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# House speaker: Fletcher shouldn't give up on tax plan

WOLFE Associated **Press Writer** 

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — The General Assembly's ranking Democrat said Friday that Gov. Ernie Fletcher should not abandon his pursuit of a new tax code, though he and

"We certainly hope tax reform is not dead. We think it's very important to the state," House Speaker Jody Richards told reporters. Fletcher wants the General

Assembly to enact a new tax code during its 2004 session, which had 28 business days remaining after Friday. Fletcher has described a con-

cept of raising some taxes and cutting others to be "revenue Republican neutral" at the outset. He has disclosed few specifics.

Fletcher met privately on Wednesday with 15 legislators of both parties and both chambers. He said he wanted a second, private meeting with House Democrats to assess whether a consensus on taxes was possible. Instead, the Democrats sent a let-' ter in which they advised Fletcher to put a plan in writing present it to the Appropriations and Revenue Committee next week.

A spokesman for Fletcher said

plan on his terms," possibly early next week, and that the appropriations committee was not the

Richards repeatedly asserted that he and his colleagues agree that Kentucky's tax code should be rewritten. "We believe in tax reform. I

think that's one place where there's pretty general agreement that we need tax reform. That's why we're calling on the governor to come forth with his

program so we can discuss it," Richards said.

Fletcher "shouldn't be timid or fearful" about defending his ideas before the committee, he

Fletcher spokesman Wes Irvin said the governor might be forced to "work unilaterally" with House and Senate Republicans, though he could not explain how that was possible. Republicans hold 36 of 100 seats in the House. They have a 22-16 majority in the Senate; a tax bill would

Irvin seemed especially irritated at Rep. Harry Moberly, the House appropriations committee's influential chairman. Moberly, D-Richmond, took to the House floor Thursday to accuse Fletcher of "playing political games" and trying to deal in secrecy on "tax modernization."

Moberly did not attend the meeting Wednesday, though Fletcher had been assured he

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# Murray could see tuition hike

Alexander, university struggling with state budget woes

By KRISTIN TAYLOR

As college tuition hikes become the norm across the country, Murray State University President Dr. F. King Alexander worries asking students to pay more for higher education will cripple national and state economies.



Alexander

unately, this is the direction the nation is moving," Alexander "In the said. arena macro that this is a national movement, it can have detrimental affects on the economy every-

"Unfort-

Murray State's tuition is likely to rise about 15 percent - or \$200 a semester, according to Alexander. The university, as all state higher education institutions, is experiencing tight fiscal times as the state struggles to balance its budget. Gov. Ernie Fletcher has proposed reducing higher education funding for the current and coming fiscal years. Murray State is working to eliminate \$3 million from its budget

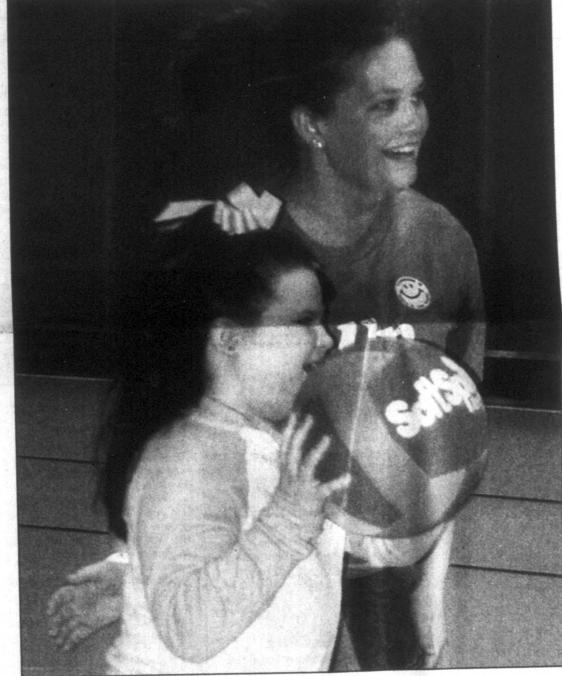
before July 1. About half of that is a recurring cut that the university will have to sacrifice again for fiscal year 2004-

"It's still early," said Alexander, who spoke to the House Budget Subcommittee

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# Who's Sleepy?



ERIC WALKER/Ledger & Times photo

Eight-year-old cancer survivor Samantha Waddlington of Union City, Tenn., sizes up her opponent in a game of dodge ball, with help from Murray State's Richmond College's Erica Grah, during a game segment of Up 'til Dawn, a fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Research

### Students stay up to help cancer fight

By JOHN WRIGHT Staff Writer

Many people would try to catch a few hours of sleep when preparing for an all-night event. For Rhiannon Mitchell, co-executive director for Murray State University's Up 'til Dawn fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., Friday night, that was proving a bit impossi-

"I wish I could, but there's no way I can," said the Fairfiield, Ill., senior yesterday afternoon as she prepared for her second Up 'til Dawn while holding the executive director title; she was joined in this capacity by Karen Stolt of Franklin. This was the fourth such event with which Mitchell has been involved. "For one thing, there's still too much to do to get

ready for this. The other thing is I think I'm a little too nervous. I just want it to go really well.'

Chances are, things went without a hitch. After all, for her first go-round as executive director last winter, the event raised around \$17,000 for St. Jude, a world leader in dealing with diseases such as cancer in children. That money is accumulated through the efforts of teams of eight or nine MSU students who are involved in a letter-writing campaign headed by the hospital asking for support.

Those teams are formed shortly after fall classes begin; more than 25 teams and a total of around 150 students participated this year. They are also the ones that compete for points the night of the wintertime

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# Domestic violence message getting out

By BRANDI WILLIAMS Staff Writer

Domestic violence is an ongoing problem that has hit close to home recently with tragic conse-

Sunday morning, a man was charged with manslaughter after his ex-girlfriend was found dead under his bed in northern Calloway County. Another woman was charged with shooting her husband in the head, leaving him in serious condition. Police reports cited marital issues in that relationship.

Violent relationships do not start after the wedding vows are exchanged. Signs of violence in relationships are usually identified during the dating period and can be iust as dangerous. Jane Etheridge, director of Murray State University's Women's Center, said she sees many young women in her office battling violent relation-

"It is estimated that 20 to 22 percent of college women have experienced violence in their dating relationship," she said. "When there is violence in a dating relationship, it is no different from violence in a married relationship."

Etheridge said some signs of a partner becoming an assailant are:

being critical and jealous;

acting negative; ■ isolating their victim;

and withdrawing affection to

teach a lesson.

Etheridge said many times the victims look to appease their assailants to keep the actually physical violence from appearing. "They often say the same things, "I was walking on egg shells."

She explained that regardless of the appeasing, eventually the assailant will explode, and it usually leads to choking and physically harming the victim. Sometimes the assailant will humiliate the person in public or assault them sexually.

"It is all about power and control," Etheridge said. "It is always a means of controlling another person, which makes you feel power-

**Protective orders** are only as good as the abuser is sane.

> — Kathy Jones **Executive Director Women Aware**

### **Numbers** of **Domestic Violence**

■ Intimate partner violence made up 20% of all nonfatal violent crime experienced by women in 2001.

■ 1,247 women and 440 men were killed by an intimate partner in 2000.

Source: U.S. Department of Justice

She said there are many reasons why a victim stays with an assailant - love, financial reasons, and low self-esteem inflicted upon by the assailant.

"Sometimes they stay with them because they don't want to be alone," said Etheridge.

Women are not the only victims of domestic violence. Reports show many women are becoming the assailants, leaving men with very few places to turn.

There are not a lot of men who seek shelter," said Etheridge. "I think there is a tremendous stigma surrounding men.

Kathy Jones, executive director of Women Aware, said her organization does offer shelter for men. "We serve anyone who's a victim of domestic violence," said Jones.

Jones said getting out of a violent relationship can be the hardest part of ridding oneself of abuse.

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### New Concord man found guilty in Wisconsin court on drug-related charges

Staff Report

Murray Ledger & Times

MADISON, Wis. - A New Concord, Ky., man was found guilty of two methamphetamine-related charges Tuesday in U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin.

John Sanders, 21, was convicted of selling, distributing or dispensing a controlled substance and manufacturing a controlled substance after a twoday trial, U.S. District deputy clerk Erica Clark said. He will be sentenced in U.S. District Court in Madison on April 14.

Sanders intentionally possessed chemicals, equipment and materials used to manufacture methamphetamine, Clark said of Sanders' indictment, which was filed July 17, 2003. He has remained in jail custody in Madison since then

girl's killing

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) - An

auto mechanic accused of killing a

girl whose abduction was captured

on a car wash surveillance camera

was indicted on a first-degree mur-

der charge Friday as prosecutors

indicated for the first time they

The state attorney's office sepa-

rately filed charges of kidnapping

and capital sexual battery against

Joseph P. Smith, 37, assistant state

attorney Dennis Nales said.

Prosecutors declined to release

Brucia, whose body was found near

a church five days after she was

abducted Feb. 1. Nales declined

comment on whether prosecutors

will seek the death penalty for

Smith, who's being held without

Tebrugge, said his client will plead

not guilty at his arraignment sched-

uled for March 12. "We will thor-

oughly investigate the case and vig-

orously defend Mr. Joseph Smith,

Carlie was abducted around dusk

as she took a shortcut behind the car-

wash while heading home from a

friend's house. The digital video

Tebrugge said.

Smith's public defender, Adam

bond in the Sarasota County jail.

Smith is accused of killing Carlie

details of the charge.

believe he raped the 11-year-old.

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### Truck Wrecks on U.S. 641 S near Hazel



JOHN WRIGHT/Ledger & Times photo Rescue personnel work on the driver of this truck following an accident Friday morning on U.S. 641 South near Hazel. The truck apparently went off the roadway and struck a tree. Additional information was not available Friday night from the Calloway County Sheriff's Office.

### Warrants served on Mo. couple in connection to Hazel antique thefts

Staff Report

Murray Ledger & Times

The Calloway County Sheriff's Department served a Missouri couple with arrest warrants because of a husband faces two charges -January theft incident in Hazel.

Carol Marie Ullman, 51, and Richard Kim Ullman, 49, of St. Genevieve, Mo., had \$530.45 worth of glassware stolen from Tooter's Antique Mall in their Ford truck when Calloway County Sheriff's deputies were investigating another shoplifting incident at Charlie's Antique Mall

security system showed a man in a Sheriff Larry Roberts said blue mechanic's uniform grabbing deputies served the couple with the the sixth-grader's arm and walking warrants for additional charges Thursday because it was the first Smith was arrested Feb. time they had been back in 3. Carlie's body was found Feb. 6. Calloway County since the incident.

The couple was initially arrested at Charlie's Antique Mall. Carol was charged with receiving stolen property of more than \$300. Her receiving stolen property of more than \$300 and theft by unlawful taking of more than \$300.

The merchandise from Charlie's Antique Mall totaled \$164. In addition to the 10 items stolen from Tooter's Antique Mall, merchandise from Decades Ago Antique Mall and Angel's Antique Mall was recovered in the couple's truck.

On Thursday, Carol was charged with complicity to theft by unlawful taking and two counts of receiving stolen property, according to her arrest citation. Richard was charged with two counts of receiving stolen

Carol and Richard Ullman were released from the Calloway County jail Thursday, according to a jail spokeswoman.

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### Cancer ...

From Front

event that starts at 9 p.m. and ends at 5 a.m. the following day: Competitions for those points include karaoke and even kickbox-

A special one-hour participation time for visitors began at midnight; Mitchell said teams are encouraged to ask for as many visitors as possible as that adds spirit points.

However, Mitchell stresses, while fun and games are enjoyable, the real enjoyment comes from knowing this is helping children in need. To emphasize this point, past and even current patients at St. Jude and their families are asked to come to Up 'til Dawn and tell their stories to the participants. Three to four

patients, including those now of college age, usually accept the invitaCare

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"I think my most special memory from my years of being in this is hearing the story of this one patient - an 8-year-old child who was present again Friday - and her mother as they come and speak to us. You feel the gratitude they have for being helped like this," said Mitchell, noting the child was afflicted with a form of leukemia which is now in remission. "It makes you feel that being part of this and all the effort you put into it is worth it. And I just love the general cause of St. Jude. It's awesome what they do, having kids getting treated for their diseases at no cost

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### Violence ...

### From Front

Many times people are looking for a way out long before they ever actually leave.

"People underestimate how violent and disturbed people can become when a partner is leaving," she said. "Leaving can be the most dangerous time for getting out of a violent relationship.

According to Jones, statistics estimate that a victim will try to leave seven times before they actually get out, and sometimes it takes serious injury or death to get a person out of a violent relationship.

She said when attempting to leave this type of relationship, getting an emergency protective order is important, but it is not strong enough sometimes to protect a vic-

"Protective orders are only as good as the abuser is sane," said Jones. "If that person doesn't have that respect for the law, it may not be the most protective move. There

are limits to what it can do for you. But it is a good first step."

To get an emergency protective order, a person has to file at the Circuit Clerk's Office and approved by a judge. That order lasts 14 days. Then it is taken to court to apply for a domestic violence order, which is valid for a year.

Since last month, Calloway County has issued 20 emergency protective orders and 10 domestic violence orders

Women Aware has several shelters and served more than 100 victims in the shelters last year. The shelters are only for 30 days, but if a victim needs more time, they can be allowed that.

Jones said when the office hears about a situation of injury or death related to domestic abuse, it motivates the workers to try to reach as many people as possible.

"It's a constant reminder to how

important this is, that people's lives

are at stake," she said.



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### Chamber hosts Town/Gown Business@Breakfast in March noon, 762-7333 or 759-9592.

■ CUBS meeting, Glendale Road

■ Calloway County Schools

■ Glory Bound presents New

Life, Weaks Center, Feb. 26, 7 - 9

p.m., free admission, offering taken

Illinois, RSEC, Feb. 28, 5:15 p.m.

Illinois, RSEC, Feb. 28, 7:15 p.m.

■ MSU Lady Racers vs. Eastern

MSU Racers vs. Eastern

■ MSU Career Services hosts

2004 Spring Career Expo, Curris

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Session I: Admission Procedures

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**By Lisa Satterwhite** Assistant Director for Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce

for Needline.

7:15 - 8:30 p.m.

you know due to the great success of

our recent breakfast, the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce is hosting another Business@ Breakfast in association with Town & Gown on Wednesday, March 10 in the Murray Room of the RSEC at 7:30 a.m. Come enjoy a meal with fellow members and hear Dr. King Alexander speak about the impacts of MSU on our local economy and student/consumer information shared from a recent survey. Reserve your spot by calling 753-

Coming Up Around

Town ■ Bull Blow Out, West KY Expo Center, Tonight, 8 p.m.

■ Murray Trade Day, MCC Park, Feb. 23, 7 a.m. - noon

■ MSU Racers vs. Texas A&M Corpus Christi, RSEC, Feb. 23, 7:15

MSU Lady Racers vs. Southeast Missouri, RSEC, Feb. 26, 5:15 p.m.

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■ Nunsense II, Playhouse in the Park, Feb. 26 - 29 and March 4 - 6

 An Evening with Maya Angelou, RSEC, Feb. 24, doors open at 6 p.m., show at 8 p.m., MSU students, faculty and staff - free with MSU ID, general public - \$10, 762-

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**Highlights from the Chamber staff include** 

■ Tab Brockman traveled with Leadership Tomorrow, a group of 30 Murray and Calloway County juniors and seniors, to Frankfort to learn about state government. The Chamber of Commerce sponsors this program along with Murray and Calloway County Community

■ The Chamber of Commerce helped with the SOS booth at the Reality Store in the Curris Center this week. The Reality Store is a program for local students to learn the correlation of higher education and job opportunities and the importance of financial management with

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For more information on becoming a member of the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce or hosting a Chamber event contact Tab Brockman or Lisa Satterwhite at 753-5171.



Robert Billington, partner of the Murray Insurance Agency, second from left, presents Marian Posey, MSU coordinator of Town and Gown, left, with a check to the Town and Grown partnership with Murray State University. Pictured with Posey and Billington from left to right are, Jason Billington, partner, John Nix Purdom, partner, Diane Lilly, Rhonda Burks, Sussane Lovett, April Harrell, and Tara Burkeen. Not pictured is Bob Billington, partner.

# Murray Insurance to support MSU

The Murray Insurance Agency recently joined the growing list of area businesses who support the Town and Gown partnership with Murray State University.

Initiated in November, 2002 by Dr. F. King Alexander, MSU president, a Town and Gown partnership was formed between Murray State University and local community businesses to enhance the quality of life and learning through cooperation. Through this mutual support, a stronger university and a stronger business community are

Through this program, business members will be able marian.posey@murraystate.edu.

to interact with the University in various ways that include participating in forums, serving on an advisory committee or focus group on Town/Gown issues, and providing guidance and suggestions to Alexander and the University's administrative council. In addition, Town and Gown members will be able to take advantage of other benefits that include membership in a president's breakfast club and listings in publications for students and faculty.

For more information on the Town and Gown Partnership, contact Marian Posey at 270-762-4415 or

# Americans build mountain of debt, savings rate slides

bills from holiday spending sprees arrive, Americans are finding that the mountain of debt they've built has gotten even higher.

Consumer debt has more than doubled in the past 10 years to household. record levels, making it hard for many families to cope.

For Bruce and Lorraine

Esbensen of Clifton Heights, Pa., trouble started when they spent lavishly on their wedding six years ago. They soon found themselves falling behind on their bills.

"Creditors were calling, and I knew if I paid one, I couldn't pay Lorraine Esbensen the other." remembers. "It was so painful I got to the point where I didn't want to answer the phone.

Credit counselors helped the couple work out a repayment plan, but it still took more than four years to pay down their debt.

"We still basically live paycheck to paycheck," she said. "But we do have an IRA (Individual Retirement Account) going now, and we're careful with our spending so we feel

Consumer debt hit a record \$1.98

NEW YORK (AP) - As the trillion in October 2003, according to the most recent figures from the

Federal Reserve. That debt which includes credit cards and car loans, but not mortgages - translates to some \$18,700 per U.S.

At the same time, the government says the nation's savings rate dropped to just 2 percent of after-tax income in the first half of the year. That means many people lack the means to deal with financial emergencies, much less their eventual

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# Disney's studio chief must find way to succeed

BURBANK, Calif. (AP) - With the Walt Disney Co. under attack from former board members, a former partner and a company that wants to buy it, one of the complaints is that Disney has lost its creative spark, especially when it comes to the animated films that are its

It's a charge quickly refuted by Dick Cook, chairman of Walt Disney Studios since 2002.

"I think creativity at our studio has never been more on the upswing," Cook said. "I think we have more great projects, both in live action and animation, than we have had in years."

As head of the studio division, Cook is per-

haps the most critical player in Disney's defensive strategy. Time will tell if he is right.

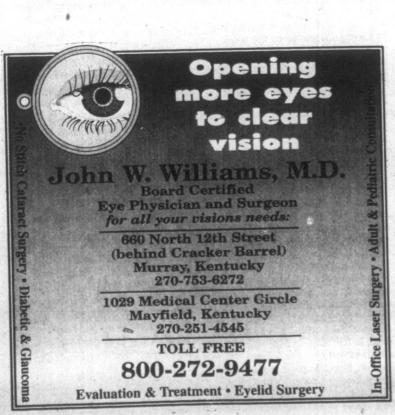
Disney is facing the end of its lucrative partnership with Pixar Animation Studios in two years. Pixar chief Steve Jobs recently ended 10 months of negotiations for a new deal, singling out Disney's animated films for harsh criticism. Over the past five years, Pixar has contributed more than half of Disney's studio profits, financial analysts say.

On Feb. 11, cable TV giant Comcast Corp. made an unsolicited bid for Disney, saying one of its main goals would be to reinvigorate the company's flagging in-house animation efforts.

Disney's board rejected the bid, saying it would consider other bids while expressing strong support for current management.

The struggling animation unit also is cited by disgruntled former board members Stanley Gold and Roy E. Disney, son of company cofounder Roy O. Disney, in their efforts to oust chief executive Michael Eisner. Cook, however, has so far escaped the crit-

"I think he is a first-rate executive, and it would be my hope that in future years he would have a greater role in the company," Gold said. "He has a mature judgment."



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# South Carolina's Reputation



SOUTHERN SCENE

By Larry McGehee **Syndicated Columnist** 

when the famous ieremiad-iournalist H. L. Mencken of Baltimore belittled the South's lack of culture, there was little defense—other than "hard times" and "Civil War

defeats"- to be made. But about the same time, a literary Renascence came to the South, and the best put-down of Mencken has been nearly a century of southern published scholarship and especially of published poetry and fiction.

Spurred by the Nashville Fugitives and Agrarians and embodied in William Faulkner and Eudora Welty and Robert Penn Warren and a battalion of other writers, writing has become as southern a trait as cornbread.

As literature has become the South's replacement crop for cotton and tobacco, some cynics sniff that most of the writing only takes place in the Upper South, the Border South states of Tennessee, Kentucky, Virginia, and North Carolina, and around Oxford in northern Mississippi, and Shermanized, urban Atlanta. South Carolina, Mississippi, and Alabama are still stereotyped as die-hard segregationist strongholds with plenty of poor schools and poor health, illiteracy, poverty, and unemployment - with more interest in deerhunting, football, beer-drinking, and NASCAR racing than in literature or scholarship or visual arts or

A common impression is that South Carolina was the first state to secede in 1861 and has not bothered to get back into the national scene ever since.

Without explicitly attacking that stereotype of South Carolina, one of that state's master teachers of English, Edwin C. Epps, who teaches and inspires middle-school students in Spartanburg's superior District 7 school, has spent decades compiling his book, Literary South Carolina (Hub City Writers Project, 2004, \$40 hardback, \$20 paperback), a narrative catalog of literary achievements from the Palmetto State since its settlement, beginning with William Hilton's 1664 travel narrative and ending with black storyteller-poet Tommy Scott Young, born in 1943.

Epps effectively refutes the image-makers who cast the state as backward and unlettered, in which the favored slogan is "Ain't".

In the galaxy of the South Carolina literary and cultural universe that stargazer Epps charts for us, James Dickey and Pat Conroy are the stellar attractions, but they are followed closely in luster by William Gilmore Sims, Henry Timrod, DuBose Heyward ("Porgy and Bess"), W. J. Cash, William Price Fox, Jr., Archibald Rutledge, and John Jakes. Epps divides his survey into periods, the beginnings through the Revolution, the pre-Civil War years from about 1800 to 1865, the post-Civil War years on the 19th Century, with the longest listings in the four-part 20th

Century sections. By the time he reaches "The Current Crop" his typeface and the biographies of writers have to be reduced to cover 182 contemporary SC writers (to be expanded further in a projected second edition of this book). Among the latter are Dorothy Allison, William Baldwin, Edward Ball, Franklin Burroughs, Nikky Finney, Charles Frazier (Cold Mountain), George Garrett, Josephine Humphreys, James Kilgo, Bret Lott, Padgett Powell, Alexandra Ripley, Louis D. Rubin, Jr., George Singleton, and Mark Steadman. Inter-splicing the biographies is a number of writers of literary criticism of note, such as Guy Davenport and Matthew Bruccoli.

Epps throws in two bonuses: a listing of the South Carolina-based publishing houses and magazines that foster literary work, and a 35paghe bibliography of South Carolina published works.

This book was a labor of love for Epps, who is reputed to have spent two decades compiling and editing it, while introducing generations of grateful youngsters (and their parents) at McCrackin Middle School to the joys of reading and writing. His teaching influence alone is enough to warrant accolades for Ed Epps, but this montage of South Carolina literary figures lifts him out of the teaching trenches into an even wider sphere of influence and acclaim.



# Colorado scandal echoes Air Force woes

watching the firestorm erupt at the Air Force Academy last year as dozens of women came forward to say they had been raped by fellow

"I thought, 'That doesn't happen here,'" said Steinhauer, the Board of Regents chairman for

the University of Colorado. But it has. The state's largest school is in the middle of a nightmare involving alleged rapes by football players, binge drinking and officials

accused of looking the other way for years. The parallels between the scandals at the Colorado schools are many — parents of stu-dents calling to ask if their children are safe, a committee appointed to investigate, questions about a male-dominated culture, stunning remarks from officials.

At Colorado, football coach Gary Barnett was suspended for criticizing the athletic ability of former player Katie Hnida after she said she had been raped by a teammate, saying she was a "terrible" place kicker.

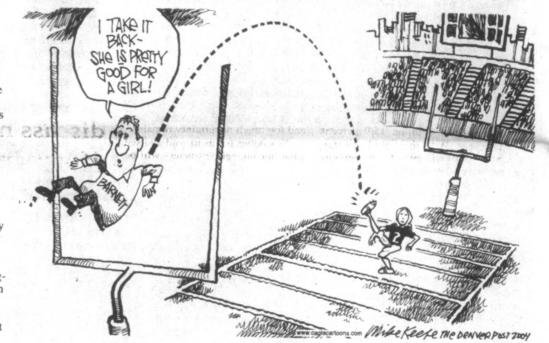
At the academy, Brig. Gen. Taco Gilbert suggested alleged victims had placed themselves in danger: "If I walk down a dark alley with hundred-dollar bills hanging out of my pockets, it doesn't justify my being attacked or robbed, but I certainly increased the risk.

Col. Laurie Sue Slavec was also criticized for saying she never saw a "true rape" while she was in charge of discipline at the academy. Gilbert, Slavec and other top commanders were ousted last summer and the school near Colorado Springs is undergoing sweeping

changes. "Denial is not part of the game plan of the new leadership," academy spokesman Johnny Whitaker said. "Anybody out there who is denying it just doesn't know the facts. I imagine they are dealing with some of the same issues at the University of Colorado.

So far, no one has been ousted at Colorado, though Barnett's job security depends on the results of an investigation into recruiting practices. Colorado football players or recruits have been implicated in at least seven alleged rapes dating to 1997.

This is a cultural problem all the country, just like at the Air Force Academy," Steinhauer said. "We would have this problem with or without the football team.



The athletic department has been the center of the controversy at Colorado, but it also has played a role at the academy. The Air Force athetic director stepped down when officials limited his authority amid claims that athletes received preferential treatment in sexual misconduct investigations.

Gordon Gee, a former Colorado president and current chancellor of Vanderbilt University. said so much pressure is put on coaches to win that they cannot stay true to ethical principles.

Gee, who compares college athletics to an arms race, eliminated Vanderbilt's sports department, putting all the teams under the control of regular university staff. "I want to be able to watch a football game

on Saturday afternoon and be able to sleep Saturday night," he said. "There are few presidents of major universities who can do that." Victims' advocates say sexual assaults are

underreported, whether they involve college

"One of the reasons many rape victims don't report is a lot of personal shame, some amount of self-blame for what occurred," said Cari Davis, executive director of a Colorado Springs organization that became a haven for academy cadets who said they were assaulted. Davis said when people start reporting, vic-

tims begin to realize they are not alone. Hnida said reading about the Colorado scandal helped her decide to come forward. Davis said she thinks the same thing would happen at other schools if rapes were publicized.

"The dirty little secret is that you just need to scratch the surface at colleges across the country to unearth a big stack of sexual assault allegations," said Scott Berkowitz, founder and president of the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network. "Every college administrator I have spoken with acknowledges with a wink and a nod that the campus sexual assaults are underreported."

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### OUR READERS WRITE

To the Editor, I read sports editor Scott Nanney's comments on the poor sportsmanship displayed by some of Austin Peay's fans last Saturday night. I have also heard the views of others who attended the game in Clarksville. While the behavior of those fans is a sad commentary on our popular culture, it has become the norm in most places.

We who live here in Murray/Calloway County do not have to become the norm. It is up to the leaders of our institutions to discourage poor sportsmanship at sporting events. I work at Calloway County High School and am pleased to say that it has become our school policy to remove any displays of poor sportsmanship that can be controlled by our school.

I have had the pleasure of attending Murray State Basketball games since 1967 and I would have to say that we have treated our visitors much better that we have been treated on the road. That needs to continue.

One thing that has bothered me while attending games this year is the taunting of opposing players who have fouled out of the game When the university plays the "Na-Na Na" song after a player has fouled out, by any reasonable person's definition, that is taunting. This behavior makes anyone attending the game look bad, and that's me too. I respect MSU's opponents. If Austin Peay should become the lone representative of the OVC in this years NCAA tournament, then I will be thrilled to seen them win. I will be less than

thrilled for some of their fans. Good luck to coaches Williams and Cronin for the rest of the sea-

> Dan Thompson Murray, Ky.

To the Editor, As we go thru another session

of the General Assembly, the special interest groups for expanded gambling are again pushing for an expansion of gambling in Kentucky. They like to paint the picture that an expansion will solve all our budget problems.

Government has the responsibility to raise tax revenue in a fair and across the board manner. Raising tax revenue thru gambling is taking advantage of the weakminded among us. A study of lottery ticket sales shows that a large portion of sales come from people whose income is near the poverty level. If they require government assistance to make up income lost thru gambling, what is the gain for

There is another gamble which

the government?

many are taking with dire eternal consequences. Many have fallen for the phony doctrine of evolution and have become rather ignorant of God. Dr. Henry Morris studied the mathematical probability of evolution being able to produce complex life from a simple cell. He concluded that the probability of producing a 200-component integrated functioning organism by mutation and natural selection just once, anywhere in the world, in all of assumed expanse of geologic time, is less than one chance out of a billion trillion. For life to evolve, it would require successive generations of positive mutation. The problem for evolution is that in the real world most mutations

that occur are detrimental to the development of complex life.

The Bible reveals God to mankind and gives our responsibilities to God and to our fellow man. It also gives the penalty for failure to seek the proper relationship with God. Revelation 20:15 says "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." Many do not seem to realize that death is not the end of it all, but merely a pause until the day of resurrection and judgment.

If you have an opinion on expanded gambling in Kentucky, call 1-800-372-7181. If you are not interested in taking the ultimate gamble, go to church and seek the proper relationship with God. Eternal life is the most precious gift that is offered to mankind. If you would like to see the price that was paid for it, watch the movie, "The Passion of The

> Sincerely, **Thomas Collins** Murray, Ky.

#### **■** General Assembly

### House passes medical malpractice legislation

By BRUCE SCHREINER Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) - The House passed legislation Friday aimed at providing relief to doctors from rising malpractice insurance

It would create a mutual insurance authority to sell malpractice coverage. It also would set up pretrial reviews of malpractice claims with the intent of ferreting out friv-

The House debate was politically charged before a 70-19 vote that sent the measure to an uncertain future in the Senate.

Democrats said the bill would inject competition and stability into malpractice insurance market. They said it also would make insurers accountable for rates and drive down court costs.

Many Republicans predicted the bill wouldn't solve the problem. They urged Democratic leaders to take up a Senate-passed Republican alternative that calls for a constitutional amendment.

If ratified by voters, the amendment would empower the legislature to limit awards for "noneconomic" damages - pain and suffering and punitive damages - and to institute an arbitration system.

Rep. Robin Webb, D-Grayson, challenged critics of the House bill to show that capping jury awards would lower malpractice insurance

"It's a ruse," she said. "It's been a political issue. It's not about solv-

Tuition ...

Education on Tuesday in Frankfort.

"We are only half way through the

session. If there are new revenues

for higher education through tax

regents raised tuition 15.9 percent

last year. With that jump, Murray State still remained 36 percent

below the national average because

other universities had to raise their

Murray State will raise its tuition,

but so will other institutions, and

MSU will remain below most of the

others. For instance, the University

of Illinois is raising its tuition 16

percent - similar to what

Alexander anticipates for Murray

State. But 16 percent amounts to

much more for Illinois students -

\$900 more a year to attend that uni-

Currently, Murray State under-

tuitions by more dollars.

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tuition increases."

### Fletcher signs fetal homicide bill

into law FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Gov. Emie Fletcher signed his first bill into law Friday, making it illegal in Kentucky for someone to criminally kill a fetus.

Fletcher signed the measure in his office before heading to Washington for a National Governors Association meeting. The measure cleared the Senate

Under the bill, a person who causes the death of a fetus nside the uterus while committing a crime could be charged with "fetal homicide." Legal abortions are specifically exempted under the bill.

Someone found guilty of the crime would be eligible for life in prison without parole.

ing the problem. It's money and politics."

The malpractice issue pits some influential interest groups: the Kentucky Medical Association and Kentucky Hospital Association on one side, the Kentucky Academy of Trial Attorneys on the other.

The KMA says rising malpractice premiums are causing some doctors to stop practicing in risky specialties and prompting some to leave Kentucky altogether.

Rep. Rob Wilkey, D-Scottsville, the bill's lead sponsor, said Kentucky has more doctors per

pay \$1,472 per semester. Out-ofstate undergraduates pay \$4,416

each semester, but students from

certain areas in Illinois, Tennessee,

Missouri and Indiana pay less than Tuition will likely be on the

and too much uncertainty remains. "It's better for us to wait and see what our budget perimeters will be before we make any decisions,"

Alexander said. State budget woes have also Alexander said he expects the slowed search processes to fill as many as 30 vacant positions at thing to happen this year: Murray State. Alexander implemented a hiring freeze until budget questions are answered. Those unfilled positions account for 168 classes not having teachers lined up for the fall semester, the president

"Our biggest priority is getting a comfortable perspective on what our budget will be next year so we can lift this freeze and move forward with filling these positions," graduate students from Kentucky

# alert for possible attack

security at hundreds of airports, nuclear plants and government facilities Friday, dispatching armed riot police to guard against possible terror attacks as the country dispatches troops on a humanitarian mission to Iraq.

A National Police Agency official, speaking on condition of anonymity, confirmed the heightened security but refused to say whether the government had new information about

a possible terror strike. He said it was the highest show of security in Japan since the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq in March 2003.

About 650 vital facilities including U.S. bases in Japan were put under increased surveillance, the Yomiuri newspaper and other media reported. Agency spokesman could not be reached Saturday to confirm

White House spokesman Scott McClellan said Japan was stepping

up security ahead of sending troops to Iraq. Japan dispatched a destroyer and an amphibious vessel for the Middle East on Friday.

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"Japan for the last few weeks has been taking some measures to improve the police preparedness as they prepare to deploy troops to Iraq," he said. "Japan has kept us apprised of the measures they are implementing.'

"The measures they are implementing are relating to police pre-

The tougher security also follows a failed attempt to hit the Defense Agency with projectiles earlier in the week and precedes an expected verdict in the trial of a cult leader accused of plotting a 1995 nerve gas attack on the Tokyo subways.

The National Police official said riot police armed with automatic rifles will guard Tokyo and Kansai international airports and nuclear power and reprocessing facilities.

### **MOZZ** dancers presenting concert this weekend

Jankville: Where Jazz Meets Funk is the title of the spring concert being presented this weekend by the MOZZ Dance Company of University. State Murray Performances will be held in Lovett Auditorium tonight at 7 and at 2

p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$5 for the general public and \$3 for anyone with a valid MSU ID.

Patrons should be advised that no video cameras or flash photography would be allowed during the performance. Members of the MOZZ Dance

Company include the following Murray State students: Diane Sater, Beth Buchanan, Reggie Shaw, Lamonica Hunt, Mark Borum, Katie Burnett, Brandi Davis, Bailey Murphy, Dara Metzger, Eryn Murray, Adam Ellis, Steven Saunders, Christian Davis, Leigh Ann West, Kevonna Bell, Venishia Davis, Hillary Spain, Katie Arnzen, Nicole Brandt, Bailey Murphy, Heidi van Ameringen and Sara Jane Cunningham.

For more information about MOZZ contact 762-2117 or 762-

# discuss needs of low-income

Inc. will hold a public meeting discuss needs of low-income families in Calloway County for the

The meeting will be Monday at 4 p.m. at the West Kentucky Allied Office in the Weaks Center.

Sue Chaney at 753-0908 prior to the meeting.

# Murray State center 'Getting Real' about eating disorders this week

Murray State University's Women's Center, along with the Disorder National Eating Association, will be presenting the 17th annual National Eating Disorders Awareness Week (EDAW) February 23-27. The theme for this year's EDAW is titled "Get Real."

"Get Real" focuses on the very real, even life-threatening consequences of eating disorders like anorexia, bulimia, and binge eating disorder. More than 5-10 million females and one million males in the United States are battling eating disorders. The purpose of EDAW is not only to inform individuals of this silent epidemic, but also to encourage persons to get real expectations, get real information and get real

The Women's Center is sponsoring a week of activities to enhance the awareness of eating disorders. All activities are open to the public and most are free.

On Monday, EDAW will be featuring "Mirrorless Monday." All the mirrors on campus will be covered with encouraging messages to "reflect" a positive body image.

On Tuesday, the Women's Center will be sponsoring "No Weigh Tuesday." Information tables will be set up in the Curris Center where

people will be invited to sign a declaration of independence from a weight-obsessed world. Those who sign the declaration are asked to dispose of the scales in their homes and are invited to bring them to the Women's Center for a future project.

"The Global Taste Test" will be Wednesday. featured on International students will share samples of healthy foods from their countries. The fair will fun from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Curris Center. A donation of one dollar is requested. Later that afternoon, a panel discussion titled "Cross-Cultural Perspectives on Beauty and Health" will take place in Freed Curd Auditorium of the MSU Collins Center from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Hosted by psychology graduate students, the event focuses on the cultural differences in beauty and body

On Thursday, EDAW will present "MSU Celebrates Every Body." The seventh annual Love Your Body Fair will take place from 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Curris Center. The purpose of the Body Fair is to help people assess their health and well-being, raise awareness and offer suggestions for healthy lifestyle practices and give people an opportunity to relax and have fun with their bodies while reestablishing the connection between mind, body, and spirit.

There will be several booths containing information and activities such as facials, massages, relaxation tips, and portrait drawing. Health screenings will also be offered for eating disorders and a variety of other health problems.

One of the Body Fair's main components is the "Room with a View" exhibit. While viewing this exhibit visitors will enter the room of a typical college female who is hiding a dangerous secret. Individuals are allowed to invade her personal space and uncover the clues, for example, read her journal, look into her mirror, see what she has to eat, and try to solve the mystery. Through the tour of the rooms, which offer a look at different phases of eating disorders, visitors can catch a glimpse of what it is like to suffer through this illness.

EDAW will also offer tickets for their annual raffle. The Women's Center has six baskets to give away, each worth \$500 and filled to the brim with goodies from local businesses. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the Body Fair or at the Women's Center in Ordway Hall. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for 6 tickets. The raffle drawing will take place at the close of the Body Fair.

For more information contact the Women's Center at (270) 762-3140.

#### modernization, then that may alleregents' agenda for their June meetviate some of the pressure for ing. The board of regents meet Friday, but that's too soon to dis-Meeting will Even with a tuition increase, cuss budget concerns because the Alexander said MSU remains General Assembly is still in session attractive. The school's board of

families here West Kentucky Allied Services,

upcoming year.

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would, Irvin said. Moberly's speech was "disinsaid. Irvin genuous," "Representative Moberly needs to show up for work and do the people's business if he's sincere about this." Moberly said he was detained in a meeting with constituents.

and other legislators were being given only "snips and snaps of various information" by the administration and that the tax plan "seems to change day by day."

The House Republican leader, Rep. Jeff Hoover of Jamestown, said his colleagues, too, want some details. But he defended Fletcher's

desire for advance consensus, and he said Fletcher had only asked Richards if the Democrats had the "political will and desire" to tackle a sensitive, potentially explosive

"If they would have given any indication to the governor that they were willing to sit down with him and try and reach a consensus or In his speech, Moberly said he starting point on tax reform, that would have been great," Hoover

> "They refused to do even that. Now they want to play it out in the public. This governor wants to try and build a consensus before we move forward. That's his style of leadership and they're refusing to cooperate," he said.





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# Community

Saturday, February 21, 2004

### Murray Kiwanis



"Chuck Roast - the host with the Most" presented a unique program at the Valentine dinner of the Murray Kiwanis Club. Portrayed by Kiwanian Tim Lawrence in disguise, "Chuck" presented musical selections and poems dedicated to Kiwanis members and their guests.

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### Murray Chapter of IAAP



The Murray Chapter of International Administrative Association Professionals (IAAP) collected items for LifeHouse as a community service project. Accepting the donations are Wilma Smith, client service director, second left, and Carmelita Norvell, executive director, second right, of

LifeHouse. Pictured left is Brenda Kimbro and right, Karen Thompson, IAAP members. For more information on IAAP call Kay Hays at 762-2234.

### **Senior**Activities

BY TERI COBB Activities director

Murray-Calloway County Senior on a daily basis from 9:15 a.m. Citizens are now settled in our new facility at the George Weaks Community Center, 607 Poplar St., Murray. We invite you to check our new facility. Our telephone number is 753-0929.

We invite you to come and join us for lunch which will be served day through Friday from 8 a.m. Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. for a donation of \$1.50. Lowfat mlk, coffee and ice tea are our daily choices of beverages. Meals are also sent to private

The center offers transportation

to 12:30 p.m. If you live in the city limits and need a ride to our center, the doctor, grocery store, bank or pharmacy, call at least one day ahead of time to schedule your ride.

Our exercise room is open Monto 4:30 p.m. Those who are 60 and older are invited to exercise at no cost. We also have two indoor Shuffleboard Courts available. Our basketball court is also

open for a variety of games and times. Times are also set aside for women only. Contact the center for more details.

Activities and menus for the week of Feb. 23-27 have been released as follows:

Monday events include Armchair Aerobics at 9:30 a.m., Stride with Pride Walkers will meet at 10 a.m. to walk at the RSEC. Bingo at 12:30 p.m. and Line Dancing at 2 p.m. in the gym. On the lunch menu will be baked pork chop, macaroni and tomatoes, green beans, biscuit, margarine

and ice cream. Tuesday events include Strength and Stretch Class from 8 to 9 a.m., a devotion by a local minister at 10 a.m., Nursing students from Paducah Community College will make a presentation on "Dealing with Depression" at 10:30 a.m. in the education room, and Murray/Kentucky Lake Chapter of AARP with Dr. David Outland as speaker at noon. A Mardi Gras lunch of chicken jambalaya, rice, okra, tomatoes, corn bread, margarine and king cake will be served at 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday events include Armchair Aerobics at 9:30 a.m., Stride with Pride Walkers at 10 a.m., and Pinochle Club at noon. Volunteers from AARP will be in the Computer Lab to assist with tax returns for those 60 and older, but this is a first come, first served basis. On the lunch mend will be lasagna, noodles, tossed salad, garlic bread, margarine and cookie-

Thursday events include Strength and Stretch Class at 8 a.m. and Ready to Paint Ceramics Class from 9 to 11 a.m. in the gym. Taco salad, lettuce, tomatoes, refried beans, tortilla chips, sour cream and banana will be

on the lunch menu. Friday events include Armchair Aerobics at 9:30 a.m., Stride with Pride Walkers at 10 a.m., Free Throw Shooting Contest for men and women, 60 and older, at 9:30 a.m. in the gym, and open Bridge play at noon, always open to new players. Chicken fried chicken. mashed potatoes and gravy, harvard beets, roll, margarine and ambrosia will be on the menu.

Murray-Calloway Senior Citizens is a United Way agency.

### here on Wednesday JO'S DATEBOOK By Jo Burkeen **Community Editor**

Cubs schedules meeting

CUBS (Calloway United Benevolent Services) will have its quarterly meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 25, at noon at Glendale Road Church of Christ,

South 12th Street and Glendale Road, Murray.

Agenda items will include American Humanics award, Character Counts information, Stroke Group information and much more.

Lunch will be available for \$3 which will support the CFS Group. Please e-mail mhansen@calloway.k12.ky.us by Monday, Feb. 23, if you plan on eating.

Announcements were to be sent to Mariette Sydnor at sydnor.mariette@basco.com or by calling at 759-1680 by Feb. 20. If you do not get them in on time, please plan on bringing your own handouts about your announcements.

Following the meeting, there will be a short meeting for Child Abuse Prevention Month. For more information contact Donna Herndon at 753-7784 or

Neighborhood Watch meeting Tuesday

The Missing Hill Area Neighborhood Watch meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 6:30 p.m. at 61 Gardner, New Concord.

Church Care Corps changes time

University Church of Christ Care Corps will distribute free food to those in need on Tuesday, Feb. 24, from 1 to 2 p.m. at the church at Highway 641 North and Highway 121 Bypass. This is a weekly service of the church.

Calloway Band Boosters plan promotion

Calloway County Laker Band Boosters will have a rebate day on Tuesday, Feb. 24, at Captain D's. Customers are asked to place their receipts in the box marked for Calloway Band on the front counter.

AARP Chapter to meet at Weaks Center

Murray/Kentucky Lake Chapter of AARP will meet Tuesday, Feb. 24, in the Senior Citizens area of Weaks Community Center. Lunch will be available at 11:30 a.m. Dr. David Outland, dermatologist, will speak at the meeting at noon. All interested persons are invited, according to Nancy Manning, president, and Al Hough, program direc-

Pancake supper for Need Line Tuesday

St. John's Episcopal Church will sponsor a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on Tuesday, Feb. 24, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Parish Hall at 1620 West Main St., Murray. A variety of pancakes as well as bacon and sausage will be served. There is no charge but donations will be accepted with all going to support Need Line.

Alzheimer's group will meet Tuesday

Alzheimer's Support Discussion Group will meet Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 4:30 p.m. in the board room of Murray-Calloway County Hospital. Free sitter service will be given by Shared Care Adult Day Care Program but call 73-0576 or 762-1537 by Monday at 4 p.m. For information call Cindy Ragsdale L.S.W. at 762-1108.

**Breast Cancer Group will meet** 

Breast Cancer Support Group will meet Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 6:30 p.m. in the classroom of Health & Wellness Center. For information call Evelyn Wallis at 489-2462.

Cardiac Rehab Group will meet

Cardiac Rehab Support Group will meet Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 6 p.m. in the third floor education unit of Murray-Calloway County Hospital. For information call Jerri Mjos at 762-1170.

Murray Tiger Club to meet Sunday

Murray Tiger Booster Club will meet Sunday, Feb. 22, at 2 p.m. at Murray High School. All officers, sports representative and other interested persons are encouraged to attend.

SCV meeting will be Monday

The Fort Heiman Camp #1834 of Confederate Veterans will meet Monday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. in the conference room of First United Methodist Church. For information call Barry Grogan at 436-2602.

Creative Arts Group will meet

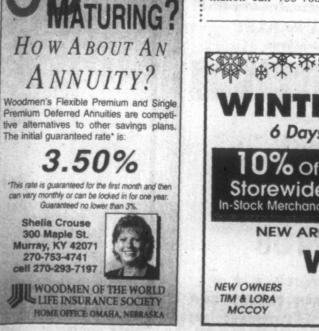
Creative Arts Group of Murray Woman's Club will meet Monday, Feb. 23, at 9:30 a.m. at the club house. Paula Crouse and Janet Wallis are scheduled to give the program on "Spring Bonnets." Hostesses will be Lillian Robertson, Jo Rae Peiffer, Jean Simmons, Carla Reyroat and Freda Steely.

**WOW Lodge to meet Monday** 

Woodmen of World Lodge 827 will meet Monday, Feb. 23, at 6 p.m. at China House.

Parent Support Group will meet

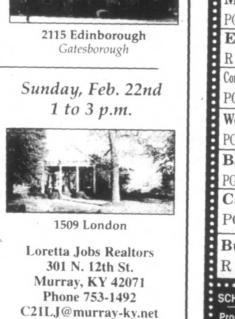
Parent Support Group, formerly called Parents Anonymous, will meet Monday, Feb. 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. Peggy Pitman-Munke, Murray State faculty member, is Parent Support board chair. For infor-

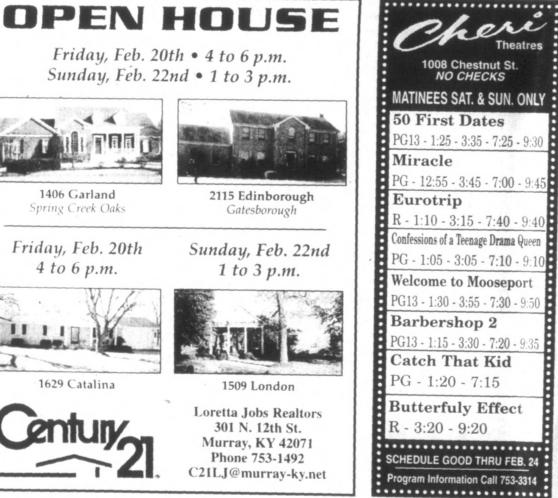


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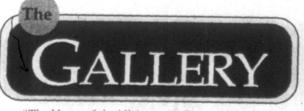
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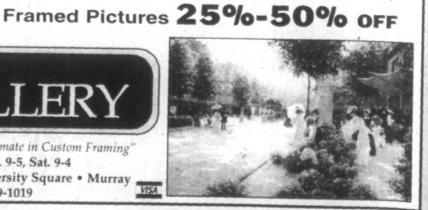


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### Home Department of MWC



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Ethelyne Loberger, side
photo, spoke about the trips
planned by Prime Life of
Murray-Calloway County
Hospital at a meeting of the
Home Department of the
Murray Woman's Club.
Hostesses were, bottom
photo, from left, Vanda Jean
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Thomson and Pat Conner.



### BirthAnnouncement

### Katelyn Brook Starks



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Katelyn Brook Starks

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Brian Starks announce the arrival of their new baby girl, Katelyn Brook Starks, born Monday, Feb. 2, 2004, at 1:53 p.m. at the University of Louisville Hospital.

The baby weighed seven pounds five ounces and measured 20 inches. The mother is the former Misty Ann Camp.

Grandparents are Alan and Cynthia Camp of Murray and Steve and Sue Starks of Benton.

Great-grandparents are Ron and Emma Lou Jones of Somerset, Henryetta Camp of Murray and Wanda Sawyers of Benton.

Great-great-grandparents include Juanita Hatcher and the late Aubrey Hatcher and Milton and Inez Jones, all of Murray.

### HospitalMenus

"Heart-Smart" is the program for the menus in the cafeteria of Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

Anne Newberry, dietitian, said the menus are designed following the guidelines of the American Heart Association and the American Dietetic Association.

Menus, subject to occasional change, for the week of Feb. 23-29 have been released as follows:

Monday - chicken strips, beef stew, \*crumb topped fish filet, \*new red potatoes, macaroni and cheese, \*broccoli spears, \*purple hull peas, \*tomato Florentine soup.

Tuesday - \*stuffed peppers, \*turkey tetrazinni, country style steak, skillet fried potatoes, \*green bean-carrot blend, \*brussel sprouts, \*baked apples, chicken and wild rice soup.

Wednesday - meat loaf, baked pork chop, \*mesquite chicken, \*baked

potato, seasoned green beans, \*baby lima beans, fried squash, cauliflower and cheese soup.

Thursday - roast beef, \*lemon pepper chicken, pork loin, \*baby carrots, \*black-eyed peas, \*turnip greens, mashed potatoes with gravy, \*vegetable

beef and barley soup.

Friday - BBQ pork on bun, \*cabbage roll, fish filet sandwich, corn pudding, tator tots, \*broccoli spears, \*capri vegetable blend, \*chicken noodle

Saturday - chicken and dumplings, salisbury steak, \*breaded fish filet, macaroni and cheese, \*green peas with pearl onions, \*steamed yellow squash, mashed potatoes with gravy, soup of the day.

Sunday - BBQ beef brisket, \*sour cream baked chicken, pork loin, \*parslied new potatoes, green bean casserole, \*cinnamon apples, \*tender spinach, soup of the day.

spinach, soup of the day. (\*denotes heart-smart selection)

# Calloway County Middle

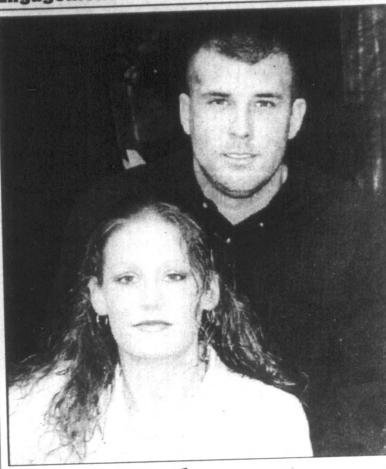


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Named as Students of the Month for January at Calloway County Middle School were, from left, Brett Towery, Tara Jakaub, Kayla Todd and Robbie Stephenson. These students were chosen because of outstanding character, work habits and cooperation with their peers and teachers.

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### Engagement



### Hill and Parker

Mark and Jessica Hill of Possum Trot announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Misty Cassandra Hill, to Bruce Allen Parker, son of Jerry and Shere Walker of Paris, Tenn., and Al and Mary Parker of Anchorage, Alaska.

Miss Hill is the granddaughter of Meredith Harris and the late Chesley Harris of Reidland, Robert and Martha Lee of Paducah, and Parvin and Sherry Hill of Murray.

Parvin and Sherry Hill of Murray.

Mr. Parker is the grandson of Ralph and Dorothy Bogard and the late Eva Bogard of Murray and the late L.K. and Julia Parker of

New Concord.

The bride-elect attended Marshall County High School and is employed at Wal-Mart and Heil Beauty Systems.

employed at Wal-Mart and Heil Beauty Systems.

The groom-elect attended Murray High School and is employed at

Bogard Trucking and Excavating Inc.

The wedding will be Saturday, April 10, 2004, at 5 p.m. at New Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, located on Highway 121 South, New Concept

A reception will follow at the church.
All relatives and friends are invited.

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"The service is wonderful. If it hadn't been for West View, I would never have been able to return home."

Becoming a resident has been a life-changing experience for Fay. She has returned home, but she still has an encouraging support system at West View.

"Not a day goes by I don't think about West View and their exceptional staff."

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Fay Foy visits with Missy Liles, Activity Coordinator at West View.



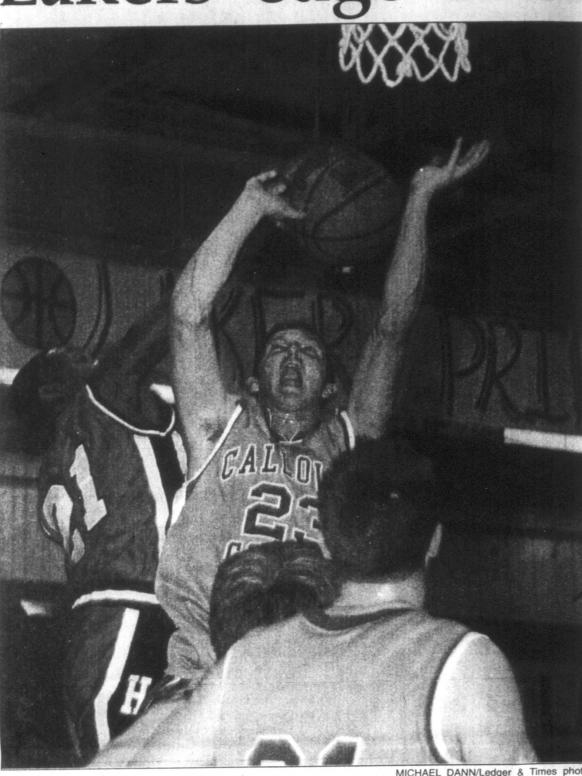
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# ports

Saturday, February 21, 2004

# Lakers edge Hickman, 44-42



MICHAEL DANN/Ledger & Times photo

of a pair of 3-pointers by Kalyn

Calloway continued to pour it

on with a pair of layups from

Radke and Chelsea Morris and a

three-point play by Loveless as

the Lady Laker margin reached

us going," said Sivills. "Our kids

are starting to play better offen-

sively. We're starting to run our

offense, and we're becoming more

patient. Patience will be a big key

CCHS carried a 19-point bulge

into the fourth stanza and closed

out the easy victory by outscor-

ing Hickman 14-11 in the final

attack with 13 points. Shameka

Dial followed Radke with 10 points

Ward tied for team scoring hon-

ors for the Lady Falcons with

court on Monday night at Graves

County before hosting Ballard

Memorial in their regular-season

Taylor paced the Lady Laker

Shaquita Baker and Jacklyn

The Lady Lakers return to the

for us the rest of the way."

"Fox's two big threes really got

20 (39-19).

eight minutes.

and Fox added nine.

seven points apiece.

finale on Tuesday.

Calloway's Terry Adams (23) gets his shot blocked from behind by Hickman County's Brandon Mason (21) as Laker teammate Logan Walker looks on. The Lakers improved to 18-6 on the season with Friday's narrow 44-42 triumph over the visiting Falcons.

Bench sparks Lady Lakers

LADY LAKERS 53

Hickman Co. 31

Hickman (31) — Baker 7, Ward 7, Yates 5, Bizzle 4, Watson 4, Caksackkar 2, Smith

FT: 7-13. Record: N/A.
Calloway (53) — Taylor 13, Radke 11, Dial

10. Fox 9, Loveless 3, Morris 3, B. Ross 2, K. Ross 2, FG: 23-51. 3-point FG: 2-

minutes of play, but trailed only

3-0 before Kelly Taylor connect-

ed on a jumper from the left base-

CCHS starters to the bench, mak-

ing way for Radke and the reserves.

dends, scoring five of the last

seven points of the quarter to sin-

gle-handedly put the Lady Lakers

with 1:53 remaining in the first peri-

od ignited a 10-0 CCHS run that

spanned the first and second quar-

ters. The home team went on to

extend its lead to 21-11 at the

The Lady Lakers effectively put

the game out of reach in the third

period, opening up a commanding

30-13 advantage on the strength

in front for good at 7-5.

halftime break.

Early foul trouble forced the

Radke immediately paid divi-

The 5-foot-9 junior's putback

line at the four-minute mark.

11 (Fox 2). FT: 5-9. Record: 11-13.

FG: 11-36. 3-point FG: 2-8 (Ward, Yates).

Hickman

Calloway

over

5 11 20 31 7 21 39 53

By MICHAEL DANN Sports Writer

There's the old saying that you

can't judge a book by its cover. The Hickman County Falcons are no different. Despite their 11-13 overall record, the Falcons gave Calloway County all they could handle, and then some, on Friday night at Jeffrey Gymnasium.

But thanks in part to two vital periods, the Lakers (18-6) were able to fight off the Falcons to come away victorious in dramatic fashion, 44-42.

Calloway was led by a gamehigh 16 points from Terry Adams, while Roger Jones dumped in 10 points. Adams also grabbed a teamhigh 11 rebounds for a double-

Hickman County was led by 13 points from Brandon Mason, while Jarrod Burgess finished with

Calloway head coach Terry Birdsong said that was the kind of game that he expected from a feisty Falcon club.

On the flipside, he wasn't impressed with the kind of game his Laker squad showcased, especially in the early going.

The Lakers committed nine firsthalf miscues and shot just 8-of-22 from the field while trailing 24-21 at halftime.

"I thought we stood around in the first half. We looked out of sync, Birdsong noted. "Hickman played four or five different defenses against us. We've seen them all, and we just stood around and dribbled too much."

Despite some team controversy that occurred in the Hickman camp this week with the departure of some players, Falcon coach Billie Prince was happy with the effort his team put forth.

'It was a pretty nice game for us, but we can't settle for that," he said. "We have had some things to battle and go through as a team. Our guys came in here focused. Sure, we're a little better than our record, but we're looking to peak at the right time."

Adams, a senior guard, drained p.m.

LAKERS 44 - Hickman Co. 42

Hickman County 14 24 30 42 Calloway County 07 21 34 44 Calloway County 07 21 34 44 Hickman (42) — Mason 13, Burgess 10, Glasco 6, Rushing 6, Pruitt 4, Boaz 3, FG: 18-39. 3-point FG: 2-6 (Boaz, Rushingr) FT: 4-8. Rebounds: 19 Fouls: 16... Calloway (44) — Adams 16, Jones 10, Futrell 8, Salinas 8, Walker 2, Barrow 0, White 0, Hargrove 0, FG: 15-37, 3-point FG: 4-12 (Adams 2, Salinas 2). FT: 10-16. Rebounds: 26 Fouls: 8.

a 3-pointer before the buzzer at halftime that got the Lakers to within three points. Calloway opened the third period on a 9-0 run and built a 29-24 lead after Adams buried a bucket. Calloway closed out the third

quarter with a 34-30 advantage, but watched as Hickman hopped back into the game. The Falcons tied the contest at 38-all on a deep three by sophomore Justin Boaz with 2:43 to go.

Calloway finished out the fourth quarter hitting 6-of-8 shots from the free throw line, including 4of-6 from sophomore guard Chase Futrell, who hit 1-of-2 free throws to give CCHS a four-point advan-

The Lakers as a whole shot 62 percent, going 10-of-16 from the

Because his number is called so many times late in the game, and because his foul shooting lacked early in the season, Futrell took shooting from the charity stripe to an extreme by tossing some 200 free shots every day.

"Every day, as a team, we will shoot five minutes of free throws. And every morning of a game, we'll shoot 30 to 40 minutes as a team," Futrell said. "I, myself, take it a step further and shoot a couple hundred on my own."

Futrell finished the game with eight points, six of which game in the fourth. He tied Aitor Salinas, who sparked the Laker offense off the bench with eight.

Calloway's senior night will be Tuesday when the Lakers play a girls'-boys' doubleheader against Ballard Memorial, beginning at 6



ROBERT F. BUKATY/AP

St. Louis Cardinals' Albert Pujols speaks during a news conference to announce the signing of a seven-year, \$100 million contract with the club, Friday in Jupiter, Fla.

# Pujols, **Cardinals finalize** deal

By The Associated Press

The St. Louis Cardinals weren't taking any chances, not with Albert Pujols.

Not willing to allow him to become a free agent after the 2006 season, the Cardinals gave him a \$100 million, seven-year contact Friday that includes a team option for 2011 that could boost the deal to \$111 million.

"One of the best moments of my life," Pujols said during a news conference in Jupiter, Fla.

Pujols, 24, he hit a major league-best .359 last season with 43 homers and 124 RBIs. The first baseman/outfielder led the big leagues with 51 doubles and was second to San Francisco's Barry Bonds in National League MVP

All at the bargain price of

"This deal not only recognizes Albert for his accomplishments over the past three seasons," general manager Walt Jocketty said. "But all along, we felt that it was important to retain a player such as Albert who came up through our farm system, and see to it that he remained a part of the

club's nucleus well into the future." Since arriving in 2001 Pujols has hit 114 homers, matching Ralph Kiner's record for most by a player during his first three seasons. He is the only player in major league history to bat .300 or better with 30 homers, 100 RBIs and 100 runs scored in each

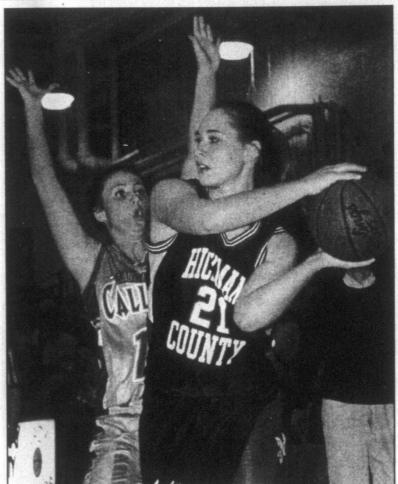
of his first three seasons. Pujols is just the ninth baseball player to receive a \$100 million contract.

"The money will mean something in a small way with my family, but it won't change the way I play baseball," he said.

In Kissimmee, the Atlanta Braves started workouts in an unfamiliar position: as underdogs.

Following the decision to cut payroll, and the loss of Gary Sheffield, Greg Maddux and Javy Lopez, it appears Philadelphia and the World Series Florida Marlins could end the Braves' streak of

12 straight division titles. "Everybody thinks we're going down this year, which is the same thing I heard when I came to camp last year," Braves pitcher Russ Ortiz said. "That's really kind of crazy when you think



MICHAEL DANN/Ledger & Times photo

Calloway senior guard Katie Ross defends against Hickman County's Kelsie Humphreys (21) during Friday's action at Jeffrey Gymnasium. The Lady Lakers grounded the Lady Falcons 53-31 to improve to 11-13 on the season.

# Breds drop opener at UAB

Staff Report

the stretch."

By SCOTT NANNEY

Having been a part of suc-

cessful teams as both a player and

coach, Scott Sivills knows all too

well the importance of a good

The Calloway County head

coach put that theory to the test

again Friday night, relying heavi-

ly on a deep pool of reserves to

lift the Lady Lakers to a 53-31

blowout of visiting Hickman Coun-

Three Calloway reserves dent-

ed the scorebook, led by Carrie

Radke's 11 points as the Lady

Lakers shrugged off a slow start

to shoot 45 percent (23-of-51)

while holding the Lady Falcons

to just 30 percent (11-of-36) shoot-

"We weren't scoring a lot early

in the game, but our bench came

in and held (Hickman) at bay,"

Sivills said. "Carrie Radke played

a great game for us, and Andrea

Loveless did a good job. Those

kids came up big for us.... Our

bench is going to be key down

The Lady Lakers (11-13) failed

to find the basket in the first four

ty at Jeffrey Gymnasium.

Sports Editor

bench.

Murray Ledger & Times

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. - The Murray State Thoroughbreds dropped their 2004 season opener, 15-8, to Conference USA member Alabama-Birmingham Friday night at Young Memorial Field. MSU held a 3-0 lead heading into the bottom of the fourth

inning, but surrendered two runs each in the fourth and fifth frames, six in the sixth and five more in the seventh. The 'Breds managed a single run in the sixth and two each in

the seventh and eighth innings, but it wasn't enough. Four Murray batters had two hits in the contest. First baseman Geoff Kirksey's lone hit was a first-inning home run. Defensively, MSU committed four errors on the evening.

Junior right-hander Craig Kraus started on the mound for the

Breds.Left-hander John Ross Shelton took the loss in relief, giv-

ing up five earned runs while striking out two in one inning.

"Not many people have gotten to them," said Ellis, whose Tigers will host No. 9 Kentucky on Saturday. "They are 8-3 (in the SEC)

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) - Ken- and 18-4. ... They are still, in my 2000. opinion, the premiere team in our conference and the country."

Ellis is optimistic for his team - even though four of the last six regular-season games for Auburn (13-9, 4-7) are against teams 'in this week's AP rankings. The Tigers started that stretch successfully, winning 80-68 at No. 24 Louisiana State on Wednesday. Ian Young scored a career-high 21 points off

the bench, while leading scorer

Marco Killingsworth added 20

points. It was Auburn's first road

Auburn hasn't won consecutive games against ranked teams since the 1986 NCAA tournament, when the Tigers beat St. John's and "Our backs are to the wall,"

Ellis said. "If we are going to get back in the thing, we need to win against ranked opponents."

Kentucky, which leads the SEC East division but trails overall league leader Mississippi State by two games, also is coming off one of its more impressive victories win against a ranked team since of the season. The Wildcats never

trailed Wednesday in a 73-56 win over visiting Arkansas, and the team posted its largest winning margin in SEC play this season. Point guard Cliff Hawkins had a career-high 11 assists and a careerlow zero turnovers.

Hawkins' ballhandling will be key against an Auburn team that likes to press and trap, Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said.

"Coach Ellis' teams have always been excellent rebounding teams, very solid defensive teams," Smith said. "They will trap you in the

# Cats join list of top foes for Aubur

tucky may not be in the midst of an undefeated run through the Southeastern Conference like



last season, but don't try convincing Auburn basketball coach Cliff Ellis that this season's

Wildcats are more vulnerable.



JACK DEMPSEY/AP Brian Cabral, newly appointed interim football coach at Colorado, speaks during a news conference at the Dal Ward Athletic Center in Boulder, Colo., Friday. Cabral was the assistant head coach and inside linebackers coach for the Buffaloes.

### Colorado names Cabral as interim coach

DENVER (AP) - The committee investigating the athletics scandal at Colorado is going to have to move fast.

The seven-member group won't hold its first meeting until March 2 and that will focus on organizational rules and open meeting law requirements. It has until April 30 to get to the bottom of the allegations of sex, booze and rape surrounding the football program - not nearly enough time, according to some.

Retired Maj. Gen. Josiah Bunting, a member of the independent panel that investigated the Air Force Academy sexual assault scandal last year, was skeptical of the time frame.

"Their first meeting ought to be this weekend, and they should be meeting continually," Bunting said Friday. "I found at the Air Force Academy that we kept uncovering more things, creating more work.

"They might be able conceivably to come up with a preliminary report," he said.

The scandal has grown over the past month with numerous accusations against the football program involving sexual assaults, binge drinking and strippers. In all, seven women have accused football players or recruits of rape since 1997.

On Friday, the school appointed longtime assistant coach Brian Cabral as the interim head football coach.

The panel, appointed this week by the Board of Regents, has been asked to determine whether "sex and alcohol are used as recruiting tools."

The committee members will likely want to talk with a number of people, from suspended football coach Gary Barnett and athletic director Dick Tharp to players, recruits and perhaps the alleged victims. There are thousands of pages of depositions that could be read.

"Anyone who volunteers for this has to be ready to drop everything and spend a lot of time on this," panel co-chair Joyce

Lawrence said earlier this month. Asked if she was confident the work could be done, co-chair Peggy Lamm said, "We will see how it unfolds." She said committee members wish they could speed up the process, but declined to answer other questions.

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# Louisville, Cincinnati try to right sinking ships

By JOE KAY AP Sports Writer

CINCINNATI (AP) - As they walked off Louisville's court with their heads down and their confidence crushed, Cincinnati's previously unbeaten Bearcats were already aching for a rematch.

In the last few weeks, it's lost much of its luster.

Two of Conference USA's marquee teams have fallen on such hard times that they're more concerned about revivals than rivals as they get set to play Saturday.

"They've lost four out of five, and we've lost whatever we've lost," Cincinnati coach Bob Huggins said Friday before practice. Both teams are - for our programs, we're struggling a little bit. For most programs, we're fine." By local standards, they're both

in one fine mess. Louisville was No. 5 and had won 13 in a row heading into their matchup on Jan. 21. Cincinnati was unbeaten after 13 games

and had moved up to No. 6. The Cardinals won 93-66, a victory so decisive that Huggins

a team quit on him like that. The games. 27-point loss matched the most lopsided in his 15 years at Cincin-

Neither team saw what was coming next. Louisville has gone 3-4 since

that game, dropping to 17-5 overall and No. 10 in the poll. The Bearcats (17-5) have lost four of eight and fallen to No. 17.

Forget about paybacks and pride. Both teams have bigger worries with the regular season winding

"We just know that it's a sense of urgency right now," said Cincinnati guard Tony Bobbitt, who failed to score in an 80-69 loss at Alabama-Birmingham on Wednesday. "Either we're going to fight out of this hole that we're in now, or we're going to stay in this hole."

Louisville is at a critical point as well. The Cardinals shot only 28.6 percent from the field in a stunning 71-46 drubbing at TCU on Tuesday. It's starting to feel like last year, when the Cardinals faded at the end - five losses in

"We went through this last year," said point guard Taquan Dean, who scored 21 points against Cincinnati but has been severely limited by a strained groin. "We've got to regroup. Once we get back to being defensive-minded, then we'll get back to where we were.

"We haven't been going at it as aggressively. We really slowed down, but that goes with being fatigued. We've picked it up this week.

Several Louisville players have been limited by injuries, contributing to the dramatic downturn. Dean has averaged only 6.2 points in five games since he suffered the groin injury.

Francisco Garcia and Nouha Diakite missed a 62-58 loss at Memphis because of ankle injuries. Leading rebounder Luke Whitehead missed practice Wednesday and Thursday after spraining an ankle,

but is expected to play Saturday. With both teams, effort has been

The highest seed that MSU can

get is the No. 4 seed, which would

mean that the Lady Racers would

host the first round of the OVC

beat Southeast Missouri and East-

ern Illinois next week, Jacksonville

State and Eastern Kentucky must

lose their remaining games and

Morehead State must lose at least

JSU hosts top-ranked Austin

Peay, Samford and Tennessee State,

while EKU visits EIU and Austin

Peay and hosts Morehead State.

Morehead State also visits SEMO

and Tennessee Tech.

For that to happen, MSU must

contention

one game.

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# Victor named to NABC; Lady Racers make tourney

Staff Report

Murray Ledger & Times

Murray State forward Cuthbert Victor, who has been in the top 10 nationally in rebounding and field goal percentage all season, was named to the National Association of Basketball



District Team, NABC the announced on Friday. Victor, a 6-5

Coaches' All-

senior from St. Croix, Virgin Islands, was selected to the District 7 first-team along with Matt Frieje of Vanderbilt, Francisco Garcia of Louisville and Gerald Fitch and Erik Daniels of Ken-

In his final season, Victor is leading the Racers in scoring (14.7 ppg), rebounding (10.4 rpg), blocked shots (43) and field goal percentage (.620).

A preseason first-team All-Ohio Valley Conference selection, Victor has been named OVC player of the week four times this year. Nationally, Victor is ranked fourth in rebounding and 10th in field goal percentage.

NABC member coaches selected 150 student-athletes from 15 3, giving MSU the No. 7 seed. districts, and each player selected is eligible for the Division I All-American Team.

With the selection, Victor becomes the 26th Racer to be named to the NABC All-District Team, and first first-team member since Isaac Spencer was selected first-

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(home) or 762-4274 (work).

MSU has had more players selected to the All-District team than any other OVC school. Last season, former Racer James Singleton was a second-team District 7

Seniors Ricky Minard of Morehead State and Adrian Henning of Austin Peay represent the OVC on the District 7 second-team, along with Scooter McFagdon of Tennessee, Antonio Burks of Memphis and Chuck Hayes of Ken-

Lady Racers clinch tourney berth

With their 71-43 win over Tennessee State Thursday night, the Murray State Lady Racers clinched a berth in the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament.

MSU (11-14, 7-7 OVC) can claim no worse than the No. 8 seed in the eight-team tourney, which would happen if they tied Eastern Illinois at 7-9 in league

Should Murray State, EIU and Tennessee-Martin all tie at 7-9, the Lady Racers would have a combined record of 3-1 against the other two teams, Eastern Illinois would be 2-2 and UTM 1-

Seven teams have already unofficially clinched spots in the postseason tournament. Tennessee-Martin and Eastern Illinois are the only teams in question. Both vying for the eighth spot. Samford and Tennessee State have unofficially been eliminated from tournament

■ The Murray Youth Sports Association (YSA) has added Feb.

21 as an additional no late fee registration date for the 2004 local

youth baseball and softball seasons. Families wanting to register players ages 5 through 18 can do so Saturday at the Murray Wal-

Mart from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the trailer on the north end of store

the cost of uniform hat and jersey. Registrations will continue to

be accepted at the offices of the Murray-Calloway Co. Parks

Department next week, Feb 23-27, with a \$10 late fee. The parks

In addition, those wishing to coach, sponsor or officiate can

For further information, please call Tab Brockman, YSA league

■ Tryouts for the MCCSA Flames, a competitive/select U-16 girls

traveling soccer team, will be held Saturday, Feb. 21, either out-

doors (weather permitting) at 1 p.m. or indoors at 6 p.m. Girls

whose birthdays fall after Aug. 1, 1986 are eligible. If interested

and for more information, contact coach Jim McCoy, 759-1006

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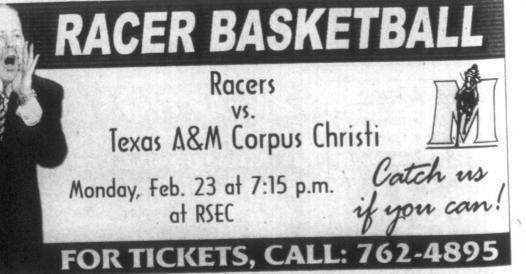
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# Lake elevations now back to normal

of Kentucky and Barkley lakes has helped rejuvenate the shad

populations. Of course, the elevations are now back to normal in the lakes at 354 feet. There is still approximately 20 feet of river elevation that is yet to come down. That could possibly come this week, if the Ohio and Mississippi rivers

are down enough to receive it. According to

and Martha Jackson and their grandson, Dan, the lake is well populated with seagulls. The seagulls are very active in their hunt for shad minnows.

The Jacksons took Dan out walking along the shorelines

Wednesday. They enjoyed the beautiful sunshine, the rocks and the shells of snails, mussells and crawfish. The myriad of gulls were actively feeding with great enthusiasm on some type of baitfish.

**Fishing** 

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This is what I hoped would happen when the lake filled to summer capacity. We really need the shad baitfish in numbers now so that our resident gamefish can be well fed when it comes time to spawn in the spring.

The extreme cold on the great lakes has forced most of the gull and the geese population down to this area and below. I'm sure many of you have seen them in parking lots all over Murray and in the green wheat fields around Hwy. 94 East.

1 counted over 22,000 gulls in one area, just a couple hundred yards from the highway. I made a couple of pictures to show the gathering. But as I moved back into traffic, I saw the ultimate gathering of gulls. They were so thick that it would have been hard to count them, even by refuge

I am hoping the recent filling and tough herrings. They dominate where they decide to settle. After the severe cold front passed through the area, those gulls moved to our lakes to feed and rest some

While they are here, food is the No. 1 requirement. That food is our freshly-acquired shad population. Hopefully, there will be enough to boost our local population after the gulls leave.

The water should clear up fairly rapidly as the movement decreases. This stained — in some areas muddy - water doesn't really produce many fish, unless there is a clear area underneath the stained

It doesn't always mix into the same color from top to bottom. Depending on the amount of flow and the bottom configuration, the stained water will slide over a creek bed of clear water without mixing together. The stained water is generally warmer, and it will remain on the surface.

Some of our local anglers have been taking some very nice-sized crappie on minnows and jigs, but they seem to find the smaller crappie much more aggressive. The smaller ones are fun, but they are our future crappie and need to be treaded kindly. Please release them

When we have a complete change in the water during a threeweek period, it is a fantastic time to catch any type of fish. Nature's way constantly amazes us with what we see and are allowed to

Obviously, the crappie are hungry. If they weren't, they wouldn't bite. But the feeding times persist. They are still accurate, even under terrible conditions.

The fish eat whenever food is in front of them, and only when the moon is in the right position. I know there are a few exceptions - but only a few!

The water temperature should move back into the 40s during the day and slowly begin to climb. I expect to see a major move from our gamefish very soon. The major don. timetables all come during the daylight hours. The sunshine can warm



Jerry Faiirchild (left) and Brian Kruse display the sauger, crappie and rockfish stripers they caught while fishing with Ledger & Tilmes columnist Jerry Maupin.

degrees, so you may need to wait for the warmer water in order to see fish movement.

Sometimes it works the same way during the fall months. I think the warm blanket on top of the water activates the baitfish first.

Kenlake Marina is still open for business. I spoke with Kenlake owner Mike Romano about some new boats. He said that they are going to have some new models available for rent. Those boats will have dual seats up front for crappie fishing. I think livewells and storage areas, which will also be featured on the boats, make for very nice rentals.

I threw a spinnerbait one day for a short while, just to get the feel of it again. I love a spinner. They do catch a lot of fish. It's not always a bass. Sometimes I get into an area where the pickerel are bedding, and they will stretch your string real quick!

Another good species is the catfish. There are three different kinds of catfish that will spawn about the same time. When they gather, they seem to lose their mild-mannered ways. They will strike on an artificial lure with reckless aban-

The spinnerbait usually draws

lose his lure. They are so powerful anyway, and then you stick a barbed hook into their lip! You best hang on to your tackle at that point. They can strip a line with the best of the bass, so don't underestimate a catfish. Use light

Look at the line strength the catfish rods are baited with. The norm for most catfish anglers is 20 pounds or more.

I didn't catch fish on my spinnerbait, but I enjoyed throwing it so much that I didn't change. A lot of the fun comes from having a good rod and reel combination that is sensitive enough to allow an angler to feel the blades turning all the way to the strike.

You can retrieve the lure so many ways. It is a great bait that will help anglers start the day!

Depending on the speed of your retrieve, the blades flash much like a couple of baitfish frolicking along. The clarity of the waters may dictate whether or not you throw the gold or silver blades. You can work a blade bait around and over most any underwater structure.

This could be an ideal time for blades because the forecast calls for warmer weather. The temperature could reach 65 degrees, which more strikes. Sometimes the cats will turn the fish on. Several locals



Penny, and Ledger columnist Jerry Maupin at Kentucky Beach Resort. They caught a cooler full of bluegill.



Ed Susralski (left) and Bill Rachan display their 4-1/2-pound and 2-1/2-pound bass, respectively. They were fishing with Jerrry Maupin on Blood River.

short time each day, and they have fared well. I don't think many limits were taken, but several crappie were caught.

The stained water should clear out quickly if the sun shines for a full day. This could be the turning point we've been looking for! Stained water will warm quick-

er than clear water as the sunlight strikes it. Crappie, bass and baitfish sure do look for the warmer areas during February.

You just may start catching a the weather continues to get warmer. Remember, we are also very

close to the sauger. They are beginning to stack up for their spawning ritual. Depending on the conditions, they could possibly begin their spawning travels together in great schools.

I haven't fished below any of our dams this winter, so I can't advise anyone about how the population is working. I'll try to come up with some good information in the next week.

There are some big rocks and stumps out there that are just barelimit very soon - particularly if ly under the surface, so watch where you're going!

Happy Fishing!

### the water by as much as four are so large that an angler will have been able to slip out for a These gulls are extremely large

world of waterfowl hunting, I can hardly imagine the tremendous days of yesteryear when the sky was blackened by

great migrating flocks of ducks and snow-covered fields full of Canada geese. All I know is that the last great year for

Kentucky waterfowlers was 2000. I joined the ranks of waterfowlers in During the 2001-02 season, those in the

In The Field know kept saying it was a "bad" season. I sus-By Kenny pected that any season Darnell would seem bad com-Outdoors ing on the heels of the Columnist 2000-01 incredible waterfowl extravaganza

that took place in the Mississippi Flyway. And so it was that the 2003-04 seeson began with everyone opining that it could be no worse than the previous season. Unfortunately, it was.

A bad season followed by a worse season gets the finger-pointing going full

steam ahead. After all; if ducks and geese along the Mississippi Flyway that prowere here last year, shouldn't they be here again this year? Unfortunately, the reasons for the bad seasons are complex and varied - and the solutions are plain

ol' hard. The bottom line is that ducks and geese migrate from north to south in the fall and winter, much like retirees headed for Florida in their motor homes. The driving force is weather - the birds will stay wherever they have open water, plenty of food and protection.

Take away any one of these and the birds will begin to move. If the open water freezes and snow covers the feeding fields, the birds will move south until

they again find water, food and shelter. That simple equation has been complicated by changes in weather patterns

over the past few years. The push of arctic air that always brought snow cover to the midwest by the middle of December now arrives in late January - just as the waterfowl seasons are ending. In addition to natural changes, man-made changes in the form of refuges and more efficient agriculture also lumpup the dough.

Thanks to a string of refuge areas all

vide open water, food and shelter in abundance, the birds need not move as far and as often as in the past. Migrating birds simply fly from one refuge to the other, staying put as long as conditions will allow.

Modern large-scale agriculture has removed many of the potholes, sloughs, ponds and other resting places along the flyway while leaving less grain behind to fuel the hungry flocks. In short, the flyway has shifted to a sort of "connectthe-refuge-dots" pattern.

The effect of the weather was illustrated in dramatic fashion during the 2000-01 season. The

December arctic blast returned and dumped snow and ice over the Midwest - right down to the Ohio River. As a result, ducks and geese poured into Kentucky by the tens of thousands. Finding ample water, food and shelter here, they

So if we can't control the weather, at least we can realign the seasons, can't we? Possibly. But it would take an act of Congress, literally. Thanks to the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, the framework of the waterfowl seasons are set in stone.

States may, with USFWS approval, set seasons to run from the Saturday nearest Sept. 24 to the last Sunday in January for hunting ducks.

The trick is that Kentucky is only allowed 60 days within that time frame, so our season is already pushed as far back on the calendar as possible.

Goose seasons are slightly more complex. Kentucky is allowed 66 days that can extend to Jan. 31 - the exception being Fulton County, which for some strange reason is the only county with a season that extends to Feb. 15. Extending the goose season until Feb. 15 for all of Kentucky would mean the difference between feast and famine if the current weather patterns continue.

This may not be possible, however. In the past, some states including Kentucky had the option to give up nine days on the front end of the duck season in order to extend the season until the end of January. This option is no longer available, however. Kentucky could split the season into two segments if desired, but even that offers little prospect of help.

Everything that our state wants to do regarding migratory birds - even within the allowable framework - must be

reviewed and approved by the USFWS. This makes the process of change diffi-

cult at best. On top of everything else, waterfowl populations run in cycles and are at the mercy of spring and summer conditions in the critical northern breeding and nesting areas. Duck populations have peaked approximately every 10 years from 1960° to 2000. The exceptions have been Pentails and Black Ducks, which have declined

steadily and dramatically since 1955. The good news is that Mallards are currently on an upswing, hovering around their long-term average population of eight million birds. If the current weather patterns hang around, it is conceivable that the USFWS will shift the seasons into better alignment.

The process will be slow and deliberate, however, with each state ferociously defending its own territory. Even in the best of scenarios, the end product will most likely be a compromise that will fall short of what Kentucky waterfowlers

Until then, pray for wet springs and summers in Canada and for lots of snow north of the Ohio come December.





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# South has highest proportion of MSU grad's early deaths from heart disease

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deaths from heart disease, federal officials said Thursday.

Nation-wide, nearly 17 percent of the country's heart disease-related deaths involve people Centers for Disease Control and Prevention officials say can be reduced.

Although Alaska (35.7 percent) had the highest proportion of premature heart disease deaths. the Southeast had the highest region of the deaths. In Georgia and South Carolina, nearly 24 percent of such deaths were premature, followed by Louisiana (23 percent).

More than one in five heart disease deaths were premature in Alabama, Tennessee and Mississippi.

Better prevention, detection, treatment and control of heart disease risk factors in young and

Risk factors include high blood pressure, high cholesterol, smoking, diabetes, lack of exercise

"Premature death from heart disease can be reduced by preventing or treating these risk factors," the CDC said.

Minorities had the greatest proportion of premature heart disease deaths, striking 36 percent of American Indians and Alaskan natives and 31.5 percent of blacks. Less than 15 percent of heart disease deaths for whites were premature, the

# change lands her in magazine

Special to the Ledger

Patricia Senger, 29, a native of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, traveled to Murray State University in 1997 to work on a master's degree in mass communications and advertising. Since her 1998 graduation, a life-style change has given her a new appearance that was featured in January's Fitness, Mind, Body and Spirit.

Senger, an international footwear development manager for Brooks Sports Inc. in Seattle, said she had struggled with a weight problem since fourth grade. The 5-foot 7inch tall Senger is now sporting a new look with a 48-pound weight

"I describe my former self as a total couch potato who ate huge portions of fatty foods," she said. "Through my weight loss program I have completely changed my life style and I feel so much better about myself."

Senger's weight loss actually began prior to attending MSU. At 18 she weighed 190 pounds. During her sophomore year at college she switched schools and through her friend's encouragement began a step

Through her dedication and working herself into five classes a week she lost 15 pounds in one year. After graduation from college, Senger spent a year teaching English in Korea. During that time she slowly began to change her eating habits by eating many vegetable-based meals and walking six miles a day. By the time she returned to the states she was at 160 pounds.

"Everyone needs to find something that works for them. For me it was an adapted plan of Weight Watchers, but for others it could be something else," she said. "I could never give up pasta or bread so the Atkins wasn't an option.

"I think the most important thing is to just eat healthy and exercise,' she said

After graduation from MSU Tricia was hired by Brooks, a running shoe company that features specially designed shoes worn by many of the National Football League players, John Bon Jovi, Willie Nelson and Martha Stewart. Once she started her position with Brooks she decided to train for a marathon.

While working out and running three miles a day, Senger noticed she wasn't losing weight, so she started decreasing portions of her food. She lost the last 18 pounds through Weight Watchers, a current

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Patricia Senger, right, is shown with a friend in this photo.

weight she has maintained for 18 months

"Altogether, since I began losing weight, I have gone from a size 18 down to a 6 or 8 now, depending on how the clothing is made.

As Senger's day begins, she eats oatmeal or bran cereal with a banana. Lunch consists of a salad with tuna and a frozen Lean Cuisine for dinner. Throughout the day she snacks on vegetables and fruit.

"My snacks are the main staple of my eating plan," she said. "Every now and then I will have a sandwich or treat myself to pizza or steak, but this is not a regular habit."

Senger said she has a whole new wardrobe that does not consist of any of her old clothes and gave them away as an incentive to maintain her

"I discarded all of my old clothes and game them to charities," she said. "I have been told that if you keep those clothes and gain weight, they make it easy to get back into

Even though Senger travels internationally to promote Brooks exclusive training shoes, she maintains daily 5 a.m. workouts. She has also become involved in extracurricular sports such as flag football, playing twice weekly with four different teams.

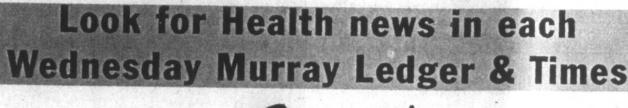
Recently, she joined the local crew team

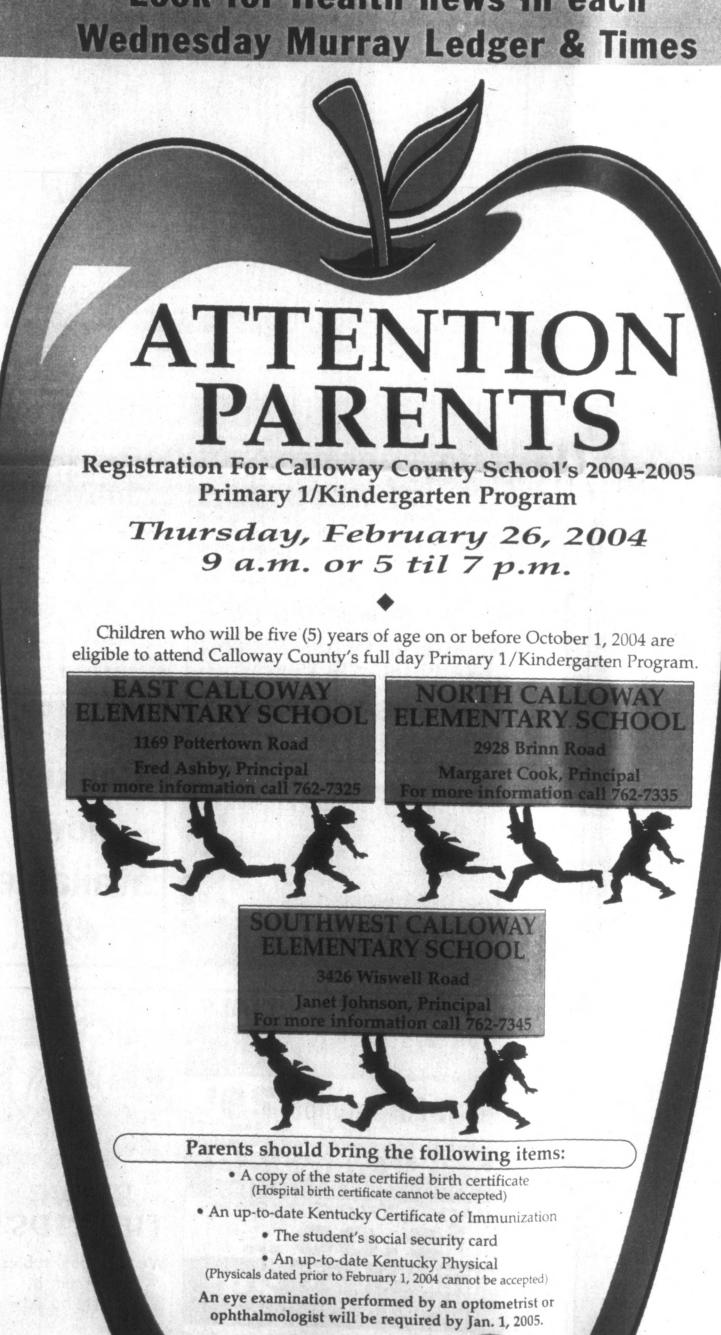
Senger credits her lovalty to her regimented diet to the strong support she has with a network of friends who share this common

"We all encourage each other. Actually, it was one of my co-workers who encouraged me to write my story and send it in to the portion of 'I Did It' in the fitness magazine." she said. "I sent it over a year ago and they notified me recently to say they were going to publish the arti-

A perk that came along with the publication of her article was receiving \$250. "I recently bought a condo and am using the money to help with home repairs," she said

Today as she travels to Brooks' customers to illustrate new threedimensional models of running shoes, Senger's new appearance along with her professional career has given her an insight to a new lifestyle that includes eating healthy





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# MSU hosts free workshop

Murray State University will host a free workshop on March 4, to provide information for adults who are considering beginning or returning to MSU to earn an undergraduate degree.

The workshop is divided into two sessions designed to help participants understand the first steps for getting admitted to MSU. Participants may attend one or both sessions. Both sessions will be held in the Curris Center Ohio Room. Session 1 will begin at 6 p.m. and will cover procedures and requirements necessary for admission. Immediately following that, around 7:15 p.m., information about filing for financial aid will be presented during Session 2.

The workshop is scheduled to end at 8:30 p.m.

Even though there is no charge to attend either workshop, reservations are required by March 3 because of limited space. Following the traditional ABC theme, or Adults Belong in College, it's not just for kids anymore. The workshop is sponsored twice each year by the MSU Center for Continuing Education and Academic Outreach. It is designed specifically for persons who may have waited for a few years after high school to enroll in college or those who may be returning to finish a degree following a break in their studies.

To get more information call 762-4159 or toll-free 1-800-669-7654. Online browsers may also learn more about ABC or any of the programs featured through CE/AO at http://ceao.murraystate.edu.

# Murray students visit Fern Terrace residents

Jaclyn Tompkins has always had a special interest in senior citizens and she has instilled that interest in her P4 students at Murray Elementary School.

The students have been working on a service learning project and part of the project was to meet with the residents at Fern Terrace on Feb. 10 to enjoy an afternoon of fun. The students made special valentines for each person who resides at Fern Terrace Lodge and they also sang songs for them.

"We chose songs we thought they would remember like Jeepers Creepers, Home on the Range, Bring Back My Bonnie and You are my Sunshine," said Tompkins. "The students worked diligently to learn the words so they could put smiles on their faces"

"They hug you when they don't even know you because they're so happy to see young people," Emily Bland said

"They sure ask a lot of questions like what is your name and how old are you and what do you want to do when you grow up," said Zachary Kondrakto

Beth Courtney said someone asked if she wanted to be a lawyer like her dad and she told them she thought she'd rather be an actor or a singer. Bland added that some of the ladies tried to give her some dating advice. In addition to singing songs and distributing valentines, the eight and nine-yearold students went from room to room reading books to the resitime resident, especially enjoyed hearing Logan Foster read because



Pictured left to right are Zachary Kondrakto, Sarah Taylor, Donovan Gary-Coleman, Andy Fraher and Logan Foster. They are visiting with past school teacher Georgia McClure and reading with her.

in Tennessee before moving to Murray. McClure told students she likes to keep up with what is going on in our country and watches the news every day. She told them she books and she also likes to play play Bingo with their new friends. Rook and Bingo.

Mail was delivered to rooms during the P4 visit and Sarah how good I felt inside to think I Taylor read cards to a resident who dents. Georgia McClure, a long has problems with her eyes. The students visited the petting zoo behind Fern Terrace before it was

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she taught school for many years time to load the bus to return to Murray Elementary but five students asked if they could run back inside and read to a few more people before they had to leave. Tompkins and her students decided really likes working in word search to return to the lodge in April to

While reflecting on the visit, Kodrakto said, "I just can't tell you could make the older people smile so much. They just wanted to give us their stuff like candy and movies. I told them they needed to keep their stuff, we didn't want them to give us their things. One lady told me if I wouldn't take her movie, would I come back some day and watch it with her. I think we all did a good job making them happy. I can't wait to go back and play bingo with them."



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# **Conservative Democrats exerting** influence in Kentucky House

BY BRUCE SCHREINER Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) - Rep. Mike Weaver says he was frustrated by Democrats being stuck with labels that didn't fit him or many of his colleagues.

So Weaver, a Democrat from Elizabethtown, helped form a caucus of conservative House Democrats in an attempt to reshape the party's image.

The group differs from most legislative caucuses, which tend to reflect geography rather than ideology. It has claimed some early successes in the opening weeks of the 2004 General Assembly.

Another in the group, Rep. Bob Damron of Nicholasville, said the caucus was the "driving force" behind legislation to create the crime of fetal homicide.

Fetal homicide bills had run aground in the House for years but a bill sponsored by Damron and others passed overwhelmingly. Another version has passed

Weaver defines the group's core issues as family, faith and freedom. He said its goal is to dispel a broadbrush image, spread by conservative talk radio, of all Democrats as liberal.

"What we want to do is spread the message that we are not all extremely liberal people," Weaver said in an interview. "We've got to fight that, and that's what this group is trying to do -- change the image and actually get credit for being who we really are."

Weaver said he got the idea for a coalition as he stood at a personal crossroads. Frustrated by perceptions of his party, Weaver said he was mulling the possibilities of becoming a Republican, an independent or getting out of politics.

Instead, the retired Army colonel dug in his heels as a Democrat and fought back. He is running for re-elec-

"I do not like being labeled something that I am the GOP will make inroads. not," he said. "It just doesn't fit me. And I'm not going

The conservative caucus has pushed resolutions through the House on two hot-button social issues. One urges the Federal Communications Commission to crack down on "indecent, vulgar language" on radio and television. The other calls on the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn a federal appeals court ruling that reciting the Pledge of Allegiance in public schools is unconstitutional.

Damron said he also expects the group to speak out

as lawmakers write a state budget.

The caucus, usually numbering slightly under 30, meets at least once a week to discuss issues and strategy. The members come from a mix of rural and urban districts spanning the state.

Damron said conservatives don't have designs on controlling the larger House Democratic caucus, which has 63 members. But their coalition gives them "a

stronger voice in policy decisions," he said. Even one of the House's most liberal members, Rep. Jim Wayne of Louisville, said there exists "a conservative strand in the Democratic Party that needs a

"The Democratic Party is a big tent," Wayne said. "We include a lot of people with various ideologies."

Wayne said he has detected stronger unity among Democrats in the House, which finds itself a last bastion of Democratic power. Republicans control the governorship, the state Senate and most of the congressional delegation.

"Our House Democrats are working together pretty much as a team right now like I've never seen it before," Wayne said.

Weaver said Democrats of all political stripes are bonded by some bedrock issues, including education and health care. "There's a glue that holds us together, and that's the needs of the common man," he said.

Still, conservative Democrats aren't averse to working with Republicans, Damron said. And House Minority Leader Jeff Hoover, R-Jamestown, said Republicans are "always looking for compromise" to promote initiatives. "If that means forging an alliance with certain members of the Democrat Party, we'd be happy to do that," he said.

Weaver said he was approached by Republicans but never came close to switching parties, though he fears

Last year, Rep. Tom Kerr, a conservative from northern Kentucky, switched from Democrat to Republican. Weaver said that, absent the caucus' efforts to assert its conservatism, the party could lose control of the House in four years. By projecting a conservative image, he said, Democrats should solidify

"You are going to have a lot of people who are going to be more comfortable in the party and think that they are better represented than they have been in

# **Continuing Education taking** registration for computer classes

The Center for Continuing learning materials. Education is currently taking registrations for two non-credit class- 209 of the Industry and Word and Basics of Web Site State campus. Space is limited. or 1-800-6694654 ext. 3659. Construction.

Introduction to Microsoft Word will help participants learn and use Microsoft's widely used word processing program. Hands-on sessions will include instruction on shortcuts and ways to customize documents. The class meets from 9 a.m. to noon on two consecutive days - March 2 and 3. The course fee is \$65, which includes a manual, disc files and other learning material.

The Basics of Web Site Construction class will give participants a hands-on opportunity to learn and understand how to build a Web site. Topics covered include how a Web site is set up, the use of Web site software (such as Microsoft FrontPage), the basics of HTML and how to publish the Web site. The class meets for three consecutive Tuesdays, beginning March 2 from 6 to 8 p.m. The fee for the class is \$65, which includes

Registrations are currently being Both classes will meet in room taken. For more information, or to register, contact the Center for Technology Center on the Murray Continuing Education at 762-3659

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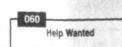
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# **Parents Television** Council opens new chapter locally

the nation's most influential advocacy organization protecting children against sex, violence and profanity in television and films, announced Tuesday the establishment of a Carbondale, Ill.-Paducah chapter. The new chapter will be headed by local resident Daniele Loyd.

The chapter will serve the communities in southern Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri. As chapter director, Loyd will be responsible for implementing PTC national grassroots initiatives. "We are pleased to establish this chapter in the Carbondale-Paducah

area, a region that has been strong-

ly supportive of the PTC's mis-

sion," said PTC Executive Director

Tim Winter "We are grateful to

dedicated people such as Daniele

who donate their time to help improve the quality of television for America's youth."

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Loyd is a registered nurse and mother of three. "Parents Television Council provides me a constructive avenue to channel my discontent with alarming trends in today's television programming," she said. "It is refreshing to find and join with a group that shares my concerns and holds a very important core value

of protecting our children." Loyd said personal outreach to her community will be the key to

her success. Prospective chapter

The Parents Television Council, members can contact Loyd toll free at 1-800-852-9371 or www.carbondalepaducahchapter@parentsty.org.

The Parents Television Council, founded in 1995, protects children from the sex, violence and profanity on television and in other media because of its documented and long-term harmful effects. The PTC accomplishes this via two primary mechanisms: by educating families so that they can be more informed consumers of media; and by motivating activism to reduce both the amount and the degree of

harmful and offensive content. Recognized as one of the largest and most effective media advocacy organizations, the PTC now boasts more than 850,000 members across the United States. The organization works with television producers, broadcasters, networks and sponsors in an effort to stem the flow of harmful and negative messages particularly those that are targeted to children. The PTC also works with elected and appointed government officials to enforce broadcast decency standards. Most importantly, it produces critical research and publications documenting the dramatic increase in sex, violence and profanity in entertainment. This information is provided free of charge (www.parentstv.org) so parents can make informed view-

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) much to share and learn about right now. ferred manner. In fact, you might want to step back from the immediate situation. A boss who's authority you often question in your

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\* \* Emphasize what you have rather than what you don't have. Allow your creativity to filter into your work

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \* \* You know what works, especially

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) between the lines. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \* \* You see someone quite differently than before. Understanding takes you down a new path, whether you are emo-

you make money. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll 5-Dynamic;

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

\*\*\* Your fire and creativity do not go unnoticed. Others might be more impressed than they let on. You also need to display your kind, caring and soft side within. Your gentleness deeply touches a child or admirer. Tonight: As you like it.

\* Do a good job listening. There is mind has much to share. Tonight: Vanish

and life. Some idea or venture you have

been pondering or dreaming about needs

to come forward. Others will help you

make it real. Tonight: So what if it is

if you follow advice. You might not be inclined to take this path, but it will work in the long run. Others seek you out, but you, too, need to know when to delegate

or ask for more help. Tonight: Work late. \*\*\* You might think an associate is not grounded, but you could discover otherwise if you work with this person. Listen and give yourself the opportunity to play with far-out ideas. You'll actually like what might come up. Tonight: Read

tionally and/or financially tied. You like the end results. One-on-one relating bonds a tie with new softness. Tonight Express your dedication LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* You will naturally do the right thing at the right time. Your imagi-4-Positive; nation merges with a partner's ideas.

Brainstorm away. List your mutual ideas

and go over them together. Tonight: The

more people around you, the better. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \* \* Pace yourself carefully. You'll get a lot done if you avoid making the "schmooze" at work or doing whatever you want. A flirtation could be building and developing into a lot more. You might have a difficult time anchoring. Tonight: Daydream away. Relax in a pre-

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\* \* You have a very charming way with certain people that achieves the results you desire. You also have a sixth sense as to how to approach others and get excellent results. Go for what you want while the planets wave you on. Tonight: Express your innate friskiness. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\* Be more forthright in your dealings with a family member and/or a domestic issue. You find that your intuition about what is needed here could make a big difference. Think in terms of stabilizing a changing situation. Tonight: Snuggle in

### AOUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\* Your intuition serves you well when dealing with those in your immediate environment. You instinctively choose and say the right words. You lure others just by being yourself. Some might think you have a very ethereal or

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### Be cautious about your attraction to your doctor

### DR. GOTT

By Dr. Peter H. Gott, M.D. **Advice Columnist** 



I'm crazy about my doctor. He is kind, gen-

tle and handsome. Whenever I see him, my heart races and I can't breathe. This causes my blood pressure to rise every time he takes it. I'm very embarrassed about my feelings toward him. Is this common, and how can I stop the way I

DEAR READER: This is common, understandable - and an open invitation to trouble. Ethically, doctors cannot become physically involved with their patients, so your physician should properly keep you at arm's length, while maintaining a caring professional attitude.

While you may not be able to control your feelings, you can control your behavior. And I urge you to continue to do so. It's OK for you to yearn for your doctor, remembering that he has a life of his own. Anything more than that would be inappropriate. A major part of being a responsible adult is to recognize your feelings but refuse to act on

them unadvisedly. I congratulate you on sharing your thoughts about such a personal matter. Now you must accept the reality that your attraction to your

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doctor must remain just that, an attraction only.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What are the options for treating an anal fissure? My doctor suggests surgery,

but I'd like an alternative. DEAR READER: An anal fissure is a crack in the tissues in a very sensitive area. If the crack is small, it will heal with time and local therapy, such as suppositories and warm baths.

In contrast, if the lesion is large, it may require surgical closure, a relatively inexpensive and uncomplicated procedure.

Judging from your brief comment, your doctor has put you in the latter category. Whether or not you have surgery will not affect your health, so such an operation is not a medical necessity. It can be put off.

Nonetheless, anal fissures can be very painful and often become chronically infected. Consequently, you may want to accept your physician's recommendation.

There is really no other specific therapy for a fissure - except to wait, keep it clean and hope that it

DEAR DR. GOTT: Why are the brown skin lesions on older people called "liver spots"? Does this mean that these folks have liver disease?

DEAR READER: The brownpigmented spots that commonly appear on the hands and face as we age were once believed to be caused by liver disease. This is now known to be inaccurate.

Such blemishes, which are worsened by chronic exposure to sunlight, are merely age-related phenomena, like graying of the hair, that are not related to the liver. They are harmless and appear on everyone, sooner or later.

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FULL TO THE TOP! YES! I AM COMPLETELY SATISFIED!

### Wife's cup runneth over every night after work

I'll call Sherene. He has not lived

with or slept with Sherene for 30

years. When I bring up the subject

of marriage, Edgar always says he is

going to get a divorce. After 22

tomorrow, Sherene would be recog-

nized as his wife - not me. She will

be able to draw his Social Security

and take anything and everything -

I need to know, should I put my

DEAR SLEEPING BEAUTY:

I'm pleased you finally woke up.

Your assessment of the situation is

100 percent correct. If anything hap-

A person who cares about the

well-being of another wants to

ensure that person will be safe and

secure if disaster strikes. The only

two things we can be absolutely sure

of are death and taxes. Talk to a

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pens to Edgar, you will be shafted.

foot down and demand marriage or

separation? - SLEEPING BEAU-

our car, house, etc.

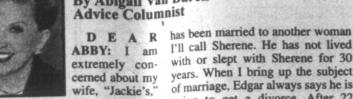
TY IN MIAMI

Abby, if Edgar dropped dead

years with me, it hasn't happened.

### DEAR ABBY

By Abigail Van Buren Advice Columnist



cerned about my wife, "Jackie's," drinking. She has only two glasses of wine every night after work, but the glasses are large, and two of

them measure out to an entire bottle. When she drinks, she slurs her words and her mood swings from happy and gentle to confrontational and angry. Some nights are worse than others. She drinks even more

on weekends when we go out. At times, our children are the target of her verbal abuse. (She is never physically abusive.)

I have read that a glass or two of wine is good for your health. I think a bottle is excessive. I have confronted her, but nothing changes. Her drinking continues.

Abby, what is considered a "glass" of wine? Is a bottle a day substance abuse? I'm afraid I'm married to an alcoholic. I want to end this, but I won't for our children's sake. Please help. - LIV-ING WITH AN ALCOHOLIC

DEAR LIVING: Your fears are well-founded. Your wife must be using a water goblet and filling it to the brim. This is not beneficial to anyone's health. A "glass" of wine is 4 ounces.

Before your wife's verbal abuse damages the children any further, give her an ultimatum - get help or get out (and you're keeping the children). This may sound extreme, but immediate action is called for. You and your children may also want to consider seeking support from Al-Anon. It's in the phone book.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 45-yearold woman in love with a 61-yearold man I'll call Edgar. We have been together for 22 years. We are not married. This entire time, Edgar

YOU WERE ONLY SATISFIED

FOR ELEVEN SECONDS ??

CAN I HELP IT IF

MY MOTHERLY

METABOLISM IS

RACING ??

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BE

GRAND.

HILDREN

### **Looking**Back

Murray State University Racers won and Lady Racers lost to Southeast Missouri at Cape Girardeau in basketball games. High team scorers were Marcus Jones and Jennifer Parker for Murray and Curtis Shelton and Alison Morris for Southwest. MSU Racers Ohio clinched the Conference Title with the win.

20 years ago

More than 400 high school students from six states will be on Murray State University campus Feb. 23-25 for the 36th annual Senior Quad State Band Festival. 30 years ago

The national gas shortage is beginning to hit even more in Calloway County. A Murray Ledger & Times survey showed at least four local gas stations which are out of gas who have no hopes of obtaining fuel before the end of the month

40 years ago Stanley Jewell of Post 45 of Murray has been named Explorer of the Year by the Four Rivers Council.

50 years ago Randall Patterson, Calloway County Clerk, urges Calloway residents to by their 1954 automobile stickers before the March 1 dead-

One hundred twenty five men are being called Feb. 23 for their preinduction physical examinations in

Abigail Van Buren, also known as Evansville, Ind., prior to entering the Armed Forces. This group of by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Calloway men includes a large number of fathers, according to officials www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box of Local Board of Selective Service. Hugh Gingles, outstanding

farmer of Calloway County, was presented the badge of honorary membership in the Murray Training School Chapter of Future Farmers of America at its banquet by Charles Lassiter, president.

Births reported include a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Brittain, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Garrison and a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bray, Feb. 7; a girl to Lt. and Mrs. Solon Gibson Hale, Feb. 8; a boy to Ens. and Mrs. Victor Kane and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Adams, no dates listed; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Davis, Feb. 12.

Marriages announced include Mary Jane Corbin to Ensign Ray Moore, Feb. 14.

70 years ago Murray Police Chief J. F. Hayes has issued a final warning to owners of automobiles and also to businesses that the 1933 privileged taxes and auto tags must be paid at once.

Fire destroyed the home of the Will C. Nanny family on Coldwater. Road on Feb. 9.

Births reported include a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Ewin Gream, Jan. 23; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jacobs, Feb. 1; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Ahart and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. William Lee, Feb. 2; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Huie Duncan, Feb. 6.

In high school basketball games, Kirksey Eagles won over Faxon Panthers, Almo Warriors over Lynn Grove Wildcats, and Hazel Lions over Farmington. High team scorers were McCuiston, Kirksey, Ross, Faxon, Maddox, Almo, Flint and Scott, Lynn Grove, Lamb, Hazel and Galloway, Farmington.

### ContractBridge

#### Sneak Attack

South dealer. Both sides vulnerable. NORTH ♥0842 **1054** ♣A6432 EAST WEST 9872 **♣**J1063 **♥**109 **♥**65 ♦98732 ♦KQJ6 ♣Q 10 8 **♣**K 5 SOUTH ♦ A ♣197

The bidding:
West North East South 1 \(\psi\) Pass Pass Pass Pass Pass 4 NT Pass Pass 5 NT

Opening lead - king of diamonds. When fate neglects to give declarer enough assets to work with, he can sometimes try to enlist the aid of his opponents to achieve his goal. This usually requires a smooth performance by declarer, and a good example is provided in today's deal.

West led a diamond against six hearts, and South saw at once that the slam would fail unless he could avoid losing two club tricks. Since there were very few holdings the defenders could have that would per-

**ACROSS** 

8 Zilch

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Cranston

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statesman

52 Journey stage

51 Undressed

53 Tehran's

DOWN

country

54 Famed loch

Stare at

55 Mountain curve

mit only one club loser (K-Q doubleton or the singleton king or queen with West, for example), South decided to add to his chances by giving the defenders a chance to go

Accordingly, at trick two he led a club to the ace, both opponents following low. He then cashed the ace of spades, A-K of trumps and K-Q of spades, discarding two diamonds from dummy. After ruffing his last spade in dummy, the stage was set. With fingers crossed, declarer led

a club. East won with the king but had to return a diamond, whereupon South discarded the jack of clubs as he ruffed in dummy to bring in the

The key play occurred at trick two when declarer led a club to the ace. East could have assured defeat of the slam by dropping the king under the ace, but he was hardly in a p find this defense so early in the play Had declarer telegraphed his

intentions by first stripping his own hand and dummy of spades and diamonds before cashing the ace of clubs, it would have been much easier for East to dispose of his king under the ace. West would then have been able to score two club tricks to set the slam.

To have the greatest chance of success, declarer's club play had to be made before East realized that the king was a hot potato.

### **TodayInHistory**

By The Associated Press Today is Saturday, Feb. 21, the 52nd day of 2004. There are 314 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 21, 1965, former Black Muslim leader Malcolm X, 39, was shot to death in New York by assassins identified as Black Muslims. On this date:

In 1878, the first telephone directory was issued, by the District Telephone Company of New Haven, Conn.

In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.

In 1947, Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid Land camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 In 1988, TV evangelist Jimmy

Swaggart tearfully confessed to his congregation in Baton Rouge, La. that he was guilty of an unspecified sin, and said he was leaving the pulpit temporarily. In 2000, consumer advocate

Ralph Nader announced his entry into the presidential race, bidding for the nomination of the Green Party.

Five years ago: Secretary of State Madeleine Albright reported little progress toward a Kosovo peace settlement.

One year ago: Michael Jordan became the first 40-year-old in NBA history to score 40 or more points, getting 43 in the Washington Wizards' 89-86 win over the New Jersey Nets.

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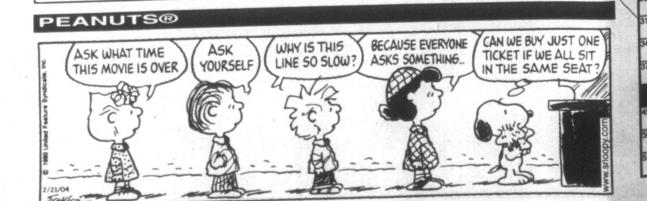
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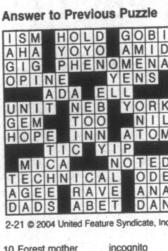
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