

SMOOT continued from front

Derrick Ramsey, and Georgetown College Coach Bill Cronin. The National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame was founded in 1947, and is dedicated to preserving the spirit of football, its character-building attributes and its vital role in the education process. Last year, the National Football Foundation's Chapters awarded over \$500,000 to deserving high school scholars-athletes for their college educations.

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County has saved almost \$22,000. Hunter receives a salary of \$12,500 a year, which is paid half by the state and the other half by the court. The county would have forked out more than \$35,000 to house the 136 adults and juveniles that have participated in the program. If cost could have been more if attention would have been needed. The 83.9 percent completion record is one of the highest in the state. Most other counties only retain an

COURT continued from front

and county roads make for additional fines in repairs that the county cannot afford," said Nicholas County Judge Executive Larry Tischer. The county has already had to go and fix problems that could have been avoided if such a law was in effect. The new law does not pertain to existing sub-divisions. Tischer told the court that he would have the road department look for any infractions of driveways and easements, and asked that if

FESTIVAL continued from front

The Blackberry Festival Committee would like to thank all who participated in this year's festival and helped make it such a huge success. The festival continues to grow larger each year with the help of the magistrats noticed any to contact him. The nine-page document was made with assistance from the Bluegrass ADD and a committee with Doug Fryman, Mike Phillips, Larry Willis, Dogey Watkins, Tom Ockerman, Susan Fryman, and Larry Tischer. If the new law is passed the county would have to appoint an authority agent to oversee the project and existing property laws.

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The harvest is past

When I was growing up we used to get a publication in school called "The Weekly Reader." I used to look forward to every issue...not because it was an educational tool that promised literacy with catchy articles targeted at young, inquiring minds...but because it always contained a section of corny jokes in the back. I just couldn't wait to load up new material for my budding (albeit short-lived) career as a stand-up comedian.

One of the jokes I remember from the paper was an old stander: "Who did the man throw his alarm clock out the window? A. Because he wanted to see time fly!"

I'm quite sure that you are now doubling over, slapping your knee, and holding your abdomen still, as soon as you are able to see through the tears that dust have clouded your vision, try to get a hold of yourself and continue reading.

I have arrived at an interesting point in my life's journey. You see, I no longer have to throw my alarm clock out of the window to watch "time fly." I used to hear "older" people say, "The older you get, time just seems to fly." I have

always chuckled and thought about the old joke. But then something strange happened. I started to become one of those older people. (Don't laugh!) And yet...time does fly! It is as though someone has pushed the "fast-forward" button on the VCR of my life, and I can't seem to find the remote control. I feel like George Jetson, the futuristic cartoon character who finds himself at the opening of every episode on an out of control treadmill exclaiming, "Jane! Stop this crazy thing!"

For example, wasn't it just yesterday that we were singing Christmas carols? Wasn't it just a day or two ago that we were all stockpiling drinking water and preparing for 2025? Did I blink and miss Groundhog Day? When was Spring go? What happened to the first six pages of my year 2000 monthly calendar? Is just me, or is time really flying?

The Bible speaks to this matter. The Psalmist wrote: "The length of our days is seventy years or eighty if we have strength...and they pass quickly, and we fly away." (Psalm 90:10) NIV James 4:14 says, "What is your life? It is like a vapor that appears for a little while, and then vanishes away." In other words, even if you live to a ripe old age, in the whole scheme of things your life is like a quickly fading mist.

I grew up in the greater metro Mt. Olivet area. I often heard people say when traveling through Mt. Olivet, "Don't blink, or you just might miss it." The Bible says, "Today is the day of Salvation." Not yesterday. It is gone. Not tomorrow. There is no guarantee you will have one. Not for you. Today is the day of Salvation. "Not yesterday. It is gone. Not tomorrow. There is no guarantee you will have one. Not for you. Today is the day of Salvation." "Not yesterday. It is gone. Not tomorrow. There is no guarantee you will have one. Not for you. Today is the day of Salvation." "Not yesterday. It is gone. Not tomorrow. There is no guarantee you will have one. Not for you. Today is the day of Salvation." "Not yesterday. It is gone. Not tomorrow. There is no guarantee you will have one. Not for you. Today is the day of Salvation."

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Patsy Wagoner Florence
Melissa Lawson, Mark Daniel Florence, Anthony Dale Florence, and Alexander Florence; three brothers, Billy Edgar Wagoner and Marcus Wagoner, and Alexander Wagoner, both of Harrison County and Elmer Wagoner, Lexington, a sister, Virginia Carol Dawn Richmond.

Minnie Asbury Hamilton
Carole Leahy and three grand children. She was also preceded in death by a daughter Carole Hamilton Leahy.

Raymond Kerns
Raymond Kerns, 92, Richmond, husband of Louise Parrish Kerns, died on July 6, 2000 by Rev. James Cox, Minister with burial in Church of the Richmond Cemetery.

Emery L. Wilson
Emery Wilson, of Stanford, died on Tuesday, July 4, 2000 at the age of 91. A native of Carlisle, he was involved in tobacco insurance and sales until his retirement in 1992.

Williamson
Honorary bearers were Earl D. Jones, Joe Wilson, T. J. Blaylock, John Wilson, Brandon Brandenburger, and David Green.

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