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## Opinions flow about LBL area

By TABITHA ARMSTRONG  
Staff Writer

Last night's Land Between the Lakes public planning meeting at the Weeks Center played host to several different opinions, and the small-group format of the meeting gave all attendees the opportunity to share their thoughts.

Jan Dalton of Murray said he has big wishes for LBL's long-term plan, namely "building a new 200-slip marina at the north end," he said, grinning at some of his group members' laughter. "Some of your parks across this country have marinas in them. I've seen them."

However, Robert Higgins of Golden Pond had a request the group didn't laugh about. He explained that his father owned land and was bought out when the government took over the area. He said he would like to see the government bring back the LBL educational aspects that were there in the 1960s and host no commercialization, such as a marina.

"I'm saying if a man with a grocery store can make 50 cents off a Coke, he shouldn't be able to do that at LBL," Higgins said.

Phil Harrell of Murray, like Higgins, also from between the rivers. "We lost our farm. We lost our grocery store. We just lost out," he said, explaining that when his parents' farm was purchased by the government, it promised to refrain from commercialization. "Keep the government's word all the way — no commercialization."

LBL Communications manager Kathryn Harper explained the series of events that led to LBL's creation and also allowed some families to be displaced, or bought out, as many as four times. She said TVA impounded and created the

Kentucky Lake in the 1960s. A few years later, the Army Corps of Engineers impounded Lake Barkley, leaving a narrow peninsula between the two lakes.

Meanwhile, the Kentucky Wildlife Refuge came about, and eventually TVA recognized the opportunity to create a national recreation area with that strip of land between Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley. During his tenure as president, John F. Kennedy enacted the proposal.

Harrell said he considers user fees to be commercialization, which keeps people like him from visiting the place he once called home. "We were told that we could go and visit our homes and the lakes and stuff, but we can't. I can't even go to my graveyards." He said unkempt roads and inability to walk very well keep him from visiting his ancestors' cemeteries.

"I am very dissatisfied," Harrell added. "I say go back to the original mission."

Nick McClure of Murray complemented LBL for keeping the area clean and trying to satisfy people. He agreed that the original promise was no commercialization, and believes LBL has indeed commercialized.

"I... don't agree with it," he said. McClure suggested that LBL ask for donations and refrain from requiring people to pay entry fees for enjoying various parts of the recreation area.

Trace Lasley said he sympathizes with the families displaced by the creation of LBL. He added that allowing those original families to help plan the future of LBL is a good idea. However, Lasley added that it's not fair to build a marina if

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## At High 'Speed'



COMIN' TO 'MY TOWN' ... Montgomery Gentry — Eddie on the left, Troy on the right — will be showcased Thursday at the annual Froggy 103/WLLE Country Concert at Stewart Stadium.

## Montgomery Gentry to steamroll into Murray

By EDWARD SHERIDAN  
Staff Writer

Montgomery Gentry's newest album is titled "My Town." This coming Thursday, though, the award-winning duo hopes to turn Murray into their town, too.

Eddie Montgomery and Troy Gentry will roll into Murray as part of Freedom Fest activities July 3 at 7 p.m., at Murray State University's Roy Stewart Stadium. The two are in the midst of a tour that is taking them from county fairs to Murray's Fourth of July celebration to outdoor amphithe-

aters across the country.

"We'll play anywhere," Gentry said in a telephone interview this week. "It just depends on who'll have us or not. Eddie and I just enjoy getting out and cutting it loose."

Since the release of their debut album, the platinum-selling "Tattoos and Scars," in 1999, Montgomery Gentry has been busy cementing a reputation as one of country music's most hard-driving acts, prompting one concert reviewer to say the group possesses "a '70s outlaw spirit."

Montgomery's musical pedigree is fairly well-known. His brother, John Michael Montgomery, is famous for such country hits as "Life's a Dance" and "Be My Baby Tonight," and also performed at Murray's 2001 Freedom Fest.

Eddie Montgomery and Gentry first crossed paths while playing in separate bands in the Lexington, Ky., area, where Gentry is from originally. The two played together with John Michael then later

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## Tobacco to reach 129-year low mark

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was America's first export, but now the tobacco fields are disappearing, buried by lawsuits, a drop-off in smoking and competition from imports.

Farmers are planting the smallest crop since Ulysses S. Grant was president. The Agriculture Department expects it to be just 413,710 acres this year — 3 percent lower than last year and the smallest since 1874.

From Florida to Tennessee, farmers have cut back on planting.

"It's tough times for tobacco growers," said Thomas Capehart, an economist for the department.

The lawsuits against cigarette manufacturers are just one reason that growers are cutting back. Demand is another. It is falling as states and cities raise taxes on cigarettes and as businesses ban smoking, Capehart said.

But the government quotas, aimed at protecting growers from overproduction and low demand are now a challenge for tobacco farmers, he said.

While subsidies help corn and soybean growers through bad prices, tobacco growers are given quotas. If prices fall below a fixed level, growers can qualify for government loans.

American manufacturers are buying less U.S. tobacco because they can get cheaper leaf from Zimbabwe, Brazil and other countries, Capehart said.

Last year, the United States imported \$715 million in tobacco, up from the \$676 million in 2001 and \$628 million in 2000.

Meanwhile, the quotas are tightening. This year, the effective quota for flue-cured tobacco is 540 million pounds, compared with the 582 million pounds allowed last year.

For burley tobacco, this year's effective quota is 320 million pounds, down from last year's

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## Angelic quilt, quilters helping clinic

By TABITHA ARMSTRONG  
Staff Writer

Handmade quilts don't come cheap. Callouses on the otherwise soft hands of Joyce Thornton and Dorothy Daniels signify that they believe the 30-square quilt they're stitching has great value.

In October, the person holding the winning raffle ticket for the quilt will examine the angel-covered work and probably consider his or her new quilt pretty valuable, too.

But the quilt could also be worth approximately \$8,000 of service to clients of Murray's Angels Community Clinic, meaning working, uninsured Calloway countians may have access to more antibiotics, medications and diabetic supplies, clinic director Summer Cross said.

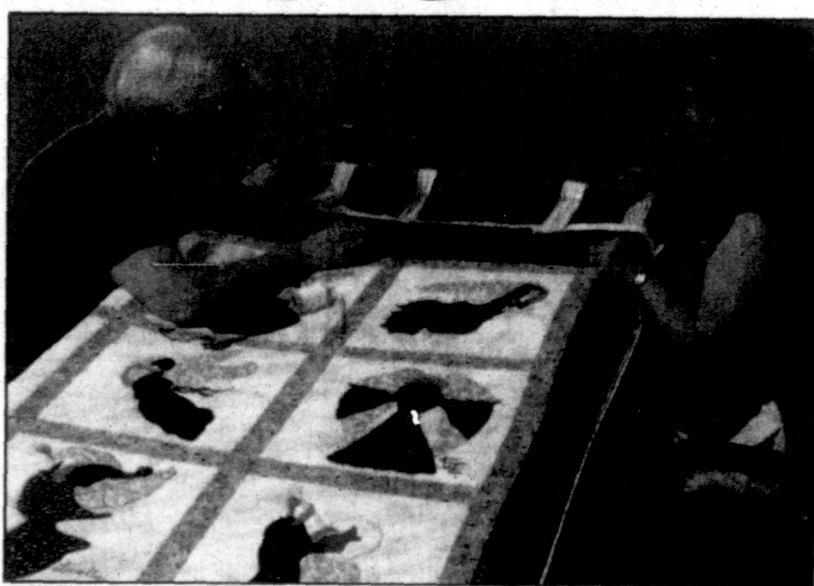
The quilt is a fundraiser for the Angels Community Clinic, a non-profit medical, dental and pharmaceutical clinic for local workers and their families whose income is to

high for them to receive government-funded medical aid, but low enough that they are unable to afford healthcare services since they do not receive healthcare insurance through their employers.

"It gives us an opportunity to take care of our community ourselves instead of depending on someone else to do it," said Lovella McConnell, Angels Clinic fundraising committee member and quilt project organizer.

An avid quilter, McConnell said the committee was searching for a project they could do annually, so she naturally came up with the quilt idea. An anonymous benefactor donated the materials, and the owner of the Pincushion Quilt Shop compiled kits for the quilt squares and distributed them to quilters who subsequently completed and returned them.

The quilt's 30 squares each display an angel and the signature of the seamstress who appliquéd the



FINAL STITCHES ... Seamstresses Joyce Thornton, left, and Dorothy Daniels finish up the angel quilt at Poplar Springs Baptist Church.

square. McConnell, Thornton, Daniels, Glenda Byerly, Alice Koeneke and Inez Shinstine have

worked to complete the quilt.

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## Murray's education service center closes

By BRANDI WILLIAMS  
Staff Writer

Because of a lack of funding, the Department of Education Regional Service Centers across the state closed yesterday, including the one in Murray.

The Region 1 Service Center, which was located on Murray State University's campus, focused on assistance for all 25 school districts across the far western Kentucky region, which included training and acting as a liaison to the state Department of Education.

Doralyn Lanier, director of the center, said the group provided assistance until the very end. On Monday, the group presented a workshop at the Kentucky Association of Elementary School Principals on how to analyze students' work to improve instruction.

The center was informed of its closing in March when the General Assembly did not provide funding in Kentucky's new budget. Lanier said the budget that passed the House allotted \$4 million, while the budget passed by the Senate did not have any money allotted.

The compromise left the centers without funding. The center had been in operation for the past 11 years. Lanier said the asset the center offered was helping school districts personally when the Department of Education could not.

"We had just done a survey," Lanier said. "We have done 700 face-to-

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**WEATHER**

Tonight will be mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Wednesday will be mostly cloudy with a 30% chance of rain. Highs will be in the mid 80s.

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# Mosque explosion kills five Iraqis

FALLUJAH, Iraq (AP) — Rocket-propelled grenades slammed into U.S. military vehicles in two attacks in and around Baghdad today, and a massive explosion at a mosque in the town of Fallujah killed at least five Iraqis and injured four others.

Iraqi civilians said the explosion late Monday in Fallujah was caused by a missile or bomb strike, but American soldiers at the scene disputed that account, saying it was likely caused when explosives hidden at the site went off.

Today, assailants traveling in a vehicle in the Mustansiriyah neighborhood of central Baghdad fired a rocket propelled-grenade at a U.S. military vehicle, destroying it and likely causing casualties, Iraqi witnesses said.

One witness, 19-year-old Ali Ibrahim Shaker, said he saw two U.S. soldiers being evacuated onto stretchers. He said he could not tell if the soldiers had been hurt or killed.

A Mercedes traveling alongside the U.S. vehicle was also hit, wounding the Iraqi civilian who was



**DAMAGE ASSESSMENT ... U.S. soldiers examine a destroyed U.S. military vehicle in the Mustansiriyah district of Baghdad today. The vehicle was allegedly hit by a rocket propelled-grenade.**

driving it, said witness Mohammed Abdullah. After the attack, three U.S. helicopters hovered over the site. Military spokesmen in Baghdad said they had no immediate information.

Also today, witnesses said another

rocket-propelled grenade slammed into a U.S. truck on a road 12 miles south of Baghdad. The witnesses said that attack caused four casualties but there was no immediate confirmation from the military.

A huge explosion over the week-

end at an ammunition depot killed at least 15 people and injured at least four near Hadithah, 150 miles northwest of Baghdad, officials said.

Metal scavengers dismantled enormous 155 mm artillery rounds and spread gun powder on the ground at the depot, which housed old Iraqi artillery. A spark there on Saturday set off massive explosions, police, the mayor and local hospital officials said.

Estimates of the dead ranged from 15 to 25.

Hadithah policeman Lt. Saad Aziz said there was a large pile of TNT explosives at the depot, and people were smoking there. "This kind of TNT is very sensitive to heat. A small spark could set the whole thing off," he said.

Mohammed Nayil Assaf, Hadithah's mayor, put the death toll at 25 and the injured toll at 6. He said there was a large amount of ammunition stored in the area and insisted U.S. troops had been guarding it only sporadically.

"It was a tragic day for Hadithah," he told the AP.

## TownCrier

The following are events that are of interest to our readers:

### NOTICES

• The Murray Sanitation Department will be closed Friday, July 4, for the Independence Day holiday. All Friday customers should have their garbage out for pick-up on Thursday morning. All other customers should set their garbage out on their regularly scheduled day, even though routes may run late in some areas. The City of Murray Transfer Station will also be closed Friday. Anyone with questions should call 762-0380.

## FireLog

### Calloway County Fire-Rescue

- One truck and four firefighters responded to a trash fire on Squire Holland Road Thursday at 11:52 p.m. The trash pile was extinguished using a dry chemical fire extinguisher.
- Four trucks and 12 firefighters responded to a field fire at the intersection of Faxon and Turner roads Saturday at 10:08 a.m. A pickup truck at the location had caught on fire, which caused the field to ignite also. Both the field and the truck were extinguished with minimal damage.
- Three trucks and nine firefighters responded to a field fire at 1748 Buffalo Road Saturday at 1:13 p.m. No further information was available from CCFR.
- Three trucks and eight firefighters responded to a house fire at 527 Palmer Road this morning at 12:54 a.m. The house, which burned to the ground, was abandoned, and no cause for the blaze has been determined.

— Information gathered from reports, logs and citations from respective agencies

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## Quilt ...

### From Front

"These women are supporting our Angels Clinic by doing this. And it just shows community support. Our clinic wouldn't be possible without the community's support," McConnell said.

Thornton and Daniels estimated that the work will be complete this week. When it's completed, they'll move it from the gym of Poplar Springs Baptist Church, where they are making the final stitches, to the Pincushion Quilt Shop on Fourth Street, for two weeks. After that, it will go on display at Angels Attic Thrift Shop, the Angels Clinic and Readers' Gallery bookstore. The quilt will continue its tour of two-week stays at other area businesses. McConnell said businesses may contact Donna Herndon at 753-7784 or Joyce Thornton at 436-2822 if interested in hosting the angel quilt.

At Hazel Day, the first Saturday in October, the winning raffle ticket will be drawn from the 3,000 to 4,000 tickets McConnell expects may sell. She said a \$2 donation purchases one ticket, and a \$5 donation purchases three tickets. One hundred percent of the donations will go to the Angels Clinic. Tickets may be purchased when the quilt is complete.

Since donations are the sole income of the clinic, Cross said the project should be rewarding. "Big donations like this are such a blessing to this clinic."

## Closes ...

### From Front

face contacts just this year."

Calloway County School's Linda Coleman, a language arts consultant for the center, said she is worried that the districts are truly the ones who will be losing.

"Obviously, the Department of Education can't come down and speak to each school," she said. "I don't think the schools realize what they have lost."

The center provided teachers training, which is a requirement for teachers. Unfortunately with the center closing, those services will no longer be provided for free and many districts will now have to pay consultant fees for training.

"I'm really concerned over what the schools will be able to get now," Coleman said.

Because the center consists of consultants that are loaned out from the school districts in three-year contracts, the unemployment is limited to directors and secretaries. Lanier said workers have already either retired or moved onto other jobs.

Lanier has retired but will be working part-time at the West Kentucky Educational Cooperative as a regional consultant.

## LBL ...

### From Front

LBL cannot find the money to clear roads that lead to the cemeteries of those families.

Lasley said he, too, opposed the commercialization. "Pretty soon it's going to get to where only the wealthy can do anything."

Harper added that the discrepancy in the word "commercialization" causes the chasm between those who want LBL to cost nothing and those who are comfortable with the fees and vending.

"It's a very vague term to grapple with," she said.

LBL, historically a multiple-use outdoor recreation area, has always

had some level of facilities. Some, she said, would like to see no development there, simply preservation of the land. While that's not the mission of LBL, the issue does need to be defined so the planners can see what people like and dislike about the area, she said.

LBL public affairs trainee Adam Morgan said the Murray meeting will be summarized on the LBL Web site [www.lbl.org/lbl/ADMIN/plan.htm](http://www.lbl.org/lbl/ADMIN/plan.htm) in a few days. A two-hour meeting to finalize issues will take place in August to provide more focus. Dates and times are not available yet.

## Montgomery Gentry ...

### From Front

formed a duo called Deuce, which eventually became Montgomery Gentry.

"We'd crossed paths a couple of times," Gentry said of his current musical partner. "It just seemed like when concerts came up here in town, Eddie and I were always playing together. It got to where people started calling us to play different events together."

Gentry said the band first started "showcasing" around October 1997 and were signed to their first record deal with Columbia Records in 1998. Prior to that, though, there almost never was a Montgomery Gentry.

"I had quit playing music for a little while before Eddie and I start-

ed playing again," Gentry said. "I had gone back to the University of Kentucky. I got back into playing music for my dad. The University of Kentucky will always be there, but how many times do you get to chase a dream like this?"

Chasing dreams is a common thread that runs through "My Town" and has earned the duo the reputation as being purveyors of music for the common man, a perception that Gentry said suits him and Montgomery just fine.

"Even though I grew up in the heart of Lexington, my family and Eddie's family are still working the farms," he said. "We were singing about life, and that was what people wanted to hear about."

Apparently, quite a few people want to hear about life. After the

## State ends pet store quarantines

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP)

The state Department of Agriculture lifted the quarantine on the pet stores in Louisville and Paducah that had been ordered as a precaution against monkeypox.

State officials made the decision after five members of a western Kentucky family tested negative for the disease last week. In addition, none of the quarantined animals has shown signs of monkeypox.

Test results in a sixth suspected case of monkeypox were pending at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Agriculture Department said.

duo's platinum-selling debut, which yielded the hits "Hillbilly Shoes" and "Daddy Won't Sell The Farm," their next album, "Carrying On," went gold and produced the hit "She Couldn't Change Me." The single "My Town" has already hit the top five on the country charts, and the duo's newest single, "Speed," is steadily rising.

When asked if their rapid success, which included breaking an eight-year hold on the Country Music Association's Duo of the Year category by Brooks & Dunn in 2000, has come as a surprise, a grateful Gentry says it has.

"Of course we wanted it, but we didn't think it would happen this quick," he said. "It just kind of steamrolled for us."

## Tobacco ...

### From Front

324.2 million pounds.

Roger Quarles, a grower in Georgetown, Ky., said farmers try to work around the quota by leasing the rights of other farmers, but it is more difficult to do that now.

"Quite frankly, there's just not enough to go around anymore," he said. "At some point, people say: 'I have to quit and go get a job in town.' That's kind of the short story on the effect of the quota."

It cost Quarles \$30,000 to lease extra selling rights from other farmers this year. "That's \$30,000 I didn't have to pay about four years ago," he said.

Burley tobacco is his largest crop because he earns about \$1,000 per acre for his 30 acres of it. The return on his corn and soybeans, which cover 180 acres, doesn't come close.

"I would expect to have to grow 2,000 acres of corn and soybeans to be able to make a living," he Quarles said.

He hopes Congress will approve a buyout of the quotas so that some growers will quit and give others a

chance to increase production.

Lawmakers have been discussing legislation to end the quotas and give farmers an incentive to stop planting tobacco. Rep. Mike McIntyre, D-N.C., has a bill that would pay \$8 per pound of the 1998 marketing quota to each farmer who plows under his tobacco and \$4 a pound to growers who want to continue planting without price protection from quotas.

"Now more than ever, we see that this is the time to get something done," McIntyre said. "Most of the farmers in my area have gone to contract farming."

The cost of buying out the quotas at about \$16 billion over five years if three-quarters of tobacco farmers should stop growing the crop, a presidential commission said in 2001. The panel recommended raising the money by raising the federal excise tax on cigarettes from 34 cents to 51 cents a pack.

Health care advocates endorsed the plan, but they want it wrapped in with a bill that would give the Food and Drug Administration authority to regulate tobacco. Some conservatives oppose the buyouts, complaining user fees would amount to a new tax on smokers.

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### Connell (Bill) Collins

Connell (Bill) Collins, 77, Wiswell Road, Murray, died Monday, June 30, 2003, at 8:45 a.m. at Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah.

A farmer, he was a member of Sinking Spring Baptist Church. Born June 21, 1926, in Calloway County, he was the son of the late David Collins and Mary Downs Collins. Also preceding him in death were two brothers, James Collins and Johnnie (Oggie) Collins.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Juanita Underwood Collins; one daughter, Mrs. Renata Bogard and fiancé, Michael Lax, one son, Billy Collins, three grandchildren, Misty Bogard, Jessica Bogard and Whitney Bogard, and two brothers, Bert Collins and wife, Geneva, and Edward Collins and wife, Voazes, all of Murray.

The funeral will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the chapel of Churchill-Imes Funeral Home. The Rev. Terry Sills and the Rev. Eugene McWherter will officiate. Burial will follow in Sinking Spring Cemetery.

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

### Mrs. Martha A. Yates

Mrs. Martha A. Yates, 58, Wrather Road, Murray, died Monday, June 30, 2003, at 12:29 a.m. at her home. Her death followed an illness.

A homemaker, she was a member of Zion's Cause Baptist Church. Born Aug. 26, 1944, in Opelika, Ala., she was the daughter of the late Ralph Pittman and Menda Mardis Pittman.

Survivors include her husband, Henry Yates; one daughter, Mrs. Danielle Darnell and husband, Jacob, and one grandson, Cayden Darnell, all of Murray.

The funeral will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the chapel of Imes-Miller Funeral Home of Murray. The Rev. Gary Cruse will officiate. Burial will follow in the Mt. Kenton Cemetery, Paducah.

No visitation is scheduled.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Cancer Society, c/o Pat Latimer, P.O. Box 1080, Murray, KY 42071.

### Mrs. Susan Sorg

Mrs. Susan Sorg, 54, Lancaster Road, Murray, died Thursday, June 26, 2003, at 12:35 p.m. at her home. Her death followed an illness.

Born June 17, 1949, she was the daughter of Ruth Miller and the late James Miller.

Survivors include her husband, Francis Sorg; one son, Charles Sorg and wife, Julie, and one grandson, George Sorg, all of Los Angeles, Calif.; her mother, Mrs. Ruth Miller, Elburn, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Kathy Rooney, Springfield, Mo., and Mrs. Mitzi Wojdak and husband, Matt, Fredricksburg, Va.; three brothers, James Miller and wife, Patricia, Minneapolis, Minn., John Miller and wife, Deanne, St. Charles, Ill., and Tom Miller, Cat Man Do, Nepal.

The funeral will be Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the chapel of Imes-Miller Funeral Home of Murray. The Rev. Kendrick Lewis will officiate. Burial will follow in the Ivy Cemetery.

Visitation will be at the funeral home from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday.

## Funnyman Buddy Hackett dead at 78

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Buddy Hackett, the squat, round, rubbery-faced funnyman who appeared for more than 50 years as a top act in nightclubs, Broadway shows, on television and in such movies as "The Music Man," "The Love Bug" and "It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World," has died, his son said. He was 78.

Hackett died at his Southern California beach house either late Sunday or early Monday, Sandy Hackett told The Associated Press on Monday night. The cause of his death was not immediately known; his son said Hackett had diabetes.

"He was one of the greatest ever. He was a terrific father. He was my best friend. He prepared me very well for this day, but no matter how much you prepare it still hurts," Sandy Hackett said as he arrived at his mother's house in Los Angeles.

The younger Hackett, who is also a comedian, said he had driven to Los Angeles from his Las Vegas home as soon as he got the word of his father's



Hackett

could develop his own comedy style. Playing for small money on the Borscht Circuit for New York City vacationers in the Catskill Mountains, he learned to get laughs with his complaints about being short, fat and Jewish.

His career grew with appearances on the TV shows of Jack Paar, Arthur Godfrey and others. Soon he was earning top money in Las Vegas, Florida and Las Vegas.

In the beginning his material was suitable for family audiences, but in

death.

Hackett was invited to join the Three Stooges when "Curly" Howard, the bald-headed member of the comedy team, suffered a stroke in 1946. But Hackett declined, believing he

### Jimmy Gibson Jr.

Jimmy Gibson Jr., 29, Collins, Miss., died Saturday, June 28, 2003, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident in Sumrall, Miss.

A self-employed construction worker, he was formerly of Brookport, Ill.

Preceding him in death were two sons, Jimmy Gibson III and Thomas Gibson, one brother, Terry Glenn Gibson, and his grandparents, Arlie and Pearl Gibson.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Diane Gibson, Ozark, Ala.; two sons, Jimmy Gibson IV and Christopher Don Gibson, and his father, Jimmy Gibson Sr., all of Collins, Miss.; his mother, Mrs. Martha Sue Glisson, Jackson, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. Linda Gail Worley and Mrs. Cindy Worley, both of Paducah; three brothers, Mark Wade Gibson, Murray, Christopher Robert Gibson, Louisville, and Bruce Hall, Paducah; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Graveside services will be Thursday at 10 a.m. at Woodlawn Memorial Gardens, Paducah. The Rev. Tom Starks will officiate.

Visitation will be at Lindsey Funeral Home, Paducah, from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday.

### Leslie B. Houston

The funeral for Leslie B. Houston will be today (Tuesday) at 2 p.m. at Poplar Spring Baptist Church. Jerry Joseph and the Rev. Dennis Norvell will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Keith Houston, Dwayne Henderson, Ted Grayson, Dale Grayson, Bob Davis and Bob Gorman. Burial will follow in the Elm Grove Cemetery.

Visitation is now at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home.

Mr. Houston, 66, Knight Road, Murray, died Sunday, June 29, 2003, at 8:08 a.m. at his home. His death followed an illness.

A building technician at the Murray State University Curris Center, he was a member of Poplar Spring Baptist Church.

Born June 28, 1937, in Independence, Mo., he was the son of the late Elton Houston and Florence Garland Houston.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Marilyn Grayson Houston, to whom he was married Oct. 18, 1969; two daughters, Ms. Nikki Houston and Mrs. Brooke Suiter and husband, Kevin, all of Murray; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Lou Joseph and husband, Jerry, Trenton, Tenn., and Mrs. Laverne Henderson, Benton; one brother, Donald Houston and wife, Virginia, Murray.

### Mrs. Lori Lavina Hollister

No visitation or services are scheduled for Mrs. Lori Lavina Hollister. J.H. Churchill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Hollister, 99, Carol Drive, Murray, died Saturday, June 28, 2003, at 2:25 a.m. at Long Term Care Unit of Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

A homemaker, she was of Presbyterian faith.

Her husband, Donald John Hollister, died in August of 1958, and one daughter, Joan Beth Hollister, died Nov. 24, 2001. Also preceding her in death were two sisters, two half sisters, one stepson and two half brothers. Born April 7, 1904, she was the daughter of the late Ernest Ebert and Hannah Lee Arness Ebert.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Donna L. Michalski, Minneapolis, Minn.; one son, Jack Hollister, Murray; eight grandchildren.

later years nightclubs advertised his show "For Mature Audiences Only." His performances in those days were noted for their prolific use of four-letter words at a time when that just wasn't done.

"Compared to motion pictures, I'm very mild these days," he remarked in 1996.

He was born Leonard Hacker in a Jewish section of New York City's borough of Brooklyn on Aug. 31, 1924. For a time he apprenticed in his father's upholstery shop, but at school he found he had a talent for making his fellow students laugh. That was a necessity to offset the taunts about his

roly-poly shape.

When he received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame a few years ago, he quipped that he had left Brooklyn "to get away from the subway" only to discover that his star had been placed above the one in Los Angeles.

## Tropical Storm Bill drenches Gulf Coast

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Tropical Storm Bill drenched the Gulf Coast on Tuesday, spinning off a tornado which injured four people, forcing evacuations and leaving at least 11,000 homes and businesses without power.

It also swamped the streets of New Orleans' French Quarter and prompted crews to slam shut the floodgates protecting the low-lying, saucer-shaped city.

Louisiana Gov. Mike Foster declared an emergency throughout his state. Mississippi Gov. Ronnie Musgrove declared an emergency in three southern counties.

One person was seriously injured and three suffered minor injuries when the tornado tore up a trailer home just after noon in Reserve, 38 miles from New Orleans.

The twister also damaged the gym at a nearby private school and 20 other trailers at the trailer park, said Van Gilmore, assistant director of civil defense in St. John the Baptist Parish.

About 11,000 Entergy customers were without power late Monday afternoon, spokesman Chanel Lagarde said. That included about 3,100 in Lafourche and Terrebonne parishes, 3,700 on the West Bank of Jefferson and Orleans parishes, and 1,500 in the Baton Rouge metro area.

Bill — the second tropical storm of the year — had sustained winds of about 60 mph, well short of the

74-mph hurricane threshold. It spread rain from south Louisiana east to the Florida Panhandle.

Though the storm made landfall in central Louisiana, some of the worst rain was in Mississippi. Radar indicated 12.8 inches in the Van Cleave area, said Robert Ricks, a National Weather Service meteorologist in Slidell. Pascagoula got 8 inches of rain by noon.

Ricks said the French Quarter, New Orleans' West Bank and lower St. Bernard Parish got some of Louisiana's heaviest rain, a swath of about 5 to 6 inches over 24 hours. Several more inches were likely before the center of the storm moved into Mississippi, Ricks said.

There may have been worse isolated rain, but it is the worst widespread rain since Hurricane Lili and Tropical Storm Isidore, Ricks said. Isidore dumped up to 20 inches of rain in some areas late last September; a week later, Lili poured on another 10 inches.

Water rose above the curbs in the French Quarter, and streets, bars and restaurants were empty. Most of the city is below sea level; municipal crews were sent out to slide floodgates into place in levees along the lakefront and in the French Quarter. City offices and universities closed early.

At the Original Pierre Maspéro's restaurant, manager James Rivas decided to close by 4 p.m. to make sure his staff could get home.

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## The power of forgiveness

By AMY GEIER EDGAR

Associated Press Writer  
EDGEFIELD, S.C. (AP) — For many blacks, Strom Thurmond could never have lived long enough for them to forget his segregationist past.

But as far as 104-year-old Manlye Rearden is concerned, he lasted long enough for her and other blacks to at least forgive.

"They forgive him for the things that he did wrong and they remember you CAN change," she said from her home here, where the homegrown governor and U.S. senator died Thursday at the age of 100.



Thurmond

Whether Thurmond truly had a mid-career change of heart toward blacks or just pandered to them, he got enough of their votes — 20 percent in his last election — to stay in office for nearly half a century.

And many blacks in his home state Friday were willing to remember Thurmond as much for his efforts to reach out to them as for the racially inflammatory rhetoric that started him on his political path.

The Rev. Jasper Lloyd remembers a time when his skin color barred him from joining the South Carolina National Guard. But when he thinks of Thurmond, he chooses to remember a man who would plow through a crowd to shake his hand.

"You can't go forward by looking backward," said the 60-year-old Lloyd, now a member of the Edgefield Town Council. "He was a great statesman."

In the 1960s, Robert Williams was refused a license in Edgefield for a plumbing and electrical business because he "didn't have enough schooling." Thurmond heard about it, made a phone call, and Williams got his license.

"Anytime we needed anything, we could just call and the next morning we would get some answers," he said.

But to other blacks, Thurmond's actions on the national stage are his most enduring legacy.

They think of his 1948 presidential campaign, during which he ran on a Dixiecrat platform of segregation. They recall his authorship of the Southern Manifesto, in which the region's congressional delegation declared the Supreme Court's Brown v. Board of Education decision a "clear abuse of judicial power."

And then there was his 24-hour filibuster — which still stands as a record — in opposition to the 1957 civil rights bill.

"As black people make assessments of friends and enemies — of those who supported racial equality and those who didn't — Thurmond falls on the side of those who did not," said Willie Leggett, a political scientist at historically black South Carolina State University in Orangeburg. "Thurmond is not going to be a hero for black people because he never became a proponent of black rights."

Those same sentiments were

expressed by another South Carolina native and past presidential candidate, the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

"While we offer condolences to his family, we cannot revise history," the Greenville native said by telephone from Chicago. "He chose states' rights over union. He chose Jefferson Davis over Abraham Lincoln."

But if he did not inspire vast support among black voters in South Carolina, Thurmond did make enough overtures to blunt their opposition to him, said Rice University political scientist Earl Black.

Thurmond made history by being the first member of the Southern congressional delegation to hire a black aide, and he got a black man appointed to a judgeship on a military appeals court for the first time in South Carolina history. Along the way, he dispensed federal checks for community projects to a long succession of black mayors and county officials.

"Maybe the best way to put it was he was not a Jesse Helms," Black said, referring to the former North Carolina senator. "There came a time when Thurmond basically realized that his previous stands were now defeated, and he moved on in a way that Jesse Helms never really did."

Tom Moss, the black political organizer hired by Thurmond in 1971, declined — as he has in his three decades in Thurmond's service — to speculate on whether the senator had truly undergone a change. But he insisted that he was not brought on board to help Thurmond curry favor with black voters.

"When he hired me, there was nothing of that sort discussed," said Moss, 75. "I was to come on the staff and work for ALL the people of South Carolina. It wasn't about black or white or what have you. ALL the people."

To many in the generations since integration, the idea that Thurmond could change his spots is positively laughable.

"He's very racist," said DeVonn Fray, 18, a Marietta, Ga., native who is a freshman at historically black Benedict College in Columbia. "If a person felt that strong, I really don't see an older person change like that."

It is those who lived through the worst of Jim Crow who seem most willing to believe Thurmond's conversion.

Hetta Waldo was educated in Edgefield County's segregated schools, and the races were still separate when she re-entered them as a teacher — the year Thurmond left as superintendent.

The 76-year-old retiree gave Thurmond her vote for president and stopped supporting him only when he switched to the GOP. To her, he was the man who cared enough about teachers to send her a card on her birthday, not the man who fought to keep her from teaching his children.

"I took him for what he was worth," Waldo said. "Remember him as a person for the people that he served well."

Associated Press Writer Bruce Smith in Charleston, S.C., and AP Southeast Regional Writer Allen G. Breed in Raleigh, N.C., contributed to this report.

### DEFINITION OF A LOSER:



## Why The Forests Burn

Over 300 Arizona families are victims of terrorism, made homeless not by al Qaeda's terrorists, but instead, by our home-grown variety who masquerade under the banner of environmentalism while committing what amounts to arson in our nation's forests.

From opposition to genetic crops that could end starvation and famine in much of the third world, to so-called animal rights groups fighting against medical research

that saves untold millions of lives, to groups such as Greenpeace whose policies have resulted in destructive wild fires across the nation burning people houses to the ground, to anti-growth radicals who burn and dynamite new construction, the nation is under assault from our home-grown terrorists.

The blame for the destruction of millions of acres of forest land in the West is the direct result of the efforts of environmentalists such as Greenpeace — they have prevented the Forest Service from doing the kind of maintenance that prevents wild fires.

That's not simply my opinion; it is also the opinion of the man who founded Greenpeace, Patrick Moore, a man now treated by his former allies in the environmentalist movement as if he were the Devil himself.

Moore states flatly that the scientific facts — and just plain common sense — that call for cleaning out dead trees and the accumulation of highly flammable debris on the forest floor are ignored by Greenpeace and their allies. Their attitude is let the trees burn.

Moore is outspoken about what



the movement he founded has become. He blames the transformation of Greenpeace and the environmental movement into a far-left-wing crusade on the fall of the Berlin wall!

"Suddenly the international peace movement had a lot less to do. Pro-Soviet groups in the West were discredited. Many of their members moved into the environmental movement bringing with them their eco-Marxism... These factors have contributed to a new variant of the environmental movement that is so extreme that many people, including myself, believe its agenda is a greater threat to the global environment than that posed by mainstream society."

Calling the radical environmentalist movement "anti-democratic," Moore warns "The very foundation of our society, liberal representative democracy, is rejected as being too 'human-centered'. In the name of 'speaking for the trees and other

species' we are faced with a movement that would usher in an era of eco-fascism. The 'planetary police' would 'answer to no one but Mother Earth herself.'"

He adds that the movement is "anti-civilization. In its essence, eco-extremism rejects virtually everything about modern life. We are told that nothing short of returning to primitive tribal society can save the earth from ecological collapse. No more cities, no more airplanes, no more polyester suits. It is a naive vision of a return to the Garden of Eden."

It is left unsaid that this new and glorious Eden, of course, requires a radical reduction in the number of human beings allegedly overcrowding the surface of our beloved Mother Earth. How that reduction is to be achieved is not explained but widespread abortion that has killed over 40 million unborn Americans is a good start. So was the Clinton administration

and UN failure to stop the slaughter of a million human beings in Uganda.

Think about it. Now that the environmentalist terrorists are born and causing all this trouble, they want population control. It's too bad we didn't have population control before they were born.

As the Muslim world in the Middle East support their terrorists, in the U.S. we support our terrorists, with Congress groveling before them and giving them just about everything they want, and millions of Americans contributing money to them some of which they use to burn Americans out of their homes.

Have we no sense?

Mike Reagan, the eldest son of President Ronald Reagan, is heard on more than 200 talk radio stations nationally as part of the Premier Radio Network. Send comments to mereagan@hotmail.com.



## Photographs & Memories

The first birthday I remember is 3 years old. It might be the picture that makes me believe I actually recall that day, or it could be fact.

My brother, most likely, was the photographer, as he was the only one in the family who took an interest in such things. He would have been 13 at the time, just about the right age to get a kick out of having his own camera and turning the bathroom into a darkroom, much to the protests of the rest of the family.

Though the snapshot of me at my party is black and white, I know I'm wearing an aqua dress with smocking across the front. The dress was my favorite at the time, something my mother brought back for me from Chicago, where she and my father went every year for the newspaper convention.

The bow at the back of the dress, I am certain, is crooked — not because the picture reveals it, but because my bows were always askew. Mother had many skills, but bow tying was not one of them. Neither was mom a hair stylist, so my coiffeur on my third birthday is a halo of blond curls anchored awkwardly with a barrette to keep me from going cross-eyed.

[My mother had three major fears for her children. The first was becoming "swaybacked" because of not standing up straight. The second was going cross-eyed because of bangs that were too long. Number three was that one of us would be in an accident and not be wearing spanking clean underwear.]

There was a party for my third birthday, but the photo does not include any of the other little

guests. It captures me in a solitary moment, the only evidence of celebration being the lone balloon in the background.

With a summer birthday, I always had outdoor parties. My brother, Roger, a master of ceremony, was the one who made things festive, including such adornments as balloons that seemed to sprout from the backyard trees.

One year he festooned the garden with Japanese lanterns and rigged Christmas lights inside of them. Over mother's protests, he turned the lights on, even though the party was in broad daylight. It was the idea of the lights, after all, that made them fun. It didn't matter that we really couldn't see them in the bright sunlight.

As I got older, my brother married and moved away and my birth-



**Main Street**  
By Constance  
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swollen with the effort. She still gets unnecessary joy out of those awful shots. Every time I visit her, I have to remove them from the gallery of family photos in her kitchen.

Lately, a sign of maturity on both our parts, I have stopped com-

plaining about them and she has finally stopped putting them back up when I leave.

Once I married and moved to Kentucky, I no longer celebrated birthdays with family. Everyone was too far away for such gatherings. But three years ago, when my brother was sick and in the hospital, I was with him on July 1. That day, we spent as much time as we could during visiting hours, and then I went back to another sister's house for a sad birthday dinner.

We were all gathered in Pennsylvania because my brother was deemed terminally ill and only had a month or so to live. Someone took pictures of me that night, surrounded by relatives, holding my niece's little girl on my lap while we admired the splendid candles ablaze on my cake.

It was about 9 o'clock when we finished, and I thought of my brother at the hospital and how nice it would be to take him some cake.

We hacked off a few slices and put them on paper plates, grabbed some matches and candles, and jumped into the car. When we got to the hospital, we had to sweet-talk the guard into letting us in, as visiting hours were over for the night.

We whispered as we tiptoed through the quiet halls to Roger's room. When we got there, the lights were off and he was asleep. We hesitated for a second, and then decided waking him up was a good idea.

I am so glad we did. I remember how the flicker of the candles reflected in his dark eyes, how we chuckled about the long-ago birthdays and the outdoor parties.

It was a lovely night. I wish we had thought to take a picture.

Read Main Street online at [www.murrayledger.com](http://www.murrayledger.com). Contact the columnist directly at [constancealexander@charter.net](mailto:constancealexander@charter.net).



# Community

Tuesday, July 1, 2003

## Freedom Fest continues with events this week



**Jo's Datebook**  
By Jo Burkeen  
Community Editor

The 16th annual Freedom Fest continues with special events this week. It is amazing what this event has done for the county and city. Many relatives and friends coming for visits this weekend have not been able to get reservations as all the motels are filled. Just think about how much this does for the restaurants and businesses in the area.

Freedom Fest events on Thursday, July 3, include the third annual USSA-sanctioned youth baseball tournament at the Murray City Park baseball complex to run through Sunday, July 6; Rotary-Max Hurt Memorial Golf Tournament on Thursday at the Murray Country Club; and Froggy 103/Willie Country Music Concert at 7 p.m. at Murray State University Roy Stewart Stadium.

For more information call the Murray Tourism Commission at 759-2199 or 753-5171.

## Health Express lists this week's stops

Health Express of Murray-Calloway County Hospital will offer blood pressure checks, pulse and two-hour blood sugar screenings today, July 1, at First Baptist Church, Cadiz; Wednesday, July 2, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 3 p.m. at Murray Save-A-Lot; and Thursday, July 3, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Kenlake Resort Hotel and 1 to 3 p.m. at Aurora Bar-B-Q. For information call 762-1348.

## Lodge will host watermelon fest

Woodmen of the World Lodge 170, Kirksey, will host a watermelon fest for the residents of Fern Terrace Lodge on Saturday, July 5, 12 p.m. All lodge members are encouraged to attend. For information call 489-6251.

## Garland reunion will be Saturday

A reunion of the descendants of John and Elizabeth Hutchens Garland will be Saturday, July 5, at 11 a.m. at the courthouse pavilion at the Murray-Calloway County Park. For more information call Charlotte McClure at 753-9656.

## Burkeen reunion will be Sunday

A reunion of the Burkeen family will be Sunday, July 6, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the reception room of Shoney's Inn. All descendants are urged to attend this afternoon hour event.

## Angels Shop now open on Chestnut

The Angels Attic Thrift Shop is now open for business at its new location at 972 Chestnut St., between Sammons' Bakery and Pagliai's. The shop will be open at its new hours from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. Volunteers are urgently needed to assist with this community-wide endeavor which benefits the Angels Community Clinic. For more information call Joan Smith, Angels Attic manager, at 762-0505.

## Singles will meet tonight

Murray Singles (S.O.S.) will meet tonight, July 1, at 7 p.m. at Weaks Community Center, 607 Poplar St., Murray. This is a group for all singles whether divorced, widowed or never married. For more information call Jackie at 1-270-247-7754 or Shirley at 753-6224.

## Mason's Chapel plans school

Mason's Chapel United Methodist Church will have a Vacation Bible School with sessions from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 16 and 23 at the church. "Jesus Expedition - Exploring Miracles of Jesus" will be the study theme. Classes for preschool through 12th grade will be conducted. All interested children and youth are invited.

## Al-Anon meeting place changed

Al-Anon will meet tonight, July 1, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Weaks Community Center. Persons are asked to note the change in meeting place.

## Doll club will meet Wednesday

Jackson Purchase Doll Club will meet Wednesday, July 2, at noon at the home of Geneva Osborne, 711 Usher St., Mayfield. A potluck will be served and a doll auction will follow.

## Angel Alert issued

An angel alert for a baby crib or bed is needed. Anyone having one to donate call the Calloway County Family Resource Center at 762-7333.

## AA meetings scheduled

Alcoholics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, and 4 p.m. on Sunday at the American Legion Hall, Maple and South Sixth Streets. The requirement for attendance is a desire to stop drinking. Call 436-5675 for information.

## Theatre Youth Camp planned

Registration for the Theatre Youth Camp for July 7 to 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day at Playhouse in the Park is still open for young actors between the ages of 7 to 16. For information call the Playhouse at 759-1752.

## Jeanne Falwell Tournament July 19

The Jeanne Falwell Memorial Leukemia/Lymphoma Golf Tournament, sponsored by and played at the Oaks Country Club to benefit the Kentucky Leukemia/Lymphoma Society, will be Saturday, July 19. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m. The cost, including green fees, will be \$25 per person or \$50 per team. Any business can sponsor a hole for \$50 or anyone wishing to make donation should mail the information to Martha Warren, 1607 Loch Lomond Dr., Murray, KY 42071. To enter the tournament sign up at the Oaks Club, 753-6454, or send entry to Warren, phone 753-8338.

## Veterans need drivers for van

The Disabled American Veterans Association needs both men and women to drive veterans to the Vanderbilt Hospital at Nashville, Tenn. The van leaves Murray six days a week. At present, there are only four or five people available to drive. A person does not have to be a veteran to drive. All that is required is a valid driver's license and the desire to help the disabled servicemen. Any one interested in volunteering is asked to call Jim Clemmons at 436-6343.



**KIRKSEY COLONELS ... Ray Broach, left, and James Harrison were given framed certificates Saturday acknowledging them as Kentucky Colonels. The presentation was made Saturday at the 40th anniversary celebration of the Kirksey Ball Park. Both men were part of a group which organized the ball park.**

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## 4-H Bicycle Rodeo and Food-A-Rama scheduled

Summer, sun, kids, and fun can all be found at the 4-H Bicycle Rodeo and Food-A-Rama. Bicycle Safety skills and maneuvers sparkle on Tuesday, July 8, from 10 to 11 a.m. at the parking lot at Westside Baptist Church, Robertson Road South, Murray.

### 4-H Update

By Ginny Harper  
Calloway County  
Extension Agent for  
4-H Youth  
Development

The rodeo will have two parts for the interested 4-H members.

Youth will take a written test and maneuver six obstacle courses to determine their final score. Competitors will be divided into age divisions as of their age as of Jan. 1, 2003. Youth nine to 19 years of age will be eligible to go on to competition at the State Fair in August.

Sarah Kuykendall, a eighth grade

student at Murray Middle School and member of the Shamrock 4-H Club was state champion in the 13-year-old category in 2002.

Kuykendall said, "It is just a lot of fun and it is a good competition. I hope to compete at the county and state levels again this year. I encourage other 4-H youth to come and join me on the eighth of July."

Other upcoming events are as follows:

The 4-H Council will meet Thursday, July 3, at 3:30 p.m. 4-H Parade entry in Freedom Fest Parade will be youth in a 4-H Project in Health. Wear red, white and blue and line up at Memorial Baptist Church at 8:50 a.m. on July 4.

An organizational meeting of 4-H Poultry Judging and Avian Bowl teams will happen in July at extension Office. If you are interested, call to sign up.

4-H tobacco judging team will

## Auxiliary installs new officers

PARIS, Tenn. — Officers for 2003-2004 of the AMVETS Auxiliary #45 were installed during a joint ceremony with AMVETS June 1.

Bonnie Scott, national 3rd vice president, installed the following elected 2003-2004 Auxiliary officers:

Wincie Wright, president; Jane McCuiston, first vice president; Nancy Byford, second vice president; Sarah Wofford, third vice president; Shirley Collins, treasurer; Judy Ward, sgt. at arms; Katha Caldwell, chaplain; Jan Doall, Americanism; Brenda Leach, scholarship.

Appointed officers included: Bonnie Scott, secretary; Angie Gardner, parliamentarian; Dorothy Edwards, hospital; and Maxine Starks, nursing Homes, Kentucky.

Following installation ceremonies, outgoing president Jan Doall presided over the regular meeting. Outgoing officers gave their final reports and each new officer was given the opportunity to say a few words.

President Doall presented each

officer with a mini-scrapbook featuring each fellow officer and many events of their year, as a token of appreciation. It was noted that Bonnie Scott was voted as Auxiliary Member of the Year. Bonnie Scott then presented the President's scrapbook to outgoing President Jan Doall.

Auxiliary #45 members elected to state positions include: Jane McCuiston, scholarship, and Wincie Wright, chaplain. During the business session, Tennessee delegates endorsed the national candidacy of local member Bonnie Scott who is seeking the office of second vice president on the national level. Many honors and awards were awarded to the local Auxiliary during the Convention Awards banquet. The Auxiliary took first place in Scholarship and Publicity and Scrapbook and second place in Americanism, Paws with a Cause, and Auxiliary of the Year.

Elected as president of Tennessee Department of AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary 2003/2004 was Cindy Gannett of Smithville.

meet on July 8 from 2:30 to 4 p.m. at Expo Center Classroom.

4-H horticulture judging team will meet on July 7 and 21, at 10 a.m. at Expo Center.

4-H Expansion and Review Committee will convene Friday, July 7 at 10 a.m. at the Extension Office. Public is invited to attend. The committee reviews the 4-H Program to insure that all community members have opportunity to participate in the activities and events.

Food-A-Rama July 8 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church.

July 10-11 Western Rivers Livestock Expo at MSU Expo

Center.  
July 12, Creepy Crawly Creatures at LBL Nature Center, 9 to 5 p.m.

Camper Orientation will be July 16 at 3:30 p.m. at extension office. July 14-18, Safety Activities with the Summer in the Park 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day. Free Nutritional Lunch provided for all participants.

The Calloway County Cooperative Extension Service is open Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The phone number is 753-1452 and the fax is 759-4243. The Calloway County 4-H Council receives funding from the Murray-Calloway County United Way.

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# Sports

Tuesday, July 1, 2003

## Classic back for 2nd year

By SCOTT NANNEY  
Sports Editor

Establishing a first-class product was the goal for organizers of last summer's inaugural Mid-America Summer Hoops Classic.

Maintaining that quality is now the challenge for the four area men who are responsible for engineering the three-day, high school basketball bonanza, which is scheduled for July 11-13 at the Regional Special Events Center.

"The key to having a successful tournament is making sure you do everything in a first-class manner," said Graves County High School boys' head basketball coach Allan Hatcher, who has again joined forces with Murray High boys' head coach Dan Hudson, Marshall County High School athletics director Steve Woodard and Murray businessman Lindy Suiter to co-organize the second-year team camp.

Hatcher

"You have to assure all of the (participating) teams that you will treat them right. If you do, they will want to come back year after year. And then, by word of mouth, you will get more teams to come," Hatcher added.

According to Hatcher, the group was pleased with the results of last year's event, which replaced the Steamboat Classic as the region's premiere hoops showcase.

The success of the first Hoops Classic has convinced the organizers to continue the event, which this year will include a new schedule format and other added features — including a hospitality center.

Pool play games begin on July 11, and continue through July 12. Each participating team is guaranteed at least six games.

July 13 will be reserved for a single-elimination tournament. Last year, the camp-ending tournament began on a Saturday evening and was concluded with championship games the following morning.

All eight RSEC courts will be in operation for the three-day event.

"The great thing about this event is that we have a facility where we can play eight games at a time and never have to leave the building," Hatcher said. "One of the reasons we decided to do this type of thing was because teams around this area were having to go three and four hours away to play in a (summer) tournament."

"Why do that when you have a facility like the one Murray State has? ... (RSEC) is a great place to have something like this, and the people at Murray State and in the community have been so supportive."

The 59-team field includes programs from Kentucky and four surrounding states, as well as entrants from as far away as Florida and Canada.

Twenty-two teams from inside the Bluegrass state will participate. That total includes 13 of the 16 boys' squads from the First Region. Defending region champion Calloway County and the Murray High Tigers

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### Hoops Classic Teams

The following is a list of teams (by state) who are scheduled to participate in the second annual Mid-America Summer Hoops Classic, scheduled for July 11-13 at the Regional Special Events Center.

**Kentucky**  
Allen County-Scottsville  
Ballard Memorial  
Bullitt Central  
Caldwell County  
Calloway County  
Christian County  
Fulton County  
Graves County  
Heath  
Hickman County  
Hopkinsville  
Lone Oak  
Louisville Moore  
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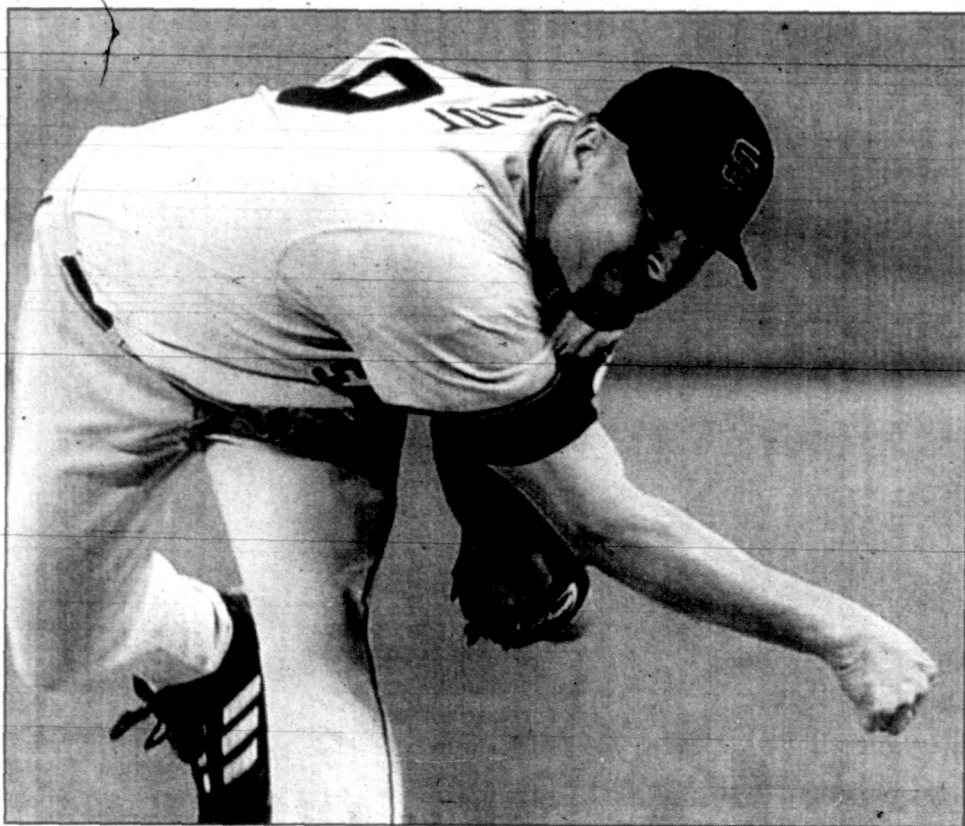
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Union City  
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JAMES A. FINLEY/AP  
**GIANT DELIVERY ...** San Francisco right-hander Jason Schmidt follows through on this pitch during the second inning of Monday's game against the Cardinals in St. Louis. The Giants won 5-1.

## Schmidt silences Cards

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The National League's best-hitting team was just the latest victim for Jason Schmidt.

Schmidt threw his third consecutive complete game, holding down St. Louis on seven hits and leading the San Francisco Giants over the Cardinals 5-1 Monday night. The Cardinals entered with a .292 average.

"The guy we had on the mound, he'll do that against anybody," Giants manager Felipe Alou said. "Who specializes in hitting that kind of stuff? Where are they?"

Marquis Grissom doubled twice with an RBI and Edgardo Alfonzo had three hits for the NL West leaders, who have won six of nine. It was the first meeting this year between the teams that played in the 2002 NLCS.

Schmidt (8-3) blanked the Cardinals until Jim Edmonds homered to lead off the ninth. That shot ended Schmidt's streak of 26 straight innings without an earned run, and cost him his fourth shutout of the season.

"Anybody would be happy right now," Schmidt said. "Let's just keep it going — that's all I can say."

"It's a long season and it's the second half that really counts."

Schmidt leads the majors with a 2.14 ERA and five complete games. He struck out five,

including leadoff hitter Bo Hart three straight times, and walked one.

Alou said Schmidt should be on the All-Star team.

"He's worthy of a lot of stuff," Alou said. "He's really turned his career around. I've never had a pitcher like that since Pedro Martinez."

Schmidt beat Los Angeles 2-0 and 2-1 in his two previous starts, allowing only an unearned run and striking out 17 while allowing just seven hits.

"There's nobody in the league, and probably in baseball, pitching any better than he is," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said.

St. Louis star Albert Pujols was 0-for-4 as his major league-leading average fell five points to .386.

Edmonds hit his 14th homer in June and 25th of the season. He connected for the fifth time in six games and drove in a run for the seventh straight game.

Rookie Dan Haren (0-1), a second-round draft pick in 2001 who dominated at the Double-A level at the start of the season, was called up earlier Monday from Triple-A Memphis to take the place of struggling ace Matt Morris.

## Former Murray St. coach now at SEMO

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. (AP) — Former Murray State assistant basketball coach Mark Bernsen has been named as an assistant coach at Southeast Missouri State, the school said on Monday.

Bernsen, who served as the Racers' recruiting coordinator under former MSU head coach Steve Newton from 1986 to 1989, has been the head coach at Division II Missouri-St. Louis for the past four seasons.

"He has been an assistant coach and head coach at the Division I level and is a proven recruiter and coach," Southeast coach Gary Garner said. Bernsen will serve as the Indians' recruiting coordinator along with other coaching responsibilities.

Bernsen was 41-67 at UMSL. The Rivermen began last season 5-3 before losing their final 19 games.

Bernsen was also an assistant at Idaho, New Mexico State and Southwest Missouri State. He was head coach at Southwest Missouri State from 1992 to 1995, going 49-37, including an NIT quarterfinal appearance in 1993.

## Informant: Missing Baylor player shot in head

WACO, Texas (AP) — People who knew fellow Baylor University basketball players Patrick Dennehy and Carlton Dotson said they were fun-loving, well-mannered roommates who never argued.

Court documents say a police informant in Delaware told investigators that Dotson shot Dennehy — who has been missing nearly three weeks — in the head with

a 9 mm handgun during an altercation.

Neighbor Kristal Wilson, 21, said that the pair knocked on her door last semester when they were locked out of their third-floor apartment, laughed and asked if they could crawl over her balcony.

"They were just really funny guys," Wilson, a senior from El Paso, said, fighting back tears.

"I'm sure it's upsetting for everybody. It's a tragedy."

According to court documents, the informant said Dotson told a cousin that he and Dennehy argued while shooting guns in the Waco area and that Dennehy pointed a weapon at Dotson as if to shoot him.

But Dotson instead shot Dennehy, the informant said. Dotson

said he then drove home to Hurler, Md., and got rid of the guns along the way, the informant said.

The search warrant affidavit released Monday was filed June 23 in 19th District Court in McLennan County.

Waco Police Chief Alberto Melis said Monday that no body has been found and no one has been arrested. District Attorney John Seg-

rest declined to comment.

No charges have yet been filed, Waco police spokeswoman Melody McEllyea said today. She said she had no information on Dotson's whereabouts or whether he was being sought by police. A message left on an answering machine at a number listed for Dotson's guardians wasn't immediately returned.

## Miami accepts invitation to join Atlantic Coast Conference

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — Several months ago, Miami president Donna Shalala stood before the leaders of other Big East Conference

schools and proclaimed that her institution had no interest in leaving for any other league.

Her comments, she still says, were "accurate at the time."

They're not anymore.

Ending a seven-week courtship, Miami accepted an invitation Monday to join the Atlantic Coast Conference, even though the Big East offered them more money, at least in the short term, to stay put.

The ACC called a news conference for tonight, where it will formally introduce Miami and Virginia Tech as the newest members of what will become an 11-

team league beginning in the fall of 2004. Virginia Tech also formally accepted its invitation Monday.

"Obviously didn't say forever, but they were certainly accurate at the time," Shalala said of her comments, which are part of the basis for a lawsuit against Miami and the ACC, currently being pursued by four Big East football schools.

"Things change," Shalala said. "And I think that's our point. Things do change and opportunities come forward."

Miami's decision to join Virginia Tech in defecting from the Big East dramatically alters the balance of power in the conferences. The ACC adds two of the nation's strongest football programs; the Big East is left with a big void.

"It has been a bizarre, strange, and goofy process," Shalala said. "But it has allowed us the opportunity to give ourselves some dis-

ance, so that we got a view of who we are, where we are and where we want to be."

The presidents and chancellors of the six remaining Big East football schools — Boston College, Syracuse, Connecticut, Rutgers, Pittsburgh and West Virginia — vowed their conference would become "even stronger."

"Although we are certainly disappointed with the actions taken this week by the ACC, we as a conference will now turn our attention to the future and the challenges that lie ahead," Big East Commissioner Mike Tranchese said in a statement.

Nonetheless, a lawyer for four of the Big East schools that sued to block the ACC's expansion said they would continue their court battle.

"We will continue vigorously to protect the Big East in the courts of Connecticut," said Jeffrey Mishkin, the lead counsel for the Big East plaintiffs.

## Philippoussis ousts Agassi at Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Wimbledon is a daunting challenge for Andre Agassi, and his latest loss served as reminder.

More precisely, the reminder was served up by Mark Philippoussis in the form of a record-tying 46 aces.

The unseeded Australian with the thunderclap strokes upset Agassi 6-3, 2-6, 6-7 (4), 6-3, 6-4 in the fourth round Monday.

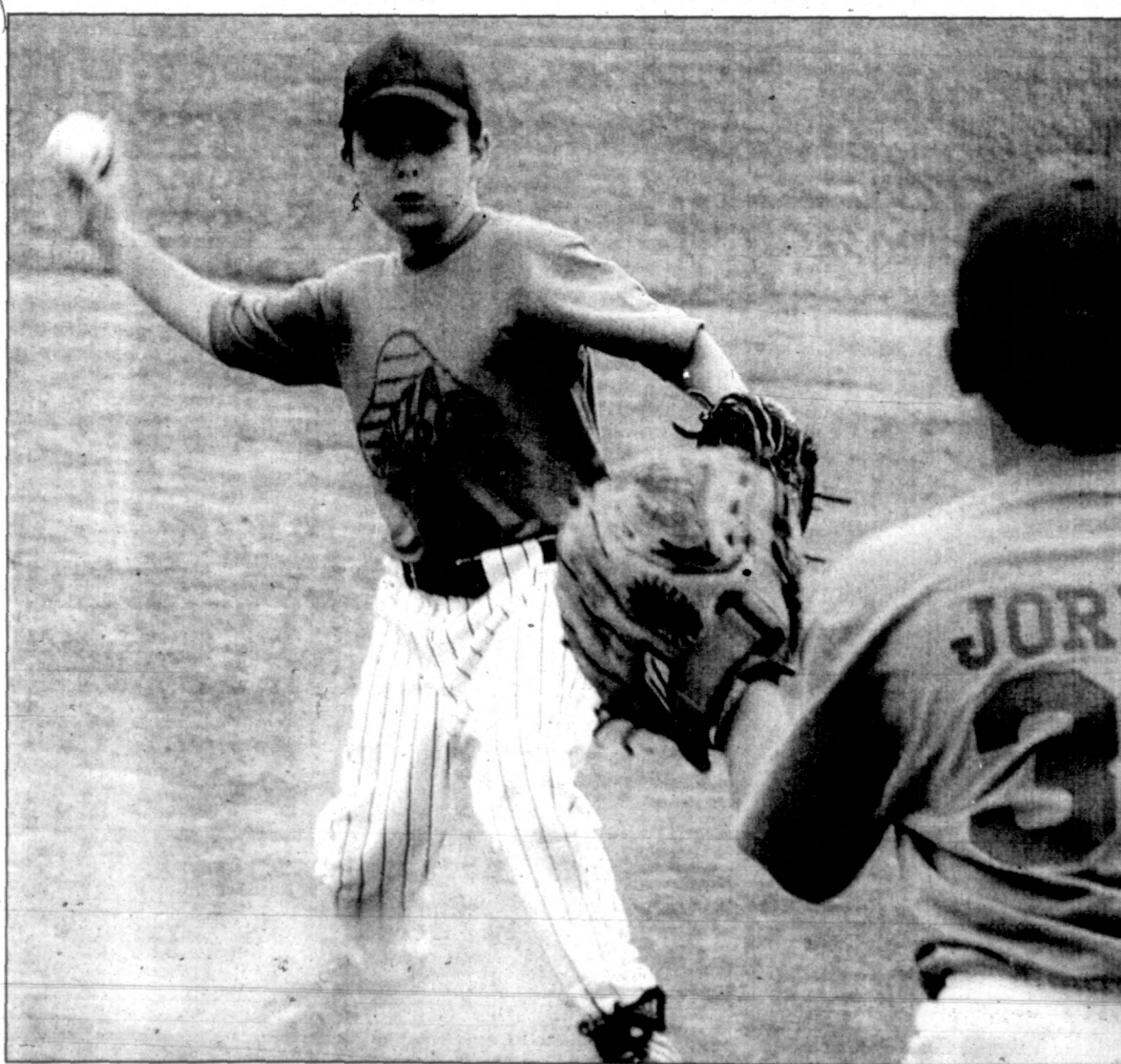
Agassi won the first of his eight Grand Slam

titles at Wimbledon, but that was 11 long years ago. Playing from the baseline on grass, he's vulnerable against a big server such as Philippoussis.

"You always feel against a player like him that once you lose your serve, the set's close to being over with," Agassi said.

The upset ended Agassi's bid at 33 to become the oldest men's champion at Wimbledon in the Open era. He said he'll return for another try in 2004.

## Short Toss ...



MIKE OHSTROM/Ledger & Times photo  
**THROW IT TO ME ...** Pizza Pro second baseman Parker Adams fires to first baseman Jordan Dawson after fielding a grounder in Monday's Pinto League action at the Murray-Calloway County Park. Pizza Pro defeated Clark Construction Co. 20-16.



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Colorado	42	42	.500	8 1/2	Texas	32	49	.395	21
San Diego	28	55	.337	22					

## Murrayan re-elected to AQHA board of directors

### Staff Report

Murray Ledger & Times

AMARILLO, Texas — James A. Rudolph of Murray was recently re-elected as a member of the American Quarter Horse Association's board of directors.

Chosen during the AQHA's 63rd annual convention in Anaheim, Calif., directors were named to 13 standing committees to work directly with the five-person AQHA executive committee to manage and guide the association's business and activities.

AQHA is the world's largest single-breed registry and equine membership organization, with more than 4 million American Quarter Horses registered worldwide and AQHA membership numbering more than 341,000.

AQHA maintains the pedigrees and registration records of all American Quarter Horses and oversees various programs and incentives — including races, shows and recreational activities — which promote America's oldest distinct breed of horse.

## Report: Duncan to sign with Spurs

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — San Antonio Spurs star Tim Duncan plans to sign a long-term deal with the NBA champions, the *San Antonio Express-News* reported Monday.

Duncan, the league's MVP the past two seasons, decided not to exercise an option in his current four-year contract. By not exercising the option, he will officially become a free agent.

But that doesn't mean the 7-foot forward is thinking about going anywhere else.

"Tim intends to re-sign with the Spurs once the details of a long-term deal can be finalized," Lon Babby, Duncan's agent, told the *Express-News* for its online

edition.

Babby, based in Washington, did not immediately return a phone call from The Associated Press.

Spurs spokesman Cliff Puchalski said the team had no comment on the newspaper's report.

As a free agent, Duncan, 27, cannot sign a new contract before July 16. He is eligible for a deal up to seven years worth \$122 million.

Duncan, who has played six seasons in the NBA, averaged 24.7 points, 15.4 rebounds and 3.3 blocked shots in the 2003 playoffs, which culminated with the Spurs beating the New Jersey Nets in six games in the NBA Finals.

## SportsBriefs

• The Murray State women's volleyball team and head coach David Schwepker will host the MSU volleyball day clinics July 7-9 in Racer Arena. The clinics are open to all athletes and will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. The July 7 clinic will be for hitting, with the July 8 clinic planned for setting and the July 9 clinic set for defense. The \$55 entry fee per clinic includes lunch. Current Racer players and MSU assistant coach Don Ping Fang will help direct the clinics. For more information or to register, call 762-3662 or 1-800-669-7654.

• Tryouts for the Calloway County High School boys' and girls' golf teams will be held July 15 at 9 a.m. at Miller Memorial Golf Course.

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# Diamondbacks win 12th straight

### By The Associated Press

Make it an even-dozen for those plucky Arizona Diamondbacks.

Luis Gonzalez hit his second homer of the game, a three-run shot in the 12th inning that sent the Diamondbacks to their 12th straight win, 8-7 Monday night over the Colorado Rockies.

"This is an awesome streak we are on," said rookie Matt Kata, who tied a team record with five hits. "It seems like some-

one different has contributed every night."

The Diamondbacks' string is the longest in franchise history and the best in the majors this year. And they've done it minus aces Randy Johnson and Curt Schilling, both injured and out until beyond the All-Star break.

Gonzalez drove in five runs, giving Arizona enough of a cushion to withstand the Rockies' three-run rally in the bottom of the 12th at Coors Field.

"Look at our lineup over the past three weeks, and Gonzo has been the one constant," Arizona manager Bob Brenly said. "We can write his name in the four-hole every day. It doesn't matter who hits ahead of or behind him, he will do something to help us win a game every night."

In other NL games, San Francisco stopped St. Louis 5-1, Florida downed Atlanta 8-1, Philadelphia beat Chicago 4-3 and New York defeated Montreal 3-1.

## Hoops Classic ...

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will fill the local entries.

Six of the top 16 teams in Tennessee will compete in the event, along with 15 schools from Illinois, six from Missouri and one each from Cave City, Ark., Fort Walton Beach, Fla., and Toronto, Canada.

"The key is not how many teams we have — it's the quality of those teams," Hatcher explained. "What we're trying to do is keep this thing under 70 teams. After that, you start killing the quality of the tournament ... We think we've got some quality teams coming in here."

The list of competing teams is headed by defending Tennessee state champion Memphis White Station, which also captured the first-place trophy in last year's Hoops Classic tournament. Other highly-ranked units from the Volunteer state include Memphis Ridgeway,

Bradley Central, Dyer County, Memphis, Raleigh-Egypt and Memphis Bartlett.

Illinois powerhouses Cairo, Chicago Crane, Centralia, Danville and Downers Grove return to the Hoops Classic, as well as Missouri-standouts Charleston and Versailles.

Among the top individual talent participating in this year's event is 6-4 Bartlett guard Jaycean Herring — rated by at least one recruiting service as the fifth-best prospect among rising seniors in Tennessee.

White Station senior teammates Jonathon Ball, a 6-4 forward, and Reilly Ervin, a 5-11 point guard, are also highly rated, as well as Memphis Riverdale combo guard LaBrian Lyons and Bradley (Tenn.) Central guard Justin Hare.

Carbondale point guard Justin Dentmon, rated as the 12th-best senior in Illinois, will play in the

event. Other Top 40-rated players from the Land of Lincoln include Massac County center Gerren Rodgers and Danville forward Ollie Harrison.

These and other top players in the Hoops Classic will be competing with their teammates for the first time in several weeks due to a scheduled dead period — a time in which coaches cannot conduct workouts with their teams.

"This is a good time to hold a tournament like this because it comes at the end of a dead period," Hatcher noted. "This is the first weekend available after the dead period, and (coaches) want to do something with their basketball teams before football starts. So it works out good for us."

Admission to the Hoops Classic is \$5 per day and is valid for the entire day.

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## DR. GOTT

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 85 and am taking medicine for hypertension and osteoarthritis. I brought down my high level of cholesterol by dieting. My question is: How often should blood tests be performed to keep track of any potential problems from the medications and to keep abreast of other significant metabolic disturbances?

DEAR READER: This is an excellent question, but because you don't identify the medicines you are taking, I am unable to give you a precise answer.

For example, some drugs used for hypertension can deplete body potassium levels. Therefore, if you were prescribed such medicines (hydrochlorothiazide and others) without a potassium supplement, you should have a blood potassium determination two or three times a year. Also, many anti-arthritis medications (especially aspirin and ibuprofen) have the potential to cause stomach irritation and painless gastrointestinal bleeding; consequently, a blood count twice a year would be a prudent way to check for anemia.

Finally, because your cholesterol level has been high in the past, an annual blood-fat analysis would be appropriate.

You should ask your physician how often blood checks are necessary; he or she best knows your general state of health and the effects of your prescriptions.

I am content to order blood tests once a year for my elderly patients

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GOTT, M.D.

who are not taking drugs that can disrupt their body chemistry. On the other hand, for some people who are at risk for such disruptions, I'll order chemical analysis at more frequent intervals. Your physician can advise you.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have had a terrible, itchy rash on my feet and hands. At first, I treated it as a fungus infection with over-the-counter remedies. But it keeps itching. Do you have a remedy?

DEAR READER: Rashes on hands and feet can be caused by ringworm (fungal) infection, but other disorders, such as eczema, are also common.

Rather than merely guessing at the cause of (and the cure for) your problem, I suggest that you see a dermatologist. Such a specialist will diagnose your condition and recommend appropriate therapy.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Eczema and Psoriasis." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I must take issue with your recent statement that the normal heart beats "trillions of times" during a lifetime.

Assuming an average of 70 beats per minute, that's 70 times a minute multiplied by 60 minutes, times 24 hours a day, times 365 days a year, equaling 36,792,000 beats per year. A trillion is 10 raised to the 12th power, so 1,000,000,000,000 divided by 36,792,000 equals about 27,180 years to reach a trillion heartbeats. Any comments?

DEAR READER: Yeah, you got me. I plead guilty to gross exaggeration. Sorry. As you suggested, the only time we get to use "trillion" is when we discuss economic numbers, such as the national debt!

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## DEAR ABBY

DEAR ABBY: I am 13 and cut myself on my wrists. I do it mostly when I get mad at someone. I also tried to choke myself when I was younger. One of my best friends and I talked about killing ourselves or running away.

I weigh 150 pounds. I weigh myself every night before I take a shower. I've tried to puke but it never comes up. I've also started skipping meals. My friends say I'm not fat, but my mom calls me chubby and pinches at the fat on my stomach.

My grades haven't been that great. I got three D's on my last report card. It's the worst I've ever done. I feel like I don't matter to anyone. My mom, friends, doctors and my aunt have asked what happened to my wrists (which is where I cut myself with scissors) and I tell them all the same thing — "I don't know."

Abby, please help me. I want to end my life, but I don't have the guts. I still want to play in the Women's National Basketball Association when I get older, but I'm not sure I can wait. I don't want to go through this pain anymore.

## THIRTEEN WITH PROBLEMS

DEAR THIRTEEN WITH PROBLEMS: It's time for you to level with the people who love you. It is also time to call your doctor and tell him or her how you got the cuts on your wrists, and that you are fantasizing about suicide. No one will be angry with you or punish you. You may need medical help to overcome your self-destructive urges — and to help you feel better about yourself.

Please understand that you are not alone in having this problem. It's one that is shared by many others. The good news is that help is available. Please write to S.A.F.E. Alternatives, Linden Oaks Hospital, 852 West St., Naperville, IL 60540, self-addressed, stamped envelope. You can look it up on the Web site for more information, at [www.selfinjury.com](http://www.selfinjury.com).

DEAR ABBY: Last Saturday night, my boyfriend, "Jimmy," and I went out, like always. When he brought me home, I invited him in for a glass of wine. Dad had gone to bed, and Mom was still up and watching TV in the den.

When I was in the kitchen pouring the wine, I overheard Mom tell Jimmy how "handsome and sexy" he looked. I was startled, so I peeked into the den and found my mother and boyfriend in a liplock.

I saw Jimmy run his hand down Mom's body and under her nightie. I was shocked! When I returned with the drinks, I didn't let on what I had seen, and they acted like nothing had happened.

Jimmy often likes to drop by the house and say hello to Mom, but I never thought it was anything more. What should I do? Should I confront Mom and my boyfriend? My biggest concern is Dad. Should I tell him — or should I keep quiet?

DESPERATE FOR ADVICE  
IN ALBANY

DEAR DESPERATE: I see no reason for you to carry this burden in silence. Tell your mother what you witnessed and how it made you feel. Then, tell Jimmy that the relationship is over.

You have been betrayed twice, and you have every reason to feel hurt and angry. Counseling can help you deal with your feelings. It would be helpful if you and your mother attend some sessions together. Your father should be told, but don't do it until you have had some sessions with your counselor.

CONFIDENTIAL TO "MICHELLE IN THE MIDWEST": Your fellow bus passengers are worried about your safety. Please call the Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233. The people there can help you form an escape plan. Don't put it off!

East dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH  
♦ 7 3 2  
♥ Q 5 2  
♦ J 10 9 6 4  
♣ K 6

WEST  
♦ A J 8 4  
♥ 7 3  
♦ K 5  
♣ J 10 9 7 5

EAST  
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♥ J 9 8 6 4  
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♣ 8 4 3

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East Pass South 2 NT West Pass North 3 NT  
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## 10 years ago

Published is a picture of Brad Harris, 17, using a horse-drawn plow to plow a tobacco patch on Faxon-Newburg Road. Harris said he and his family use the horse drawn plow in all their tobacco patches after a tractor has done the initial plowing to make the rows smoother and to push the dirt around the leaves. The photo was by Staff Photographer Stacey Crook.

Births reported include a boy to Danny and Tonya Walker, June 10; a girl to Kenna and Greg Walker, June 23.

## 20 years ago

By winning three of 18 superior awards and taking more individual honors than any other unit, Calloway County High School Junior ROTC students proved they are an "honors unit" during two weeks at Camp Atterbury, Indianapolis, Ind. Steve Ladd, Eddie Stone, Robert Trenholm, Bobby Stone, Carl Garland, Chuck Betts and Stan Bone are new officers of Calloway County Fire-Rescue Squad.

Shelly Howell, Lisa Mikuleik, David Fleming and Lee Ann Babb are new officers of Young Actors Guild of Murray-Calloway Community Theatre.

## 30 years ago

The Angel of Mercy Ambulance Service took over emergency ambulance service for Murray and Calloway County today. The firm is located at the new building at the corner of Chestnut and North 4th Streets.

Calloway County Judge Robert

## LOOKING BACK

O. Miller has been selected as one of two Kentucky delegates to the National Association of County Judges convention at Dallas, Texas, in late July.

Births reported include twin girls to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Hutchens, June 21; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wright, June 22.

## 40 years ago

Published is a history of the Murray Fire Department which was started here in 1913. The history was written by Murray Fire Chief Flavil Robertson who spoke at a meeting of the Murray Rotary Club held at Murray Woman's Club House.

Recent births reported at Murray Hospital include a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Osborne and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Lovett.

L.K. Pinkfey got a hole-in-one while playing golf at Murray Country Club.

## 50 years ago

Residents of Calloway County received \$15,792 for needy old age pensions, \$1,669 to families of dependent children and \$102 for indigent blind for June from the Division of Public Assistance of the Kentucky Department of Economic Security.

The Rev. and Mrs. Earl Phelps attending the 123rd General Assembly of Cumberland Presbyterian Church held at Gadsden, Ala. He is pastor of North Pleasant Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Calloway County.

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## TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, July 1, the 182nd day of 2003. There are 183 days left in the year. This is Canada Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 1, 1867, Canada became a self-governing dominion of Great Britain as the British North America Act took effect.

On this date:

In 1863, the Civil War Battle of Gettysburg began.

In 1898, during the Spanish-American War, Theodore Roosevelt and his "Rough Riders" waged a victorious assault on San Juan Hill in Cuba.

In 1963, 40 years ago, the U.S. Post Office inaugurated its five-digit ZIP codes.

In 1969, Britain's Prince Charles was invested as the Prince of Wales.

Five years ago: Speaking in Shanghai, President Clinton urged his Chinese hosts to open markets, battle corruption and clean up the environment.

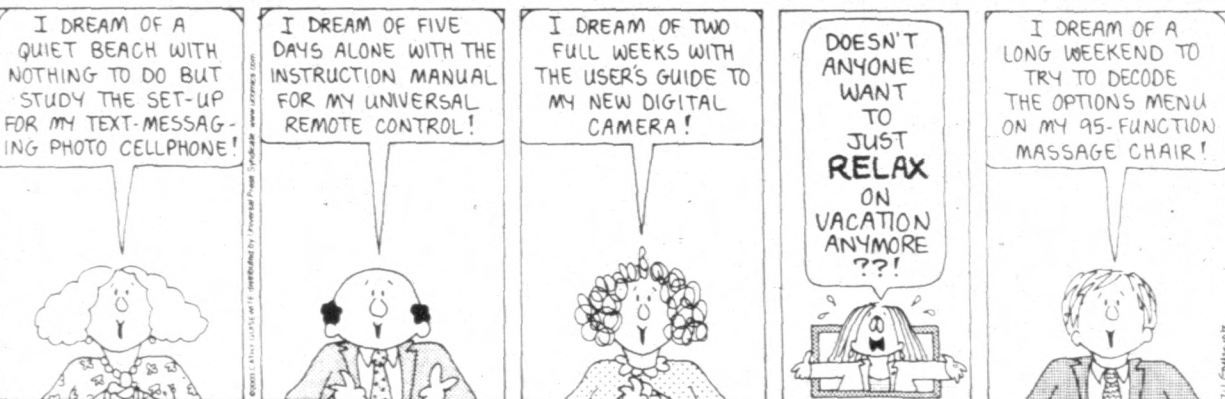
One year ago: The world's first permanent war crimes tribunal came into existence. A US Air Force gunship attacked several villages in Afghanistan, killing 48 civilians, according to Afghan officials. A Russian passenger jet collided with a cargo plane over southern Germany, killing all 69 people on the Russian plane, and the two cargo jet pilots. Chile's Supreme Court ruled that former dictator General Augusto Pinochet was suffering from dementia and dropped all charges against him for human rights violations during his regime.

## DAILY COMICS

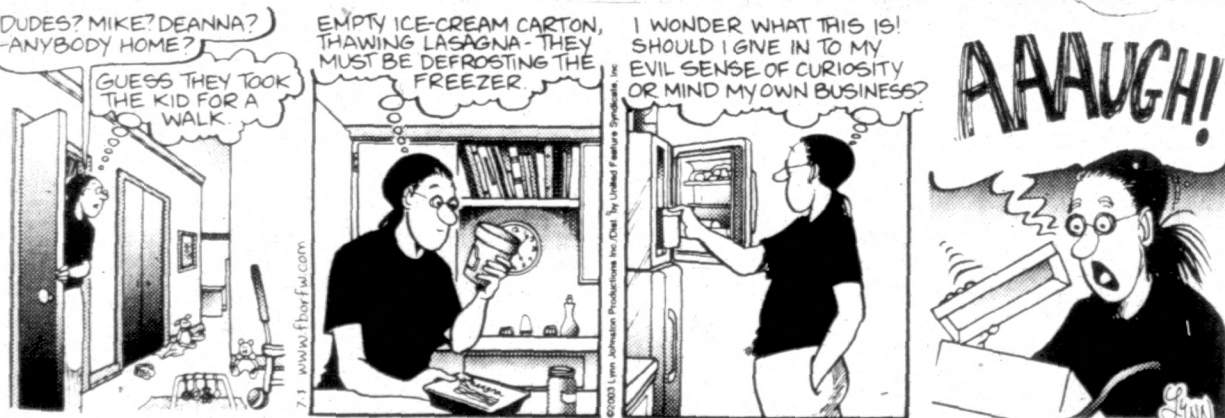
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king.

It's hard to blame West for continuing with another club. He naturally thought declarer had started with the doubleton A-Q. The club continuation did not turn out well when South scammed home with three hearts, four diamonds and two clubs for a total of nine tricks.

Now let's suppose South had made the more normal play of the deuce of clubs on the king at trick one. In that case, West, after taking his king of diamonds at trick two, and mindful of his partner's discouraging play of the three on the opening trick, might have appreciated the futility of continuing clubs and shifted to a low spade instead.

This play would have laid declarer low. East would win with the king and return the nine of spades, and the contract would go down the drain.

Of course, the smoke screen set up by South's clever play of the club queen at trick one made it almost automatic for West to return a club at trick three.

The fact is that bridge is in many ways a psychological game, and laying a trap for a defender to fall into is a legitimate part of the game. Anything a declarer can do to induce an error by the defense might prove just as effective as making a contract solely on its merits.

Tomorrow: A cut above the rest.

## CROSSWORDS

## ACROSS

- 1 Carry — on a trade
- 4 Laundry amount
- 8 Made tracks
- 12 Rumor, perhaps
- 13 Gung-ho about
- 14 Light brown
- 15 Tabloid topic
- 16 Romag senator
- 18 Notes
- 20 Out of control
- 21 Short query
- 22 Time divs.
- 23 Verdant
- 27 Storage place
- 29 Platoon mems.
- 30 Kind of tea
- 31 Chicago's st.
- 32 Brief craze
- 33 Melody
- 34 Scale note
- 35 Hull parts

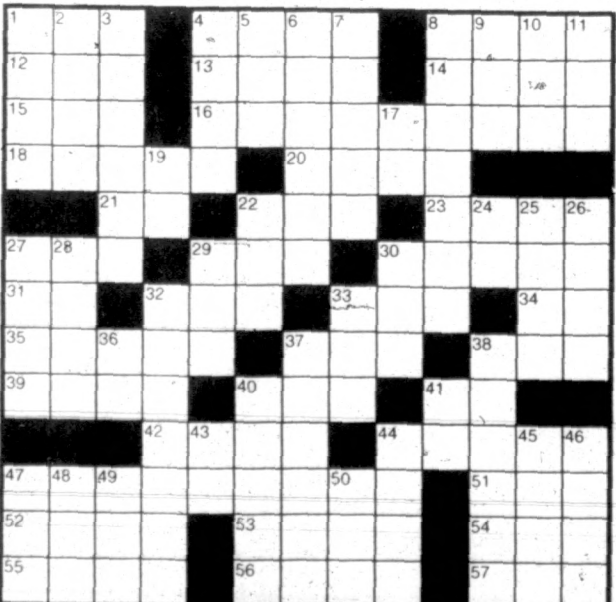
## DOWN

- 1 Cushy job
- 2 Type of jacket
- 3 Petty officers
- 4 Gloss target
- 5 Go — diet
- 6 Rose-petal oils
- 7 Quad quarters
- 8 Disgruntled fan

## Answer to Previous Puzzle



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- 9 Here, to Pierre
- 10 Historical period
- 11 Importune
- 17 Moon of Jupiter
- 19 Surprised exclamation
- 22 Kept under wraps
- 24 England's loc.
- 25 Lobby furnishing
- 26 Make warm
- 27 Kid's wheels
- 28 Seine sights
- 29 Balloon filler
- 30 Tie holder
- 32 Got embarrassed
- 33 Banking convenience
- 36 Per
- 37 Chatterbox
- 38 Kind of discount
- 40 Limbo residents
- 41 Prefix for two
- 43 AWOL chaser
- 44 Vanessa's sister
- 45 Orangutans
- 46 Goldfish
- 47 Finish a dress
- 48 Exploit
- 49 FICA ID
- 50 "The Bells" poet

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s/s H. Thomas Rushing  
H. Thomas Rushing, Mayor  
Attest:  
s/s Sarah Duncan  
Sarah Duncan, City Clerk  
Summary prepared by:  
Wm. Donald Overbey, City Attorney

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## Horoscopes

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, July 2, 2003:

Fulfill a long-term dream, allowing more to enter your life. Your smile goes a long way in making what you want happen. You might not realize just how much you have going for you. You will enhance your financial stability as a result. Communication becomes your forte from September on. Perhaps you're more upbeat or have a fun way of revealing what you want. If you are single, a relationship will knock on your door in the fall or next spring. This person could be very special to you. If you are attached, your relationship will heat up because of your better sense of self. You add much more to the quality of your interactions. LEO sometimes feels uncomfortable around you.

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)

\*\*\*\*\* Although you have a dream, realizing it might be a whole different matter. Reach out for new facts and different information, and as a result, you'll gain. Investigate possibilities, never losing that creative twist or idea. Worry less. Tonight: Ever playful.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Expenses go way overboard. You can handle what happens, though dealing with someone who has on rose-colored glasses could drive you slightly crazy. Your stability offers much more to those around you than you thought possible. Tonight: In a whirlwind.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Speak your mind clearly, and others will respond in a big way. Others approach you. If you are to get anything done, you will need to close your door.

Sort through calls, you have special news coming your way. Tonight: Go cruising.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\*\*\* You might need to reorganize with an eye to making more money or financing your budget differently. Getting more exercise might be extremely helpful to your energy and general well-being. Be ready for a change. Tonight: Fun doesn't need to be expensive.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Your mood couldn't be any better if you tried. Humor and happiness mix well together. Let your libido speak and lead you in a new direction. Your

wild spirit and fun nature push you to a new level of self-expression. Enjoy your life to the max. Tonight: Fun and games.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Assume a low profile. You might understand where your responsibilities are and develop a sense of limits. Revamp your domestic life with an eye to doing more from home professionally. Close your door at work if you're to get anything done. Tonight: Relax for the next few days.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* You need to stay close to your friends. Don't push the line, but be more in touch with what might work for you. A meeting directs your energy, as well as that of others. Now, that's more like it. Your ability to network carries you to the finish line. Tonight: Take a midweek break.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* Establish stronger ties within your immediate circle. Do some financial juggling with a boss. See where cuts might be appropriate. You also might decide that the wise choice is to put in some extra hours at the office. You get a lot done quickly. Tonight: A must show.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\*\* You have the unique ability to see what is going on by detaching. As a result, many seek you out for feedback and help. A trip or an opportunity to learn more appears out of the blue. The only reply is "yes." Tonight: Try exotic.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\*\* A partner makes you an offer too good to say "no" to. Work with this person, and a unique financial opportunity will head your way. On some level, you might feel like you need to pinch yourself, as a situation might be so unreal. Tonight: Go along with another's wishes.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\*\* Let others come to you. You actually might not believe what you hear. You can ask for confirmation if you need to. You also could pinch yourself if need be. Meetings head in a direction you might not have anticipated. Tonight: Go along with another's wishes.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\*\*\* Emphasize what you can do as opposed to what you cannot. You will be relieved that what seems like a wild idea just might not be. Aim to clear out as much work as possible. Revamp your work schedule if necessary. Tonight: Easy does it.

BORN TODAY

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## Do-not-call list grows to more than 10 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of people are declaring their phone numbers off limits to sales pitches by signing up with the national do-not-call list.

The free service, intended to block most telemarketing calls, grew to more than 10 million phone numbers in the four days following its launch Friday. At the height of the registration surge on the first day, 158 phone numbers were signed up every second, the Federal Trade Commission said Monday.

About 85 percent of the numbers were registered online at [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov), the FTC said. On the Web site, consumers provide the home or cell phone numbers they want protected and an e-mail address to receive a confirmation message.

People have entered another 3 million numbers online, but still need to complete registration by clicking on a link in the e-mail message, the FTC said.

People also registered by calling toll-free at 1-888-382-1222, a num-

ber available in states west of the Mississippi River. To ensure the system can handle the volume of calls, the phone number will not operate nationwide until July 7. Consumers calling the toll-free number must call from the phone they want registered.

Including unconfirmed registrations, 7 million numbers were added Friday, 4.6 million on Saturday and 2 million on Sunday.

The FTC expects people will register up to 60 million phone numbers in the first year. There are about 166

million residential phone numbers in the United States, the FTC said.

People who sign up this summer should see a decrease in telemarketing calls after the FTC begins enforcing the list on Oct. 1. The service will block about 80 percent of the calls, the FTC said.

The telemarketing industry estimates the do-not-call list could cut its business in half, costing it up to \$50 billion in sales each year, said Louis Mastria, a spokesman for the Direct Marketing Association.

## Fletcher would push for medical malpractice amendment

BY JOE BIESK

Associated Press Writer  
FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Republican Ernie Fletcher on Monday said as governor he would push for a constitutional amendment aimed at limiting the cost of medical malpractice insurance for doctors.

Fletcher, a doctor himself, said Kentucky's health care system is in a state of crisis as doctors continue to leave Kentucky.

"Kentucky's patients cannot afford to lose any more of their physicians, and yet that's exactly what's happening," Fletcher said. "Kentucky is in a medical crisis placing our state's patients at risk."

Fletcher spoke with reporters before a statewide fly-around with scheduled stops in Barbourville, Paducah, Henderson and Louisville.

As part of his medical-malpractice reform plan, Fletcher said he would favor capping non-economic damages — the amount patients could recover for pain-and-suffering. He also favors establishing a medical review panel to sift through malpractice lawsuits. Fletcher would not favor capping economic damages but would limit punitive damages to twice the amount of economic damages awarded if a judge determined gross negligence, spokesman Wes Irvin said.

"For the sake of Kentucky's patients we must stop this hemorrhaging," Fletcher said. "My prescription for the problem is to call for a constitutional amendment that will grant the governor and legislature the authority to tackle the medical malpractice issue."



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