

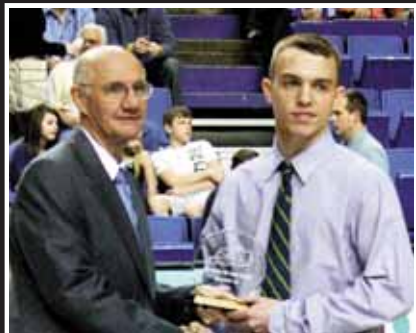
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Pineville High School's James Strange received his 13th Region Player of the Year Award during this year's Kentucky State Tournament.



Middlesboro High School's Chris Aker walks to midcourt at Rupp Arena where he was recognized as one of the 13th Region's National City \$1,000 scholarship winners

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Jarrod Polson of West Jessamine was called for an offensive foul on this play during their win over Grayson County. Polson's team advanced all the way to the semifinals before bowing out of the tournament. *Pinnacle Sports View Photo*

The 2008-09 basketball season comes to an end, but for some it will never be forgotten

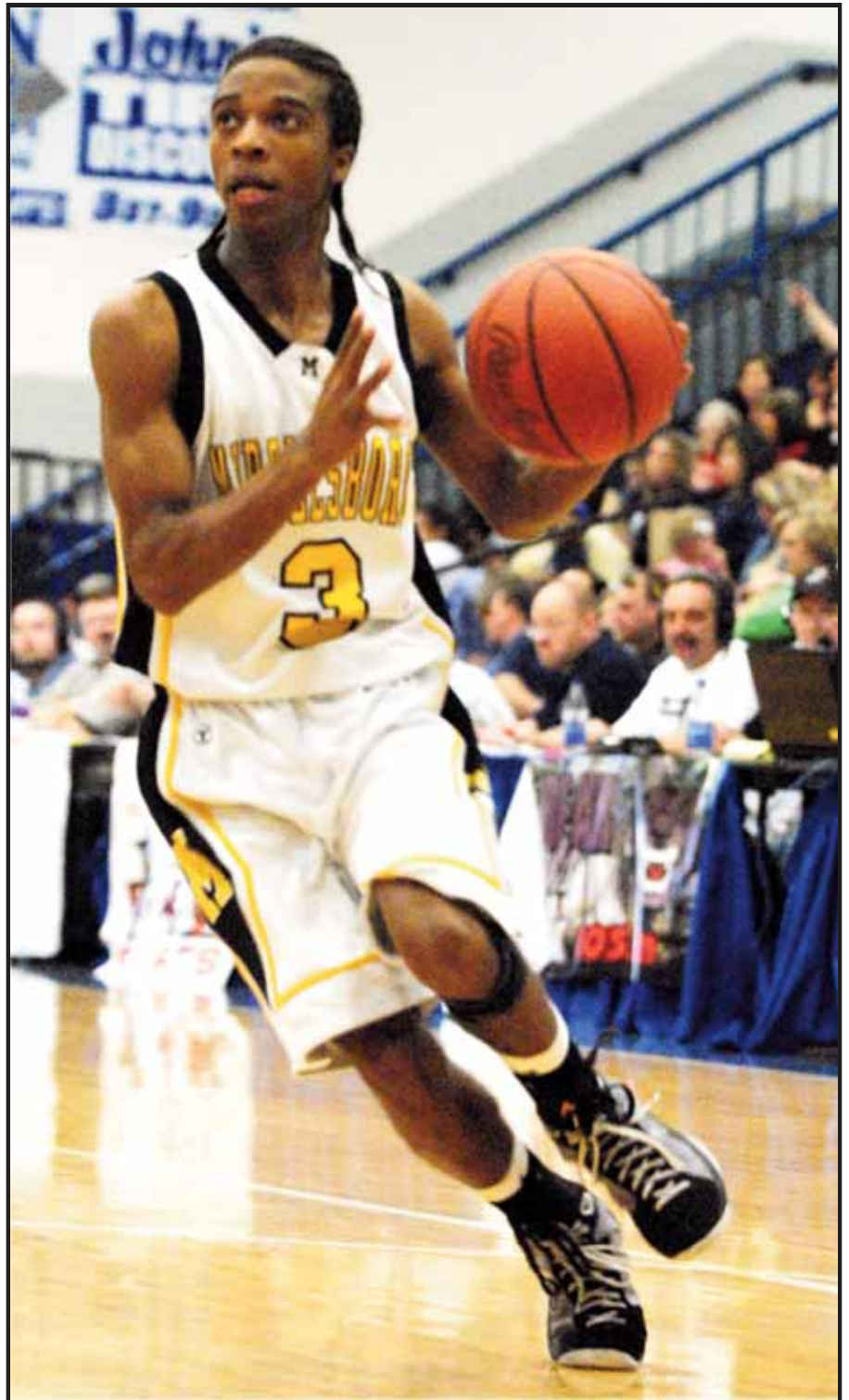
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Another exciting basketball season has come to an end and several of our area teams enjoyed the thrill of achieving success under the heavy weight of postseason tournament pressure. To achieve such success, while facing so many obstacles, makes the accomplishments so much sweeter to those that attain them. Pineville's girls, as well as both Middlesboro's boys and girls' teams were able to enjoy moments they'll never forget; cutting down the nets after winning a district championship. You can see the pride in their faces in the photos on the following pages.

There's an old sports cliché that says, "There's no I in team", but there were some very special individual performances that are at least deserving of mention. Middlesboro's Antwan Brown (**Right**) broke Stuart Miller's Middlesboro High

School individual game scoring record by dropping 49 points on Harlan County in the 52nd District title game. With the Yellow Jackets down by 11 at halftime, Brown scored 38 points in the second half, including Middlesboro's first 30 points of the half, to carry the Yellow Jackets to their first district crown since 1997.

And, the Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches recognized the accomplishments of another local stand-out for his season-long contributions to his ball club. James David Strange of Pineville High School was voted the 13th Region Player of the Year by the coaches in the region. (**Below**) Strange received a plaque commemorating the honor during the boys' state tournament in Rupp Arena. Also honored during the tournament was Pineville boys' coach J. D. Strange, who gained his 400th career victory during the recently completed season.



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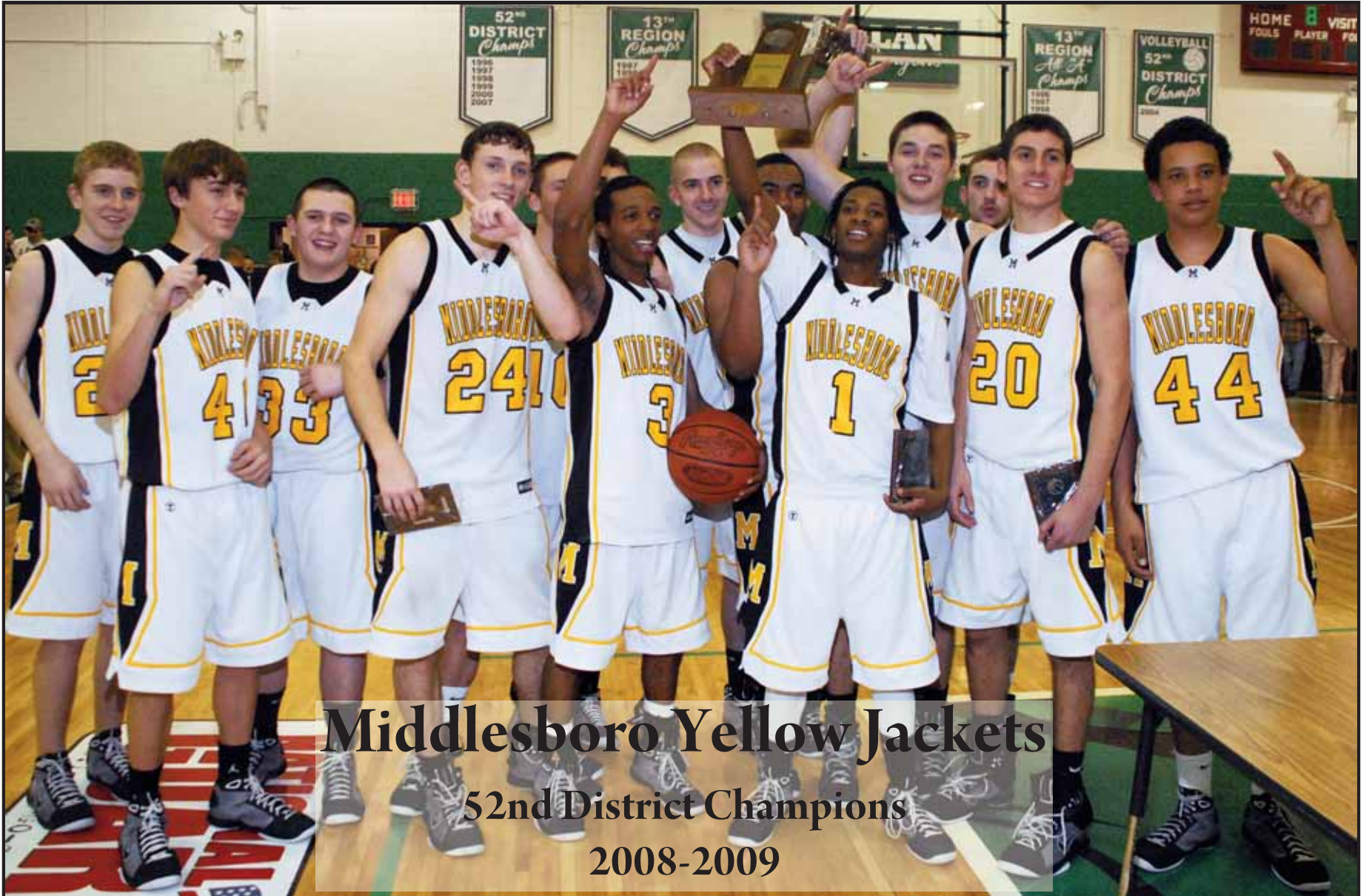
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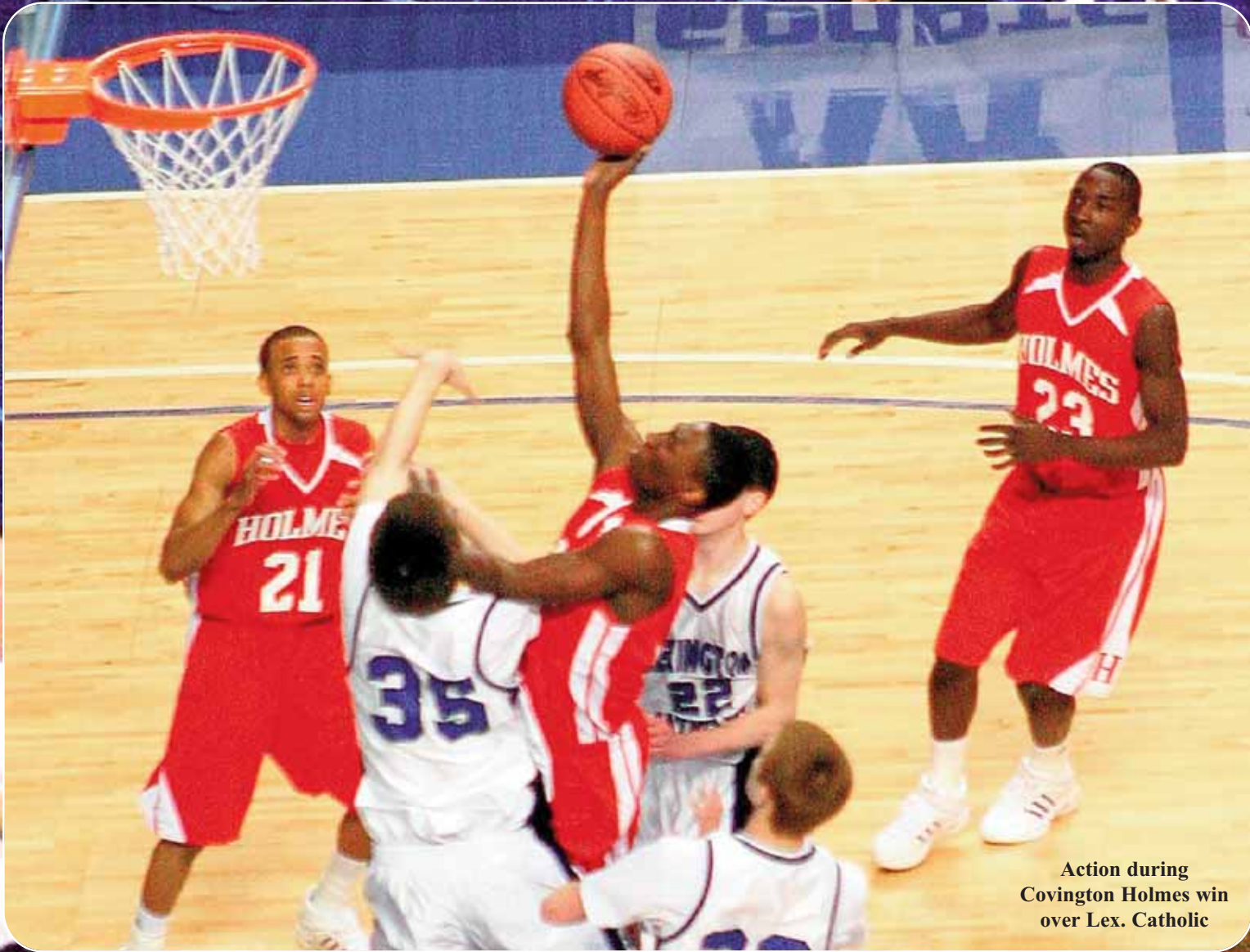
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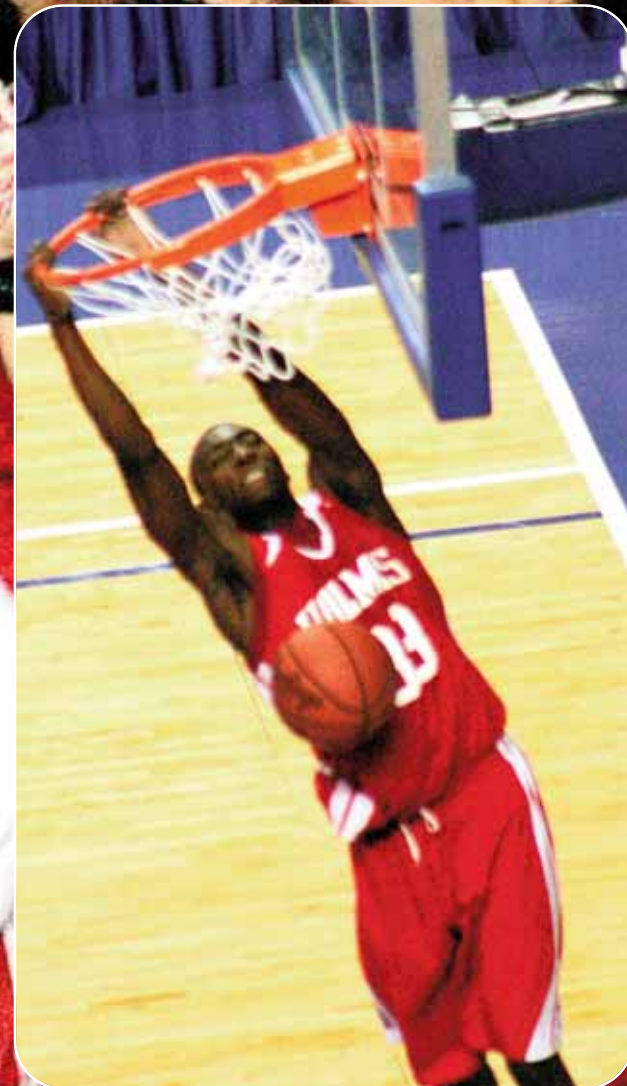
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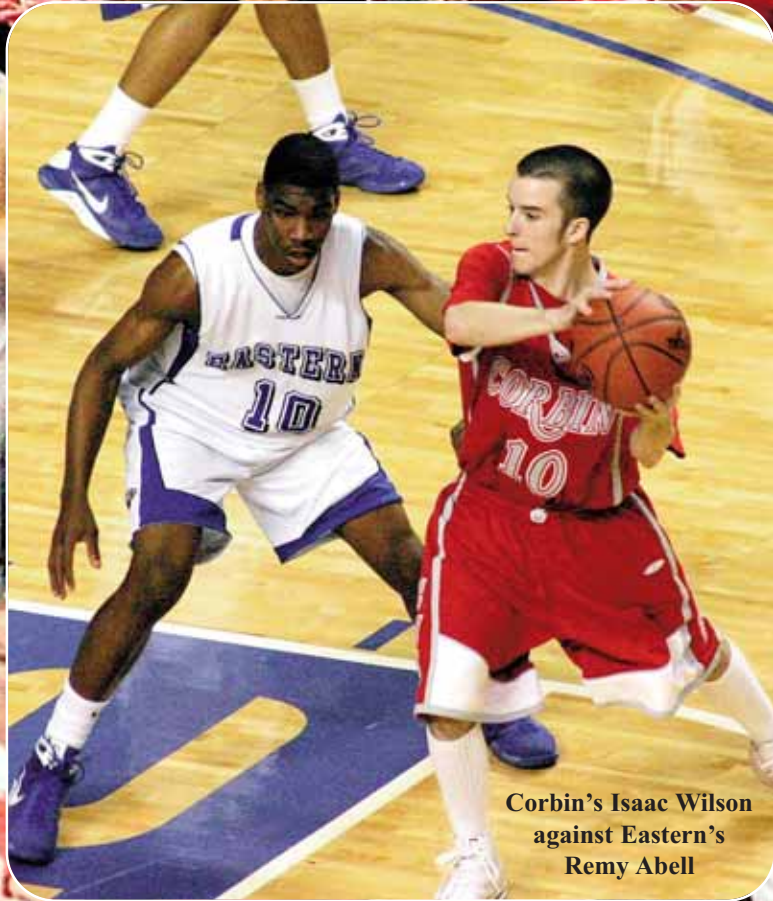
Action during Covington Holmes win over Lex. Catholic

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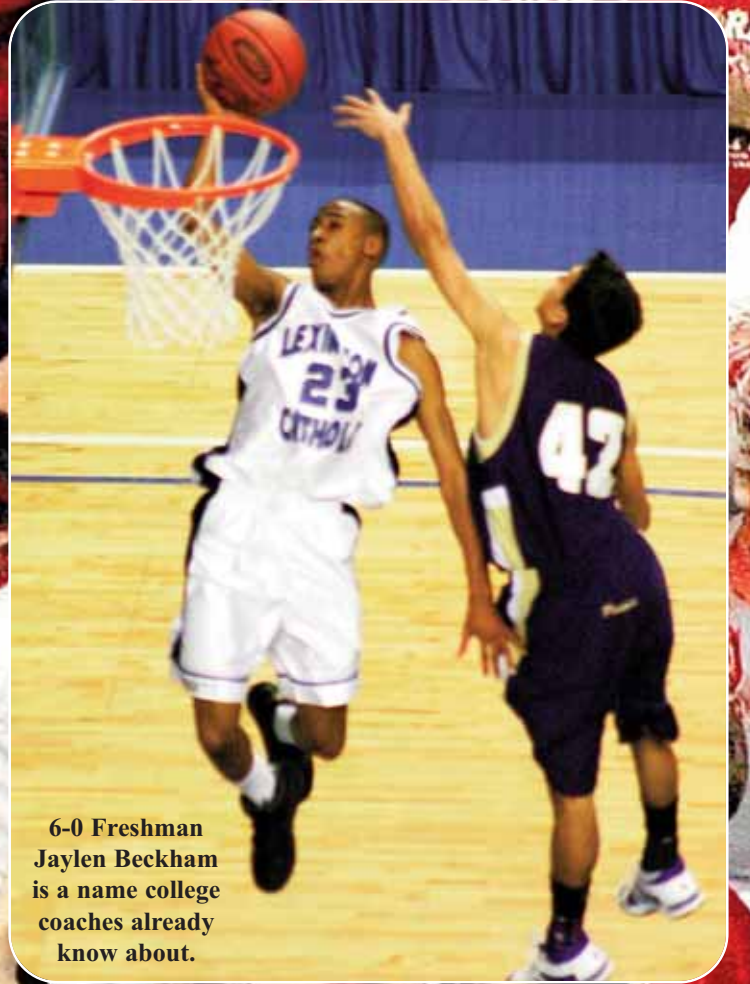


Bottom row left to right, #5 Jarrod Polson of West Jessamine was a steady factor for the Colts in the tournament; Central and Holmes battled for everything, including this rebound the opening round. The Bulldogs only scored 1 point in the fourth quarter; Louisville Central's Alex Morrison with a smooth layup; and on the far right (top) Shelby Valley sharpshooter

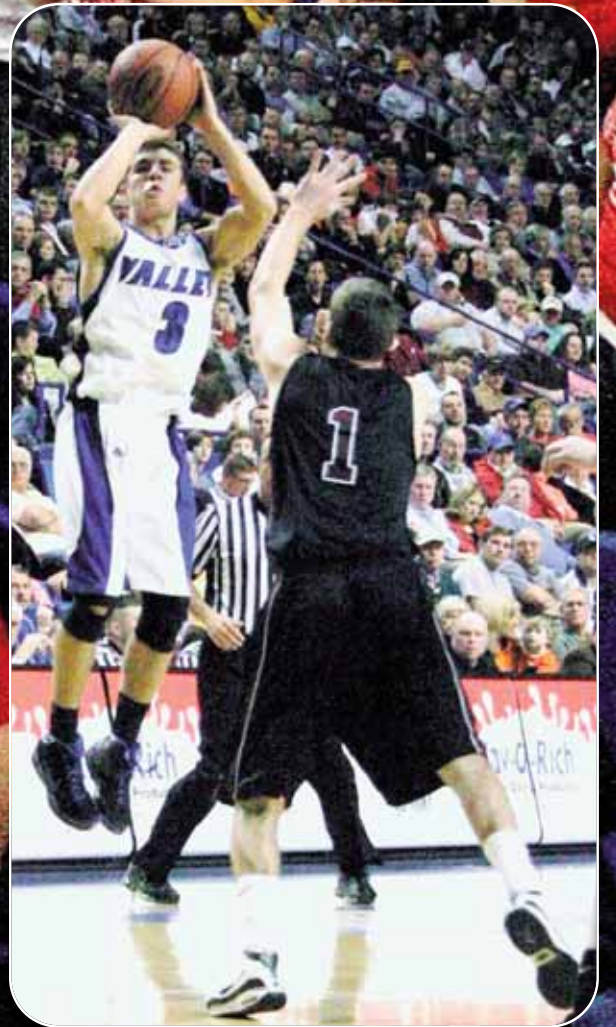
Champion Bulldogs



Corbin's Isaac Wilson against Eastern's Remy Abell



6-0 Freshman Jaylen Beckham is a name college coaches already know about.



l, during their epic championship game; Holmes' Ricardo Johnson was named the tournament MVP; Hazard's Josh Whitaker couldn't get his Bulldog squad past West Jessamine in a game featuring center Elisha Justice; and (bottom) West Jessamine's tribute to their schoolmate who recently passed away after contracting an infection (MRSA). *Pinnacle Sports View Photos*

Local baseball and softball schedules

- Mar 23 BCHS Baseball vs. Lynn Camp away 12 - 2 (W) (5 innings)
BCHS Softball vs. Harlan home 15 - 5 (W) (6 innings)
- Mar 24 MHS Baseball vs. Corbin away 1 - 5 (L)
BCHS Baseball vs. Clay County home 10 - 9 (W)
BCHS Softball vs. Thomas Walker away 6 - 0 (W)
- Mar 26 MHS Baseball vs. Lee, VA home 5:30 PM
PHS Baseball vs. Oneida Baptist Institute away 5:00 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. South Laurel home 5:30 PM
MHS Softball vs. Harlan away 5:30 PM
- Mar 27 MHS Baseball vs. Knox Central home 5:30 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. Corbin away 5:30 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Whitley County away 5:30 PM
- Mar 28 BCHS Baseball vs. Perry Central home 1:30 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. Hazard home 3:30 PM
- Mar 30 MHS Baseball vs. Ponte Vedra, FL away 7:00 PM
MHS Softball vs. Harlan County home 5:30 PM
BCHS Softball vs. McMinn County, TN away 4:00 PM
- Mar 31 MHS Baseball vs. St. Augustine, FL away 7:00 PM
MHS Softball vs. Lee High, VA away 5:30 PM
BCHS Softball vs. McMinn Central, TN away 4:00 PM
- Apr 1 MHS Baseball vs. St. Joseph, FL away 4:00 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Meigs County, TN away 2:00 PM
- Apr 3 MHS Baseball vs. Menendez, FL away 7:00 PM
- Apr 6 MHS Baseball vs. Pineville 5:30 PM 13th Region All "A"
BCHS Softball vs. Jackson County home 5:30 PM
PHS Softball vs. Barbourville home 5:00 PM
- Apr 7 PHS Baseball vs. Harlan 5:00 PM away
MHS Softball at Bell County 5:30 PM
PHS Softball vs. Williamsburg away 5:00 PM
- Apr 9 PHS Baseball vs. Leslie County away 5:00 PM
MHS Softball vs. Williamsburg away 5:30 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Clay County away 6:00 PM
PHS Softball vs. Harlan away 5:00 PM
- Apr 10 MHS Baseball vs. Cumberland Gap, TN away 5:00 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. Clay County away 5:30 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Estill County home 7:15 PM
- Apr 11 MHS Baseball vs. Lee, VA away 1:00 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. McCreary Central @ Rockcastle 2:30 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. Rockcastle County away 4:00 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Williamsburg home 12:30 PM
PHS Softball vs. Estill County @ Bell County 9:00 AM
- Apr 13 MHS Baseball vs. Harlan County home 5:00 PM
PHS Baseball vs. Oneida Baptist home 5:30 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. Harlan away 5:30 PM
MHS Softball vs. Lynn Camp home 5:00 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Lee High, VA away 5:30 PM
- PHS Softball vs. Knox Central away 5:00 PM
- Apr 14 MHS Baseball vs. Harlan County away 5:00 PM
PHS Baseball vs. Lynn Camp home 5:00 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. Harlan home 5:30 PM
MHS Softball vs. Williamsburg/OBI away 5:00 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Harlan County away 5:30 PM
- Apr 16 PHS Baseball vs. Barbourville home 5:00 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Barbourville away 5:30 PM
- Apr 17 MHS Baseball vs. Whitley County home 5:30 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. Campbell County, TN home 5:30 PM
- Apr 18 PHS Baseball vs. Thomas Walker away 11:00 AM
BCHS Baseball vs. Cumberland Gap, TN home 10:30 AM
BCHS Baseball vs. Claiborne, TN home 12:30 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Jenkins @ Somerset 12:30 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Rockcastle County @ Somerset 2:00 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Mercer County @ Somerset 5:30 PM
- Apr 20 MHS Baseball at Bell County 5:30 PM
PHS Baseball vs. Red Bird away 4:30 PM
MHS Softball vs. Harlan County away 5:30 PM
PHS Softball at Bell County 5:00 PM
- Apr 21 BCHS Baseball at Middlesboro 5:30 PM
PHS Baseball vs. Knox Central home 4:30 PM
MHS Softball vs. Harlan home 5:30 PM
BCHS Softball vs. Harlan County home 5:30 PM
- Apr 23 MHS Baseball vs. Cumberland Gap, TN home 5:30 PM
PHS Baseball vs. Jellico, TN away 5:00 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. North Laurel home 5:30 PM
BCHS Softball at Middlesboro 5:30 PM
PHS Softball vs. Knox Central home 5:00 PM
- Apr 24 MHS Baseball vs. Lynn Camp away 5:30 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. Williamsburg away 4:30 PM
MHS Softball in 1st Priority Classic
BCHS Softball vs. Rockcastle County home DH 5:30 PM
- Apr 25 MHS Baseball vs. Claiborne, TN home 1:00 PM
BCHS Baseball vs. South Laurel away 1:00 PM
MHS Softball vs. Whitley County away
- Apr 27 MHS Baseball vs. Harlan home 5:30 PM
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The Bell County football team recently received their state football championship rings in a ceremony at the high school. Here, the Bobcat seniors “flash a little bling” for the cameras. Senior members of the team not present were Chase Ely and Kyle Fuson.

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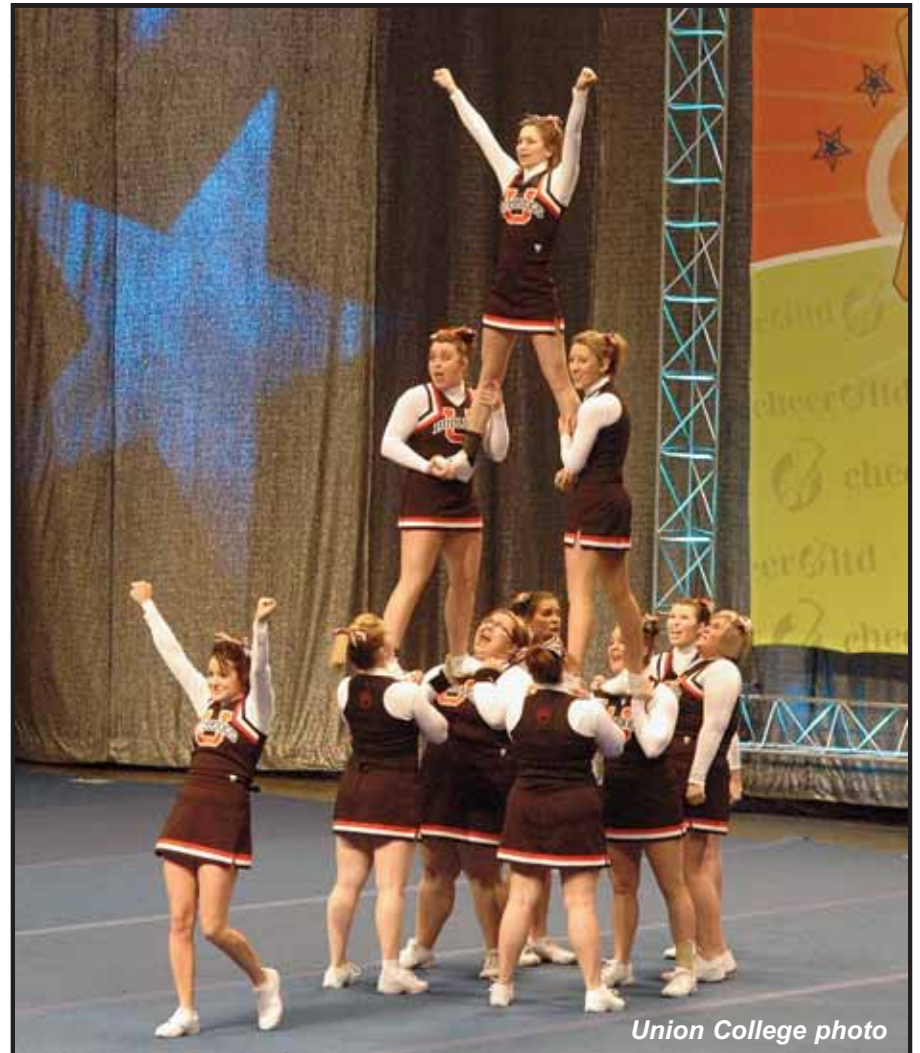
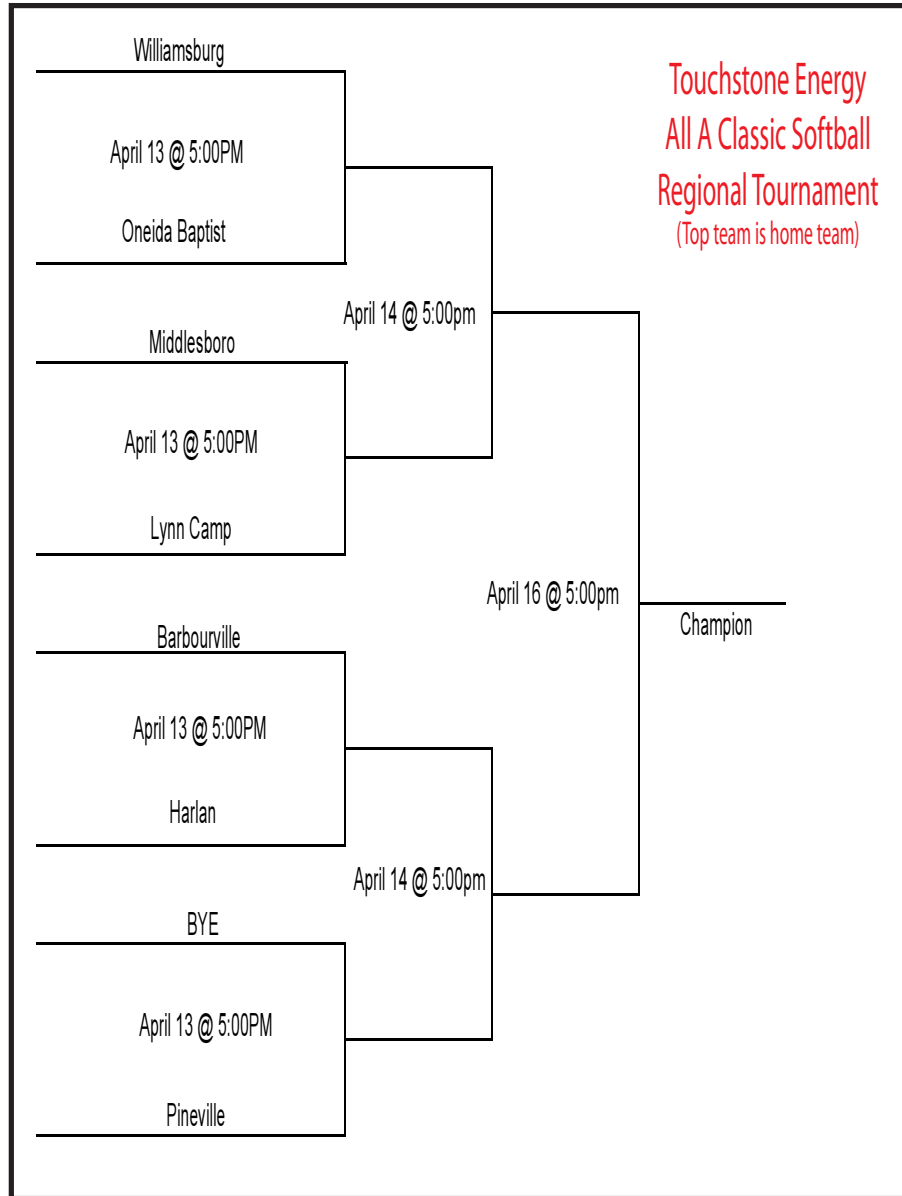
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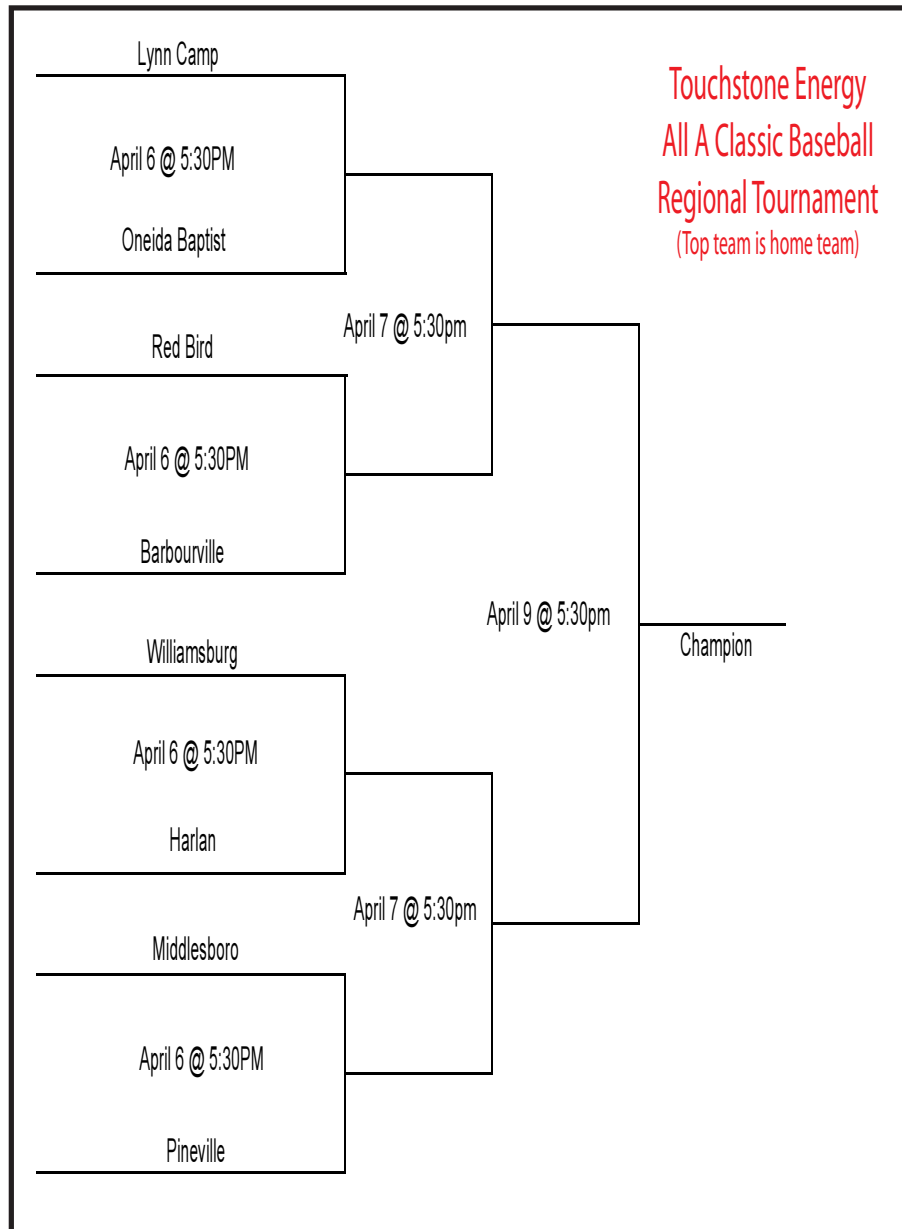
MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. - Union College earned two Cheer-Ltd. at the CANAM National Championships. The Lady Bulldogs captured the Small Collegiate and the All-Girls Collegiate Stunt division crowns at the event.

This marks the second year in a row Union won the All-Girls Stunt division. Rachel Fore (Corbin, Ky.), Kendall Frye (Pineville, Ky.), Brandi Hubbard (Barbourville, Ky.), Chelsea O'Connell (Centerline, Mich.) and Brooke Bowlin

(Albany, Ky.) made up the squad. Fore was also on last year's national championship team.

At last year's championship, Union was third-runner up in the Large co-ed division to go along with the stunt title.

Under the direction of second-year head coach Heather Wilson-Taylor, Union has competed in four events at Cheer-Ltd. at CANAM nationals with three national championships.



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The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA) will accept applications from April 1 through May 31, 2009 for participation in Tennessee's first-ever managed elk hunt.

The elk hunt will be held October 19-23 on the North Cumberland Wildlife Management Area (WMA), located off I-75, north of Knoxville. There will be five Elk Hunting Zones designated at the WMA.

Five individuals will be selected to participate in the hunt. Four of the participants will be selected through a computer drawing conducted by the TWRA. The fifth participant will be the recipient of a permit that is donated to a NGO (Non-Governmental Organization) with the fund-raising proceeds designated to the TWRA Elk Program.

There is no application fee for current Tennessee Annual Sportsman License holders, Lifetime Sportsman License holders, or senior citizen hunters

(Type 166) with an Annual Senior Citizen Permit (Type 167). All other applicants will be charged a \$10 non-refundable permit fee, a \$2 internet usage fee (if applying online) and \$0.50 drawing fee (the internet and drawing fees are charged by the internet provider). For those applying at a license agent, there is a \$1 agent fee in addition to the \$10 non-refundable permit fee.

Persons may apply at any TWRA license agent, TWRA regional office or online at www.tnelkhunt.org. Persons may begin applying at 8 a.m. (CDT) on April 1 and the deadline is midnight (CDT) on May 31. Mailed applications will not be accepted.

The successful applicants will be announced at the June (18) meeting of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Commission. Successful applicants will not be allowed to reapply for an elk quota permit for 10 years following a successful draw.

Kentucky vs. Miami in Paul Brown Stadium completes the 2009 UK football schedule

for Pinnacle Sports View

LEXINGTON, Ky. – The 2009 University of Kentucky football schedule has been completed as the Wildcats will take on Miami University on Sept. 5 in Cincinnati's Paul Brown Stadium.

The game will be a unique season opener, as the teams will play at a neutral site, the home of the National Football League's Cincinnati Bengals. The game will be convenient for the fan base of both teams, as Paul Brown Stadium is 82 miles from the UK campus and just 39 miles from the Miami campus in Oxford, Ohio.

"This will be a tough opener for us, as it will be the first game against a new (coaching) staff," said Rich Brooks, referring to first-year Miami coach Mike Haywood. "We don't have a lot of indication what they will do. We will have to be on top of our game as we'll be a little bit blindfolded going in."

"It's a great away game, to be able to play close enough to our campus that our fans can easily attend. Our team is excited to play in a terrific venue like Paul Brown Stadium."

Miami is the official home team for the game. The stadium capacity is 65,435 and Kentucky will receive 30,000 tickets.

Tickets are priced at \$35 for upper level, \$45 for lower level, and \$75 for club level. UK season-ticket holders may order tickets for the Miami game on their season-ticket renewal forms. (On-line renewals are already available at UKathletics.com; mailed renewal forms will be sent next week.) Non-season ticket holders may request tickets by contacting the UK Athletics Ticket Office at (859) 257-1818 or 800-928-CATS. Ticket orders will be filled during the summer after season-ticket renewals are complete.

This will be the first of a two-game

series with Miami. Kentucky will play host to the RedHawks in Commonwealth Stadium in either 2010 or 2013.

Despite the relative proximity of the schools, this will be only the 12th meeting between UK and Miami, and just the fourth matchup since the 1920 season. UK leads the series, 6-4-1. The teams last played in 1991, with Kentucky winning a squeaker, 23-20, at Commonwealth Stadium.

The addition of the season opener completes the Wildcats' 2009 slate. Game times will be announced later.

Sept. 5	vs. Miami (in Cincinnati)
Sept. 19	Louisville
Sept. 26	Florida
Oct. 3	Alabama
Oct. 10	at South Carolina
Oct. 17	at Auburn
Oct. 24	Louisiana-Monroe
Oct. 31	Mississippi State
Nov. 7	Eastern Kentucky
Nov. 14	at Vanderbilt
Nov. 21	at Georgia
Nov. 28	Tennessee

Kentucky is coming off a 7-6 season, capped by a 25-19 win over East Carolina in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl. It is the first time in school history that the Wildcats have won bowl games in three consecutive seasons.

Spring practice begins Wednesday, April 1. Seven offensive starters and five defensive starters return for the Wildcats. The Blue/White Spring Game is set for Sat. April 25 at 1:30 p.m. at Commonwealth Stadium.

Check next month's issue for our coverage of spring football practice from the University of Kentucky as well as from the University of Tennessee.

Outdoor Truths with Gary Miller

I'm only one week away from the opening of turkey season. It seems that it comes so early that I'm never ready. Alabama has been open for a week now, but other states will wait until the first or second week of April.

My goal this year is to hunt more with my bow than with my gun. I'm not sure how long I'll be able to resist the temptation when that gobbler locks up about fifty yards away. With my Winchester gun and my Federal shells that's distance is not a problem. With a bow however, that twenty pound turkey seems like a really small target.

I've killed a couple of turkeys with my bow, but more times than not they see me before I can ever get full-drawn. It seems that when three of them are looking down, four begin to look up. I'm always caught by the birds on the lookout.

One year a lone gobbler came in while I was deer hunting. I happened to see it as it cleared the crest of the hill, just about forty yards directly in front of me. I determined not to make any moves toward my bow until I decided it had considered the area safe from predator. After looking around, it started scratching and picking. I knew that it had let its defenses down.

My next move was to wait until it passed behind a tree. I would then get my bow ready. The next tree I would draw, and hopefully it would step into the clear just enough for me to touch the trigger on my

release before it knew what was happening. The gobbler caused me to make a slight adjustment, but otherwise, the plan worked to perfection.

There's only one reason I was able to arrow this nice bird.....it was alone. Had this turkey brought another one with it my odds would have decreased; a flock, my odds would have been near impossible.

There is a great lesson in this turkey tale. It is in the power of numbers. It is in the power togetherness. It is in the power of accountability.

I've noticed in my own Christian life, it is much easier to do the right thing when I am not alone. It is much easier to recognize the enemy when more than one set of eyes are looking out for him.

Many people are proud of their independence. Many will declare their self-sufficiency with arrogance that some consider healthy. The wise man, however, humbly recognizes his susceptibility when he is alone and prepares himself for these dangerous times. He also lingers as much as possible in the presence of those who fear the same predator. Together they make a strong bond and a formidable foe against the one who seeks to steal, kill, and destroy.

Gary Miller

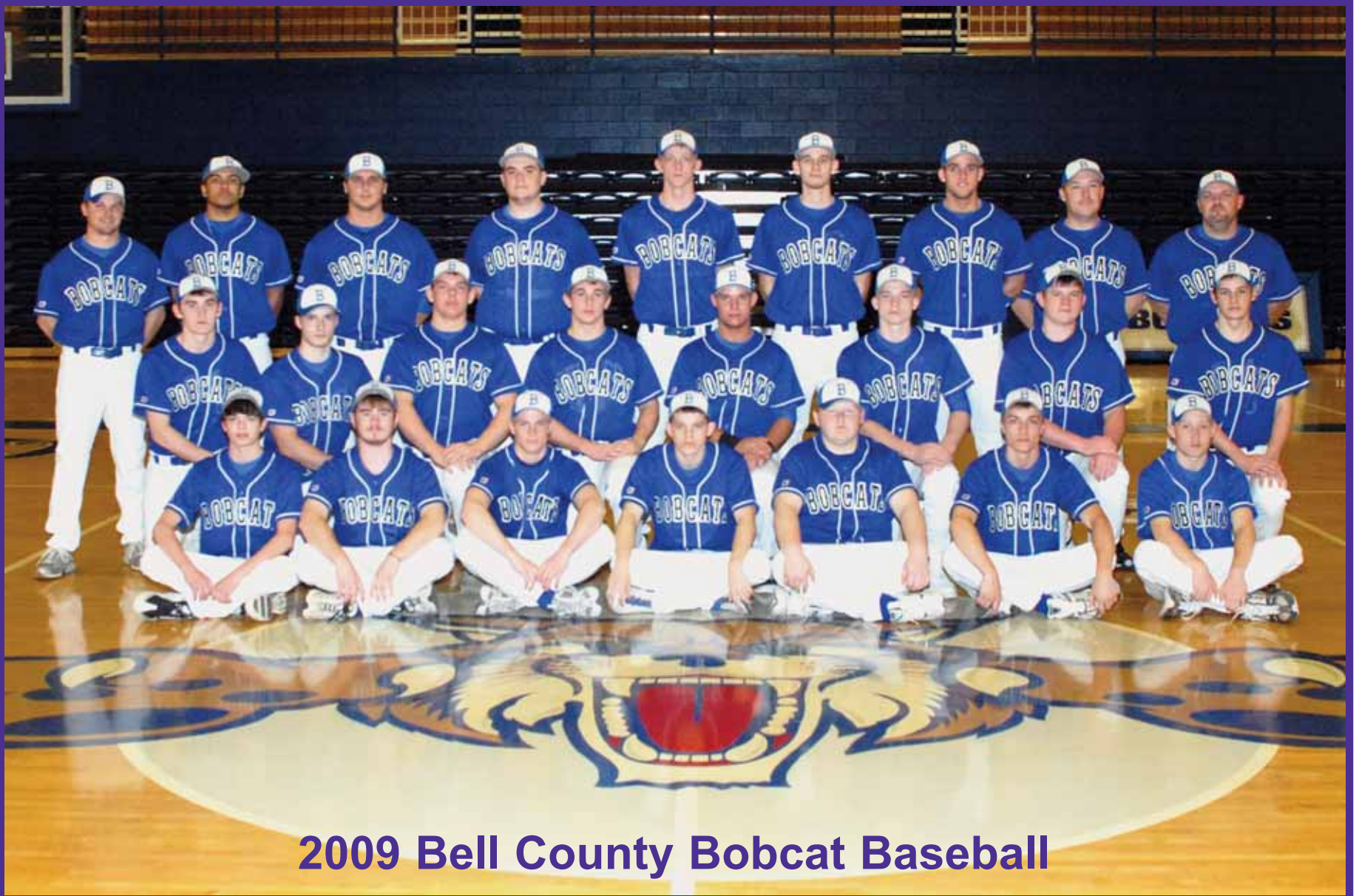
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