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It's how you play the game...



It was a lucky, tasteless way to end a pair of district championship games.

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Perez reenlists

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Arturo C. Perez, whose wife, Jennifer, is the daughter of Ginny and Steve Smith of North Locust Street in Carlisle, recently reenlisted for four years while serving at Navy Recruiting District, Miami.

Veterans rep to be in Carlisle

A Veterans Benefits Field Representative with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs will be at the Nicholas County Courthouse in Carlisle on the third Wednesday of each month, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Veterans and their families may receive counseling and assistance in applying for state or federal veterans benefits.

This is a free service, provided by the state department of veterans affairs. Bring appropriate documents at visit.

For details or to answer questions, call 1-866-376-0308. Leave a message if office staff are unable to answer.

Free higher ed guide for seniors

The 2001-2002 edition of "Getting In," a free guide to postsecondary education in Kentucky, is now being sent to guidance counselors for distribution to all high school seniors.

The booklet is published by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority and is available online at www.khea.com, as well. It offers information on financial aid.

For more information, call 1-800-928-8926.

Assistance for adults returning to school online

Adults interested in returning to school have an online guide to help them plan and pay for college or technical training. The 2001-2002 edition of Adults Returning to School can be accessed at www.khea.com, the website of Kentucky's Higher Education Assistance Authority.

For more information about programs and services, write to the Kentucky Higher Assistance Authority, 1050 U.S. Highway 127 S., Frankfort, KY 40601-4323 or call 1-800-928-8926, extension 7381.

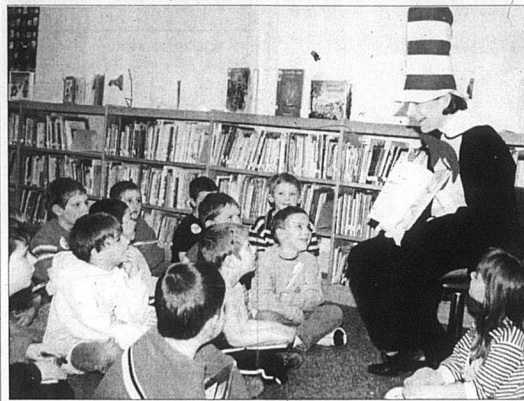
New Breed



Weather

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Reading is FUN-damental



The Cat in the Hat, a.k.a. Amy Switzer of the Family Resource Center, made a visit to Nicholas County Elementary last Friday to read to some eager students in the library. Friday, March 1, was the National Education Association's Read Across America. Readers from all over the country gathered to read and celebrate the birthday of Dr. Seuss.

By RON MIDDLETON
Staff Writer

"Do you like green eggs and ham? I do not like them, Sam-I-Am. I do not like green eggs and ham."

Nicholas County Elementary students joined millions around the world Friday when they celebrated the 37th birthday of Theodore Geisel.

Geisel is better known to most as Dr. Seuss, the author of *The Cat in the Hat* and many more children's stories. His books have led generations of children to discover the joy of reading.

Lynn Simons, Success

for Reading facilitator, and Family Resource Center Director Amy Switzer planned several events for the week leading up to the big day including serving green eggs and ham for students and their parents along with making red and white hats just like the one worn in the book *The Cat in the Hat*. First graders were invited to dress up as their favorite literary characters, but the day was all about reading.

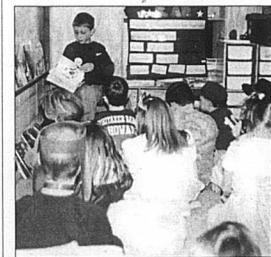
Volunteers like Louise Curran, who works for the migrant program and fourth graders, Anthony Kiskaden, Azrey Crisp and Shannon Davis, volunteered time to read a book to some lucky listeners.

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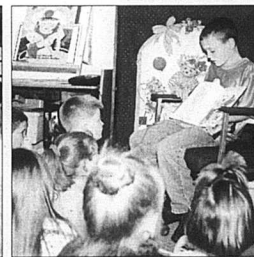


Ron Middleton photo

Shannon Davis, a fourth grader, volunteered to read for Mrs. Darbro's class Friday morning.



other fourth graders to volunteer to read were Azrey Crisp, above left and Anthony Kiskaden. Crisp read to Ms. Ball's class and Kiskaden read for Mrs. Spickler's class.



Ron Middleton photos

ReRun unveils equine art

ReRun, Inc. the national Thoroughbred adoption program based in Kentucky has announced a new fundraising project to be held this year in conjunction with the 2002 Mane Event.

ReRun's annual fund raising auction and dinner/dance. Through a yearly event to be called "Moniegh-Equine Expressions," many horses who have made a name for themselves on the track and in the breeding shed will vie for the honor of becoming the top "equine artist" by creating art that will be then be framed and auctioned off live at ReRun's Mane Event on March 30 at the Embassy Suites in Lexington, Kentucky. Bidding will also be taken via a special web site set up for this event.

"As an industry we have an inherent responsibility to take care of the athletes that make it all possible, not only when they are winning, but in the many years that follow," said Bill Kanter, co-owner of Winstar Farm.

"ReRun is a great organization, and Winstar is happy to support its endeavors.

Several Lexington-area farms have agreed to participate in this project, including Winstar, Mill Ridge and Cobra Farm. The list of equine artists includes stallions: Tiznow, Kris S., Victory Gallop, Gone West, as well as pensioners Groovy.

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Drivers: be aware of wind

High winds and rain can be a dangerous combination for drivers according to the Blue Grass Auto Club Safety Foundation.

"Strong winds can affect how a vehicle handles on the road," said Lilla Mason, Director of the Safety Foundation, "and things can suddenly be blown into the path of your car."

The AAA Safety Foundation offers the following tips for drivers:

Keep both hands on the steering wheel at all times. Avoid activity that would require keeping only one hand on the wheel, such as using a car phone or drinking coffee.

Be prepared for anything. Scan low along the roadway for objects that could be blown into the path of the car. Swerving to miss an object is safer than braking on a rain slick road, as long as it can be done without hitting

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