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Your Turn

Now that Kentucky has been eliminated from the Final Four, who do you wish to see win the NCAA Division I Men's Championship and why?



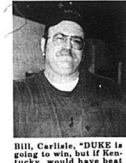
Roger Rice, Carlisle, KY, says that he can carry on the southern tradition.



Diana Wills, Carlisle, KY, says she really doesn't care since it can't be Kentucky, but she sure DUKES will get it.



Scott Wilson, Georgetown, KY, says anybody but DUKES.



Bill Carline, Carlisle, KY, says he is going to vote for Michigan because he has hated Duke ever since the Kentucky vs. Duke 1992 NCAA Championship, when Duke beat us by just one point.



Becky Adkins, Carlisle, KY, says she has hated Duke ever since the Kentucky vs. Duke 1992 NCAA Championship, when Duke beat us by just one point.



Jim Bennett, former TV host of "Weekend Gardener" and presenter of Southern Living lawn and garden seminars will be featured in four how-to clinics on Friday, March 26 at 7 a.m. and Saturday, March 27 at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Central Kentucky Home & Garden Show is this weekend

The 24th Annual Central Kentucky Home & Garden Show will be held Thursday, March 25, 1999 at Rupp Arena and Heritage Hall. Show times are: Thursday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5. Children under 14 will be admitted free. Visitors to the home and garden show may park in the Cox Street parking lot for free. Traveling westbound on Main Street, take a left at Patterson Street into the Cox Street parking lot.

Low's Home Improvement Warehouse will present How-To Clinics featuring Jim Bennett, former television host of "Weekend Gardener" and presenter of Southern Living lawn and garden seminars. Tim Carter, nationally syndicated newspaper columnist whose column "The Bull" appears weekly in the Lexington Power Plant and of Flower Power Hour hear Saturday mornings on WKLA AM 500, will have a live radio broadcast. Live and silent auctions will be held as well as a final review and competition will be conducted at the show. On display will be 1,841 square foot log homes and a three-bedroom manufactured home.

225 Home & Garden Exhibitors from national, regional and local businesses will be available to share new home and garden ideas, provide professional answers to questions, distribute printed information and offer merchandise and services at show-only discounts. "To give someone an idea of the size of our show, we like to compare it to a large shopping mall," said Mike Claypool, promoter of the Home & Garden Show.

Claypool added, "The show attracts some of the finest exhibitors in the home and garden industry. It is one of the biggest show east of the Mississippi River."

Low's Home Improvement Warehouse South Lexington experts will present How-To Clinics throughout the weekend. From hanging wallpaper to constructing a walkway or building a deck.

Bill Lane Wholesale Nurseries, will bring together inde-

Flemingsburg man charged with murder

A 21-year-old Flemingsburg man was charged with murder last week, in connection with a December two-vehicle crash that killed an Ohio man.

Donald W. Imbel of Flemingsburg was arrested Friday, in connection with the death of Salsubville, Ohio, in a Dec. 16 crash on KY 11 in Fleming County.

Imbel tried to pass two tractor trailers in a no-pass zone when the crash occurred eight miles south of Flemingsburg, said Kentucky State Police Post 8 in Morehead. Imbel was also under the influence of alcohol at the time of the crash, state police added.

Imbel was pronounced dead at the scene by Fleming County Deputy Coroner Gary Workman, following the accident at 9:30 p.m.

Imbel was also charged with the first-degree assault of Linda Hill, 21, also of Steubenville, who was a passenger in Longe's 1996 Pontiac Grand Prix. Hill suffered multiple injuries in the crash.

Imbel, who also suffered multiple injuries, was driving a 1993 Chevy pickup truck south of the accident.

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On Friday, March 19, Trooper Brent Kirtland arrested James Randall Stills, 35, of Carlisle. According to Trooper Kirtland, he had responded to a domestic altercation at a residence on Kimes Lane.

Stills was arrested and charged with assault 4th. The incident is still under investigation by the Kentucky State Police.

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March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

We live in complex times in which a great many urgent issues compete for our attention all at once. It is perhaps a sign of the times, then, that often take a headline-grabbing public tragedy to cut through the clutter and raise awareness of a particular issue even one that clearly involves the public interest.

Most Kentuckians with disabilities are not inclined to view themselves as tragic figures, and rightfully so. Most would object to being presented as such, even if it might result in headlines that would significantly raise awareness of the obstacles to their participation in the mainstream of life in their communities. In fact, the prevailing perception of people with disabilities as tragic figures who are deserving of our pity is one of the key obstacles to their attainment of the type of life enjoyed (and often taken for granted) by so-called "average" people.

So in honor of Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, and aided only by the single headline above, the Article you are now reading, I hope to raise awareness of disability issues with a brief true story. This story is quite conspicuously lacking in tragedy, rather, they are triumphant and life-affirming. I only wish I could say that it represents to experience of the majority of Kentuckians with disabilities.

When child protective services removed 10-year-old Melissa from her home, they found her being kept completely isolated in a crib. Fortunately, social services professionals in her area were able to place her with a new family who helped her find a job, and provided transportation to and from that job.

Today, Melissa says she feels a warm sense of belonging within her community. The fact that Melissa found a job in her community should not escape notice. Education, skills, and support enable people - with or without disabilities - to get and to keep employment, just as having access to transportation enable them to live and to work where they wish.

Left to right: Elisabeth Reha Wenzel, Kentucky Commissioner of Mental Health and Mental Retardation, and Veronica Brown, Chairwoman, Kentucky Developmental Disabilities Council. Kentucky Governor Paul Patton as he signs a proclamation declaring March Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month.

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