

GENERAL NEWS

Heaven is A Lot Like Kentucky

1784, near David Tanner's Station along the Licking River, near the Lower Blue Licks Springs.

Young Benjamin Guthrie was terribly afraid, and thought he tried mightily, he simply could not stop trembling.

The guards at Tanner's fort would not let him and his companions enter into the anxiety and protection of the stockade, and Shawnee warriors were everywhere.

They howled like wolves and footed like owls to one another in the darkness.

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White and the Iraqis that he had been in Iraq less than two weeks.

The tragic death marked the loss of a second Kentucky Army National Guard Soldier in action within a week.

Staff Sergeant Nicholas R. Carnes, 25, of Ludlow was killed Aug. 29 during combat operations in Afghanistan.

His funeral services were Tuesday.

Colonel Phil Miller, a public affairs officer with the Kentucky National Guard, said Tuesday morning while traveling to Carnes' funeral service that all three of the injured soldiers on the mission with White have been in contact with their family members.

White was the 15th Kentucky National Guard Soldier to lose his life while fighting the global war on terror.

White was a former corrections officer with Lexington Fayette Urban County Government who deployed with his unit in August 2007 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

A member of the Kentucky



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By Charles Hester

The Colonel went along one side of a ridge and David went down the other.

Alexander McConnell was along and stayed at the camp.

Benjamin was comforted by his presence.

My God, but that McConnell truly was a wild one.

He was of the Lexington McConnell clan, and was the wildest and deadliest man Benjamin had ever met, including Capt. Simon Kenton and Col. Daniel Boone, both of whom were already legends.

Five Shawnee warriors had taken McConnell prisoner in the spring of 1780, and the first thing the Shawnee had done was to shear his head into a Mohawk-fashion hairstyle, leaving only a single tuft of hair on the crown of his head.

Alexander McConnell did not like his hair messed with.

His hair had been so long that he could actually stand flatfooted and spread his legs then reach between his legs, grab his hair and put his long-hair braids in his mouth without ever bending his knees.

His hair touched the ground when he wore it once.

McConnell had killed four of those five Shawnee warriors that had taken him prisoner on the second night after his captivity, and his hair was just now starting to grow back to half of its original length.

Alexander was combing his hair as Benjamin kindled the fire when they heard three market shots.

Soon after, David Perry came into the camp and expressed concern for his older brother, the Colonel.

David told Benjamin and Alexander to prepare the backpacks and horses for

quick travel. He told them that if he wanted back with-in a few minutes to make a dash to Tanner's Station.

If he found Indiana, he would about a warning and they would be free as quickly as possible.

When both Perry returned, they were running toward the camp.

"What's wrong?" McConnell had whispered to them as they all prepared the horses for travel and loaded the backpacks.

"The Shawnee got to the buffalo first," was all that Colonel Perry said.

So they had left immediately, and rode hard in the darkness for David Tanner's fort.

When they arrived the armed guards had shouted a password to them, but no one in the group knew the counter password, and the guards warned them that they would kill them all if they came near.

They were not going to be tricked by Shawnee, more dressed as white women who crossed speak English.

The guards were a weary group, but Benjamin imagined, they surely had reason to be weary and wide.

After much pleading, the Colonel was finally able to speak with Tanner himself.

He eventually convinced Tanner to order the guards to open the gate and allow them entrance.

Colonel James Perry had, after all, discovered the Blue Licks Spring with Joshua Archer and John Finley back in 1773, and he had even stopped in at the fort once before, several months earlier.

Benjamin was so relieved to gain entrance into the fort that he nearly wept.

When he saw what was inside the fort, he would weep.

Three children lay in the corner of the fort, benighted

the blockhouse. They had each been tomahawked and scalped, but yet lived.

Tanner told them the three children also had the dreaded small pox disease.

The children had been the only survivors of the Williams clan that was traveling to David McCre's Station (near present-day Winchester, Ky.) where their relatives lived.

The entire group all had the small pox and thus the Shawnee had refused them entrance into the fort, and so the family members had camped outside of the fort.

The Shawnee had attacked them that night and Tanner had rescued the three child survivors.

For young Benjamin Guthrie, the incident would be only one of many frontier adventures he would be part

of in the years to come.

In April of that same year, he would accompany Colonel Robert Johnson and Colonel Daniel Boone to the Upper Blue Licks on a survey trip.

They encountered a large herd of buffalo on the Nicholas County side of the Licking River and while Benjamin herded them and marveled as they swam the river, Boone stood on the Fleming County shore and counted them as they made their way out of the water and into the lush valleys of present-day Battle Run.

Boone grew tired after counting 300 of the soaked and snorting beasts, and all agreed there were another 300 still crossing as the survey party rode up the Battle Run Valley and further into the wilderness of what would one day be called Fleming County.

A Conversation with

Dr. Michael Baird, OB/GYN

Dr. J. Michael Baird recently joined the Medical Staff at Bourbon Community Hospital and opened his practice in Paris. Dr. Baird has twenty-three years experience in his field and is Board Certified by the American Board of Obstetrics & Gynecology.

Why did you choose Bourbon Community Hospital?

Fortunately, God's timing, my availability, and a community's needs all converged at this special point in time and place to provide an assignment I am eager to accept. Serving Him by providing women's medical services to this area of Kentucky is not only where I want to be, but it is where I must be. I look forward to serving and becoming part of the Park Family.

Why did you specialize in OB/GYN?

In 1970, while serving in the Army at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, my wife Jane and I lost an infant son to severe prematurity. He was born at 28 weeks and, in the early 1970's, was too weak to survive. God used that tragic event to change the lives of not only my family, but the lives of my countless patients. From the time that I realized that my life was designed for a career in medicine. It was during my third year of medical school I selected obstetrics and gynecology as my specialty area of study. Upon completion of my residency program in Florida, I practiced general obstetrics and gynecology the next twenty-three years in Owen Sound, Ontario, Canada. Recently, I look about eighteen months out of my practice of women's healthcare to pursue advanced clinical experience and education in a second area of medicine, the relatively new specialty of medical oncology. A woman's battle with excess weight is hard fought but necessary to maximize her overall health and well-being. I hope to utilize what I have learned through those experiences better to serve my obstetrics and gynecology patients in Paris.

What is your approach to patient care?

My approach to patient care is to serve God first. I cannot be all to be to my family or my patients unless I approach patient care in this manner. I approach clinical medicine by the evidence-based method. Staying current in the specialty literature and surgical techniques is always important and necessary, but not forgetting the wisdom in the divine combination of knowledge and experience. I hope to leave a legacy of wisdom with my approach to people and their lives.

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OBITUARIES

Anthony Duane Pettit 1984-2007
Anthony Duane Pettit, 23, died Mon., Sept. 3, 2007 at the University of Ky. Medical Center.
He was born June 23, 1984 in Nicholas County. He was a 2002 graduate of Nicholas County High School and was an employee of KDMK in Mt. Sterling.
Survivors include his father Eddie Joe Pettit, Moorehead, his mother Cheryl Vaughn (Marvin) Perkins, Carlisle; brothers and sisters, Treva (David) Tuncher, Eddie Pettit, Jr., Judy (Michael) Evans, Amber Perkins, Jessica (Daniel) Bowles, Marcus Perkins, Josh Wade and Justin Pettit; and his paternal grand-mother Ella Pettit Swelbius, Carlisle and his maternal great-grandmother Pauline Snapp, Carlisle.
Visitation will be after 11 a.m. Thurs, Sept. 6. Services will be 2 p.m. Thurs, Sept. 6, 2007 at Mothers-Gaunce Funeral Home by Rev. Troy

Ruby Mae Barton 1923-2007
Ruby Mae Barton, 85, died Tues., Aug. 28, 2007 at Mothers-Gaunce Funeral Home by Rev. Troy Miller. Burial will follow in Bartsville Cemetery.
Anthony gave the gift of life by donating a kidney to his sister and his liver to another transplant recipient.
Guestbook is available at www.mothersgaunce.com

She was preceded in death by a sister, Patsy Danks and a brother, Robert Miller. Funeral services were held Fri., Aug. 31, 2007 at Boone Nickel Funeral Home. Burial followed in Carlisle Cemetery.

Bonnie Butler Middleton 1954-2007
Bonnie Butler Middleton, age 53, died Mon., Aug. 27, 2007 at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington.
She was born May 7, 1954 in Canton, Oh., to the late William Dee and Francis Faye Mays Butler. She was a life long homemaker and attended the Church of Good Faith.
Survivors include one son, Larry Ernest Middleton, Millersburg; three daughters, and sons-in-law, Bonnie and Rick Oliver, Soldier,

Nioka and Larry Webb and Joel Middleton all of Carlisle; one brother, William Henry Butler, Covington, Oh.; three sisters, Tewasha Webb, Carlisle; Joann Middleton, Olive Hill and Sherene Williams, Mt. Olivet; 11 grandchildren and a host of family and friends.
Burial will be held Sept. 1, 2007 at the Globe Funeral Chapel in Olive Hill with Bro. Bobby Day officiating. Burial followed in the Sand Ridge Cemetery in Olive Hill.
Globe Funeral Chapel in Olive Hill was in charge of arrangements.

Softball Tournament Successes

The Havoc 10 and under fast pitch softball team was winner of the Spencer County 10 and under softball tournament and runners up in the Kentucky Bash NSA tournament. Members are, front row, left to right, Lorena Beck, Allison Sandeur, Emily Littrel, Mallory Robinson, and Kandice Green. Second row, left to right, Jordan Turley, Destine Arnold, Hannah Wagner, Taylor Matthews, Jessica Stamper, Kerstin Robinson, and Megan Bretz. Back row, coaches, left to right, Jeff Stamper, Mark Matthews, Jason Sandeur, Tim Robinson, Greg Bretz. Absent from photo Coach Doug Green.



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