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MEETING THEIR GOAL ...
United Way of Murray and Calloway County executive director Peg Billington and United Way campaign chairman Jay Morgan addressed a crowd of near 100 this morning to announce the agency had met its goal for its 2002-03 campaign. Several individuals and businesses were honored by the United Way at this morning's celebration breakfast at the Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens Center at St. Leo.



United Way meets \$305,000 goal

By BRANDI WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

The United Way of Murray-Calloway County called its fundraising campaign to a close Friday morning at the 2003 Celebration Breakfast at the Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens Center at St. Leo Catholic Church Parish Center.

Campaign Chair Jay Morgan announced that the group hit its goal mark of \$305,000 this morning. United Way President Tab Brockman said reaching this goal wasn't easy.

"You never want to take anything

for granted," Brockman said. "It's been a tough year throughout our country and throughout our world."

United Way director Peg Billington said she knew the reason the organization was successful was due to the volunteers, supporters and all of United Way's 17 agencies.

"You are only as good as the people who surround you," she said. "It has been a challenge, but it's been a wonderful challenge."

The group also honored several volunteers and organizations for support throughout the year.

"We just have so many people to thank," Billington said.

BB&T and Heritage Bank received plaques for 100 percent participation at each establishment, while Pella and the Kappa Department of the Murray Woman's Club were recognized for first time participation.

BB&T was honored again for exceeding its set goal, with a check of \$15,000. Goody's also received a plaque for doubling their donation amount this year, and Calloway County employees, who were coordinated by Rita Burton, were recognized for exceeding their goal.

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City council addresses club's alcohol plan

Ordinance only applies to Murray Country Club, not restaurants

By EDWARD SHERIDAN
Staff Writer

The Murray City Council has given the city attorney permission to draft an ordinance that will allow the Murray Country Club to sell alcohol on Sundays.

The council voted 8-3 Thursday evening to draw up the ordinance with council members Danny Hudspeth, Jane Brandon and Bill Adams casting the dissenting votes. Recommendation that the ordinance be passed came from the council's public safety committee, which is chaired by Hudspeth.

"I think everyone just voted their own personal conscience on it," he said.

Voters in Murray Precinct No. 6 voted 45-28 on Dec. 4, 2001, to allow the country club, which goes

by the corporate name of Murray Golf Course Inc., to serve alcohol by the drink. That vote made the country club the first in Calloway County to take advantage of a law passed by the 2001 General Assembly allowing for the limited sale of alcoholic beverages at United States Golf Association-approved 9- or 18-hole golf courses.

State law prohibits the sale of alcohol on Sundays unless the local legislative body allows it. Since the country club was annexed into the city limits in 2001, it was the city council's decision as to whether or not to allow the Sunday sales.

According to Murray Country Club President John Fuqua, the good track record of alcohol sales at the club so far seem to indicate that allowing sales on Sunday should hardly even be noticeable.

"We have had a liquor license now for 10 months, and we've not had any instance where we've needed the assistance of law enforcement that I can think of," Fuqua said. "We're trying to run this country club correctly."

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VEIL-ED THREAT ... Calloway County Middle School student Maryann Hiter waves a scarf as part of a dress rehearsal Thursday morning for an interpretive dance presentation called "The Resilience of Man" she and 27 other students were to present today. The students, all eighth graders, performed under the guidance of Murray's Karen Balzer, artistic director for the Jackson Purchase Dance Company.

JOHN WRIGHT/Ledger & Times photo

Stumbo stumps here for AG run

By EDWARD SHERIDAN
Staff Writer

What started out as an attempt to help out his fellow Democrats on the campaign trail has turned into a full-fledged campaign for state Rep. Greg Stumbo.

Stumbo was in Murray Thursday to talk about his campaign for Kentucky Attorney General. The Prestonsburg Democrat is one of three Democratic and three Republican candidates seeking the office currently held by Ben Chandler.

Chandler is making a Democratic bid for the governorship and not seeking re-election for the AG office.

"It's been a while since I've been down here," Stumbo said yesterday. "It's amazing how much the (Murray State University) campus has grown, and the city seems to be growing and moving forward."

Stumbo, who is currently the state House majority leader, said his current campaign was born out of a decision to spend this past fall trav-

eling across the state campaigning for his fellow Democrats. In his travels, he had a chance to ask the people of the state what their concerns were.

"We started asking people questions," he said. "From Pikeville to Paducah, people talked about drugs. I kept talking to my friends, who are prosecutors across the state, and they were saying the same things."

As a trial lawyer himself, Stumbo said he began to ponder what could be done at the state level to help the state's prosecutors and commonwealth attorneys in their efforts to curb crime in their respective areas. That was when he began to consider a bid for the attorney general's office.

"I thought to myself, 'Maybe what we need is to actually find an attorney general who would go into the courtrooms, into the counties, and help the county attorneys and commonwealth attorneys and be part of the prosecutorial system he's supposed to head up,'" Stumbo said.

Now that he is an official attor-

ney general candidate, he can confidently say that one of his main goals, if elected, is to establish regional AG offices in eastern and western Kentucky. Those offices, he said, would hopefully bridge the gap sometimes felt between state and local communities.

"I want to have some touch with these local prosecutors," he said. "I want to have prosecutors down here who have some feel for the local communities and local court systems."

In fact, Stumbo said he is so committed to establishing local connections that he and his wife would actually purchase a residence in the Purchase or lakes area.

"I don't want to just come here every four years and ask people for their votes and not be here again," he said. "We're going to make a true commitment to this region."

As far as his qualifications are concerned, Stumbo said he believes his time spent in courtrooms over the years gives him an advantage that some past attorney generals in



Rep. Greg Stumbo
D-Prestonsburg

the state may not have had.

"I'm not saying this being critical, but of all the attorney generals I've seen, none of them have had courtroom or trial experience," he said. "One of the biggest jobs that the attorney general has, obviously, is to represent the people of this state, and I think it's hard to do that if you don't understand the inner workings of the court system."

Throughout his tenure in the

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Schools discussing snow day schedules

By BRANDI WILLIAMS
Staff Writer

As the snow melts, students and teachers might be wondering how the winter weather has shortened their summer breaks.

There are six snow days both school districts have to make up, thanks to two separate weather systems that dumped snow and ice on the area. And although none of the administrations want to cut the students' vacations short, there might be some tough decisions that have to be made.

Calloway County School District was originally slated to end the school year on May 22, but now will be calling an end to the year on May 29, adding May 23, May 27-20. They will also be attending school on Feb. 17 and March 21, two days that were already set aside in the calendar for snow.

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Superintendent Larry Salmon said the district was going to stick with the days already slated on the school calendar.

"Hopefully we won't miss any more," he said.

Murray Independent School District, on the other hand, has yet to decide how they plan to handle their snow days. The school has already slated Feb. 17 as a make-up day which they will be using, but Superintendent Dale Reid said there were two options he wanted to take to the school board on Feb. 15 before any further decisions were made.

"Our community is interested in whether we use Memorial Day (as one of its snow days)," Reid said.

He said students, faculty and staff could attend March 26-28 during intersession and then also use

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Dust cloud triggered N.C. factory explosion

KINSTON, N.C. (AP) — Investigators developed a theory on what caused a medical supply plant to explode even before they could douse a lingering rubber fire and go inside the twisted ruins of the building.

Dust generated in the course of making rubber could have formed a combustible cloud that erupted at the West Pharmaceutical Services Inc. plant, the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board said Thursday.

The blast shot flames and debris high into the air and shook buildings miles away Wednesday afternoon. Of about 130 people inside the plant, three were killed and 15 remained hospitalized.

The factory, opened in 1975, employed 255 people making syringe plungers, intravenous equipment and rubber for medical equipment. The process of making the rubber, known as polyisoprene, produces "significant quantities of dust," the board said in a news release.

Judge calls shoe bomber a terrorist, sentences Richard C. Reid to life

BOSTON (AP) — A defiant Richard C. Reid asserted his attempt to blow up a trans-Atlantic jetliner with explosives hidden in his shoes was the act of a soldier in a war against those who attack Islam.

But U.S. District Judge William Young branded Reid as a terrorist, sentencing the 29-year-old British citizen to life in prison for the Dec. 22, 2001, bombing attempt aboard a Paris-to-Miami American Airlines flight.

"You are not an enemy combatant — you are a terrorist. You are not a soldier in any war — you are a terrorist. ... To give you that reference, to call you a soldier gives you far too much stature," Young said at Thursday's sentencing hearing.

"You are a terrorist, and we do not negotiate with terrorists. ... We hunt them down one by one and bring them to justice."

Reid boldly denounced U.S. for-

eign policy before the sentencing.

"Your government has sponsored the rape and torture of Muslims in the prisons of Egypt and Turkey and Syria and Jordan with their money and with their weapons," said Reid, who converted to Islam eight years ago.

"Your government has killed two million children in Iraq. OK? If you want to think about something, 20 against two million, I don't see no comparison."

Young would have none of it. "We are not afraid of any of your terrorist coconspirators, Mr. Reid," said the judge. "We are Americans. We have been through the fire before."

Young then pointed to the American flag behind him and said: "See that flag, Mr. Reid? That's the flag of the United States of America. That flag will fly there long after this is all forgotten."

When Young instructed a court officer to take Reid into custody, Reid leaned forward and pointed at the judge, raising his voice. "That flag will be brought down on the day of judgment and you will see in front of your Lord and my Lord and then we will know," Reid said.

pollute our streams and rivers."

Stumbo has also picked up a very recognizable face in his local campaign efforts — former state representative and former Murray mayor Freed Curd. Curd and Stumbo both went into the House in 1980, and the two worked on several projects together over the years.

"Every project that I ever had, Greg was supportive of it," Curd said. "He stuck with me, and that's why I'm trying to support him. I feel like I owe him."

The rest of the field for Kentucky attorney general include

Democratic candidates Chris Gorman, a former attorney general and 1998 Congressional nominee, and Ed Hatchett, the current state auditor and former state banking commissioner, and Republican candidates Tim Feeley, an attorney and current state representative; Philip Kimball, an attorney and 2000 state Senate nominee and 2002 state representative nominee, and Jack Wood, a former district judge and current attorney who was a 2000 Jefferson County Metro Council candidate.

United Way ...

From Front

Briggs and Stratton was awarded a plaque for giving the biggest donation, approximately \$52,000, and Kenlake Foods was also presented a plaque for outstanding effort. Billington said Kenlake Foods gives more per employee than any other factory.

Several other businesses were recognized for outstanding effort, including: Murray State, S'portable Scoreboards, Rudolph's, Ryan Milk, Calloway County Schools, Murray City Schools, Union Planters Bank, US Bank, The Murray Bank, Wal-Mart, the City of Murray coordinated by Tom Clendenen. Also, Bill Staudacher was also honored for outstanding effort individually.

Service clubs Rotary Club and the Kappa Department of the Murray Woman's Club were also awarded plaques for support, and the Hazel's Woman's Club was noted for contributing service organization.

"We wish we could give everyone a plaque," Billington said.

Several groups were noted for outstanding support, including: Murray Electric, Charter Communications, WFGE-Froggy 103, the Murray Ledger and Times and WQTV. Murray-Calloway County Hospital was acknowledged for donation of office space, as well as Office Depot for product donation through gifts in kind.

Three volunteers were honored for special projects: Nancy Mieure for the Antique Show, Della Miller for the Golf Tournament and Howard Boone for the Fun Run. Peggy Williams of WATCH was recognized for outgoing agency representative.

Morgan was given a clock with the United Way symbol for his work as campaign chair. Brockman gave special thanks to publisher Alice Rouse and the Murray Ledger and Times for continuous support, as well as a special thanks to Stevie Norsworthy.

"He's been such a wonderful ambassador for the United Way," Brockman said of Norsworthy.

Howard Boone, Greg Delancey, Tom Denton, Dawn Dill, Jeanne Fleming, Kent Johnson, Don

United Way of Murray-Calloway County 2003 Celebration Breakfast Honors

100% Participation: BB&T, Heritage Bank
1st Time Participation: Pella Kappa Department of the Murray Woman's Club
Exceeding Goal: BB&T Goody's
Calloway County Employees — Rita Burton, Campaign Coordinator
Highest Donation: Briggs & Stratton
Outstanding Effort: Kenlake Foods
MSU
S'portable Scoreboards
Rudolph's
Ryan Milk
Calloway County Schools
Murray City Schools
Union Planters Bank
US Bank
Murray Bank
Wal-Mart
City of Murray — Tom Clendenen,
Campaign Coordinator
Individuals: Bill Staudacher,
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Rotary Club
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Nancy Mieure — Antique Show
Della Miller — Golf Tournament
Howard Boone — Fun Run
Outgoing Agency Rep.: Peggy Williams

Robertson, Bill Wells and John Williams were noted for being board members rotating off the board. New board members Martha Crafton, Sally Davenport, Carmen Garland, Nancy Mieure, Peggy Munke, Jeanni Smith, Kim Spivey, Mike Stringer and Mike Young were also announced.

Finally, Brockman announced that the next campaign chair would be Mark Kennedy.

Club's ...

From Front

Once the ordinance is drawn up, it will have to pass an introductory and second reading before it becomes official. If it is passed, it will not affect restrictions on Sunday alcohol sales in place on Murray's restaurants.

The council did not specify a time limit of when alcohol can be sold on Sunday, meaning the country club will be able to operate under the state's time guidelines of 6 a.m.-midnight unless a time specification is added to the ordinance.

In other business, the council approved several changes to its business license ordinance, including the creation of categories for restaurants with high seating capacities.

Snow ...

From Front

May 30 as the last day for students, and May 31 as the last day for teachers. The other option would be to have school in session on March 27 and 28, use Memorial Day as a school day and let the last day of school be May 30.

"There's a couple of different things we are looking at," Reid said.

Reid did emphasize that whichever option the district chooses, Feb. 17 will be a regular school day.

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ities. Under the current ordinance, restaurants with seating between 1-24 were charged \$63 for a license, while those seating between 25-100 paid \$143.

City Clerk Sarah Duncan said that left those restaurants that seat over 100 paying the same thing as one that seated only 25.

The changes to the ordinance break down the seating capacities and expand the fees for restaurants that seat over 100.

Restaurants that seat between 1-24 will now pay \$100 for a license; 25-49 will pay \$125; 50-99 will pay \$140; 100-124 will pay \$150; 125-149 will pay \$160; 150-199 will pay \$170; 200-249 will pay \$175; 250-299 will pay \$180; and over 300 will pay \$200.

The changes in the fees are projected to increase revenue from business licenses sold to restaurants by \$379. Eleven restaurants in Murray currently are allowed to sell alcohol by the drink.

The council also:

- Approved the purchase of five new in-car video cameras for the Murray Police Department. The total cost of the cameras will be \$20,715. The cameras will be purchased using fees collected from alcohol sales at city restaurants.

- Voted to annex a 3.227-acre tract of land located off Bailey Road and owned by Greg Williams into the city limits. The annexation also requires the city to annex a .2505-acre portion of Bailey Road itself into the city limits.

- Approved a \$1.4 million bid from Morsey Inc. to construct 16,000-foot inceptor pipe from Bee Creek to Bailey Road. The project will likely begin in the summer and will take approximately 9 months to complete.

- Approved the mayor's recommendations that Paul McNeary be reappointed to the cable commission for a term to expire Jan. 1, 2006, and that Don Leet, Joe Dick, Ruby Hale and Rowena Emerson be reappointed to the senior citizens board for terms to expire Jan. 1, 2004.

- Recognized Murray Police Department officer Scott Svebakken for making over 70 DUI stops last year.



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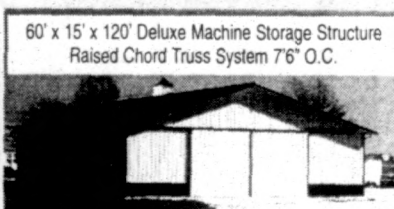
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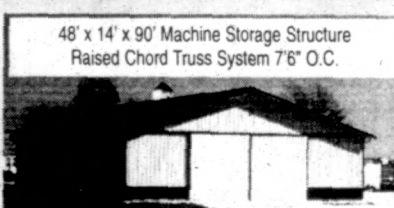
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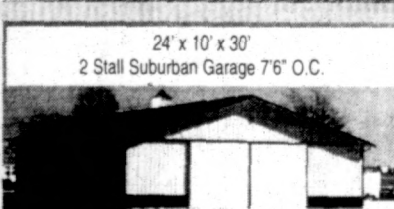
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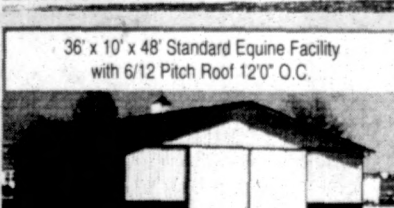
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Deaths

Mrs. Mazie Belle Gordon

Mrs. Mazie Belle Gordon, 87, Pogue Avenue, Murray, died Thursday, Jan. 30, 2003, at 4:10 p.m. at West View Nursing Home, Murray.

Preceding her in death were one sister, Anna Marie Kelly, and two brothers, Horace Wilson and Paul Wilson. Born April 23, 1915, in Nashville, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late Aninias Wilson and Willia Dean Darden Wilson.

Mrs. Gordon was a member of St. John Missionary Baptist Church. Survivors include one son, James Stubblefield, Murray; two grandchildren.

Imes-Miller Funeral Home of Murray is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Thelma Rowland Stockton

Mrs. Thelma Rowland Stockton, 101, Hickory Wood Retirement Center, Murray, died Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003, at 6:30 p.m. at Superior Care Home, Paducah.

Her husband, John Erbie Stockton, two sisters and one brother all preceded her in death. She was the daughter of the late Simon Rowland and Hettie Mae Webb Rowland.

Mrs. Stockton was a member of First Baptist Church, Murray.

Survivors include one son, George L. Stockton and wife, Linda, Murray; one brother, Lyscol Rowland, Bardwell; one grandson, Mark Stockton, Lexington; one granddaughter, Mrs. Kathryn Dozier, and one great-granddaughter, Ashlyn Dozier, both of St. Louis, Mo.

The funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Milner & Orr Funeral Home, Bardwell. Dr. Wendell W. Ray, pastor of First Baptist Church, Murray, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Old Bardwell Cemetery.

Visitation will be at the funeral home after 11 a.m. Saturday.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to First Baptist Church Building Fund, 203 South 4th St., Murray, KY 42071; or First Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 147, Bardwell, KY 42023; or Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children, 10200 Linn Station Rd., Triad East Suite 200, Louisville, KY 40223.

Mrs. Ruth Tinsley McClure

Mrs. Ruth Tinsley McClure, 85, Memphis, Tenn., died Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003, at Kirby Pines Manor, Memphis.

Her husband, Gilmer K. McClure, one sister, Evelyn Caldwell, and one brother, Marshall Tinsley, all preceded her in death. Born July 14, 1917, in Gasden, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late John Tinsley and Arian Boals Tinsley.

Mrs. McClure was retired from U.S. Customs.

Local survivors include one niece, Mrs. Sandra Henry and husband, Jerry, and one nephew, Don McClure and wife, Marsha.

Graveside services are today (Friday) at 11 a.m. at the Memorial Park Cemetery, Memphis. Visitation was this morning at Canale Funeral Home, Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. Doris Calhoun

Mrs. Doris Calhoun, 70, Main Street, Cadiz, died Thursday, Jan. 30, 2003, at 5:10 a.m. at Trigg County Hospital, Cadiz.

She had owned and operated Calhoun's IGA in Trigg County and had been employed at Lake Barkley Lodge Gift Shop. She was a member of Cadiz Baptist Church.

Born March 28, 1932, in Trigg County, she was the daughter of Lorene Turner Higgins and the late Lawton Higgins. One brother, Virgil Higgins, also preceded her in death.

Survivors include her husband, Kelsie Calhoun; two sons, Mike Calhoun and wife, Janet, Hopkinsville, and Tracey Calhoun, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; three grandchildren, Nicholas, Lauren and Zachary Calhoun, all of Hopkinsville; her mother, Mrs. Lorene Turner Higgins, Cadiz; two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Edna McKinney, Murray, and Mrs. Shirley Higgins, Westland, Mich.

Memorial services will be Sunday at 3 p.m. in the chapel of King's Funeral Home, Cadiz. The Rev. John Mitchell will officiate. Eulogy will be by her daughter-in-law, Janet Calhoun.

Visitation will be at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Sunday.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Gideons International, P.O. Box 1871, Cadiz, KY 42211.

Mrs. Nell Marie Wyman

Mrs. Nell Marie Wyman, 90, Lone Oak, died Thursday, Jan. 30, 2003, at 2 p.m. at Morning Side Assisted Living, Paducah.

A graduate of Murray State University, she was a member of Lone Oak Church of Christ and of Paducah/McCracken County Teachers Association. She was a past president of Lone Oak Woman's Club.

Her husband, Robert Lee Wyman, one son, James Robert Wyman, one sister and two brothers all preceded her in death. She was the daughter of the late David Lee Kaler and Clara Belle Shelton Kaler.

Survivors include one son Thomas Wyman, Spring, Texas; two grandsons, Matthew Wyman, Frisco, Texas, and Timothy Wyman, Dallas, Texas; one great-grandchild; six sisters, Mrs. Emma Lou Boaz, Mrs. Peggy Wallace and Mrs. June Mohler, all of Kaler, Mrs. Ruth SanSoucie, Cotter, Ark., Mrs. Betty Warthen, Monrovia, Ind., and Mrs. Mary Beckman, Lone Oak; three brothers, Mark Kaler, Lidgerwood, N.D., Jack Kaler, Kaler, and Jerry Kaler, Reidland; several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Lone Oak Chapel of Milner & Orr Funeral Home. Mike Tanaro will officiate. Burial will follow in Spring Creek Church of Christ Cemetery.

Visitation will be at the funeral home from 4 to 9 p.m. Saturday. Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to Lone Oak Woman's Club, 234 Gatewood Dr., Paducah, KY 42001.

John Harbert Clements

The funeral for John Harbert Clements will be today (Friday) at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Imes-Miller Funeral Home, Murray. The Rev. Arlie Larimer will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Jimmy Morris, Terry Morris, Michael Morris, Jim Johnson, Donnie Clements and Ray J. Durn. Burial will follow in the Brooks Chapel Cemetery.

Visitation is now at the funeral home.

Mr. Clements, 89, Shiloh Road, Almo, died Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003, at noon at his home.

He was a member of Mt. Moriah Primitive Baptist Church. His wife, Josephine Clements, three sisters and two brothers all preceded him in death. Born March 6, 1913, he was the son of the late Andrew Turner Clements and Mary Maggie Springer Clements.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Shirley Morris, Murray; two granddaughters, Mrs. Robbie Burken, Murray, and Mrs. Diane Boren and husband, Don, Dexter; three grandsons, Jimmy Morris and wife, Wanda, and Michael Morris and wife, Lisa, all of Murray, and Terry Morris, Murray; six great-grandchildren, Lance Burken and wife, Jessica, Ashley Morris, LaDonna Green and husband, Scott, Tisha Morris, Lacy Morris and Jessie Morris; two great-grandchildren, Kobe Hughes and Ethan Green; special friend, Mae Waters.

Mrs. Lora Louise Toney Calhoun

The funeral for Mrs. Lora Louise Toney Calhoun will be Saturday at 1 p.m. in the chapel of King's Funeral Home, Cadiz. The Rev. Paul Cannon will officiate. Burial will follow in the Trigg Furnace Cemetery in Trigg County.

Visitation will be at the funeral home after 5 p.m. today (Friday). Expressions of sympathy may be made to Trigg County Senior Citizens Center, P.O. Box 99, Cadiz, KY 42211.

Mrs. Calhoun, 73, Linton Road, Cadiz, died Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003, at 1 a.m. at her home.

Preceding her in death were her first husband, James Marcus Toney in 1958; her second husband, Taylor Calhoun in 1977; two sisters, Dora Elizabeth Blakley and Mary Francis Cunningham; and one brother, Johnny Roberts. Born Aug. 20, 1929, in Trigg County, she was the daughter of the late Alfred Faughn and Susie Wallace Faughn Gillette.

A homemaker, Mrs. Calhoun was a member of Canton Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, James Toney, and wife, Sandra, Murray; two grandchildren, Jacob Toney, Murray, and Jennifer Arant, and husband, Brandon, Paducah; special friend, Delene Tittle, Cadiz; several nieces and nephews.

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Mrs. Esta Sheppard

The funeral for Mrs. Esta Sheppard was Thursday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Collier Funeral Home, Benton. Bill McCormick officiated. Burial was in the Edwards Cemetery, Benton.

Mrs. Sheppard, 81, Golf Course Road, Benton, died Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2003, at 11:22 a.m. at Rivers Bend Retirement Community, Kuttawa.

A member of Union Hill Church of Christ, she was a retired sales clerk at Shop-O-Rama Store, Draffenville.

Her husband, Joe Sheppard, stepgranddaughter, Cynthia Ford, and one brother, Ted Arant, all preceded her in death. She was the daughter of the late Elgie Arant and Dena Starks Arant.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Talonna McCormick, Princeton; one son, Ronnie Sheppard, and two sisters, Mrs. Jewell Copeland and Mrs. Cora Smith, all of Benton; one brother, Ervin Arant, Murray; two grandsons, Adam McCormick, Eddyville, and Scott McCormick, Dayton, Ohio; stepgranddaughter, Brenda Arnold, Paducah; two stepgreat-grandchildren.

Hunter McRae Hancock Ph.D.

Memorial services Hunter McRae Hancock Ph.D. of Murray will be held at a later date.

Byrn Funeral Home of Mayfield is in charge of arrangements. Dr. Hancock, 92, Murray, died Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2003, at 10:40 p.m. at Hickory Woods Retirement Center, Murray.

He was a longtime professor of biological sciences and chairman of the Biology Department at Murray State University. He was instrumental in establishing the biological research station on Kentucky Lake that bears his name.

A graduate of Murray State, he received his Ph.D. from Oklahoma A&M in Stillwater, Okla. He was active in the Nature Conservancy, Jackson Purchase Historical Society, Civil War Round Table and Kentucky Ornithological Society. Dr. Hancock was a veteran of World War II serving in the Army's Chemical Warfare Service in New Guinea and the Philippines.

His wife, Moyna Christine Maddox Hancock, preceded him in death. He was the son of the late Samuel Tilden Hancock and Ruth McRae Hancock.

Survivors include one son, Hunter Maddox Hancock, Lexington; one sister, Mrs. Emily Hancock Wilson, Bowling Green; one grandson, Hunter Maddox Hancock Jr., Sausalito, Calif.; two great-grandsons, Hunter Griffin Hancock and Harrison Ryan Hancock; one niece, Emily Wilson Donahue; one nephew, Frank Wilson.

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The menus, subject to occasional change, are as follows:

ALLWAY COUNTY
Preschool - Breakfast (milk is served daily) - **Monday** - sweetened rice, toast, apple wedges; **Tuesday** - biscuit with sausage gravy, fruit juice; **Wednesday** - breakfast pizza, fruit juice; **Thursday** - cereal, muffin, fruit juice. **Lunch** (milk is served daily) - **Monday** - fish nuggets, hush puppies, French fries, cole slaw, great northern beans; **Tuesday** - spaghetti with meat sauce, Texas toast, green beans, tossed salad with dressing; **Wednesday** - grilled cheese, vegetable soup, crackers, grapes, gelatin; **Thursday** - peanut butter and jelly sandwich, baked beans, California blend veggies, gelatin.

East, North, Southwest - Breakfast (cereal, toast, milk, juice and yogurt available daily) - **Monday** - breakfast pizza; **Tuesday** - biscuit with sausage gravy; **Wednesday** - French toast sticks with syrup; **Thursday** - cake donut; **Friday** - cinnamon raisin biscuit. **Lunch** (vegetables, fruit, chef salads and milk available daily) **Monday** - chili with crackers, hot ham and cheese sandwich, grilled cheese sandwich; **Tuesday** - pizza, tuna salad sandwich, peanut butter and jelly sandwich; **Wednesday** - spaghetti with meat sauce and Texas toast, chicken patty on bun, grilled cheese sandwich; **Thursday** - sliced turkey with gravy and roll, corn dog, peanut butter and jelly sandwich; **Friday** - scrambled eggs, sausage and biscuit, charbroiled chicken on bun, grilled cheese sandwich.

Calloway Middle - Breakfast (cereal toast, muffins, yogurt, fruit juice and milk available daily) **Monday** - sausage biscuit; **Tuesday** - scrambled eggs, bacon and toast; **Wednesday** - chicken biscuit; **Thursday** - cinnamon roll; **Friday** - donut. **Lunch** (pizza, chef salads, vegetables, fruit, tea, fruit drinks and milk available daily) **Monday** - chicken nuggets with roll, roast beef sandwich, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, ham and cheese sandwich; **Tuesday** - pizzagetti with bread sticks, breaded chicken on bun, grilled cheese sandwich, turkey and cheese sandwich; **Wednesday** - BBQ ribette on hoagie, hamburger, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, submarine on hoagie; **Thursday** - foot long chili dog, Chuckwagon sandwich, grilled cheese sandwich, ham and cheese sandwich; **Friday** - spaghetti with meat sauce and Texas toast, turkey club, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, submarine on hoagie.

Calloway High - Breakfast (Poptarts, muffins, donuts, cereal, toast, fruit juice and milk available daily) - **Monday** - chicken biscuit; **Tuesday** - sausage biscuit; **Wednesday** - bacon, egg and cheese biscuit; **Thursday** - biscuit with sausage gravy; **Friday** - cinnamon raisin biscuit. **Lunch** (vegetables, fruit, cold sandwiches, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, fries, chef salads, pizza, fruit drinks, tea and milk available daily) **Monday** - chicken fajita, cheeseburger; **Tuesday** - corn dogs, grilled chicken on bun; **Wednesday** - grilled cheese sandwich with vegetable soup, beef and Swiss on hoagie; **Thursday** - ham and cheese stromboli, BBQ on bun; **Friday** - lasagna with bread sticks, tuna salad sandwich.

MURRAY CITY
Murray Elementary - Breakfast - (Toast, cereal, juice and milk available daily) **Monday** - Poptarts; **Tuesday** - Honey bun; **Wednesday** - French toast sticks; **Thursday** - breakfast pizza; **Friday** - assorted muffins. **Lunch** - (fruit, vegetables, ice cream, bottled water, fruit roll-ups, milk and juice available daily) **Monday** - cheeseburger, tuna salad with crackers; **Tuesday** - cheese pizza, chef salad with crackers; **Wednesday** - breakfast for lunch - sausage, eggs, tater tots, biscuit and gravy, baked apples, peanut butter and jelly sandwich; **Thursday** - egg roll, chicken patty on bun; **Friday** - pepperoni pizza, peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Murray Middle - Breakfast - (Toast, cereal, juice and milk available daily) **Monday** - Honey bun; **Tuesday** - gravy and biscuit; **Wednesday** - breakfast pizza; **Thursday** - sausage biscuit; **Friday** - waffle sticks. **Lunch** - (fruit, vegetables and milk available daily) **Monday** - chicken sandwich, Chuckwagon sandwich; **Tuesday** - steak fingers with corn bread, tuna fish sandwich with pickle, mini corn dogs; **Wednesday** - chicken noodle soup with cheese and crackers, pizza; **Thursday** - Salisbury steak with roll, chef salad with crackers; **Friday** - super nachos, burritos with cheese sauce.

Murray High - Breakfast - (toast, cereal, juice and milk available daily) **Monday** - pancake with syrup; **Tuesday** - biscuit and gravy; **Wednesday** - cinnamon raisin biscuit; **Thursday** - sausage biscuit; **Friday** - cinnamon rolls. **Lunch** - (Hamburgers, cheeseburgers, pizza, fruit, vegetables, milk, ice cream, snack crackers, cookies and canned fruit drinks available daily) **Monday** - chicken fried steak, corn dog; **Tuesday** - pasta bar, French bread pizza, beef fingers; **Wednesday** - Salisbury steak with gravy, chicken salad plate; **Thursday** - chili and string cheese, chef salad with crackers; **Friday** - turkey and cheese wrap, chili dog.

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Friday, January 31, 2003

Democrats call for another vote on war

By DAVID ESPO
AP Special Correspondent
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush's threat to disarm Saddam Hussein, the centerpiece of his State of the Union address, sparked criticism from senior Senate Democrats on Wednesday, some of whom proposed legislation requiring a fresh congressional or U.N. vote before the onset of hostilities.

Republicans dismissed the demands, noting that Congress authorized the use of force last fall, and even the Democratic leaders of the House and Senate declined to endorse them.

"What concerns me greatly is that this president appears to place himself above the international mandates of the United Nations," Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., said in the Senate as he sought a U.N. Security Council vote.

"It is wrong for the administration to beat the drums of war," said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass. He said Congress has a "responsibility to the Constitution and the American people to act again on this all-important issue of war or peace."

The House and Senate voted last fall to authorize the use of force, if necessary, to compel Iraq to get rid of any biological and chemical weapons and disband its nuclear weapons program. The Security Council has demanded the destruction of weapons of mass destruction, and its inspectors have been at work in Iraq for weeks.

Bush, in his speech Tuesday night, accused Iraqi President Saddam Hussein of attempting to thwart the inspectors and said Secretary of State Colin Powell on Feb. 5 will present the council with information and intelligence about Iraq's weapons programs.

"We will consult, but let there be no misunderstanding: If Saddam Hussein does not fully disarm for the safety of our people, and for the peace of the world, we will lead a coalition to disarm him," Bush said.

France and Germany, among other nations, want Bush to give U.N. weapons inspectors more time. Kennedy, Byrd and other Democrats made the same argument on the Senate floor.

Kennedy said the inspection process is "working and should be allowed to continue."

Byrd said it would be a "grave mistake" to pre-empt the work of the inspectors, and that the United States would pay a high cost in international standing if it went to war without the support of allies. "America's reputation in the court of

world opinion is in tatters," he said.

Several Republicans praised Bush's handling of Iraq. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., rebutted Byrd and Kennedy bluntly. "Congress has spoken, and its message could not be clearer," he said, referring to the votes in Congress last fall.

In addition, the arguments advanced by Kennedy and Byrd appeared to cause some discomfort for other Democrats.

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., the senior Democrat on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, did not address the issue on the floor during the day. His spokesman did not return calls seeking a comment.

Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., renewed his claim that Bush has not yet made a convincing case for war, but declined to endorse a call for another vote in Congress. "I don't know that it requires a second vote but I do believe that it requires additional debate," he said.

Daschle and others also expressed impatience during the day that Bush was sending Powell to the United Nations with new information to support the case for military action, but had not yet presented the material to Congress.

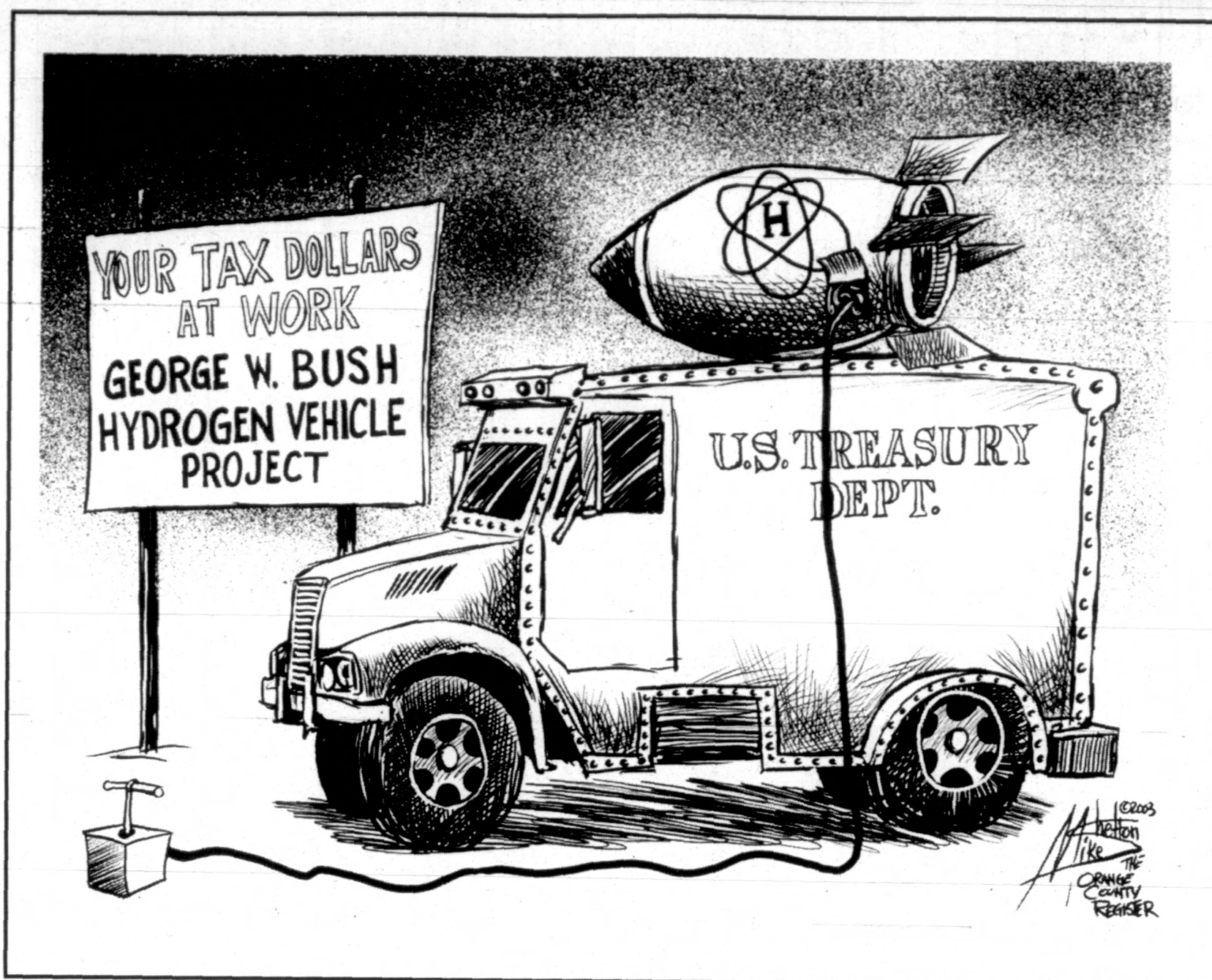
"I think that the administration ought to present exactly the same information to us that they are going to be presenting to the United Nations next Wednesday," he said. "That ought to happen as quickly as possible."

Across the Capitol, about a dozen House members — all Democrats except independent Bernie Sanders of Vermont — held a news conference to say they remain unconvinced that war is needed.

"War will not disarm Iraq," said Rep. Dennis Kucinich of Ohio. "Bombs cannot find weapons of mass destruction and if bombs could find weapons of mass destruction, inspectors can find weapons of mass destruction." A spokesman said Kucinich was considering filing legislation on the subject.

But Rep. Nancy Pelosi of California, the House Democratic leader — and an opponent of last fall's authorization of military force — indicated she does not favor having another vote on the House floor.

"The president has all the authority he needs," she said.



GOP closely watching Dem races

Washington Today

By WILL LESTER
Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush and his aides tend to treat the early stages of the Democratic presidential race like an irrelevant sideshow, but Republican political analysts are closely watching the emerging field of candidates.

And many say they expect the 2004 race to be close — citing the struggling economy and the country's close partisan split.

"Anyone who's been through this process knows that a year in politics is a very long time," said Scott Reed, who headed Bob Dole's losing GOP campaign in 1996. "Clearly, a nomination is always worth fighting for."

GOP strategist Charlie Black said, "We're going to plan that it's close and hard-fought and operate that way."

Even though Bush looks relatively strong now, with job approval near 60 percent and a strong bond with the public, veteran strategists like former party chairman Rich Bond remember the GOP nightmare

of 1992. Bush's father was in free fall in the polls and the little-known Democratic governor from Arkansas named Bill Clinton took off like a rocket.

So GOP strategists are closely scrutinizing the Democratic field and researchers for the Republican National Committee are preparing attack strategies.

They contend that:

- Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean is an "ultraliberal" who supports civil unions of gay couples and wants to roll back Bush administration tax cuts to support "budget-busting" universal health care.

- North Carolina Sen. John Edwards is a lightweight who has accomplished little and is "a captive of the trial lawyers," since he made his fortune in that profession.

- Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt is "a keeper of the liberal flame" whose appeal with voters fell short in four attempts to win control of the House of Representatives and in a 1988 presidential run.

- Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry is a direct descendant of 1988

Democratic nominee Michael Dukakis, a governor of the same state.

Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman is failing to stick with his centrist, moderate policies as a senator, reverting to the adjustments he made in 2000 to fit in with Al Gore's liberal, populist presidential campaign.

The Rev. Al Sharpton is a welcome addition to the field because his attacks from the left will pull all the Democratic candidates toward the left — opening the door to a backlash from centrist Democrats and swing voters in the general election.

The Democratic candidates frequently attack the Bush White House, but administration officials calmly deflect the criticism by saying they are "jockeying for position."

Bush tried to put the early stages of the campaign in perspective early this month from his ranch in Crawford, Texas.

"One of these days, somebody will emerge, and we'll tee it up, and see who the American people want to lead," Bush said. "And until that happens, I'm going to be doing my

job."

GOP strategists tend to see Kerry, Gephardt and Lieberman in the first tier of Democratic candidates, largely because each has experience and a relatively high profile within the party. Some others include Edwards in that top tier because of his Southern roots, personal wealth and telegenic appeal.

Some GOP strategists think Dean offers refreshing candor to the race, but few expect him to raise the money needed to compete. If Florida Sen. Bob Graham gets in the race after heart surgery, some GOP strategists say he could be a top-tier candidate thanks to his home state and his extensive experience.

Veteran Republican strategist Alex Castellanos said Bush has developed a close personal bond with voters over the last year and a half, but he also offered a warning to Republicans.

"As long as there's an election you can't take anything for granted," Castellanos said. "Whom the gods would destroy, they first give a 70 favorable rating."

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Our Readers Write

To the Editor,
The United States' demand that Iraq disarm and that Saddam go into exile has now reached a new low level of absurdity.

Iraq has opened the country to weapons inspectors and has even offered to allow them to question Iraqi scientists. They have found nothing to support the President's claim that Saddam is hiding "weapons of mass destruction." The best they have come up with is a collection of 11 empty cans.

Meanwhile, President Bush and his close associates keep repeating the demand that Saddam prove his innocence. This is a complete reversal of legal principles and a flagrant violation of the American system of jurisprudence. It is NOT the responsibility of the accused to prove innocence; it is the task of the accuser to prove guilt.

What is happening in this crisis is that America is denying our own democratic heritage while demanding that others accept democracy.

The end result is that what is happening to America is worse than what America is going to do to Iraq. That country will be pulverized by the military might of the United States now gathered on its borders. But America is losing its soul, its essence, its very being as a nation of just men made free by standing for what is right.

Make no mistake about the issue here: It is not weapons of mass destruction but OIL. And it is not Saddam who is threatening the peace and security of the world, but George W. Bush.

Henry A. Buchanan
Murray, Ky.

To the Editor,
A great number of Murray and Calloway County residents are too young to remember the 1960s when then First Lady Ladybird Johnson

adopted a beautification program which produced clean-up projects in many regions. That effort became contagious as she promoted clean, beautifully-appearing highways throughout our nation.

Many junkyard sites along our roads disappeared. Some locations had signs bearing the first lady's name. Small improved areas within cities and rural communities appeared, often times with names of citizens who had accepted the challenge by planting flowers or by clearing a spot to its natural state. The City of Murray was honored with a visit by Mrs. Johnson during that period of time.

A number of years ago, Rand Company recommended Murray as one of the most desirable places for retirement. People — good citizens — from a number of states relocated to Murray. This has been a realized asset to the city. City boundaries have been expanded and college enrollment has grown beyond prior expectations.

We in Calloway County are very appreciative of improvements now being completed in this area. City planners, business persons and a few individuals have fanned a spark among us. As Murray is the county seat, special interest has been done in work around the courthouse square. Finished structures and landscaping by the college have added much to Murray's impressiveness, and we cannot overlook new and expanded medical facilities which provide care that is becoming so well known. Churches have and are contributing much.

Without a doubt, everyone is proud of the north access to the city of Murray since reconstruction of US Highway 641 to that point. Another improvement is underway, that of building the highway from Cadiz to Mayfield.

Murray Memorial Gardens Cemetery, located along US Highway 641 north of the future intersection of Highway 641 and the new highway, is

a picturesque asset. In your mind's eye, visualize how beautiful the northside entrance to Murray will be if properly coordinated areas, whether residential or industrial and including corner sections of the two highways, are enhanced with natural growth and bits of appropriate plantings.

The Kentucky Lake area is acclaimed vacation, recreation and retirement land. Lodging accommodations are nice. We have new restaurants, hotels and motels, and others have been upgraded.

What will guests' first impression be upon entering our city and as they approach their destinations? Our hope is they will find genuine hospitality in pleasing surroundings, and that they will look forward to return visits.

Ann Jobe
Hazel, Ky.

To the Editor,
I would like to give public praise to the policeman who reported an emergency at my business Saturday night.

It was reported that water was coming from beneath my garage door at approximately 11:30 pm. With all the weather-related run-off and other standing ice and snow, it was quite a notable observation that the policeman noticed it in the first place.

Then, having trouble contacting me directly, he took further action and had the water turned off outside the building. His action saved me a lot of water and an even bigger problem was averted.

Thanks to him and the department for their hometown concern.

Bruce Ottway
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Community

Friday, January 31, 2003

Mud Dogs will host dance tonight at Methodist Church



Jo's Datebook
By Jo Burkeen
Community Editor

The Murray Mud Dogs will sponsor a middle school winter dance fundraiser tonight, Jan. 31, from 7 to 10 p.m. in the gymnasium of First United Methodist Church. The dance is open to sixth, seventh and eighth grade students from all area schools. Admission is \$4 and refreshments will be sold. The dance will be chaperoned by Mud Dogs parents and a no re-entry policy will be strictly enforced. All proceeds from the dance will go to support the team in its upcoming baseball season to begin in March.

The Mud Dogs is a travel team comprised totally of local players competing in the 13-under age division. The team is the two-time defending USSSA KY state champions.

For more information, contact Beth Brockman at 767-0075 or Mike Vinson at 762-0110.

Fastpitch Club will meet

Murray High School Fastpitch Club will meet Sunday, Feb. 2, at 2:30 p.m. at the high school.

Gospel singing on Saturday

A gospel singing concert featuring The Tennesseans, The Gospel Edition, The Thomas Family, Joan Gregory, Ivan Hodge and Stillwater from Calvert City will be Saturday, Feb. 1, at 7 p.m. at Carroll County Civic Center, Huntingdon, Tenn. No admission will be charged, but an offering will be received.

Four Rivers Group will meet

Four Rivers Music Friends are scheduled to meet Sunday, Feb. 2, at 2 p.m. in the annex of Calloway County Public Library. This is open to all musicians and listeners. For information call Velvleen at 753-6979.

Murray S.O.S. plans events

Murray S.O.S. (singles organizational society) will take a van tour of Day With the Eagles at Land Between the Lakes on Saturday, Feb. 1; walk at MSU regional special events center at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 2. For information call Jackie at 1-270-247-7754 or Shirley at 753-6224.

Fire district board will meet

Calloway County Fire Protection District Board will meet Monday, Feb. 3, at 6 p.m. at the No. 1 station of Calloway County Rescue Squad, East Sycamore Street, Murray.

MES Board will meet

A special called meeting of the Murray Electric Board will be Monday, Feb. 3, at 4 p.m. at the Calhoun building. The purpose will be to review design/build proposals.

Water district will meet

Dexter-Almo Heights Water District Board will meet Monday, Feb. 3, at 6 p.m. at the district water office.

Lodge meeting Monday

Murray Lodge No. 105 Free and Accepted Masons will meet Monday, Feb. 3, at 7:30 p.m. at the lodge hall, Highway 121 North at Robertson Road North.

MWC Board will meet

The Executive Board of the Murray Woman's Club will meet Monday, Feb. 3, at 6:30 p.m. at the club house. Martha Crafton, president, urges all board members to attend.

PA meeting Monday

Parents Anonymous of Murray will meet Monday, Feb. 3, at 6 p.m. For more information call 753-0082.

Bass club will meet Monday

River City Bass Club will meet Monday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m. at Ryan's in Paducah. This is open to any persons wishing to join a buddy bass club. For information call Phil Barkley, 1-270-362-8083.

DivorceCare seminar at Good Shepherd

A winter session of DivorceCare, recovery seminar and support group, will start Thursday, Feb. 6, at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 84 Cherry Corner Rd., off Highway 121 South, Murray. Sessions will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. for 13 weeks through May 15. Support group leaders will be Nancy Rice, Kay Kingins, Vita Dalton and the Rev. Michael Blake. Child care will be provided. The registration fee is \$15. Scholarships will be available. For information call 753-5809.

Special items needed by Need Line

Need Line has issued a list of items needed to help fill the baskets for the clients. Food items needed include pork & beans, soup, oat meal and/or cream of wheat. Personal hygiene and cleaning supplies needed include shampoo and bath tissue. Also good clean used or new blankets are needed. Any one having items to donate take them to the Need Line office at 804 Story Ave., just off South Ninth Street, Murray. For information call 753-6333. Need Line is a United Way agency.

CCHS Class of 1983 plans meeting

Planning of the 20-year reunion of the Calloway County High School of 1983 has started. Anyone interested in helping with the coordinating of activities is encouraged to meet tonight, Jan. 31, at 5 p.m. at Pagliai's. Members should e-mail questions to teresa.chandler@hropics.com. Class members are urged to e-mail their current mailing and e-mail addresses to nylet2003@yahoo.com or vanbucy@apex.net or call Nyle Torsak at 753-4529.



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CCRTA MEETING...Kathy Mowery directs the Chorus of the Music Department of the Murray Woman's Club as they performed for the December meeting of the Calloway County Retired Teachers Association. Door prizes donated by the Murray State University Education Department were given. Special guests were District President and Mrs. Charles Ford. Present were 110 members and guests. The CCRTA will meet Monday, Feb. 3, at 11:30 a.m. for a luncheon, hosted by Murray City Schools, at the Murray High School cafeteria. President Arvin Crafton urges all eligible retirees to attend.

Weather affects local library schedule

Sliding sideways on black ice across the parking lot isn't near as much fun at 49 as it was at 17. I managed not to hit anything, but I figured that we'd all be better off if the library was closed Thursday.

This is turning out to be a pretty tough winter compared to the last 5 or 6 years, so we may need to remember the bad weather closing drill: If the parking lot is slick enough to be dangerous, the library won't open and it will be announced over the radio on FROGGY 103 and over the TV on Channel 6 (WPSD) in Paducah (if I can get my code number right.)

If there's snow or ice on the road and nobody answers the telephone here after 8:30 a.m., we're probably closed. If we're closed, no books are due that day and no fines will be collected. If open but you can't get out because of the weather, give us a call at 753-2288 and we'll work something out.

If we close for snow, we'll try to open at noon if it looks like the parking lot will be O.K. In any case, we try to be closed just one day at a time.

Event Reminders

The following is a reminder of an event for the weekend that has recently been published in the Murray Ledger & Times:

An open house in celebration of the 90th birthday of Miss Carrie B. Curd of Murray will be Saturday, Feb. 1, 2003, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the social hall of First United Methodist Church, Murray. A special presentation will be at 3:30 p.m. All relatives and friends are invited to attend. Memories to share would be appreciated, but the family requests that guests not bring gifts.



We're on the county road crew's salt and cinder list and they've been really good about getting out parking lot cleaned up.

I know it's an inconvenience to you for us to be closed. We try to be open as many hours as we can, as long as it's safe for our patrons to move around outside. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

Meanwhile, if you're looking for something to read, you might try "The Story of America" by Allen Weinstein and David Rubel.

America's a great read. It's got all the features: nerve, swinish greed, heroic valor, jingoism, high ideals, hard work, our particular brand of short-sighted self serving brick-dolt political stupidity.

Each chapter is only about 20 pages and is complete in itself. It's great for browsing.

You may know someone who pipes up every November and December about how commercialized and worldly Christmas is

becoming. I'd be surprised if you didn't, it's a very popular pastime. (It's almost as popular as whining about having a "White Christmas.")

If the noise gets on your case like it does mine, you'll want to read Jock Elliot's "Inventing Christmas." It's a look back at the surprising development of our most popular holiday.

For instance, in 1659, under the Puritan government of Massachusetts, it became illegal to celebrate Christmas. Christmas was actually stricken from the Church calendar. (Fat lot of good that did!)

Here's your chance to cut through the non-information, half-facts and memory failures to see what we really celebrate. I wonder if they've written a book like this for Hallow'een?

Before I go, "Southern Living Annual Recipes 2002" is in.

Look on page 116 for cream cheese pound cake with fresh strawberries and whipped cream. After that, there's nothing left to say.



Photo provided

TOP READERS...Back Row, From Left to Right: James Belisle, Erica Hagan, and Robbie Canning; Front Row, From Left to Right: Amber Parker and Tyner Dowdy. These students are the top "Accelerated Readers" for 1st-5th grade for the second nine weeks at North Calloway Elementary. In Accelerated Reading, students receive points for passing quizzes over the books they read. The students received certificates for two adults and a child's meal at Cracker Barrel.

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High school art exhibit opens at Yeiser

PADUCAH, Ky. — The Yeiser Art Center's annual juried high school art exhibition, "Teen Spirit," will open with an awards reception on Sunday, Feb. 2, from 4 to 6 p.m. at the center at 200 Broadway.

The amount of \$500 will be divided between the first, second, third, fourth and fifth place winners of the exhibit, and an additional \$500 will go to the first-place student's art department.

The awards reception is an annual tradition to honor the artists, the award winners and the art programs in the region's schools.

Over 400 works were entered for consideration by the juror, Dr. Camille Serre of Murray State University who selected 52 works by 37 artists from the entries submitted for the exhibit.

Dr. Serre said "In judging the entries, I looked for artwork that expressed imaginative content, personal interpretation, and individuality, as well as technical competence and skill in handling the media."

Seven of the area's high schools are represented, including Calloway County, Heath, Hickman County, Lone Oak, Paducah Tilghman, Reidland and St. Mary.

Admission to the center is free. Regular hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. For information call 1-270-442-2453.

Local students named at Samford

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Three students from Murray have been named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Samford University.

They are as follows:
Andrew Daniel Parker, son of David and Martha Parker;

Amy Elizabeth Travis, daughter of H. David and Vickie Travis;

Matthew Jordan Yezerksi, son of Dr. and Mrs. John Yezerksi.

To qualify for the honor, a student must have earned a minimum 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0 while attempting at least 12 credit hours of coursework.

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In Our Churches

Dave Ramsey lessons will be at Westside

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University will present a 13-week class via videotape lessons at Westside Baptist Church, 207 Robertson Rd. South, Murray, starting Feb. 26. This will be a Bible-based, personal finance program.

The cost for the 13-week class will be \$90.90. A short video presentation and sign-up opportunity will be Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 6:30 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church. For more information, attend the orientation class Feb. 5 or call the church office at 753-8240.

School of Ministry plans registration

BRIENSBURG, Ky. — Registration for the spring semester at Christian Fellowship School of Ministry will be Tuesday, Feb. 4, and Thursday, Feb. 6, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Classes at the school of ministry are held on Tuesday and Thursday nights during both the spring and fall semesters. The school, located at Christian Fellowship Church, U.S. Hwy. 68 in the community of Briensburg in Marshall County, is a two-year Bible College and offers a Christian Workers Certificate and also an Associate in Bible Diploma.

For more information, contact Janece Jones in the admissions office at 1-270-527-8369, ext. 136, or e-mail jjones@christianfellowship.org.

Clark and Reed honored by St. John Youth Ministry

St. John Missionary Baptist Church has recognized Marquise Clark and Jackie Reed as being the Outstanding Christian Youth for the months of December and January respectively.

Clark, son of the Rev. A.H. and Theresa Clark, is an eighth grade student at Murray Middle School. He is involved in Black History club, football and as manager of the basketball team. His church activities include ushering, an officer in the Youth Ministry and usher board, and is a regular student in his Sunday School class. He enjoys sports and building things in his spare time. Reed, daughter of Michael and Melody Reed, is a ninth grader. She is involved in Black History Club at MHS. Her church activities include singing in the choir, ushering, being a youth ministry worker and served as an officer in Sunday School. She enjoys singing and playing basketball in her spare time.

The Youth Ministry is open to all youth in the community.



Clark



Reed

Services Speakers & Specials

Various churches have released information concerning their worship services for the coming weekend as follows:

Poplar Spring Baptist: Jamie Hughes, associate pastor, will speak about "Unworthy Vessels Carry Miracles" with scripture from John 2:1-12 at the 8:45 and 11 a.m. worship services and about "Grain That Grows" with scripture from Ezekiel 36:25-30 at the 6 p.m. worship service. Ryker and Jennifer Wilson will sing "Lord, You Have My Heart" at the morning services. Ryker Wilson is minister of music with Susan Reynolds, Hazel Brandon, Anita Bradley, Jennifer Wilson and Carol Kelly as accompanists.

Glendale Road Church of Christ: John Dale, pulpit minister, will speak about "The Conscience" with scripture from Romans 14:1-13 at the 5 a.m. short worship service and 9 a.m. regular worship service, and about "The Whole Heart" with scripture from Mark 12:28-34 at the 6 p.m. worship service. Bible classes are at 10 a.m. Also assisting will be Jim Lawson, Phil Housden, Keith York, Rudy Tripp, Tommy Carraway, Josh Martin, Rusty Back and Randy Young. Ministers are Garry Evans, Involvement, Alan Martin, outreach, and Nick Hutchens, Youth. The morning service can be heard on WRKY Radio and the evening on WNBS Radio.

Goshen United Methodist: The Rev. Kendrick Lewis, pastor, will speak about "Better Ignorant than Uncaring" with scripture from 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 at the 9 a.m. worship service. Pastor's assistant will be Tom Villafior. Children's Church will be directed by Carol Brunn. Renee Taylor will direct the music with Renee Doyle and Pat Brunn as accompanists. Sunday School will follow at 10 a.m. The non-traditional praise and worship service will be at 11 a.m. with

Ronnie Hutson as speaker. Music will be led by April Arnold and Allison Eldridge. The United Methodist Women will meet Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Elm Grove Baptist: Dr. Todd Buck, pastor, will speak at the 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship services. Ray Hays, choir director, will lead the music. Special music at the morning service will be by Jay Like and at the evening service by the Buck Family. Sunday School will be at 9 a.m. and Discipleship Training will be at 5 p.m. The Adult Choir will practice after the evening service. For information call 753-7321, 753-6341 or 436-2204.

Emmanuel Baptist: Dr. Paul McWhorter, pastor, will speak about "Saying 'No' to Lust" (Cultivate and Guard Your Marriage. Be Quick to Confess and Repent. Count the Cost of Immorality) third in an eight-week Sunday morning series on the problems resulting from "Sexual Impurity" with the scripture from Deuteronomy 22:8 at the 11 a.m. worship service; and on "Closed Communion" (Objections from Men and Answers from the Bible) with scripture from Luke 6:46 at the 6 p.m. worship service. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m.

First Presbyterian: The Rev. Ann Marie Montgomery, co-pastor, will speak about "Confronting the Demons" with scripture from Mark 1:21-28 and Deuteronomy 18:15-20 at the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Margaret Boone is choir director with Lee Kem as pianist. The choir will sing "Andante and Caprice." Special music will be by the Murray High School Flute Choir with Eric Waldon as director. Members are Christina Bailey, Kaci Carpenter, Rachel Clapper, Audrey Ferguson, Holly Gibbs, Jacque Mateja, Kim McClure, Jessica Miller, Adrian Villatoro and Heather Waters. Assisting will be Katy Schnautz and Frances and Sal Matarazzo. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m., Coffee Fellowship at noon, Korean Worship at 4 p.m., Youth Group at 6 p.m. and Bible Study at 8 p.m.

Grace Baptist: The Rev. Sammy Cunningham, pastor, will speak at the 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.

worship services. John Wood is minister of music with Oneida White as pianist and Dean Stephenson as organist. Jason Carroll, minister of youth, will give the children's sermon. The choir will sing "Tell Me the Story of Jesus" at the morning hour and "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" at the evening hour. Assisting will be Faye Tefft, Tim Belcher and Charles Craig, van drivers; Carolyn Bell, Jackie and Brenda Wilson and Hoyt and Frances Wyatt, nursery. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m., Choir Practice at 5 p.m. and Church-wide Singing at 5:30 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran: The Rev. Dr. Chad Foster, pastor, will speak about "He Two Shared in Our Humanity" with scripture from Hebrews 2:14-18 at the 10:30 a.m. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany Holy Communion worship service. Dr. Foster's Radio Ministry on 1340 AM and Sunday School and Adult Bible Class are at 9 a.m., a social hour at 9:45 a.m.

Westside Baptist: The Rev. Glynn M. Orr, pastor, will speak at the 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship services. Tommy Scott is minister of music. Adam Scott and Aaron Cowan will present special music and Kim Oatman and Kenny Wyatt will give Scripture Monologues from 1 Thessalonians 4 and 5 and Revelation 4 and 5 at the morning hour. Mark Morgan and Jerry Burken will present special music and Marc Schecter will give his testimony at the evening service. Assisting will be Paul Rister and Larry Dickerson. Lisa Whitt is minister of children and Eric Miracle is minister of youth. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m.

North Pleasant Grove Cumberland Presbyterian: The Rev. Terry Vasseur, pastor, will speak about "Christian Enthusiasm" with scripture from 1 Corinthians 4:13-18 at the 11 a.m. worship service. Jim Cain will be in charge of children's church. The choir will sing "At Calvary." Glen and Emma Dean Clayton and Margaret Nell Boyd are the music directors. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m.

First United Methodist: Dr.

Cecil Kirk will speak about "What Have You To Do With Us, Jesus?" with scripture from Mark 1:21-28 at the 11 a.m. worship service. Dr. Pamela Wurgler will direct the music with Joan Bowker as organist. The chancel choir will sing "Hallelujah, Amen." Jennifer Riley will be in charge of Children's Moments. Acolytes will be members of Boy Scout Troop 45 in honor of Boy Scout Sunday. Church School will be at 9:50 a.m.; delayed televised worship service on Murray City Electric Cable channel 19 at 12:30 p.m.; Acolyte Training at 3:30 p.m.; P.A.R.T.Y. Club Choir at 4:30 p.m. and P.A.R.T.Y. Club at 5:30 p.m.; Jr. High UMYF at 5 p.m. and Sr. High UMYF at 6:45 p.m.; Disciple TV Bible Study at 6 p.m.; All youth dinner at 6:15 p.m.

Memorial Baptist: Dr. Jim Simmons, pastor, will speak at the 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship services. He will speak about "What Is the State of YOUR Union?" with scripture from Exodus 20:14, 17 at the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Paul Adams is minister of music with Kathy Thweatt and Misty Williams as accompanists. Music at the morning service will be the sanctuary choir singing "Cherish the Cross." Assisting will be David Ramey and Bill Farris. Sunday School will be at 9:40 a.m.

West Fork Baptist: Corey Walker will speak at the traditional services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. service. Henry Nance is minister of music with Cyndy Satterwhite and Janet Arnold as accompanists. Kaci Greer will present special music. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m.

University Church of Christ: Richard Youngblood, minister, will speak about "Sunday's Truth in Monday's World" with scripture from Jeremiah 7:1-11 at the 10 a.m. worship service and about "The Gospel at Pentecost" with scripture from Acts 2:22-24, 32-36 at the 6 p.m. worship service. Assisting at the morning service will be Ernie Bailey, Vernon Gantt and Philip Maxwell. Danny Claiborne is worship leader and Jeremy Bell is youth director. Bible classes will be at 9 a.m.

Scotts Grove Baptist: The Rev. John Denham, pastor, will speak about "The Games Children Play" with scripture from Matthew 11:16-19 at the 10:45 a.m. worship service and about "The Quest for Fulfillment" with scripture from Ecclesiastes 1-2 at the 6 p.m. worship service. Tommy Hoke is music leader with Mary Davis, Pat Keeling and Sandy Tinsley as accompanists. Shaun Mayes is student minister. The youth will meet at 5 p.m. Sunday. Tuesday Bread of Life Visitation will be at 6 p.m. The church will be open from 6 to 9 p.m. for Prayer and Fasting for Spiritual Awakening each Saturday. This is a "come and go" unstructured prayer time and is open to the community.

First Baptist: Dr. Wendell Ray, pastor, will speak about "Rewiring Your Brain (Mind)" with scripture from Philippians 4:8 at the 9:30 and 10:50 a.m. worship services. Mike Crook is minister of music with Margaret Wilkins and Lisa Ray as accompanists. The sanctuary choir will sing "I Worship You, Almighty God." Joetta Kelly, minister of preschool and children, will give the children's sermon. Assisting will be Marty Davenport, Paul Lyons, Janet Brewer and

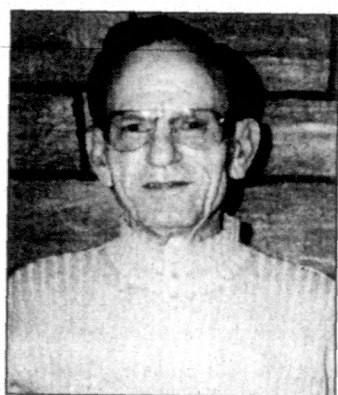


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Let Others Have Their Say

The art of attentive listening is a skill that few of us have mastered. When listening to others, we are often so concerned about what we will say next that we fail to hear what the other person is telling us. A conversation is a two-sided activity that should go back and forth like a good tennis match. If one side is dominating the conversation or not listening, it won't be a good conversation. Although it's nice to dazzle people with our sparkling wit and incredible stories, people often just want someone to listen to them. In these situations, they may need to vent their feelings, and they aren't necessarily asking us to solve their problems or even give them feedback; perhaps they just want someone to listen to them and understand what they are going through. The next time you get the impression that someone just needs a sympathetic ear, try to listen carefully to what they are saying, but also pay attention to what they may not be saying but are trying to convey on some deeper level. There will be plenty of opportunities for us to talk at some later time. We rarely regret having held our tongues to listen, but we often regret having spoken.

So you see a man who is hasty in his words?
There is more hope for a fool than for him.

Proverbs 29:20



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Racers lead series over Skyhawks by big margin

By SCOTT NANNEY
Sports Editor

Since joining the Ohio Valley Conference at the beginning of the 1992-93 season, Tennessee-Martin has had little success against regional neighbor Murray State.

The Racers have won 18 of the 21 meetings in the all-time series against Martin, and have never lost to the Skyhawks in Murray — holding an 11-0 advantage in home games.

Martin (11-7, 4-3 OVC), which is in fifth place in the OVC standings entering Thursday's play, has drastically improved under head coach Bret Campbell.

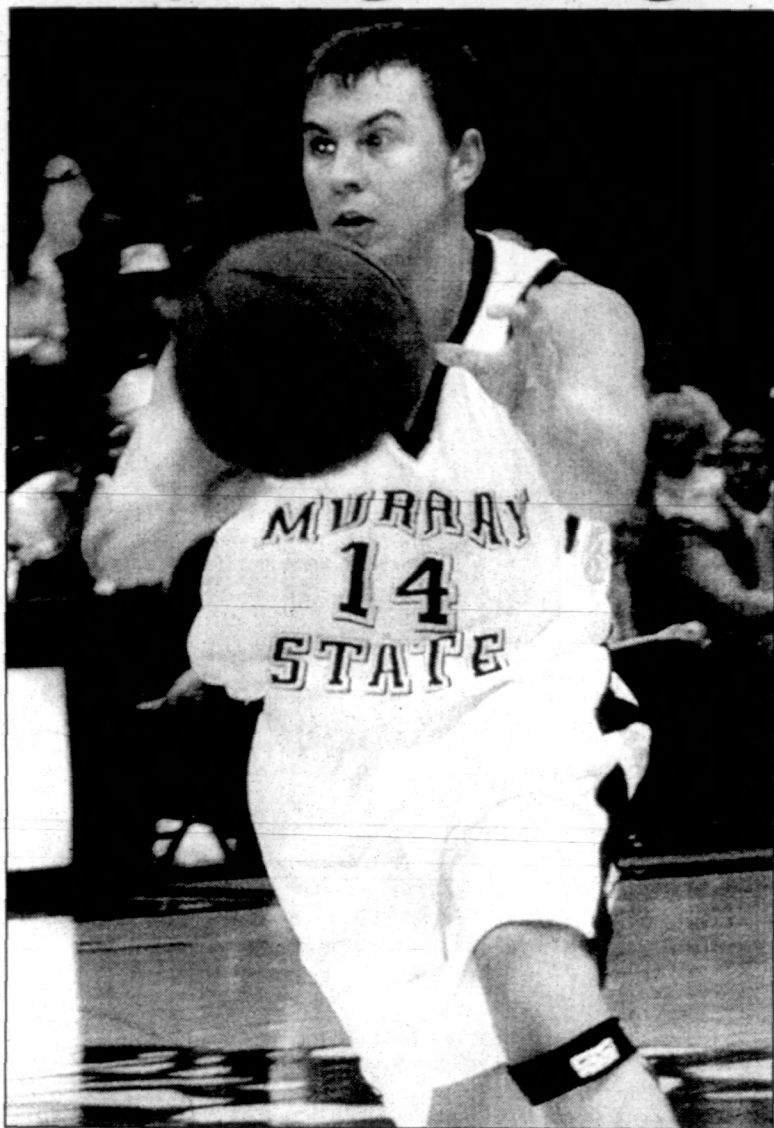
The Skyhawks defeated Murray 80-73 in early February 2000, but lost twice to the Racers last year.

Murray opened 2002 with a 90-76 triumph over UTM at the Regional Special Events Center, using a game-high 24 points from senior Justin Burdine to get the victory.

The Racers completed the season sweep in early February by routing the Skyhawks 92-74 at Martin's Skyhawk Arena.

James Singleton paced MSU in that contest with a game-high 20 points. The Racers used that victory as a springboard to a surprising turnaround that ended with an OVC Tournament championship win over favored Tennessee Tech.

Murray will close the 2002-03 regular season with a trip to Martin to face the Skyhawks on March 1. That game is scheduled to tip-off at 6 p.m.



BACK ON TRACK ... Junior guard Rick Jones, shown here in a home game earlier this year, seems to have found his shooting stroke after being moved back to the No. 2 guard position before last Saturday's win over Eastern Kentucky. Jones is averaging 17.0 points per game in his last two outings.

File Photo

Around the OVC

Peay hands Morehead first conference defeat

MOREHEAD, Ky. (AP) — Anthony Davis scored 22 points to lead Austin Peay to a 66-59 win over Morehead State on Thursday night.

Adrian Henning added 47 points for the Governors (12-6, 5-2 Ohio Valley Conference), and Rhet Wierzbowski scored 13.

Chez Marks led Morehead State (13-6, 8-1) with 20 points, Ricky Minard added 16 and Ike Lopez 10.

Morehead State led the entire first half, by as much as 11 points, and 32-28 at halftime.

The Governors took their first lead, 42-41, with nine minutes left in the game on a jumper by Maurice Hampton. After three more lead changes and a 46-46 tie with 6:52 left, Henning gave Austin Peay the lead for good with a free throw. He had tied the game on a jumper in the lane and was fouled on the play.

Austin Peay held Morehead State, the top field goal shooting team in the league at 51.2 percent, to 43.6 percent (24-of-55), while hitting 52 percent (26-

OVC Standings

	OVC	All Games
Morehead State	8-1	13-6
Austin Peay	5-2	12-6
Tennessee Tech	5-2	12-9
Murray State	4-3	11-7
Tennessee-Martin	4-4	11-8
Southeast Missouri	3-4	8-11
Eastern Illinois	2-5	7-12
Eastern Kentucky	2-5	8-10
Tennessee State	0-7	2-16

Upcoming Games

Saturday, Feb. 1
Ky. Christian at Morehead St. — 6 p.m.
Austin Peay at Eastern Ky. — 6:30 p.m.
UT-Martin at Murray State — 7 p.m.
Tenn. State at Eastern Ill. — 7:10 p.m.
Tennessee Tech at SEMO — 7:30 p.m.
* All Times Central

Tennessee Tech 69, Eastern Illinois 61

CHARLESTON, Ill. (AP) — Brent Jolly had 19 points and Damien Kinloch added 14 and 10 rebounds for Tennessee Tech in a 69-61 win over Eastern Illinois on Thursday.

Tennessee Tech (12-8, 5-2) went on a 10-2 run to take a seven-point lead early in the game and never trailed to win its fifth straight.

The Golden Eagles held Eastern Illinois (7-12, 2-5) to 33 percent shooting and had a 47-37 rebounding advantage. Tennessee Tech led 25-20 and went up by as many as 16 points with eight minutes to go.

Henry Domercant led the Panthers with 20 points and eight rebounds. Craig Lewis had 11 points, but was just 5-of-13 from the field.

Southeast Missouri 87, Tennessee State 67

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. (AP) — Tim Scheer scored a game-high 32 points to lead Southeast Missouri State past Tennessee State 87-67 on Thursday night.

Southeast led by at least 30 points for most of the second half, and Tennessee State got to within 24 points just once before Southeast began clearing its bench.

Scheer was 11-of-15 from the field and 5-of-6 from 3-point range. Brett Hale had 17 points for the Indians (8-11, 3-4), and Derek Winans had 13.

Five players scored in double figures for Tennessee State.

Campbell leads Skyhawks' resurgence



Campbell

Tennessee-Martin has had little success since joining the Ohio Valley Conference in 1992. But fourth-year head coach Bret Campbell has injected some competitiveness into the Skyhawks' program since taking over the job in 1999.

Campbell, who has compiled a 46-58 record in three-plus seasons at Martin, led the Skyhawks to their first winning record since joining the league with last year's 15-14 mark.

Entering Thursday's contest at Murray State, UT-Martin is 11-7 overall and 4-3 in OVC play for the

2002-03 campaign.

Before accepting the UTM post, Campbell served as an assistant at OVC member Austin Peay State. The former Valdosta State player was the recruiting coordinator for Governors' head coach Dave Loos from 1992 to 1999. Before APSU, Campbell served as an assistant at Central Florida (1989-92), Birmingham Southern (1987-89) and Kennesaw State (1985-87) and was as a graduate assistant at his alma mater, Valdosta State (1983-85).

Campbell was a three-year starter at Valdosta State, where he became the school's all-time assists leader.

- UT-Martin Sports Information

OVC Women's Report

Lady Racers welcome UT-Martin

Staff Report

Murray Ledger & Times

The Murray State Lady Racers, currently eighth in the Ohio Valley Conference standings, welcome fourth-place Tennessee-Martin to the Regional Special Events Center for a 5 p.m. contest on Saturday.

MSU (5-12, 1-5 OVC) enters Saturday's play with some momentum after stunning fifth-place Morehead State 81-58 Monday night at the RSEC, snapping a five-game losing streak that included last weekend's close 69-60 loss to league-leading Eastern Kentucky.

Sophomore Brittany Park scored a season-high 21 points on 6-of-10 shooting from behind the 3-point arc against the Lady Eagles.

Park's performance was aided by teammate Beth Schnakenberg's second double-double (23 points, 10 rebounds) of the season.

The Lady Racers held Morehead, the league's best 3-point shooting team, to a dreadful 0-of-

OVC Standings

	OVC	All Games
Austin Peay	6-0	13-3
Eastern Kentucky	6-1	14-5
Southeast Missouri	4-2	10-6
Tennessee-Martin	4-3	7-11
Morehead State	4-4	11-8
Tennessee Tech	2-4	7-10
Eastern Illinois	2-4	3-14
Murray State	1-5	5-12
Tennessee State	0-6	2-14

Upcoming Games

Thursday, Jan. 30
Southeast Missouri at Eastern Illinois
Tennessee-Martin at Austin Peay

Saturday, Feb. 1
Austin Peay at Eastern Ky. — 4:30 p.m.
UT-Martin at Murray State — 5 p.m.
Tenn. State at Eastern Ill. — 5:15 p.m.
Tennessee Tech at SEMO — 5:30 p.m.

* All Times Central

16 performance from long distance.

Murray's 23-point win over the Lady Eagles was its largest margin of victory in a conference game since a 70-47 rout of Tennessee State in February 2000.

Individually, freshman forward

Lindsay Cornn — a former Graves County High School standout — continued to show promise with a career-high 17 points in the loss to the visiting Lady Colonels.

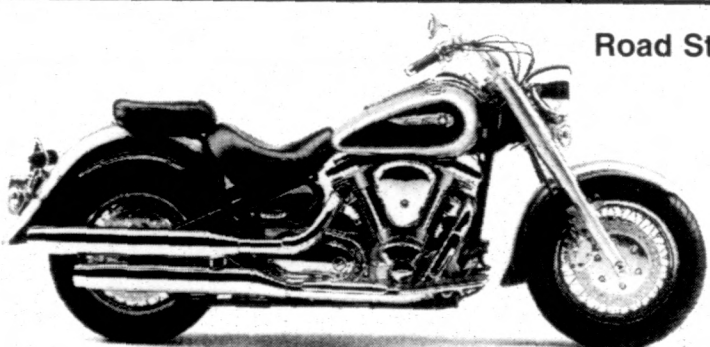
UT-Martin (7-11, 4-3) comes into Murray on a hot streak after sweeping last week's two-game set against visiting Morehead State and Eastern Kentucky.

The Skyhawks, who played at league leader Austin Peay State on Thursday night, upset Morehead 83-77 and then followed that triumph with a 70-62 shocker over second-place Eastern Kentucky.

Senior Amy Watson became the eighth Skyhawk to top the 1,000-point plateau by scoring 18 points against Morehead and following that performance with 25 against ECU.

Junior Julie Young posted the first double-double of her career against the Lady Eagles with 28 points and 13 rebounds.

UTM is in the midst of a four-game road trip.



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Friday, January 31, 2003

Red-hot Lady Lakers burn Flash 40-31

By SCOTT NANNEY
Sports Editor

If ever there was a statement game for any team, Thursday's matchup with First Region power Lone Oak was it for the Calloway County girls' basketball team.

And the Lady Lakers (12-5) got their message across loud and clear.

A solid post game — led by junior forward Shameka Dial — and a suffocating defensive effort was enough for Calloway to defeat the Lady Flash 40-31 and perhaps brand itself as the new favorite for the region title.

"This game was one that our kids wanted to win really bad," said Calloway head coach Scott Sivills, whose red-hot squad extended its winning streak to seven games. "We had beaten everybody in the region except Lone Oak, so this was a big game for us."

Dial and frontcourt mates Carley Williams and Kelly Taylor played big roles as the Lady Laker post players dominated on the inside with offensive rebounds and put-backs.

The 5-8 Dial, who has worked to establish herself as a viable inside presence, came up big for CCHS with a game-high 12 points — several of which came on put-backs after offensive rebounds. With Dial's help, the Lady Lakers won the battle of the boards 20-13.

"Shameka had had some really great games for us early in the year, and now she knows she can score inside," Sivills noted. "I think she's the best pure athlete in the region, and now she has given us a real inside presence."

Despite trailing the host Lady Lakers for much of the first half, Lone Oak (12-6) appeared to control the tempo with its deliberate style while also baiting the Calloway starters into foul trouble.

CCHS led 10-6 on a Kaly Fox 3-pointer late in the first half and extended to a 15-9 advantage early in the second period on four

LADY LAKERS 40 Lone Oak 31

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Lone Oak (31) — Buchanan 9, L. Bredniak 6, Millay 5, Shelbourne 5, Marquess 3, Mitchell 2, Whitelock 1, Scheer, Rorer, Curry. FG: 10-23. 3-point FG: 3-5 (Shelbourne, Millay, L. Bredniak). FT: 8-12. Rebounds: 13. Record: 12-6.
Calloway County (40) — Dial 12, Fox 10, Prescott 10, Taylor 6, Ross 2, Radke, White, Williams. FG: 12-33. 3-point FG: 2-8 (Fox 2). FT: 14-27. Rebounds: 20. Record: 12-5.

points from Kelly Taylor and a free throw by Felisha Prescott.

However, the Lady Flash closed the half with six straight points, highlighted by a stall offense that burned nearly three minutes off the clock. The slow-down tactic paid off for Lone Oak as Megan Milloy drained a 3-pointer from the right corner to close the scoring and knot the game at 15-15 at the halftime break.

While the stall tactic appeared to give the visitors the mental edge, Sivills claimed the sequence actually worked in his team's favor.

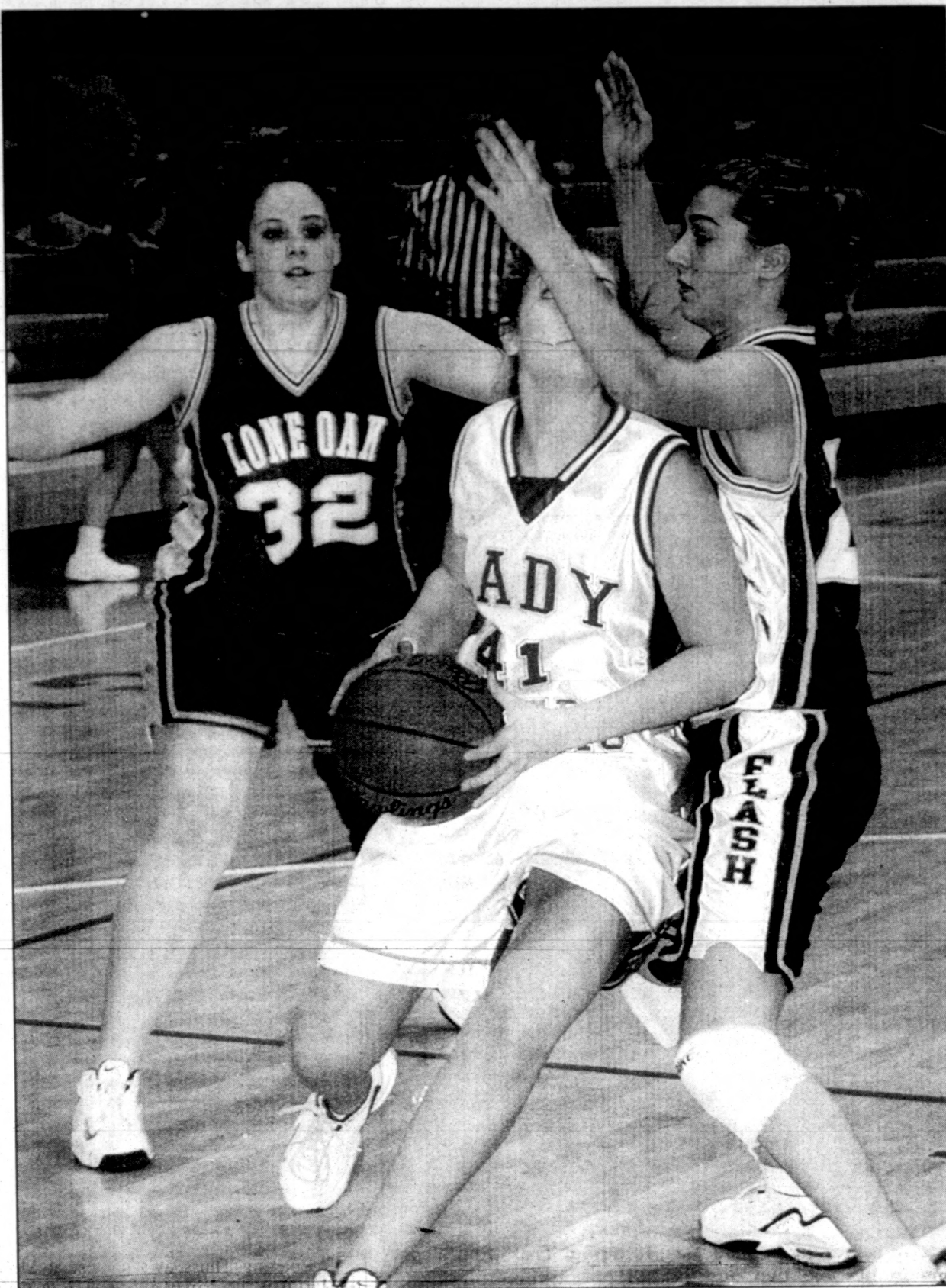
"I felt like they kind of played into our hands at the end of the second quarter because three of our kids — Katie (Ross), Carley and Shameka — had three fouls," Sivills said. "That allowed us to save our kids for the second half."

The Lady Flash carried the momentum into the third quarter as Katie Buchanan's baseline jumper opened the second-half scoring, giving Lone Oak a 17-15 edge.

But Prescott and Fox followed with four straight foul shots, and then the CCHS inside game came alive with four consecutive points from Dial and a layup by Taylor for a 25-17 advantage.

Rebounding was the key in that sequence as both Dial and Taylor scored off offensive rebounds.

Laura Bredniak closed the period with a 3-pointer to pull Lone Oak to within 25-20 heading into the final eight minutes. But that's as close as the Lady Flash would get as Calloway hit 8-of-14 free



FACE TO FACE ... Calloway County's Kelly Taylor eventually gets to the basket for a layup despite the efforts of this Lone Oak defender during the first half of Thursday's game at CCHS. The Lady Lakers defeated the Lady Flash 40-31.

throws in the final 5:23 to sail to the victory.

The Lady Lakers shot 12-of-35 from the floor, including a 2-of-8 effort from beyond the 3-point arc. CCHS was 14-of-27 from the charity stripe.

Calloway's defensive effort held

the Lady Flash to just 10-of-25 shooting as Buchanan led the way with nine points. Lone Oak was 8-of-12 from the line.

"Defense is the backbone of our team," noted Sivills. "We took them out of everything they wanted to do (offensively) ... Every-

thing's kind of falling into place for us. It's really fun for our team right now."

The Lady Lakers will return to the court on Saturday in the First Bank Classic before traveling to Hopkinsville on Monday.



NEW CHARGES ... Former Florida State QB Adrian McPherson, who is currently enrolled in classes at Murray State, is facing additional felony charges for his alleged role in a check-stealing scandal.

McPherson charged with more felonies

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — The legal problems for former Florida State quarterback Adrian McPherson are mounting.

On Wednesday, prosecutors filed two additional felony charges against McPherson, who has enrolled at Murray State, for his role in a November check scam at a local auto accessories company.

McPherson, 19, was initially arrested on a felony and misdemeanor charge for taking a blank check from the business, R&R Truck and Auto Accessories, in Tallahassee. The check was later made out for \$3,500 and cashed.

But after a handwriting analysis alleged McPherson wrote the check, authorities added the felony charges of making out the check and then cashing the forged document.

What happened to the money remains a question, leading to speculation about possible gambling debts.

However, a two-month investigation by local and state authorities has not turned up any developments on the gambling front.

"The investigation is progressing and the FSU police are expecting that they will have it completed by the end of February," university police Chief Carey Drayton said Thursday.

McPherson could face additional charges for checks that were cashed at the Publix supermarket chain.

"There are other bad checks that have been brought in here by Publix and we're looking at those," assistant state attorney Paul Driver said Thursday. "I'm not sure where we're going to go with those."

McPherson is scheduled to appear for case management March 6.

His attorney, Grady Irvin Jr. of St. Petersburg, did not immediately return a call from The Associated Press.

McPherson, who is from Bradenton, would be eligible to play football next fall at Murray State.

A former "Mr. Football" and "Mr. Basketball" in Florida, McPherson is the only person to capture both honors in the same season in the Sunshine State.

He started four games at quarterback, replacing Chris Rix after the eighth game of the season.

It was the first time in a dozen seasons Florida State coach Bobby Bowden changed quarterbacks for any reason other than an injury. He replaced Brad Johnson, quarterback of the 2003 Super Bowl champion Tampa Bay Buccaneers, in 1990 with Casey Weldon.

McPherson appeared in nine games for Florida State in 2002. He completed 80-of-155 passes for 1,017 yards with 12 TD passes and only one interception. He went 3-1 in his four starts, losing 17-7 at North Carolina State in November when the Florida State offense failed to score.

Fulton City gets by Lady Tigers at All 'A'

By MIKE OHSTROM
Staff Writer

MAYFIELD, Ky. — While Murray High's offense ran hot and cold, Fulton City seized its opportunity to make its first-ever appearance in the championship game of the All 'A' Classic First Region Tournament.

Jamie Turner sank four 3-pointers in a span of five minutes to finish with 20 points, Tanekka Taylor added 22 points on four treys and Mindy Tharp supplied 16 points and 10 rebounds as the fourth-seeded Lady Bulldogs defeated No. 1 Murray 72-68 in Thursday's semifinal at Graves County's Eagles' Nest.

Sherrie Sexton had 21 points on three triples and Lisa Thurman drained five 3-pointers for 19 points while Ashley Patterson followed with 15 points, but the Lady Tigers (13-3) could not avoid their second All 'A' semifinal loss in three years.

"They outplayed us," said MHS head coach Rechelle Cadwell Turner of Fulton, now 11-5 going into Saturday's 6 p.m. final versus No. 2 Mayfield, a 63-57 winner over No. 3 Ballard Memorial in Thursday's opener.

"They got every loose ball, every loose rebound, and every time somebody needed a big play, they made it. Those kinds of things are going to happen to you — they have a very athletic team and they have who I feel is the best player in the region in Jamie Turner."

An All 'A' state quarterfinalist a year ago, Murray outdid the Lady Bulldogs at the foul line, hitting 20-of-27 free throws while Fulton went 7-of-16.

But the Lady Bulldogs countered by sinking 29-of-71 field goals, including 7-of-15 trifectas and their first three shots en route to taking a 15-9 lead with 2:52



SPLITTING THE DEFENSE ... Murray High's Sherrie Sexton goes in between Fulton City defenders Jamie Turner (left) and Kim Rose (right) during Thursday's semifinal-round game of the Girls' All 'A' Classic First Region Tournament, held at the Eagles' Nest.

left in the first quarter.

Fulton then rattled off the first nine points of the second period to pull ahead 27-16 before the Lady Tigers, 3-of-12 from the floor on the opening frame, shook off the doldrums with a Thurman 3-pointer at the 5:06 mark.

That trey, off an inbounds play, ignited a 19-4 run that — capped by two more Thurman threes that sandwiched her drive-and-dish to Katie Wagoner — catapulted Mur-

ray in front 35-31 at the half.

"Anytime you start a tournament game, there's a little bit of nerves, but we did settle down and play a little better," said Cadwell Turner, whose team maintained the momentum out of half-time.

Sexton scored on a runout, Thurman drilled a 3-pointer via the same inbounds play and Breanna Vulp connected on two foul shots for a 42-31 advantage with 5:32

left in the third quarter.

However, Taylor — who did not play because of an illness in Fulton's 67-56 loss to MHS in the Lady Tiger Classic Dec. 27 — made a difference, stemming the tide with back-to-back triples.

"She stepped up and made some huge shots," Cadwell Turner said. "You concentrate on Turner and Tharp, but (Taylor) is a good athlete and their other kids stepped up and did what they had to do."

Fulton City 72 LADY TIGERS 68

Fulton City 18 31 46 72
Murray 16 35 51 68
Fulton City (72) — T. Taylor 22, Turner 20, Tharp 16, S. Taylor 6, Alexander 2, Phelps 2, Rose 2, Smith 2, Burton. FG: 29-71. 3-point FG: 7-15 (Turner 4, T. Taylor 3). FT: 7-16. Record: 11-5.
Murray (68) — Sexton 21, Thurman 19, Patterson 15, Vulp 7, Vincent 4, Wagoner 2, Faughn. FG: 20-58. 3-point FG: 8-22 (Thurman 5, Sexton 3). FT: 20-27. Record: 13-3.

Thurman answered a Tharp basket with another trey to slow the 8-0 spurt, but after Patterson's bucket made it a 48-43 contest with 1:07 left in the third, Turner came alive.

Turner and Sexton traded 3-pointers in the final minute of the third period, but Turner opened the final stanza with another bomb before a bucket from Kim Rose and Taylor's putback put the Lady Bulldogs on top 53-51 just 63 seconds into the quarter.

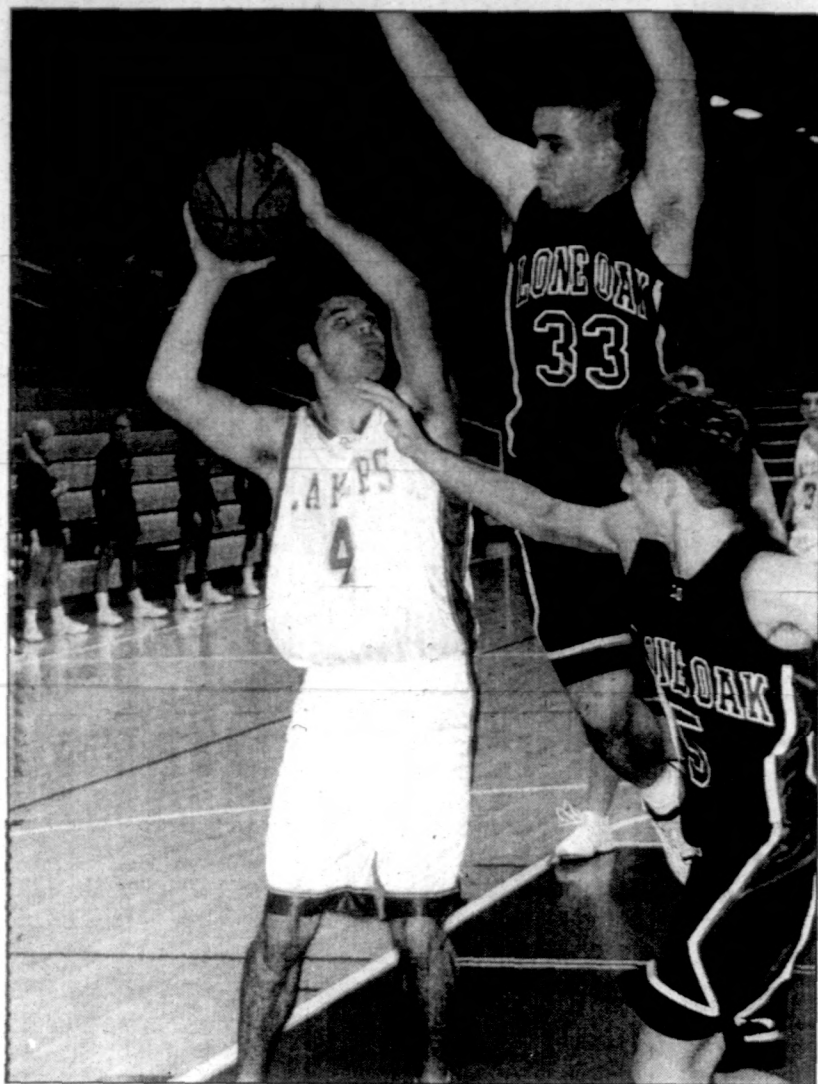
Sexton responded with a three-point play at 6:32, but Taylor's steal and layup led to Turner's back-to-back threes and Tharp's follow for a 63-54 edge with 4:05 to play.

Deuces from Patterson and Sexton closed the deficit to 63-58, but Tharp's three-point play keyed another 7-0 blitz as Turner made it a 69-59 tilt with 1:31 to go.

Brandy Vincent's stickback capped a 6-0 run that pulled the Lady Tigers within 69-65 with 36.2 seconds left.

However, Genice Alexander knocked down both of her free throws with 29.8 seconds to play, and after Sexton nailed a 3-pointer at the other end, Fulton tacked on a Taylor foul shot for insurance with 13.7 ticks left.

Murray is scheduled to return to action Monday when they host Lyon County at 6 p.m. at Tiger Gym.



Layoff, defense cost Lakers

By SCOTT NANNEY
Sports Editor

With the adversity of injuries and high expectations, one might expect that an extended layoff would be advantageous to the Calloway County Lakers.

However, a nine-day break — partly due to inclement weather — may have cost head coach Terry Birdsong's squad in Thursday's 58-53 loss to visiting Lone Oak.

"I think all that time off may have hurt us a little bit," Birdsong noted of the Lakers, who were a preseason favorite for the First Region title but slipped to just 7-10 with last night's loss.

"We looked fatigued down the stretch ... Give Lone Oak a lot of credit. They've lost some close games this year, and they really

SCOTT NANNEY/Ledger photo
PUMPED UP ... Calloway County's Logan Walker uses a pump-fake to get Lone Oak's Drew Holland (33) in the air while another Flash defender runs by in the Lakers' loss Thursday. Walker scored nine points in the 58-53 defeat at Jeffrey Gymnasium.

wanted to win this game."

The Lakers were wrapped in a tight battle with their Class 3A counterparts for three-fourths of the contest — carrying a 37-36 edge into the fourth quarter on Seth Barrow's buzzer-beating jumper to end the third stanza.

But the Flash (7-8) took control early in the final period as Chase Denson single-handedly put his team ahead for good, scoring on a 3-point play to open the final eight minutes and then knocking down a trey for a 42-37 Lone Oak lead.

Jimmy Bynum, who tossed in a game-high 29 points, responded with a 3-ball of his own to shave the Lone Oak edge to just two. But the Flash sandwiched a Richard Walter jumper and two free throws from Denson around Barrow's 1-of-2 effort from the stripe for a 46-41 advantage with 5:39 left.

Calloway closed the deficit to only one (54-53) with 56 seconds remaining when Cody White nailed 1-of-2 from the foul line and Bynum

turned a White steal into a fast-break layup.

The Lakers had a chance to tie the contest in the closing seconds as Bynum got a good look from 3-point range with 35 seconds to go, but couldn't convert. Lone Oak's Eric Parsley was fouled and nailed the free throw attempts to produce the final margin.

"Jimmy has hit big shots like that before, but he just couldn't knock it down this time," Birdsong said. "Our kids gave a valiant effort, but we should have never put ourselves in that position."

Bynum gave the Lakers an early 7-4 lead on a 3-pointer, but the Flash rebounded to gave a 16-10 advantage — with the help of two Parsley triples.

Calloway led 26-21 heading into the halftime break and extended the margin to eight with Bynum's 3-point play to start the second half. But the Laker defense allowed Parsley and the other Lone Oak guards too much space from the perimeter.

"I was really disappointed with our effort defensively — both mentally and physically," noted Birdsong. "We allowed them too much

Lone Oak 58 LAKERS 53				
Lone Oak	16	21	36	58
Calloway County	14	26	37	53
Lone Oak (58) — Hall 15, Parsley 11, Denson 10, Bowles 8, Holland 6, L. Elliott 5, Walter 3, Chumbler, Key, Thomas. FG: 20. 3-point FG: 4 (Parsley 3, Denson). FT: 14-19. Record: 7-8.				
Calloway County (53) — Bynum 29, Barrow 10, Walker 9, Adams 4, White 1, Futrell, N. Jones, R. Jones. FG: 18. 3-point FG: 4 (Bynum 4). FT: 13-24. Record: 7-10.				

penetration, and we gave them too many good looks at the basket."

The Lakers were also plagued by shooting woes at the foul line, hitting only 13-of-24 attempts. Barrow followed Bynum with 10 points while center Logan Walker chipped in nine. CCHS connected on 18 field goals, including four from 3-point range.

Sam Hall led the Lone Oak charges with 15 points while Parsley dropped in 11 and Denson 10. The Flash knocked down 20 field goals and were 14-of-19 from the charity stripe.

Calloway returns to the court Saturday at 1:30 p.m. when it faces Johnson City (Ill.) in the Players Shootout in Metropolis, Ill.

Title IX proposals please groups

WASHINGTON (AP) — While neither side could claim an outright victory in the final votes by the Bush administration's Title IX commission, those who say the landmark gender equity law has hurt men's sports felt they gained some momentum for change.

The Commission on Opportunity in Athletics considered about two dozen recommendations for Title IX during two days of sometimes contentious meetings.

The most sweeping overhauls failed to pass — one proposal produced a 7-7 tie — but the panel voted Thursday in favor of tinkering with the ways students and athletes are counted to measure compliance with the law.

"It's very obvious that everyone recognizes that there needs to be change, and this is a great first step," said Mike Moyer, the executive director of the National Wrestling Coaches Association. "It will certainly stem further

loss of programs," added Moyer, whose organization has filed a lawsuit claiming Title IX has led to the elimination of hundreds of men's sports teams as schools try to meet the equality standards.

The commission will forward its report to Education Secretary Rod Paige, who will consider the recommendations. It takes an act of Congress to fundamentally change the law, but Paige can alter the way compliance is measured.

"I am very pleased that the commission has agreed on a number of reforms that will strengthen Title IX," Paige said.

Title IX prohibits gender discrimination in public and private schools that receive federal funding, which almost all do. It covers admissions, recruitment, course offerings, counseling, financial aid, student health and student housing, as well as athletics.

The commission only looked at sports, where the law's effect

has been profound. The number of girls participating in high school sports rose from 294,000 in 1971 to 2.8 million in 2002. The number of women in college sports increased fivefold during the same time.

But about 400 men's college teams were eliminated during the 1990s, with wrestling taking a particularly hard hit, as schools attempted to meet a standard that requires a ratio of male and female athletes similar to the overall student population.

The commission recommended several changes to the standard. The changes deal with roster spots,

nonscholarship athletics and non-traditional students.

Women's advocates who preferred the status quo were alarmed by the proposed changes, saying they could chip away at progress that has been made.

"The commission has opened the door for the secretary to do a lot of damage to Title IX," said Donna Lopiano, executive director of the Women's Sports Foundation.

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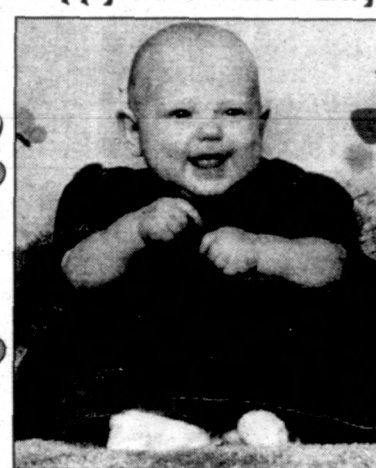
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DR. GOTT

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm confused about the different medical views concerning the role of supplemental vitamin therapy in shoring up the body's defenses against chronic illnesses such as hepatitis. Should a person's diet be augmented by a particular vitamin if she has suffered from past hepatitis infections and if she continues to show elevated liver-enzyme levels? If so, what particular vitamins would be effective?

DEAR READER: Supplemental — especially "megadose" — vitamins are not necessary to enhance the body's defenses. Ordinarily, a diet that contains the recommended daily allowances of all the vitamins should suffice, although some nutritionists do believe that older adults may require supplemental multivitamins if their diets are deficient in basic nutrients.

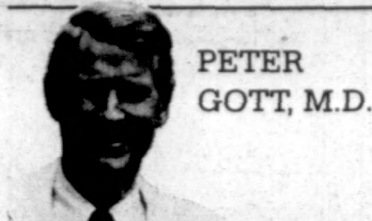
I'm concerned about two observations in your question.

First, elevated liver enzymes after hepatitis indicate that the liver remains inflamed. This suggests one of the dreaded complications of liver infection: chronic hepatitis, which can lead to cirrhosis and liver failure.

In my opinion, any patient with persisting, elevated liver enzymes should be examined by a gastroenterologist for the purpose of a possible liver biopsy. This test will indicate the severity of the disorder and may provide clues about appropriate treatment.

Second, if the person in your question has been self-administering large doses of vitamins, her liver enzyme abnormality may be a direct consequence of this impropriety. Excess quantities of vitamin A, niacin and B6 can lead to severe liver damage.

In summary, the person with the



PETER GOTT, M.D.

liver problem should check with a specialist and follow his or her advice about testing, diet and vitamin supplements.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm interested in obtaining information about obstructive pulmonary disease and other lung disorders. My father is handicapped because of this affliction and requires around-the-clock oxygen therapy. Is there any hope for him?

DEAR READER: Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease is an exceptionally serious lung ailment, marked by low levels of oxygen in the blood and high levels of carbon dioxide retention. These abnormalities are the direct result of alterations in lung function, notably loss of alveolar air sacs (where oxygen is normally exchanged for carbon dioxide), pulmonary scarring and increased mucus secretions. COPD is a common consequence of smoking, air pollution and many lung disorders, including chronic bronchitis and asthma.

Treatment consists of drugs to release bronchial spasm, reduce mucus discharge, eliminate infection and improve ventilation. Such drugs often include steroids and supplemental oxygen therapy. Special breathing exercises may help.

In my opinion, your father should be under the care of a pulmonologist, who can prescribe the necessary medications, monitor his progress and offer suggestions about further therapy.

DEAR ABBY

DEAR ABBY: I am the mother of a 15-year-old daughter, "Brandy," who is a pretty good kid. She has caused me very little trouble — she gets good grades, has well-behaved friends, etc. My problem is she got herself pregnant by her boyfriend of three months. He's a good kid, too. (I'll call him Danny.)

Brandy ended up having a miscarriage, so now we're back to "life as usual," as she and Danny see it. However, I am having a tough time with Danny hanging around. I can no longer look him in the eye. His parents were no help at all during the hellish week we experienced when Brandy was pregnant.

Should I allow Danny to keep dating my daughter or send him packing? I feel caught in the middle. As a parent, I feel I should put a stop to the relationship. However, if I do, I'm afraid Brandy might run away. (I remember well how I felt when I was her age.) Please help, Abby.

TORN MOM IN OHIO

DEAR TORN MOM: Consider this near-miss a wakeup call! You are overdue for a serious talk with Danny and his parents, because had the pregnancy continued, Danny would have been equally responsible for caring for and supporting his child.

It's time to face up to the fact that your children are now sexually active. Worry less that your daughter will run away, and more about what will happen if she and Danny conceive again.

Danny and Brandy must learn that sex carries with it great responsibility — one that can sometimes last 18 years or more. Further, there is the danger of sexually transmitted disease to be considered. I urge you to schedule a doctor's appointment for both of them. If that's not possible, contact Planned Parenthood. Brandy and Danny need to learn everything they can about birth control and self-control.

DEAR ABBY: This Christmas, I received a beautiful gold necklace as a gift from my father. However, the pendant is in the shape of a religious symbol. I understand it may

have been unclear to him that I feel reluctant to wear such a necklace, but in good conscience, I cannot

because I follow a different faith.

Should I exchange it, or keep it and never wear it? I do not want to offend my dad, as he is my birth father and we met only recently. Since we are in the beginning of our relationship, I don't want to mess it up.

On the other hand, it seems a waste to own jewelry that is never worn — and I'm sure he'd notice. Please help me, Abby. If I exchange the necklace, there's a 100-day limit.

VEXED IN VEGAS

DEAR VEXED: Write your father a note. Thank him for his thoughtfulness and generosity. Explain why you want to exchange the necklace. Your reason is a valid one. It's possible that, since you are just getting to know each other, he's unaware of your religious beliefs differ from his.

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend, "Ted," beats me up bad. It's not me I'm worried about — it's our 4-month-old baby girl. Ted threatens to kill me and the baby if I leave. He hits, slaps and kicks me almost daily. Please help me.

DESPERATE IN ITHACA, N.Y.

DEAR DESPERATE: Call the Domestic Violence Hotline. The toll-free number is 1-800-799-7233. Tell the counselor who answers what you have written to me. He or she will help you to formulate an escape plan. For your daughter's sake, please don't wait.

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CONTRACT BRIDGE

Bidding Quiz

You are South, and the bidding has gone:

North	East	South	West
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	?	

What would you bid now with each of the following four hands?

1. ♠A987 ♥64 ♦J72 ♣KJ3
2. ♠AJ83 ♥K73 ♦Q5 ♣K974
3. ♠Q8643 ♥J62 ♦7 ♣AK98
4. ♠AKJ7 ♥852 ♦983 ♣AQ5

1. Three diamonds. Despite partner's two-diamond rebid, denoting a minimum opening, you should not yet abandon hope for game. Three diamonds is much more encouraging than two spades would be, and in addition it shows that you have both spades and diamonds, which is more than a rebid in spades would do.

Three diamonds is constructive but not forcing. It says that game is still possible if partner has a maximum for his two previous bids. You hope North will be able to bid either three spades (with three-card support) or three notrump.

2. Three notrump. An opening bid facing an opening bid means game, so you should not risk a two-notrump bid that partner could pass. You not only have 13 high-card points and stoppers in every suit, but

also the important queen of diamonds in partner's suit. It is most unlikely that you will wind up making fewer than nine tricks.

3. Pass. True, you have a better hand than your pass would normally indicate, but your side's chances of making game — once North announces a minimum opening bid — are rather poor. Partner probably has 13 or 14 high-card points, though he might have as few as 12 or as many as 15. Further action is therefore not justified. Your singleton diamond is a liability, not an asset. If you were to bid again, pushing the contract higher, you might well endanger the partnership of two diamonds your partner can probably make.

4. Three clubs. Bidding a three-card suit is rather unusual, but sometimes you have to improvise in an effort to find the best contract. Game must be reached, and you are hoping partner will bid three notrump if he has a heart stopper.

You should not feel nervous about bidding a three-card suit under these circumstances. Partner is not allowed to pass, since a new suit bid by responder is forcing. The worst that can happen is that partner raises to four clubs, in which case you can belatedly support diamonds.

Tomorrow: A deductible deduction.
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ACROSS

- Remind too often
- Michael Jordan's org.
- Throng
- Bangkok native
- Sharp bark
- Garfield's housemate
- Ice pellets
- Dugout VIP
- Cultivate the soil
- Dirigibles
- Potter's device
- Sigh of satisfaction
- Ascot
- Flatterer
- Take back
- Grand total
- Round veggie
- Golf score
- Food source
- Sarcasm
- Dine

- Big extinct bird
- Dingbat
- Bump along
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- High spirits
- Wide St.
- Sound in body
- Rustler's target
- Sidekick
- Midwest st.

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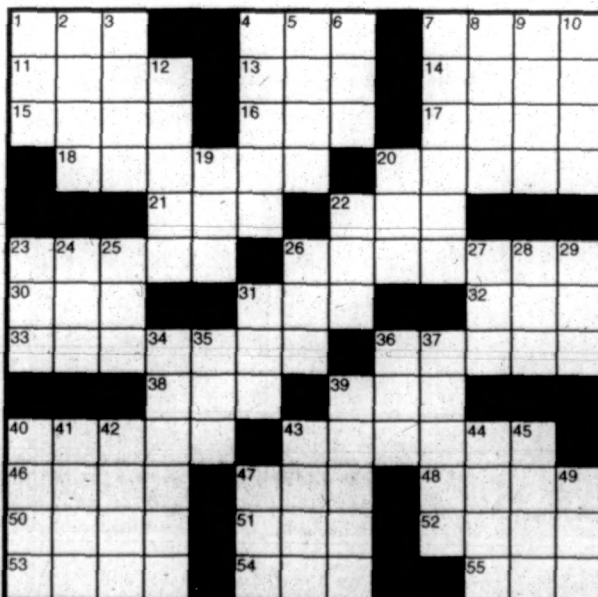
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- Melville sea captain
- Writer — Sheehy
- Dryad
- Luggage
- Spring mo.
- Pester
- Actress — Adams
- Foul
- Bellow

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- Homer's tale
- Garden-planting time
- Funny person
- Londoner's drink
- Cluck of disapproval
- Yes, to Yvette
- Lb. or tsp.
- Stimpy's buddy
- Military addr.
- Preserve
- Taste
- Furry companion
- Burned sandalwood
- Alfalfa
- Promise to pay
- Kind of dressing
- "Psycho"
- Settling
- Nearby
- Busy loafing
- Not even once, to a poet
- Coffee, slangily
- "Misery" co-star
- She, in Paris
- Break-dance music
- Winter mo.



80 in a basketball game. High team scorers were Les Taylor for Murray and Jerry Bundy for Western.

Births reported include a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Louis Harri-ford Jr., Jan. 26.

40 years ago
Gene Landolt received the District Service Award and Clyde Johnson the Jaycee Key Man Award from the Murray Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Bosses Night dinner held at South-side Restaurant.

Dedication of the new church building at Poplar Spring Baptist Church will be Feb. 3 at 11 a.m., according to the pastor, the Rev. Charles Salmon.

Recent births reported at Murray Hospital include a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Graves Beaman, a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Darnell and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lam-on.

50 years ago
Noble Knight, owner and operator of East End Service Station, Murray, died Jan. 30 from burns suffered on Jan. 29 when gasoline exploded at the station. Witnesses said Knight was cleaning the floor with gasoline.

In the opening round of Calloway County High School Basketball Tournament at MSC Carr Health Building, Murray Training Colts won over Hazel Lions and New Concord Redbirds over Almo Warriors. High team scorers were Max Barnett for MTS, Billy Bruce Wilson for Hazel, Warren Stubblefield for New Concord, and Bob Lockhart for Almo.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 31, the 31st day of 2003. There are 334 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 31, 1958, the United States entered the Space Age with its first successful launch of a satellite into orbit, Explorer 1.

On this date:

In 1865, Gen. Robert E. Lee was named General-in-Chief of all the Confederate armies.

In 1934, President Franklin Roosevelt devalued the dollar in relation to gold.

In 1950, President Truman announced he had ordered development of the hydrogen bomb.

In 1971, astronauts Alan B. Shepard Jr., Edgar D. Mitchell and Stuart A. Roosa blasted off aboard Apollo 14 on a mission to the moon.

In 1990, McDonald's Corp. opened its first fast-food restaurant in Moscow.

Ten years ago: The Dallas Cowboys defeated the Buffalo Bills 52-17 in Super Bowl 27, played at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif.

Five years ago: Astronaut David Wolf returned to Earth aboard space shuttle Endeavour after four months on the Russian space station Mir.

One year ago: The Bush administration handed abortion opponents a symbolic victory, classifying a developing fetus as an "unborn child" as a way of extending prenatal care to low-income pregnant women under the State Children's Health Insurance Program.

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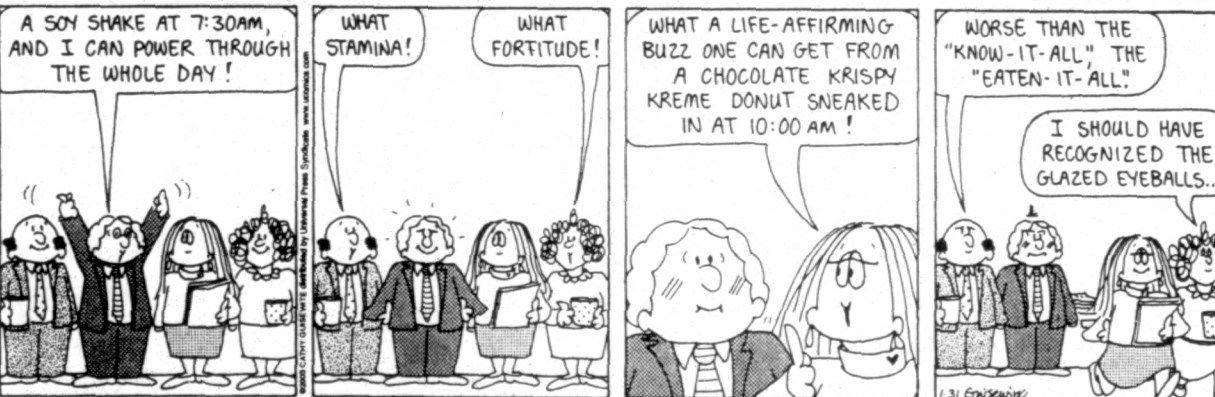
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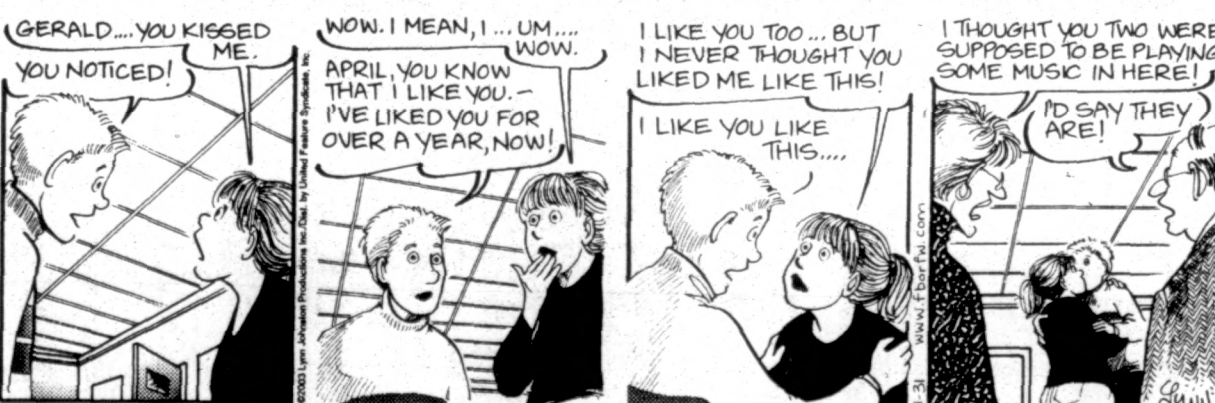
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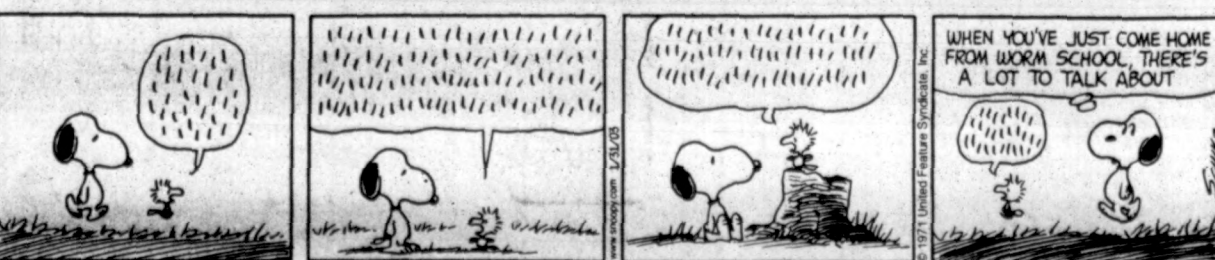
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Air base somber after fatal crash

BAGRAM, Afghanistan (AP) — U.S. soldiers today picked through the wreckage of a helicopter strewn across an Afghan plain, looking for clues to the cause of a crash that killed four soldiers.

The twisted hulk of the helicopter lay in an open field near Bagram Air Base, with snow-covered mountains far in the distance. The military said it was unsure what caused Thursday's crash, but that there was no indication of enemy fire.

U.S. military has come to rely on helicopters during the mission in Afghanistan since there are few good roads or airfields, the terrain is steep

and rugged, and many routes still are littered with mines.

But Afghanistan's roiling dust often clogs engines, and the high altitude of Bagram puts a strain on rotors. Bagram lies nearly a mile above sea level and the thinner air reduces the lifting capacity of helicopter.

"Afghanistan is a tough place to fly," Col. Roger King, spokesman for the U.S. military at the Bagram base, said. "There are a lot of weather concerns, there's a lot of relief to the terrain. High altitude is probably not the forte of helicopter operations — they are a more low-altitude aircraft."

"There's a lot of dust in the air which is rough on turbine engines. There are a lot of things that make Afghanistan a tough place to operate for helicopters."

The Special Operations helicopter went down Thursday evening seven miles east of the air base, the U.S. headquarters for the war on Afghanistan, and all aboard were killed.

The names of the victims were being withheld until families are notified.

It was the deadliest day for the

Support unit to deploy from Fort Campbell

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) — A support unit from Fort Campbell has received orders to deploy to the Persian Gulf in preparation for possible combat with Iraq.

About 200 soldiers from the 541st Transportation Company will leave Fort Campbell, according to spokesman Maj. Trey Cate. The support unit is attached to the 101st Airborne Division. They are part of Task Force Ironhorse, which includes 37,000 soldiers from about a dozen other Army installations.

Soldiers from the unit will join about 90 doctors, nurses and medical technicians with the 86th Combat Support Hospital.

American military in Afghanistan since March 4, 2002, when seven soldiers were killed and 11 wounded at the outset of Operation Anaconda against remnant Taliban and al-Qaida forces. Those casualties were believed caused by friendly fire.

The helicopter that crashed is known as the MH-60, an adapted version of the Black Hawk that Army special operations forces use for long-range, low-level flights into hostile territory at night.

King said the crash was not connected to ongoing U.S. military operations in southeast Afghanistan,

where troops backed by helicopters were scouring caves in the Adi Ghar mountain for about 80 rebel fighters.

Since U.S. military action in Afghanistan began in October 2001, at least six U.S. helicopters have crashed or had hard landings that have injured or killed troops. Two Army Rangers and two Marines have been killed, and at least 11 other troops have been injured. Including the latest casualties, 25 U.S. soldiers have been killed in action in Afghanistan since the war on terror began. Twenty-two deaths were due to non-battlefield incidents.

Worship ... N. Korea vows to resist U.S. pressure over nuclear dispute

From Page 6

June Crider. The Rev. Terry Garvin, associate pastor, will continue the winter Bible study from I Corinthians and Shelly Martinez will give a "Missionary Moment" at the 6 p.m. worship service. Sunday School sessions are at 9:30 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Boyd Smith, students and activities minister, invites university students to attend the contemporary praise and worship service at 8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Martin's Chapel United Methodist: The Rev. Michael Blake, pastor, will speak about "For What Authority Do We Speak" with scripture from Mark 1:21-28 at the 9 a.m. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany worship service. Children's church will start at 9:15 a.m. Ralph Robertson is choir director with Ricky Cunningham as pianist. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m.

Good Shepherd United Methodist: The Rev. Michael Blake, pastor, will speak about "For What Authority Do We Speak" with scripture from Mark 1:21-28 at the 11 a.m. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany worship service. Diana Tatlock is choir director with Jessica Su and Ginny Shropshire as accompanists. The choir will sign "Precious Lord Take My Hand" and the new hymn of the month will be "Lead Me Lord." Sunday School will be at 10 a.m.

First Christian: The Rev. William C. Horner, minister, will speak at the 10:15 a.m. worship service. Mark Dycus is choir director with Angie Thome, Donnie Hendrix and Judith Hill as accompanists. Erin Bare and Dustin Alton are youth directors. Sunday School will be at 9 a.m.

South Pleasant Grove United Methodist: The Rev. Scott Alford, pastor, will speak at the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Sunday School will be at 9:45 a.m.

Coldwater Church of Christ: Richard Guill, minister, will speak at the 10:15 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship services.

St. Leo Catholic: Fr. Ray Goetz, pastor, will preside over masses at 5:15 p.m. Saturday and at 8 and 11 a.m. on Sunday. Parish School of Religion will be held from 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

Hazel Baptist: The Rev. Tim Cole, pastor, will speak at 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. worship services. Mark Paschall will direct the music with Kevin Crawford as choir director. Gwyn Key and Rhonda Lamb are accompanists. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m. and Church Training at 5:30 p.m.

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea will negotiate with the United States only to end the stand-off over its nuclear program, an envoy from the North said today, rejecting the idea of multilateral talks on the dispute.

The envoy said only the United States was to blame for the dispute and flatly rejected the possibility of involving other countries in the talks.

"It is the United States that menaces the sovereignty of the DPRK and its right to existence," the North Korean envoy to China, Choe Jin Su, said at a news conference in Beijing, using the acronym of his

country's official name, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. "Only the U.S. is responsible for doing away with the threat and able to do so."

The United States has sought to bring the issue before the United Nations, and has encouraged efforts by Russia, China and South Korea to help resolve the standoff.

"Here lies the sinister intention of the United States to evade its responsibilities for the blame and create international pressure upon our country," Choe said.

Choe repeated his government's demand for a nonaggression treaty with the United States. Washington

has ruled out such a treaty but says it has no intention of attacking North Korea and could provide a written security guarantee.

Mohamed ElBaradei, head of the Vienna-based U.N. International Atomic Energy Agency, said that he hopes an emergency board meeting to deal with the North Korea crisis will take place Feb. 12 despite some disagreement among member states on when to hold such a meeting.

"I've already submitted the report to the board saying that North Korea is in noncompliance. So we need to get the board to certify that conclusion," he said.

"We obviously then have to

report in accordance with our charter — our statute — to the Security Council," ElBaradei said upon arrival from New York.

The U.N. nuclear watchdog had previously suggested a Feb. 3 meeting, but South Korea wanted to delay the meeting to give North Korea time to change course. A Security Council meeting could lead to sanctions against the North, though Pyongyang has said it would view sanctions as a declaration of war.

The dispute began in October when U.S. officials said North Korea had admitted having a nuclear weapons program in viola-

tion of a 1994 agreement. Washington and its allies suspended oil shipments to North Korea, which in turn expelled U.N. nuclear inspectors and pulled out of a global nuclear arms control treaty.

Deepening the crisis, North Korea condemned President Bush for his State of the Union address, in which he called North Korea "an oppressive regime" ruling "a people living in fear and starvation."

"Bush has so far earned an ill fame as an emotional backbiter, but his recent address clearly proves that he is a shameless charlatan," a North Korean Foreign Ministry spokesman said.

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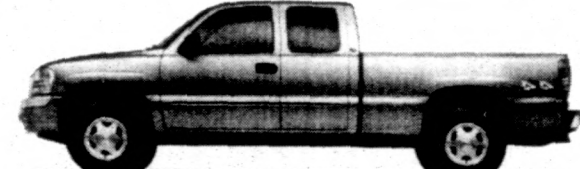
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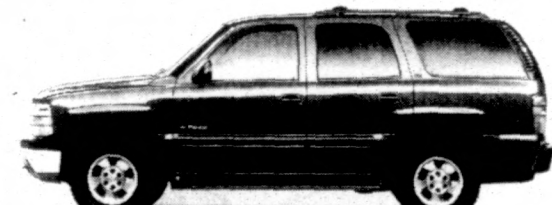


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