THACKER

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getting him rest, Connor will slide all the way to five and be our big man and then guard the other team's post player."

Thacker leads the Rams in scoring with 15.4 points a game, just ahead of Jonah Arnett, who tallies 14.3 ppg. The scoring duo is

complemented by the play of Welch, who has established himself this season as a constant threat underneath, along with guys like Jacob Waller, Tre Douglas, and Reece Hicks, who have found ways to score when their team has needed it.

"We've got a really good mixture of older and younger guys," Bryan said. "They've gelled really well and bought in to what the coaching staff has asked them to do. So, we're really just happy with how everything kind of came together here at the end of the season."

In addition to scoring, Thacker has become a menace on the boards, securing 218 rebounds for an average of 8.5 per game, the most per game of any player in the 16th Region.

Bryan said Thacker's evolution is a result of the maturation that Thacker has undergone throughout his time at Raceland.

"Connor's a very talented kid who's matured a ton over the last couple of years," Bryan said. "He's finally put it all together. I'm really proud of his maturity in the way he's been able to have the year he has. He leads us in rebounding He can play in any position, and he gives us a lot of options on both the offensive and defensive ends on how we play. He's very dynamic.

Thacker agrees. The senior said the way he sees the game has played a role in growing his

"I'd say my court vision has improved the most," Thacker said. "I've been more of a guard than a big this year. Coach Bryan has been a huge help on and off the court with everything, my attitude, stuff like that."

Thacker was a freshman during Bryan's first year as coach of the Rams. Thacker is grateful to have had Bryan there to build the program for this era of Raceland basketball.

"He's been so great for Raceland," Thacker

2024-25 DISTRICT TOURNAMENT SCHEDULES

64TH DISTRICT (at Ashland) GIRLS

> Monday **Semifinals**

Boyd County vs Fairview, 6:30 p.m Wednesday

Championship Boyd County-Fairview winner vs. Ashland, 7 p.m.

> **BOYS** Monday **Semifinals**

Boyd County vs. Fairview, 8 p.m. **Thursday**

Championship

Boyd County-Fairview winner vs. Ashland, 7 p.m.

63RD DISTRICT (at Raceland) Monday

Semifinals Russell vs. Greenup County, 6 p.m. Raceland vs. Lewis County, 7:45 p.m.

Thursday Championship

said. "When he first came in, we had Andrew Floyd, and everybody knew Andrew Floyd. But my sophomore year, we didn't really have a guy like that. So, coach Bryan did a great job working on players and turning them into good players like Christian Large, Jonah Arnett, Jake Waller (and) all of

With the regular season ending this week, the Rams know it's time to

Semifinal winners, 7 p.m. **BOYS**

> Tuesday Semifinals

Raceland vs. Greenup County, 6 p.m. Lewis County vs. Russell, 7:45 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 28 Championship

Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.

62ND DISTRICT (at Elliott County) GIRLS

> Monday Semifinals

Elliott County vs. East Carter, 6 p.m. West Carter vs. Morgan County, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday Championship Semifinal winners, 6:30 p.m.

BOYS

Tuesday Semifinals

Elliott County vs. West Carter, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday **Semifinals**

Morgan County vs. East Carter, 6:30 p.m.

3 Tyler Tanner

Team

Totals

24 JaQualon "JQ" Roberts

other team. That's been the catalyst for us to get those victories. We can score it pretty well, too. We just have to keep ex-

"In tournament time, when the pace slows down a little bit, it's who will guard, get stops, and execute offensively," Bryan added.

ecuting on the offensive

end and keep getting

better.

Thacker said the key to getting past the first round and potentially

Friday, Feb. 28 Championship

Semifinal winners, 6:30 p.m.

61ST DISTRICT (at Bath County) GIRLS

> Monday **Semifinals**

Rowan County vs. Bath County, 6 p.m.

Tuesday **Semifinals**

Menifee County vs. Fleming County, 6 p.m. **Thursday**

Championship

Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.

BOYS

Monday

Semifinals

Rowan County vs. Bath County, 8 p.m. Tuesday

Semifinals Fleming County vs. Menifee County, 8 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 28

Championship

Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.

winning the Rams' first district title since 2018 is to play together.

'We have to play as a team," Thacker said. "And we have to do the small things right. We have to believe it. Hope goes a long way in the postseason. You always want to have hope and go into every game thinking you can win. That's what we're telling our guys."

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MONEY

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season, the Dodgers had a \$353 million luxury tax payroll and had to pay a \$103 million tax. The Athletics had the lowest luxury tax payroll at just under \$84 million.

Los Angeles' spending didn't slow this offseason. The Dodgers signed two-time Cy Young Award winner Blake Snell to a \$182 million, five-year deal during the offseason and also made sizable investments in players like Teoscar Hernández, Michael Conforto, Tanner Scott, Kirby Yates and Roki

Sasaki. That came one year after the organization splurged on more than \$1 billion in commitments to Japanese stars Shohei Ohtani and Yoshinobu

Yamamoto. LA's spending has dwarfed all but a few franchises. Opposing players might be envious of those fat paychecks, but it's hard to find them complaining.

Even Manfred — who said he's received emails from fans worried about competitive balance can't fault the Dodgers' approach.

"The Dodgers have gone out and done everything possible, always within the rules that best possible team on the field and that's a great thing for the game," Manfred said on Tuesday. "That type of competitive spirit is what people

Walker Buehler threw season, recording the final out for the Dodgers in their World Series-clinching Game 5 victory. He signed a \$21.05 million. one-year with the Boston Red Sox during the winter, but the right-hander isn't about to talk smack about his former employ-

currently exist, to put the

want to see."

the final pitch of the 2024

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOYD CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 23-CI-00345

UMB BANK N.A. AS CUSTODIAN FOR CLEARLEAF SHORT ALTERNATIVE FUND, LP,

PLAINTIFF,

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JERMAINE F. JACKSON, KAREN E. JACKSON,

COUNTY OF BOYD, KENTUCKY,

UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS OF 3024 CARTER AVENUE, ASHLAND, CITY OF ASHLAND, KENTUCKY,

DEFENDANTS.

Pursuant to Order to Judgment and Order of Sale entered on January 24, 2025, I shall sell the property described herein below at public auction in the lobby inside the front door of the old Boyd County Courthouse, Catlettsburg, Kentucky, on Friday, February 28, 2025, at 11:20 a.m., to highest bidder on the following terms: Full purchase price will be due at time of sale, payable by

personal, business or official check. We do not accept cash. **IF** the Master Commissioner has pre-approved the surety and collateral for a bidder's bond, a down payment of tenpercent (10%) of the purchase price will be due at time of sale, and the unpaid balance with interest at the rate of 12.00%, per annum will be due within thirty (30) days from the date of sale.

Address of Property: 3024 Carter Avenue, Ashland (For Legal Description, see LSOT: Deed Book 798, Page 405, Boyd County Clerk's Office)

Map/Parcel ID Number: 038-08-15-004.00

NOTE - Only delinquent ad valorem taxes shall be paid from the sale proceeds. The Purchaser shall be responsible for payment of the taxes for the current year and thereafter.

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Boyd County Clerk's Office)

CATS

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self." While the vet-

erans provided a bulk of the scoring, newcomers Collin Chandler, Travis Perry and Trent Noah also contributed, with Chandler scoring a career-high seven points off the

bench. "I thought Collin just gave us a massive boost tonight energy-wise," Pope said. ".... he is going to help us in a huge way as we move down the

stretch." Perry knocked down a pair of 3-pointers and tallied six, while Noah provided a defensive presence while guarding Vanderbilt's top scorer Jason Edwards.

back performance following a disappointing 82-78 loss at Texas last Saturday gave the Wildcats momentum going into Saturday's contest at No. 4 Alabama.

The bounce-

be in postseason mode.

They meet Greenup

on their home court

Tuesday at 6.

sively.

County in the district

tournament semifinals

For Raceland to make

a run in the postseason,

has to stay strong defen-

"It all starts on the

defensive end where we

said. "Some of our big

wins, if you look at the

numbers, we've held the

guard really well," Bryan

Bryan knows his team

"I'm happy for our guys that they get this little injection of energy — right positive energy," Pope said. "It's like, OK, we've got a brand new team and in Game 1. we played well, but we didn't finish the way we wanted (at Texas). They've got a big challenge of all challenges going to Alabama and and seeing if we can deal with that insanity

down there.' Gametracker: Kentucky at Alabama, 6 p.m. Saturday. TV/ Radio: ESPN, UK Radio Network.

KENTUCKY-VANDERBILT BOX SCORE

Official Basketball Box Score - Final

Vanderbilt at Kentucky 02/19/25 Rupp Arena, Lexington Officials: Pat Adams, Jeb Hartness, Lee Casse Vanderbilt - 61
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BOYD CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 23-CI-00426

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ADVERTISEMENT **MELINDA CARTMILL LANGHAM;**

UNKNOWN SPOUSE, IF ANY, OF MELINDA **CARTMILL LANGHAM**; NATASHA L. GUSSLER KINNAN AS PUBLIC

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ESTATE OF JASON ANDREW LANGHAM; COUNTY OF BOYD, KENTUCKY,

Pursuant to Order to Judgment and Order of Sale entered on January 17, 2025, I shall sell the property described herein below at public auction in the lobby inside the front door of the old Boyd County Courthouse, Catlettsburg, Kentucky, on Friday, February 28, 2025, at 11:10 a.m., to highest bidder on the following terms:

the Master Commissioner has pre-approved the surety and collateral for a bidder's bond, a down payment of tenpercent (10%) of the purchase price will be due at time of sale, and the unpaid balance with interest at the rate of 4.250% per annum will be due within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Address of Property: 6612 Tarpin Ridge, Catlettsburg

Map/Parcel ID Number: 033-03-00-065.00

the sale proceeds. The Purchaser shall be responsible for payment of the taxes for the current year and thereafter.

> Kanneth Williams Sa. KENNETH WILLIAMS JR. BOYD CIRCUIT COURT

DEFENDANTS.

PLAINTIFF,

Full purchase price will be due at time of sale, payable by

personal, business or official check. We do not accept cash. IF (For Legal Description, see LSOT: Deed Book 794, Page 588,

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TODAY

AUTO RACING

3 p.m. — NASCAR CRAFTSMAN Truck Series: Qualifying, Atlanta Motor Speedway, Hampton, Ga.....FS1

COLLEGE BASEBALL

4 p.m. — 2025 Andre Dawson Classic: Alabama St. vs. Grambling St., Vero Beach, Fla.....MLBN 8 p.m. — 2025 Andre Dawson Classic: Missouri vs. Florida A&M, Vero Beach, Fla.....MLBN

| | MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL | |
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| | 6 p.m. — Bowling Green at Toledo | CBSSN |
| | 7 p.m. — Dayton at Loyola of Chicago | ESPN2 |
| | 7 p.m. — Manhattan at Iona | |
| 1 | 7 p.m. — Marquette at Villanova | FS1 |
| | 8 p.m. — Kent St. at Miami (Ohio) | |

| 9 p.m. — Milwaukee at Youngstown St | ESPNU |
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| WOMEN'S COLLEGE GYMNASTICS | |
| 7 p.m. — LSU at Kentucky | SECN |
| 8:30 p.m. — Auburn at Alabama | SECN |
| 0 n m — Florida at Oklahoma | ECDNO |

8 p.m. — Michigan St. at MichiganFOX

6 p.m. — Penn St. at Michigan St.....BTN

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| 8:30 p.n | n. — Auburn at Alabama | SECN |
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8:30 p.m. — Notre Dame at Wisconsin.....BTN **COLLEGE WRESTLING** 7 p.m. — NC State at Virginia Tech......ACCN

4 p.m. — PGA Tour: The Mexico Championship, Second

Round, VidantaWorld, Puerto Vallarta, Jalisco, Mexico GOLF **HORSE RACING**

4:30 p.m. — NYRA: America's Day at the RacesFS1 1 p.m. — Spring Training: Tampa Bay vs. N.Y. Yankees,

Tampa, Fla.MLBN

7:10 p.m. — New York at Cleveland...... ESPN

9:35 p.m. — Minnesota at Houston ESPN

9:05 a.m. — Saudi Pro League: Al-Ahli at Damac FS2