Levy, who was an assistant to Redskins coach George Allen in the 1970s. "When you worked for George Allen, you came June 1. George wanted to win every game, including the exhibitions. I remember standing on the sidelines next to Jack Pardee during the sixth game one year. He said, 'You know I'm 35 years old, and I've played every minute on defense in all six games.'"

Now, football is a year-round occupation that pays handsomely. Players arrive for conditioning workouts as early as February.

"Training camp was designed back in the day for players who weren't in shape, to get in shape," New York Giants tight end Jeremy Shockey said. "Now they have the offseason program and you're in shape already, and it's kind of like it's dangerous. ... They always try and tell people to stay off the ground, but they also always tell people to 'Up the pace, up the pace,' and when you up the pace someone's going to get hurt."

As far as Browns running back Reuben Droughns is concerned, the NFL can cut down the exhibition season and training camp.

"Let's get to the season already. I think one week would be accept-

able," he said with a laugh. "Let's get back to a hell week again, and that would be it."

Droughns would like to see the league reduce the preseason from four weeks to two.

"I don't think coaches or owners would like it," he said, adding that some young players need the longer preseason to win a job. "I think the majority of the older cats would like to see it reduced."

For years, coaches have balanced the anxiety over possible injuries with the need to prepare their teams. Although approaches vary, there is a general league-wide pattern over how to handle the four August games:

—Game 1: Starters play a series or two, a token readjustment to the rigors of contact. The rest is a messy but meaningful first evaluation of backups competing for roster spots.

—Game 2: Starters play much, perhaps all, of the first half, their first chance to experience the ebb and flow of a game.

—Game 3: The dress rehearsal, with starters usually playing the entire first half and often part of the second.

—Game 4: An often meaningless exercise. First cuts already have been made, and by this time coaches generally know which players will make the 53-man ros-

ter. Starters play maybe a quarter, and, more so than in any other game, are focused on getting off the field healthy.

"There's just not too much going on in preseason," said Vick, his injury of three years ago well behind him. "It's pretty much boring for everybody."

Happening or not, the games bring in a lot of money.

If two preseason games were cut, the owners, who sell the exhibition tickets at regular-season prices, would lose a key source of income.

If two exhibition games were cut and replaced with two regular-season games, players would demand significant salary increases to compensate for a regular season of 18 games instead of 16. Now, players' salaries are divided into 17 weekly checks (including the bye week) that are distributed during the regular season.

Perhaps Portis had better get used to the status quo.

"I don't really see much of a change ever happening," said Redskins tackle Jon Jansen, who was missed a season after rupturing his Achilles' tendon in an exhibition two years ago. "This is kind of where we are, and this is the way it's going to be for quite some time. I don't know if it's worth arguing."

## UHS

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about," he said, "it's the running game and the stable of backs we have."

It begins with sophomore full-back Dominique Dixon and senior speedsters Sonny Hillson and Adrian Smith. Sophomore Brandon Tucker should play all over the field, but may make his biggest impact in the backfield. Senior Travis Price and juniors Gareth Bishop and Ryan Watts also figure into the fray.

To legitimize Kelley's anticipation, they'll need to help — and receive help from — a rather anonymous offensive line.

"Nobody knows anything about the line," senior center Allen Stockett said, "but I think we're going to be all right."

Stockett and senior left tackle Donnie Thorne only played half of last season. Thorne suffered a high ankle sprain and Stockett wasn't a full-timer until the second half of the schedule. This year, they make room for sophomores Tyler Riddle and Devin Hilling and junior Paul Casto.

"The average guy is going to pick up the paper and say, 'These guys are young. They're not going to be very good,'" Kelley said. "But as a unit, we're better than we were last year. They believe in each other."

Learning to play with one another

is only one part of the equation, though since they've never teamed together, it is a significant step. More important, though, is learning about the players behind them and how the backs can help the line improve.

"They're fast and big," Thorne said. "Dominique breaks tackles all the time and Adrian gets outside. If we can get them past the linebackers, they're going to be hard to stop. We have the potential to do it. We're young, so we have to learn."

UHS scrimmaged at Wheeling Park Saturday. The line came away encouraged by their effort against a team that not only is expected to contend for the Class AAA state title, but had virtually no one playing both offense and defense.

"I thought we'd be all right, but I wasn't sure," Stockett said. "I knew we'd find out more in the scrimmage."

And what did the group learn?

"I thought our line was one of the more solid parts of the scrimmage," Stockett said. "There were

only a couple of mistakes, but nothing real big. I feel better now."

Most encouraging was seeing the problems with run blocking, but also seeing the potential for success on the ground.

"The run blocking was weak, I guess you could say, but that will come around," Thorne said. "We weren't holding our blocks long enough. We were doing a good job blocking, but we didn't stay on them. We have to work on that to give them a chance."



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## Chronicle reporters must testify

BY DAVID KRAVETS  
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SAN FRANCISCO — A federal judge told two San Francisco Chronicle reporters they must comply with a subpoena and tell a grand jury who leaked them secret testimony of Barry Bonds and other elite athletes ensnared in the government's steroid probe.

The decision by U.S. District Judge Jeffrey White means reporters Lance Williams and Mark Fainaru-Wada must appear before a grand jury investigating the leak unless a higher court blocks the ruling. The pair have said they would not testify and would go to jail rather than reveal their source or sources.

"Lance and I are firmly standing behind our sources," Fainaru-Wada said shortly after the decision.

The two reporters published a series of articles and a book based partly on transcripts of testimony by Bonds, Jason Giambi and others who testified in the grand jury investigation of the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative. Known as BALCO, the Burlingame-based nutritional supplement company was exposed as a steroid ring.

The criminal conduct being investigated in the Bonds leak case includes possible perjury and obstruction of justice by government officials, defendants in the BALCO probe and their attorneys. All of them had access to the documents, but have sworn they weren't the source of the leak.

The government told White that its investigation has turned up empty, and that Williams and Fainaru-Wada are the last hope of finding the culprit or culprits.

In his ruling, White said his hands were tied by a 1972 Supreme Court precedent that no one, including journalists, was above the law and may refuse to testify before a federal grand jury.

White added that Congress has not adopted a shield law to protect journalists from testifying before grand juries. Most states have shielded reporters from testifying on behalf of the government in state criminal probes.

"The court finds itself bound by the law governing this case to subordinate (the reporters') interests to the interests of the grand jury," White ruled.

The Hearst Corp., owner of the Chronicle, argued that the reporters should be immune to testifying because of a combination of factors, including the First Amendment.

Hearst said it would appeal the ruling.

"We believe we will ultimately prevail and that is clearly what is in the public's best interest," said Eve Burton, the company's general counsel.

Hearst argued that the leak doesn't involve national security and that a lot of good has come from the writers' reporting.

As a result, it said, Major League Baseball toughened its steroids-testing policy, as did track and field. Sentences for steroid distribution were strengthened, and the public awareness of the dangers of steroids was raised.

The government discounted that the pair's reporting on the topic was cause for such results.

Williams and Fainaru-Wada reported, among other things, that Bonds denied knowingly using steroids when he told the BALCO grand jury that his trainer had given him what he thought was flaxseed oil and arthritic balm. That trainer, Greg Anderson, was convicted of steroid distribution charges in the BALCO probe.

Another grand jury is investigating whether Bonds committed perjury during that 2003 testimony.

Williams and Fainaru-Wada are the latest reporters ordered to testify before a federal grand jury investigating government leaks. New York Times reporter Judith Miller was jailed for 85 days last year for refusing to testify in an investigation into the leak of CIA agent Valerie Plame's name.

Federal prosecutors in Los Angeles are handling the leak probe and declined to say when they would order the pair before the grand jury.

The case is United States v. Fainaru-Wada, 06-90225.

# Brewers end Bucs' win streak, 6-3

## BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — Bill Hall hit a go-ahead single in the eighth inning and the Milwaukee Brewers beat the Pittsburgh Pirates for only the second time in their last nine tries, 6-3 Tuesday night.

Doug Davis pitched seven effective innings. Corey Hart homered and Tony Graffanino added a two-run double for the Brewers, who snapped Pittsburgh's four-game winning streak.

Trailing 6-3, the Pirates loaded the bases with one out in the ninth against Francisco Cordero, but Jeromy Burnitz grounded into a game-ending double play.

Milwaukee was down 3-2 in the eighth when Graffanino doubled and Prince Fielder singled off Damaso Marte (0-6), putting runners at the corners. Kevin Mench's weak groundout against Salomon Torres drove in Graffanino, and Hall's single scored Fielder for a 4-3 lead.

Graffanino added a two-run double in the ninth. Cordero got three outs for his seventh save in nine opportunities since being acquired by the Brewers from Texas on July 28.

Jose Bautista's two-run homer in the seventh gave the Pirates a 3-2 edge. It was their first home run with a runner on base in three weeks. Pittsburgh had hit 14 consecutive solo shots since Burnitz hit a three-run drive July 25 in Milwaukee.

Pittsburgh's Tom Gorzelanny left with the lead after his fourth consecutive solid start but did not factor in the decision.

Hart, Fielder and Damian Miller each had two hits and a run for the Brewers, who won for the fifth consecutive time Davis was their starter.

Davis (9-6) allowed three runs and nine hits. He walked none and struck out six.

The Pirates scored in the first inning after two runners reached on balls that deflected off infielders' gloves and barely left the infield. Joe Randa followed with a sacrifice fly to score Chris Duffy.

Hart hit his second home run into the Brewers' bullpen in left-center with two outs in the second, tying the game at 1.

The Brewers took a 2-1 lead in the third when Miller hit a leadoff double, went to third on Davis' sacrifice and scored on an error by second baseman Jose Castillo. Gorzelanny fielded Davis' bunt and threw late to third. Freddy Sanchez then

threw to first to get the slow-footed Davis, but Castillo mishandled the ball, allowing Miller to score on the play.

Gorzelanny allowed only two runs — one earned — and six hits in seven innings. He has pitched at least six innings while giving up two runs or fewer in each of his starts since July 23.

The Pirates played without All-Star Jason Bay and shortstop Jack Wilson, who was hit on the hand by a pitch Monday. Bay sat out his second straight game with a strained hamstring.

### Phillies 11, Mets 4

PHILADELPHIA — David Lelucci hit a three-run homer, Shane Victorino also connected and the Philadelphia Phillies overcame three homers from Jose Reyes to rout the New York Mets for the second straight night.

Reyes became the seventh player to hit three homers in a game for the Mets, who have a 13-game lead over the Phillies in the NL East. He is the eighth player — it's been done 16 times — to homer from both sides of the plate for New York.

Randy Wolf pitched seven innings for his first win since coming back from elbow ligament replacement surgery. The left-hander, making his fourth start since coming off the disabled list, hadn't won since June 5 last year against Arizona. Wolf (1-0) allowed two runs and four hits, and helped himself with two hits and two RBIs.

A night after Mets ace Pedro Martinez gave up six runs in the first inning for the first time in his career, Orlando Hernandez was roughed up by the Phillies. El Duque allowed 11 runs and 10 hits in four innings in his worst outing in the majors.

### Nationals 5, Braves 0

WASHINGTON — Pedro Astacio pitched 4 2-3 perfect innings en route to a two-hit shutout, leading the Washington Nationals past the Atlanta Braves.

It was Washington's first complete game of the season, leading the Chicago Cubs as the only team in the majors without one in 2006.

Astacio (3-2) allowed only singles by Jeff Francoeur in the fifth, and Adam LaRoche in the seventh. He didn't walk a batter and struck out five, facing just two batters over the limit.

The Nationals agreed to a one-year deal with Astacio in late February, one day after right-hander Brian Lawrence had shoulder



Milwaukee's Prince Fielder, bottom, slides back safely into first base on Tuesday, as Pittsburgh first baseman Joe Randa fields the throw. Milwaukee ended the Pirates five-game winning streak with a 6-3 victory.

surgery, putting the club in need of another starter.

### Blue Jays 4, Devil Rays 3

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Roy Halladay became the first 15-game winner in the major leagues this season, leading the Toronto Blue Jays over Tampa Bay and sending the Devil Rays to their seventh straight loss.

Halladay (15-3) allowed two runs and six hits in seven innings, struck three and walked one, improving to 4-1 against Tampa Bay this season. He had been tied at 14 wins with Detroit's Justin Verlander and Boston's Curt Schilling.

Alex Rios hit a tiebreaking RBI single in the eighth off Brian Meadows (2-3) that put Toronto ahead 3-2, and John McDonald added another run-scoring single later in the inning.

Rocco Baldelli had an RBI single off Jeremy Accardo. B.J. Ryan struck out three around a walk in the ninth for his 27th save in 31 chances.

Greg Norton hit a two-run homer for the Devil Rays, who also lost seven straight from July 14-20. Nor-

ton left after the sixth with tightness in his left hamstring.

Tampa Bay is 8-22 since the All-Star break.

Devil Rays starter Jae Seo gave up two runs and 10 hits in seven innings. He has not figured in the decision in each of last three starts despite allowing four runs — three earned — over 20 2-3 innings.

Tampa Bay took a 2-0 in the first on Norton's 10th homer of the season. It was the first runs in a first inning off Halladay since April 4, when Minnesota scored a first-inning unearned run on opening day. Halladay has made 25 starts this season.

### Tigers 3, Red Sox 2

BOSTON — The Detroit Tigers lost second baseman Placido Polanco to a shoulder injury that caused Ivan Rodriguez to play second base, then beat the Boston Red Sox on Craig Monroe's ninth-inning pop single.

Polanco was hurt making a diving catch in short-center ending the seventh. Although he prevented the potential tying run from scoring, Polanco left the game with a train-

er helping to support his left arm.

Because Brandon Inge had already been used as a defensive replacement, Rodriguez had to move from catcher to second base, with Vance Wilson taking over behind the plate. Rodriguez had never played second base in 2,256 previous major and minor league games.

Detroit squandered a 2-1 lead when David Ortiz tied it in the eighth with his major league-leading 111th RBI — his first in six games. But Mike Timlin (5-2) walked Guillen leading off the ninth, then Sean Casey moved him to third with his third hit of the game.

Monroe popped the ball up down the right-field line, but Wily Mo Pena let it glance off his glove as he approached the wall, and first-base umpire Bruce Froemming signaled fair. Pena picked the ball up and caught Monroe off first base, but it was too late to keep the Tigers from winning their second in a row after coming to Boston with a five-game losing streak.

The play was scored a single and a 9-3 putout.

## SELBY

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manager, business manager, state American Legion commissioner," Miller said. "He was a great judge of talent. He won five state championships, but he was mild-mannered, laid back, not an in-your-face kind of manager.

"Hundreds of guys played for him. I've been doing this for 21 years and guys still come up to me and ask, 'How's Clyde?'"

"There was always a smile on his face," Craig Selby said. "No one was a stranger to him. You couldn't go anywhere in Morgantown without someone coming up and talking to him."

His other son, David Selby, went on to become a memorable character actor who had important roles in films and such television series as "Falcon Crest."

While Craig played for the American Legion team, David, played only Little League ball under his father for the Kiwanis team, which allowed him to view his father from a more detached position, at least as far as the American Legion baseball team went.

"Dad was a worker," David Selby said. "I think basically, this goes back to the stock he comes from. West Virginians are workers. He loved working with wood.

"He grew up on a farm. I can remember when we would go out walking at the farm he would say 'I never feel more at home than here.'"

Indeed, David Selby remembers at one point his father making the following comment that he had to include in his book:

"It's so beautiful here today that it hurts my eyes."

David describes his father as a man who had a quietness about him.

"I don't remember any big belly laughs. He had quiet reserve about him. He enjoyed life."

And nothing meant more than the baseball.

David offers this example of that. "My wife and I got married in Beckley. My brother was going to be the best man. The thing was, Dad's American Legion team was playing the state championship game in Mullens that day."

That presented quite a dilemma. The game, obviously, was important.

So, too, was his son's wedding. "What my dad did was make my brother pitch that game. Dad came to the wedding and filled in as the best man," David said.

Obviously he felt the team could win without him, but not without his brother and the other kids were owed a chance to win the title.

With him, always, it was about the kids.

"We'd go all over the place — Shinnston, Buckhannon, Clarksburg. He never made much money, but he would buy the kids sandwiches and Cokes," Craig Selby said. "Sometimes it was at the chagrin of my mother, who kept the books for him and did the paperwork. We were always late coming home for dinner."

His wife, Sarah, died two years ago.

"I can't remember when he wasn't at baseball practice," David Selby said.

It wasn't just that he was giving to the kids who played for him, it was what he was giving.

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## Good-for-you foods are the natural choice

**IN MY LAST COLUMN,** I apologized for not putting an emphasis on healthy eating. Late summer is a good time to try and make amends.

I am no doctor or nutritionist, but I have always taken a commonsense approach to balancing healthy eating and food enjoyment. I am lucky to have been blessed with a good metabolism, so that I could eat almost anything and pay very little for it. I have been slow to adopt the newest eating recommendations, and I have preferred to cut down on undesirable foods rather than cut them out altogether. Adding good foods to my diet is less of a problem; I have always enjoyed almost anything.

I have particularly resisted replacing most foods with artificial substitutes. I do not use replacements for sugar, eggs, coffee, etc., but I do use these foods in moderate quantities. I drink lower-fat milk but not usually skim. I have always used margarine as the main table spread, and butter where it makes a difference in cooking. Because I recently learned that soft margarine is lower in trans fats, and trans fats are bad, I will try to make this adjustment as well.

My family's practice of eating a good variety of foods has, I think, been generally a help in terms of healthy eating. We have not given up red meat, but we certainly eat it less often than years ago. I have always enjoyed seafood (alas, more than most of my family). Our grandson Will amazed his teachers recently by declaring that his favorite meal was salmon with spinach and rice. How nice to learn that most fish is now thought to be a very good food choice.

We are not vegetarians, but we have enjoyed many great and reasonably healthy vegetable dishes. A good eggplant parmesan can be a great replacement for meat-based dishes, and a springtime pasta primavera is about as good as eating can get. There is, of course, no substitute for home-grown tomatoes or corn at their prime, which can be served in endless ways along with the many other vegetables that are the bounty of summer. Fresh berries for dessert completes a meal that is really worth waiting for.

One of my favorite resources for vegetarian recipes that balance good health and good taste is the "Vegetarian Epicure" series by Anna Thomas (Alfred Knopf), which has included at least three volumes up to the mid-1990s. We have also found some great favorites in the classic "Diet for a Small Planet" by Frances Moore Lappe, re-released by Ballantine Books in 1991.

Here is one of our favorite vegetarian recipes, a slight variation on one from "Diet for a Small Planet" originally called Lentils Monastery Style. We are constantly surprised at how well this is received by friends and family members of all ages.

**LENTIL SOUP (OR STEW)**  
1/4 cup (or less) olive oil  
1 large onion, chopped  
3-4 carrots, peeled and sliced  
1/2 teaspoon each thyme, tarragon and oregano  
3-4 cups water or vegetable stock  
1 cup brown lentils, rinsed  
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley  
1 28-ounce can whole tomatoes, chopped, with liquid  
salt to taste  
1 cup or more coarsely grated Swiss cheese

Heat the oil in a large pot or dutch oven. Sauté the herbs one minute. Add onions and carrots and sauté 3-5 minutes. Add the water or stock, lentils, parsley and tomatoes with liquid. Cook, covered, about 45 minutes or until lentils are tender. Stir from time to time and add a little water as needed. Salt to taste. To serve, put a generous handful of cheese in each bowl and ladle soup over. Serves 4-6.

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# Use your noodles

## College eats on the cheap

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For The Dominion Post

Ask anyone what the food was like in college and you'll often hear "I lived on Ramen noodles."

They're talking about those cheap, easy-to-make noodle soups that have become staples of the college student's diet. All that is needed to make this filling meal is boiling water. Ramen can be more effortlessly made in an apartment, because the resident has access to a stove, but the noodles can still be made easily in a dorm room with a microwave (university-sanctioned, of course.)

Ramen is accessible to even the most impoverished college student. A package costs about a quarter.

It's a portable lunch. A single serving of noodles that comes packed in a Styrofoam container and is microwaved after water is added can be easily carried to work or class. Some might be more familiar with the Ramen noodles in the cellophane package. Those are made by adding the noodles to boiling water, cooking the noodles until tender, and stirring in the packet of seasonings.

The noodles are deep-fried in palm oil to remove the water so there's quite a bit of fat. One block of noodles is two servings, according to one package we bought. Of the total fat (7 grams), half was saturated. The seasoning packet is salty with 790 milligrams of sodium per serving. There's flavor-enhancing monosodium glutamate (otherwise known as MSG) in there, too.

Ramen is fast (cooks in 3 minutes) and versatile. Besides beef, chicken and vegetable flavors, shrimp, pork, picante, Teriyaki and Cajun are among the many variations on the market.

But a steady diet of Ramen noodle soup can make even the hungriest of students a little green.

Many creative cooks — including Eric Hites in his cookbook "Everybody Loves Ramen" (2003, Andrews McMeel Publishing, \$10.95) and Ron Konzak in "The Book of Ramen: Low Cost Gourmet Meals Using Instant Ramen Noodles" (1993,

Turtleback Books, \$11.95) — have used Ramen as a base and as a substitute in other recipes.

I tried some Ramen recipes from the Internet and Hites' book.

The easiest recipe was tomato soup with Ramen noodles. It sounds strange, but it turned out very well and is a welcome change to just eating plain Ramen over and over again. It tastes like Spaghetti O's. A stove is needed, but if a dorm resident has access to a (contraband) hot plate, that can work, too.

Another that turned out surprisingly well was a version of Chex Mix. While not a meal, this snack mix can be taken to a party or eaten on the run. It substitutes broken noodles for some of the pricier corn, rice or wheat cereal squares. Even my sister, Preston High ninth-grader Shelby Nieman, one of the pickiest eaters I know, loved this snack mix. The recipe is easy to make, and has relatively few ingredients. The only drawback is that its preparation requires an oven.

The third dish I tried was a twist on chili cheese chip dip, with Ramen noodles added. It is a party dish, but can be made into lunch when eaten with tortilla chips or turned into a burrito with a soft tortilla. It requires few ingredients and only takes minutes to make. Anyone who enjoys Mexican food would like this.

### TOMATO RAMEN SOUP

1 package any flavor Ramen noodles  
2 cups water  
1 can tomato soup

Cook noodles according to package directions. Do not drain. Add tomato soup concentrate. Simmer 5 minutes.

Source: www.budget101.com

### RAMEN SNACK MIX

1/4 cup butter  
1 teaspoon seasoned salt  
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce  
2 packages any flavor Ramen noodles  
2 cups Chex cereal  
1 cup bite-size pretzels  
1 cup peanuts

Preheat oven to 250 degrees. Melt butter in a small saucepan and add seasoned salt and Worcestershire sauce. Break noodles into bite-size pieces. Discard seasoning packets.

Pour butter mixture, cereal, uncooked Ramen noodles, peanuts, and pretzels into a large Ziploc bag and close. Shake bag until all pieces are evenly coated.

Pour contents of bag into a large roasting pan. Bake at 250 degrees for 1 hour, stirring every 15 minutes. Spread mix on paper towels to cool. Store in an airtight container.

Source: www.about.com

### CHILI CHEESE DIP A LA RAMEN

1 package Ramen noodles (beef flavor)  
1 can chili with beans, average size  
16 ounces sour cream  
2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese  
2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese

Break the noodles into very small pieces. Cook according to package directions. Drain well.

Add the noodles, chili, sour cream, Cheddar, and mozzarella to a microwave-safe bowl. Mix well.

Heat in the microwave, stopping to stir frequently, until the cheese is melted. Serve with tortilla chips.

Source: "Everybody Loves Ramen" by Eric Hites

### CHILI WITH BEEF

1 pound ground beef  
2 green onions, chopped  
1 4-ounce can whole green chiles, chopped  
1 package beef flavor Ramen  
1/4 cup water

Brown ground beef in saucepan. Add beef seasoning packet. Add remaining ingredients and simmer. Cook until noodles are done.

Source: Ramen maker Maruchan

### FAJITAS RAMEN SALAD

1 tablespoon chili powder  
1 tablespoon oil  
8 ounces lean beef, in strips  
1 red pepper, cut in strips  
1/2 red onion, sliced  
Assorted greens  
1 package beef flavor Ramen, broken  
Avocado and tomato wedges  
Dressing:  
4 tablespoons lime or lemon juice  
2 tablespoons soy sauce  
Ramen seasoning packet  
1 teaspoon sugar  
2 tablespoons oil  
2 tablespoons chopped cilantro

Pat chili powder onto beef strips; brown in hot oil. Cover; cook until done. Sauté pepper strips in pan. Whisk dressing. Toss with beef, pepper strips, onion and ramen. Serve on greens. Garnish with tomato and avocado.

Source: Ramen maker Maruchan

### SANTE FE RAMEN SOUP

6 ounces lean pork, cut in strips  
2 teaspoons vegetable oil  
1 medium tomato, chopped  
2 packages beef flavor Ramen  
4 cups water  
1 14 1/2-ounce can golden hominy with liquid  
1 4-ounce can whole roasted chilies, diced

Garnish: 2 corn tortillas, cut into strips and baked until crisp and 2 green onions, sliced

Brown pork in hot oil in large saucepan. Add 1 seasoning packet and remaining ingredients except garnish. Cook three minutes. Garnish with tortilla strips and green onions. Serve immediately.

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**Ramen noodles  
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### Short Tip

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Rub a little olive oil (EVOO to fans of Rachael Ray's TV show) on the knife before chopping garlic to keep it from sticking to the blade.

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### Enjoy tomato crop while it lasts

**BY LEAH ESKIN**  
Chicago Tribune

The tomato, at maturity, can be identified by its brilliant red color, smooth exterior and label — which reads ketchup. Other common varieties are characterized by a tin-tough skin, cylindrical shape, corrugated sides and markings indicating puree, dice or whole. All are delicious.

The cook relies on the prepared tomato year-round. It bolsters soup, soothes pizza, sustains sauce. Her tomato patch is always bountiful. Confident of such a dependable crop, she is never tempted to try the tomato in its immature form, the hard,

### MEATLESS ON THE MENU

pink-eyed ball that lolls near the cucumber bin. Her curiosity only would be met with mealy, slushy disappointment.

And yet, she knows, there is a brief interlude between rock-hard and ketchup-soft. It is a rare treat: the rare tomato.

As August sinks hot and hazy, the tomato run is on. The lanky plant droops with smooth-skinned, lump-shouldered fruit. The produce section end-cap beckons orange and yellow, red and green, striped and solid. At the farmers' market, the early-morning shop-

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### Reader Recipe

#### ICED SUMMER PEACHES

Serves 4 to 6  
4 large ripe, fragrant peaches or nectarines, peeled, pitted, and sliced into about 8 wedges each  
5 to 8 tablespoons sugar  
About 1 cup dry white wine (such as Pinot Grigio, Sauvignon Blanc or Arneis)  
4 to 6 sprigs fresh mint or lemon verbena

Layer the peaches or nectarines in an attractive glass serving bowl, sprinkling each strata with a tablespoon or so of sugar. (Use less sugar rather than more.) Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate 2 to 3 hours.

Taste the peaches for sweetness, adding more sugar as needed. Pour in

wine to barely cover, turning the fruit gently with a spatula to blend. Cover again and refrigerate 4 to 6 hours.

Take the fruit out of the refrigerator 30 to 45 minutes before serving. Present the peaches by spooning them and their liquid into wineglasses and finishing with sprigs of mint or lemon verbena.

Cook to Cook: If peaches are ripe, often peeling is simply a matter of pulling back their skin with a sharp knife. If need be, dip peaches very briefly in boiling water. The goal is solely to loosen their skins.

— Morgantown Farmers' Market regular Ed Etzel

Excerpted from "The Italian Country Table: Home Cooking from Italy's Farmhouse Kitchens" by Lynne Rossetto Kasper (1999, Scribner.)

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# Bready or not ... DiGiorno Garlic Bread Pizza gets mixed reviews

**CORRECTION:** In the Supermarket Sampler on Aug. 2, the cost of Earthbound Organic Juices (Carrot and Farm Stand Lemonade) is \$3.99 to \$4.99 per 1 quart 1.8 ounce bottle.

**DIGIORNO GARLIC BREAD**

Pizza. Four Cheese, Supreme and Pepperoni. \$5.99 per 30.5-ounce to 34.2-ounce box.

**Bonnie:** Those who like thick-crust garlic pizza will want to try these new Garlic Bread Pizzas from DiGiorno. Like the other DiGiorno frozen pizzas, these crusts rise in the oven, making them taste more like fresh than frozen.

I found the Four Cheese and Pepperoni somewhat bland (the latter because there wasn't enough pepperoni). But right out of the oven, a serving (which is one-eighth of the pizza) of the Supreme variety is worth its 290 calories and 13 grams of fat (4.5 of which are saturated), largely thanks to the sausage, pepperoni, bell pepper and olive topping.

Surprisingly the Supreme contains the same amount of calories as a serving of the also-delicious but much less bready California Pizza Kitchen Crispy Thin Crust



**LEBLANG AND WYMAN**  
SUPERMARKET SAMPLER

Margherita or White pizza.

**Carolyn:** Stouffer's and Healthy Choice have both offered single-serve French bread pizzas for years, and DiGiorno could have learned a thing or two by tasting them. The bread in this rising-crust pizza overwhelms everything else. This wouldn't be bad if the bread were as tasty as the similarly crust-heavy deep-dish pizza sold in Chicago. But this is just bread with garlic. Good deep-dish and garlic bread pizza makers like Stouffer's also make sure to balance all that breadiness with extra sauce and toppings. DiGiorno didn't.

So though it's far from truly bad, I can't recommend this new DiGiorno pizza, especially compared with its rising-crust original, which is still the best.

**FOLGERS SIMPLY SMOOTH** Coffee. Regular and Decaffeinated. \$3.99 per 11.5-ounce or \$8.99 per

34.5-ounce regular or \$4.39 per 11.5-ounce decaffeinated plastic AromaSeal canister.

**Bonnie:** I decided to give Folgers Simply Smooth the real test — as my morning coffee. I grind my own beans at home and get Starbucks when I'm out. So I wondered if this new purportedly stomach-friendly coffee would also be coffee-lover friendly.

Folgers claims that Simply Smooth "limits the formation of certain phenols" believed to be stomach irritants during the roasting process. Those phenols are antioxidants naturally found in coffee, and roasting increases their activity.

Folgers' claims for this coffee are based on consumer testing, but its stomach-friendly properties have not been confirmed by clinical research showing any reduction in gastric activity. There's also the question of whether limiting phenols might also limit the good-for-you antioxidants in Folgers, a question the company can't answer, as altering antioxidants in coffee is too new to have generated much research.

But back to the coffee. Did it pass muster? Absolutely not. The coffee's flat, horrid and tastes like

it is missing something. Could it be that those phenol irritants provide the robust coffee flavor?

If you find that coffee irritates your stomach, you might want to try this. Better yet — try switching to naturally more-stomach-friendly antioxidant-rich green tea.

**Carolyn:** I too am a bit of a coffee snob. Nevertheless I think almost any brand — including this new kinder, gentler Folgers — can produce a passable brew, providing you use enough of it, which is at least three tablespoons per cup, or about three times the usual recommended amount. Of course, that pretty much wipes out the cost savings that might have sent you to the supermarket for coffee in the first place.

As for stomach-friendliness, I didn't notice any difference between this and regular Folgers or Maxwell House (but then, I don't have acid reflux and have never gotten heartburn from drinking coffee).

**DOLE FRUIT** Parfaits. Apples & Caramel Creme, Peaches & Creme and Pineapple & Creme. \$2.49 per package of four 4.3-ounce shelf-stable cups.

**Bonnie:** I can't recommend Dole's new parfaits. Yes, these are convenient and contain some fruit, but the creme is not what I'd call creme. It starts out with natural coconut milk but blends that with oils and gums, which ruins the taste. Stick to Dole's Fruit Bowls (or fresh fruit), either plain or mixed with vanilla yogurt or creme fraiche for a delicious fruit parfait.

**Carolyn:** Cream (whether as ice cream or whipped cream) is what makes fruit into something worthy of being called dessert. Unfortunately, cream-based desserts have not been very portable until these Dole Fruit Parfaits. Obviously this creme isn't real cream, because it doesn't need refrigeration, but it's pretty good, especially for people who like the consistency of yogurt.

The weak link here is the fruit, which tastes like canned. That's why I wish Dole and its competitors would instead pair this same creme with ready-to-eat gelatin to create gelatin parfaits.

**BONNIE TANDY LEBLANG** is a registered dietitian. **Carolyn Wyman** is a junk food fanatic and author. Each week they critique new food items.

## Meal Ticket

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**SATURDAY**

**HOT DOG SALE:** 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Jesus Mission Church. Hot dogs with onions, chili, ketchup and mustard with chips cost \$1.50. Soda costs 50 cents. Proceeds benefit pastor's aid. Info: 599-7778.

**PIG ROAST:** 4-8 p.m. Scotch Hill Bethel Community Association. Menu includes baked beans, pasta salad, applesauce, roll, drink and dessert. Price: \$8, adults; \$4, 12 and under. Live music, homemade ice cream, silent auction, door prizes and more. Bring a lawn chair.

**SUNDAY**

**SMORGASBORD:** 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Haymond Community Center of Taylor County, U.S. 119 North of Grafton. Cost: \$8. Carry-out available. Info: 265-1996 or 265-4139.

**OCT. 14**

**PANCAKE FEED:** 4-7:30 p.m., Rivesville Community Building. The Rivesville and Fairmont Lions Clubs will team to serve buckwheat cakes, pancakes, sausages, gravy and biscuits. Tickets — \$6, adults; \$3, children age 10 and under — available from any Rivesville or Fairmont Lions club member. Proceeds help provide local eye care and support youth projects.



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## TOMATO

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per strains against her canvas bag, tomato-tight. Waiters talk up the all-tomato tasting. The home cook slices Big Boy and Early Girl into salad, then shrugs off the rest of the menu. Like a bear in salmon season, she's focused.

The proficient planner saw this moment coming some time ago. In spring, she shook her packet of seeds into the garden. Witnessed prickly stems uncurl, spiked leaves unfurl. She inhaled that spicy, pre-tomato scent. Tiny yellow flowers blossomed and dropped, giving way to tight berries, green Martians, fat fruit softening into warm colors. Watching the plant stoop, she put up scaffolding to ease the burden.

The less proficient squandered most of the summer wondering where to stake the tomato patch. Selecting a dusty stretch guaranteed maximum exposure to sunlight as well as maximum exposure to fly ball, hula hoop and puppy. Resulting in a dwarf variety best named not the plump plum tomato, shapely pear tomato, cheerful grape tomato nor old-fashioned cherry tomato, but rather, the diminutive raisin tomato.

Fortunately, even the ineffectual gardener can indulge in the bounty of tomato season and bite into the warm, soft, sweet, spicy tomato that seems so distinct from ketchup. Its deep pockets are filled with slippery seeds, seeds that could be dried and saved for next season. This must be why they call the fancy ones "heirloom." Each inherits a summer's worth of sunshine.

**SUMMER SAVORY HEIRLOOM TOMATO SALAD**  
Serves four  
1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil  
12 3/4-inch cubes peasant bread  
Sea salt and black pepper  
3-5 medium heirloom tomatoes such as Green Zebra and Brandywine, sliced into 1/2-inch-thick slices  
2 small balls burrata cheese,\* sliced 1/2-inch thick  
1 handful wild arugula leaves\*

## AREA FARMERS' MARKETS

- In Morgantown: 8:30 a.m.-noon Saturdays, corner of Spruce and Fayette streets and 3-6 p.m. Tuesdays at the WVU Organic Research Farm on W.Va. 705 Info: morgantownfarmersmarket@gmail.com.
- In Terra Alta: starting at 10 a.m. Fridays, Community Park near Maple Avenue. Info: 789-6227.
- In Kingwood: 7-11 a.m. Saturdays and 3:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the old WesBanco drive-through on W.Va. 7. Info: 329-1391.
- In Fairmont: 9-11 a.m. Saturdays, parking lot of Hauge's Flower & Garden Center. Info: www.farmersmkt.com.
- In Oakland, Md.: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturdays and Wednesdays, Mountain Fresh Pavilion/town parking lot. Info: (301) 334-6960.

1/2 red torpedo onion,\* cut into thin rings

12 Sun Gold tomatoes,\* cut in half  
8 white anchovy filets  
8-12 Lucques olives,\*\*\* pitted  
2 teaspoons balsamic vinegar

Pour 1/4 cup olive oil into a medium saucepan. Season bread cubes well with salt and pepper. Fry croutons until crispy brown on all sides. Arrange tomato slices on a platter. Season with salt and pepper. Drizzle with a bit of the olive oil. Arrange cheese slices on top of tomatoes.

In a large bowl, toss arugula, red onion, Sun Gold tomatoes, anchovies and olives with 1/2 teaspoon of balsamic vinegar and remaining olive oil. Season with salt and pepper.

Heap salad on top of tomato-burrata composition. Drizzle remaining balsamic vinegar around the platter. Cast on croutons. Enjoy.

—Adapted from Paul Kahan, executive chef, Blackbird Restaurant in Chicago

\*Reality check: For those who shop among mortals, try these substitutions: Mozzarella can stand in for burrata, standard arugula for wild arugula, yellow cherry tomatoes for Sun Gold, a few slices of red onion for torpedo, and green picholine olives for Lucques.

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## March of Dimes sets Nov. 9 date for chef's auction

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The 5th Annual March of Dimes North Central Signature Chef's Auction is an evening of cuisine and auctions set to start at 6 p.m. Nov. 9 at the Bridgeport Conference Center.

This year's theme, Cuisine From Around the World, will have West Virginia chefs preparing their specialties at stations for guests to sample. A live auction features tickets to sporting events, music, art and fine dining experiences.

The event gets under way at 6 p.m. with a cash bar and silent auction of donated items. At 7 p.m. guests will make their way to each chef's station. A live auction features tickets to sporting events, music, art and fine dining experiences.

Chefs who've committed to participating so far:

Dale Hawkins of Stonewall Resort, Chris Wyant of Snowshoe Resort, Jay Mahoney of Aladdin Foods, Tim Urbanic of Cafe Cimino in Sutton, Michelle Carpenter and Geoff Krauss of The Elegant Table Catering in Weston, Phillip Podesta of Phillip's Restaurant, Anne Hart of Provence Market, Vince Clark of Village Square, Patty and Jimmy Simon of Almost Heaven, Chef Rocco from Muri-ale's Restaurant and Todd Washburn from Oliverio's Restaurant in Morgantown's Wharf District. Washburn was voted "Best Chef" at last year's event.

Chefs who want to participate can contact Phillips at the March of Dimes at 233-4461.

The March of Dimes is a national voluntary health agency whose mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality.

Prematurity is potentially the most serious health problem facing America's babies today. These premature babies can suffer life-long consequences like blindness, mental retardation and learning problems. Some are so tiny that doctors can't save them. With your help, we will reach the day when all babies are born healthy and full-term.

All proceeds from the March of Dimes North Central Signature Chef's Auction will stay within the state and filtered back to hospitals and families in the local area.



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**Students in a past** Eat Right With Karen Bright class work together to make a nutritious meal in 30 minutes.

## Good choices on menu of cooking classes

The Dominion Post

This fall, follow your children back to school by signing up for one of Karen Bright's free cooking classes.

Bright is Nutrition Outreach Instructor in the Family Nutrition Program administered in part by the WVU Extension Service Preston County office.

Starting Sept. 5, she's offering two sessions of two popular classes.

During A-Round-America, students might eat Louisiana Jambalaya one week and pull taffy the next when their travels reach New Jersey.

A-Round-America is an eight-week nutrition and hands-on cooking class in which students receive

a free pedometer or stepometer to track their physical activity. As their distances add up to a "walk" around the country, students will receive and prepare healthy recipes using foods from the 50 states.

Bright has since added a walking component to her Eat Right With Karen Bright classes, but on a smaller scale. Students use their free pedometer to log steps through West Virginia. In the eight-week class, they work together to make meals in 30 minutes with an emphasis on saving money and making healthy choices. Making herb blends and quick mixes are among the money-saving techniques Bright teaches.

### The schedule:

■ Eat Right With Karen Bright, Session I: 10 a.m.-noon Tuesdays starting Sept. 5 at the Preston County Extension Office, Court Street, Kingwood.

■ Eat Right With Karen Bright, Session II: 10 a.m.-noon Wednesdays starting Sept. 6 at the Preston County Extension Office.

■ A-Round-America, Session I: 6-8 p.m. Tuesdays, starting Sept. 5 at Arthurdale Hospice, W. Va. 92.

■ A-Round-America, Session II: 4-6 p.m. Thursdays, starting Sept. 14 at Terra Alta Wellness Center, near Fit & Fabulous, W. Va. 7, Terra Alta. To register: 329-1391.

## Tai chi class open

Submitted to The Dominion Post

Instructor David Nutter is registering students for a low-impact abbreviated Yang style tai chi class.

Cost is only \$15 per class or \$50 for all four classes if you preregister. At-the-door cost is \$80. Classes will start Sept. 4 from 6-8 p.m. Preregistration is required: 366-2578.

## Wing cook-off Saturday

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A dozen chicken wing vendors. Two wings per ticket. Ten tickets for \$10.

Doing the math?

Though you'll soon find out that no one can eat just one (or two) wings at the annual Chicken Wing Cook-off, it'll all add up to operating capital for Ronald McDonald House.

Twelve wing sellers will compete from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday at Mountaineer Mall for your votes and the votes of local celebrity judges.

Last year, you gave "Best Wings" honors to Kegler's. The judges picked Archie's.

There's plenty of variety. No way you'll suffer palate fatigue. In addition to the regular mild, medium and hot buffalo and barbecue treatments, vendors dress their wings with teriyaki, jerk, Corona, garlic butter and Jack Daniels', among other delectable sauces and seasonings.

Budweiser and Pepsi will be there to wash it down.

The Slow Club and The New Relics will perform.

Mountaineer Mall has activities inside and outside, too.

Registration for the "Cool Ride" Car Show begins at 10 a.m. and the show starts at 11 a.m. in the lower Wal-Mart parking lot. The cars will be out till 5 p.m.

Cool off inside while listening

to a mix of oldies, country and rock 'n' roll at Center Court. The Girls, an all-girl band from Pennsylvania, starts singing at 1 p.m. The band makes music with a variety of instruments including guitars, saxophones and steel drums.

Exhibitions by Morgantown Dance Studio, White Eagle Martial Arts Studio and WV Gymnastics Training Center start at 12:30 p.m. at the mall's lower center court by Elder-Beerman.

The Ronald McDonald House in Morgantown provides housing for 16 families of critically ill children who are receiving treatment at local hospitals.

The Ronald McDonald House operates through fundraisers and donations. The only money it received from McDonald's was the seed money to start the house. The invested seed money earns interest.

### This year's vendors

- Kegler's
- The Regatta Bar and Grille
- Jersey's Subs
- CJ Maggie's
- The Sports Page
- Casa D'Amici
- Buffalo Wild Wings
- Winston's of Fairmont
- Archie's
- Mario's Fishbowl
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## Use tested canning practices to keep harvest safe to eat

**THIS IS THE FIRST** of two articles about safely canning home-grown produce.

**AS THE HARVEST SEASON** begins, many gardeners are preparing to head for their kitchens to preserve the fruits of their labor for their families and friends. If you're among this busy group, do remember to include food safety steps on your canning checklist.

Failure to properly preserve foods may result in botulism. Botulism is a deadly form of food poisoning caused by a *Clostridium botulinum* bacterium found on the surfaces of most fresh foods. Fresh foods, however, are safe because the bacterium grows only when air is absent.

Following proper preparation techniques and guidelines will help you create a safe food preservation environment. As in years past, the Monongalia County office of the WVU Extension Service is available to provide research-based food preservation information. Let's begin with the most popular form of home food preservation — canning.

An excellent resource is the "Complete Guide to Home Canning," which is published by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The guide cautions that properly preserving foods through canning requires several safety steps:

- Carefully selecting and washing fresh food.
- Peeling some fresh foods.
- Hot-packing many foods.
- Adding acids (lemon juice or vinegar) to some foods.
- Using acceptable jars and self-sealing lids.
- Processing jars in a boiling-water or pressure canner for the correct period of time.

According to the USDA National Center for Home Food Preservation, the following conditions can seriously affect canned food's safety.

- Altitude? Canners must be operated at increased pressures as the altitude increases. Check reliable canning instructions for altitude adjustments.
- Accurate gauge? Dial gauges should be checked for accuracy each year before they are used. If the gauge reads high or low by more than one pound at 5, 10 or 15 pounds pressure, replace it. (Call



**AMBER ORTEL**

Amber Ortel, Monongalia County WVU Extension Agent, at 291-7201 about scheduling a testing time.)

■ Trapped air? The USDA recommends that all pressure canners be vented 10 minutes before they are pressurized. This is an important step because air may be trapped in the closed canner during the process. Air trapped in a pressure canner lowers the temperature obtained for a given pressure — for example, 10 or 15 pounds pressure — and results in under processing.

To vent a canner, leave the vent port (steam vent) uncovered (or manually open the petcock on some older models) after you fill the canner and lock the canner lid in place. Heat the canner on high until the water boils and generates steam that can be seen escaping through the open vent port or petcock. When a visible funnel-shaped steam is continuously escaping the canner, set a timer for 10 minutes. After 10 minutes of continuous steam, you can close the petcock or place the counterweight or weighted gauge over the vent port to begin pressurizing the canner.

■ Approved directions? Clean lid gaskets and other parts according to the manufacturer's directions. Use only canners that have the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) Mark.

For more food safety information, e-mail Amber.Ortel@mail.wvu.edu or call the WVU Extension Office at 291-7201. Visit the USDA National Center for Home Food Preservation Web site ([uga.edu/nchfp/index.html](http://uga.edu/nchfp/index.html)), where you will have access to the "Complete Guide to Home Canning." The guide is also available in print format via Amazon.com by searching for "Complete Guide to Home Canning."

Resources: WVU Extension Specialist Guen Brown, "Complete Guide to Home Canning."

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**Pickled peaches, cherries, beans, apricots and onions.**

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## Add zest and zing — pickle fruits and veggies

**BY CATHY THOMAS**  
Orange County Register

SANTA ANA, Calif. — I'd never tasted a more scrumptious duck breast. The exterior was the color of polished mahogany, caramelized and crisp with a nice dusting of crunchy sea salt. Underneath, the flesh was pink and juicy, seductively revealed in diagonal slices spread out like a fan. A mound of deep-red rice rested off to the side.

But it was the pickled cherries at the California Napa Valley's Bouchon that made that duck sing.

Bouchon, superstar chef Thomas Keller's chic Parisian-style bistro (located on the same street as his more formal French Laundry), had added pickled cherries as a special that warm night last summer. Most often Bouchon's duck breasts are served with Picholine olives, small green orbs that give the dish a perky accent.

But to my palate's delight that night it was sweet-sour cherries that were added higgledy-piggledy over the meat and rice. I asked the server about the cherries, and she told me that for several weeks the kitchen had been pickling everything that wasn't nailed down.

Mmmm, the marriage of vinegar, sugar and summer produce. I vowed to create a pickling kitchen at home. It took me almost a year to get my act together, but a couple of weeks ago I called Jeffrey Cerciello, Bouchon's talented executive chef and co-author of "Bouchon," (Artisan, \$50). I wanted pickling advice.

Vinegar and sugar team up to create bright, refreshing bites amid the richness. And the possibilities for fruits and vegetables seem endless.

Cerciello said you want to look

for balance on the plate and that pickled produce can offer that balance. And the meaty elements can be as easy as well-seasoned cold roast beef or pork.

Or a burger or ham sandwich. Or a luscious slab of buttery cheese.

And with the spate of extremely hot weather we've been experiencing, it came as good news that the process needn't include the water-bath method to "can" the pickled treasures. Water baths require setting sealed jars in covered cauldrons of boiling water for a prescribed amount of time. It's hot, tiresome work.

"We do a quick pickling," he said. "Some dense vegetables will need to be quickly blanched first, like baby leeks or carrots. Bring the pickling mixture (generally vinegar, sugar and spices) to a boil (and dissolve sugar), then pour it over (the fruit or vegetables)."

A crunchy texture is part of the appeal, too. So he cautions cooks to cool down the pickling solution quickly after the hot brine is added. After the brine is added to the fruit and/or vegetables in the jar, put on the lid and refrigerate. Use care not to contaminate the pickling solution with your hands. Use a spoon for serving. No fingers allowed.

### BOUCHON SIMPLE PICKLED RED ONIONS

Bouchon serves these pickled onions with open-faced lamb sandwiches slathered with aioli (garlic mayonnaise) and accompanied with french fries. These crunchy crescent-shaped slivers have an appealing acidic edge. If you prefer a less acidic approach, try Chris Logan's method. Logan is the director of

culinary at the newly opened Blue Coral restaurant in Newport Beach, Calif. He cuts the red onions into very thin rings and tops them with room-temperature seasoned rice vinegar. They're refrigerated and consumed within two days. He serves them with seared carpaccio-style filet mignon and atop grilled asparagus.

Yield: About 4 cups  
**About 1 1/4 pounds (2 medium-large) red onions**  
**1 1/2 cups red wine vinegar**  
**3/4 cup sugar**

Trim and discard root end of onions. Cut in half from top to bottom. Remove outer layer along with skin. Cut a V in interior of the bottom portion to remove core. Cut into 1/8-inch thick slices following the direction of the lines that run up and down on exterior of the onion; you will end up with thin wedges.

Pack into clean 1-quart canning jar; reserve any slices that don't fit. Combine vinegar and sugar in small nonreactive saucepan and bring to boil on high heat, stirring to dissolve sugar. Pour hot vinegar mixture over onions. Once onions begin to wilt, you can add remaining onions to jar. Cover and let cool.

Refrigerate at least 24 hours or up to four weeks.

Source: "Bouchon" by Thomas Keller with Jeffrey Cerciello (Artisan, \$50)

### PICKLED CHERRIES

Yield: 8 cups  
**8 cups unpitted cherries, red cherries preferred, stems removed, washed and patted dry**  
**1 1/2 cups water**  
**1 1/2 cups red wine vinegar**  
**1 2/3 cups sugar**

### 10 whole cloves

Pack cherries into two clean 1-quart canning jars; tap jar on counter to make additional room for more cherries.

In medium nonreactive saucepan, combine water, vinegar and sugar. Bring to boil on high heat, stirring to dissolve sugar. Pour over cherries; mixture should cover top of cherries. If it doesn't, add a little additional water and vinegar. Place five cloves in each jar. Seal with lids.

Refrigerate at least 24 hours or up to four weeks. Caution guests that cherries are not pitted.

Source: Jeffrey Cerciello, Bouchon

### PICKLED SUGAR SNAP PEAS

These crunchy snap peas are a delectable garnish for Bloody Marys.

Yield: about 4 cups  
**1 1/2 cups white wine vinegar**  
**1 1/4 cups water**  
**1 tablespoon kosher salt**  
**2 tablespoons sugar**  
**1 pound sugar snap peas, stemmed and strung**  
**4 garlic cloves, peeled, sliced**  
**1 or 2 small dried red chiles, sliced lengthwise**  
**2 fresh tarragon sprigs**

In medium, nonreactive saucepan, bring vinegar, water, salt and sugar to boil on high heat, stirring to dissolve salt and sugar. Set aside to cool.

Pack peas, garlic, chiles and tarragon into clean, 1-quart canning jar. Pour cooled liquid over peas and cover jar. Store in refrigerator for at least 2 weeks before eating. Refrigerated, they will keep for several months.

Source: Adapted from "The Joy of Pickling" by Linda Ziedrich (Harvard Common Press, \$15.95)

## WVU Community Arts Programs

Fall 2006 Classes

Registration Dates:

August 14-September 5, Room 401 CAC  
Monday-Friday, 10:00am-12:00pm. 1:00-4:30pm

### Art Classes:

Young People's Saturday Art Program  
Primary Studio (ages 5-8)  
Intermediate Studio (ages 9-14)



### Dance Classes:

Beginning Ballet through Advanced Ballet (ages 6-adults)  
Beginning and Intermediate Jazz and Tap  
Creative Modern Dance for the Young I (ages 4-6)  
Creative Modern Dance II (ages 7-12)



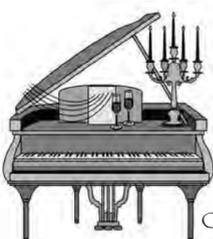
### Theatre Classes:

Production of Peter Pan (ages 10-15)  
Voice for Communication on Stage and in Life (adults)  
Puppetry Class (ages 9-12)



### Music Classes:

Music for Babies (infants & young toddlers)  
Explore & Enjoy (ages 2-3 & a parent/caregiver)  
Musicland Express (ages 4-6)  
Beginning Group Piano for Kids I & II  
Group Piano for Adults I & II  
Harp on it! (6 week introductory harp class)  
Pop Stars of the Future (ages 13-18)  
Elementary Choir (ages 7 & 8)  
Youth Choir (ages 9-14)  
Flute Ensemble (junior high-adult)  
Steel Band Ensemble (ages 9-adult)  
Percussion Ensemble (ages 11-adult)  
Community Arts Orchestra (junior high-adult)  
Introduction to Alexander Technique Workshop  
Alexander Technique and Breathing Workshop  
Alexander Technique and Ergonomics Workshop  
Suzuki Violin (ages 4 and up)



\*Private lessons offered in piano, organ, strings, voice, jazz singing, jazz improvisation, brass, percussion, woodwinds, guitar, harp, theory, conducting and composition.

For information, contact the WVU Community Arts Program Office at 304-293-4841 x3168 or visit the website at [www.ccartarts.wvu.edu/community\\_arts/](http://www.ccartarts.wvu.edu/community_arts/)

## First Cleveland Wine Festival set for Sept. 29-30

Submitted to The Dominion Post

The Cleveland Wine Festival is coming to downtown Cleveland Sept. 29-30, at Voinovich Park, adjacent to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum.

More than 20 wine exhibitors will feature samples of some 150 wines from around the world. Wine experts will speak on the latest wine trends and how to enjoy today's wine varieties. Some of Cleveland's finest restaurants — such as Bar Louie, Fahrenheit, La Dolce Vita and Opa — will be on site to perform cooking demonstrations where guests can learn how to pair wines with the appropriate food.

Festival hours are 4-10 p.m. Sept.

29 and 2-10 p.m. Sept. 30. To purchase tickets online or for more event details, visit [clevelandwinefestival.com](http://clevelandwinefestival.com); or, call (216) 233-2457.

Live musical entertainment will be provided by bands from various genres. Punch The Clown plays from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Friday, and on Saturday The Bill Ransom Jazz Quintet, performs from 3-5 p.m. and The Roberto Ocasio Latin Jazz Project, 7-9:30 p.m.

Admission to the Wine Festival is \$20 per adult which includes a souvenir wine glass, 10 tastings, a Festival Program, food and wine seminars, cooking demonstrations, musical entertainment and an opportunity to purchase wine. Group ticket packages are available for \$15

per person for groups of 15 or more. Group tickets include all of the benefits of the regular adult ticket.

Designated driver admission tickets are \$10 (designated drivers are highly encouraged). Guests under 21 are free when they are accompanied by a paid adult.

A portion of the proceeds from the Cleveland Wine Festival will benefit The Women's Center of Greater Cleveland. The Center's mission is to provide opportunities for women to take greater control over their lives physically, emotionally and economically.

The Cleveland Marriott Downtown is offering a "Sip, Savor and Sleep" package, which includes deluxe overnight accommodations.

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**Contact Cathy Allen at 216-7324 or [www.sprintsplashspin.com](http://www.sprintsplashspin.com)**

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# Meat and poultry labels — what does all that lingo mean?

**THIS IS THE FIRST** of a two-part series on the labeling used for meat and poultry products. The first is on claims that tell us what is not added. The second column will cover claims about the rearing of livestock and healthfulness of the foods we eat.



**CHARLES STUART PLATKIN**  
THE DIET DETECTIVE

**HAVING CONFIDENCE** in our foods is important. However, with so many claims — no antibiotics, no chemicals, no additives, hormone-free — it's difficult to know what they really mean when it comes to meat and poultry. Here's a guide, as the first of a two-part series.

**No antibiotics.**  
*What it implies:* That no antibiotics (drugs used to kill or inhibit the growth of bacteria in people and animals) were used in raising the animal.

*What it means:* There are basically two methods for using antibiotics in raising animals. The first is called "subtherapeutic," meaning that low levels of antibiotics are mixed with the feed, even if the animals are not sick. This is supposed to promote animal growth and prevent disease. In fact, according to Urvashi Rangan, Ph.D., an environmental scientist at the nonprofit research group Consumers Union, up to 70 percent of all antibiotics have been estimated to go into the daily feeding of animals in this country. "Some antibiotics are fed to cattle to alter the balance of bacteria in the stomach or rumen in order to

favor the presence of bacteria that assist in the digestion of corn and improve animal efficiency," said Karen Killinger-Mann, a consumer food-safety specialist at Washington State University.

The other reason ("therapeutic") antibiotics are used in raising animals is if the animals are sick. Normally, if one animal gets sick, the entire herd is treated as a prophylactic measure. Organic farmers, however, can treat only that one animal and must remove it from organic production, said Rangan.

While the phrases "no antibiotics administered" and "raised without antibiotics" are allowed, the U.S. Department of Agriculture prohibits the labeling of any meat product with the term "antibiotic free." The term "no antibiotics added" may be used if sufficient documentation is provided by the producer demonstrating that the animals were raised without antibiotics.

*Verification:* None. The USDA is technically responsible, but there is no system in place to check the validity of such claims — so while the label is specific and, therefore, somewhat meaningful, without verification these

claims provide assurance only up to a point.

*The real story:* Rangan said that the legally allowed amounts of antibiotic residues in meat are not the primary concern in terms of our health. The fact that farmers are boosting animal growth by giving them "low levels" of antibiotics all the time may contribute to an increase in the number of bacteria resistant to antibiotics, a serious public health problem.

**No hormones**  
*What it implies:* No growth hormones (chemicals used to increase the size of the animal) were used in raising the animal.

*What it means:* Pork or poultry: The USDA does not allow hormones in their production. Therefore, the claim "no hormones added" cannot be used on labels unless it is followed by a statement that says, "Federal regulations prohibit the use of hormones." However, those regulations are not always followed. Consumers should not pay extra for pork or poultry products, including eggs, boasting this claim.

Beef: "No hormones administered" indicates that the animal was not given any added hormones over the course of its lifetime. The term may be approved for use on the labels of beef products with sufficient documentation provided to the USDA by the producer.

*Verification:* None.  
*The real story:* Cattle that are not rushed to grow using hormones are often raised on pastures and live low-stress lives. As a result of their superb nutrition and lack of stress, they are healthier. When you choose products from pastured animals, you are eating the food that nature intended. However, the "no hormones" claim does not guarantee that the cattle were raised in a pasture.

**No additives**  
*What it implies:* That the animal was not given any of the approximately 2,800 "food additives" (natural or artificial), including salt, sugar and corn syrup, which are by far the most widely used additives in this country, according to the USDA.  
*What it means:* "Food additive"

is defined by the Food and Drug Administration as any substance used to provide a technical effect in foods. Additives are used for flavor and appeal, food preparation and processing, freshness and safety. They include coloring, preservatives and flavorings (including salt). "No additives" means that the cut of meat or poultry itself has not been enhanced with any natural or artificial ingredients. It has nothing to do with how the animals were raised or what they ate.

*Verification:* None. The USDA and FDA share authority over the approval of additives in meat and poultry, but there is no verification for manufacturers using the "no additives" label. View commonly used additives at [fsis.usda.gov/Fact\\_Sheets/Additives\\_in\\_Meat\\_Poultry\\_Products/index](http://fsis.usda.gov/Fact_Sheets/Additives_in_Meat_Poultry_Products/index)

*The real story:* According to Rangan, even if the claim is truthful, it may be misleading, because most people think it has to do with how the animals were raised.

**No chemicals added**  
*What it implies:* That the ani-

mal was raised and produced without antibiotics, additives or pesticides.

*What it means:* Unfortunately, no one has decided. "No chemicals added" is not a term regulated by the USDA, and no government body has proposed a solid definition. The USDA does, however, prohibit the use of the term "chemical-free" on both meat and poultry.

*Verification:* None.  
*The real story:* Since there's no government definition, this label doesn't really help you. Antibiotics, pesticides and additives are not legally classified as chemicals; so, presumably, they could be added by a manufacturer using this label. According to Rangan, when the label defines what the producer means by "no chemicals" — for example, listing no antibiotics, no pesticides, no hormones — it has some level of clarity. But merely stating "no chemicals" on a label is meaningless.

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## Gaitskill to give reading in Pittsburgh Sept. 14

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Pittsburgh Arts & Lectures/American Shorts Reading Series will present An Evening with Mary Gaitskill Sept. 14 at Pittsburgh newest art and performance space ON, located at 5005 Penn Ave. in the heart of the Penn Avenue Arts Corridor, Garfield. Gaitskill will be available for a question and answer session and a book signing immediately following the reading.

Tickets are \$8 and are available in advance by calling (412) 622-8866 or for \$10 at the door. Doors open at 7 p.m., reading begins at 7:30 p.m.

Mary Gaitskill is the author of "Veronica," nominated for a 2005 National Book award in the fiction category. She is also the author of "Because They Wanted To," which was nominated for the PEN/Faulkner Award in 1998, and is best regarded for "Bad Behavior," a collection of stories containing the cult-classic "Secretary" which was the basis for the darkly comedic 2002 film of the same name starring James Spader and Maggie Gyllenhaal in her

break-through role as the troubled secretary who becomes intertwined in a fully functional sadomasochistic relationship with her overly meticulous boss. Her stories and essays have appeared in *The New Yorker*, *Harper's Magazine*, *Esquire*, "The Best American Short Stories" (1993), and "The O. Henry Prize Stories" (1998). The recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship, she teaches creative writing at Syracuse University. She lives in New York.

In addition to the reading, American Shorts will screen two new short films by artist Martha Colburn. Mischievous and trigger-happy with her Super 8 camera, Colburn creates a dazzling array of rhythmic visual montages as perverse as they are pleasurable. Utilizing collage images taken from pop culture ephemera, stylishly intermixed with clips of the grotesque, she transfers a raw, spastic energy onto film that is filled with both irony and humor to create a unique "Colburn" aesthetic.

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REUNIONS

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■ **SOLLAR REUNION** will be from noon-4 p.m. Saturday at Core Community Building, W.Va. 7 at Core. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. Bring and item for the Chinese auction. Info: 599-2477.

■ **77TH ANNUAL HAWLEY REUNION:** Registration at 11 a.m.; covered-dish lunch at noon **Saturday** at Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Dogtown Road. Games, 50/50, silent auction and surprises. Corn and hot dog roast at 6 p.m.

■ **HUSSING:** Descendants of the late Charles and Ethel Hussing will have their annual reunion **Saturday** at the home of Jim and Susie Cale. Bring a covered dish and a nonperishable food item to put in box for door prize.

■ **WILES AND WATKINS REUNION** will be Sunday at the Mount View Church, No. 4 Road,

Tunnelton. A basket lunch will be served at 1 p.m. followed by a silent auction, awards, drawings and a horseshoe tournament. Info: Brenda, 568-2221.

■ **McKINNEY REUNION:** 1 p.m. **Sunday** Mount Vernon Community Building, Kingwood Pike. Basket lunch at 1 p.m.

■ **WILHELM:** Descendants of George Washington Wilhelm and Permelia Catherine Maust will reunite at noon **Sunday**, Rowlesburg Park Bruno Pavilion. Bring a covered dish. Info: 329-3816.

■ **73rd RECKART REUNION:** **Sunday** at the Pleasant Valley United Methodist Church of Cuzart. A covered-dish lunch will be at 1 p.m. with games and white elephant sale in the afternoon. Bring a surprise package.

■ **84th ANNUAL GIBSON REUNION:** noon **Sunday**, North Preston Farmers Club at the

Salem Community Building near Brandonville. A basket lunch will be served at 1 p.m. Info: Darlene Gibson Fink, 329-2713.

■ **ROYCE REUNION:** Families of the late John W. and Elizabeth Royce and Merle Royce will gather **Sunday** at Pisgah (Bruceton Mills) United Methodist Church pavilion. Bring a covered dish and beverage for the meal at 12:30 p.m. and a wrapped item for the white elephant sale. Info: Jennifer, 379-7207; Meredith, 379-8051; or Mary Lou, 379-8785.

■ **MCBEE-STEEL REUNION,** **Sunday** at Pisgah United Methodist Church, W.Va. 73 south between Morgantown and Fairmont. The reunion is for descendants of Zadock and Sarah Steele McBee and James Steele and Eleanor Thorne Steele. The covered-dish lunch will begin at 12:30 p.m. and will

be followed by a short business meeting. Family and friends welcome. Info: Lynn Malone at 366-0109, Kenneth McBee at 363-2362 or Edna McBee Malone at 363-2363.

■ **CLARKSBURG WASHINGTON IRVING HIGH SCHOOL'S 6TH ANNUAL REUNION PICNIC:** 11 a.m. **Aug. 26**, Veterans Park, Osborne Shelter. Anyone who ever attended WI (you don't need to be a graduate), bring a covered dish, folding chair and camera. Place settings are provided. Info: Sharyn Cottrill McGahan, 623-0233 or mtma41@msn.com.

■ **HOVATTER:** The descendants and friends of Floyd, Elsie, Herbert and Mary Hovatter will reunite at 2 p.m. **Aug. 26** at the Gladesville Community Building. Bring a covered dish, silent auction item, favorite recipe and a lawn chair. For directions, Roxane, 892-4413 or 288-5087. Other inquiries on that day: Glenna, 692-2388 or Becky, 288-4730.

■ **LOUGHRY:** The descendants of Aaron J. and Julia A. Loughry will hold the 80th annual Loughry reunion **Aug. 27**, with a picnic lunch at 12:30 p.m. at the "Loughry Pavilion" Seven Islands, Tucker County. Info: 454-9480.

■ **PIKE REUNION:** **Aug. 27**, Old Cool Springs School on Kingwood Pike. Covered-dish dinner at 12:30 p.m. followed by music, games and prizes.

■ **WALLS:** The descendants of Orville and Mae Walls will hold a reunion **Aug. 27** at the pavilion behind the United Methodist Church at Pisgah, Preston County. Bring a covered dish and beverage for dinner at 1 p.m. and a wrapped item for the white elephant sale. There will be games and prizes. Info: 379-8724.

■ **KINGWOOD PIKE COMMUNITY REUNION:** 12:30 p.m. **Aug. 27** at Cool Springs Park, 6 miles up Kingwood Pike from Green Bag Road intersection. Covered-dish dinner, games and prizes for all ages. Everyone welcome. Info or to make donations: Kathy Dalton at 296-1305. Submit photos for Veterans Wall of Fame, Memorial Wall or photos of past generations to Brenda Hendershot at 292-4376 or Glenna Shaw at 292-4398.

■ **PERINE REUNION** will be **Sept. 2** at the Doddridge County Park. A cover-dish dinner will begin at noon in the lower section of the main building. The park is located off U.S. 50, west of West Union on Snow Bird Road.

■ **31st ANNUAL HASKIELL REUNION:** noon **Sept. 3** at Brown's Park, Kingwood. Dinner served at 1 p.m. Bring a covered dish or dessert and a lawn chair. Meat, drinks, plates and eating utensils provided. Bring an item for the family auction. Prizes and games for the children. Family and friends welcome. Info: 265-5394.

■ **UHS CLASS OF 1959 REUNION** covered-dish picnic at 1 p.m. **Sept. 16** at the Westover Senior Center Pavilion on Dupont Road (behind the Westover Police Department). Meat and rolls will be provided. Bring beverages. Info or for directions: Betty Mcle, 292-3910, Hayward Helmick, 328-5340 or Mary Jefferys, 291-8416.

■ **ANNUAL GOODWIN REUNION:** 1 p.m. **Sept. 17** at Bill King's Tree Farm in Bruceton Mills. Bring a covered dish and gifts for auction, bingo or for children's games. Info: Dottie, 599-2437 or goodwins.reunion@yahoo.com.

BRIEFS

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**Latin-inspired aerobics starting Monday**

The rhythm will get you Monday when the WVU School of Physical Education offers a new aerobics class built around the up-tempo movements of Latin dance.

Zumba (pronounced as zoomba) classes will be held at 7 p.m. Mondays in the Stansbury Hall aerobic room. The classes will continue through Oct. 23 and are open to WVU students, employees and the general public.

Zumba is a high-energy aerobics class that incorporates mainly Latin movements and rhythms. This includes dances such as salsa, merengue, cumbia, samba, mambo and reggaeton.

The routines feature aerobic interval training with a combination of fast and slow rhythms that tone and sculpt the body. It targets areas such as the gluteus, legs, arms, abdominals and, most importantly, the heart. The dance steps are easy to follow and students can adjust their aerobic level by either increasing or decreasing their pace and amount of movements. No experience is necessary, and participants can start at any level.

Classes, offered through the School of Physical Education Lifetime Activities Program are \$45. Info or to register: 293-3295 Ext. 5252.

**Pro-life group holds drawing contest**

West Virginians for Life will sponsor a "God's Best Handiwork" drawing contest in conjunction with the Sept. 15-17 Mason-Dixon Festival. The theme will be "What I looked like when I was a baby." Any medium may be used. Size 8 1/2-by-11. Prizes will be awarded for all entries. Cost is 25 cents per vote. Age categories are 5 and under; 6-8; and 9 and up. Submit drawings, along with name and age to "God's Best Handiwork" Drawing Contest, 427 Spruce St., Morgantown, WV 26505.

Deadline for submission is Sept. 11.

Info: 291-LIFE or Patricia Johnson at 292-0474.

**Eat ice cream at Arthurdale**

Enjoy an old-fashioned ice cream social beginning at 4 p.m. **Aug. 26** at the Arthurdale Heritage's Center Hall lawn. Included will be an ice cream eating contest and live musical entertainment. Children's activities are free and will include a watercolor workshop.

Concessions will be sold and will feature a pig roast by Art's Commercial and Custom Meat Packing. Dinners include pork, baked beans, cole slaw and a roll. Corn on the cob will also be available. Other goodies for sale include homemade pies, hot dogs, hamburgers and ice cream treats. A community block party will begin at 7 p.m. and will feature karaoke by Karaoke and More. All are welcome.

Arthurdale Heritage grounds are located 20 minutes from Morgantown and 15 minutes from Kingwood. Take W.Va. 7 East from the Sabraton exit of I-68 to Reedsville and W.Va. 92 South to Arthurdale. Look for signs.

Info: AHI, 864-3959.

**Hospice Care Corp. needs store volunteers**

Hospice Care Corp. has announced the opening of their its Unique Boutique Store on Sabraton Avenue in Morgantown. Volunteers are needed to assist in daily operations of the store. Volunteers would assist the store manager in pricing, sorting and organizing donations brought in and would work as cashiers. The Unique Boutique offers upscale clothing, antiques, jewelry, art and much more. Store hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

Hospice Care will also open a thrift store on Market Street in Fairmont. Volunteers are needed for renovations, painting, sorting and cleaning. Info: Tracey at 599-4200.

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# Picture books give children a glimpse of what school may bring

BY SAMANTHA CRITCHELL  
Associated Press

With the first day of school come many emotions: excitement, enthusiasm, fear of the unknown. And that's just what the teachers go through.

In the new book, "Mr. Ouchy's First Day" (Putnam, \$15.99, ages 5 and up), students experience jitters from a teacher's perspective. He too wonders if he'll find his classroom, if he should wear his lucky blue shirt and if the kids will tease him about his name. (He does, he does and they do.)

But each time Mr. Ouchy looks up at that oversized white-and-black clock that seems to be in every classroom in the country, he realizes that things are falling into place and he looks forward to the next day.

This picture book by B.G. Hennessy and illustrated by Paul Meisel is one of many set in schools that aim to make the transition back to school a little smoother:

■ "Vera's New School" (Henry Holt, \$16.95, ages 4-8) by Vera Rosenberry.

It's hard to be the new girl — especially when the teacher even calls you "the new girl" instead of your name. It's even harder when you're stuck in a classroom with some rather nasty kids.

But not everyone or everything can be all bad, as Vera learns as the day moves along.

■ "Totally Wonderful Miss Plumberry" (Candlewick, \$15.99, ages 4-7) by Michael Rosen and illustrated by Chinlun Lee.

Molly brings a special crystal to school to show off to her friends. Her friends are impressed at first, but they quickly move on to a bigger, flashier show-and-tell item.

Teacher Miss Plumberry senses Molly is sad to be left in the dust, so by having Molly share with her classmates the story of the crystal, she gets back their

attention.

■ "Dear Mr. Rosenwald" (Scholastic, \$16.99, ages 7-10) by Carole Boston Weatherford and illustrated by R. Gregory Christie.

This is based on the true story of the schools built in black communities in the 1920s and '30s using donations from Julius Rosenwald, then president of Sears, Roebuck and Co.

It's told through the eyes of Ovella, the daughter of a sharecropper who yearns to learn. She watches her church pass around a collection plate to help raise the funds for the school's land. She's surprised when white neighbors also send in \$20 bills.

She is beside herself with excitement when she sees the blueprints for the building — so much different than her one-room schoolhouse.

When the school is done, Ovella's first lesson is letter writing and she pens her first one to Mr. Rosenwald to thank him for helping to make it all possible.

■ "Teacher's Pets" (Candlewick, \$15.99, ages 5 and up) by Dayle Ann Dodd and illustrated by Marilyn Hafner.

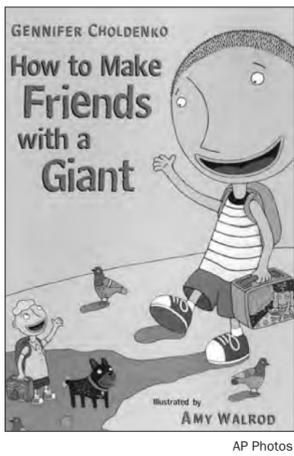
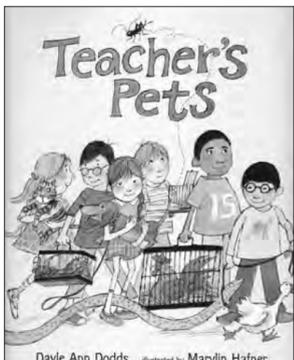
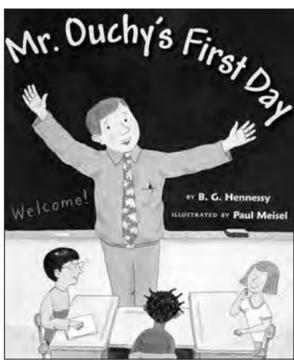
When children in Miss Fry's class bring in their pets for show and tell, they seem to have a habit of leaving the critters behind. Miss Fry is fine with that — as long as the kids take their pets home at the end of the year.

But when her request is fulfilled, she finds herself lonely. And then she finds the little guy who stayed behind to become the teacher's pet.

■ "Miss Malarkey Leaves No Reader Behind" (Walker, \$16.95, ages 5-8) by Judy Finchler and Kevin O'Malley, who also is the illustrator.

Getting kids to read is great — and that's what principal Wiggins does when he makes outlandish promises to his student body if they'll read 1,000 books by June.

But getting kids to want to read is even better. Miss Malarkey



wins over students by helping them find books that match their interests. That pushes the students over the 1,000 mark.

■ "A Place Called Kindergarten" (Putnam, \$15.99, ages 4-8) by Jessica Harper and illustrated by G. Brian Karas.

The animals who live on Tommy's family's farm wonder why he's late in visiting them one day. They get their answer when a bus roars down the road as the sun begins to set. "I've been to kindergarten," Tommy announces.

He then shares with his pals — a horse, sheep, cow and chicken —

what he learned that day. By bedtime, everyone is eagerly awaiting the next day at school.

■ "On the Way to Kindergarten" (Putnam, \$15.99, ages 4 and up) by Virginia Kroll and illustrated by Elisabeth Schlossberg.

Maybe kids don't think they're ready for kindergarten but, as this book points out, they've been training for it their whole lives.

When they were 1, they mastered the sippy cup, and when they were 2, they moved to a big bed. At 3, they caught their first ball and at 4, they drew trees and turtles and knew to color them green.

The next learning experience is school, and children will become

expert at that, too.

■ "How to Make Friends With a Giant" (Putnam, \$16.99, ages 5 and up) by Gennifer Choldenko and illustrated by Amy Walrod.

Making friends in first grade is a challenge for little Jake, especially because he's so little the other kids call him "the shrimp."

The last person you'd expect Jake to bond with is giant Jacomo, but they do just that. They also point out to their classmates that it's not a big deal to make little accommodations for your friends.

■ "Miss Mingo and the First Day of School" (Candlewick, \$15.99, ages 4-7) by Jamie Harper.

Miss Mingo asks her pupils — a panda, pig and elephant, among them — to share something about themselves so they can get to know each other on this first day of school.

As the class learns interesting tidbits about each other, so will young readers.

The information includes: The Narwhal whale has only two teeth, but one is more like a tusk that can grow to be 10 feet long; a newborn panda is pink; and the koala's name comes from an Aboriginal word that means "does not drink." Koalas get all their nutrients from eucalyptus leaves.

■ "Miss Smith Reads Again!" (Dutton, \$16.99, ages 3 and up) by Michael Garland.

This is a teacher who knows how to bring reading to life. Every time Miss Smith, with her short, shocking red hair, opens a book, the class is transported to a different time and place.

In this adventure, they go back to prehistoric times and hang with the dinosaurs, which pleases student Zack because he's really into dinosaurs. But then they get a little too close to the dinosaurs, so Zack saves the day and encourages Miss Smith to finish the book so they can return home.

■ "The Magic School Bus and the Science Fair Expedition" (Scholastic, \$15.99, ages 7-10) by Joanna Cole and Bruce Degen.

Ms. Frizzle's class heads to the new science museum to get ideas for their own projects for the science fair. But, thanks to the class' magic bus, this is no ordinary field trip. Instead of dropping the students off at the museum, the bus picks up some of the most famous scientists in history — Galileo, Copernicus, Issac Newton and Albert Einstein.

■ "What Is Science?" (Henry Holt, \$16.95, ages 4-8) by Rebecca Kai Dotlich and illustrated by Sachiko Yoshikawa.

What is science? Just about everything, according to this book, which serves more as an introduction to the world than its study. Young readers take a whirlwind tour of the solar system, hurricanes, mighty mountains and rolling land.

■ "Spot 7 School" (Chronicle, \$12.95, all ages) by Kidslab, a Japanese publisher.

This is the first book in a hunt-and-find series. Two almost identical pages are featured on each spread, but seven things are different. The trick for children is to identify the differences and answer the accompanying riddles.

The common theme throughout is that the photographs feature school items, ranging from art supplies to bookbags.

■ "What a Day It Was at School!" (Greenwillow, \$15.99, ages 5 and up) by Jack Prelutsky and Doug Cushman.

So much can go on during a single day at school that sometimes it can't be captured in a single story. Instead, the critters at one particular school put their adventures into prose.

Poems include "My Backpack Weighs a Thousand Pounds," "I Wish I'd Studied Harder" and "I Have to Write a Poem for Class."



## Speed into the library for some NASCAR reading

GENTLEMEN (and ladies), start your engines and head to the Morgantown Public Library to check out the latest books on America's number one spectator sport — NASCAR racing. And with the release of Will Ferrell's "Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby," many new fans will be introduced to the sport of NASCAR. Let the Morgantown Public Library help you learn about the sport with these books, found on the reference level of the library.

■ "Behind the Scenes of NASCAR Racing" by Bill Burt

■ "Fast as White Lightning: The Story of Stock Car Racing" by Kim Chapin

■ "The NASCAR Way: The Business That Drives the Sport" by Robert G. Hagstrom

■ "Real Men Work in the Pits: A Lie in NASCAR Racing" by Jeff Hammond

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■ "The Cars of the King: Richard Petty" by Tim Bongard

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## Vachss' latest in Burke series about as hard-boiled as it gets

"MASK MARKET" by Andrew Vachss. Pantheon Books. 244 pages. \$24.95.

BY BRUCE DESILVA  
Associated Press

The career criminal known only as Burke meets a nervous citizen in a no-name New York diner. The man hands Burke a dossier on a missing woman and offers him a lot of money to track her down. Moments later, as Burke watches from the shadows, the man is shot dead in the street by a team of professional assassins.

So begins "Mask Market," the 16th novel in Andrew Vachss' series featuring Burke, one of the most intriguing characters in modern crime fiction.

For the uninitiated, a brief Burke biography is in order: Abandoned at birth, he was beaten and raped in a series of foster homes, ran away, turned to crime to survive and found his true family — "family by choice and not by blood" — in prison and on the streets.

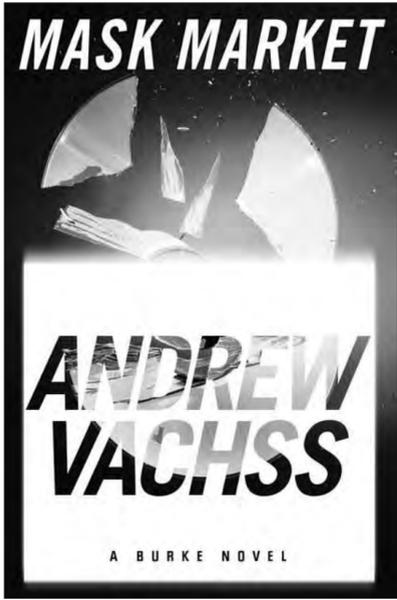
Burke is well into middle-age now, but his needs and motives remain simple and pure: good blues on the stereo, loyalty to his tight circle of underworld friends, and revenge. Two passages that roughly bookend the new novel explain his philosophy of life.

"You come up knowing that faith is for suckers," Burke says. "The only god I ever worshipped was the one who answered my prayers. My religion is revenge."

Later, he adds this: "In my world, you get even because you're nothing if you don't, but it's never enough. It can't be. You can't REALLY get even. You can make someone who hurt you dead, but whatever they took from you is never coming back."

The people Burke wants revenge on, of course, are child molesters. In every novel, he finds creative ways to rob a few of them, grisly ways to kill a few of them, or both.

Burke is Vachss' alter ego, doing what Vachss would be doing himself if there weren't laws against that sort of thing. What he does instead is use his considerable skills as an investigator and lawyer to track down child abusers, sue them on behalf of their victims and lobby tirelessly for stronger child protections laws and services. Now 63, he has devoted his entire adult life to this



cause, which the proceeds from his novels help support.

Burke has been around for 21 years now, accumulating a rich history that the new novel takes for granted. Readers new to the series will find themselves wondering who Wesley was and why everyone is afraid to speak his name even though he is dead; how come Burke still grieves piteously for his long-dead bull mastiff, Pansy; why Burke shows such deference to a Chinese restaurant owner known only as Mamma; and why our macho hero hangs out with a post-op transsexual named Michelle.

So, instead of diving into "Mask Market," why not start with "Flood" (1985), and read all 16 Burke novels in order. A couple of them read like they were just dashed off as propaganda for the cause, but the rest, including "Mask Market," are fine stories well told.

And Vachss' prose is as hard-boiled as writing can get.

## Single moms rule in modern take on the classic fairy tale

"SUMMER OF MY AMAZING LUCK" by Miriam Toews. Counterpoint. 192 pages. \$14 paperback.

BY HANNAH SAMPSON  
McClatchy Newspapers

How many of life's noblest goals are thwarted by fate, chance or maybe just extremely bad decisions? Ask Lucy.

"As a child I never once dreamed, 'I will be a poor mother,'" confesses the long-suffering narrator of Miriam Toews' wholly enchanting first novel. "I had fully intended to be a forest ranger."

Eighteen-year-old Lucy's series of ill-advised choices with anonymous men — well, at least with one of them — gave her 9-month-old Dillinger and landed her on welfare in a Winnipeg housing project known as Half-a-Life. Her mother is dead, killed by a hitchhiker, and her father is lost in his own sadness.

Her friend Lish's four daughters have two different fathers. One lives in a van; the other juggles for a living and has no idea his twins exist. Neighbors Teresa and Marjorie are close pals despite having sons of the same age by the same man.

Everyone at Half-a-Life (actually "It was called Have-a-Life Housing, like Have a chocolate, or a pretzel, but nobody called it that") could file a claim at the Department of Truly Horrible Fortune. But instead of sinking her characters — and her readers — into gloom, Toews weaves the lives into a sort of modern-day fairy tale, with sin-

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gle mothers as the ruling queens of a charmed kingdom and impish princesses running free.

A lot happens in this slender, immaculate book besides the daily ritual of feeding and bathing and entertaining children. Mothers hike to the welfare office with broken strollers and wait for unannounced home visits from social workers. They try to mend broken ties with their own parents. Sewers back up, and mosquitoes feast on the children. And Lucy and Lish head out of town with their kids on a wild search for Lish's street performer, a quest that Lucy knows will be fruitless.

"Summer of My Amazing Luck," originally published 10 years ago in Canada, is the first of Toews' three novels. Her third book, "A Complicated Kindness," about a teenager's life in a harsh Mennonite community, introduced her to U.S. audiences. The two books share a droll, comic sensibility that belies the subject matter.

But "Summer of My Amazing Luck" is never weighed down by the sometimes-oppressive heaviness that afflicted "Kindness." Most remarkable about "Summer" is how whimsy triumphs over reality, how crazily uplifting the mothers' journeys are and how surprising it is to find that even bad choices and misfortune can make for literature that convinces you of life's goodness.

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**LOST:** Male Iris Setter. Very friendly. Last seen 8/1/06. Rt. 100 area. Blue nylon collar. Reward 328-5454.

**LOST:** Very friendly Brindle boxer, leather collar. Coburn Creek Rd. area. Possibly sited at Eastgate Manor. 291-0578.

## Health Care 09

**CCIL.** An alternative to nursing home placement - home & community based services. 291-9066

**SUNDALE NURSING HOME**  
A TRADITION OF CARING  
CALL (304) 599-0497

**UNIVERSITY HEALTH ASSOCIATES**  
Jobs Line  
www.hsc.wvu.edu/uha/hr/

**Valley HealthCare.**  
296-1731. 24 hr. Crisis  
Number 1-800-232-0020.

## Help Wanted 10

**ADMISSIONS REPRESENTATIVE**  
WV Junior College in Morgantown is seeking an energetic professional to represent programs and services to prospective students. Some evening hours will be required. Fax resume to Amanda at 304-581-6990.

**AEROBICS INSTRUCTORS NEEDED**  
Send resume to Therapy Services, Attn: Jamie, 1085 VanVoorhis Rd., Suite 200, Morgantown, WV 26505 or fax: 304-599-9254.

**AIDES** needed for 12 hour shifts near Grafton. Must be dependable and experienced in personal care and body mechanics. Call 1-800-891-6721. www.interimhealthcare.com

**ASSISTANT UPHOLSTERY REPAIR TECHNICIAN**  
wanted part time. Arts & crafts and sewing experience helpful. Will provide training. Mon-Thurs. schedule. \$7-\$8 per hour. Must enjoy working outdoors in mobile unit servicing area car dealers. Send resume to Fabrian, 225 Poplar Dr., Morgantown WV 26505.

**BABYSITTER** wanted to sit for three children ages 5, 2, and 4 months. Would be for at least once a month. The first sitting will be August 20th. Applicant must be at least 20 years of age. Call Mark 826-0977.

**CARPENTER & CARPENTER HELPER** needed for residential construction. Call 304-692-2765.

## Help Wanted 10

**APPOINTMENT SETTERS**  
**Full-Time & Part-Time.**  
• No selling  
• Competitive pay & bonus opportunities  
• Paid training  
• Casual dress  
• Fun & flexives  
• No Sundays  
• Excellent benefits  
• Drug Free Work Environment  
**296-9122 or 581-2864**  
Located in Morgantown Industrial Park

**CAREGIVER WANTED:** Sitter needed for elderly couple. Will accept 8 or 12hrs/day or live in as options minor housekeeping and meals. Other details negotiable. Call 304-282-0801.

**CARPENTERS/ELECTRICIANS WANTED:** Residential/Commercial. Must have own tools, driver's license, & reliable transportation. Good pay with benefits. 800-349-3279.

**CASHIER/CLERK**  
Temporary positions available for the month of August. Must be able to work 6-8 hours per day. Please apply in person only at the WVU Bookstore, Mountainair Location.

**CERTIFIED CHRYSLER MECHANICS**  
JOHN HOWARD's new Chrysler Dodge franchise on the Mileground in Morgantown, WV has immediate opening for (2) Certified Chrysler Mechanics. Chrysler certification required. Pay based on experience, full fringe benefits package included. Also, immediate opening for experienced Detail Personnel. Call Bob Meredith or, Joe Walker at 304-292-0171. EOE

**CLASS A & B CDL drivers.**  
Cement truck driver.  
Call 304-363-0830

**CLERKS WANTED. APPLY IN PERSON. SELECT BOOKS & VIDEO, 237 WALNUT ST.**

**CNA'S AND HOMEMAKERS**  
Needed in the Preston County area to provide in-home services to the elderly/disabled. Light housekeeping, personal care, training provided. Please call 304-636-5195.

**CONCRETE MIXER DRIVERS**  
needed with Class B, clean driving record. Apply in person at Arrow Concrete, 223 Hornbeck Road, Morgantown.

**CONSTRUCTION COMPANY**  
hiring laborers.  
Call 276-9679.

**COOK WANTED** Short order & prep. Evenings. Apply at Blue Moose Cafe, 248 Walnut St.

**COOKS** - The Glasshouse Grille is now accepting applications for experienced cooks. Apply in person Seneca Center, 709 Beechurst Ave.

**CREWMEMBERS**  
For the Groundskeeper Nursery. Landscape & mowing divisions. Experience preferred. Accepting applications. Apply in person. VanVoorhis Rd. 599-6400

**CUTTER & DOZER** operator, must be experienced. Owning skidder a plus. 412-491-6863 or 724-483-6210 ask for Joe.

**DRIVER** wanted with low-boy experience. Must have clean driving record. Good pay with benefits. Call for interview 594-9302.

## Help Wanted 10

**CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES**  
Dairy Mart Foods is seeking motivated, dependable individuals for part-time/full-time Customer Services Representative positions. All shifts available. Competitive starting salary, 401(k) retirement & AFLAC Health Insurance. Please apply in person Monday through Friday, 8am-2pm, at Dairy Mart #3, 1157 Van Voorhis Road, Morgantown, WV; or at Dairy Mart #74, 600 Willey Street, Morgantown, WV.

**DRIVERS \$1,000 Sign On**  
(For OTR Drivers)  
OTR & New Dedicated Runs  
Only 3 mo. OTR Experience Required  
Regional Co. O/ops & Teams  
New Pay Package for Students!  
Call 7 Days a Week  
**800-889-5805**  
www.gousatruck.com  
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**MEDICAL ASSISTANT**  
For small office. Send resume to Medical Box SS-5419, c/o The Dominion Post, 1251 Earl L. Core Rd., Morgantown, WV 26505.

**MEDICAL EYECARE** practice seeks personable & dependable staff member to assist with patient care. Full time position on a great team. Bring your resume to Morgantown Eye Associates, 3000 Hampton Center. 598-2020.

**MORTGAGE PROFESSIONALS** needed. Morgantown office offers better pay, flex schedules, fun environment with full benefits. Must be motivated and professional. Submit resume to: [ericstenger@adelphia.net](mailto:ericstenger@adelphia.net), or fax to (304)264-5953

**Nursing**  
MonPointe Continuing Care Center  
**OPEN HOUSE FOR NURSING**

MonPointe invites you to join us on Thursday, August 17, 2006 for a Nursing Open House for RNs, LPNs and CNAs.

Please stop by anytime from 1pm - 5pm to tour the facility, meet our staff and discover the exciting opportunities available at MonPointe!

For more information call 304-285-2720.

Please send applications/resumes to MonPointe Continuing Care Center, Attn: HR, 30 Vandevort Drive, Morgantown, WV 26505; Fax: (304) 285-2727.

Diversity is needed to succeed: an equal opportunity employer.

**HOME HEALTH**  
Preston Memorial Hospital is seeking applicants for the position of **Certified Home Health Aide (CHHA) - Part Time Day Shift** 40 hours per week. High school diploma or equivalent, National Certification as Home Health aide and BLS Certification required. One year experience as a CHHA preferred. Eligible for full benefits. Apply online at: [www.prestonmemorial.org](http://www.prestonmemorial.org) or to Human Resources, 300 S. Price St., Kingwood, WV 26537. EOE.

**HOMEMAKER AIDES**  
Needed for Morgantown area. Contact Select In Home Services at 363-0781.

**HOUSEKEEPER - Full-time.**  
Must have valid driver's license and own reliable transportation. Experience and references required. Leave name, phone number and desired salary at 291-9452.

**HOUSEKEEPERS** and Laundry Aides, all shifts. Good wages, flexible hours. Apply in person Morgan Manor 1379 VanVoorhis Road

**HOUSEKEEPERS** needed at Holiday Inn Express in the Glenmark Center. Apply in person. No phone calls please.

**INFANT TEACHER** needed. Apply in person, Duseyland Daycare, 375 Boyers Ave. 599-7820

## Help Wanted 10

**LANDSCAPE HELPER/LABORER**  
Reliable person needed for landscape help. Must have transportation. Call 599-4410.

**LICENSED CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER**  
Master's degree in Social Work required. Submit resume to: Dr. Neer at Grafton City Hospital, 500 Market Street, Grafton, WV 26354. FAX 304-265-5431 or e-mail to [pjneer@graffonhospital.com](mailto:pjneer@graffonhospital.com). EOE and drug-free workplace.

**MAINTENANCE, LABORERS & WAREHOUSE WORKERS Needed.**  
Call 363-4724

**MASONRY LABORERS**  
Call between 8am-5:30pm  
296-0868.

**Apply online at:**  
[www.prestonmemorial.org](http://www.prestonmemorial.org)  
**Preston Memorial Hospital Human Resources**  
300 South Price St.  
Kingwood, WV 26537  
Phone: 304-329-4705  
Fax: 304-329-2826  
EOE

**PROGRAM COORDINATOR**  
needed to provide administrative, management and operational oversight responsibilities for the Harrison County Child Advocacy Center. Independent Contractor. Position will require expertise in grant writing and excellent communication skills. Education, experience and background commensurate with required duties. Send resume by Aug. 23 to Program Director, Harrison County Child Abuse Task Force, P.O. Box 466, Clarksburg, WV 26302. Equal Opportunity Program.

**RECEPTIONIST/ LEASING AGENT**  
Full time position, Mon.-Fri. Office experience helpful. Apply in person only; Metro Property Management, 325 Willey St.

**SECURITY OFFICER**  
Part time nights & weekends. Must have auto., phone and pass background check. Send resume to Security Officer, PO Box 2057, Morgantown, WV 26501.

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**MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTION FIELD**

Online training with faculty mentoring and support. Learn at home; then work at home. Complete in just one year. Program begins 9/5/2006.

Financial aid available for those who qualify.  
**367-4920**  
[www.fairmontstate.edu/cwe](http://www.fairmontstate.edu/cwe)

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**NURSING SUPERVISOR FULL TIME/PART TIME**  
Preston Memorial Hospital is seeking qualified candidates to fill Full Time and Part Time Nursing Supervisor positions. Candidates must be a graduate of a school of professional nursing and be licensed or eligible for licensure in the state of WV. A minimum of 2 years of medical/surgical experience and IV, BLS and ACLS certification is required. A minimum of 1 year of management experience and critical and/or pediatric experience is preferred. Full time position is 7pm - 7am, 3 shifts per week, weekends and holidays required. Part time position is 7pm - 7am, 2 shifts per week, weekends and holidays required. Join a team that provides "Quality Care Close to Home."

**SURGICAL TECHNICIAN**  
Preston Memorial Hospital is seeking a Part-Time Surgical Technician. The candidate must be a high school graduate or equivalent. Candidate must have 2 years experience in an Operating Room setting if they have not had formal training through a surgical technology program. Work experience in the health care field is required. Current certification for Association of American Surgical Technologist is preferred. Position is 32 hours per week. Eligible for full medical and dental benefits. Vacation is pro-rated. Monday-Friday, Day shift. Call required, must live within 20 minutes of hospital.  
**Apply online at:**  
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E.O.E.

**TEACHER/NANNY** for home schooled, autistic 10 year-old boy. Duties: implement prepared program, provide loving care. Send resumes and references to: Teacher/Nanny Box WV-5278, c/o The Dominion Post, 1251 Earl L. Core Rd, Morgantown WV 26505.

**UTILITY AND SITEMARK SUPERINTENDENT**

**EXPERIENCED HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATORS AND LABORERS WANTED.**  
Send resume to: UTILITY Box DD-2176, c/o The Dominion Post, 1251 Earl L. Core Road, Morgantown, WV 26505

**AVON - Sell Avon. Independent Sales Representative call 296-3686.**

**BACK BAY** is now accepting applications for experienced **WAIT STAFF.**  
Apply in person between 2-4 pm, 1869 Mileground Rd.

**ASHBROOKE EXPRESS** is looking for mature, responsible person to work evenings and weekends. Please apply in person at Ashbrooke Express Exxon in front of Triple S Harley Davidson.

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**UTILITY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY** is looking for an experienced copper cable splicer to work the central and northern areas of WV. Applicants must have own truck and tools. References required.  
If interested call: 1-800-451-3454 or 276-623-6970

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**VAN & DELIVERY DRIVER**  
Apply in person  
274 Greenbag Rd.

**BECOME A FOSTER PARENT**  
Call WYAP 800-836-9894. Visit our website at [www.nyap.org](http://www.nyap.org)

**BLACK BEAR** is now hiring **Restaurant Managers.** Pay based on experience. Resumes only. 132 Pleasant St.

**BRIDAL & LADIES FINE** clothing sales associates needed. part & full time. Local resident who can work on their feet. Charming personality, good fashion sense. Please call 296-9466 and ask for Connie.

**DOMINION POST MOTOR ROUTE**

**AREA:** Fairview, Farmington, Mannington, Carolina, Idamay.

**CUSTOMERS:**  
Weekday - 71  
Weekend - 74  
**DELIVERY TIME:**  
Weekday 3 1/2 hrs.  
Weekend - 4 Hrs.  
**MILES FOR DELIVERY:**  
Weekday - 82  
Sunday - 85  
**PROFIT FOR 2 WEEKS:**  
\$525 to \$575  
**Please Call Chuck 291-9466**

**HELP WANTED:</**

Help Wanted 10

FALLING WATER

Part-time openings for Tour Guide and Museum Shop Associate are available at Falling Water, Frank Lloyd Wright's architectural masterpiece located just 4 miles north of Ohiopyle State Park.

Successful applicants should be available to work 2-5 days per week through October and must be available to work on weekends.

If you would like to work with friendly professional individuals in a beautiful location, with a competitive salary, free tickets to Fallingwater, and employee discounts, please send a resume and/or letter of interest to:

Western PA Conservancy Nancy Bassett, SPHR Senior Director, Human Resources Box R, Mill Run, PA 15464 nbassett@paconserv.org Visit our website at www.paconserv.org EOE

IMMEDIATE OPENING for CADD Technician in Frostburg, Maryland. The successful candidate will have 2+ years experience in the surveying and civil engineering field and working knowledge of AUTO CADD. Salary commensurate with experience. Please submit resume to bbsurvey3@verizon.net

JCPENNEY IS HIRING We're searching for friendly outgoing people to assist our customers at JCPenney. Flexible hours - must have daytime availability. Friendly atmosphere. Merchandise discounts. Competitive pay.

LOCAL law firm seeking a qualified End-user trainer with a minimum of 2 years experience. Valid candidates must have training experience with the Microsoft Office Suite of Applications. Certified trainers will be considered first. Please include certification certificates, excellent benefit and salary package. Send detailed resume and salary history to: End-User Trainer, Box CE-2703, c/o The Dominion Post, 1251 Earl L. Core Road, Morgantown, WV 26505.

MORGANTOWN ECONO LODGE Housekeepers needed. Please apply in person.

Help Wanted 10

LOCAL MINING MACHINERY COMPANY looking for employees in all areas. Electrical, mechanical, welding & hydraulics. Benefit package will be based on experience. Send resume to: Mining, Box WW-4182, c/o The Dominion Post, 1251 Earl L. Core Rd., Morgantown WV 26505.

LOCAL Small Delivery Truck Driver. Must have Class A CDL's with Tanker and Hazmat endorsements. Home every afternoon and on weekends. \$500 sign-on bonus. Salary based on experience. 304-329-1502.

LOOKING FOR WORK? Waynesboro Area Manufacturer Assembles Line Work Part-Time/Full-Time/Flexible Hours All Shifts and Weekends Call 1-877-807-4990

MON. CO. Sheriff's Department has the following part-time (19 hours per week) openings:

Must pass background and financial check. Pick up applications at Sheriff's Dept. and return by 8/18/06. No phone calls, please. EOE.

NOW HIRING Servers with some availability and all cooks. Apply in person, Mon-Thurs., 2-4pm. Cedars, University Town Centre.

Part-time morning Janitorial position at Morgantown Mall Food Court. No phone calls please! Applications available at Mall Office.

NOW HIRING Retail & Customer Service person. Must be experienced and highly motivated. Send resume to: RETAIL, Box CE-1732, c/o The Dominion Post, 1251 Earl L. Core Road, Morgantown, WV 26505

Part-time Chaplain Hospice Care Corporation is offering a part-time Chaplain position. Experience in Health-care or Hospital Chaplaincy preferred. Reliable transportation necessary. Please mail resumes to attention: Ron Hicks, 3363 University Avenue, Morgantown, WV 26505 or fax to 304-599-1125. No phone calls please.

SUBURBAN LANES now hiring full & part-time workers for concession stand. Day, evening & weekend shifts available. Above minimum wage. Apply in person only, Suburban Lanes Chestnut Ridge Rd.

SUPER DAVE'S now hiring full BAR STAFF. Apply in person at 34 Dunkard Ave. between 1 pm-6 pm.

Help Wanted 10

PART TIME EXPERIENCED HOUSEKEEPER needed for local sorority house. Duties include but may not be limited to: general cleaning; vacuuming, sweeping and mopping floors, dusting, bathrooms, light laundry, organizing, trash removal and light maintenance. House occupies 30 girls. Once every three months, baseboards, windows and walls. House has 4 floors and must be able to carry and lift. Occasional overtime and/or weekends for special occasions. \$10.00/hour, Monday through Friday, 8:00 am till 12:00 pm. University and national holidays and summers off. If interested, please send resume and references to 10 River Ridge Estates, Morgantown, WV 26501.

PART TIME MT REGISTERED LABORATORY PRACTITIONER

MVA Fairmont Clinic facility is accepting applications for a part-time MT registered laboratory practitioner. Requires appropriate education, Virginia licensure and ASCP or equivalent certification. Experience preferred. Competitive salary and excellent benefits. Equal opportunity employer.

The AREA'S Premier Kitchen Showroom and Design Center has openings for the following positions:

Kitchen Design Professional. The ideal candidate will have several years experience in kitchen/bath design sales using upscale products; strong computer skills including 2D/20 and/or CAD.

Office Assistant. Office support for project manager and design staff; fluent in MS Office; organizational skills a must. Related design/construction experience a plus.

Resumes to: Davis Kitchen & Tile 831 Venture Drive Morgantown, WV 26508

THE UPS STORE is now hiring for a full time position with opportunity for advancement. No Sunday or evening hours. A smiling face and positive attitude are required. Must be fit for physical work. Apply in person only at 364 Patteson Dr.

VIKING POOLS is a manufacturer of one-piece fiberglass pools. We are currently seeking a sales person with construction experience to work with dealers in the Northeast United States. Home base id Jane Lew West Virginia, however limited travel is required. Successful candidate should possess strong sales and people skills. Please submit resume and letter of interest to: cperry@vikingpools.net

VOYAGERS RESTAURANT NOW HIRING All departments. Apply in person at the Airport on Hartman Run Rd.

Help Wanted 10

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY IMMEDIATE NEED

Retired educators wanted to work as mentors for the WVU football team. Incident(s) will serve in one-on-one relationships with student-athletes, emphasizing study skills, time management, test taking and academic responsibilities. Positions will report to academic counselors. Length of position(s): 9-months/25 hours per week. Hourly rate: \$12.28/hour. Bachelor's degree required, with 6 months related teaching experience. To apply, contact WVU Mountain-ear Temp at 293-5700 extension 1 or visit the temp office at One Waterfront Place, 2nd floor. WVU is an EOE.

Instruction 13

APPRENTICE CLASS UNDERGROUND-SURFACE Starts Aug. 11th. 292-1699, 282-1492

Business Opportunities 14

AUTOBODY & Paint Technician to work full time Monday-Friday. Benefits will be available after trial period. Employee will be paid hourly. Fill out an application at the shop in person at Total Body Works, 355 Industrial Ave., Star City, WV.

FOR LEASE: 1800 sq. ft. Night club on Rt. 19 near Clarksburg. All equipment for operation incl. Large parking lot. One year lease required. \$1800/mo. 365-3668 or 842-8521.

TURN YOUR PASSION for hunting and fishing into a business. Unbelievable business opportunity in the outdoor industry. Free opportunity meeting, August 21st, at Eat-n-Park in Bridgeport. Call Alan 304-669-1234.

Garage Sales 20

BIGGEST YARD SALE EVER Morningside Dr. (behind Corner's Trucking). Thurs. Fri. & Sat., 8 am - 4 pm. Big women's & men's clothing, kids stuff, air hockey table, furniture, DVD player for car, antiques, kitchen, bedding & tools.

ESTATE YARD SALE: Rain or shine, beside Belko Foods (formerly Bell's Market) in Blacksburg, WV. Estate of Plummer Brewer. Aug. 18, 19, & 20th, starting at 8:00 am until ?. House full of "stuff". Glassware, kitchen items, linens, clothes, baskets, quilt scraps, old hats and caps, old and new tools, books, wooden boxes and many items too numerous to mention. Also washer & dryer, TVs, some furniture, stoneware & medical accessories, (walkers, canes, etc.). Questions: 304-432-8352.

LARGE Kennel cage, New, \$60. Only 3 weeks old. Asking \$30. 296-9729.

MAPLE Dining table with 6 chairs, trimmed in white; \$250. (2) Pine tables, (1) Harvest table, (1) Matching end table; \$50 ea. Sm. Tv stand with shelves; \$25. Chest of drawers; \$25. TRUCK Bed tool box; \$100. 291-8272 or 290-0973.

MURRAY 4 hp lawn mower. Runs good. Good cond. \$35. 296-5653 leave message.

OLYMPIC free weight set, 245 lb., bar & collars, Weight-master bench & leg press machine, \$125 304-292-2727

PERENNIALS For Sale. You dig. 599-6331.

REFRIGERATOR Cooler, \$40. Good for student. Call 292-3210.

REFRIGERATOR, \$24; full bed(set)/frame, \$50; 2 entertainment centers, \$15 each; three 10" speakers/box/amp, \$200. S&W bench, \$50/love-seat, \$20. 290-9112.

SUPER size twin converted water bed with new custom made mattress & box springs, \$300. Del 17 CRT, \$50. bench, \$50/love-seat, \$20. 290-9112.

WHITE Bedroom suite, 5 pcs. \$800. Daybed with mattress & box springs, \$300. Del 17 CRT, \$50. bench, \$50/love-seat, \$20. 290-9112.

16" boys bike, extra frame with rear wheel, \$15. All. Roll er paper pan. \$7. 296-8604.

36" Steel entry door for 2x6 jam, 6 panel, left hand hinge, deadbolt hole, already painted white with clearcoat. Never used. \$250. Call 864-3330.

40 GALLON natural gas water heater, \$25; Lg. Whirlpool chest freezer, \$20. 291-2584.

8'X8" Wood Storage Shed, 1 yr. old. Shingles, wood floor. \$650. Call 598-0548.

Appliances For Sale 24

BLACK Maytag dishwasher, good condition, \$100; Black Oak Audio/Video Cabinet, 2 six foot lighted audio cabinets with lighted wide screen bridge unit. Call 304-594-0733.

Lawn & Garden 28

RIVER ROCK, MULCH, TOP SOIL, GRAVEL & SAND Chess Enterprises 724-943-3279.

Garage Sales 20

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 18th & 19th, 9 am-5 pm. Inside liquidation sale, contents from house, antique shop, garage & outbuildings of the late Dale Davis. Antiques & collectibles, refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, regular & stack washer & dryer, full sz. cherry bedroom set and other furniture, new fabric & more. From Rt. 705 turn on to Stewartstown Rd. past Bon Vista Apts., turn left on West Run Rd. From Rt. 119, turn on to Stewartstown Rd., go past WVU animal farm, turn right on to West Run Rd.

Garage Sale: Children's bikes, toys, books, clothes, baby gear, women's clothes, etc. 85 Guilian Dr. (off River Rd.) Fri., 8 am-2 pm & Sat., 8 am-12 pm.

YARD SALE Aug. 18-20, behind Wiles Hill School, off Willowdale Rd. 8 am-6 pm. Call 296-6460 for directions.

Misc. for Sale 22

AC CENTRAL SYSTEMS New 10 Seer Condensers and A-Coils, all sizes. Cash & carry or installed. A-1 HVAC2904082

BOY'S 26" Mountain bike. \$25. Call 291-5006.

CHERRY CURIO CABINETS, 76X36, mirror lights, 6 glass shelves, \$400 neg. 329-1580

CHEST OF DRAWERS 4 drawers, light oak. \$20. Call 599-2130.

COMBO bunk bed, twin/double, blue metal frame, with one double mattress. Excellent condition. \$100. 906-9747.

DELL Trinitron 17" Monitor. Excellent condition. \$25. 599-0742.

DELUXE \$800 mulch maker, \$50; 4 white tail shoulder mounts, \$30 each. 594-2523.

DINING Room set, maple, in 60" table with 2 leaves, 10 chairs, lg. mirrored china cabinet. \$400. 692-5858.

EXERCISE EQUIPMENT-Weight bench,IMPEX Power-house rack system. Bench, incline, decline, lat tower, etc. with 300 lb. Olympic barbell set. Plus, curl bar, straight bar with weight plates, cast iron dumbbells, etc. \$400 takes all. 288-1503.

FILE CABINETS 2 Drawer Letter Size. 15"Wx26"Dx29"H. Good quality. \$10 ea. 599-0742.

FREE Exercise bicycle. Call 304-598-3049.

GE Pot Scrubber Dishwasher, good condition. \$50. Call 594-2837.

LARGE Kennel cage, New, \$60. Only 3 weeks old. Asking \$30. 296-9729.

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**NOTICE OF REDEEM**

**TO: TESSIE MICHAEL, ETAL C/O R. H. MICHAEL**

You will take notice that **T.J.L. LAND & LEASING**, the purchaser of the following real estate, Certification Number **30-4646**, described as **73.50 ACRES O&G**, located in **Clay District**, Monongalia County, which was delinquent in the name **Michael, Tessie ETAL**, and was sold by the Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of Monongalia County at a sale for delinquent taxes on the **10th day of May, 2006**, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to the purchaser on or after the **11th day of September, 2006**, as provided by law unless before that day you request that the purchaser on or after the **11th day of September, 2006**, be notified that you will have to pay to redeem before the **11th day of September 2006**, will be as follows:

Amount equal to taxes, interest, and charges due on the date of sale, with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$437.38**

Amount of taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$0.00**

Amount paid for title examination and preparation of list of those to be served, and for preparation and service of the notice with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$271.44**

Amount paid for other statutory costs:.....**\$0.00**

**TOTAL**..... **\$708.82**

You may redeem at any time before September 11th, 2006, at the office of Darrell Ringer, 823 Fairmont Road, Morgantown, WV 26501, (304) 292-1999 by delivering the above total in a check or money order made payable to the **Sheriff of Monongalia County**.

Given under my hand this 3rd day of August, 2006.

DARRELL W. RINGER,  
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and  
Nonentered Lands of Monongalia County

011514 August 11, 16

**INVITATION TO BID**

The Mon County Commission will receive sealed bids until August 30, 2006 at 10:30am for the construction of a new bathroom at Chestnut Ridge Park and Campground, Monongalia County, Road 624, (off of the intersection of Road 711) at the Monongalia County Commission, 243 High Street, Morgantown, WV 26505. The Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud in the County Commission Meeting Room at approximately 10:30am.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance Bond and Labor and Material Bond each in the amount of at least one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Price.

Contractors may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents by contacting the Architect beginning on August 11, 2006. A fee (non-refundable) of \$40.00 is required for each set of bidding documents (An additional \$10 is required for shipping of drawings). Only complete sets of Bidding Documents will be issued. Documents available at:

Alpha Associates, Incorporated  
209 Prairie Avenue  
Morgantown, WV 26501  
304-296-8216

The Mon County Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any information in the bidding.

A satisfactory Bid Bond, furnished by a solvent surety company authorized to do business in the State of West Virginia, in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the bid, must be furnished with each bid.

A mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the main office of the park, at 1:30pm on August 23, 2006.

After the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids, no bid may be withdrawn for at least 60 days. The bid bond shall be forfeited to the Mon County Commission, as a measure of Liquidated Damages, should the Bidder fail to execute the Contract and furnish the Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond within ten (10) days after written notification from the Mon County Commission of Award of Contract.

The Bid Bond of the unsuccessful Bidder(s) will be returned when the Award of Contract is made; that of the successful Bidder will be returned when the Contract and Bonds are approved.

This is a prevailing wage rate project utilizing the West Virginia Division of Labor Building and Construction Wage Rates.

West Virginia Code 21-11-2 requires that all persons desiring to perform contractual work in West Virginia must be duly licensed and must include their number on the Bid. The West Virginia Contractor's Licensing Board is empowered to issue the contractor's license. Application for a contractor's license may be made by contacting the West Virginia Division of Labor, Building 3, Room 319, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East, Charleston, West Virginia 25305-0570. Phone (304) 558-7890.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a copy of their contractor's license prior to issuance of a Purchase Order/Contract.

It shall be the General Contractor's responsibility to ensure that all subcontractors are duly licensed to perform work within the State of West Virginia.

011494 August 9, 16, 23

**NOTICE OF REDEEM**

**TO: JACOB A. SHANES C/O MARY J. SHANES**

You will take notice that **T.J.L. LAND & LEASING**, the purchaser of the following real estate, Certification Number **30-4655**, described as **51 ACRES O&G, PAW PAW**, located in **Clay District**, Monongalia County, which was delinquent in the name **Shanes, Jacob A.**, and was sold by the Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of Monongalia County at a sale for delinquent taxes on the **10th day of May, 2006**, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to the purchaser on or after the **11th day of September, 2006**, as provided by law unless before that day you request that the purchaser on or after the **11th day of September 2006**, be notified that you will have to pay to redeem before the **11th day of September 2006**, will be as follows:

Amount equal to taxes, interest, and charges due on the date of sale, with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$423.01**

Amount of taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$0.00**

Amount paid for title examination and preparation of list of those to be served, and for preparation and service of the notice with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$271.44**

Amount paid for other statutory costs:.....**\$0.00**

**TOTAL**..... **\$694.45**

You may redeem at any time before September 11th, 2006, at the office of Darrell Ringer, 823 Fairmont Road, Morgantown, WV 26501, (304) 292-1999 by delivering the above total in a check or money order made payable to the **Sheriff of Monongalia County**.

Given under my hand this 3rd day of August, 2006.

DARRELL W. RINGER,  
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and  
Nonentered Lands of Monongalia County

011493 August 9, 16, 23

**NOTICE OF REDEEM**

**TO: DEWEY HENDERSON, ETAL**

You will take notice that **T.J.L. LAND & LEASING**, the purchaser of the following real estate, Certification Number **30-4831**, described as **15 ACRES COAL O&G EXCEPT PITTS COAL**, located in **Clay District**, Monongalia County, which was delinquent in the name **Henderson, Dewey ETAL**, and was sold by the Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and Nonentered Lands of Monongalia County at a sale for delinquent taxes on the **10th day of May, 2006**, has requested that you be notified that a deed for such real estate will be made to the purchaser on or after the **11th day of September, 2006**, as provided by law unless before that day you request that the purchaser on or after the **11th day of September 2006**, be notified that you will have to pay to redeem before the **11th day of September 2006**, will be as follows:

Amount equal to taxes, interest, and charges due on the date of sale, with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$1,236.13**

Amount of taxes paid on the property, since the sale, with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$0.00**

Amount paid for title examination and preparation of list of those to be served, and for preparation and service of the notice with interest to September 11th, 2006:.....**\$271.44**

Amount paid for other statutory costs:.....**\$0.00**

**TOTAL**..... **\$1,507.57**

You may redeem at any time before September 11th, 2006, at the office of Darrell Ringer, 823 Fairmont Road, Morgantown, WV 26501, (304) 292-1999 by delivering the above total in a check or money order made payable to the **Sheriff of Monongalia County**.

Given under my hand this 3rd day of August, 2006.

DARRELL W. RINGER,  
Deputy Commissioner of Delinquent and  
Nonentered Lands of Monongalia County

**BRIDGE**

North 08-16-06			
♠ K 6			
♥ A K 7 3			
♦ 5 4 2			
♣ 7 6 4 2			
West		East	
♠ J 9 8 7 4		♥ A 10 3	
♥ Q 9		♦ J 10 8 5 4	
♦ Q J 9		♠ 10 8 6 3	
♣ J 9 3		♥ Q	
South			
♥ Q 5 2			
♠ 6 2			
♦ A K 7			
♣ A K 10 8 5			
Dealer: South			
Vulnerable: Both			
South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	3 NT	All pass
Opening lead: ♠ 7			

**Another way to avoid a disaster**

By Phillip Alder

Oscar Wilde wrote, "Arguments are to be avoided; they are always vulgar and often convincing."

Let's hope that your declarer-play in this deal is convincing, so that you avoid any risk of partner's getting on your case and being vulgar.

You are in your favorite contract of three no-trump. West leads the spade seven. How would you plan the play?

South should open one no-trump and not worry about the low doubleton heart. It is always partner's responsibility to cover a weak suit. North uses Stayman to try to find a 4-4 heart fit.

You have seven top tricks: one spade, two hearts, two diamonds and two clubs. You can get the extra tricks from the clubs (assuming West doesn't have all four). But you must worry about the spade suit. First, you should put up the spade king from the board.

If the king wins, marking West with the ace, you will duck a club to West, keeping East off the lead so that he cannot push a spade through your queen. Here, though, East captures the king with his ace and returns the spade 10. You must duck that and win the third spade. Now you need to keep West from winning a trick. Cross to dummy's heart king and call for a club. If East plays a low club, win the trick and take your second top club, hoping West has at most a doubleton. But when East contributes the club queen, play low from your hand. You have established the extra club tricks that you need without letting West get on play to cash his two spade winners.

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO CHANGE RATES**

Notice is hereby given that Equitable Gas Company, a public utility, has filed with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, an application containing decreased rates, tolls and charges for furnishing natural gas service to 13,474 customers in the Counties of Braxton, Clay, Doddridge, Gilmer, Harrison, Lewis, Marion, Monongalia, Ritchie, Taylor, Tyler, Upshur, and Wetzel.

The proposed decreased rates and charges will become effective November 1, 2006 unless otherwise ordered by the Public Service Commission and will produce approximately \$63,000 annually in reduced revenue, a decrease of 0.4%. The average monthly bill for the various classes of customers will be changed as follows:

	(S) Decrease	(%)Decrease
Residential	\$0.33	0.3%
Commercial	\$1.21	0.3%
Industrial	\$9.17	0.3%

The decreases shown are based on averages of all customers in the indicated class. Each class may receive an increase or decrease greater or less than stated here. Individual customers may receive decreases that are greater or less than average. Furthermore, the requested decreased rates and charges are only a proposal and are subject to change (increases or decreases) by the Public Service Commission in its review of this filing. Any decrease in rates and charges will not become effective until authorized and approved by the Public Service Commission. (If a hearing is conducted, notice will be given of the time and place of hearing.)

A complete copy of the proposed rates, as well as a representative of the Company to provide any information requested concerning it, is available to all customers, prospective customers, or their agents at any of the following offices of the Company: PO Box 1550, Clarksburg, West Virginia 26302-1550.

A copy of the proposed rates is available for public inspection at the office of the Executive Secretary of the Public Service Commission at 201 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

The 30-C procedure is designed to provide a procedure for changing rates charged to customers by natural gas distribution utilities based exclusively on the cost of purchased gas. Consequently, protest should be limited to the reasonableness of such costs and the method by which they are calculated. Anyone desiring to protest or intervene should file a written protest or notice of intervention within twenty-five days following the date of this publication unless otherwise modified by Commission order. Failure to timely intervene can affect your rights to protest any rate increases and to participate in future proceedings. Requests to intervene must comply with the Commission's rules on intervention set forth in the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All protests and interventions should be addressed to Executive Secretary, Public Service Commission of West Virginia, PO Box 812 Charleston, WV 25323.

Equitable Gas Company

**Pa. tip cold in missing woman search**

**Police: Seems like Morgantown resident vanished**

**ANYONE WITH** information about Rebecca Slaughter, who was reported missing in July, should call Morgantown Police at 284-7522.

BY JANET L. METZNER

The Dominion Post

A recent search in Everett, Pa., for missing Morgantown resident Rebecca Slaughter turned up no clues, Morgantown Police said.

Morgantown Police Department Sgt. H.W. Sperringer said while police speak with Slaughter's family daily, they don't know where to look next.

"It's just strange that we have received no tips, there have been no sightings," Sperringer said. "It's like she vanished. ... On a normal missing person (case) there's usually some clues about where they went, where they're at now, but with this one there is nothing."

The Bedford search came on the heels of a tip in early August from a witness who said she spotted a woman who looked like Slaughter shopping in a Fashion Bug store in Bedford.

"The lady who thought she saw her in the Fashion Bug, it turned out there were some similarities, but they could not be positive it was her," Sperringer said Tuesday.

Police left flyers with Slaughter's pictures at the Fashion Bug and other



Rebecca Slaughter

businesses she might have gone to in the Bedford area, and talked to local law enforcement about the search as well, Detective Eric Powell said.

The Bedford tip was the last lead police have in the case, Sperringer said.

"There's absolutely nothing. We have not even received a phone call except for the one from Bedford. ... We don't know where else to turn."

Police have searched for Slaughter since July 15. The 55-year-old South Park resident was last seen July 12 in Morgantown.

Maryland State Police found Slaughter's car in a rural area of Garrett County.

"We searched on four different occasions, using helicopters, ATVs, ground search personnel and canines, and have turned up no clues at all," Sperringer said.

Powell helped with a search. "We weren't able to find anything and we are pretty much convinced that she wasn't in that area," he said.

Slaughter's car was found outside of Oakland, Md., near Deep Creek Lake, Powell said. Bedford is located northeast of Cumberland, Md. U.S. 220 connects Interstate 68 northward directly to Bedford, Powell said.

According to www.wvcrimefighters.com, police spent two days searching the area and know of no reason for Slaughter to be in the Maryland area. Slaughter does not have any friends or

family in the Garrett County area.

West Virginia Crime Fighters is a group of more than 100 police detectives and investigators from various agencies who discuss cases that cross jurisdictional boundaries. The Web site posts information on open cases.

At this point, there is nothing that leads police to believe there was foul play, or that any harm has come to Slaughter, Powell said.

"We are still operating under the assumption that she is out there somewhere and that we are going to locate her," Powell said. "It's difficult if she is traveling — difficult to determine which way she is going."

Slaughter, a retired nurse, generally "kept to herself," although she did speak with her family, Sperringer said.

Police checked three months of Slaughter's telephone records, finding no clues, and have checked her bank accounts as well, and have seen no activity, Sperringer said. She does not have a cell phone or computer to check.

Since the day Slaughter was reported missing, her information has been listed in the National Crime Information Computer System for law enforcement professionals, Sperringer said.

Powell said he looked into some mail she had sent a few days before she was reported missing, but that didn't produce clues either.

Police have also submitted her information to a regional center that publishes a booklet released to law enforcement agencies.

Slaughter is 5 feet, 7 inches tall, and weighs 130 pounds. She has gray hair and blue eyes.

**Preston BOE OKs personnel actions**

The Dominion Post

KINGWOOD — Some coaches' positions were shuffled and personnel hired to fill positions in Preston County as the countdown begins to the Aug. 28 opening of school.

The board added an assistant cheerleading coach because of safety concerns with the number of students in the program for a single coach.

It also agreed that any Preston High teams can add coaches beyond those provided for by the board, and middle schools can add assistants, if they pay the salaries.

In other personnel actions, the BOE:

- Removed from the substitute list and assigned Shelley Popielewski Miller as language arts/multi subject teacher, Terra Alta/East Preston (TA/EP); Beverly Lynn Shahan as Central Preston Middle secretary; Danny C. McGinnis as bus driver, Run B19, Bruceton; Joseph H. Murray as an aide at Preston High.

- Transferred Tina M. Silcott from language arts teacher, Central Preston Middle, to language arts teacher, PHS;

- Jacqueline Messenger from teacher, Valley, to fifth-grade teacher, Bruceton; Cathern Reeves from teacher, Aurora, to Rowlesburg, fourth grade; Sandra Callahan from Title I teacher, Aurora, to Aurora, fourth grade; Mary Joetta Wine from bus Run K34 (Kingwood) to V83 (Valley); John R. Wilhelm from custodian III, Bruceton, to custodian III, afternoon shift, CPMS.

- Rescinded the layoff and removed from substitute list Sally J. Hare, aide, Kingwood Elementary.

- Accepted resignations of Tasha A. Hamilton, secretary II, CPMS; Kari A. Elliott, teacher, South Preston Middle; Ann M. Braham, cook II, Kingwood Elementary.

- Hired Jamie Gilmore, math teacher, TA/EP; MaryAnn Plum, long-term sub, Tunnelton-Denver third grade; Jessica Jennings, math teacher, South Preston; Zachary Watt, language arts teacher, Central Preston; Kathleen Sypolt, special ed itinerant teacher; Jane Hornyak, special ed teacher, Central Preston; Daniel Propst,

- language arts/library, Central Preston; Ann M. Braham, Jennifer S. Harsh, Victoria A. Johnson, Roxanne L. Smith, as substitute cooks; Deanne Hauger, Jason Jones and Jamie Dyer as substitute teachers.

- Transferred and assigned Diane C. Craft from language arts teacher, South Preston, to language teacher, Bruceton; Angelica Harris from Valley Elementary teacher to special ed teacher, Kingwood; David McKinney from custodian III, TA/EP, to custodian III, Bruceton; Roxann Cline from Central Preston to aide, Kingwood; Tony Harris from Run K39 to Run K34 (both Kingwood).

- Approved medical leave of absence for PHS teacher Stephen Dragovich.

- Transferred — Bruceton teacher Darla Kuhn and SPMS teacher Diane Zinn to digital age technology teacher/coaches countywide; Rowlesburg/Fellowsville art teacher John Lily to Preston High; Susan Cain from fourth/fifth grade teacher, Bruceton, to first grade; Deborah Plum, from South Preston teacher to Tunnelton-Denver fourth grade.

**Man sentenced for stealing from Bretz Post Office**

The Dominion Post

ELKINS — A Morgantown man will spend five months in a federal jail for stealing money and stamps from the Bretz Post Office.

Shane Andrew Funk, 21, of 1187 Mountain View Road, was sentenced Aug. 8 in U.S. District Court for the Northern District by U.S. Judge Robert E. Maxwell. After his release from jail, he will spend five months in a halfway house, followed by three years supervised release, acting U.S. Attorney Rita R.

Valdrini announced Tuesday.

Funk pleaded guilty Feb. 6 to one count of an indictment charging him with breaking into the post office on June 12, 2005. Bretz Post Office Officer in Charge Linda Rager discovered the break-in, which occurred sometime between the time the post office closed at 10 a.m. Saturday and reopened at 8 a.m. Monday.

Funk entered by kicking in glass at the back of the office and took nearly \$1,000 in cash and stamps, Rager said. Police also believe Funk broke into the

post office a month later, in July 2005. That time entry was gained by tearing an air vent from the outside of the building and crawling between the roof and ceiling to get inside. "The second break-in you'd have to call a vandalism," because nothing was taken, Rager said.

Bretz is located off W.Va. 7 east of Masontown, in Preston County.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen D. Warner and was investigated by the United States Postal Inspection Service and the W.Va. State Police.

**DAILY REPORT**

**Morgantown Police Department**

**Arrests**

**WILSON**, Michael C., 31, of Morgantown, driving on a suspended or revoked license, possession of heroin, Darst Street, Aug. 14; Officer Charlton.

**JUVENILE**, curfew violation, underage consumption of alcohol, possession of a controlled substance, littering, Kings Park, Aug. 15; Sgt. McCabe and Officer Knight.

**JUVENILE**, curfew violation, littering, destruction of property, Kings Park, Aug. 15; Sgt. McCabe and Officer Knight.

**JUVENILE**, curfew violation, underage consumption of alcohol, possession of a controlled substance, littering, Kings Park, Aug. 15; Sgt. McCabe and Officer Knight.

**BANKHEAD**, Clinton R., 18, of Bruceton Mills, trespassing, underage consumption of alcohol, littering, Kings Park, Aug. 15; Sgt. McCabe and Officer Knight.

**CURRY**, Matthew L., 19, of Morgantown, underage consumption of alcohol, trespassing, littering, Kings Park, Aug. 15; Sgt. McCabe and Officer Knight.

**PRESTON**, Daniel J., 27, of Morgantown, public intoxication, obstructing an officer, destruction of property, High Street, Aug. 15; Officer Jones.

**MESZAROS**, Michael P., 52, of Morgantown, warrant for extortion, Spruce Street, Aug. 14; Officer Ball.

**Incidents**

**BURGLARY**, various types of tools were taken from a shed near a Chalfant Lane residence; Aug. 14.

**BURGLARY/DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY**, a window was broken and a screen was cut at a residence in Bent Tree Court; Aug. 14.

**Monongalia County Sheriff's Department**

**DUI**

**DELARA**, John R., 64, of Waltersburg, Pa., second offense DUI, West Virginia Route 857, Aug. 14; First Sgt. Jones

**Incidents**

**HIT AND RUN**, a tractor trailer struck a guard rail on Darnell Hollow Road; Aug. 14.

**Granville Police Department**

**Arrests**

**MORRIS**, Robert L., 21, of Morgantown, grand larceny, Greenbrier County, Aug. 14; Officer Cunningham.

**Preston Sheriff**

**PLEASE E-MAIL** Diane Beard at religion@dominionpost.com or 291-9439, or fax 291-2326.

### Christ Community Church: Scarves for children

Heidi Rist, a missionary in India who works in the slums with children, is asking for those interested in knitting or crocheting a scarf, hat for a boy or baby booties for children who live in a slum in India to contact pastor Bob Wildeman, thewildemans@hotmail.com.

Rist will be returning to India in late October and will give these gifts to the boys and girls.

### Jewel City Church: new Web site

Jewel City Church's new Web site is jewelcitychurch.org. Learn about the different ministries in the church and be introduced to the staff of workers. You can learn our history, beliefs and purpose.

### Fellowville Assembly of God: Youth group

The Fellowville Assembly of God would like to invite all area children to be a part of the youth group.

Junior youth group for ages 5-12 is from 7-8 p.m. every Wednesday.

Teen youth group is from 6-7:30 or 8 p.m. every Sunday.

Info: youth leaders, Richard and Angie Travis, 329-0285.

### Kingwood Baptist Church: Youth and teen program

The Kingwood Baptist Church youth and teen program is from 7-8 p.m. every Wednesday at the church, 201 Jackson St., Kingwood.

There is a primary group for pre-kindergarten through grade 5; a junior group for grades 6-9; and the teen group for grades 9-12. Children and youths of all ages are invited.

Info: the Rev. Newland, 329-0664 or 329-0889.

### Villa Maria Community Center: Labyrinth walk

EverGreen presents the first outdoor Labyrinth Walk of the season from 6:30-8:30 p.m. today at Villa Maria Community Center.

The Labyrinth is a tool for enriching the spiritual journey. Therese Pavilonis, HM, will offer a brief history and introduction before all walk the Labyrinth.

No registration required but is appreciated, and donation is \$5.

Info: Tina Fanfer, (724) 964-8920 Ext. 3387 or cfanfer@humilityofmary.org.

### Message of Freedom Church: Guest speaker

The Rev. R.G. Hardy, of Baltimore, will be the guest speaker at 7 p.m. today through Friday at Message of Freedom Church in Grafton.

Info: 842-2487 or 672-1904.

### Faith Reformed: College group

A College and Career Group meets at 7:30 p.m. every Thursday at the home of pastor Doyle Allen, of Faith Reformed Presbyterian Church, Fairmont.

The study topic is "Mere Christianity," by C.S. Lewis.

All college-age and older people are welcome.

Info or for directions: 367-1198.

### Servant Song Ministries: Noontime praise

Servant Song Ministries, 720 E. Greene St., Waynesburg, Pa., has noontime praise from 12:15-12:45 p.m. every Thursday. A "lunch break" of devotional praise and worship is led by the Rev. William L. Parker, pastor of Rogersville, Throckmorton, and Fairview United Methodist churches, and master musician.

Info: servantsongministries.org, servantsongministries@yahoo.com or fax, (724) 852-2133.

### Gateway UMC: Community Theatre

The United Methodist Church Community Theatre presents

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," in a musical by Andrew Lloyd Webber and lyrics by Tim Rice, at 8 p.m. Thursday through Sunday and at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the

Marion County Senior Citizens Center in Fairmont.

Info or for tickets: 203-3945.

### Communities of Shalom: Building Bridges

The Marion County Communities of Shalom will hold a free Building Bridges of Respect conference Friday at the Trinity Assembly in Fairmont. Registration begins at 8 a.m.

The free conference is open to clergy, human service workers, community and business leaders, parents, teachers and youth.

The theme is "Appalachian Heritage: Appalachian Issues."

Local artisans and crafters will be participating.

Meals and refreshments will be provided.

Donations are accepted with checks made payable to "Communities of Shalom."

Info and for brochures and registration forms: Renee Verbanic, 366-7668 or BuildBridges2006@aol.com.

### Beulah Free Methodist Church: Family night

Beulah Free Methodist Church will have a Family Night for the whole community from 7-9 p.m. Friday at the church located at 688 Beulah Road, Morgantown.

All ages are welcome. There will be games, activities, snacks and maybe a movie. Bring your neighbors and their kids.

A bake sale community builder and fundraiser for the church will be at 8 a.m. Saturday. Please donate baked goods and come out and help us sell them.

Info: Parsonage, 296-3331 or cell, 680-3137.

### Kingdom EMC: Garage sale

The Kingdom Evangelical Methodist Church will hold a garage sale from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday at the church, located above Colasante's in Westover.

Items will include clothing, furniture, appliances, toys and collectibles.

All proceeds will benefit missionaries; KURE Foundation, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Info: 292-3168.

### Cassville Fire Hall: Gospel sing

A gospel sing will be from noon-4 p.m. Saturday at the Cassville Fire hall. A free dinner will be served.

Singers will be the Guiding Lights, Linda Blosser, Gail Perney and many more.

Info: 598-0489.

### Burns Chapel: Yard/bake sale

The Burns Chapel Ladies Auxiliary will hold a yard and bake sale from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at the Burns Chapel Fellowship Hall on the Summer-School Road.

There will be sloppy joe's, hot dogs, salads, desserts and baked goods.

Info: Jo Davis, 292-2920.

### Marion County Senior Center: Broadway musical

"Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," a Broadway musical based on the book of Genesis, will be presented at 8 p.m. Aug. 17-20 and at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at The Marion County Senior Citizens Center.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$6 for students. Group discounts are available.

For tickets: box office, 203-3945. Cast members include Dani Brake (Morgantown), Jeffrey Carder (Fairmont), John O'Connor (Fairmont), Bill Hall (Fairmont), Christian Cox (Fairmont), Steve McElroy (Fairmont), Brandon Bloomfield (Morgantown), Bob Morgan (Fairmont), Kevin Smith (Fairmont), Victor Folio (Clarksburg), Patrick Sibbett (Fairmont), Derek DeVault (Mannington), Jeremy Crawford (New Martinsville), Carol Hall (Fairmont), Sarah Grumblatt (Fairmont), Mary Rogers (Fairmont), Morgan Messenger (Kingwood), Sarah Rowan (Morgantown), Jessica Ford (Fairmont), Lindsay Dawson (Bridgeport), Linda

O'Connor (Fairmont), Kathy Dunn (Fairmont) and Amanda Paul (Fairmont).

The mission of The Gateway United Methodist Church Community Theatre is to provide opportunities for youth, children and adults in a faith-based setting and to provide first-class musical theatre at reasonable prices to the people of north-central West Virginia.

### Servant Song Ministries: Song of Hope and Healing

Servant Song Ministries holds Song of Hope and Healing from 6-7:30 p.m. every Sunday, with the Rev. William L. Parker.

Info: www.servantsongministries.org, servantsongministries@yahoo.com or fax, (724) 852-2133.

### Mount Israel Church: Homecoming

The 62nd annual Homecoming at Mount Israel Church on Marquess Road near Fellowsville will be Sunday. Regular service begins at 10 a.m. with a covered dish dinner at noon and a business meeting at 1 p.m.

For benefit of cemetery. Entertainment by the Shaffer Family.

### St. Mary Byzantine Catholic: Slavic Food Fest

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church annual Slavic food festival will be from noon-4 p.m. Sunday at the church.

Included will be ethnic food, games, baked goods and fun for all ages.

Carry-outs will be available.

Info: 296-3509.

### Church of God: Tri-District Sing

A Tri-District Sing will be from 2-4 p.m. Sunday at the Church of God, Grafton Road, behind OJ White Transfer.

All gospel singers are welcome. Wheelchair accessible.

### Miracle Mission Church: Three-night revival

The Miracle Mission Church will hold a three-night revival at 7 p.m. Sunday through Tuesday. The church is located in Mount Morris, Pa., across from the Post Office.

Info: pastor Kenneth Rowan, (724) 324-2278 or Bill Kerns, 291-5421.

### Calvary Temple: Kids Crusade 2006

Kids Crusade 2006 will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday through Aug. 23 at the Calvary Temple in Worthington, U.S. 19, Swisher Hill.

Included will be big blow-ups, snow-cones, face painting, games, snacks, prizes and a fireworks display on Aug. 23.

Info: 287-7678.

### Servant Song Ministries: healing prayer

Servant Song Ministries, 720 E. Greene St., Waynesburg, Pa., holds healing prayer from 9 a.m.-noon every Tuesday, with the Rev. Peter Ostrander, vicar of St. George's Episcopal Church, Waynesburg, and regional director of the International Order of St. Luke the Physician.

Appointments are helpful but not required.

Info: www.servantsongministries.org, servantsongministries@yahoo.com or fax, (724) 852-2133.

### Salvation Praise Ministry IWC: Women's Conference

The fifth annual Alabaster Women's Conference 2006 "Destined To Be A Kingdom Woman" will be Aug. 23 and 27 at the Salvation Praise Ministry IWC, 78 Holland Ave., Westover.

Registration is \$45. Groups of seven or more is \$35 per person.

Conference host is pastor Renee A. Dixon.

Speakers include pastor Sharon Johnson of Grantsville; pastor Lois Wilder of Canton, Ohio; pastor Libby Fannin of Morehead, Ky.; and apostle R.S. Dixon of Morgantown.

Info or to register: 292-7761.

### Message of Freedom Church: Family concert

The Message of Freedom Church in Grafton will host the Crabb Family in concert at 7 p.m.

Aug. 24. Doors will open at 6 p.m.

Seating is limited. Tickets are required and the cost is \$20 while supplies last.

Info: 842-2487 or 672-1904.

### Love Chapel UMC: Craft workshop

A free make-and-take craft workshop will be from 9 a.m.-noon Aug. 24 and 25 at Love Chapel United Methodist Church, Kingwood.

Sharon Mason of Las Vegas will have new ideas for fundraisers, gifts and pleasure.

Snacks will be provided.

Info or for reservations: 329-2381.

### Cheat Lake UMC: Basement/bake sale

Cheat Lake United Methodist Church will hold a basement/bake sale from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Aug. 25 and 26. The church is located at 750 Fairchance Road, Morgantown.

Info: 594-3733.

### Shady Grove Brethren: Singles night

The Shady Grove Church of the Brethren will host "Singles Night" at 7 p.m. Aug. 26 in the main sanctuary.

The evening will include the gospel singing group "Keeping the Faith" followed by refreshments and a meeting for singles at 8 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

All are welcome.

The Church is located three miles north of Bruceton Mills along W.Va. 26.

Info: 379-6564 or 777-4250.

### Helvetia, W.Va.: Gospel Weekend

Go Tell It On The Mountain Gospel Weekend will be Aug. 25-27 in Helvetia (follow the signs). Bring lawn chairs.

Times are at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 25 and 12:30 p.m. through late evening Aug. 26 and 27. Shawn Camp will sing at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 26.

Tents and campers are welcome.

Shawn Camp spent many years working in the mines and will be singing "Goin Underground," a special tribute to the hard working coal miners and the coming of the Lord. Proceeds from the first 10,000 copies of the song sold will go to "The Coal Miner and Associated Occupations Relief Fund."

Info: Mrs. Russell Morgan, 924-6624 or thrayronmorgan@yahoo.com.

### Faith Christian Fellowship Church: Open house

The West Virginia Christian University will hold an open house from noon-4 p.m. Aug. 26 at the Morgantown Campus, located at the Faith Christian Fellowship Church at U.S. 119 and Gladesville Road.

The staff and faculty will be available to answer questions.

Students may enroll for the fall term. Classes will convene Sept. 5.

Info: 291-0754.

### Grafton Blueville Nazarene: Concert

The Dills from Jackson, Tenn. will be in concert at 7 p.m. Aug. 26 at the Grafton Blueville Nazarene Church.

The group consists of brothers, Shawn and Tim Dill, who have been involved in gospel music for more than 20 years. The brothers began playing and singing with their mom and dad at the age of 7.

A love offering will be taken.

The church is located just above McDonald's near the intersection of U.S. 50 and 119.

Info: 265-1702 or 265-4033.

### Villa Maria Community Center: Food series

The Villa Maria Community Center will present a "Healthy Food Series" from 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Aug. 26.

Classes offer a step-by-step instruction on the process and value of healthy preparation of organic food. Debbie Cogan, holistic lifestyle specialist and member of the National Health Association will lead classes which include information, recipes, a light meal and fun. Fresh vegetables from the Villa Organic Gardens will be provided for the course.

The first course will be "Salad 101 — How to make a great salad!" and "Cooking Methods: Steaming, Baking, Cooking without Oil." Additional classes are in the planning with topics such as soups, natural desserts, sauces and dressings and holiday cooking ideas.

Registration is required by Monday. Cost is \$25 for workshop which includes the meal.

Evergreen is located on the grounds of the Villa Maria Community Center in Villa Maria, Pa. Travel 422 East one mile from the Ohio/Pa. state line. Turn right on Evergreen Road, travel 1 mile, turn right on Villa Marie Road and follow the EverGreen signs.

Info or to register: Tina Evergreen, (724) 964-8920 Ext. 3387 or humilityofmary.org/what\_environment\_evergreen.htm or cfanfer@humilityofmary.org.

### Morgantown West UMC: Parish picnic

The Morgantown West United Methodist parish picnic will be from 3-7 p.m. Aug. 27, at Westover Park. Enter the park off Dupont Road. The pavilion is left by the playground.

Burgers and hot dogs shall be provided for the meal at 4 p.m. Bring a covered dish.

Info: Rev. Sandra Firth, 278 5764.

### Trinity Christian School: Enrollment open

Trinity Christian School in Morgantown is enrolling students for the 2006-'07 school year. Openings remain in preschool and kindergarten classes. Also accepting students through 12th grade. Trinity is a nondenominational Christian school that seeks to partner with Christian families in their biblical responsibility to train their children to become more like Christ.

Info: 291-4659.

Trinity Christian School will also be hosting nationally known speaker Josh McDowell Aug. 29. He will speak on "Why Belief Matters."

Info or to reserve group and advance tickets: 291-4659.

### Terra Alta First UMC: Yard sale

The Terra Alta First United Methodist Church's Women's Society is sponsoring its annual indoor/outdoor yard sale from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Sept. 1 in the church basement and parking lot.

Items include: furniture, household items, toys, jewelry, clothing and more.

Hamburgers, hotdogs and beverages will be available for sale.

### Christian Singles Fellowship: Retreat

Christian Singles Fellowship of the Western Pennsylvania Conference of the UMC offers a singles retreat Sept. 1-4 at Jumonville Camp and Retreat Center in Hopwood, Pa., near Uniontown, Pa.

Speaker will be Holly Virden, a single author who understands

the challenges facing singles in today's world.

All single, separated, divorced or widowed of all denominations are welcome.

Info: Glenda, (724) 843-4899 or Janet, (814) 849-7279 or csf\_wpa@gbgmchurches.gbgm-umc.org.

### Hilltop Church of God: Gospel concert

A free gospel concert will be from 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Sept. 9 at the Hilltop Church of God.

Those interested in singing, Susie, 599-1807, leave a message.

### Villa Maria Community Center: Day of music

The Villa Maria Community Center in Villa Maria, Pa. will host "A Heart Call for Women: A Day of Music, Movement & Meditation" from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept. 9.

Facilitators Kathy Gracenin and Betsy Chapman will combine the healing modalities of meditation, music and movement.

Kathy Gracenin, MFA from Case Western Reserve, is a certified yoga, pilates and REIKI master teacher.

Betsy Chapman, founder of The Open Door, a holistic center located outside of Philadelphia, is a musician whose healing harp can be heard in hospitals, cancer treatment centers and at retreats across the United States.

Program Cost is \$65, which includes lunch and program materials.

Registration is required by Aug. 25.

Info or to register or for directions: Kathy Gracenin, (724) 347-4599 or Villa Maria Community Center, (724) 964-8920 Ext. 3331.

### Blackhills Free Methodist Church: Theater trip

The Blackhills Free Methodist Church is sponsoring a bus trip to Sight and Sound Theatres' "Ruth" and "Psalms of David," Sept. 19-20, in Lancaster, Pa.

The trip will include bus fare, tickets to productions, hotel room, one dinner and one breakfast. It also includes a tour of Amish country and a visit to an outlet mall.

The bus will pick up passengers from Fairmont and Morgantown.

Info: Pauline Shahan, 292-8191.

### United Methodist Women: Annual meeting

The United Methodist Women of the West Virginia Conference will hold their annual meeting "Partners in Peace" hosted by the Greenbrier District, at the Lewisburg United Methodist Church on Oct. 27-28.

Keynote speaker for the Friday evening service will be Bishop Ernest S. Lyght of the West Virginia Conference.

A musical performance will be given by the Alderson Federal Prison Choir.

The mission emphasis for the meeting is the Pocahontas Cooperative Ministries.

Info or to register: your local unit of the United Methodist Women. Registration deadline is Oct. 14.

### Morning Glory: Dream Builder scholarships

Morning Glory Ministries is accepting applications for the William David Dilworth Dream Builder Scholarship Awards and Dream Builder Musical Instrument Awards.

Info and application: Morning Glory Board of Directors, P.O. Box 4684, Star City, WV 26504; 599-2999; morningglory26505@yahoo.com.; or morningglorysdm.org.

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# Car bomb, street battles kill 16 in Iraq

Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A suicide bombing in the north and street battles hundreds of miles away in a Shiite holy city in the south claimed 16 lives Tuesday, demonstrating the tenuous security in Iraq as the United States focuses on curbing sectarian violence in Baghdad.

Nine people died in the suicide attack outside the regional party headquarters of Iraq's president in the northern city of Mosul; seven were killed in the fighting between Iraqi forces and followers of an anti-American cleric in Karbala.

In Baghdad, meanwhile, the U.S. military said car bombs triggered deadly explosions in a Shiite neighborhood Sunday, backing away from assertions that the blasts were caused by an accidental gas leak.

The suicide driver detonated his vehicle at the Mosul office of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan party of President Jalal Talabani, killing five civilians and four security guards, police Col. Abdul-Kareem Ahmed al-Jibouri said. Forty-one people were wounded by the blast, which heavily damaged the one-story building and set 17 cars on fire, he said.

In Karbala, a Shiite holy city 270 miles south of Mosul, gunbattles broke out after police raided the office of Mahmoud al-Hassani, a Shiite cleric known for anti-American and anti-Iranian views. Police said they were searching for weapons.

Al-Hassani's followers responded by attacking police stations and checkpoints in at least five areas of the city, residents and officials said. Gunmen in civilian clothing fired Kalashnikov rifles, machine guns and rocket-propelled grenades at Iraqi army patrols.

A regional health official said



AP Photo

**An Iraqi police patrol vehicle** drives past a crater on a bridge, caused by a Monday night car bomb, in Baghdad, Iraq on Tuesday. A car bomb detonated on a bridge in southeast Baghdad on Monday, causing huge damage to the bridge and killing five civilians, police said.

three Iraqi policemen and four gunmen were killed and 17 people were wounded in the clashes. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he is not authorized to speak to the media.

Officials ordered an indefinite curfew on the city, which contains some of the world's most sacred shrines for Shiite Muslims. But the curfew was widely ignored as gunmen

roamed the streets, firing at police and soldiers.

"We have asked for extra forces from neighboring provinces to control the situation after clashes erupted between al-Hassani's supporters and the security forces," said Ghalib al-Daami, a member of Karbala's provincial council.

Late Tuesday, residents said tensions were rising in another Shiite

city, Nasiriyah, with al-Hassani's followers brandishing weapons and blocking some streets.

Al-Hassani gained prominence for his nationalistic stand, calling for an Iraq free of influence from the Americans and Shiite-dominated Iran. Other key Shiite figures have sought to dampen his influence, which is mostly in Karbala and Basra, Iraq's second-largest city.

# 2 men arrested with cell phones released

Associated Press

MARIETTA, Ohio — Prosecutors dropped terrorism charges Tuesday against two Michigan men who were arrested after buying large numbers of cell phones, saying they couldn't prove a terrorism link.

The dismissal, in a one-page court document, came the day after Washington County Prosecutor James Schneider said he didn't have enough evidence to present the felony charges to a grand jury.

Ali Houssaiky and Osama Sabhi Abulhassan, both of Dearborn, Mich., left prison after paying a reduced bond on the remaining misdemeanor counts of falsification.

"We know it was just a matter of time. We were just hoping it wouldn't be forever," Abulhassan said. "Everybody knew we were innocent. We knew we were innocent."

The remaining counts stem from allegations that the two men initially gave deputies different names than appeared on their IDs. The men also initially said they were buying phones for a relative's construction business, then changed the story when deputies asked for contact information, Schneider said.

Schneider said his office and federal authorities don't believe "the defendants pose an imminent threat at this time."

But he said the investigation remains open and he could still present evidence to a grand jury to pursue terrorism-related charges.

The FBI and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security sent

bulletins early this year warning police departments nationwide to be alert for bulk purchase of prepaid TracFones, which could be used to finance terrorism.

Within days of the Ohio arrests, three Palestinian-American men from Texas were charged in Michigan after nearly 1,000 cell phones were found in a van they were driving.

In the Michigan case, the FBI said Monday that it had no indication that the men had any ties to known terrorist groups. Local prosecutors, however, were standing by the charges.

Prosecutors have not said what they believe the three men intended to do with the phones, though officials have said cell phones can be used as detonators and the Coast Guard increased its patrols of the 5-mile-long Mackinac Bridge after the arrests.

Relatives of the men said they were just trying to make money by reselling the phones and were targeted because of their Arab backgrounds.

In Ohio, Houssaiky and Abulhassan were stopped by sheriff's deputies for a traffic violation Aug. 8, then arrested after the deputies found 12 cell phones, \$11,000 cash, airplane passenger lists and information on airport security checkpoints in their car, authorities said.

Prosecutors have not provided details about the passenger lists or their significance. Defense lawyers have said the flight information consisted of old papers left in the car by a relative who worked at an airport.

# Report finds economy, conservative forecasts helped states save money

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — State lawmakers are saving lots of money for a rainy day because of improving economies and conservative economic forecasts, a report released Tuesday says.

State governments saved about \$1 out of every \$10 in their budgets in the most recent fiscal year, according to a survey released at the annual meeting of the National Conference of State Legislatures.

The \$57 billion total saved by legislatures around the country marks a 25 percent jump from the previous budget year and is one of the highest levels in decades.

The study credits conservative forecasting for the year-end balances, which are considered a top

indicator of states' fiscal health.

Cumulative revenues had been projected to grow by 2.7 percent for last budget year, but they ended up growing by 7.7 percent instead, nearly three times more than expected, the study said.

Nationwide, state lawmakers have been closely watching the bottom line since an economic downturn in 2001 launched many states into consecutive years of falling revenue that forced painful spending cuts, tax increases and borrowing. Their revenue forecasts are made up to 18 months in advance, so many state budgets were based on more conservative expectations.

"State legislators have learned from the budget crisis of the early part of the decade, as we can see by the

prudent choices they're making now," said NCSL President Steve Rauschenberger, an Illinois state senator.

Twenty-eight states' year-end balances increased over the 2004-2005 budget year, 19 states' balances declined and two experienced no change. No state ended with a deficit, though Arkansas was expected to end with a zero balance.

Nearly half the states' surpluses went into rainy day and other reserve funds:

- Florida left \$1.6 billion in its General Revenue Fund Reserve.
- Maryland increased its rainy day fund by \$593 million, Connecticut added \$440 million, Georgia planned to add \$430 million, and Virginia prepaid deposits for future

years. Tennessee added \$172 million.

■ Alaska put \$300 million into its Public Education Fund while placing another \$300 million in a new reserve fund.

■ Wyoming sent \$200 million to its Permanent Mineral Trust Fund, and New Mexico placed \$40 million into its Water Trust Fund.

Only three states — Nevada, New Hampshire and New Jersey — reported a decrease in spending compared with the previous year.

Thirty-nine states, meanwhile, boosted spending by at least 5 percent, with 16 of them spending at least 10 percent more than the previous year.

The report by the NCSL, a bipartisan organization that provides research and technical assistance

to state leaders, found that even in good economic times, many state economic forecasters are reluctant to boost revenue projections.

Forecasters cite the unpredictability of income tax collections as a reason for expecting a 29 percent decrease in balances at the end of the current budget year — including a 14 percent drop in rainy day fund balances.

Those expected decreases in year-end balances come as states have budgeted a 7.6 percent hike of their general fund spending levels. Louisiana, New Mexico and Oregon are the only states planning to spend less this year than last.

For the first time in six years, Medicaid spending is not expected to be the fastest growing budget cate-

gory, the study found. The top spot has been taken by K-12 education costs, which are budgeted to grow 7.6 percent, followed by higher education and Medicaid at 6.3 percent each. Corrections spending is slated to grow by 5.7 percent.

Forty-four states combined to raise \$1.4 billion in new tax collections — well below the \$2.6 billion increase last year. The slower rate of tax increases indicate "that states are throttling back on new revenue actions," according to the report.

Three states account for a \$478 million in cigarette tax increases: Texas raised its cigarette tax by \$1 per pack, Vermont hiked its tax by 60 cents and New Jersey approved a 17.5 cent increase.

# Lawsuit challenges illegal immigrant crackdown

Associated Press

ALLEN TOWN, Pa. — Hispanic groups sued Hazleton on Tuesday over one of the toughest crackdowns on illegal immigrants by a U.S. city.

The Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund said the lawsuit is the first in the nation against a city that has passed an illegal immigration ordinance. The group contends the measure is illegal and asked a federal judge to prevent its enforcement.

Hazleton, a northeastern Pennsylvania city of about 31,000, approved one of the toughest measures of its kind in the United States last month, imposing \$1,000 fines on landlords who rent to illegal immigrants, denying business permits to companies that give them jobs and making English the city's official language.

Lawyers for the plaintiffs attacked the ordinance as discriminatory.

"It makes every person who looks or sounds foreign a suspect, including those who are here legally," Witold Walczak, legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Pennsylvania, said in a statement.

"You might as well just paint a target on every foreigner's forehead or a sign saying, 'Please treat me differently.'"

The ACLU and other plaintiffs' attorneys told Mayor Lou Barletta that they would drop the lawsuit if City Council repealed the ordinance at its regularly scheduled meeting Tuesday night and agreed not to pursue a similar measure in the future.

Barletta said he was studying the lawsuit and planned to respond later Tuesday.

The city's ordinance inspired nearly a dozen local governments in eastern Pennsylvania — and several more throughout the nation — to consider their own

laws on illegal immigration.

Local officials will watch the Hazleton lawsuit as a test case of their ability to take immigration matters into their own hands.

Barletta proposed the law after two illegal immigrants were charged with shooting and killing a man.

It's not clear how many illegal immigrants live in Hazleton, but the city's Hispanic population has skyrocketed in recent years. Barletta said the measure has already prompted illegal immigrants to leave.

Local and state officials across the country have expressed dismay over Washington's inability to agree on how to change the nation's immigration laws.

Like Hazleton, many cities and states have passed their own measures aimed at restricting or punishing illegal immigrants and those people who do business with them.

The Congressional Research Service, a nonpartisan agency that writes reports for lawmakers, said in a recent analysis that federal law likely precludes cities and municipalities from enforcing

such measures.

The lawsuit filed Tuesday in Scranton argues that Hazleton's ordinance violates the Supremacy Clause of the U.S. Constitution because the federal government has exclusive power to regulate immigration.

The suit also argues that it will be impossible for landlords and businesses to comply with the law.

The Puerto Rican Legal Defense and Education Fund, the ACLU and other groups filed the lawsuit on behalf of 11 Hazleton residents and business owners and three nonprofit groups.

Among the plaintiffs are landlords who says they have lost tenants and a Mexican immigrant who says her grocery store and restaurant have fallen on hard times since the ordinance was passed.

They want a judge to declare the ordinance invalid and assess damages against the city.

Hazleton's law has divided the city 80 miles northwest of Philadelphia, with longtime residents supporting Barletta, but Hispanics largely opposed.

## BRIEFS

Associated Press

### Mayor donates \$125M in campaign to stop smoking

NEW YORK — Mayor Michael Bloomberg, a billionaire and former smoker, announced Tuesday he is throwing \$125 million of his own money into a new anti-smoking campaign targeting tobacco worldwide.

Bloomberg gives millions each year to benefit medical research, arts and education, but he typically doesn't announce he is doing so.

On Tuesday, he made an exception and released a statement about the anti-smoking campaign, which he described as "a social investment."

"It's based on my experience that with better data, more focused public health interventions and heightened political advocacy, governments will enact policies that have huge health, social and economic benefits," Bloomberg said.

### Dell to replace batteries in 4.1M notebooks

DALLAS — In the largest electronics-related recall involving the Consumer Products Safety Commission, Dell Inc. agreed to replace 4.1 million notebook computer batteries made by Sony Corp. because they can burst into flames.

A Dell spokesman said Monday that the Sony batteries were placed in notebooks that were shipped between April 1, 2004, and July 18 of this year.

"In rare cases, a short-circuit could cause the battery to overheat, causing a risk of smoke and/or fire," spokesman Ira Williams said.

"It happens in rare cases, but we opted to take this broad action immediately."

### Palestinians search for 2 Fox News journalists

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — Palestinian security forces hunted for two abducted Fox News journalists Tuesday, and the Palestinian president and prime minister intervened in an attempt to gain their release.

President Mahmoud Abbas and Ismail Haniyeh, the prime minister of the Hamas-led government, scheduled meetings with the news organization's Jerusalem bureau chief, Eli Fastman, and its chief correspondent in Israel, Jennifer Griffin.

The prime minister assured the Fox News representatives that Palestinian security forces would use all their power to "put an end to it soon," said government spokesman Ghazi Hamad said, without elaborating.

Investigators said the president's office was closely following the probe into the abduction.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: I had my gall bladder removed six years ago. Since that time, I have suffered these episodes of severe pain identical to that of a gall bladder attack.

I am a 57-year-old female, 5 feet 3 inches and weigh 125 pounds. I am otherwise very healthy with the exception of having had several kidney stones.

DEAR DR. GOTT: For want of more appropriate diagnosis, I have to fall back to the classic response: "Mock gallbladder attacks."

These attacks occur most often when I have eaten a fatty food, especially meat such as pot roast. Avoiding these foods has helped, however, attacks happen occasionally for no apparent reason.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm writing regarding your recent response to a reader who asked about getting skin tags removed by working with the doctor to "work out a coding strategy that your insurance company should honor."

I have seen a specialist with this complaint; however, he was very skeptical regarding my symptoms. He ordered an ultrasound and found no problems. He suggested I go to the hospital while I was having an attack and have my blood drawn.

DEAR READER: What I was suggesting is that the patient and his dermatologist work together. If, for example, the skin tags were actually skin cancers, a new billing code would be appropriate.

I know two others who have had gallbladder surgery and suffer these "mock" gall bladder attacks.

Wednesday, Aug. 16, 2006



BERNICE BEDE OSOL

Taking a backseat isn't likely to be your modus operandi in the year ahead. You'll look for ways to get bigger jobs with more responsibilities, which promise to yield larger rewards and benefits than you've previously enjoyed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Others may not be as fired up about something you want to promote, but your handling of the matter will be so profound you'll have no trouble encouraging their support.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Your choice of serving as an angel in the wings for a venture another is confronting will turn the tide for him or her.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — It's "hail, hail, the gang's all here," but not much is likely to get moving until you arrive on the scene.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — When you feel the stakes are worth the effort, you can come up with all the ample reserve needed for success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — It won't be a waste of time for you to join in activities that could improve your mind or stimulate a flow of fresh ideas.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Your boldness and courage

will inspire counterparts in your endeavors to be a bit more daring as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — The reason people will respect your judgment is because it will be predicated on logical evaluations.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — You will do an excellent job completing what is expected of you, but you'll expect just compensation as well.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Associates may be surprised at how well you handle the so-called difficult types. It will be your diplomacy that wins the approval of combative people.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Follow your constructive inclinations that urge you to be solicitous to those family members who have momentary concerns.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Both personal and business companions won't have any trouble knowing where you stand on critical issues.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — If your focus isn't riveted on financial issues, it should be. You could be luckier than usual in money matters because you'll take a different tact in handling the action.

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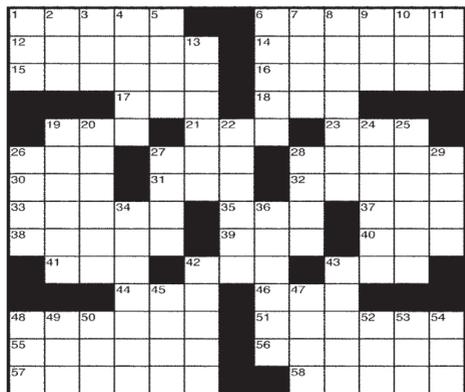
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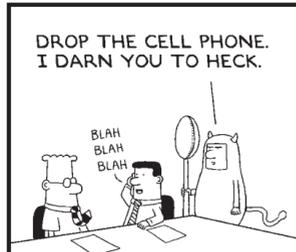
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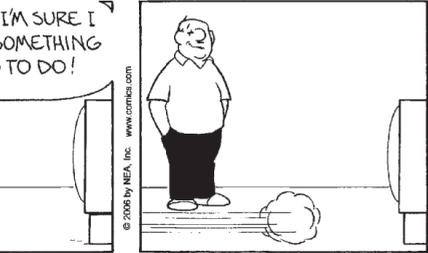
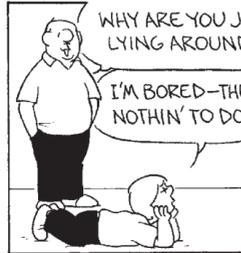
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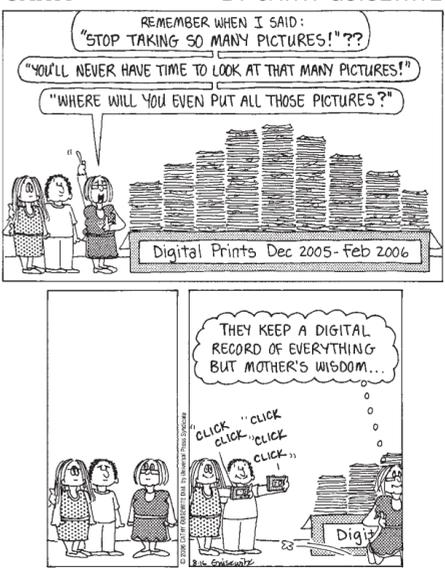
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