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## Critical period ahead for U.S., Iraq

By BARRY SCHWEID

AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) —

As foreign leaders weigh his detailed indictment of Iraq's arms programs, Secretary of State Colin Powell is trying to bolster congressional support for a possible war with Saddam Hussein. A senior White House official says the next 24 hours or so will be critical.

During testimony before

the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today, Powell planned to seek support for the Bush administration's view that weapons searches have about run their course and that Saddam is determined to defy U.N. inspectors and U.N. disarmament resolutions.

Democrats, especially, are reluctant to endorse war with Iraq even while agree-

ing with the Bush administration that Baghdad has a record of years of defiance.

On the Republican side, Sen. Pat Roberts of Kansas, who was briefed at the White House in advance of Powell's presentation to the U.N. Security Council on Wednesday, said he thought the administration would give the United Nations about a "two-week time frame" to digest the material

Powell offered.

Roberts is chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Among Democrats, Sen. Jay Rockefeller of West Virginia said there were enormous risks at play. "But, faced with such a dangerous dictator who is building deadly weapons in defiance of international law, the price of inaction may simply be too great to bear."

But Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis., said: "The threshold for starting a war through unilateral military action should be very high. It should require the presence of an imminent threat, or a solid connection to al-Qaida."

"Secretary Powell asserted that there is such a solid connection today. But clas-

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## Patton forges ahead with tax plan

By CHARLES WOLFE

Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) —

Gov. Paul Patton on Wednesday proposed to a somber General Assembly a budget based on a \$570 million tax increase. He said the alternative would be to cut teachers, hike college tuition and resume setting inmates free from prison.

"If that is to be the future of Kentucky, it will be your legacy, not mine," Patton said, suddenly choked with emotion. He encouraged a statewide television audience to judge for itself after reading his plan, which was posted on a state Web site.

Patton, a Democrat whose term ends in December, gave his 50-minute budget address knowing that leaders of both chambers had already declared the tax plan doomed. Earlier Wednesday, Rep. Joe Barrows, the House majority whip, said Patton's speech would be "irrelevant to the work we have to

do" in the 2003 session, which is constitutionally limited to 30 days.

Patton acknowledged the opposition, even with the prospect of a \$400 million shortfall in the coming fiscal year.

"They don't see any support for it now," Patton told reporters. "I understand that; don't expect there to be any. May never be any."

If not, Patton said, the legislature has an "obligation to put together a realistic budget, making the cuts line item by line item" to make it fit within existing revenues, then subject it to public hearings.

"That's not my solution. I know



Patton

## Battle of the Budget

what it looks like," he said. "I'm against it, going to oppose it, not going to sign it."

He did not say he would veto it. "I'm going to reserve judgment on that," Patton said. A bill becomes law without the governor's signature unless it's vetoed.

Patton is proposing a budget solely because the House and Senate failed to enact one during their 2002 session.

Kentucky operates on biennial budgets. The legislature's off-year sessions were not designed for budget action.

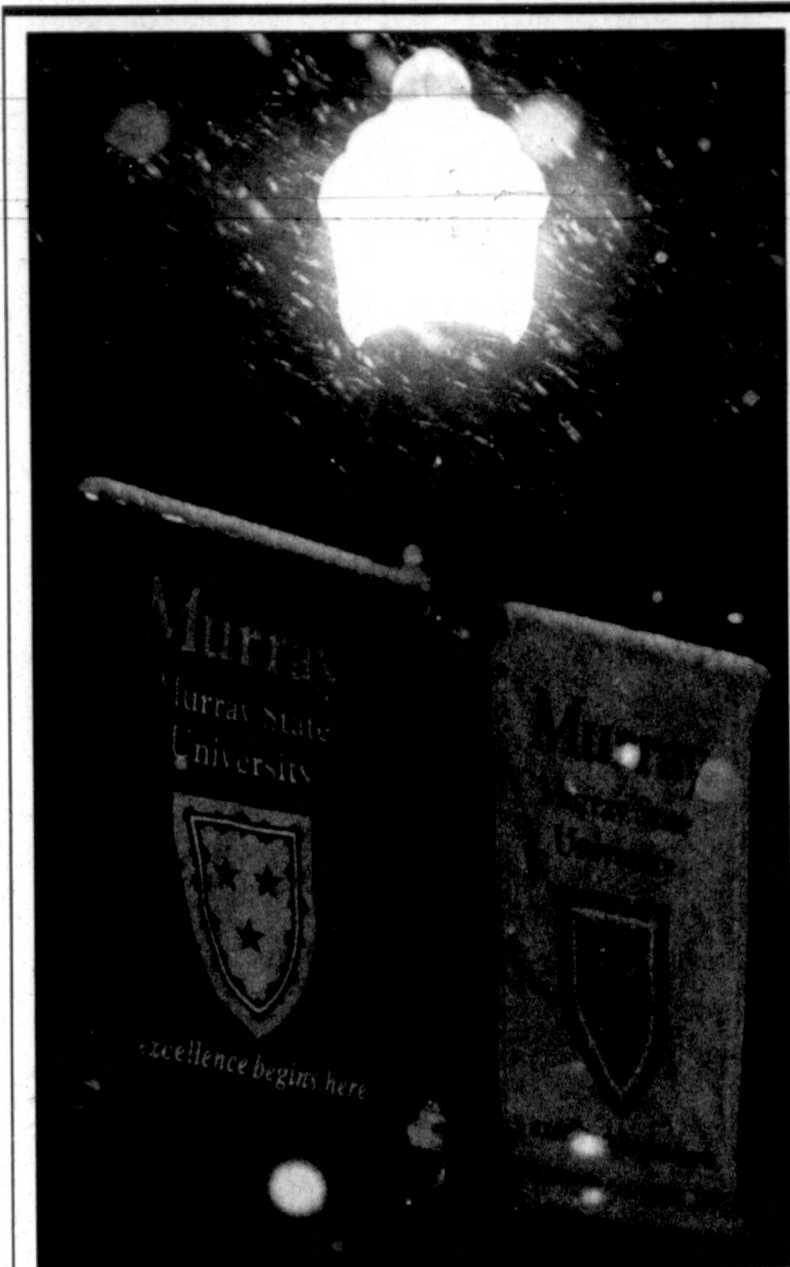
But when the new fiscal year begins July 1, all budget reserves will be spent, Patton said. "I will then have no choice except to make cuts that will upset more people than the early release of felons" — a reference to nearly 900 prisoners

already turned loose, two of whom were later charged with bank robbery and rape.

Patton said the legislature will have to restore the revenue lost through dozens of tax cuts in the boom years of the '90s. Otherwise, "we reduce the teachers in our classrooms or increase college tuitions or cut more people off Medicaid or let more felons out of prison or reduce our services to neglected children or let the weeds grow in our state parks," Patton said.

"I've already experienced the trauma of releasing felons from prison before they've paid their debt to society," Patton said, his voice suddenly breaking. "I've seen them go out the very next day and abuse the good people of Kentucky. ... I

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ERIC WALKER/Ledger & Times photo  
SNOW LIGHT, SNOW BRIGHT ... A lamp post outside the Wrather Museum at Murray State illuminates the falling snow this morning.

## New site is new key for Learning Academy success

By BRANDI WILLIAMS

Staff Writer

A home environment, helping volunteers and a supportive community are three aspects the Murray Learning Academy attributes to its success.

Because of that, the Academy is hosting an open house Friday from 3:30-5:30 p.m. to welcome the community into its new location at 814 Poplar St.

"We thought it would be a good way to get people in to see what we're doing here," said Lance Allison, work site trainer for the Academy.

The Academy, which was known as Tiger Corps for the past six years and was located at Murray High

School, is a partner of education and co-op programs for at-risk students. The students spend half their day working on their core subjects, allowing their afternoon job act as an elective in careers.

"I believe the whole key to the program is making sure each student feels significant," program director Karen Darnell said.



Darnell

Students have to be high school juniors or seniors and facing barriers, such as basic skill deficiency or pregnancy, that stop them from being able to achieve in a traditional school setting.

"This program stops up the cracks that many students fall through in high school," Darnell added. "Once they gain success in the work world, they are more confident."

Allison, who coordinates the students' employment with 24 participating businesses, said he has many owners who call bragging on the excellent work of the students.

"The businesses we deal with are

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## Trial move to Marshall protested

MAYFIELD, Ky. (AP) — Protesters are questioning whether an impartial jury can be seated in the murder trial of a white defendant accused of slaying a black teenager.

Outside the courthouse on Wednesday, a group of about 40 people gathered to protest a judge's decision to try Jeremy Adams in Marshall County.

Adams, 21, who is white, will go on trial for murder in the death of his former girlfriend, 18-year-old Jessica Currin, who was black.

Adams' trial is set to begin Feb. 18 in Marshall County, where the likelihood of finding black jurors is small. According to the 2000 census, Marshall County's black popu-

lation is 0.1 percent, or 37 people out of 30,125 overall.

A change of venue was briefly discussed during a pre-trial hearing on Wednesday, but the trial will remain in Marshall County.

Meanwhile, the judge in the case received a petition signed by 16 Marshall County residents who said they didn't believe Adams would receive a fair trial.

Adams' defense attorney also is concerned about how race will factor into the trial. Renae Tuck said she is worried that jurors will fear being perceived as racist if they find Adams innocent.

"I am afraid that it could backfire," she said. "I am really upset

that racism is playing a part of this."

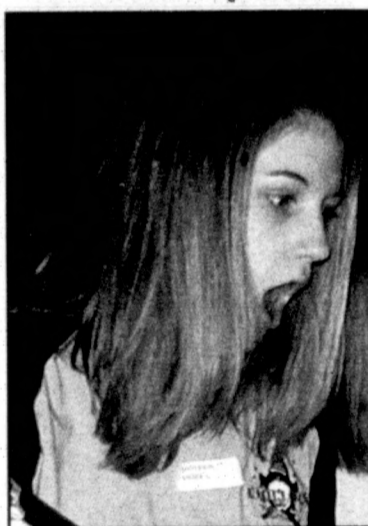
Graves Circuit Judge John Daughaday said he chose to try Adams in Marshall County because that county had the first available jury pool.

Daughaday also said he agreed to the change of venue because of the case's unusual combination of factors.

Among the factors cited was Joe Currin, the victim's father, whom Daughaday described as a well-respected firefighter in the community.

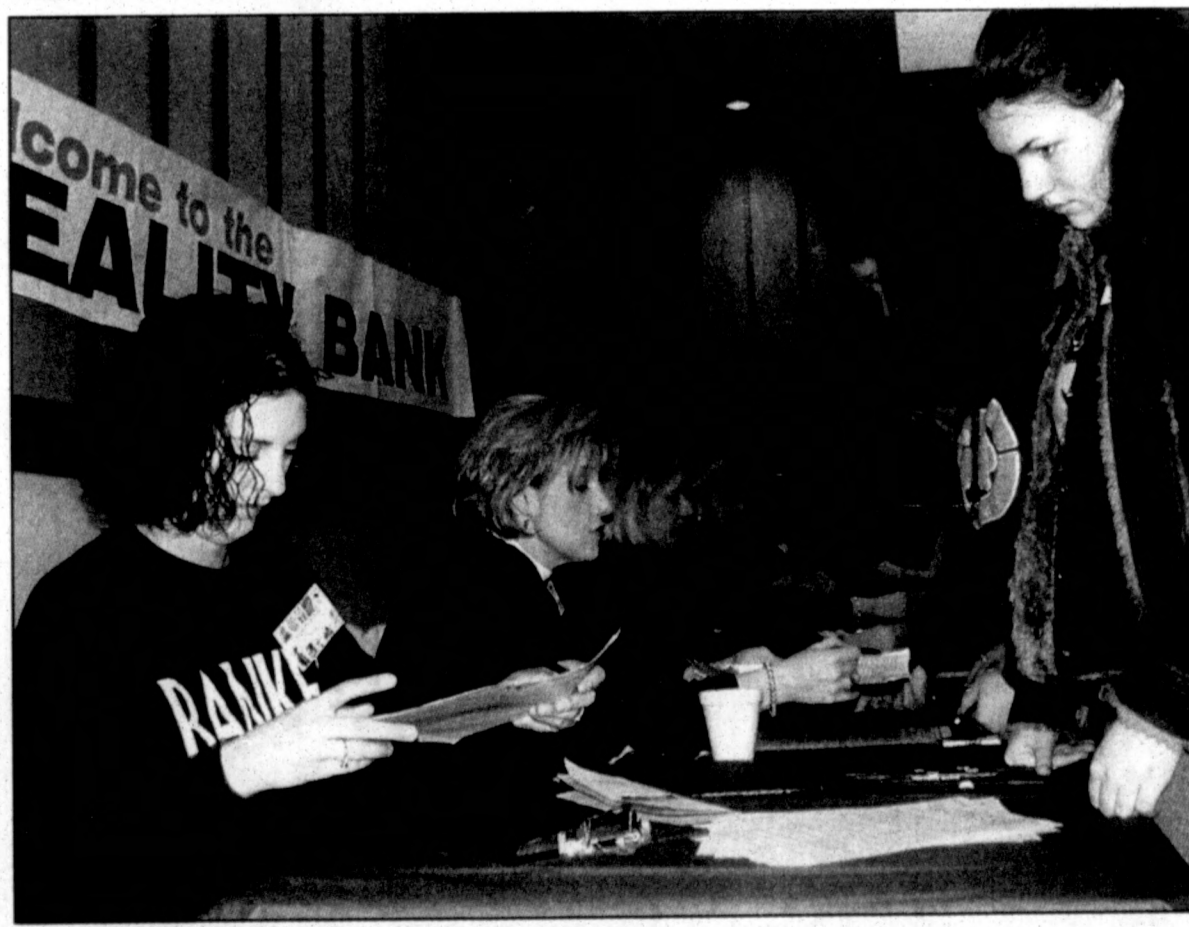
Currin's beaten and burned body was found behind Mayfield Middle

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**WELCOME TO THE REAL WORLD ...** Calloway County High School sophomore Amber Anderson, left, seems shocked at how much money she is having to donate to Uncle Sam — played by Murray Postmaster Mark Kennedy — during Wednesday morning's session of the Reality Store for Murray High and Calloway High students at the Curris Center on the Murray State University campus. The event is intended to show students the value of knowing how to spend their money wisely. The bank at Wednesday's Reality Store, bottom photo, was crawling with customers as CCHS and MHS students made frequent trips to this booth to try and figure out what financial move they needed to make next.



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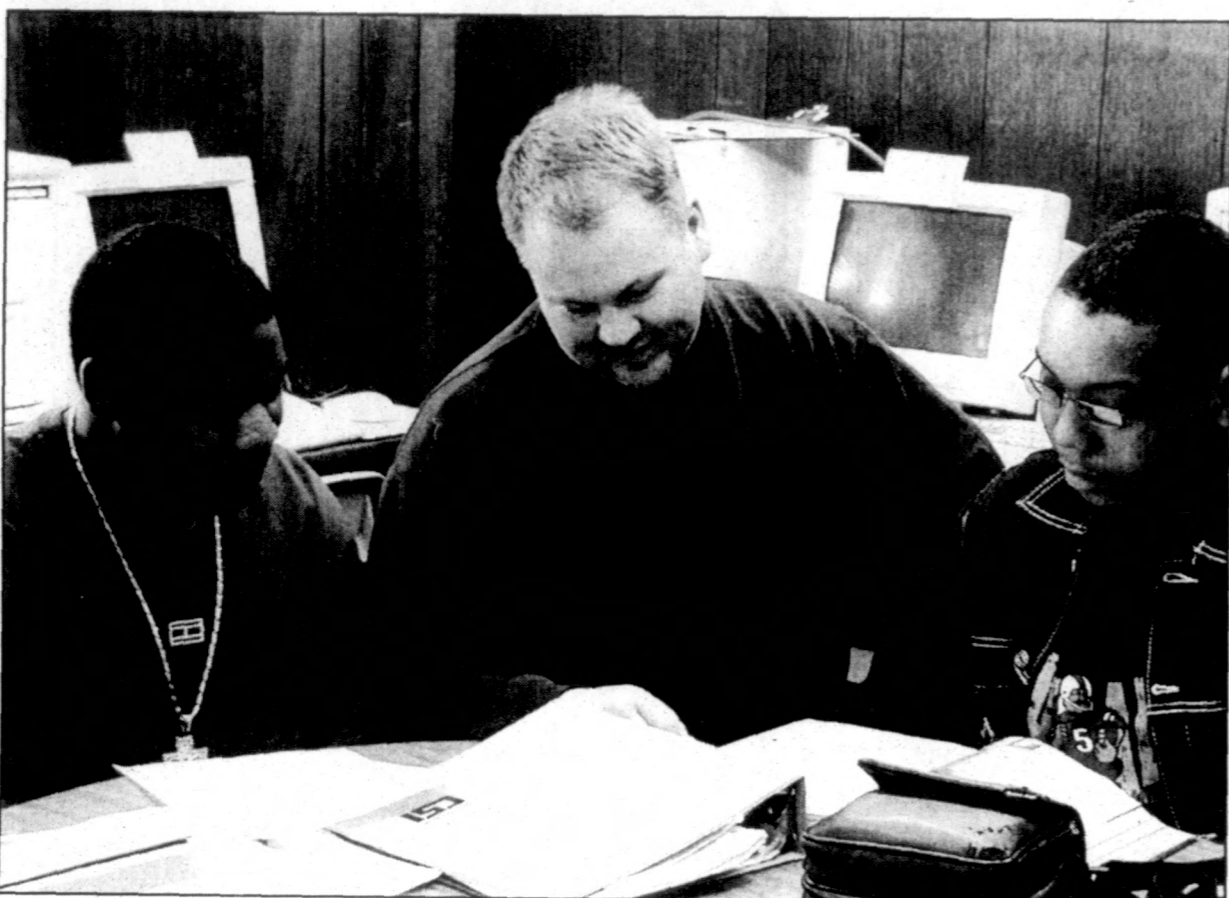
School in August 2000.

Tuck said she's received information that indicates Currin may have been a drug informant, which may have led to her death. But prosecutors have denied the claim.

Adams also faces charges of tampering with physical evidence and abuse of a corpse in Currin's death.

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**PROTESTING MOVE ...**  
Protesters marched outside the Graves County Courthouse Wednesday to protest moving the Jessica Currin murder trial to Marshall County.



BRANDI WILLIAMS/ Ledger & Times photo

**ONE ON ONE ...** Work Site Trainer Lance Allison, center, assists two Murray Learning Academy students, Mark Browning, left, and Jason Teague, with their daily assignments.

## ■ Academy ...

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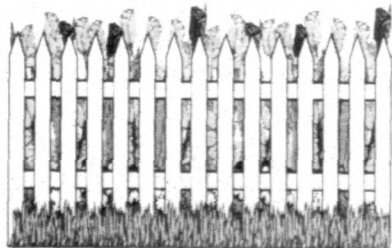
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extremely impressed with our students," he said. "I have had several employees tell me they are the best workers they have ever had."

One of the main problems concerning the Academy, however, is funding. The program is funding jointly between grants from the Workforce Investment Act and Jobs for Kentucky Graduates, plus contributions from the Murray Independent School District. Darnell said she has concerns the grants the Academy depends on could be swept out from under

them.

To combat that, she said the program must show accountability and strong progress, which she feels they do. There are 23 students slated to graduate from the program this spring, and attendance is very high.

Allison said moving to the new location has provided the students an environment where they can work at their own pace without any distractions.

"The students take an ownership in the building, making them want to stay here," he said.

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### From Front

can stomach no more."

Patton's chief political nemesis, Republican Senate President David Williams, was unmoved.

"The next governor of this state, whoever he or she might be, will be in a better position to present these sort of proposals ... with a fresh team that can earn the trust of the General Assembly," Williams said. "We're going to have to ... suffer through these next 10 months until we have new leadership in the governor's mansion."

Patton has been operating state government since July 1 on a "spending plan," the legality of which is being challenged by Williams in Franklin County Circuit Court.

As expected, the bulk of Patton's proposed tax increases would be borne by businesses. A "business activity tax," based on sales and payroll, would replace the corporate income tax, which has been declining as a percentage of total state rev-

enues since 1990. The administration estimates the change would generate \$340 million in the fiscal year that begins July 1.

Patton also proposed raising the cigarette tax to 40 cents per pack, a 37-cent increase. The estimated revenue would be \$167.4 million a year. He wants to triple the provider tax on nursing and mental-retardation facilities, raising \$52.9 million next year for use in gaining more federal matching money.

He proposed a new tax break for low-income people but a phasing out of a tax exclusion for pension income, currently \$39,400 a year.

Patton's proposed budget is based on a budget bill passed by the House last year. No budget was enacted because the Senate and House failed to agree.

Patton's budget has some differences: an extra \$127 million for schools over two years and nearly \$41 million more for Medicaid in the second year. The money allotted for schools last year was insufficient because of mistakes in estimating

the number of students in average daily attendance — a figure on which school districts base their budgets.

He also would earmark \$40 million for debt service on enough revenue bonds to finance \$525.8 million of new capital projects.

Patton's budget would spend \$7.2 billion in the current fiscal year and avoid a shortfall. It would spend \$7.6 billion in the second year, which at current rates of revenue would result in a \$515 million shortfall.

Rep. Harry Moberly, the influential chairman of the House budget committee, said Patton's speech, even with its emotion and vigor, likely failed to sway anyone because the off-year session affords too little time — 24 days after Wednesday.

Williams said Patton created "credibility problems" for himself by waiting until Wednesday to propose a budget. Senate Republicans had demanded a budget a month ago.

## ■ Critical ...

### From Front

sified briefings here in the Senate have cast real doubts on this assertion. I am troubled by this inconsistency," Feingold said.

Another Republican leader, House Speaker Dennis Hastert of Illinois, said Powell made clear that "Saddam Hussein has a loaded gun pointed at the civilized world. It is time to take that loaded gun away from this evil tyrant."

In Baghdad, Iraqi officials dismissed Powell's case as a collection of "stunts," "special effects" and "unknown sources" aimed at undermining the work of U.N. arms inspectors in Iraq.

As for U.S. allies, most believe more weapons inspections are necessary before any resort to force in Iraq, although French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin, speaking after Powell's presentation of declassified intelligence, left open the use of force as an option. He also called for more inspections in Iraq.

A Bush administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said French President Jacques Chirac holds the key to whether President Bush will seek a new resolution from the Security Council to authorize force against Iraq.

If Chirac insists on vetoing such a resolution, Bush will not seek one, the official said.

But if Powell determines in the next 24 hours that a resolution can be adopted, the next step would be



Colin Powell  
Secretary of State

to determine what it might take to get a consensus. One option is adopting a deadline by which Saddam would have to comply, the official said.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said no timetable has been set for disarming Saddam.

"We'll see how people responded to the message" Powell carried to the United Nations, Fleischer said.

Bush watched a portion of the presentation with his assistant for national security, Condoleezza Rice, and other aides.

In the coming days, the pace of phone calls between Bush and foreign leaders and between Powell and foreign ministers will increase, another official said. But at the end of the short period of consultation,

"there has to be a decision," the official added.

Although Bush has not made a decision to attack Iraq, the number of U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf region now stands at about 113,000, and it is expected to reach 150,000 by Feb. 15, a senior official said Wednesday, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Rice, meanwhile, said on the ABC-TV "Nightline" program that "the Iraqis have one thing to do, and that is to come completely and totally clean about the many, many different questions that have been asked of them, the many programs that have been exposed today."

Methodically making his case that Iraq has defied all demands that it disarm, Powell presented tape recordings of intercepted telephone calls, satellite photos and informants' statements Wednesday that he said constituted "irrefutable and undeniable" evidence that Saddam Hussein was concealing weapons of mass destruction.

Powell also detailed intelligence that purports to link Saddam to supporters of al-Qaida. Post-Sept. 11, the alleged links center on a Jordanian named Abu Musab Zarqawi, whom U.S. officials describe as affiliated with Osama bin Laden.

Zarqawi left Afghanistan after the Sept. 11 attacks and has traveled to Iran, Iraq and Syria. He spent two months in Baghdad last spring and summer receiving medical treatment, Powell said.

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## Treasurer's job on chopping block?

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Lawmakers looking for ways to save money may effectively eliminate the state treasurer's office, Senate President David Williams said Wednesday.

"We're looking at the constitutional offices and I specifically am interested in what the treasurer does," Williams, R-Burkesville, said in an interview.

City and county treasurers co-sign checks with other officials "to give some accountability," Williams said. But at the

state level, "there appears to be no accountability function for the treasurer's office," he said.

Eliminating the office would take a constitutional amendment. "But it wouldn't take a constitutional amendment to do away with the budget line," Williams said, recalling the early 1990s, when the legislature stripped the duties of the superintendent of public instruction, an office voters later abolished.

The incumbent treasurer, Democrat Jonathan Miller, is

the only constitutional officer seeking re-election.

Williams said Miller's political viability was immaterial. Instead, he cited Miller's lawsuit aimed at getting a court ruling that Gov. Paul Patton can legally spend state money without an enacted budget.

Jason Baird, a spokesman for Miller, blasted the idea and said it "is a really unfortunate and ill-timed idea." Rather than save Kentucky money, Baird said, the move would spell less accountability.

Getting rid of the treasurer is not an exclusively Republican idea. Rep. Jodie Haydon, a Democrat from Bardstown, said he and other lawmakers have talked about the idea. He said they may also seek to eliminate the office of the lieutenant governor, an idea Williams also echoed.



Miller

## Lunsford antes up \$2M for race

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Democrat Bruce Lunsford has put \$2 million into his campaign for governor, according to a report filed Wednesday with the Kentucky Registry of Election Finance.

Lunsford, who publicly kicked off his campaign Tuesday, said he intended to use his personal business fortune to finance his race and to spend whatever it took to win the Democratic nomination.

Lunsford reported \$50,000 as a loan to his campaign. The rest is an outright contribution, campaign spokeswoman Maria Partlow.

Another Democrat, Attorney General Ben Chandler, reported raising \$1.3 mil-

lion to date, of which a bit more than \$1 million came in January. House Speaker Jody Richards of Bowling Green showed \$158,160 raised in January and \$243,110 total.

Among Republicans, state Rep. Steve Nunn of Glasgow raised \$96,480 in January and \$128,830 to date. Rebecca Jackson, the former judge-executive of Jefferson County, reported receipts of \$112,113, all in January. State Sen. Virgil Moore of Leitchfield reported no fund raising.

No report was available for U.S. Rep. Ernie Fletcher, who led all candidates in December with \$509,000 raised.

## Wall heater safety urged

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Murray Ledger & Times

The Murray Fire Department is urging citizens with wall heaters to be especially careful about putting combustible materials in front of them.

Two recent fires in the local area were caused after combustibles were left too close to electric wall heaters in homes.

According to Murray Fire Inspector Dickie Walls, it is important to remember that electric wall heaters can turn on even if they are switched off, as was the case in the two fires.

"Even though the wall heaters were turned to the off position, they have a thermostat in them," he said. "When they get to a certain temperature, they come on, even if the knob is in the off position."

Walls said all combustible materials should be kept at least 36 inches away from electric wall heaters, whether they are turned on or not.

"Any time I've ever had dealings with fires involving wall heaters, the people didn't realize they'd come on by themselves," he said.

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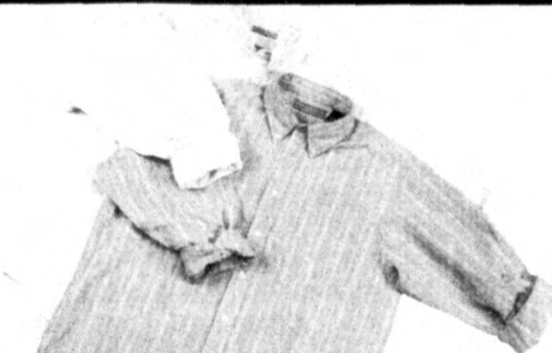
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## Planes factor into state's manufacturing mix

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By Gary P. West

you know, Toyotas, Corvettes, and Fords. But very few know that airplanes are also built here, too.

Kolb Aircraft Company has been around aviation circles for sometime, but it was not until April of 1999 that they became associated with

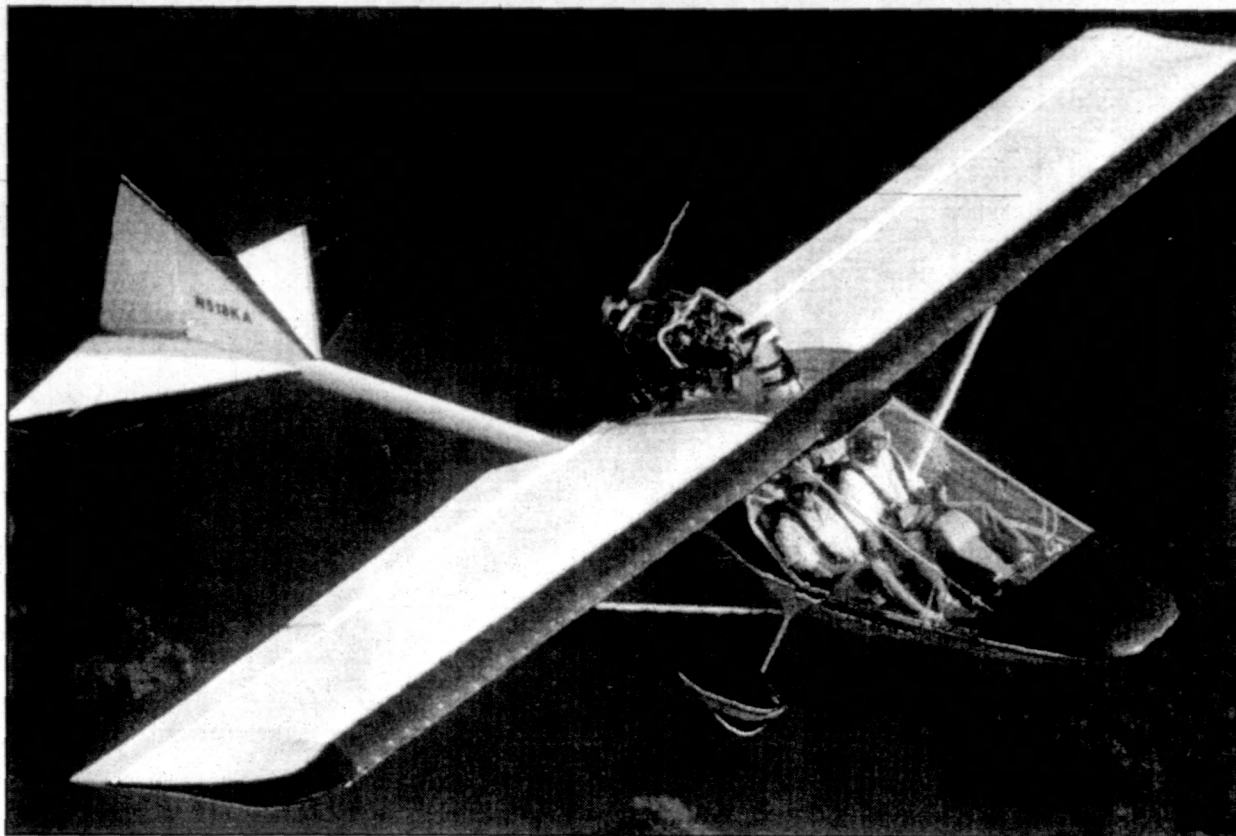
Kentucky.

It was then that London businessman Bruce Chesnut put together a group of partners, who bought the company and moved it from Pheonixville, Penn., to its new Kentucky home.

Now don't go thinking you're going to see jumbo jets or any other jets for that matter, if you go to the Kolb facility located at the London-Laurel County Airport, about eight miles out on KY 80 West. What you will see, however, are two large aircraft hangers that inside workers produce small ultra light flying machines.

Kolb Aircraft employees seven full-time and two part-timers in building some 50 of the airplane kits each year.

That's right, kits. The company builds seven different designs for customers to choose from.



**OFF WE GO ...** Kolb Aircraft plant manager Ray Brown, left, enjoys a flight with pilot Norm Labnart in a Kolb Mark III Xtra.

Any of the flying enthusiasts who decides to purchase one of the unique styles can expect to invest some 300 hours putting the kit together.

The London-made plane kits range from the one-seat ultra light to a two-seater that is capable of flying from one coast to the other.

And what do these airplanes cost? Prices range from about

\$12,000 all the way up to \$40,000, and because of the affordability, many people who could never experience the enjoyment of flying their own plane can now do so with a Kolb kit.

The sound of one of the engines is very similar to a go-cart or lawn mower, but to those daring enough, there's an exhilarating feeling to building your own plane and then

actually flying it. Another element that adds to the increased popularity of the kit sales is that a pilot's license is not required for the one-seater.

Ray Brown, a London native, with almost a lifetime of experience in the aviation field, runs the Kolb operation on a day-to-day basis. His colleagues refer to him as a master builder.

"I've been around airplanes most of my life," says Brown. "I've built several small planes, including some of the Kolb."

Brown worked for years with the Federal Aviation Administration in Cincinnati and Louisville before retiring and moving back to London several years ago. He began working for the Kolb Company shortly after the relocation.

Who is the typical customer for these little flying machines? Brown says it's someone who for, perhaps, medical reasons can't become licensed. Or it's someone who just wants to get up in the air.

Some are owner's large amounts of real estate and just like to look at their land and fly the fence lines. And these customers come from all over the world. "We've sold our aircraft in Canada, Mexico, Africa, South America, England, and Australia just to name a few," Brown said. "The company has a good reputation dating back to when Homer Kolb started the business almost 30 years ago."

Speaking of who might buy these airplanes, how much real estate is required to take-off and land? Brown says that although 150 could be used for some models, 500 feet is better, and 1,000 would make for the very best situation.

For the most part the Kolb is restricted to daylight flying, however, the company does produce a Sport 600 Series that can be instrument rated and meets FAA requirements.

"This one is a two-seat, side-by-side, high wing style that is pow-

ered by a 100 horse power engine," said Brown. "It will cruise at 130 plus miles per hour."

And what about those little one-seaters? How high and how fast do they travel?

According to Brown the smallest engine is a Rotec 40 horse that will take you about 3,000 feet altitude at a speed of just over 75 mph.

The Kolb plant in London saw a slight downturn in business following 9-11. However, they are confident enough in business that they have begun construction on a third hanger for their plane-building operation.

"We offer our regular kit sales, and then we have a quick-build kit where all the customer has to do is assemble the wings," Brown points out. "Then we have a builder-assist program where we assist the customer right here at our factory in assembling the aircraft."

The Kolb plant hosts what they call a fly-in once a year. This is where other ultra light owners fly to Laurel County and pretty much swap stories and tell each other how much fun they're having. Some of these same pilots will get together again later and participate in the nationally known Osh Kosh Air Show in Wisconsin and the Lakeland, Florida show in March.

If you've always and the yearning to build something, or if you've always had a yearning to fly your very own airplane, why not combine the two and just do it?

The Kolb Aircraft Company, right here in Kentucky, sure does make it sound exciting, fun, and easy to do.

### OurReadersWrite

Dear Editor,

That was the last straw! Just when I thought most of our elected officials had shown the ultimate in contempt and disrespect for Kentucky taxpayers, I read in the Jan. 30 *Mayfield Messenger* where Gov. Patton achieved the ultimate in political demagoguery.

The article was about a 25-year-old woman who had been raped by an inmate three days after being released early by the governor. In commenting on the event, the governor was quoted as saying, "The other tragedy is that this could be a horrible hint of what could come if the state is forced to live without current revenues."

Our citizens should be outraged that Patton would attempt to use this horrible occurrence as leverage to extort more taxes from the populace rather than own up to his and the legislature's fiscal irresponsibility.

As a self-employed small businessman, I have had it with our elected officials continually raising taxes rather than exercising any fiscal restraint. I get the impression that they have forgotten that they work for us — not for them. It is not our job to give them more and more revenue to dole out in whatever way they think will get them re-elected, and then act as though we should be eternally grateful for what they have given us.

What is so difficult about the principle — "If you don't have it, don't spend it!" Every family (and business) in Kentucky recognizes that there are good times and lean times. In lean times, you don't keep spending as though there is prosperity.

The purpose of our tax money is to provide necessary services, not to "buy" votes to ensure re-election. Many of our legislators promise to "do more" and "give more" out of fear that they won't be elected if they don't. That's not "leadership" or "service." That's a cowardly

response that abdicates mature leadership and statesmanship.

Does anyone really believe that a legislature can't cut 5 or 6 percent out of a \$7 billion budget? When we read about hundreds of millions going to political patronage and personal service contracts, and millions going to the governor's home town for an arts center, etc., etc., etc., are we really expected to believe that we must raise taxes? I hope not. Give us more credit than that.

Kentucky ranks among the top in personal and business taxation — and for what? So that more "give away" programs and political favors can be done to ensure reelection. I, for one, have had it! No more taxes!

A local state representative told me recently, "It looks like we are going to have to generate some more revenue," i.e. raise taxes. Here's a flash — stop spending! "Cut back" just like responsible people and businesses do all across the Commonwealth in hard times.

Does anyone really believe that if new taxes are passed, that they will be rescinded when the economy improves? Of course not. The tax monster's appetite is never satisfied. It grows and grows and grows.

I am just one working guy that tries to make a living and expects to contribute to legitimate needs of the state. I want, and expect to pay for, good roads and good schools. I am happy to help those who can't help themselves.

But I've had it with the unending cry from our "public servants" for more taxes, and I will do whatever I can to see that any legislator who votes for more taxes is defeated at the next election.

Shame on our leadership for lacking the strength and character to lead in challenging times.

Jerry W. Mayes  
Farmington, Ky.

## Let's use some common sense

By BRERETON C. JONES

Let's get to the bottom of what's going on in Frankfort. Our duly elected governor and General Assembly refuse to pass a state budget even though our constitution requires them to do so. The Republicans blame the Democrats, and the Democrats blame the Republicans. I think there is enough legitimate blame for everybody.

The governor tells us that our financial situation is such that we must either raise taxes or prematurely release convicted felons, seriously cut health care for our poor and elderly, and make major cuts in education at every level.

### GuestColumn

It is not my intent to attack any individual. But I cannot sit idly by and allow such incorrect information to be passed on to the people of this great Commonwealth.

We do have another option. Don't believe anybody who tells you we don't. We can tell the politicians that the gravy train is over and demand that they cut political jobs without reducing services. The great majority of state workers are well-qualified, wonderful people who would be an asset to any business. However, there is another 20 percent or so who could be sent home tomorrow and they would never be missed.

There are two categories of excessive expenditures that have been basically ignored in the budget debate. One is Personal Service Contracts and the other is called Memorandums of Agreement, or MOAs.

Many of the contracts found in these categories are justifiable. However, many provide a logical and fertile area for common sense savings. I know something about this. During the last

budget period that included part of our administration, which was the fiscal year from July 1, 1995, to June 30, 1996, the total state authorization in this area was less than \$200 million (\$193,202,949.51). During the last budget cycle, which ended June 30, 2002, the total authorization in this area had risen to \$2.44 billion dollars (\$2,044,290,155.60)!

A ten-fold increase in just six years! This is the area that can realistically be cut without cutting education or health care. This is the area where many political jobs and favors have dramatically increased at the expense of our most vulnerable citizens.

Well meaning people have been focusing on relatively small areas of the budget like principal assistants (PAs). Certainly they need to be substantially reduced. But if you eliminate them all, you are only saving approximately \$7 million. While this is a significant amount of money, it pales in comparison to \$2 billion.

The truth of the matter is that the payroll in Frankfort has become bloated and no one seems willing to do anything about it, except to propose major cuts that will hurt the general public. Why is no one of either political party talking about a ten-fold increase in personal service and MOA authorizations in just six years? This isn't the only place to effect savings, but it is a fertile place to start even though many of the contracts are justifiable.

The choice that our elected officials of both parties must make is simply this: Are they going to accept the faulty logic, which says we have only two choices: Raise taxes or cut services? Or are they going to use some common sense and tell both political parties that the gravy train is over?

Shame on our leaders for authorizing \$2 billion in a single year on Personal Service

Contracts and Memorandums of Agreement and then saying that we have to cut our children's education, reduce health services for our sick and elderly and turn convicted felons loose to rape and rob.

The primary purpose of government is to help those who are unable, not unwilling, to help themselves. Through proper education, we can prepare our people to provide for themselves. If we back away from our commitment to education, we will make many of our people more dependent on government rather than less dependent. We must not allow this to happen.

If our elected leaders will cut a significant amount of the waste out of our government, I am convinced that the public will look favorably upon this and would then be willing to support fair and reasonable tax reform that would tie our taxes to a growing and expanding economy.

If our leaders refuse to focus on the elimination of major waste and look instead for major tax increases, they will never get the confidence of the public and tax reform will be even more difficult because of a skeptical public. We cannot afford this skepticism since meaningful tax reform is an absolute necessity.

It is a terrible mistake to ignore major waste and then try to tax our way to prosperity. Such a philosophy has never worked in the past, and I am sure it will not work in the future.

This should not be a partisan issue. There is enough legitimate blame for everybody. It is time to rise above petty political posturing and do what's right for all of our people.

Think about it. To me, it's just common sense.

Brereton C. Jones was former Governor of Kentucky from 1991-1995.

## Economic gloom increases with war threat

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER

AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) —

Worried about a possible war, Wall Street has been in a funk this year and the news on Main Street hasn't been any better. Business executives are freezing new spending and hiring, fearful of big commitments in the face of so much uncertainty.

Some analysts think the national anxiety, heightened by the loss of the space shuttle Columbia, could be enough to derail the feeble recovery and throw the country back into recession.

"The probability of a double-dip recession has certainly risen," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo in Minneapolis. "The economy is still mired in a pretty soft patch and we have not made it to firmer ground."

"Soft patch" was the phrase Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan began using last fall to describe a significant slowdown in economic growth. The economy, which had been growing at a solid 4 percent rate in the summer, screeched to a near halt during the final three months of the year, managing to eke out a tiny 0.7 percent growth rate.

To buy some insurance against a possible double-dip recession, the

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Federal Reserve in November cut interest rates by a bigger-than-expected half point, pushing the overnight borrowing cost for banks down to a 41-year low of 1.25 percent.

But so far, the extra boost from lower interest rates has not been enough to jump-start the economy. Unemployment has been stuck at an eight-year high of 6 percent as businesses have laid off nearly 200,000 workers over the past two months.

Many analysts believe when the government reports the January unemployment figure on Friday it will show that businesses did add a small number of workers last month but not enough to show an improvement in the 6 percent jobless rate. In fact, they are forecasting that unemployment will hit 6.5 percent or even higher by this summer.

"The economy is very fragile right now," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com. "Businesses are queasy. They are not investing or hiring and consumer confidence is still weakening. Any little thing that went wrong could push us back into recession."

The Conference Board reported

consumer confidence fell again in January and now stands at a nine-year low, adding to worries that consumers, who have been the one bright spot in the economy for over a year, could put away their pocketbooks.

The report on the anemic 0.7 percent growth rate for the gross domestic product in the October-December quarter showed that consumer spending, which accounts for nearly two-thirds of the economy, slowed to a 1 percent growth rate, the weakest performance in nearly 10 years.

The concern is that more bad news — such as a U.S. invasion of Iraq that took an unexpected turn for the worse or a new terrorist attack in the United States — could be the final blow that would guarantee another recession. "The real risk is the war," said David Wyss, chief economist at Standard & Poor's in New York. "It can go bad in all sorts of ways and that could push us into a double-dip."

Still, even economists who are worried that the weak economy could slip back into recession rate the possibility of that occurring at

only a one-in-three chance — although they say the odds have gone up in recent weeks, especially in light of the new tumble stock prices took in January.

But many economists say the most likely prospect is that the economy will gradually improve this year, helped along by continued low interest rates supplied by the Fed and further tax cuts from Washington.

Few analysts expect President Bush's entire \$670 billion stimulus package to make it through Congress, but they said the final version could offer even more stimulus this year, given that many Democrats and Republicans have complained that too much of the Bush package won't take effect for years to come, when the economy won't need the help.

Economists said that while there has been a stream of bad news recently, including the shuttle tragedy, consumers showed in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks that low interest rates, including zero-rate offers from auto companies, were enough to get them back in the stores. "As long as interest rates are this low, consumers are going to keep spending," predicted Michael K. Evans, head of Evans Carroll & Associates.

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### Mrs. Ruby Dell Mahan Hale

Mrs. Ruby Dell Mahan Hale, 81, North 4th Street, Murray, died Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003, at 11 a.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital. She and her late husband, Hilton Hale, were former owners and operators of Hale Lock Shop, Murray. She served on the Murray City Council from February 1976 to December 1998. A member of First United Methodist Church, she was also a member of the Friendship-Gleaners Sunday School Class and the Senior Adult Choir at the church. She was also active with the Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Hilton Hale, and two brothers, J.R. Mahan and J.C. (Billy) Mahan. Born Aug. 4, 1921, in Calloway County, she was the daughter of the late P.N. (Bill) Mahan and Myrtie Viola Todd Mahan.

Survivors include two nieces, Pam Young and Ellen Dale, two nephews, John Mahan and James Mahan, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Libby Mahan, all of Murray; nine great-nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be Friday at 1 p.m. at the Temple Hill Cemetery, east of Almo. The Rev. Larry Daniel and John Dale will officiate.

Visitation will be at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to First United Methodist Church, 503 Maple St., Murray, KY 42071; or Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens Center, 401 North 12th St., Murray, KY 42071; or Temple Hill Cemetery Fund, c/o Annette Norman, 1375 Bogges Dr., Almo, KY 42020.

### Noble Rex Paschall

Noble Rex Paschall, 70 Mill Creek Road, Puryear, Tenn., died Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003, at 12:20 p.m. at his home.

He was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church.

Born June 27, 1932, he was the son of the late Roosevelt Paschall and Cloteal Wilson Paschall.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Cleve Jean Duncan Paschall, to whom he was married Aug. 20, 1955; three daughters, Mrs. Teresa Price and husband, Curtis, Murray; Mrs. Gail Burkeen, Dyersburg, Tenn.; and Mrs. Brenda Jetton and husband, Mark, Farmington; one son, Pat Ray Paschall and wife, Sandra, Puryear; one sister, Mrs. Evell Sanders and husband, George, Nashville, Tenn.; three brothers, Darvin Paschall and wife, Linda, Cottage Grove, Tenn.; Gerald Wesley Paschall and wife, Dian, Puryear, and Jimmy Dan Paschall and wife, Leann, Murray; special friend, Enoch Spann and wife, Peggy, Leland, Ill.

Also surviving are nine grandchildren, April Jetton, Jeremy Price, Andrea Morris, Bryan Jetton, Justin Price, Ben Paschall, Joshua Price, Steven Snider and Brandon Bell; two great-grandchildren, McKenna Price and Jaxon Price.

The funeral will be Friday at 1 p.m. in the chapel of Imes-Miller Funeral Home, Murray. Charles Paschall will officiate. Burial will follow in the Paschall Cemetery.

Visitation will be at the funeral home from 4 to 8 p.m. today (Thursday).

### Mrs. Laura Schroader

Mrs. Laura Schroader, 81, Brooks Chapel Road, Dexter, died Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003, at 8:30 p.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

She was a member of Independence United Methodist Church.

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

### James (Jim) D. McKeel

Graveside services for James (Jim) D. McKeel will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Murray City Cemetery.

J.H. Churchill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, but no visitation will be scheduled.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Murray-Calloway County Hospice Program, 803 Poplar St., Murray, KY 42071.

Mr. McKeel, 60, South 11th Street, Murray, died Saturday, Feb. 1, 2003, at 4:35 a.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

He had retired after 29 years of service as a psychology professor at Floyd Junior College, Rome Ga. He had received his master's degree from Murray State University.

Born April 19, 1942, in Calloway County, he was the son of the late Lloyd McKeel and Nettie Noles McKeel.

Survivors include four sisters, Mrs. Edna Redden, Mrs. Bettye Bailey and husband, Will Edd, and Ms. Linda McKeel, all of Murray; and Mrs. Patricia Coleman, Mayfield; one brother, Bill McKeel, Murray; several nieces and nephews.

### Mrs. Audrey Horton

Mrs. Audrey Horton, 72, Roseville, Mich., sister of Mrs. Dora Jones of Murray, died Friday, Jan. 31, 2003, at Bicounty Hospital there. Her death followed an extended illness.

Her husband, Clarence Horton, two sisters, Mary Higgins and Treva Grazianna, and one brother, Milton Travis, all preceded her in death. Born Feb. 22, 1930, in Trigg County, she was the daughter of the late Thomas Milton Travis and Florence Travis.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Mary Hunter and husband, Wayne, formerly of Murray, now of Plant City, Fla., and Mrs. Diane Hinkley and husband, Roy, Sterling Heights, Mich.; three sons, Douglas Horton, Roseville, Mich., Daniel Horton and wife, Brenda, Sumter, S.C., and David Horton, Roseville, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. Dora Jones, Murray; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Geneva Travis, Fairdealing; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Mrs. Horton will be cremated and a memorial service will be held later in the spring.

### Mrs. Ruby Viola Harrison

The funeral for Mrs. Ruby Viola Harrison was Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Williams Funeral Home, Greenfield, Tenn. Houston Patrick officiated.

Pallbearers were David Barger, Mike Caudle, Chris Harrison, Larry Harrison, Mike Harrison and Tom Spence, active; John Harrison and Howard Caudle, honorary. Burial was in the Brock's Cemetery, Greenfield.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Relay For Life, c/o Pat Latimer, Box 1080, Murray, KY 42071 or to Long Term Health Care, Murray-Calloway County Hospital, c/o of Anita Heath, 1202 Peggy Ann Dr., Murray, KY 42071.

Mrs. Harrison, 93, Peggy Ann Drive, Murray, died Sunday, Feb. 2, 2003, at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

Born Oct. 15, 1909, she was the daughter of the late William Andrew Caudle and Millie Heath Caudle.

Mrs. Harrison was a member of Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Millie Anita Heath and husband, Donald, Murray; one son, William Jerry Harrison, Crestone, Colo.; two sisters, Mrs. Inez Spence, Dresden, Tenn., and Mrs. Mattie Walpole, Memphis, Tenn.; one brother, J.B. Caudle, Memphis; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

## Four soldiers killed in crash honored during memorial

BY KIMBERLY HEFLING

Associated Press Writer

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) — Four soldiers killed last week in a helicopter crash in Afghanistan were remembered Wednesday as warriors, aviators and family men who represented the best the Army had to offer.

"They succeeded where lesser men failed, they proved themselves in ways that men out there who never served, never volunteered, never sacrificed, would never understand," said Chaplain Robert Glazener. They "were men of action, not words. They sought neither glory nor special recognition, but they gained both by their actions."

All four were members of the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, a highly secretive unit known as the "Night Stalkers" that flies special forces commandos behind enemy lines.

Among those killed was Chief Warrant Officer Mark O'Steen, 43, a flight instructor born in Wytheville, Va., who flew one of the first special forces helicopters into Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

The other three were Chief Warrant Officer Thomas Gibbons, 31, a pilot from Cheverly, Md., and maintenance crewmen Staff Sgt. Daniel L. Kisling Jr., 31, of Neosho, Mo., and Staff Sgt. Gregory M. Frampton, 37, of Fresno, Calif.

Combined, the men had logged more than 7,000 hours in flight.

Desert combat boots along with dogtags, night vision goggles and rifles were displayed on a podium next to photos of the men. A Night

Stalker's crest was hung behind with the words, "Death waits in the dark."

Each soldier's name was called out three times during a customary roll call. With no reply the third time, the announcer said, "Killed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom on 30th of January 2003."

"They are the true American heroes today and deserve more honor than we can humbly bestow on them," Glazener said.

The helicopter carrying the men went down on a Thursday night seven miles east of the Bagram Air Base while on a training mission. The cause remains under investigation.

O'Steen, who entered the Army as a linguist before attending officer's flight school, was described as a patient teacher and mild-mannered man devoted to his wife and three children. He was a three-time veteran in Afghanistan.

Gibbons was remembered as having a firm handshake and warm smile, who liked the outdoors and who "treated his wife like a lady" and loved his two daughters. He was also a veteran of the Persian Gulf War.

Kisling, married with three children, was eulogized as a fun-loving guy who pushed the Army's haircut and mustache regulations, but was so good at his job he was a "crew chief poster child."

Frampton, who was married, was remembered as a carpenter with a big heart who frequently helped at others' houses, a perfectionist who volunteered for tasks others did not want to do.

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## Lawmakers push 'fetal homicide' bill

BY BRUCE SCHREINER

Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Flanked by photos of babies killed in vehicle crashes, a group of legislators launched a new push Wednesday to create a crime of "fetal homicide."

They have bills under which Kentucky's homicide statutes would extend to fetuses, starting at fertilization. Under current law, a fetus is not considered a person until the live birth occurs.

An abortion-rights activist says the effort is part of a strategy to undermine women's access to abortion.

A bill in the House is titled the Caleb-Haley Act to memorialize two babies stillborn as a result of vehicle crashes. A companion bill is in the Senate, which has passed it in the past. The legislation has never gotten through the House.

"My happiness is gone, but to have this bill passed would bring a little peace of mind," said Troy

Thornsbury, whose pregnant wife and her fetus were killed when a man, who police said was impaired by drugs, ran a red light and rammed their car in Pike County.

The Thornsburies were headed to a Pikeville hospital for the delivery at the time. The infant was later named Haley Natasha Thornsbury.

Ralph Denham Jr., whose unborn baby also died in a car crash in Lincoln County, three days past the due date, said he believed photos on display in the Capitol Rotunda refuted the reasoning of Kentucky's courts.

"These are babies, I don't care what anybody says," Denham said, choking back tears. "They are humans."

Denham and his wife, Leah, were struck from behind by a driver allegedly under the influence of alcohol or drugs at the time of the crash. Their baby, Caleb, was delivered by Caesarean section but never took a breath.

Rep. Stan Lee, R-Lexington, said the families are "crying out for justice."

Lee also displayed a picture of a mare in foal to a champion stallion that brought \$4 million at a Keeneland sale. The mare's pregnancy was noted on a toteboard at the auction ring.

"The tragedy is, in this state, we as a society under current Kentucky law have placed a greater value on the

lives of unborn horses than on the lives of unborn babies," he said.

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## Blood drive at church

BY LARRY DOYLE

Blood Drives chairman

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Let us do all that we can to assist to end the shortage by donating a pint of blood on Friday, Feb. 7, from noon to 6 p.m.

The Red Cross staff will be in First United Methodist Church's Activity Center at the corner of South 5th and Maple Streets between noon and 6 p.m. to accept your donation.

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Refreshments will be served. A free T-shirt will be given to volunteer donors. If you have been deferred from giving blood due to low hematocrit (low iron), eat those raisins, pump that iron and try again.

The next scheduled Red Cross Blood Drive will be at Lowe's, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 29.

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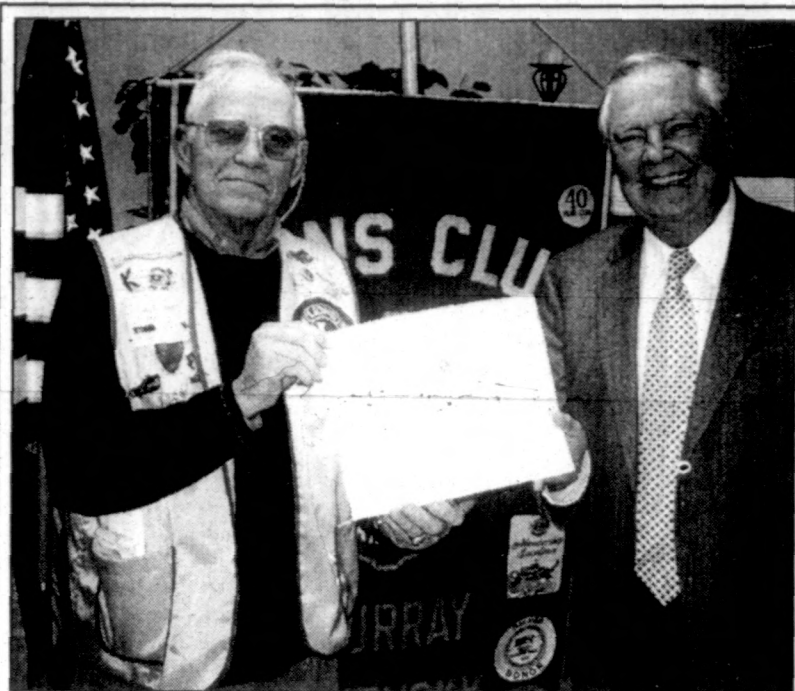


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**PRESENTATION...** Bill Furst, left, president of Murray Lions Club, presents a certificate of appreciation to Murray Mayor Tom Rushing following his comments on leadership for his first month as major and answering questions about projects within the city at the club meeting Jan. 28.

## Travis speaker for Rotarians

Keith Travis, a member of the Kentucky Board of Education, spoke at a meeting of the Murray Rotary Club held at Pagliai's.

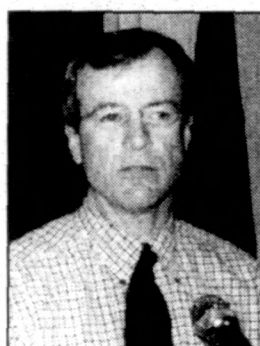
He shared information on issues facing the Kentucky Board composed of 11 members, appointed by the governor, who meet six times a year for two days, plus a retreat.

Travis said "the purpose of the board is to pass administrative regulations and guidelines for local schools." He gave statistics on teachers, students, miles traveled by school buses in Kentucky, and costs involved.

The speaker said "the problems in our elementary schools indicate problems that will be facing our country in the future, and the challenges facing our families are different than ever before."

Because of new regulations, each state can now decide what is "proficient," but Kentucky will not lower standards.

Travis urged everyone to get involved locally, to know their school board members and to encourage them.



Travis

## Arnett winner at Kentucky Opry

DRAFFENVILLE, Ky. — Sam Arnett of Murray was the adult winner in the talent search contest conducted by the Kentucky Opry.

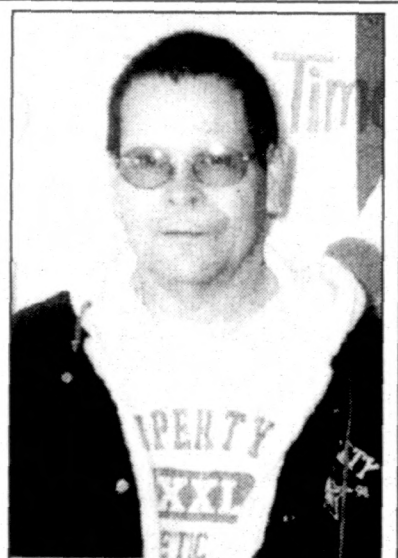
Arnett, a senior at Murray State University, sang an original song while accompanying himself on the guitar.

Junior Division winner was Amy Summers, 16-year-old daughter of Belinda Summers. She is from Reidland High School. She performed "Let er Rip" by the Dixie Chicks.

Winner of the beginner division was Julie Allen, seven-year old from Golconda, Ill. and a second grade home school student. She performed "Old Tyme Rock n Roll."

## YMCA HONOR...

Photo provided  
David Shinn has been named YMCA of Murray-Calloway County Member of the Month for February. Shinn has contributed to the YMCA Mission by bringing in numerous members. A retired teacher/coach, he has a team of college students that he volunteers to train five days a week at the YMCA.



## Astronauts' memorial service seen on television



Jo's Datebook  
By Jo Burkeen  
Community Editor

Watching the rerun of the entire memorial service for the seven astronauts who perished in the Columbia space shuttle on Feb. 1 on C-SPAN Monday evening was a heart-rendering event.

The families of the seven astronauts, Com. Rick Husband, Pilot William McCool, Payload Commander Michael Anderson, Kalpana Chawla, David Brown, Laurel Clark, and Ilan Rahmon, were all seen at the service, along with President George W. Bush and wife, Laura.

As we watched the families grieving for their loved ones and smiling at some of the descriptions of the crew by one of the speakers, we and many others can all recall the sorrow when our parents are taken from us, many at an early age.

We often think of President Bush as not being so human as the rest of us; but it was a stirring moment during the service when he offered his handkerchief to Evelyn Husband, wife of the late Col. Rick Husband, to use for her son as he was crying. Evelyn smiled and said thank you as she handed the handkerchief back to the president seated on her right.

Television and movies can be both good and bad, but it is wonderful to be able to have the opportunity to watch events such as this memorial service.

I remember the late Dr. L.J. Hortin saying in one of his journalism classes in 1945 at Murray State College that, "He had learned more and seen more about places in the world through movies than he had ever dreamed." Television at that time was a thing of the future.

## Mother to Mother Friday

Mother to Mother, a support group for breastfeeding moms, will meet Friday, Feb. 7, at 10:30 a.m. in the annex of Calloway Public Library. The group will be making "Bosom Buddies" maternity packets for the Murray Woman's Clinic and the Calloway County Health Department. Refreshments and door prizes will be featured. Pregnant moms (and dads) as well as former breastfeeding moms of any age are especially welcome. For information call Kim Jastremski, C.L.E.C., 759-4746.

## Chorus rehearsal tonight

The Chorus of Music Department of the Murray Woman's Club will have a rehearsal tonight, Feb. 6, at 7 p.m. at the club house. Kathy Mowery is director and Oneida White is pianist.

## North meeting Friday

The Primary Committee of the North Elementary School Site-based Decision Making Council will meet Friday, Feb. 7, at 7:15 a.m. in the school library. The meeting is open to the public.

## East Intramurals Saturday

East Elementary School Basketball Intramurals will be Saturday, Feb. 8, starting at 8:30 a.m. This will be for kindergarten through fifth grades. Admission will be \$1 for adults and three and under free and also elementary students free.

## Tryouts on Saturday

West Kentucky Thunder 10-and-under girls' fast-pitch softball team will hold tryouts Saturday, Feb. 8, at 4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. For more information call Chad or Lisa Woods at 623-6531.

## Free tax help available

Free tax help for seniors in preparing their income tax forms will be available starting Friday, Feb. 7, at the Calloway County Public Library by AARP. Walk-in-only tax help will be available from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each Friday through April 11 for middle and low income taxpayers with special attention to those age 60 or older. For more information call 753-6001.

## Grain meeting tonight

Calloway County Extension Service will host a grain production meeting tonight, Feb. 6, at 6 p.m. in the classroom at the Murray State Exposition Center. University of Kentucky specialists will participate in the program. For more information call County Extension Agent Lloyd Weatherly at 753-1452.

## CPR Recertification offered

Calloway County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer CPR recertification on Tuesday, Feb. 11, from 6 to 10 p.m. at the Red Cross office at 1003 Poplar St., Murray. The fee is \$15 for the candidate with materials, \$30 if new materials are needed. Registration prior to the class is required by calling Holly Webb, executive director, at 753-1421.

## Glory Bound is tonight

Christian Essence, a gospel group from Dexter, will be featured at the Glory Bound Entertainment tonight, Feb. 6, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Glory Bound Coffee House, Chestnut Street, just east of Ryan Milk Company. There is no admission, but a love offering will be taken. This is an outreach ministry of Goshen United Methodist Church.

## Open house at academy

The Murray Learning Academy at 818 Poplar St., Murray, will have open house on Friday, Feb. 7, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. The public is invited.

## Soccer association plans registration

Murray-Calloway County Soccer Association will have its spring registration at the Trophy Case, Murray. The registration fee will be \$40 for U-8 & under, \$45 for U-10 and up, and \$10 extra for select teams. Registration dates are today and Friday, Feb. 6 and 7, from 5 to 8 p.m.; Saturday, Feb. 8, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Thursday, Feb. 13, from 5 to 8 p.m.; and Saturday, Feb. 15, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information: www.beecreek.org-<http://www.beecreek.org>.

## Senior volunteers needed for community service

The Retired Senior Volunteer (RSVP) - Homeland Security Program of Calloway County is seeking individuals, 55 years of age and older, to assist with strengthening the growing response of need for volunteers in the community.

RSVP - Homeland is sponsored by West Kentucky Allied Services, Inc. Venita Loranger, Calloway County Program Coordinator, has contacted agencies in the area to define and recognize on-going, every day, and special needs of non-profit organizations that benefit from community volunteers.

The volunteers would be serving in a variety of organizations that deal with public health, public safety, disaster preparedness and other community needs.

The need for volunteers of this age group, 55 and older, is a primary goal for RSVP - Homeland Security.

The 55 and older have proven skills, ability and experience that can be matched with area agencies to make our "homeland" a safer environment in an ever-changing world. No age group would be discouraged from participation as volunteers of all ages are needed.

The RSVP Homeland Security office will be temporarily located in the Calloway County Courthouse, first floor, with Solid Waste Management office.

Loranger said "Calloway Judge-Executive Larry Elkins has generously donated this space on behalf of all Calloway countians to assist with the recruitment and placement of volunteers."

For more information on becoming a volunteer, or the need for volunteers, call Loranger at (270) 519-3167.

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**LODGE MEETING...**Jeanie Key, right, entertained with a trip down memory lane as a hobo discovering the 1940s and 1950s businesses in Murray at the January meeting of Woodmen of the World Lodge 728 at Boulders Cafe. Key used her private collection of Murray memorabilia to demonstrate the hobo's discoveries. Key was a hostess with Faye Childers, left, for the meeting. The next meeting will be Monday, Feb. 10, at 6 p.m. at Boulders Cafe.

## ServiceNews

Pfc. Matthew Oakley, serving with the United States Marine Corps Reserves, has been activated in support of "Operation Enduring Freedom" in Asia.

He is with MP Company AH SBN 4th FSSG of Lexington.

Oakley graduated from basic training at Parris Island Marine Corps Recruit Depot, South Carolina.

He then completed MCT and supply school at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

Oakley is the son of Kim Baker and William Oakley, both of New Albany, Ind. He is the grandson of Errol and Sylvia Sanert of Murray.



Oakley

NORFOLK, Va. — Navy Chief Petty Officer Alan R. Thomson, son of Kenneth C. Thomson of 136 Orion Court, Almo, recently departed on a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the guided missile destroyer USS Donald Cook, home ported in Norfolk, Va.

Thomson is one of more than 8,000 Atlantic Fleet Sailors and Marines aboard the ships and squadrons of the USS Harry S. Truman Carrier Battle Group.

Thomson's ship is one of the most powerful warships ever put to sea. The computer-based AEGIS weapons system is the heart of the ship's warfighting capability. It centers around a powerful radar that enables the crew to detect, track and fire on more than 100 targets at a time.

Thomson is a 1983 graduate of Liverpool High School of Liverpool, N. Y. and joined the Navy in August 1983.

FORT KNOX, Ky. — Marine Corps Reserve Lance Cpl. Kevin R. Bebout, a 1999 graduate of Marshall County High School, Benton, was recently called to active duty in support of Operation Enduring Freedom while assigned to the Marine Corps Reserves Company A, 8th Tank Battalion, home based at Fort Knox.

Bebout's unit will be deploying as part of a larger Marine force currently repositioning to Southwest Asia for possible future contingency operations in support of the global war on terrorism.

8th Tank Battalion provides armored combat power during amphibious assaults and in subsequent operations ashore, utilizing maneuvering, armor-protected firepower and shock effect to close with and destroy the enemy.

## Computer classes offered at center

Two computer classes offered by Murray State University's Center for Continuing Education are currently taking registrations.

The Introduction to Microsoft Excel class begins Monday, Feb. 17, from 6 to 8 p.m. and will continue for three consecutive Mondays, ending March 3.

The Introduction to Microsoft Access class will begin Thursday, Feb. 20, from 6 to 8 p.m., running for three consecutive Thursdays, through March 6.

Both classes will be held in room 209 of the Collins Industry and Technology Building on the Murray State campus.

The Microsoft Excel class will help participants learn and use Microsoft's widely used spreadsheet

program. Hands-on sessions will include instruction on shortcuts and ways to customize documents to your needs.

Microsoft Access is used for many tasks within an office environment. The class will give participants hands-on instruction on how to use the popular database function of Microsoft Office.

The price for the classes is \$55 each which includes learning materials and a reference guide. Registrations are open to the public and are currently being taken. Space in both classes is limited.

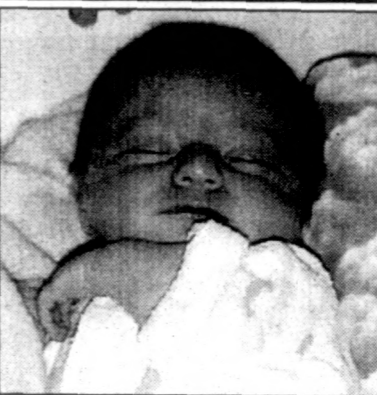
For more information or to register contact the center for Continuing Education at 762-3659 or 1-800-669-7654, ext. 3659.



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**SPECIAL PROGRAM...**An ensemble from the Music Department of the Murray Woman's Club presented a program at the December meeting of the IAAP (International Association Administrative Professionals) held at the Murray State University Curris Center Commonwealth room. Pictured, from left, are Kathy Mowery, Gale Vinson, Mary Beth Hays, Norma Paschall, Oneida White, pianist, Joanne Cavitt, Kay Ray, Martha Crafton and Pat Miller. Vinson is also a member of the IAAP group. For more information about IAAP call Marion Hale at 762-2387.

## Births



Shutt

### Kyra Lynn Shutt

Mr. and Mrs. Brant Shutt of P.O. Box 7, Murray, are the parents of a daughter, Kyra Lynn Shutt, born on Monday, Jan. 27, 2003, at 3:39 a.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

The baby weighed seven pounds eight ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches. The mother is the former Lynda Harrington.

Grandparents are David and Pat Harrington of Murray and Terry and Doris Shutt of Owensboro.

Great-grandparents are Jo Ann Kelly of Benton, Louise Patton of Jacksonville, Fla., and Juanita Harrison of Farmington.



Nabavi

### Ashkahn Bryce Nabavi

Kamran Nabavi and Dr. Dawn Nabavi Deeter of 2110 Country Rd., Murray, are the parents of a son, Ashkahn Bryce Nabavi, born on Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2003, at 1:38 p.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

The baby weighed seven pounds eight ounces and measured 20 inches. Two brothers are Darius and Cyrus.

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## Eighth graders stage classic play

An adaptation of "Our Town," a three-act play by Thornton Wilder, will be performed by Murray Middle School eighth graders on Feb. 16 at 2 p.m. in the Murray Middle School auditorium. MMS teacher Katie Carpenter produced and directed the play.

Students featured in the play are Bradley Black as George, Wesley Bolin as Mr. Gibbs, Katy Garrison as Emily, Sarah Hines as Mrs. Webb, John Quermous as the stage manager, Kelsey Smith as Mrs. Gibbs, and Luke Welch as Mr. Webb.

Also appearing are Wesley Alexander, Marquise Clark, Becky Elliot, D.J. Hutson, Will Pitman, Kyle McReynolds, Alex Wellinghurst, and Daniel White.

"The play is a really cool thing to learn about and experience," says Kelsey Smith. "It's a good example of how we look at life."

This project has involved every member of the class and included a range of tasks -- including acting, stage managing, marketing and promotions, and designing costumes. Eighth-graders have worked independently wherever possible, with support and guidance from Ms. Carpenter and older students.

The stage manager is Nikky Martin. The technical director is Daniel White, set/props design is by Garrett Darnell, and costume design is by Amanda Peebles, Nicole Schmittou, and Blair Darnell. The publicity manager is Sarah Kuykendall and the photographer is Amanda Cain. Scene technicians are Zack Apple, Marlana McIntosh, Whitney Sanders, and Sean Thomas.

Admission to this production is free. For more information please contact Carpenter at 753-5125 or Sarah Kuykendall at 753-4602.

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## SPORTS

Thursday, February 6, 2003

## Local talent highlights Racer class

By SCOTT NANNEY  
Sports Editor

With the popularity of Internet malls, many consumers prefer to do their shopping at home.



Pannunzio

Joe Pannunzio elected to do his post-Christmas shopping locally as well — only he didn't need the World Wide Web to do it.

The Murray State head football coach — fresh off a 7-5 campaign that produced the Racers' first Ohio Valley Conference championship since 1996 — added to his track record of signing local talent by inking four area prep stars in his 2003 recruiting class, which netted national letters of intent from at least 13 student-athletes on Wednesday.

Among those were Murray High School's Nathan Williams, Ballard Memorial's Letiz Arnold and Jerome Saxton and Jay Burgett of the defending Class A state champion Mayfield Cardinals.

"The thing I'm most proud of

is the fact that we signed a lot of local kids," said Pannunzio during a Wednesday afternoon press conference to announce the MSU class. "I feel like any great program needs a local flavor to it ... The base of your program has to be local, and we feel like we've accomplished that here."

Williams is the only MSU signee from either local high school so far. The 6-2, 200-pounder rushed for 746 yards and gained 612 yards receiving while scoring 20 touchdowns during his senior year with the Tigers, who finished 8-4 in 2002.

Arnold, a 5-11, 175-pound tailback, gained over 2,000 yards rushing in each of his last two seasons for Jack Haskins' Bombers. Letiz will join his brother, Lawrence, on the Racer squad, where the eldest Arnold redshirted during the 2002 season.

"For the last couple of years, anytime you've heard about Ballard, you've heard about Letiz Arnold," Pannunzio noted. "I'm not sure which one is better — him or his brother. They'll argue about it, but we're happy to have Letiz."

Saxton, who chose the Racers

over regional rival Southern Illinois, gained 823 yards and scored 14 touchdowns on 36 receptions for Mayfield, which defeated perennial powerhouse Beechwood in the Class A title game in December.

Burgett, a 6-1, 205-pound linebacker, led Mayfield in tackles this past season and is the school's all-time leading tackler.

"There was a receiver (Saxton) over there who I felt like was getting overlooked by a lot of people. When you watched him in the championship game, he probably made the play that won it for them," said Pannunzio of Saxton's 64-yard touchdown catch that was a key in the Cardinals' 14-7 victory.

"When I first met (Burgett), he had red contacts on. So I thought the kid was a typical linebacker. He likes to go out and hit people."

The Racers also stayed inside the state lines to grab quarterback Ryne Salyer of Ashland's Paul Blazer High School and junior punter James Gaither, a Grayson native who transferred from the University of Memphis and is already

■ See Page 9

## 2003 MSU Football Signees

Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown
Letiz Arnold	ATH	5-11	175	Fr.	LaCenter, Ky.
Jay Burgett	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	Mayfield, Ky.
Landon Cobbs	DB	5-11	200	Jr.	Tunica, Miss.
* Koji Farrington	DB	6-2	185	Fr.	Chapel Hill, N.C.
* James Gaither	P	6-1	220	Jr.	Grayson, Ky.
Terry Godfrey	DE	6-3	220	Fr.	Monroe, La.
Justin Holmes	DB	6-0	175	Fr.	Memphis, Tenn.
Laquentin Irvin	OL	6-2	280	Jr.	Greenwood, S.C.
Ryne Salyer	QB	6-1	195	Fr.	Ashland, Ky.
Jerome Saxton	WR	6-3	205	Fr.	Mayfield, Ky.
* Zack Spavital	DB	5-11	200	Jr.	Tulsa, Okla.
Oscar Walker	RB	6-3	210	Fr.	Naples, Fla.
Nehemiah Warrick	WR	6-1	195	Fr.	Bradenton, Fla.
Nathan Williams	ATH	6-2	200	Fr.	Murray, Ky.
Corey Young	RB	6-1	210	Jr.	Atlanta, Ga.
* Saxton "Pete" Zachary	DL	6-4	315	Jr.	Atlanta, Ga.

\* Signed in January and currently enrolled at MSU

## LSU, USC lock up top recruiting classes

By The Associated Press

Southern California capitalized on its late-season surge to keep most of the state's top recruits at home.

Florida sold the opportunity to play right away to beat out its in-state rivals for the top talent in the Sunshine State.

LSU did an even better job than both of those schools, locking up the top high school football players in a strong year in Louisiana and poaching other players around the South to land the nation's top recruiting class Wednesday.

LSU got top honors from the Prep Football Report, Rivals.com and National Blue Chips — three prominent recruiting services. USC was ranked No. 1 by SuperPrep, which had the Tigers third.

"They have absolutely dominated the state of Louisiana and reached into Florida, Mississippi and Texas and taken away blue chip athletes," said Bobby Burton of Rivals.com. "What's more impressive to me than any single player is the number of top players they have. The depth they have

is unbelievable."

The Tigers added defensive linemen Kirston Pittman (Reserve, La.) and Carnell Stewart (River Ridge, La.), receiver Dwayne Bowe (Miami) and quarterback JeMarcus Russell (Mobile, Ala.) to a class that already had linebacker Kenny Hollis (Schoola, Miss.), running back Barrington Edwards (Bowie, Md.), and receiver Anthony Hill (Jacksonville, Fla.)

"I think almost at every position we recruited a player that can upgrade that position at some point in time in the future," coach Nick Saban said.

USC, which won its final eight games of the season, signed 12 of SuperPrep's top 17 players in talent-rich California, including receiver Whitney Lewis (Ventura), who chose the Trojans over Florida State on Wednesday.

"Lewis was the cherry on top for the strongest West Coast class in at least 10 years," SuperPrep's Allen Wallace said. "They blanketed the state. This is a magical year for the Trojans."

The Trojans also kept running

backs Reggie Bush (La Mesa) and Chauncey Washington (Torrance); receiver Steve Smith (Woodland Hills) and defensive lineman Lawrence Jackson (Inglewood) at home, capitalizing on the momentum that started with a 44-13 win over Notre Dame in front of many of the recruits.

One of the only in-state players, the Trojans missed out on was quarterback Kyle Wright, who decided to go to Miami.

"There were so many great players in California," coach Pete Carroll said. "We knew if we could grab the guys we needed, we'd had a great class."

Florida, coming off an 8-5 season in Ron Zook's first year in place of Steve Spurrier, made a late push and finished in the top three in the rankings of all four analysts.

The Gators got commitments Wednesday from fullback Joe Cohen (Melbourne, Fla.) and receiver Andre Caldwell (Tampa, Fla.) to join a class headed by star quarterback Chris Leak (Charlotte, N.C.)



MIKE OHSTROM/Ledger &amp; Times photo

**FUTURE RACER ...** Murray High senior Nathan Williams (center) signs scholarship papers Wednesday afternoon to play football at Murray State University. Joining Williams for the announcement were MHS officials and family members.

## Williams inks with MSU

By MIKE OHSTROM  
Staff Writer

Nathan Williams apparently prefers his football coaches to have a little "mad scientist" in them.

The more Williams' mentors experiment with the multi-faceted athlete, the more playing time he figures to receive.

The 6-foot-2, 200-pound Williams, Murray High's leading rusher and receiver in 2002, chose to put his varied skills to the test in the years to come when he signed scholarship papers Wednesday to play football at Murray State.

"Being more versatile has helped me be a better all-around football player, and I think Murray State really likes that," said Williams, who amassed over 1,300 yards of total offense and scored 24 touchdowns during his senior year at MHS.

"I can play either offense or defense and do the best I can with each, and if one doesn't work out or I don't fit in, I know I can play on the other side of the ball and contribute."

Williams, a glorified line-backer out of his strong safety spot on the Murray High defense, lined up at virtually every offensive skill position in leading the Tigers to an 8-4 record last fall.

Counting Murray's trip to the

Class A First Region semifinals, Williams rushed for 739 yards and 14 touchdowns while adding 601 yards and six more scores via his team-high 44 receptions. He averaged 6.5 yards per rush and 13.7 yards per catch.

Meanwhile, the all-state honorable mention pick also blocked four punts and intercepted four passes during the season, running back half of those picks as well as a pair of kickoff returns for TDs.

"Nate put our whole season on his back and just carried us right through; he had a great year," said MHS head coach Rick Fisher.

"We knew he could do that because we knew what kind of kid he was going to be for us. He worked extremely hard to get himself in this position — this came with a lot of hard work and dedication, and he put himself in a position to have a successful future at Murray State."

Williams, who plans to study history with a minor in exercise science at MSU, wasted little time in making an impact with his expanded offensive role.

He began his senior campaign with a four-touchdown game in a season-opening win at Madisonville-North Hopkins, and he later followed that effort with a

five-TD performance at Hancock County and another four-score outing versus Fulton City.

In the first round of the state playoffs, Williams rushed for 200 yards and three TDs in a 43-19 victory over McLean County.

Having transferred from Houghton, Mich., to Murray for his sophomore year, the Tennessee native bided his time behind standout ball-carriers Bobby Smith and Anthony Cogdell.

Williams hopes he won't have to wait as long at Murray State, and he thinks his prowess on special teams will catch the eye of Racer head coach Joe Pannunzio, whose specialty is in the kicking game.

"I want to come in and contribute right away and hopefully help try to win an (Ohio Valley Conference) and a national championship in any way I can," said Williams, honored as MHS' best and most improved offensive back, best defensive back, best receiver and best offensive player during the team's recent awards banquet.

"It's a great feeling to be the hometown boy that goes to Murray State. I've played (at Stewart Stadium) and I feel real comfortable there, and it should be a great atmosphere."

## James bounces back onto court

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — LeBron James got back his eligibility, a gift more valuable than any trendy jersey.

James learned he can play through the rest of the regular season Wednesday after a judge issued a temporary restraining order blocking a suspension by state officials against the St. Vincent-St. Mary senior for accepting two jerseys worth \$845 from a store.

Summit County Judge James R. Williams also said the 18-year-old superstar must sit out one more game and will have his eligibility examined again at a hearing in two weeks.

"We believe the court order and the argument we presented confirmed that the ineligibility ruling should have never occurred in the first place," said James' attorney, Fred Nance. "There is relief that LeBron is going to be able to finish what he started, trying to win a state championship and playing to be the No. 1 basketball team in the country."

However, James, expected to be top overall pick in this year's NBA draft, still must sit out at least one more game, and his eligibility remains in question pending another court hearing Feb. 19.

## Streaking Cards win again

By CHRIS DUNCAN  
AP Sports Writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Cincinnati's reign as the dominant team in Conference USA may be over. Louisville's may be just beginning.

Freshman Francisco Garcia scored a career-high 24 points and tied a school record with eight 3-pointers as the fifth-ranked Cardinals beat the Bearcats 77-71

on Wednesday night to extend the nation's longest active winning streak to 16 games.

"They are good. Very good," Cincinnati coach Bob Huggins said.

Reece Gaines had 17 points and seven assists and Marvin Stone grabbed 11 rebounds for the Cardinals (17-1, 7-0 Conference USA), who are off to the program's best start since the 1955-56 team won 19 of its first 20 games.

The winning streak is the longest for Louisville since the 1985-86 squad won its final 17 games on the way to the program's second NCAA championship.

"We needed a game like that because we've won so many in a row and won games by double-digits. Sometimes, you lose focus," Stone said.

But Louisville coach Rick Pitino said his team didn't prove anything to him against the Bearcats.

"We are not a dominating team. We could lose to anyone in the conference," he said.



ED REINKE/AP photo

**NOT IN THE CARDS ...** Cincinnati's Leonard Stokes has his shot blocked by Louisville's Erik Brown during the first half of Wednesday's game at Freedom Hall.

# UK celebrates 100 years

By CHRIS DUNCAN  
AP Sports Writer

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Right from the start, Kentucky fans loved their basketball.



On Feb. 6, 1903 — 100 years ago today — college basketball's winningest program played its first game before a capacity crowd in a gymnasium still used on the campus today. The loosely organized Kentucky team — then Kentucky State College — lost 15-6 to a more experienced team from nearby Georgetown College.

An account of the game in the *Lexington Herald-Leader* said, "The gymnasium was packed with rooters who continually applauded the brilliant plays of their respective colleges." Outside, more fans awaited game updates from a caller with a megaphone, said Kentucky basketball historian Russell Rice. A century later, the program is

## Recruits

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enrolled in classes at MSU. Salyer, a 6-1, 195-pounder, is a cousin of MSU defensive line coach Wes Salyer.

The Murray coaching staff did venture outside the commonwealth to nab perhaps the gem of this recruiting class in 6-3, 210-pound tailback Oscar Walker.

According to Pannunzio, the Naples, Fla. native was also recruited by Miami (Fla.) and national champion Ohio State.

"I stopped by Auburn to see some of the coaches there, and they were telling me that I needed to go see this kid in Naples," Pannunzio explained. "(Walker) is an SEC-type kid. We're lucky to get him. He really shouldn't be (playing) here."

Even though the Racers return two of their top three rushers from last season, Pannunzio said the tailback position might be the most talented area of this recruiting class.

"I'm really excited about who we brought in as far as running backs," he claimed. "Even though we are still talented at that position, we felt we needed a bigger tailback to make up for the loss of Billy Blanchard."

"Most of the running backs we signed are over 200 pounds, which means they could play a number of positions for us in the future."

Perhaps the biggest area of need for the Racers is in the offensive line, where the program lost six players — including all five starters — to graduation.

MSU has inked just one lineman so far — 6-2, 280-pound Laquentin Irvin, who is transferring the Racers from Georgia Military College — but is expected to add more.

"I'm still not happy because we desperately need bodies on the offensive line," noted Pannunzio, who expected to have 20 to 25 commitments by the end of the day on Wednesday and can sign up to 30 players. "We just don't have the numbers on the offensive line that we need, but we've still got some kids that we're looking at."

## SportsBriefs

• The Murray High School Backboard Club will hold a meeting Sunday at 3 p.m. in the MHS cafeteria. All interested parents and supporters are invited and encouraged to attend. For more information, call Kathy Erwin at 759-5413.

• The Murray-Calloway County Soccer Association will accept registrations for the spring season this week at the Trophy Case on Chestnut Street.

Registration will take place today and Friday from 5-8 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Feb. 13 from 5-8 p.m. and Feb. 15 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The entry fees are \$40 for players in U-8 divisions and under and \$45 for players in U-10 and up, with \$10 extra needed to compete on select teams.

For more information, visit the MCCA Web site at [www.beecreek.org](http://www.beecreek.org).

• East Elementary School will host basketball intramurals for boys and girls in grades K-5 Saturday beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Admission is \$1 for adults, while kids under 3 and all East Elementary students will be admitted free of charge.

• The West Kentucky Thunder 10-and-under girls' fast-pitch softball team will hold tryouts Saturday at 4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church.

For more information, call Chad or Lisa Woods at 623-6531.

• PADUCAH, Ky. — The Paducah Storm baseball team is hosting a basketball tournament for sixth-grade boys' and girls' basketball teams Feb. 28-March 2 at Paducah Middle School. The entry fee is \$75 per team, and the entry deadline is Feb. 20. For more information or to register, call Beth Edwards at 270-362-2818.

celebrating 100 years that have been tainted by scandal, but defined by an unprecedented 1,834 victories and 43 NCAA Tournament appearances.

"The magnitude of it can be overwhelming if you're not humble," current coach Tubby Smith said. "If you ever get to the point where you think you're the one who built it, whether you're a coach here or a player, you're wrong. It's bigger than any individual. It always will be."

For the Wildcats' home games this season, a logo featuring a bold "100" is painted on the court at Rupp Arena, the facility named for Adolph Rupp, who built the program's foundation. A short video chronicling the history has been played on the scoreboards before every game.

The program's success didn't come immediately. Kentucky endured 13 losing seasons in its first 27 years.

The wins started coming in 1930, when athletics director S.A. "Daddy" Boles hired Adolph Rupp, a prep coach in Freeport, Ill.

It didn't take long for Rupp to see Kentucky basketball developing into more than just a curiosity. It was becoming a unifying force for the people of the state, his son, Adolph Jr., said in a telephone interview.

"This became the one thing all the people — from the Ohio River to the Tennessee border — could all look at and say, 'We're better than you at this. We don't care who you are or where you're from."

"We can beat you in basketball," Rupp Jr. said. "My father was aware of that. When he went out to coach a team, he knew he was representing the whole state of Kentucky."

His players sensed it, too.

Ralph Beard played for the elder Rupp from 1945-49, when the Wildcats won their first two NCAA championships. Beard remembers hundreds of fans meeting the team at each stop as it traveled by train through eastern Kentucky on its way to postseason games in New York.

"Whole towns would turn out. They'd make us food and come on the Pullman and give it to you," Beard said. "In 1949, somebody made life-size action pictures of each player and hung them up on telephone poles. I still have mine."

Beard also was a key figure in one of the program's darkest chapters, when he and four other players were caught up in a point-shaving scandal.

Beard said fans recognize him today only for his on-court accomplishments.

The scandal "is never mentioned by people unless I bring it up," he said. "But the scandal was really a blip on the screen for Kentucky basketball. You just can't kill something that big."

Fan support never dwindled. In 1941, H.L. Donovan became the school's president and began a push to build a state-of-the-art basketball arena. Nine years later, the 11,500-seat Memorial Coliseum opened.

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Calloway Co. Lakers (9-10, 4-0)				Calloway Co. Lady Lakers (14-6, 4-0)			
Player	G	Pts.	Avg.	Player	G	Pts.	Avg.
Jimmy Bynum	18	321	17.8	Kalyn Fox	20	189	9.5
Mitchell McClure	5	75	15.0	Shameka Dial	20	174	8.7
Terry Adams	19	210	11.1	Felisha Prescott	20	162	8.1
Logan Walker	19	192	10.1	Lindsey White	20	107	5.4
Seth Barrow	19	141	7.4	Kelly Taylor	19	82	4.3
Chase Futrell	19	105	5.5	Katie Ross	20	86	4.3
Roger Jones	14	32	2.3	Carley Williams	20	70	3.5
Nathan Jones	7	11	1.6	Carrie Radke	20	51	2.6
David Crouch	5	5	1.0	Chelsea Morris	14	28	2.0
Brett Welter	10	9	0.9	Andrea Loveless	19	27	1.4
Mark Anderson	3	2	0.7	Nakiah Gibson	3	4	1.3
Cody White	16	9	0.6	Jessica Greer	5	6	1.2
Bryan Murdock	3	1	0.3	Ciera Anderson	3	3	1.0
Jay Wyatt	4	0	0.0	Brittany Collins	2	2	1.0
T.J. Hargrove	1	0	0.0	Halee Wyatt	2	0	0.0
Team	19	1,113	58.6	Ashley Clere	1	0	0.0
Opponents	19	1,095	57.6	Lindsay Miller	1	0	0.0
Murray Lady Tigers (14-3, 1-1)				Team	20	996	49.8
Player	G	Pts.	Avg.	Opponents	20	862	43.1
Sherrie Sexton	17	312	18.4	Murray Tigers (6-11, 0-2)			
Ashley Patterson	17	193	11.4	Player	G	Pts.	Avg.
Lisa Thurman	17	177	10.4	J.J. Winnans	17	235	13.8
Breanna Volp	17	161	9.5	Mark Daniel	17	226	13.3
Brandi Vincent	17	51	3.0	Dylan Volp	17	196	11.5
Katie Wagoneer	17	47	2.8	Blake Rayburn	10	82	8.2
Meghann Jenkins	1	2	2.0	Kyle Erwin	17	62	3.6
Jordan Huston	10	15	1.5	Tim Masthay	1	3	3.0
Carley Faughn	17	17	1.0	Hugh Rollins	10	28	2.8
Christina Dunn	7	4	0.6	Sean McElrath	14	37	2.6
Cassie Scarborough	6	2	0.3	Alex Boles	6	10	1.7
Allison Cross	10	2	0.2	Josh Dunn	2	2	1.0
Megan Snow	3	0	0.0	Jordan Kelleher	16	13	0.8
Mallory Cunningham	2	0	0.0	Brooks Hudson	8	4	0.5
Kate Duncan	2	0	0.0	Kyle Wilson	2	1	0.5
Shannon Elias	2	0	0.0	Chase Lambert	14	2	0.1
Peggy Ray	2	0	0.0	Joe Jackson	4	0	0.0
Chelsea Crook	1	0	0.0	Chris Bradley	2	0	0.0
Haley Thomason	1	0	0.0	Corey Perdue	1	0	0.0
Team	17	985	57.9	Team	17	907	53.4
Opponents	17	792	46.6	Opponents	17	950	55.9

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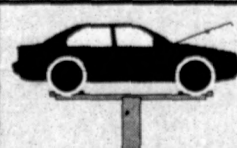
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**YOUR AUTOGRAPH, PLEASE ...** Lacey Latimer, the all-time leading goal scorer in Murray High School history, signed to play soccer with Murray State Wednesday. She is joined by mother Sheri Latimer (seated) as well as (standing, from left) MHS principal Teresa Speed, father Rickey Latimer, grandfather Richard Whited, aunt Angela Richerson and MHS head girls' soccer coach Jennifer Boone.

## Latimer signs with MSU

By MIKE OHSTROM  
Staff Writer

As she was preparing to adjust to playing for her third high school coach in four years, Lacey Latimer slowly found herself taking on the role of surrogate coach for her younger teammates.

The acquisition of those leadership qualities only cemented the Murray High standout's future, one she finalized Wednesday when she signed scholarship papers to play women's soccer at Murray State.

Not only did Latimer finish her MHS career with a school-record 84 goals, a First Region Most Valuable Player Award and a third nod to the all-state first team, but she also helped make the transition under first-year Lady Tiger skipper Jennifer Boone a smooth and successful one.

"She's an incredible leader, and her work ethic led to so many younger players developing a lot faster than they would've expected to," said Boone, whose squad won its first six matches en route to a 13-5 finish and a trip to the regional final.

"She was willing to do whatever the team needed, whether it was to play center midfielder or even play defense at times, and the other girls saw that and changed their attitudes in terms of their willingness to do different things for the team."

A four-year starter at forward, Latimer's MHS teams were a combined 50-25.

Having played on the WKYFC Premier club team for MSU coach Mike Minielli, the 5-foot-7 Latimer was glad to know that she won't have to volunteer her services as a "Jill-of-all-trades" when she joins the Racers next fall.

"In the beginning, (Minielli) told me that I'd have a 50-50 chance of starting up top, and he recently told me that we're going to be playing three (forwards) up top," said Latimer, who plans to study health at MSU. "I'm really looking forward to stepping up to the next level of competition."

"My high school career has definitely helped me, starting with my freshman year. Each year, I felt like I've developed into a bet-

ter player, and the coaching staff has always helped me out. Jen's been great."

Latimer was one of 10 new recruits Murray State announced Wednesday, the first day of the spring signing period.

Joining Latimer will be: defender Lauren Blessinger from Evansville, Ind.; forward/midfielder Katie Cochran from Greenville, Ill.; mid-

fielder/defender Tiffany Curry from Lone Oak; forward Laura Duepner from St. Charles, Mo.; mid-fielder/forward Lacey Ford from Evansville; goalkeeper Heather Jones from Canton, Mich.; mid-fielder Laura Oppgaard from Lexington Lafayette; forward Kim Waters from Louisville Ballard; and defender Jessica Wilson from Chesterfield, Mo.

"Lacey is the best pure goal scorer I've seen in the last couple of years at the high school and club level," Minielli said. "Adding Lacey is a major step forward for our program."

The Racers went 8-7-2 overall and 2-2-2 in conference play last season.

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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Kentucky Revised Statutes that the Calloway County Fiscal Court passed the following summarized ordinance on its First Reading at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Calloway County Fiscal Court on January 21, 2003.

## SUMMARIZED ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO COST RECOVERY FOR RESPONSE TO HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RELEASES IN CALLOWAY COUNTY AND ITS CITIES.

## INTRODUCTION

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Court of Calloway County desires to establish and implement standards and procedures to recover costs and expenses incurred by Calloway County or agents thereof in response to a release or threatened release of hazardous material in Calloway County and its cities, the following ordinance is hereby adopted on its First Reading.

## SECTION I: PURPOSE

Pursuant to KRS 39B.070(2) and KRS 67.083 et seq. This ordinance is adopted for the purpose of acquiring timely payment or reimbursement to Calloway County and/or its agents for all costs incurred in responding to a release or threatened release of any hazardous material.

## SECTION II: DEFINITIONS

The ordinance specifically defines the following terms:

- A. "Costs"
- B. "Fixed Facility"
- C. "Handler"
- D. "Hazardous Material"
- E. "Mobile Carrier"
- F. "Owner/Operator"
- G. "Person"
- H. "Release"
- I. "Response"
- J. "Responsible Party"
- K. "Threatened Release"

## SECTION III: COST RECOVERY STANDARDS

Subsections A, B, C, and D establishes categories of liability for cost recovery from any person, owner/operator, handler, or other responsible party that causes a release or threatened release of hazardous material, which requires a response by Calloway County or any agent of Calloway County including Hazmat One regional WMD/hazardous materials response team, mutual aid providers, and/or other local public safety or emergency services in Calloway County.

## SECTION IV: LIEN CREATED, SEIZURE, IMPOUNDMENT

Subsections A, B, C, and D create a lien in favor of Calloway County for costs incurred in executing a response to any hazardous material release or threatened release and, further, establishes procedure for filing an enforcement of this lien. In addition, this section establishes procedures for impoundment of moveable personal property owned or controlled by any person, owner/operator, handler, or other responsible party that causes or is otherwise responsible for a release or threatened release of hazardous materials that requires or results in a response to the release or threatened release by Calloway County or any agent thereof, including the Hazmat One regional WMD/hazardous materials response team.

## SECTION V: RESPONSE STANDARDS

Subsections A, B, and C establishes response standards to be followed by Calloway County, any agent of Calloway County, including the Hazmat One regional WMD/hazardous materials response team, and others, with said standards to be in accordance with the provisions of Calloway County Emergency Operations Plan, response agency SOPs, and the terms of written mutual aid agreements approved by the Calloway County Fiscal Court. In addition, Section V also directs the Calloway County Fiscal Court and the County Attorney of Calloway County to initiate such proceedings against the owner/operator, or handler, or other responsible party, in any court having jurisdiction over such matters as are necessary to recover such cost incurred as previously described in this ordinance.

## SECTION VI: SEVERABILITY

If any provision or section of the ordinance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect or render invalid or unenforceable any other provision of this ordinance.

Passed on First Reading by the Calloway County Fiscal Court on the 21st day of January 2003.

Notice is further given that this ordinance will be submitted to the Calloway County Fiscal Court for passage after a Second Reading at its next regularly scheduled meeting at the Calloway County Fire-Rescue Station #1 on the 18th day of February 2003, at the hour of 7:00.

LARRY ELKINS  
JUDGE/EXECUTIVE  
CALLOWAY COUNTY  
DATE: 1-21-03

ATTEST:  
RAY COURSEY, JR.  
FISCAL COURT CLERK

## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Kentucky Revised Statutes that the following summarized ordinance was passed on a First Reading by the Calloway County Fiscal Court at its regularly scheduled meeting on January 21, 2003.

## AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Court has the authority pursuant to KRS 68.083 to carry out governmental functions and enact ordinances and issue regulations for public functions, including subdivision regulations, as required by the provisions of KRS Chapter 100; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to KRS 100.273, the Calloway County Fiscal Court may adopt regulations for the subdivision of land within its boundaries, now, therefore, be it ordained by the Fiscal Court of Calloway County, Commonwealth of Kentucky, as follows:

SECTION I. The Fiscal Court adopts attached subdivision regulations, which are incorporated into the ordinance.

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY If any section, or part of this ordinance or regulations, are declared unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance and/or regulations.

SECTION III. All prior ordinances in conflict with this ordinance and regulations are repealed.

SECTION IV. This ordinance shall become effective on March 1, 2003, after passage of the Fiscal Court of Calloway County upon its publication and/or summary thereof, in accordance with the requirements of the Kentucky Revised Statutes.

Passed on First Reading by the Calloway County Fiscal Court.

LARRY ELKINS  
CALLOWAY COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE  
DATE: 1-21-03

Further notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held to discuss the terms and conditions of this ordinance and regulations on the 18th day of February, 2003, at the hour of 6:30 and held at the Calloway County Fire-Rescue Station #1. In addition, after the public hearing on the ordinance as summarized above and the regulations, this ordinance will be submitted to the Fiscal Court of Calloway County for passage after a Second Reading at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Calloway County Fiscal Court on the 18th day of February, 2003 at the hour of 7:00 and held at the Calloway County Fire-Rescue Station #1.

In addition, notice is hereby given that a copy of this summarized ordinance and regulations pertaining to subdivisions are available for public inspection and review at the Office of the Calloway County Judge Executive, Larry Elkins, at 101 South 5th Street, Courthouse, Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky. Inspection of the ordinance and accompanying subdivision regulations may be conducted during regular business hours from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

LARRY ELKINS  
CALLOWAY COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE  
DATE: 1-21-03

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Thursday, February 6, 2003, 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday, February 20, 2003, 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday, February 27, 2003, 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday, March 6, 2003, 5:00 p.m.

All meetings will be held at the Carter Administration Building, 208 S. 13th St., Murray, KY.

A PUBLIC FORUM will be conducted at 7:00 p.m. on each of the above dates to allow LPC members to answer any questions from those in attendance.

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## Hospitals replenish blood supplies as agencies await testing

ATLANTA (AP) — Hospitals in Georgia and Tennessee slowly replenished their blood supplies Wednesday, as health officials continued to investigate what caused white particles to show up in blood supplies last week.

Kevin Bloye of the Georgia Hospital Association said hospitals will not have blood supplies "up to normal levels until midweek next week."

Some blood supplies in Red Cross regions in Georgia and Tennessee were quarantined last week, when a total of 120 units of blood were found with white particles.

Test results expected Wednesday from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to identify the particles were not released. CDC spokesman Dave Daigle said it was unclear when the results would be announced.

Blood supplies have been affected from Florida to parts of southern Illinois, southwest Kentucky and eastern Missouri.

Previous tests found the particles were not caused by an infectious agent, and Georgia health officials have found no adverse effects among patients who have recently received

Red Cross blood.

Bag manufacturer Baxter International Inc. said their tests indicate the particles are natural components of blood and are not caused by the bags.

So far, Georgia has received about 5,100 units of blood from out of state for hospitals. About 1,700 more units were expected Wednesday, Bloye said, adding that blood donations in Georgia have increased by 20 percent above normal for this time of year.

"The good news is patient care has not suffered," Bloye said.

Southeast Georgia Health System's Brunswick campus had to quarantine 70 percent of its blood supply — about 80 units — last week but has not had to postpone any surgeries, spokeswoman Susan Bates said.

The hospital looked to other suppliers, such as a community blood bank in Greenville, S.C., to return its supplies to normal levels.

In Tennessee, Vanderbilt University Medical Center had a supply that was "about half of what we would like it to be" but they have not had to postpone elective surgeries, said spokesman John Howser.

## Horoscopes

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Feb. 7, 2003:

Many opportunities knock on your door, especially throughout August. Your biggest job will be sorting through your options. Make weighing the pros and cons a pleasure rather than a task. You could be surprised at your choices. After summer, you deal on a one-on-one level more often in order to build the type of security you want and need. You could make a major investment this year, adding substantially to your well-being. This decision could involve a home or real estate investment. If you are single, you will run straight into a relationship this year. This person might be delightful but somehow emotionally unavailable. If you are attached, your relationship will blossom, adding to the many options you two have. Spend more time alone together. TAURUS weighs on your soul.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic, 4-Positive, 3-Average, 2-So-so, 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Move on key issues in the a.m., when you have plenty of get-up-and-go. By the afternoon, you will want to put your feet up on your desk and relax a little. You deserve some downtime. Return messages at that time. Good news circulates quickly.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ While you might still be reacting to a boss's directives, others seem to be cleaning up their acts with the weekend in mind. Come afternoon, you feel more playful, especially as you clear out additional work. Reach out for a loved one who means a lot to you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Evaluate what is going on with others around you. If possible, a meeting needs to be scheduled for the morning.

You could be overwhelmed by what you hear and what you feel you must do. Slow down this afternoon. Allow a partner or associate to pitch in.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ A boss makes demands, and a partner has strong expectations. You could feel between and betwixt the two. Your answer comes through a conversation, which could be unusually meaningful. Don't close yourself off. Keep the dialogue going. Tonight: Find a friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You choose the people in your life. Sometimes you find it difficult to deal with another's innate unpredictability. You might want to reach out to a co-worker who is not up to snuff. You have the ability to help others relax, if you so choose.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ A partner seeks you out, though you might not appreciate all of his or her suggestions. Recognize your limits within your immediate surroundings. Detach and accept an overview. Listen to somewhat off-beat suggestions.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Others encourage you down a new path, whether you choose that path or not. Review a personal matter that might involve a key partnership. You can no longer walk away from this situation. Remain open to a loved one's or family member's efforts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Clear out work. You could easily be overwhelmed by what is happening between you and an associate. Reverse your opinions. Reverse directions. Network in the afternoon, knowing that anything and everything is possible.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Use the a.m. to create a think tank. Brainstorming takes an unusually productive path. Know when the answer is "no." How you reject someone's ideas could make all the difference in the outcome. When you take away, give something back. Tonight: Treat a co-worker.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Deal with family and the basics first, especially if you are uncomfortable with a personal matter. You discover that solutions head your way if you're willing to risk a little more. Do not step back from the inevitable. You have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Return calls in the a.m. Also, have important discussions during the same period. In the p.m., clear out your work. When you leave work, you will have a lot to feel good about. Don't be coerced into doing anything you don't want to do. Tonight: Happily head home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Your financial matters need balancing. You could question someone's integrity. Do so with care. You might inadvertently hurt another's feelings. Keep communication open. You might learn a lot about yourself. Let a friendship grow. Tonight: Don't push the line.

## BORN TODAY

Novelist, social critic Sinclair Lewis (1885), Sen. Herb Kohl (1935)

## Man who attempted shoe bomb arrives at high security prison

FLORENCE, Colo. (AP) — A man sentenced to a life term for trying to blow up a trans-Atlantic flight with explosives hidden in his shoe has arrived at the Supermax federal prison near here.



Reid

Richard C. Reid was sentenced last week in Boston after pleading guilty to eight charges including attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction.

Reid, a British citizen who said he was a member of al-Qaida, tried to light the explosives on a Paris-to-Miami American Airlines flight Dec. 22, 2001. Passengers and crew members overpowered him.

Pueblo Memorial Airport manager John O'Neal said the airport was closed briefly to other air traffic when Reid arrived Tuesday, escorted by U.S. Marshals. A prison spokeswoman confirmed his arrival.

The high security prison has housed Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh, Unabomber Ted Kaczynski and 1993 World Trade Center bombing mastermind Ramzi Yousef.



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ANOTHER PIECE TO THE PUZZLE ... Workers from the Universal Kidz Zone company of Ferguson try to get a slide inserted to its proper spot of a massive playground on the Murray Elementary School campus Wednesday afternoon. Work will continue today on the project with the hopes that the playground will be ready for use by next week.

## Scientists report progesterone may help prevent premature births

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Obstetricians say they may have discovered a powerful new solution to the dramatic rise in premature births in the last two decades.

A North Carolina doctor was scheduled to present results Thursday of a groundbreaking study that showed the hormone progesterone prevented premature births in a surprisingly high number of high-risk pregnancies.

"The evidence of this treatment's effectiveness was so dramatic, the research was stopped early," said the study's lead researcher, Dr. Paul Meis of Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

Progesterone is naturally produced by the ovaries. It softens the uterus lining into a spongy bed that holds a fertilized egg.

Weekly injections of the hormone reduced the chance of premature births by 34 percent in the 306 high-risk women who received the therapy, the study reported. Another 153 women were injected with a placebo. All the women had previously given birth prematurely, the single biggest indication of risk.

The study was carried out at the 19 centers that

comprise the Maternal Fetal Medicine Units Network under the National Institutes of Health. Meis was to unveil the results in San Francisco at the annual meeting of the Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine.

"The results are so good that it's surprising," said Dr. Fredric Frigoletto, chief of obstetrics at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. "No intervention that we have ever applied has had any measurable effect. This is very good news."

Doctors have prescribed progesterone for years to help infertile and menopausal women.

Meis said progesterone had been previously toyed with as a preventive treatment for premature births in the 1960s and 1970s, but no one has completed a serious study on the subject.

"I think it's going to awaken people to an old idea that kind of slipped away," said Dr. Alan DeCherney, chair of the Obstetrics and Gynecology department at the University of California, Los Angeles.

About 476,000 babies were born too soon last year — a 27 percent increase since 1981, according to the March of Dimes.

Last year, one in eight babies was born before the 37th week of pregnancy, which is considered full term.

"The problem is huge," said Dr. Nancy S. Green, a New York City pediatrician and medical director of the March of Dimes. Last week she announced the organization's \$75 million, five-year program to reduce premature births.

Babies born prematurely are at increased risk for neurological, hearing and behavioral problems. The average hospital charge in 2000 for a premature baby was \$58,000, compared to \$4,300 for a typical newborn, according to the March of Dimes.

Some of the increase in premature births can be attributed to more older women giving birth and the explosion of obesity in the country, Green said. But fully half of premature births have no known cause, Green said.

The March of Dimes said black women give birth prematurely at disproportionately high rates: 17.5 percent of all births to black women last year were premature, compared to the national average of 11.9 percent.

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## DR. GOTT

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I recently suffered from a bout of ventricular tachycardia for which I was hospitalized and placed on Lanoxin and Tenormin. I question whether these medications could cause allergic reactions.

DEAR READER: Ventricular tachycardia is a serious short-circuit in the heart's conduction system, leading to bursts of rapid pulse that can progress to more serious, even life threatening, cardiac irregularities if not treated. Therefore, you need medicines. The question is, which ones?

Any drug can cause side effects or allergic reactions in a small percentage of its users. Thus, your medications are no exception.

I suggest that you return to your doctor for clarification. Lanoxin, a form of digitalis, commonly causes nausea, loss of appetite and slow pulse; Tenormin, a beta-blocker, is frequently associated with low blood pressure, difficulty breathing and a slow pulse.

These symptoms are consequences of drug therapy — not allergic reactions — and can be eliminated or lessened by adjustments in dose. You need to review your concerns with your physician, who can decide whether to alter your present medications or change them entirely. For example, there are newer, more potent drugs to treat ventricular tachycardia. In addition, most cardiologists now recommend using an implantable defibrillator, an electronic device that is attached to the heart itself. It can sense when harmful rhythms affect the heart and will deliver a tiny, electrical jolt to return the pulse to normal.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Coronary Artery Disease." Other readers who would like a copy



PETER GOTT, M.D.

should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Every two or three beats, my heart skips a beat. This can last for several minutes, then stops. A Holter monitor was normal, but I wasn't aware of any pulse irregularity while I was being tested. What's your suggestion?

DEAR READER: A Holter monitor is a type of cardiogram that records each heartbeat for a 24-hour period. While it is an extremely useful test, it is activated only for that time frame and will fail to show heartbeats at other times, as you have discovered.

I believe that your doctor should order an event monitor. Similar to a Holter, the event monitor only records when activated by the patient; therefore, it can be worn for days or weeks. I believe that this test might solve your problem and enable your physician to diagnose your pulse irregularity. For most of us, occasional skips are common, benign and may be triggered by caffeine, stress, fatigue and so forth. However, on occasion, skipped beats may reflect a cardiac disorder that requires medication.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Has there been a compilation of your articles in book form and, if not, do you plan on writing one? I am one of the many fans who love your column. I am also thrilled by your new photography book. It's beautiful.

DEAR READER: I published a collection of essays in 1986, called "No Housecalls"; the book was released by Simon and Schuster, later by Pocket Books. Unfortunately, it's out of print now, so it would be difficult to find unless you go to a source that stocks out-of-print publications.

I am delighted that you enjoyed "Windows of Sconset on Nantucket Island." Other readers who would like a signed copy can order it by sending \$14 to Ice Island Press, P.O. Box 433, Lakeville, CT 06039.

DEAR ABBY: May I comment on the letter from the girl who has a crush on the "weird" guy in her high school band?

Thirty years ago, I was that weird guy with the burr haircut, buck teeth, horn-rimmed glasses and skinny as a rail. I had a crush on a good-looking blonde, but she was out of my league, so I never asked her out.

Twenty-nine years later, I was on the Internet. Through a classmates reunion site, she and I started chatting. She was divorced, as was I. The more we talked, the more we fell for each other. When I finally decided to visit her, "fireworks" flew.

We have been married one year this week, and it has been one of the most exciting years of my life. Tell "Odd Duck" to hang in there. Things will be great if meant to be.

HERMAN B., WATERFORD, CALIF.

DEAR H.B.: Congratulations on your anniversary. (I'm a sucker for a happy ending!) Many people, like fine wine, improve with age. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'd like to respond to "Odd Duck in South Texas." Bravo for you, young lady! When I was in high school, I was considered an "odd duck" myself. I didn't drink, smoke, or ride around aimlessly every Friday and Saturday night. I studied, got excellent grades, respected my parents, and for that, I was ostracized by my classmates and always felt like an outsider.

You and your friend Tad should hang in there. When you finish high school, and later, college, you'll realize that the people most worth knowing just might be those "odd ducks."

HILLARY IN WEINER, ARIZ.

DEAR HILLARY: You're right. Some people develop social skills later than others.

DEAR ABBY: I, too, was not the "coolest" kid in high school, and I was also in the band. I was desperately in love with a popular girl I'll call Susan. We were good friends, but it never went further.

Years later, Susan confessed to me that she also had feelings for me, but was afraid her friends would turn on her for not dating someone from the "cool" crowd.

Living your life by someone

else's standards is not living at all. "Odd Duck's" ugly duckling might someday become a swan.

HAPPILY MARRIED IN PHILLY

DEAR HAPPILY MARRIED: It takes courage to stand by one's convictions. Susan's lack of maturity was its own punishment.

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DEAR ABBY: I am an 11-year-old boy, and my mom says if I want something at the store, I have to pay for it myself. I try to do chores for money, but I'm always too busy with schoolwork. I barely get enough time to play outside. Do you have any suggestions on how to get money?

NEEDS \$\$

DEAR NEEDS \$\$: Talk to your parents and ask them if your chores can be done on the weekends. If you want something badly enough, you'll find the time.

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WORTH REMEMBERING: "People can keep a journal to record their life, their thoughts, their happiness, the events of their families, etc. They can also keep a journal of creative observations, their hopes, their ideas and dreams, as Leonardo da Vinci did. He always had a notebook hanging from his belt to record his observations. I have one constantly in my pocket and on my night table. We must be the source of good ideas and dreams for a better world. We are part of evolution."

ROBERT MULLER

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## A Highly Unusual Discard

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NORTH		EAST	
♠ 10 9 6	♦ 8	♠ 8	♦ Q 10 9 7 4
♥ K 8 2	♥ K 8 2	♥ Q 10 9 7 4	♥ A K Q J
♣ 8 7 4	♣ A J 10 3	♣ 8 7 2	
SOUTH			
♠ A K Q 5 3 2			
♥ —			
♦ 10 6 5 3			
♣ K Q 4			

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
1♥	1♠	2♥	2♠
3♥	4♠		

Opening lead — nine of diamonds.

When is a signal not a signal? Answer: When it obviously does not mean what it says.

For example, take this case where South gets to four spades on the bidding shown. It is not clear whether West should lead the ace of hearts, the suit East bid, or make the more aggressive lead of a diamond, hoping

to get a diamond ruff.

Be that as it may, West fortunately elected to lead a diamond. Had he led the ace of hearts instead, declarer would have finished with an over-trick.

East won the diamond lead with the jack and continued with the ace and king. It was on the third round of diamonds that West made a most unusual play — he discarded the ace of hearts!

Under the circumstances, there was no way East could construe this play as a signal for him to lead a heart at trick four. Rather, East reasoned that his partner was trying to stop him from shifting to a heart. So East continued with a fourth round of diamonds, and West's jack of trumps became the setting trick.

Note that if East had shifted to a heart instead of leading another diamond, which he very well might have done without West's extraordinary discard, declarer would have had no problem scoring the rest of the tricks. But West had recognized that a heart shift by East could easily prove fatal, and he headed off a potential disaster by making the dramatic discard of the ace of hearts.

## CROSSWORDS

ACROSS

- Oriental sauce
- Bank
- conveniences
- Detective's cry
- Ken or Lena of film
- Warm-up
- Gloss target
- Split
- Gym amenity
- Choir selection
- Iced drink
- Misfortunes
- Hearty laugh
- Name in essays
- Steel girder (hyph.)
- Phone trio
- Kind of agent
- "Behold!"
- Foul-ball caller
- Tuscaloosa's st.
- Bone (Lat.)
- Rookie socialite
- Household pet
- Wrestling venue
- Rebekah's son

DOWN

- Grass purchase
- Fiesta shout
- Shout of glee
- Appropriately
- Bull Moose initials
- Singer
- Torne
- What X marks
- Caustic solution
- Scurry along
- Showery mo.
- Bahamas resort
- Nile sun god
- Mediocre

Answer to Previous Puzzle

BODE	COG	BING
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	APPLE	CPA
JUAN	REACHED	
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## LOOKING BACK

Feb. 1.

In high school basketball games, Calloway Lakers won over Sedalia Lions and Murray Tigers won over Ballard Bombers. High team scorers were Greg Howard, Calloway, Pittman, Sedalia, Ray Lane, Murray and Leo Henderson, Ballard.

40 years ago

Murray-Calloway County Industrial Foundation Fund is now at \$156,850. This is \$6,850 over the original goal of \$150,000.

A tobacco barn, owned by E.E. Williams, located just west of Calloway County High School access road, was destroyed by fire near midnight Feb. 4.

Births reported include a boy to Roy F. and Pauline Crotzer, Feb. 2.

In high school basketball games, Murray Tigers won over Murray College High Colts and Calloway Lakers lost to Fulton City Bulldogs. High team scorers were Don Faughn, Tigers, Hendon and Gibbs, Colts, Mickey Boggess, Lakers and Burnette, Fulton.

50 years ago

Harford Parker, founder and senior partner of Parker Motors, was honored at a dinner Feb. 4 by Nash Motors officials at Kenlake State Park Hotel. He was honored for his 25 years as a Nash dealer. Parker is pictured with his three sons, Joe, James and John Parker, in front of the business at Main and Seventh Streets, Murray.

Recent births reported at Murray Hospital include a girl to Mr. and Mrs. William Edward Perry and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. William Scheffer.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press  
Today is Thursday, Feb. 6, the 37th day of 2003. There are 328 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On Feb. 6, 1952, Britain's King George VI died; he was succeeded as reigning monarch by his daughter, Elizabeth II.

On this date:  
In 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1959, the United States successfully test-fired for the first time a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile from Cape Canaveral.

In 1991, comedian and television performer Danny Thomas died in Los Angeles at age 79.

Ten years ago: Tennis Hall-of-Famer and human rights advocate Arthur Ashe died in New York at age 49.

Five years ago: President Clinton and British Prime Minister Tony Blair redoubled their pledge to use military force against Iraq if necessary; during a joint news conference in which the subject of Monica Lewinsky came up, Clinton said he would "never" resign. President Clinton signed a bill changing the name of Washington National Airport to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

One year ago: A federal judge ordered John Walker Lindh, the so-called "American Taliban," held without bail pending trial. Britain's Queen Elizabeth II reached a bitter-sweet milestone, solemnly marking 50 years as monarch on the anniversary of the death of her father, King George VI.

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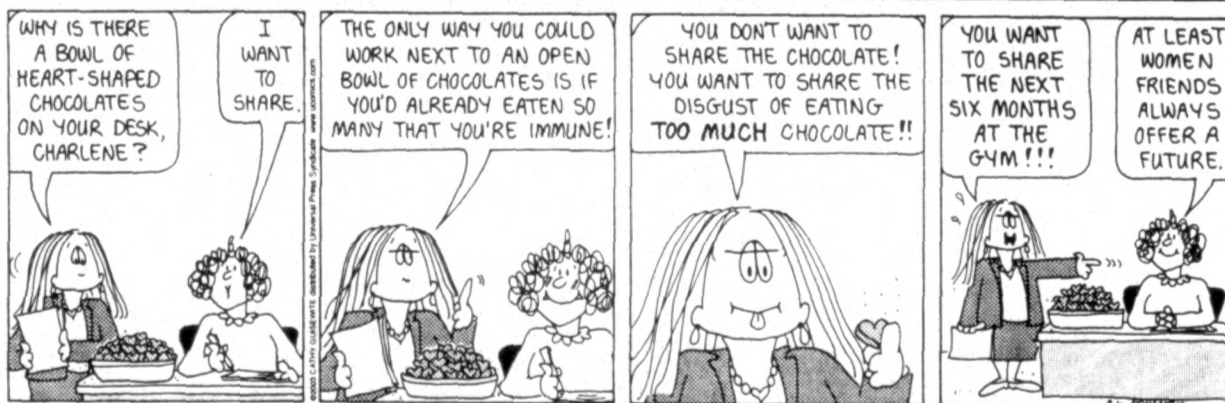
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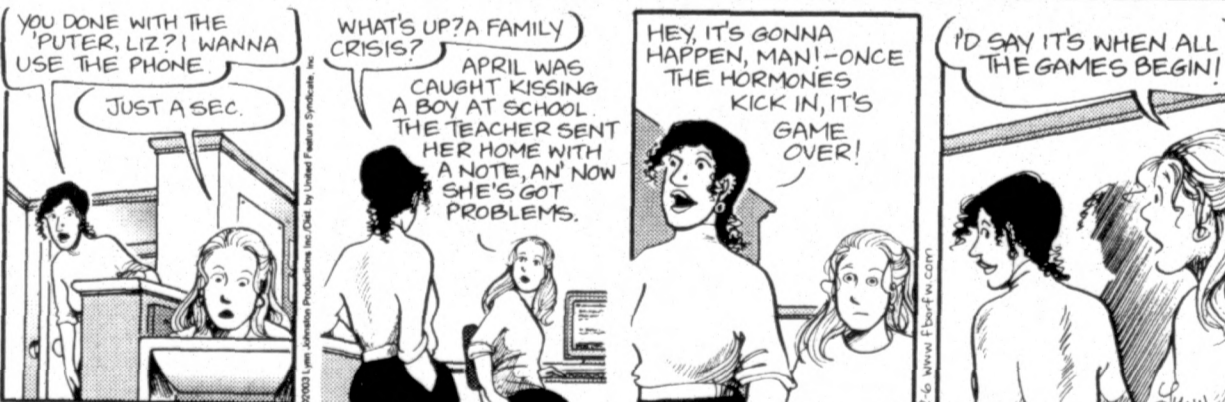
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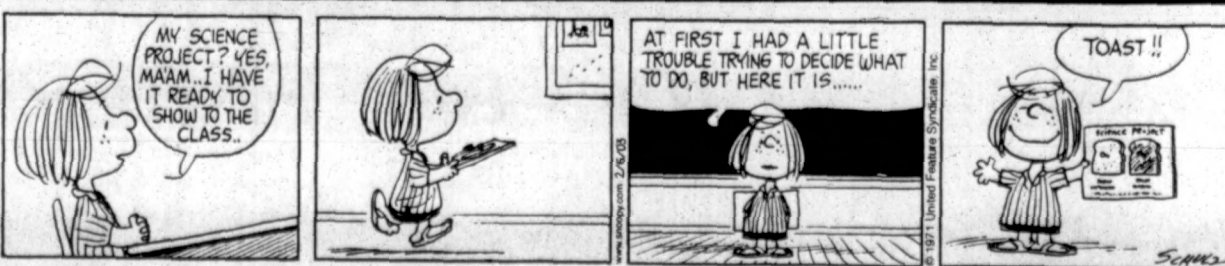
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# Arts

Thursday, February 6, 2003

## MurrayArtGuildNews

### Murray Art Guild to sponsor 14th Annual Juried Exhibition 'Visual Evidence'

The Murray Art Guild opens its 14th Annual Juried Exhibition, entitled "VISUAL EVIDENCE", with a call for entries.

Any artist, from Kentucky and surrounding states, is eligible to participate. Entry is by original work only and must have been completed within the past three years. All mediums are acceptable. Works will be accepted for the exhibition and awards will be presented according to the discretion of the juror.

Deadline for entries is Wed., March 12. Entry forms with specifications are available at the Guild or by calling 753-4059. The Murray Art Guild is located at 103 North 6th St., Murray, Ky., and open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, between the hours of 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., and Tuesday evenings from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Murray Art Guild is a nonprofit educational and cultural organization open to beginners as well as artists with varying degrees of skill. The building is available to members and open to the public at no charge during regular hours and for exhibitions and other special events. It is accessible to the handicapped and group tours may be arranged. Members artwork is on exhibit daily, and artists may be observed plying their talents on days of operation.

Activities in progress include a weaving workshop instructed by fiber artist Mary Cates and an exhibit is on display at The Commerce Center, 805 N. 12th St., now through March, featuring Guild artists: Cromwell Hauge, Emily Wolfson, Paul Lile, Corrine Foster and Debbie Jackson.

The next general meeting will be Tues., Feb. 18 at 1 p.m.

## Children's show opens at Murray State

Murray State University and the Department of Theatre and Dance will produce *Androcles and the Lion* by Aurand Harris Feb. 11-15, 2003. The show is the telling of the classic story of the boy pulling the thorn out of the Lion's paw.

This updated version of the tale uses characters from the comedy troupes of Italy. This zany approach to the show introduces us to Androcles (the hero), Pantaloe, Isabella, Lelio and the Captain.

This story, which focuses on love, greed and

newfound friendship takes us along with two lovers, Isabella and Lelio, who want to be married. However, her greedy uncle, Pantaloe, will not allow that because he has to give up gold to her that her father left for her. He hires a man to watch over her (the Captain) but she escapes with the help of her slave, Androcles. When Androcles escapes with her, he befriends a Lion. When Androcles is captured for escaping, he is thrown to the beast to be eaten. The beast ends up being his friend the Lion, and so he is safe. In the end,

everyone gets their just rewards or punishments.

This show is great for the whole family. It runs approximately 55 minutes. The show will be produced in Lovett Auditorium on Feb. 11-13 at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. daily. Admission is \$1.50 per person.

Additionally, the show will run Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. and Feb. 15 at 2:30 p.m. in the Robert E. Johnson Theater. Both venues are located on the MSU campus. Call 762-4421 for information and reservations.

## R&B artist wants Kentucky recording studio

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. (AP) — With guitars hanging from their backs or song lyrics stuffed in their pockets, aspiring Kentucky musicians, for decades, have trekked south to Nashville, Tenn. — home to the south's largest music industry.

And no matter the genre of music — country, bluegrass, gospel or rock 'n' roll — the dream was the same: to land a deal with a major record label.

Kentucky recording artists such as Merle Travis, the Kentucky Headhunters and Steven Curtis Chapman each made their way to Nashville to score contracts, according to the Kentucky Music Hall of Fame in Renfro Valley.

"Many of them may have started in western Kentucky, but very few recorded there because of the lack of studios," said Robert Lawson, co-director of the hall of fame in eastern Kentucky.

R&B singer and writer Athena Cage, a Russellville native, wants to change that. Cage wants to open a Kentucky-based recording studio with its headquarters in Bowling Green.

"This is an untapped area," Cage said in a recent interview. "There is more than enough talent to support a record company."

Sixty miles northeast of Nashville, the town of 49,000 is home to a Chevrolet plant that

makes Corvettes, and 17,000-student Western Kentucky University.

Cage has talked with several labels, and is contemplating developing her own label, which would produce her first solo album this summer.

"The key is capital," said Cage, who has been raising money all over the state. "I have worked with some of the best producers and writers in the music industry, and I'm confident they will help with this venture if we can get it off the ground."

Cage was one third of the trio "Kut Klose," who recorded one album in the mid-1990s. She left the all-girl group to record and tour with R&B artist Keith Sweat, was

Sweat's duet partner for "Nobody," and co-composer of his hit "Twisted," off the multi-platinum album "Keith Sweat." Her latest single, "All or Nothing," appeared on the "Save the Last Dance" soundtrack and will be re-recorded for her debut album.

Robert Jefferson, dean of the college of business at Western Kentucky University, describes Bowling Green as a manufacturing area with a mix of banking and restaurants, and agriculture. It's also been known for original business ideas.

"Bowling Green has a good history of entrepreneurship," said Jefferson.

## Special Valentine's Day concert offered

Kay Gardner Bates and Marie Taylor will be presenting a Special Valentine "Pops" Concert Friday, February 14, at 8 p.m. in the Performing Arts Hall of the Price Doyle Fine Arts Building at Murray State University.

Kay Bates, associate professor of vocal music, and Marie Taylor, retired professor of keyboard music, are celebrating 25 years of performing classical, sacred and pop concerts throughout the state and region.

The program will also feature Sonya Baker, soprano and Randall Black, tenor. They are both members of the Murray State Music Department faculty and have performed extensively throughout this country and Europe.

The "pops" concert will include such popular songs as: "My Funny Valentine," "If I Loved You," "Sophisticated Lady," "Someone to Watch Over Me," "My Romance," "S Wonderful," "At Last," "You Made Me Love You" and many other love songs from traditional "pop" standards of the 1940s and 50s.

Admission is free for students and \$5.00 for adults. This is a suggested donation as all proceeds will support MSU Dept. of Music student scholarships.

## Missouri writers group to meet

SIKESTON, Mo. — The Heartland Writers Guild, a multi-genre writing organization, will hold its regular monthly meeting from 2-4 p.m., Feb. 9 in the Parish Hall at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Sikeston, Mo.

This month's program will be, "Publishing Alternatives or, A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to New York", presented by John Fisher.

Writers from several States participate in the Heartland Guild, sharing information, providing encouragement and instruction to writers of all experience levels. A workshop for writers of Children's Literature, will be held at the University Center of Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau, Mo., on June 14, 2003.

More information is available by writing Heartland Writers Guild, P.O. Box 652, Kennett, Mo. 63857; e-mail: HWG@heartlandwriters.org or call 573-888-3620.

The Guild is committed to the goal of helping members successfully market what they write. Anyone interested in any type of writing is invited to attend.

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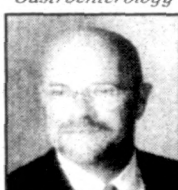
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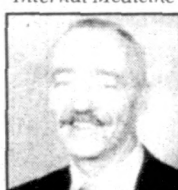
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