

There is a book to read and a movie to see

This weekly column is intended to be all about family, the most important institution in our society. If you would like to take a closer look at family, then I have a book and a movie to recommend to you.

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Let us begin will be penning in themes in April. It is about the Spount family if you think your family is dysfunctional, wait until you see thit now.

When the partiach of the family your begin in the seed of the family and the best in families, and this is definitely true of the Slocums. Lealousy, marital problems, sick-religion and addiction are all, evident as the family members struggle to dope with their loss and the property have the property bear your fumy home tick-led in a major kind of way.

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Somerset.

His parents currently reside in Sci-nice Hill. (in Pulaski County).

Bottrell is in Los Angeles pursuing a zireër in acting and writing. The play has been produced off-Broadway in New York.

The movie has an all-black cast, headed by Whoopie Goldberg and LL Cool J. Whether the family is black. Asian, Hispanic or white, I can assure you that the problems are the same. I am eagerly anticipating this movie.

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There is also a book freommend to you. It is Clay's Quill by Silas House. House is a rural carrier for the United States Postal Service and lives in Lily. Kentucky (population, 800). This is his first published, novel. He has drawn on his knowledge of the people and customs of Eastern and Southeastern Kentucky to create a story that I could not stop-reading until I had finished's all. It is definitely a first novel. By that I mean that the story of the population of the property of the could be story that I could not stop-reading until I had finished's all. It is definited, a first novel. By that I mean that the story of the property of the property

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Clay's Quilt is the story of Clay
Sizemore and has family and friends.
Clay's mother died when he was
four, and he was raised by relative,
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the mean coulderstand his, mother, whose he
knew only briefly. His great-uncle
tho makes quits helps Clay's to piece
together the story of his own life.
Clay moses the miles away from
his family when he turns eighteen
but he never really leaves them.
Family is too important to him to forsake.

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Legislative Update

by State Rep. Danny Ford Innovative measures take center stage as legislators take other issues home with them at the end of 2001 Pamilar Session.

home with them at the case we with them at the case as Regular Session came as the Senate President and House Speaker brought their gavel code in their respective chambers. That gavel concluded 29 legislative days worth of alcussion and cheate on 579 bills and 320 resolutions. In that time we took up several familiar issues, and many anfamiliar ones. When we adjourned for the 10-day veto period on March 9 we had

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welfare of people is still our pri-mary concern.
That's why Thursday we enacted 5B S, a Constitutional Amendment that would create Family Courts to specifically address the needs of our families. The Kentucky Supreme Court will care these courts out from divisions of the state's Creati Courts. This innovative dea would help give out pastick, system better, levery and help ensure his the welfare of Kenv.

The Senate Committee Substitute-promotes the 6 district judges that currently serve as Family Courts' Judges to circuit court judges. The bill passed on a vote 078-0. Becisuse it is a Constitutional Amendment it now goes to voters for approval in November 2002. We saw another innovative ap-proach turn to Jaw when HB 186 passed both the House and Senate and received the governor's signa-

ture. The measure creates a special fund to promote the state's agricultural products throughout the nation and world. Through the "Agriculture Promotione Fund" we can do a better job of finding a market was the promotion Fund. We can do a better job of finding a market was the promotion Fund. We can do a better job of finding a market was the promotion fund to the product of the past decade with the promotion of the product of the produ

would provide tuition waivers for foster or adopted children who are full-time students at state postsecondary institutions.

As I'msure you know some special interest groups have already cried out about what we have, or specifically what we have not, passed this year.

Some, 'like' black's lung, telemarketing and solid waste man-

x increases. We did not enact leg-lation without considering the con-quiences it would have on all of our fizens. We did not enact expensive olicy then send the unfunded man-ate to our local governments to foot

it was obvious that they would once again let politics keep the interin committees from meeting. As a re sult, we were only able to approve an April meeting of subcommittee from the Interim Committee on Edu

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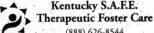
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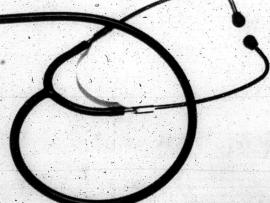
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