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Local schools pleased with CATS scores

By JOHN WRIGHT
Staff Writer

Calloway County Schools and Murray Independent Schools officials both say they are pleased with the results received this week for the Commonwealth Accountability Testing System exam.

Only the middle schools of both districts failed to meet specified goals, but even that seemed overcome by being classified as "progressing" and both were well above the baseline index mark.

Still, even though the news was good for Murray and Calloway, one word neither Calloway Assistant Superintendent Randy McCallon nor his Murray counterpart Eleanor Mills was about to use was "satisfied."

"You can never be that when it comes to this," said McCallon, a former basketball and baseball coach, who compares the cycle to a team preparing for its next game after winning a particularly important one. "The next period is in the spring, and it's one of those things where you look up and it'll be here before we know it."

"Don't get me wrong, I feel good about it. We were one of 45 districts to be shown as having exemplary growth, so what these scores say is that we're moving forward effectively enough to be seen as having progressed, which is a positive."

For the two-year cycle, 661 schools across the state met their accountability goals, 467 schools finished in the progressing area and 48 schools needed some form of assistance, according to the results.

Scores released Wednesday were from the Kentucky Core Content Tests, which were taken this spring, to cap a two-year "accountability index" for each school. The state also released test results from the Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills.

The state has set an overall goal of academic proficiency for its schools to reach by 2014. That goal is represented by a score of 100 on a scale of zero to 140. It would indicate that, on average, a school's student population is "proficient." The state's system has four performance levels — novice, apprentice, proficient and distinguished.

The state holds each school accountable for year-to-year progress or lack of progress.

Twenty-three schools during this latest testing cycle reached 100 or above, Wilhoit said. Those school districts that had schools finish 100 or above were: Anchorage Independent, Clay County, Daviess County, Fayette County, Fort Thomas Independent, Graves County,

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Bush, Kerry trade blows in debate

By SCOTT LINDLAW
Associated Press Writer

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — President Bush and rival John Kerry vaulted into the home stretch of the race for the White House by trading blows on taxes, gun control, abortion and jobs, striving in their final debate to cement impressions in voters' minds.

The Democrat cast himself as champion of the little guy and Bush the guardian of the wealthy, branding the president as reckless with the federal budget and with the use of American force. Bush labeled Kerry a carping liberal with questionable credibility, a do-nothing senator with an insatiable appetite for tax dollars.

For undecided voters, Wednesday night's faceoff was a chance to comparison-shop. For Bush and Kerry, it was a final side-by-side pitch before they dashed off on punishing late-campaign travel. With 19 days left, both men were heading to the hotly contested state of Nevada on Thursday, then splitting off, Bush to Oregon and Kerry to Iowa.

Kerry was addressing AARP, a lobbying group for people over 50 that was once known as the American Association of Retired Persons, in Las Vegas.

Bush also planned to be in Nevada on Thursday, but was skipping the influential group's convention in favor of three re-election rallies with supporters. First lady Laura Bush was to address AARP.

In the debate, Kerry and Bush returned again and again to the question of federal spending and deficits, a subject that yielded one of their sharpest exchanges.

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President Bush, right, and his Democratic opponent, Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., greet each other at the start of their third and final debate, at Arizona State University in Tempe, Ariz., on Wednesday night.

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Photos by JOHN WRIGHT/Ledger & Times

Top, Zachary Boardman, the 6-year-old grandson of 5th District House candidate Melvin Henley, watches "Sinbad" play on his portable DVD player, while Henley supporters mill around at a reception Wednesday at the Calloway County GOP headquarters. At left, Henley, right, a Republican, shakes hands with Murray's Bill Fandrigh, while Calloway County's Steve Wagoner looks on.



House lawmakers outline details of state health insurance plan

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — House lawmakers detailed elements of a state health insurance proposal Wednesday night that could avert a statewide teachers' strike later this month.

When compared to the 2005 state health insurance proposed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher, the proposed fix would — among other things — improve benefits and lower employee premiums for public school employees, state workers and retirees, said House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green.

"I believe once we pass our bill that teachers, state employees, support personnel and retirees will be very, very happy about our plan," Richards said.

State Rep. Buddy Buckingham, D-Murray, said the plan meets teacher concerns and should have support in the House and Senate.

"We have a solid, mutual agreement across the board," Buckingham said in an interview this morning. "Basically the concept is ironed out. That's not to say the Senate won't want to put their own signature on it and want to change some things."

The House was scheduled to vote on the plan this afternoon. The Senate would have it in committee tonight or tomorrow.

"We tried to rush the thing through this week, but all parties agree we would be wise to take some time to get it right," Buckingham said.

Fletcher called the General



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Highlights of the House proposal

OVERALL COST: The House health insurance plan was estimated to cost the state an extra \$170 million beyond Gov. Ernie Fletcher's proposal.

EMPLOYEE COST: Employees' costs would be reduced through lower premiums, deductibles and fixed copays on doctor visits and medicine. Premiums would also be uniform by eliminating the Fletcher proposal to base them on income.

BENEFITS: Annual deductibles for the top two plans would be set at \$250 for single coverage and \$500 for family coverage. Regular doctor visits would have set \$10 copays. Flexible spending accounts would be restored from Fletcher's proposed \$100 per month to \$234 monthly.

PRESCRIPTIONS: For the top two plans, generic drugs would cost participants \$10, brand name drugs would cost \$15 and non-formulary drugs would cost \$30.

—The Associated Press

Assembly into a special session last week, hoping it could improve upon the administration's 2005 health insurance plan — which has been met with a huge public outcry and a threatened teachers' strike later this month if current benefits aren't restored.

The state's health insurance plan covers 229,000 retired and active public school and state employees. Participants have argued the governor caught them by surprise with expensive changes.

Teachers have threatened to strike on Oct. 27 — less than a week before the November elections — if the current benefits aren't restored.

Among other things, the House proposal calls for standardizing employees' shares of premiums across the state, and it also eliminates rates based on employee salaries. The proposal also calls for reinstating set copays, in most instances.

If approved, the House proposal — which was not made public until late Wednesday night — would cost taxpayers about \$170 million beyond the governor's proposal, said Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville.

The House plan leaves one of

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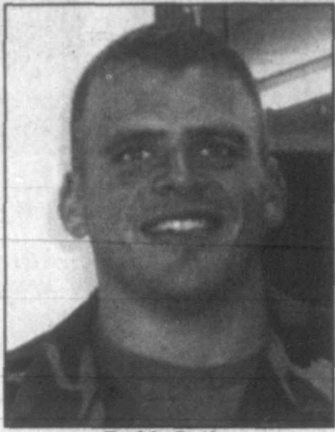
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Butler's MSU friends featured on 'The Today Show'

Special to the Ledger
Robert "Buddy" Butler II and Nikki Hensley appeared on "Today Throws A Destination Wedding" Wednesday morning to hear which invitations were chosen by viewers this past week.



Buddy Butler

Butler, a 2000 MSU graduate and Madisonville native, and Hensley, a Lexington native are "The Today Show" couple chosen for an all-expense paid wedding by NBC. Viewers voted to send the couple to a private self-contained enclave in the Caribbean on the island of Anguilla in the British West Indies for the wedding site. On Wednesday's episode, voters chose the invitation for the wedding designed by Marc Friedland. The invitations opens like a booklet with brown and blue-hued pages featuring a replica of a 1631 map of the British West Indies, gold leaf foil printing and a hand-painted, watercolor interior — all conveying the spirit of an overseas adventure,

according to "The Today Show" Web site. A small, interior booklet wrapped in aqua silk ribbon is a special discovery, containing travel details for Cap Juluca-bound guests.

Butler, who was stationed with the 101st Airborne Division in Ft. Campbell has recently relocated to Lexington after receiving clearance from Ft. Campbell in preparation for the wedding and to attend Lexington's police academy in

February. For the fifth year in a row "The Today Show" is hosting this special series to help people learn how to plan a wedding. This year's series offers a new twist from the previous ones: a destination wedding. Throughout the 12-week long series, "Today Show" guests will offer helpful advice and guide viewers through the entire process of planning a wedding. During the remaining weeks the public will be able to select wedding plans for the couple including their attire and flowers and the honeymoon destination. The next choice voters will make for the couple is selecting tuxedos for the groom and his wedding party.

Butler and Hensley have a weekly Tuesday evening date in New York City. Last week they ate at Blue Water Grille in New York's Union Square. "Of all the places we have eaten this was Nikki's favorite," Butler said. A former offensive lineman for the MSU Racers and a Pi Kappa Alpha alumnus, Butler

said that he and his groomsmen, including two friends from his Murray State University days, and his sergeant from his Ft. Campbell unit appeared on this week's segment in the film clips they taped two weekends ago at The Black Horse Pub in Clarksville, Tenn.

"This week after they announce the selection of the invitations, they will preview all the groomsmen who will be a part of the wedding," he said before the episode aired. "I am anxious to see all the taped interviews NBC filmed with each of the groomsmen."

A film crew from NBC's Today Show also traveled to film footage of Butler's groomsmen, including his fraternity brother, Donnie Sutton, and Jason Williams, Butler's former college roommate who was also on the MSU Racers football team.

Last week the wedding bridesmaid selections were revealed and the J.Crew Coral bridesmaid dress and the salmon colored Jenny Yoo flower girl dress were chosen.

Kerry ...

From Front

off the streets.

On affirmative action, Kerry said he opposes quotas but the nation has not moved far enough along to eliminate affirmative action. Bush also opposes quotas, but said he supports programs that help low- and middle-income families fund college, or small businesses get loans.

Kerry said he would not appoint judges who would overturn the Supreme Court's 1973 abortion rights decision of Roe v. Wade. Bush said he had no issue test for judges, and reiterated his support for the ban on so-called partial-birth abortion.

The last of the three debates offered fewer fireworks and more statistics than the two previous encounters, at times sounding like a dry dissertation on the bureaucracy. Each candidate threw out a dizzying array of figures and an alphabet soup of government acronyms.

Bush seemed to find his stride after two debates that most viewers and analysts thought he lost. He stifled most of the facial expressions that marred his first performance, ending each answer with a smile, though the camera occasionally captured him dropping it abruptly a few seconds later. After letting his voice rise to a shout during the second debate, Bush toned it down, speaking more softly.

Kerry was seen as the winner in two of three post-debate polls, while the third found the two tied.

Pamela Russell, a 55-year-old undecided retiree from Detroit, said Kerry addressed issues dear to her — uneven quality of schools and abortion rights.

"I was with Kerry most of the night," she said.

Dennis West of Redondo Beach, Calif., a 32-year-old Republican who works in the defense industry, said he remained inclined toward Bush.

"I'm afraid the Democrat is a little too liberal and I could be looking for a job," West said. "This is the first time I've ever voted for my job."

Excerpts from the debate

KERRY: I believe that choice is a woman's choice. It's between a woman, God and her doctor. And that's why I support that. Now, I will not allow somebody to come in and change Roe v. Wade.

BUSH: What I'm saying is that as we promote life and promote a culture of life, surely there are ways we can work together to reduce the number of abortions: continue to promote adoption laws — it's a great alternative to abortion — continue to fund and promote maternity group homes; I will continue to promote abstinence programs.

BUSH: Will I have a litmus test for my judges? And the answer is, no, I will not have a litmus test. I will pick judges who will interpret the Constitution, but I'll have no litmus test.

KERRY: I'm not going to appoint a judge to the Court who's going to undo a constitutional right, whether it's the First Amendment, or the Fifth Amendment, or some other right that's given under our courts today — under the Constitution. And I believe that the right of choice is a constitutional right.

BUSH: I believe law-abiding citizens ought to be able to own a gun. I believe in background checks at gun shows or anywhere to make sure that guns don't get in the hands of people that shouldn't have them. But the best way to protect our citizens from guns is to prosecute those who commit crimes with guns.

KERRY: I believe it was a failure of presidential leadership not to reauthorize the assault weapons ban. I am a hunter. I'm a gun owner. I've been a hunter since I was a kid, 12, 13 years old. And I respect the Second Amendment and I will not tamper with the Second Amendment.

Health insurance ...

From Front

the governor's previously offered benefit plans intact. It also creates two new benefit structures, the "Commonwealth Enhanced" and the "Commonwealth Premier" plans.

The "Commonwealth Enhanced" plan is essentially the same as the current "PPO A" plan, which currently covers more than 50 percent of the state plan's participants. The "Enhanced" plan calls for a \$500 annual deductible for family coverage, with maximum out-of-pocket expenses capped at \$2,500. It also has \$10 set copays for doctor visits and generic medicine.

A nonsmoking single person making about \$36,000, the average salary of state employees, would pay nothing for the plan, while family coverage would cost about \$430 monthly. Under the administration's proposal, a similar plan would cost about

\$490.

Rates are higher for smokers.

The House proposal's "Premier Plan" has the same annual deductibles as the "Enhanced" plan, but the out-of-pocket expense for family coverage is capped at \$2,000. Hospital stays are also cheaper under the "Premier" plan, which has employee premiums costing about \$505.

Flexible spending accounts for people who waive coverage, which had been cut down to \$100 under the administration's plan, would be restored to \$234 monthly, under the House plan.

The plan also calls for a retroactive pay increase of 2 percent for active public school employees and state workers from July 1 through the end of the year. They would also receive an extra 1 percent pay raise starting Jan. 1.

The four insurance companies awarded

state contracts by the Fletcher administration — CHA Health, Anthem Blue Cross, Bluegrass Family Health and UNITED Healthcare — would still carry the state's health plan next year.

Kentucky Education Association President Frances Steenbergen said the proposal was encouraging, but teachers were still preparing a strike until the bill became law. Once a proposal was passed, the KEA board would have to vote on whether to back down from the planned strike, she said.

"We will certainly be encouraging our members to support this legislation if it comes out the way we think it will," Steenbergen said. KEA was involved with developing a proposal, Buckingham said.

Ledger & Times staff writer Kristin Taylor contributed to this story.


Hydrants will be flushed Sunday

The city's water system will flush its fire hydrants Sunday. Flushing will begin at 7 a.m. Sunday and should be completed about 4 p.m.

The hydrants are flushed semi-annually to increase the water flow to clear the system of any sediments that may have built up. In case of any discoloration, customers should allow their cold water to run for a few minutes to clear.

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The Murray City Council will meet at 6:30 p.m. today at city hall.

The Calloway County Board of Education will meet at 6:30 p.m. today at Southwest Elementary School.

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Sheriff's Log

Calloway County Sheriff's Department

There was glass breakage in the kennel area at a vet clinic on Robertson Road South. An alarm alerted of the incident at 4 a.m. Tuesday.

Subjects were arguing about garbage pickup service at 12:29 p.m. Tuesday. The caller lives on Westwood Drive and said someone was looking in the residence's window. That person said he was there to talk to the residents about not paying their bill. He said they would answer the door, but he knew they were inside. A case was opened.

An incident was filed after a caller from Radio Road reported a make-shift bomb in her mailbox at 4:16 p.m. Tuesday.

A barn fire was reported at 9:52 p.m. Tuesday on U.S. 641 South near the bridges north of Hazel. Calloway County Fire and Rescue was notified. A caller at 10 p.m. wanted to know why Hazel Fire Department was not on the scene. Dispatched advised accordingly.

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Journalists struggle to cut through misinformation in campaigns

By ROGER ALFORD
Associated Press Writer
LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The pace of presidential campaigns, coupled with an almost daily barrage of questionable information in speeches and political advertising, makes it difficult for journalists to sort fact from fiction, a panel of journalists and newspaper readers concluded Wednesday.

Bryan Keefer, assistant managing editor of campaigndesk.org, a Web site sponsored by the Columbia

Journalism Review, said journalists have largely failed to get the truth to their readers on every issue because the candidates are generating so much information.

"The candidates are making it very hard for the press to find the truth," Keefer said during the panel discussion at the Associated Press Managing Editors annual convention. "The candidates have gotten so sophisticated about making it difficult for the press to cover the race."

Liz Sidoti, whose stories for The Associated Press often zero in on inaccuracies in political advertisements, said readers should be cautious about accepting the contents of political ads as fact.

"The ads go out there with blatant inaccuracies," she said. "We try to set the record straight but, the fact of the matter is, we can only do so much in terms of trying to give our readers the truth."

"I think the readers can find the truth if they look for it," she said. "The facts are out there.

The debunking of myths, the setting the record straight, it's out there."

Members of the public participating in the panel said they want journalists to wade through the information to present the ultimate truth.

Bertha Ortega, an assistant vice president at Heritage University in Yakima, Wash., said she depends on a broad range of media to learn about the candidates.

Ortega said she weighs all the information before reaching

conclusions and places the least credibility on information in campaign advertisements. She said she appreciates news organizations calling attention to misinformation.

"I think it is educational and beneficial," she said.

Adam Greenway, pastor of The Baptist Church of Andover in Lexington, Ky., agreed that "the information is out there, somewhere."

"Never before has information been as available as it is today," he said. "It's placing a

greater demand on the reader. You have to really be engaged to learn what is propaganda and what is fact."

Keefer contended news organizations didn't devote resources to hold the presidential candidates accountable until after Labor Day. Unfortunately, most voters already had made up their minds about whom they would support by then, he said.

"Now that the press is actually doing a relatively good job fact-checking the candidates, it may be too late," he said.

Southern states reap billions in buyout

WASHINGTON (AP) — North Carolina, Kentucky and Tennessee are the top three states to benefit from the government's recent decision to pay tobacco farmers \$9.6 billion to leave the federal leaf-growing program.

People who grow tobacco or own quotas giving them the right to do so in North Carolina will receive payments worth about \$3.9 billion over 10 years, according to an analysis by University of Tennessee agricultural economist Kelly Tiller.

In Kentucky, they will get about \$2.5 billion, while those in Tennessee will get an estimated \$767 million during the 10-year period that begins sometime next year, Tiller says.

South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia, Florida, Ohio, Indiana, and Missouri round out the list of states where people are expecting buyout payments. A fraction — \$93 million — will go to people in other places, according to Tiller.

The cash infusion is expected to create thousands of new jobs, Tiller said.

For example, she said more than 3,000 new jobs are likely to be created as a result of the buyout in North Carolina.

Roughly 1,800 new jobs are expected in Kentucky, and about 700 are likely in Tennessee, according to Tiller.

She said those would include self-employed workers, full-time and part-time as well as salaried and wage-based positions.

"People are going to have more money to spend," Tiller said. "Because the buyout brings all this new economic activity ... it would support those additional new jobs."

The buyout, approved as part of a corporate tax bill, provides tobacco quota owners with \$7 per pound they could sell under government rules in 2002. Growers get \$3 per pound.

The legislation requires cigarette manufacturers to fund the buyout.

Cigarette makers should benefit because U.S. tobacco prices are expected to fall under the new free-market system. One reason tobacco growers want the program ended is because they say it keeps prices too high to be competitive with cheaper imported leaf.

University of Kentucky agricultural economist Will Snell estimates U.S. tobacco companies will have to pay \$1.50 or so for a pound of domestic tobacco, compared to about \$2.00 per pound now.

Snell predicts many small growers will get out of the business and that larger, more efficient farms will get bigger. He said in Kentucky that means many farms could move out of the eastern part of the state, where the farms are small due to the hilly landscape.

"I think tobacco will continue to be produced throughout the state, but a significant percentage will shift gradually to the western part of the state," Snell said.

More than half of current tobacco growers are expected to retire or move into other kinds of agriculture or work.

"I think most everyone is going to take a look at their own circumstances and their own position as growers and quota holders and decide which way they want to go," said Keith English, a tobacco farmer from Coats, N.C., who spent much of the past year in Washington lobbying for the buyout. "The landscape of rural tobacco country is about to change."



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War on Terror more than a metaphorical war

Sen. John Kerry has just explained, clearly and lucidly, the difference between the Democratic and Republican approaches on how to fight terrorism: He told the New York Times Magazine that, as a "former law-enforcement person," he knew that we could not wipe out terrorism, but hoped we could repress it until it became a "nuisance," not a mortal threat.



Morris Advisory
By Dick Morris
Syndicated Columnist

Kerry's likely secretary of State, Richard Holbrooke, chimed in, saying the War on Terror can only metaphorically be a war, like other "wars" against poverty, drugs or crime. Both men believe the war against terror must be primarily a matter of law enforcement, conducted the same way we attempt, half-heartedly, to stamp out the international drug trade. To them, a combination of global alliances and interlocking law enforcement must bring individual terror-criminals to justice, one at a time, decimating the ranks of the terror gangs just as we wiped out some of the most dangerous Colombian drug cartels.

They see the war on Iraq as a diversion from this essentially criminal-justice function and the disruption of our relations with Germany, Russia and France as extremely bad news for a battle against terror that must rely on police activities of these three essential nations.

The fundamental flaw: This approach fails to recognize that terrorist gangs are only truly capable of mayhem when they're aligned with nation-states, able to use a government's resources to spread destruction globally.

This combination of nations and gangs doesn't need weapons of mass destruction to be potent. They managed to knock down the Twin Towers and plunge the world into recession with only small knives and box-cutters.

Without government allies, terrorists are a threat on the level of drug cartels or organized crime. They can terrorize a local area, make profits, assassinate local officials and kill the occasional police officer — but they can't knock down buildings or throw the world into turmoil.

Complex operations require as the empowering accoutrements of nationhood: secure boundaries to plan and train for operations; import-export trade with other nations to use in smuggling; intelligence and diplomatic contacts worldwide; foreign currency reserves. With these tools, terror gangs become global threats.

It isn't hard to smash a gang. It is very, very difficult to topple a foreign government and then restore the country to order. But it is only by going nation-by-nation and getting rid of those regimes that sponsor and promote terror gangs that we can be successful. President Bush began with Afghanistan and Iraq. While terrorists are still at large and causing damage in both places, they don't control either country, and can't use them as bases for global operations.

Bush flipped Libya by his aggressive and successful action against Saddam. Now he must use a robust American presence in Iraq to intimidate Syria and Iran and to get the Saudis to be tougher on terror. Then, with a successful track record behind him, Bush (along with China, South Korea and Japan) can begin to close in on North Korea.

But this model of a War on Terror is far from the mindset and the planning of the leadership of the Democratic Party. Shortly after 9/11, Leon Furth, Al Gore's chief national-security adviser, warned against attacking Iraq and urged a law-enforcement approach to terror in language almost identical to Holbrooke's and Kerry's. The same misguided mindset characterized the Clinton administration's core thinking on terror — that is, the "defense" that paved the way for 9/11. It is fundamentally, deeply and unalterably wrong.

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Afghanistan held a decent election — but can Iraq do the same?

WASHINGTON TODAY

By George Gedda

Even as the Bush administration savors the peaceful election in Afghanistan, anxiety is rising about the planned voting in the other grand U.S. nation-building experiment, Iraq.

There were 9,000 non-U.S. NATO troops in Afghanistan on Election Day. The United Nations and other international organizations had 600 election experts on the ground.

Outside help in Iraq is far more meager as the country prepares for its own election in January, aside from the U.S. and coalition forces stationed there.

NATO, with only 40 troops in Iraq, and the United Nations, with just 35 officials there, are a barely visible presence. And less than a third of the U.N. staff are election specialists. The rest are there to protect them.

Will Iraq be able to match Afghanistan's electoral feat?

That seems like a long shot because Iraq's hard-bitten insurgents are determined to block the balloting and because of uncertainties about outside support.

NATO has promised 300 military trainers in Iraq by year's end, too late to make a difference in the January elections. John Hulsman of the

Heritage Foundation said it is far from coincidental that the European allies are biding their time. "They are not going to do anything that would be the least bit helpful to the administration," he said.

Most NATO governments are understandably shy about dispatching forces into Iraq's life-threatening environment. Partly because of his Iraq commitment, the popularity of British Prime Minister Tony Blair is at a low ebb.

As it did in Afghanistan, the United Nations is supposed to play a key role in helping organize the Iraqi elections. And the Iraqis, devoid of any electoral experience, need all the help they can get. Absent a significant in-country presence, U.N. experts assembled outside the country are training Iraqis in voter registration and in carrying out election day duties at polling stations.

But a large in-country U.N. deployment in Iraq is not in the cards. Indeed, unions representing the U.N.'s 60,000 employees believe the small group now there now should be withdrawn because of the "unprecedented"

dangers.

The election will be to choose a 275-member legislature, whose main task will be to draft a permanent constitution. If the voters ratify the document, it will provide the legal basis for a second general election by the end of next year.

Holding a national election is no mean task for a country with no electoral legacy, equipment, infrastructure or trained personnel. Carina Perelli, the lead U.N. election specialist, believes that 275 U.N. staff would be needed to help prepare for a proper election, according to a U.N. Security Council diplomat.

One option for the Iraqis would be to put off the election until well into 2005. For now, President Bush and Prime Minister Ayad Allawi oppose any delay. Perelli is said to favor a postponement.

The Bush administration has been searching for countries willing to send forces to Iraq to protect a robust U.N. force. But the only breakthrough thus far is Georgia, which has offered 549 troops, an administration official said.

The administration is making its case for Iraq in other forums. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld was appealing for more NATO support Wednesday at a meeting of alliance defense ministers in Romania.

And Richard Armitage, the No. 2 official at the State Department, was prodding wealthy countries at a donor's conference in Japan to be generous with Iraq.

Secretary of State Colin Powell is somewhat less categorical than he was earlier this month about Iraq's ability to hold elections on schedule.

"I believe that general elections will take place at the end of January of 2005 but I don't underestimate this insurgency," Powell said Tuesday.

He spoke in an interview with al-Hurra, the U.S. government-backed television station, tailored for Arab audiences.

"It is a difficult insurgency. ... We are working hard to build up Iraqi forces as hard as we can so that, increasingly, they can work with the coalition in putting down the insurgency."

EDITOR'S NOTE — George Gedda has covered foreign affairs for The Associated Press since 1968.



Maybe the security system isn't so secure

Ted Kennedy and I have something in common. We are both on airline lists as potential terror suspects.

Kennedy was recently denied access to a US Airways flight out of Washington, one he has taken for 40 years.

I am on a US Airways list of some type that apparently requires airline employees to take my driver's license behind closed doors, have a conference and then stamp my ticket with a code that mandates my person and my carry-on bag be searched.

Every time I fly, which is sometimes several times a week, I especially appreciate the crotch grab to make sure I'm not hiding any weapons of mass destruction. How would you like to be the trainer for this procedure?

The idiocy virus is now spreading to other airlines. It seems someone who shares my name is wanted by authorities. I hope he is getting some of my hate mail. Logic should dictate that once I prove I am not the guy they are looking for, they would take me off the suspect list.

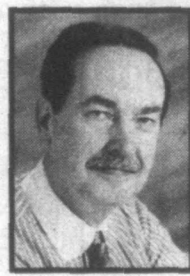
But, no, our misnamed Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is anything but logical.

US Airways gives me a TSA phone number to call. I am not surprised when a machine answers. The machine promises a "prompt" response. I leave a message. There is no response.

A few days later, I call again. Same recording, same message, same non-response. I send an e-mail to TSA. This time I receive an "automated reply," assuring me of a prompt response.

Two days later, I receive another e-mail informing me I will have to fill out a form to prove I am not a terrorist. This is an interesting twist on the "innocent until proven guilty" standard in law.

The confusion plot thickens. Two weeks ago, TSA approved my application for "registered traveler" status as part of an experimental program at some airports for



Cal's Thoughts
By Cal Thomas
Syndicated Columnist

frequent travelers. I recorded my "eye print" and fingerprint, and now a machine can identify me and allow me to go to the head of the security line, but only at the airport where I applied.

Other participating airports require applications to be made at each of those airports, even though the paperwork presumably goes to TSA headquarters.

Why can't TSA look at that one application

that has been approved and take me off their "watch list," or whatever they call it? Is "logic" not in government dictionaries?

Things have become so ridiculous on the road that a TSA screener in Duluth, Minn., last week required me to open my computer bag, whereupon she used one of those devices that resemble a deodorant pad and wiped every electrical cord.

When I asked why, she responded, "The downed Russian airliners." When I noted that Duluth was the only airport in the country where my electrical cords had been wiped, she replied, "Everyone is supposed to."

The arbitrariness of all of this makes me think the "security" system isn't very secure and that it is all a sham created by politicians to fool the public into believing they are protecting us.

Meanwhile, millions cross our borders illegally, including untold numbers from countries that hate us.

Why isn't the Bush administration doing something about illegal immigration instead of pretending these people are coming here solely to do manual labor we native Americans don't want to do? Wouldn't we be safer if we prevented

"The arbitrariness of all of this makes me think the security system isn't very secure and that it is all a shame created by the politicians to fool the public into believing they are protecting us."

those who wish us harm from getting into the country?

Thanks to Transportation Secretary Norman Mineta's misguided policy of refusing to profile travelers, we get equal opportunity inconvenience and stupidity. Imagine if cops were prohibited from describing gender, race or other physical characteristics when broadcasting an all-points bulletin for a suspect.

My profile is radically different from all those who killed nearly 3,000 of my countrymen on September 11, 2001. My "holy book" of choice is the Bible.

My race is Caucasian. I am a loyal, tax-paying, patriotic, evil-hating, English-as-first-language, natural-born American.

If profiling were allowed, I wouldn't be the one filling out government forms to prove I'm not a terrorist. The other guys would.

This is an outrage! The form will soon be in the mail. They'll probably send me a note assuring me of a prompt reply, before misplacing the application.

Senator Kennedy, can you help?

Cal Thomas hosts "After Hours" on Fox News Channel Saturdays at 10 p.m. Readers may also leave e-mail at www.calthomas.com.

Obituaries

Mrs. Leta Brandon Ray

Mrs. Leta Brandon Ray, 76, Calvert City, died Wednesday, Oct. 13, 2004, at her home.

She had been deputy city clerk of Calvert City for 30 years and was a member of Calvert City United Methodist Church. She was a graduate of the former Hazel High School and attended Murray State University.

Preceding her in death were one sister, Faye Coles, and one brother, Clifford Brandon. She was the daughter of the late Roy Brandon and Grace Myers Brandon.

Survivors include her husband, Gene Dale Ray; one daughter, Mrs. Carole A. Davis and husband, Terry, Calvert City; two grandsons, Lee Davis and wife, Raeanne, Lexington, and Brandon Davis and wife, Jennifer, Benton; one stepgreat-granddaughter, Devany; many relatives in Calloway County.

The funeral will be Friday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Filbeck-Cann & King Funeral Home, Benton. The Rev. Bill Franklin will officiate. Burial will follow in the Marshall County Memory Gardens.

Visitation will be at the funeral home from 5 to 8 p.m. today (Thursday).

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Calvert City United Methodist Church, 540 Oak Park Blvd., Calvert City, KY 42029, or Lourdes Hospice, 2855 Jackson St., Suite 5, Paducah, KY 42003.

Mrs. Glynna Ruth Sanders

Mrs. Glynna Ruth Sanders, 65, died Monday, Oct. 4, 2004, at 4:45 p.m. at the home of her son, Duane Thomas Sanders, Shiloh, Tenn. Her death was attributed to bone cancer.

She was a member of Pentecostal Church of God, Hammond, Ind. Her husband, James Thomas Sanders, and three sisters, Verna Ray Driver, Thelma Lee Sexton and Gloria Fern Blackmon, all preceded her in death. Born March 5, 1939, in Lyon County, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Ray Driver and Gladys Knight Driver.

Survivors include her son, Duane Thomas Sanders, Shiloh; two daughters, Mrs. Marilyn Joan Cruz, Hobart, Ind., and Mrs. Cheryl Lynette Sanders, Whiting, Ind.; three granddaughters; one grandson, three great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are six sisters, Mrs. Geraldine Neighbors, Richland, Ind., Mrs. Viva Tinsley, Hopkinsville, Ky., Mrs. Brenda Davis, Old Hickory, Tenn., Mrs. Vivian Starr Lewellyn, Murray, Ky., and Mrs. Becky Conger and Mrs. Detra Campbell, both of Marion, Ky.; four brothers, Ralph Driver, Knox, Ind., Garth Driver, Portage, Ind., Faron Driver, LaCross, Ind., and Kamen Driver, Murray, Ky.

The funeral was held Oct. 8 at 3 p.m. in the chapel of Shackelford Funeral Directors, Selmer, Tenn. Burial was in the Prospect Cemetery, Selmer, Tenn.

Nelson S. (Red) Tate Jr.

The funeral for Nelson S. (Red) Tate Jr. is today (Thursday) at 11 a.m. in the Metamora chapel of Mason Funeral Home, Metamora, Ill. The Rev. Dr. Rick Mortimer is officiating. Burial will follow in the Oakwood Cemetery with military rites by American Legion Post 89.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children and St. Jude Midwest Affiliate. Mr. Tate Jr., 84, Metamora, died Monday, Oct. 11, 2004, at 8:45 p.m. at Snyder Village, Metamora.

He was a 10-year volunteer for the football team at Murray State University, Murray. Retiring in 1982, he had been a supervisor for 19 years at Caterpillar in East Peoria, Ill. An Army veteran of the 33rd Division 123rd Infantry, he served in the Pacific Theater of World War II. He was a member of American Legion Post 89 and VFW Post at Metamora, and Disabled American Veterans of Louisville, Ky.

He was married Oct. 17, 1948, to the former Dorothy E. Wolfe who died Feb. 6, 1990. Born Sept. 13, 1920, in Fayette County, Ky., he was the son of the late Nelson Tate Sr. and Frances Ramsey Tate. One brother also preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Shirley Cinnamon Packard Tate, to whom he was married Jan. 19, 1991; two sons, Thomas Tate and wife, Carol, Mapleton, Ill., and Larry Tate and wife, Cheryl, Medina, Minn.; three stepdaughters, Mrs. Sherri Lucas and husband, Dan, Greenfield, Ill., Mrs. Deanna Harms and husband, Howard, Roanoke, and Mrs. Helen Packard and husband, Bobby Roe, Washington; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild; three stepgrandchildren; two stepgreat-grandchildren.

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Theron C. Riley

The funeral for Theron C. Riley will be Friday at 10 a.m. in the chapel of Blalock-Coleman & York Funeral Home. Dr. Richard Walker and the Rev. Terry Garvin will officiate. Music will be by Margery Shown and Mike Crook, soloists, and Beth Runnels, pianist.

Serving as active pallbearers will be Ken Riley, Ian Larkin, Seth Fields, Mitchell Fain, Christopher Snider and Tim Anderson. Members of Steakfast Crusaders Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church, Murray; with Dr. Paul Lyons as teacher will be honorary pallbearers. Burial will follow in the Murray Memorial Gardens.

Visitation will be at the funeral home from 5 to 8 p.m. today (Thursday). Expressions of sympathy may be made to First Baptist Church, Experiencing the Journey Building Fund, 203 South 4th St., Murray, KY 42071.

Mr. Riley, 88, Whippoorwill Drive, Murray, died Monday, Oct. 11, 2004, at 5:05 p.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

He was a retired civil engineer with the United States Army Corps of Engineers and was a member, deacon and Sunday school teacher of First Baptist Church.

Preceding him in death were his first wife, Reva Mae Cain Riley; one son, Dwaine C. Riley; and two brothers, Fritz H. Riley and Ralph W. Riley. Born Dec. 12, 1915, in Graves County, he was the son of the late Carlin Riley and Nina Gallemore Riley.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Mary Nell Rayburn Shirley Riley, to whom he was married Sept. 24, 1988; one daughter, Mrs. Jane Riley Larkin and husband, Kevin, Corona Del Mar, Calif.; one son, Glenn G. Riley and wife, Robalee Chapin, Silver Spring, Md.; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Patsy Fain and husband, Jimmy, Murray, and Mrs. Donna Hughes and husband, Mick, St. Louis, Mo.; one stepson, Tommy Shirley and wife, Sharon, Benton; one sister, Mrs. Marcile Treas, Murray; six grandchildren, Kenneth Riley, Stephen Riley, Ian Larkin, Amy Larkin Fields, Jennifer Harris and Carolyn Harris; five step-grandchildren; seven stepgreat-grandchildren.

Two Americans die in blast

By The Associated Press
 BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Insurgents set off explosives at an outdoor market and a cafe popular with Americans inside Baghdad's heavily fortified Green Zone on Thursday, killing eight civilians and wounding others, officials said.

The attack appeared to be the first time insurgents have successfully infiltrated and set off bombs in the heart of the U.S.-Iraqi leadership of the country. The U.S. military said the bombs appeared to have been "hand-carried" into the zone — raising fears over security in the compound, where the U.S. Embassy and Iraqi government offices are located.

The nationalities of the victims were not immediately known, and it was unclear if either blast was from a suicide attacker.

Six people were killed and three wounded at the bazaar, while two were killed and an unspecified number were wounded at the cafe, said Lt. Col. James Hutton, a spokesman for the 1st Cavalry Division.

Last week, an improvised bomb was found and safely defused at the same restaurant, called the Green Zone Cafe, a popular hangout for Americans and other Westerners who live and work in the zone.

Hutton said Thursday's bombs "appeared to be hand-carried" — though he did not specify if they were suicide bombings or explosives planted at the sites.

The Green Zone — a neighborhood in central Baghdad surrounded by barricades and checkpoints where some 10,000 Iraqis live — is a regular target of insurgents, who have frequently fired mortar rounds at the compound, and there have been a number of deadly car bombings at its gates.

In eastern Baghdad, a roadside bomb killed an American soldier and wounded two others, the U.S. command said. As of Wednesday, 1,081 members of the U.S. military had died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to the U.S. Defense Department.

Elsewhere, U.S. forces stepped up raids before the Muslim holy month of Ramadan,



AP photo
 Insurgents set off "hand-carried" explosives at a bazaar and cafe today in Baghdad's Green Zone, killing eight civilians and wounding a number of others in the heavily guarded compound that is home to the U.S. Embassy and Iraqi government offices, officials said.

Kidnapped truck driver beheaded in Iraq

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — A man identified as a Turkish truck driver kidnapped in Iraq was beheaded in a video shown on an Islamic Web site Thursday.

The Arabic-language Web site said the trucker's name was Ramadan Elbu, and he showed an identity document and spoke a few words in Turkish before he was killed.

The video appeared on the Web site of the Ansar al-Sunnah Army, an Iraqi militant group. A statement read out said the kidnapers belonged to the Tawhid and Jihad group's "Qaqa Brigade," a reference to a commander who served Islam's Prophet Muhammad.

The video began with the white-haired and bearded captive saying: "I am Ramadan."

"I drove a truck of supplies to the Americans. ... When I was coming back (to Turkey), the group captured me. I call on all Turkish drivers not to come to Iraq," he said.

He sat blindfolded with four masked gunmen behind him. One kidnapper said his group had sworn to oppose "the crusaders and those who help them."

"Death at the hands of the holy warriors will be the fate of those people, as you will see," said the kidnapper, who spoke Arabic but not with an Iraqi accent.

Two kidnappers then pushed the captive to the ground, and a third slit his throat with a knife and cut off his head.

Tawhid and Jihad is led by Jordanian terrorist Abu Musab al-Zarqawi and has claimed responsibility for car bombings and the beheadings of several foreign hostages. A videotape posted Wednesday on an Islamic Web site showed militants linked to al-

trading fire with militants in the Sunni stronghold of Ramadi and detaining 10 people, including two suspected insurgent leaders, in a sweep of Baqouba.

Eight people were killed and 17 wounded in the Ramadi clashes, hospital officials said.

U.S. troops swept into the city early Wednesday, sealing off key streets, taking positions on rooftops and searching buildings, residents said. Rebels fought back with gunfire and mortar blasts. Three mortar rounds, apparently aimed at city hall, slammed into a nearby house, killing two people and wounding four, including women and children, said Dr. Alaa al-Aani of Ramadi General Hospital.

The gunfire in Ramadi subsided Thursday morning and U.S. forces withdrew from the city center, residents said. The military had no immediate comment on the clashes.

The operations in Ramadi appeared to be part of a U.S. campaign to step up pressure on Sunni insurgents ahead of Ramadan, which begins Friday. Last year, its start saw a significant increase in insurgent attacks in Baghdad and elsewhere.

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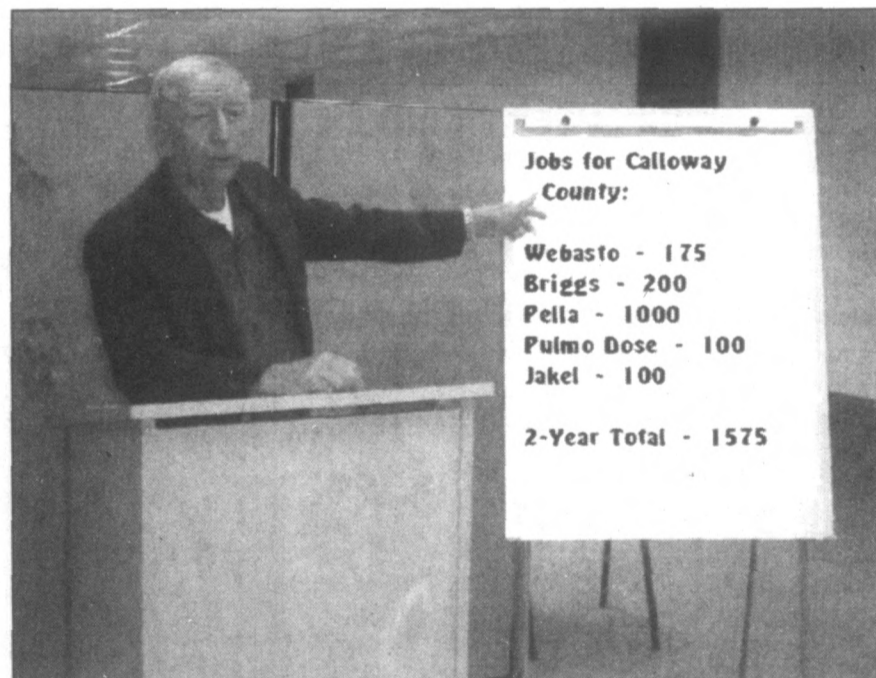
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Connie Talent, left, and Jo Farley, right, in top photo, show some of the many items they had made in "Gifts From the Heart" as master volunteers in the clothing program of the UK Cooperative Extension Service at the September meeting of the Theta Department of the Murray Woman's Club. They were introduced by Rebecca Rutledge, vice chairman. Serving as hostesses were, bottom photo, from left, Pat McMullin, Jo Farley and Sue Miller. The department will meet Monday at 2:30 p.m. at the club house.

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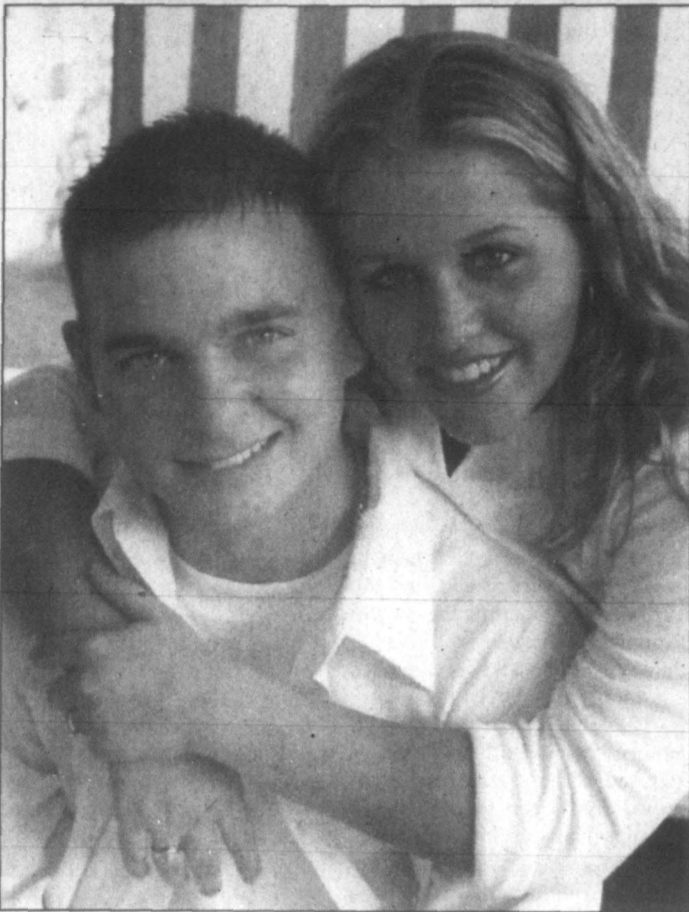
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Mr. and Mrs. Terry Tucker of Murray announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Tamara Tucker, to Michael Bennett, son of Ms. Kathy Bennett and the late Jim Bennett of Murray.

Miss Tucker is the granddaughter of Ted M. Potts and the late Norella Kelso Potts and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Don Tucker, all of Murray.

Mr. Bennett is the grandson of Ms. Sally Futrell and the late William Futrell and the late Clarence (Bud) Bennett and Audra Daphne Bennett, all of Murray.

The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of Calloway County High School. She is currently a junior at Murray State University pursuing a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

The groom-elect is a 2001 graduate of Calloway High School. He is currently stationed at Cherry Point, N.C., where he is a lance corporal in the United States Marine Corps, working with the ordnance squadron. He will be leaving for a six months tour of duty of the Mediterranean in the spring.

The wedding will be Friday, Nov. 26, 2004, at 6 p.m. at Glendale Road Church of Christ, Murray. Harold Irvan will officiate.

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

Murray woman will celebrate birthday on Saturday

Agnes Lyons of Murray will celebrate her 75th birthday on Saturday. She was born Oct. 16, 1929, in Stewart County, Tenn., to the late Wheeler and Luna Love.

She was married to the late Ora Lee Lyons for 36 years. Four daughters are Shirley Blackburn of Mansfield, Mass., Donna Boyd of Murray, Connie Evans of Pennington, N.J., and Bonnie Davis of White House, Tenn.

Her nine grandchildren are Stacy Bell and Chelsea Boyd, Andrew and Clay Blackburn, Mallory and Garrison Evans, and Tyler, Lauren and Ryan

Davis. Her two great-grandchildren are Mary-Peyton and Jackson Bell.

Mrs. Lyons has one sister, Betty Travis, and one brother, Jerry Love.

After 20 years of employment at Mattel, she retired. She now enjoys many volunteer activities in the community and with Glendale Road Church of Christ.

The birthday festivities will be at the home of Donnie and Larry Evans. Celebrating with her at the party in New Jersey will be her daughters and two grandchildren, Stacy Bell and Garrison Evans.

Calloway and Murray School Bands will be in state competition



Jo's
Datebook
By Jo Burkeen
Community
Editor

Both the Calloway County and Murray High School Marching Bands will compete in the 2004 Kentucky High School Marching Band Championships on Saturday at L.T. Smith Stadium, Western State University, Bowling Green.

The Calloway County Laker Band Boosters will have a send-off for the Laker Band on Friday at 5 p.m. in the high school parking lot. Persons are asked to come out and show their support for the band.

The Murray Tiger Band will perform at 1:15 p.m. and the Calloway Laker Band at 2:15 p.m., both in the Class 2A semi-finals.

The finals will begin at 6 p.m. at the stadium.

The members of the bands, their directors and parents are commended for their participation in the programs at the schools. It takes lots of work to reach the levels that the local high school bands will now be competing in on Saturday. And just think how much the bands add to the enjoyment of the schools' football games each year. We are proud of the band members and directors.

Boys Backboard Club will meet

Calloway County Boys Backboard Club will meet tonight at 7 p.m. in the Calloway County High School cafeteria. Plans for "Meet the Lakers" night will be discussed. All cookie dough orders and money must be turned in tonight. For information call Hal Perry at 759-4144.

Make A Difference Day on Saturday

The 48th Make A Difference Day will be Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the parking lot of Murray State University Stewart Stadium. Recycling will include all types of paper, eye glasses, used motor oil, inkjet cartridges, aluminum cans, cell phones, plastic, glass and tin cans. For more information call Bill Wells at Murray Family Resource Center at 759-9592.

Local baseball team plans promotion

Team Blaze, a 9 and under Murray baseball team, will have a "Major League" car wash on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Captain D's. Donations will be appreciated to help the team participate in the 2005 tournaments.

Alpha Department will meet

Alpha Department of Murray Woman's Club will meet Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at the club house. Dr. Sally DuFord will present a program on "Healthy Holiday Eating." Hostesses will be Lois Pharris, Susan O'Neill and Joann Niffenegger.

Blood Drive will be Sunday at church

A blood drive will be Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. For information call Melissa Easley at 753-8096.

MHS Fastpitch Club will meet

Murray High School Fastpitch Club will meet Sunday at 1 p.m. in the school cafeteria. For more information call Kande Houston at 753-3984.

West Fork plans free basketball clinic

West Fork Baptist Church will sponsor a free basketball clinic on Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. at the church's Family Life Center, located off Highway 121 North near Stella. This is for grades K-8 and all interested persons are invited.

Alpha members collecting book material

Members of Alpha Department of Murray Woman's Club will be at the club house to collect histories of families, businesses, churches, veterans and communities on today from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. This material will be used in the book, "The Calloway County Family History," to be published soon. Histories may be mailed to Calloway County Family History, P.O. Box 685, Murray, KY 42071. For information call 759-4938 or 753-2350.

Heart Walk Team plans promotion

The Heritage Bank team for the American Heart Walk on Nov. 6 at the Murray State University RSEC will have a bake sale on Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the bank on North 12th Street, Murray.

YMCA plans open house today

YMCA Afterschool Facility at Main Street Youth Center, Chestnut Street, will have open house today from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Families are invited to visit the facility and take part in activities. For information call 759-9622.

Mother to Mother Group to meet

Mother to Mother, a support group for breastfeeding moms, will meet Friday a 10:30 a.m. in the park behind Calloway Public Library, or if raining inside the building. Featured will be refreshments and door prizes. Pregnant moms, dads and older children are welcome. For more information call Kim Jastremski, CLEC, at 759-4746.

Glory Bound will hear Higher Vision

Glory Bound Entertainment will meet tonight from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Weaks Community Center. Featured will be the group, Higher Vision. Open Mic Time will be during the second half of the evening. This is sponsored by Goshen United Methodist Church. The public is invited and there is no charge. Items for Need Line will be taken. For more information call Joe Lawrence at 753-5643, Renee Taylor at 753-8124 or Jill Alton at 753-1592.

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Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Boone

Ginger Christian Orr and Bradley Allen Boone were married Saturday, June 26, 2004, at Marion Baptist Church, Marion. Bro. John East officiated.

Musicians were Linda Brown, Marion, pianist, and Mary Helen Hodges, Marion, organist. Debbie Robbins, Louisville, was soloist.

Corye Vinson, Ledbetter, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Shawna Sharp of Murray, Beth Ratley of Leitchfield and Ashley Pack of Louisville.

The flower girl was Claire Yates of Louisville. Jesse Hodge of Madisonville was best man. Groomsmen were Matt Boone, Marion, Nathan Boone, cousin of bride, Louisville, and Jordan Orr, brother of bride, Marion.

The ring bearer was Garrett Finney, cousin of bride, Palm Harbor, Fla.

Ushers were Michael Finney, cousin of bride, Palm Harbor, Jason Henderson, Nashville, Tenn., and Craig and Joshua Boone, cousins of groom, Marion.

Jada Cruse, Newburg, Ind., and Katie Hodge, Chicago, Ill., nieces of the groom, served as guest register attendants.

Wedding coordinators were Debbie Dutton and Lisa Boone, Marion, aunts of the groom.

A reception followed at Fohs Hall, Marion. Parents of the bride are Larry and Phyllis Cunningham Orr of Marion. She is the granddaughter of Kathryn Finney and the late Charles Finney of Murray and the late George and Ruth Orr of Marion.

The groom's parents are Ed and Brendyth Boone of Mayfield. He is the grandson of Marion and Sue Boone and Jake and Lois Easley, all of Marion, and the great-grandson of James and Mary Boone of Marion.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Crittenden County High School, a 1998 cum laude graduate of University of Kentucky where she earned dual degrees in English and communications, and a 2001 graduate of the University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law where she earned her Juris Doctorate.

The groom is a 1995 graduate of Crittenden County High School and a 2003 graduate of Murray State University where he earned a degree in chemistry. He is currently a second year pharmacy student at Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy.

After a honeymoon in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic, the couple is residing in Birmingham, Ala.

MSU Red Cross Club taking donations for disaster relief fund today

The MSU Red Cross Club are taking donations Thursday in the Curris Center at Murray State University. The donations will go to the Hurricane/Disaster Relief Fund. The booth will be set up from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. To get a head start on donations, members have also been taking collection cans to their individual classes.

The MSU Red Cross Club works with county chapters and the local American Red Cross. Service projects are done at least once each semester. Some projects that have been done by the RCC include, taking donations for disaster relief, collecting paper products for the Angels Clinic and collecting canned food items for Needline. Their next project will be a campus blood drive in November.

The Red Cross Club at Murray State is open to any-

one pursuing any career path. Although some students are working toward a minor in youth and non-profit leadership, membership is made up of a variety of major fields of study from pre-med to mathematics to communication disorders.

The club has approximately 35 members. The goal of RCC is to try and bring awareness to Murray State University students about how they can help out in their community. Anyone interested in joining is invited to attend a club meeting. A \$5 membership fee covers the entire year. All members will be certified in CPR at no cost.

For more information on the MSU Red Cross Club or pursuing a minor in youth and non-profit leadership, contact the office of American Humanities at 762-3808.

Chamber breakfast Oct. 20

The Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce Business@Breakfast is going to be Oct. 20 at 7:30 a.m. in Murray State's Curris Center Ballroom.

The school superintendents from Calloway County and Murray Independent school systems will be the featured speakers. Steve Hoskins and Dale Reid will talk about the challenges that currently face their systems as part of remarks that center the overall health of our two public educational districts.

Hoskins was announced as Calloway's new superintendent this summer and Reid has been on board at Murray since the

summer of 2002.

Tickets for Business@Breakfast, which will include an MSU-catered meal, are \$12 for non-Chamber members and \$10 for Chamber members. Corporate sponsor tables, which seat 10, can be reserved for \$100.

Call the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce today at 753-5171 to reserve your table for October's Business@Breakfast. The new early-morning network series is averaging more than 200 per cent and provides a great opportunity to meet and mingle with business leaders from throughout our community.

VanderMolens will be honored at ceremony

Local volunteers, Doug and June VanderMolen of Murray, will be recognized for their countless hours of service to the community on Monday at 5:30 p.m. at Captain D's, Murray, by local Modern Woodmen members.

The couple will be recognized for volunteering for scouting and church activities through Modern Woodmen's Hometown Heroes Program.

During the ceremony on Monday, the couple will be presented with a certificate and a \$100 award grant to be presented to the charitable organization of their choice.

"It's not a slam at you when people are rude - it's a slam at the people they've met before."
— F. Scott Fitzgerald

Weeks Center receives check



JOHN WRIGHT/Ledger & Times Photo

The George Weeks Community Center Board received a check for more than \$25,000 from the Calloway County Fiscal Court that will allow the board to satisfy payment on a bank loan in its pursuit of purchasing a piece of property adjacent to the center. This check came from a second sale of property the county acquired through the Good Neighbor program that is headed by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. It is also believed that the new funds give the board enough money to begin the process of demolishing the house that sits on the acquired property. Shown from left are: Calloway County Judge-Executive Larry Elkins; Gerald Duncan, county magistrate; Johnny Gingles, magistrate; Eric Kelleher, Weeks Center building manager; Steve Lax, magistrate, and Bobby Stubblefield, magistrate.

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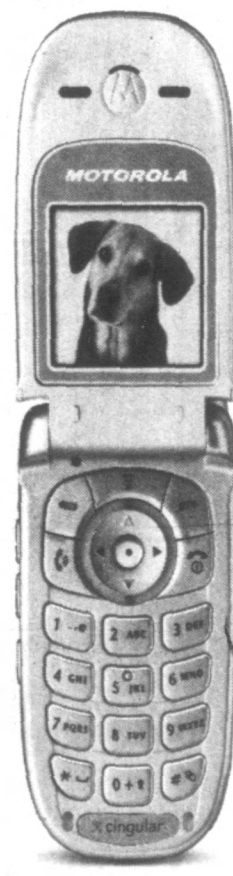
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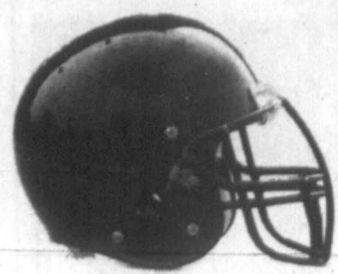
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Tiger Football

Tigers ready to battle Mayfield under true Friday Night Lights

BY MICHAEL DANN
Sports Writer

A football rivalry is renewed when Murray High travels to War Memorial Stadium to battle Mayfield under the "Friday Night Lights."

"And because of the story told in the new movie, Murray head coach Rick Fisher thought a Tuesday afternoon matinee was just what his team needed as an adrenaline rush as the No. 4 state ranked Tigers take to the road and try to do something they haven't done in six years — beat the Cardinals."

Not since 1997 has Murray High taken down its pigskin nemesis Mayfield. Despite the drought, Fisher is hoping to be showered with joy when the clock ticks down in Graves County.

"We've played them extremely well and we probably should have beaten them once or twice in that span," Fisher added. "We've played them well over there and the game is going to be won on 80 football plays Friday night and the team that executes those plays the best will come out the winner."

Much more is riding on the line as the Tigers are going for an undefeated season. A win over the Cardinals (2-5) would guarantee them two home playoff games and a perfect season could mean three home playoff games.

"What you do in November determines what you do on Friday night," Fisher said.

Murray High (7-0) brushed off a scare last week as junior quarterback Hugh Rollins went down in the third quarter against Fulton City. Rollins was rushed to the hospital and returned to the field in an air cast around his ankle. The injury shouldn't

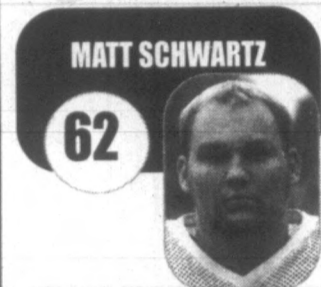
hamper Rollins.

Tim Masthay, who suffered a contusion of the upper thigh prior to Fulton City in a soccer contest, appears to be over his injury as well. An injury bug that has bitten the Tigers seems to be going by the wayside as the game approaches.

Fisher knows that's the most important element heading into the stormy showdown: "We had

to come into the game healthy, but we still have another practice to go through."

Tiger Profile



MATT SCHWARTZ
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Favorite moment on football field ...

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*Compiled by Michael Dann

Date	Opponent
Aug. 20	(W 38-3) Lone Oak
Aug. 27	(W 30-18) Hopkins Central
Sep. 3	(W 44-14) at Marshall Co.
Sep. 10	(W 48-28) Massac Co. (IL)
Sep. 17	(W 31-14) at Russellville
Sep. 24	(W 61-14) Ballard Memorial*
Oct. 1	Open
Oct. 8	(W 41-6) Fulton City*
Oct. 15	at Mayfield*
Oct. 22	at Fulton County*
Oct. 29	at Jackson
Liberty	

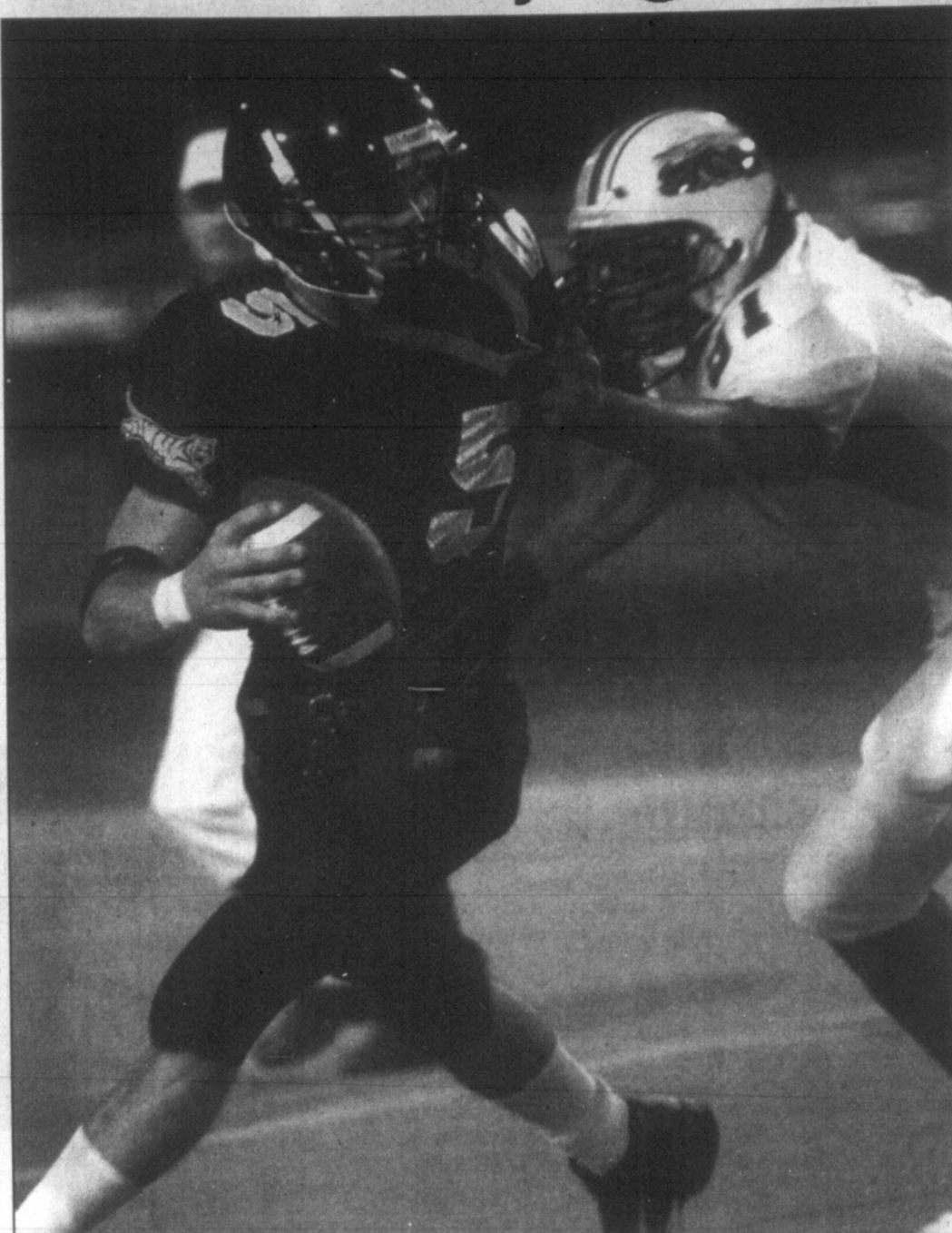
Team	Overall	District
Murray	7-0	2-0
Mayfield	2-5	1-0
Fulton City	2-4	1-1
Ballard Memorial	0-7	0-2
Fulton County	0-7	0-1

This week's games
Murray at Mayfield
Mayfield vs. Murray
Ballard Memorial vs. Fulton Co.
Fulton County at Ballard Memorial
Fulton City vs. Portageville, MO

Murray	Opponents
87	15
85	21
75	19
46	42
293	97

MHS	OPP.
110	93
259	228
1669	939
40-79-2	56-159-13
1050	767
2719	1706
8-16	12-25
56-480	46-358

Rushing - Rashad Troup 121-1019
16TD, Hugh Rollins 46-200 6TD, C.J. Ray 20-166, Anton Hammonds 5-20, Austin Wells 10-19, Taylor Pierce 3-12, Seth Darnell 2-9, Tim Masthay 3-9, Adam Heskett 9-60, Solomon Gayman 13-43 TD, Cody Zirbel 4-23, Tommy McIntosh 14-25, Will Kemp 1-12 TD, Skylar Banks 1-5, Chris Neal 0-0, Joey Jackson 0-0, Andrew Stephens 2-54, TEAM 5(-6)
Passing - Hugh Rollins 34-67-1 932 12TD
Receiving - Tim Masthay 90-856 12TD, C.J. Ray 2-44, Joe Benton 1-8, Chris Neal 3-68 TD, Joey Jackson 4-72 TD



MICHAEL DANN/Ledger & Times photo
Hugh Rollins, junior quarterback for Murray High School, has passes for 1,050 yards this season and tossed 14 touchdowns. He'll lead his Tigers into a much awaited showdown with the Cardinals Friday at War Memorial Stadium in Mayfield.

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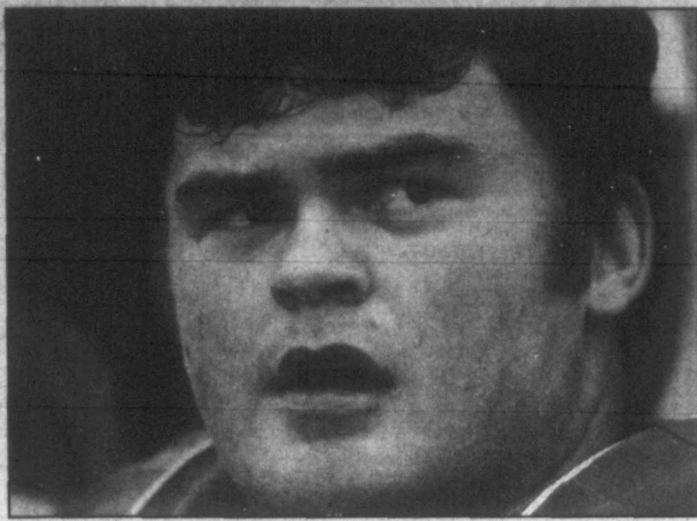
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Kentucky center Matt McCutchan watches the scoreboard during the second half of his team's loss to Alabama Saturday in Lexington. Faced with staying at the Naval Academy or playing college football, McCutchan opted to transfer to Kentucky where he won the starting job during spring practice and has held onto it during the season.

KENTUCKY FOOTBALL UK walk-on likes being center of attention

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — It was a decision Matt McCutchan didn't want to have to make — play college football or stay at the Naval Academy.

Had McCutchan, then a sophomore, started his junior year at the academy, he'd face a seven-year commitment to the Navy. He loved the Navy, but he loved football, too, and Navy doctors and trainers had told him he couldn't play again because of a series of neck injuries.

McCutchan found another doctor who said he could play, so he chose football. Now he's the starting center at Kentucky — even though he's a walk-on.

"Truthfully, I'm just glad to be playing," said the 6-foot-3, 280-pound junior from Lebanon, Ohio.

McCutchan lost about 45 pounds during his plebe summer at the academy, dropping him to about 245 pounds, but eventually earned a spot on the Navy roster and suited

up for five games, although he didn't play. To this day, he calls the Army-Navy game he dressed for in 2001 "the greatest college game I've ever been associated with or I think I ever will be associated with."

But the neck injuries — commonly known as "burners" or "stingers" — kept McCutchan from action in 2002. Navy doctors "told me you'll never play here again," McCutchan said. "I didn't think that was the greatest answer."

So he sought a second opinion and was prepared to give up football and stay at the academy if that doctor agreed with those from the Navy. But that doctor said with proper rehabilitation, McCutchan could play. Navy doctors still disagreed, so McCutchan decided to transfer.

McCutchan looked for a school and chose Kentucky because the Wildcats' offensive line numbers had been thinned significantly because of NCAA sanctions,

which included the loss of 19 scholarships over a three-year period. Kentucky coaches figured McCutchan was worth looking at, offensive line coach Paul Dunn said.

"We thought, from a pure numbers standpoint, that if Matt panned out to be anything like we thought he would, he would have a chance to compete," Dunn said.

McCutchan sat out the 2003 season because of NCAA transfer rules. He also switched from right guard, his position at Navy, to center.

"Matt has some natural leadership qualities and has a lot of the qualities you look for in a center," Dunn said. "We had a need at center, and we felt like that probably was the position he could compete at the best."

McCutchan won the starting job during spring practice and has held onto it during the season, despite numerous changes on the offensive line as coaches try to find a workable combination.

Cardinals look third-ranked Hurricanes right in the eye

MIAMI (AP) — Both goal posts came down two years ago when Louisville won at home against fourth-ranked Florida State.

The Cardinals believe they're again ready to shake up the Top 10 and stage a celebration, this time at the Orange Bowl. They take on No. 3 Miami on Thursday night.

"It's the biggest game we're ever going to play," Louisville quarterback Stefan LeFors says. "A win would be huge. It would mean more recognition and that much more confidence for the team, knowing we can play with a big-time program like Miami."

The 18th-ranked Cardinals (4-0) have won this season by an average score of 43-7, but their opponents are a combined 6-15. They acknowledge that the Hurricanes (4-0) represent a step up in class.

"When you look at programs you'd like to be like, we would certainly like to grow up and be like Miami," Louisville second-year coach Bobby Petrino says. "They've got great players, they're very well-coached ... and they've got a lot of tradition."

The Hurricanes appear have a shot at their sixth national title since 1983, especially if they can get more consistent play from their quarterback. The defense has allowed only one touchdown, and Frank Gore and Tyrone Moss provide a potent 1-2 punch at running back, but Brock Berlin's erratic passing makes Miami susceptible to an upset.

But Berlin is coming off his best game of the season, and

prime time in the Orange Bowl tends to bring out the best in the Hurricanes. They've won seven games in a row on Thursday night.

"You just try not to be scared and believe we can win," LeFors says.

With 12 days to prepare, Miami should be well-rested and well-prepared for Louisville's upset bid.

"When you're a top-five team and the other team's up and coming, trying to take your spot, trying to get to where you are, obviously it's a big deal for them," Hurricanes center Joel Rodriguez says. "It's a big deal for us too, because if we slip up, our chances of a championship season are pretty much shot."

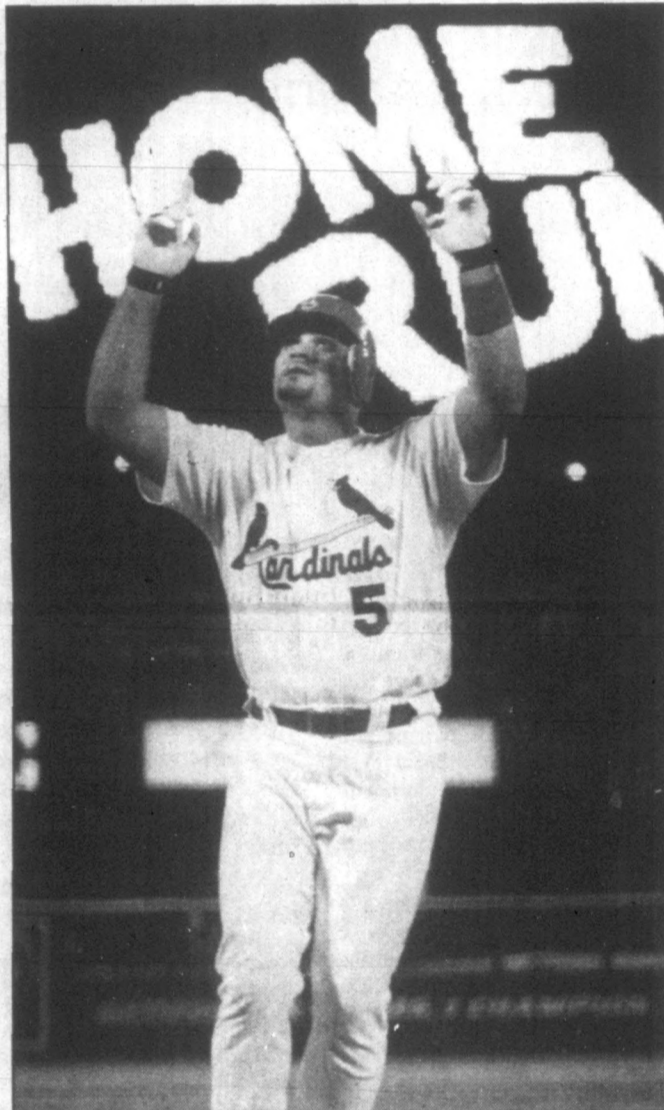
The Cardinals might have enough offensive balance and depth to move the ball. They're averaging 258 yards per game passing and 246 rushing. LeFors will share playing time with highly touted freshman Brian Brohm, who has completed 76 percent of his passes in spot duty this season.

Perhaps Louisville's most impressive statistic is 18 rushing touchdowns, including eight by Eric Shelton.

"One of the reasons we've designed our offense and the running game we did is because when you do make a challenge to be ranked in the top teams in the country and eventually win a national championship, you have to be able to run the ball," Petrino says. "Now we'll find out if we can run it against guys like this."

NATIONAL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Having a bash at Busch



AP Photo

St. Louis Cardinals' Albert Pujols reacts as he crosses the plate after hitting a two-run home run in the first inning against the Houston Astros in Game 1 of their National League Championship Series in St. Louis, Wednesday.

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Lance Berkman is certain the Houston Astros are going to score plenty in the NL championship series. Stopping the St. Louis Cardinals, now that's trouble.

It sure was Wednesday night.

In a matchup that promised a lot of hitting, Larry Walker and the Cardinals delivered. They whacked balls all over Busch Stadium, overcoming four Houston home runs to beat up the Astros 10-7 in Game 1.

"You don't have to live with the long ball," Cardinals star Albert Pujols said.

Pujols did hit a home run, while slumping Jim Edmonds and Scott Rolen contributed and winning pitcher Woody Williams added a double. And it was a significant win: The last 11 teams to take the opener of the NLCS have reached the World Series.

The Astros won the home-run derby, with Berkman, Carlos Beltran, Jeff Kent and Mike Lamb connecting to account for all of Houston's runs.

"No disrespect to their pitching staff, but we haven't had a problem scoring runs the entire postseason," Berkman said. "Eventually, we're going to have to win a 3-2 or a 4-1 ballgame if we're going to have a legitimate chance of doing anything in the postseason. But as far as we swung the bats, I've got no complaints."

Beltran's fifth homer of the

postseason put Houston up 2-0 in the first inning. Not that the top-hitting team in the league was worried.

"We hadn't even come to bat yet," Walker said. "Right away you're thinking, 'OK, they have two runs, but let's get realistic, we haven't even made one of our 27 outs yet.'"

He was right. After Tony Womack lined out in the bottom half, Walker tripled on a ball that Berkman misplayed in right field and Pujols hit a tying shot into the Cardinals' bullpen.

In an October when the ball is flying — 58 homers in 19 playoff games overall — Walker finished a home run shy of becoming the first player in postseason history to hit for the cycle.

Given a chance to do it, Walker struck out in the eighth inning.

"That's all I needed, just a home run? I think you could tell from my swings I was hacking at it pretty good," he said. "I knew what was at stake. I took a shot at it. I wasn't trying to hit a line drive."

No one thought pitchers would rule in this series, and it was an accurate prediction. Edmonds' three-run double with two outs capped a six-run sixth inning that broke the game open and put St. Louis ahead 10-4.

"We got some huge hits that fell in for us," Walker said. "A string of hits is just as good as hitting the ball out of the ballpark."

Chances by writer don't pay off in picks race

Last week was a trip to Stupidville for yours truly in this contest.

I took chances I shouldn't have, which unfortunately is a product of trying to cut a deficit down to size late in the season when you're participating in something like this.



Wright Stuff
By John Wright
Staff Writer

Texas ... dumb. Kentucky ... dumb. What was I thinking picking those two, even though both picks were made somewhat justifiable in that both teams had chances to win after halftime.

I was dumb for doing it. I also, as it turned out, was dumb for picking against my two favorite teams in all of football ... Tennessee and, well, Tennessee.

I didn't think there'd be a chance either the Vols or the Titans would recover from disastrous weeks and win on the road — certainly not at Athens, Ga., and definitely not in Green Bay.

It happened, though. I'll

blame myself for the Vols and our circulation manager Rick Lanham, a huge Packers fan, for the other. No particular reason, I just feel like it!

Anyway, with three weeks to go, I'm five games out of first place ... FIVE. More than likely, that means I will not defend my title from last year. But, you know what, there are lot more important things in this world, so I'm not stressing too much about it.

In fact, I may just have to take this to another level of dumbness and pick, gulp, Louisville over Miami (Fla.).

Murray at Mayfield

If there's a year the Tigers are going to beat the Cards, this is it. This one is similar to the Red Sox-Yankees deal in that Murray hasn't beaten Mayfield but once in the last nearly 50 tries. Lots of teams have that issue with Mayfield, too.

There is one thing, though. I don't remember anything about curses. And unless that happens by Friday, I think the Tigers win ... **Tigers.**

Hopkins Central at Calloway

The Lakers looked more than competitive at times at Hopkinsville last week, so that makes me think they can continue their improved play at home this week.

My only problem is the Storm, though as sub-par as it

has been in some time, still has proven it has enough firepower to generate the points required ... **Storm.**

Fulton Co. at Ballard Memorial

Both have combined for a total of no wins this season. I'll go, though, with the team that actually was down 7-6 at one point with Mayfield a few weeks back ... **Pilots.**

Marshall Co. at Christian Co.

The Colonels seem to have decided to take control of the Class 4A First District race with impressive showings the past two weeks.

The Marshals have quarterback Daniel Ard back in the saddle, an obvious plus for a team that is playing better. Still, at Hopkinsville, the task will prove just too tall ... **Colonels.**

Reidland at Heath

Funny. It seems these two played the last time I did a regular-season column. My home community (Reidland) against my alma mater (Heath) ... kind of brings back memories ... of how the Pirates always hammered the Greyhounds ... **Pirates.**

Hopkinsville at Madisonville
This is the toughest matchup of the week because I feel the Tigers are vulnerable on the Maroons' turf, and at a time

■ See Picks Page 10A

This Week's Picks ...



Scott Nanney

Mayfield

Hop. Central

Fulton Co.

Christian Co.

Heath

Hopkinsville

Tilghman

Eastern Ill.

South Carolina

Miami

Last Week

8-2

Overall

52-18



Michael Dann

Murray

Hop. Central

Fulton Co.

Christian Co.

Heath

Hopkinsville

Tilghman

Murray State

South Carolina

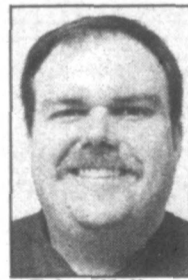
Louisville

Last Week

7-3

Overall

58-12



Eric Walker

Murray

Calloway

Fulton Co.

Christian Co.

Heath

Hopkinsville

Union Co.

Eastern Ill.

South Carolina

Louisville

Last Week

8-2

Overall

59-11



John Wright

Murray

Hop. Central

Fulton Co.

Christian Co.

Heath

Hopkinsville

Tilghman

Murray State

South Carolina

Miami

Last Week

6-4

Overall

54-16

No. 17 West Virginia whips UConn

EAST HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — West Virginia coach Rich Rodriguez was more concerned about the 89 yards in penalties than the 300-plus yards of rushing offense piled up by his Mountaineers.

"That's the first thing I told the team after the game," Rodriguez said. "We preached it and some of them just killed offensive drives. One took away a touchdown."

But Rasheed Marshall made up for most of the mistakes Wednesday night as 17th-ranked West Virginia racked up 309 yards of rushing offense in a 31-19 win over Connecticut.

A first-half penalty nullified a 51-yard TD run by Adam Jones on a reverse and the Mountaineers had to settle for a 10-6 lead at the half.

But Marshall, a senior quarterback, helped West Virginia overcome its mistakes, rushing for 110 yards, throwing for a touchdown and even punting a quick kick.

He sensed he could have a big night on the ground against the Huskies.

"I thought I would have a chance, especially how tight their linebackers play to the line of scrimmage," Marshall said. "I thought if I could get outside a lot on them I could put them in



West Virginia quarterback Rasheed Marshall runs for the sidelines as Connecticut's Justin Perkins closes in on him during the second quarter in East Hartford, Conn., Wednesday night.

for a long day."

One more day like that and Marshall will rewrite the Big East record book. His 1,518 yards rushing is 44 yards shy of the career quarterback mark held by Syracuse's Donovan McNabb.

"He was very sharp today mentally," said Rodriguez, who

thought his quarterback could have racked up even more yards if he stayed inbounds more.

"I had to remind him three times during the game. I said, 'Make them catch you.'"

His 34-yard quick-kick punt proved to be a big one. West Virginia held a 10-6 lead late in the third quarter when

Marshall's punt pinned UConn down on its own 2-yard line.

Two plays later West Virginia safety Mike Lorello intercepted a pass that bounced off the foot of UConn receiver Keron Henry and ran it in 21 yards for 17-6 lead and the Mountaineers (5-1, 1-0) had control the rest of the way.

Picks ...

From Page 9A

when Madisonville is going nuts.

It comes down to this: If it's high-scoring, Hoptown has no problem. If it's low-scoring, all bets are off. I'm going with the offense, but with lots of caution ... **Tigers.**

Paducah Tilghman at Union Co. Another toughie. The Braves are good, as their showing with Hopkown proves. And the Blue Tornado did have a hiccup at Madisonville.

I'm going with Tilghman, though, because they have speed to match Union and seem more focused since that loss to the Maroons ... **Blue Tornado.**

Murray State at Eastern Illinois MSU's injury situation is an issue here, along with the fact

that this one is on the road, which has been a place of horrors so far. But if the Racers are to have a postseason, this game is a must. I think they'll want it more ... **Racers.**

Kentucky at South Carolina Did I forget to mention that Rick is also one of the biggest Alabama fans in the world? I'll blame him for UK last week, also. I'm not making that mistake again ... **Gamecocks.**

Louisville at Miami (Fla.) Did I perceive that picking UofL would be like picking Slippery Rock over Oklahoma earlier? Well, believe it or not, the Cards have a shot here — a good one. I can't pick against the Hurricanes at home, though. They always get the big break it seems ... **Hurricanes.**

Plummer looks for new ways to honor Tillman

DENVER (AP) — Pat Tillman always stood up for what he believed. His friend Jake Plummer wanted to do as well, but officials from the NFL weren't so keen on letting him.

Plummer relented Wednesday, agreeing to adhere to the league's dress code and remove a sticker from his helmet that honored Tillman, who was killed in the war in Afghanistan after quitting football to join the Army.

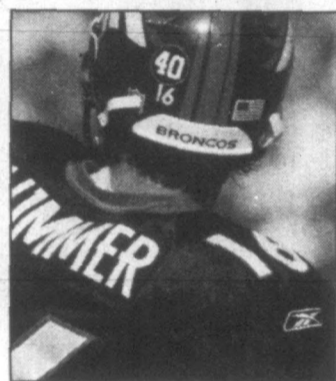
"When it comes to honoring Pat, he's bigger than a sticker on my helmet," Plummer said.

To soften the blow, the NFL said it would not fine Plummer for wearing the sticker last Sunday in violation of league rules. Also, the league agreed to let Plummer tape public-service announcements honoring Tillman and play them in stadiums nationwide on the weekend after Veteran's Day.

"We, too, want to continue to keep Pat Tillman's legacy alive, but ... we have rules regarding personal messages on uniforms that we needed to apply consistently," the NFL said in a statement.

Tillman, a former teammate of Plummer's at Arizona State and with the Arizona Cardinals, quit the league in 2002 to join the Army Rangers. He died in combat in April.

To honor the former safety,



Denver quarterback Jake Plummer's helmet carries a No. 40 sticker in honor of ex-teammate Pat Tillman, who was killed in the war in Afghanistan. Plummer agreed Wednesday to stop wearing the sticker, and the NFL agreed to find other ways to honor the slain soldier.

All NFL players wore the No. 40 decal on their helmets during the second week of the season. The Cardinals will wear the decal all season.

Plummer wanted to keep his own tribute going past the second week. Warned of possible fines by the NFL, Plummer backed down for the next two games. But against the Panthers last Sunday, the sticker reappeared.

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Team	W	L	Pct	Team	W	L	Pct
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Boston	1	1	0.500	Phoenix	1	0	1.000
New Jersey	0	0	0.000	L.A. Clippers	0	1	0.000
New York	0	0	0.000	L.A. Lakers	0	1	0.000
Toronto	0	0	0.000	Sacramento	0	1	0.000
Central Division				Southwest Division			
Team	W	L	Pct	Team	W	L	Pct
Detroit	1	0	1.000	Houston	1	0	1.000
Indiana	1	0	1.000	Memphis	1	0	1.000
Milwaukee	1	0	1.000	New Orleans	1	0	1.000
Cleveland	0	0	0.000	San Antonio	0	0	0.000
Chicago	0	1	0.000	Dallas	0	1	0.000
Southeast Division				Northwest Division			
Team	W	L	Pct	Team	W	L	Pct
Atlanta	1	0	1.000	Portland	1	0	1.000
Charlotte	0	0	0.000	Seattle	1	1	0.500
Miami	0	1	0.000	Denver	0	0	0.000
Orlando	0	2	0.000	Utah	0	0	0.000
Washington	0	2	0.000	Minnesota	0	1	0.000

Tuesday's Games		Thursday's Games	
Boston 104, Chicago 74	Memphis 99, Orlando 95	Sacramento vs. Houston at Shanghai, China, 6:30 a.m.	New Jersey vs. New York at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., 6 p.m.
Philadelphia 114, Washington 107	Seattle 87, L.A. Lakers 80	Washington at Charlotte, 6 p.m.	Cleveland at Memphis, 7 p.m.
Wednesday's Games	Atlanta 96, Orlando 88	Minnesota vs. Atlanta at Birmingham, Ala., 7:30 p.m.	Milwaukee vs. Denver at Colorado Springs, Colo., 8 p.m.
Detroit 105, Boston 103	New Orleans 94, Dallas 87	Portland at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.	Friday's Games
Milwaukee 89, Minnesota 84	Phoenix 105, L.A. Clippers 83	Philadelphia at Toronto, 6 p.m.	Orlando vs. Miami at Tampa, Fla., 7 p.m.
Portland 92, Seattle 73		New Orleans at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.	

SportsBriefs

- Calloway County Little League Basketball will hold sign-ups from 9 a.m. to noon on Oct. 16 and 23 at Jeffrey Gymnasium. This year's Little League will be split into three age divisions — second and third graders, fourth and fifth graders and sixth and seventh graders. The cost to participate in the league is \$50 per player, or \$90 for siblings. For more information, contact CCHS boys' basketball coach Terry Birdsong at 762-7374, Ext. 128.
- The Calloway County Boys' Backboard Club will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. in the high school's cafeteria. The Club is scheduled to discuss "Meet the Lakers" night. All cookie dough orders and money must be turned in at the meeting. Parents of high school and middle school players are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Hal Perry at 759-4144.
- The Murray High School Fast-pitch Softball Club will meet on Sunday, Oct. 17 at 1 p.m. in the school's cafeteria. For more information, call Kande Houston at 753-3984.

Leiber's low-profile leads Yankees to win

NEW YORK (AP) — Jon Lieber dislikes glitz and glamor, preferring to be a low-profile pitcher on the back end of the New York Yankees' rotation. Not any more.

In Game 2 of the AL championship series, he became Pedro Martinez's latest father figure.

Pitching against the three-time Cy Young Award winner, Lieber smothered the highest-scoring offense in the major leagues. He took a shutout into the eighth inning, John Olerud backed him with a two-run

homer in the sixth off the tiring Martinez and the Yankees beat the Red Sox 3-1 Wednesday night for a 2-0 lead in their AL championship series rematch.

"I knew coming into this game what Pedro has done in the past in situations like this, so there was no room for error," Lieber said.

While Lieber loves being under the radar, like it or not, Martinez can't avoid the spotlight. He had it before and it only grew larger after a loss to New York on Sept. 24 prompted him to say: "Just tip my hat and call the Yankees my daddy. I can't find a way to beat them at this point."

While the raucous crowd of 56,136 at Yankee Stadium taunted Martinez with booming chants of "Who's Your Daddy?" he insisted he didn't mind.

"It actually made me feel really, really good," Martinez said. "I actually realized that I was somebody important because I caught the attention of 60,000 people ... plus the whole world. ... If you reverse time back 15 years ago, I was sitting under a mango tree without 50 cents to actually pay for a bus. And today, I was the center of attention of the whole city of New York. I thank God for that."

On this night, however, Lieber threw superior pitches, allowing three hits in seven-plus innings. Even more remarkable, he's still recovering from elbow surgery that sidelined him last season.

"He was as good as I've seen him all year," Yankees captain Derek Jeter said.

Boston, which didn't get a runner on against Mike Mussina in the opener until the seventh inning, is hitting just .224 (15-for-67) in the first two games with one walk and 16 strikeouts.

"I'll take responsibility for this ... 0-for-8 with five strikeouts," leadoff man Johnny Damon said. "I'm the catalyst of this team. I'm the guy on this team that gets us going, gets on base and creates some havoc, but I haven't been able to do that."

Laker Football



Lakers face must-win while weathering the Storm

BY MICHAEL DANN
Sports Writer

Whether it's QVC, the Home Shopping Network, or someone showing up to sell something at Joe Stonecipher door, he's not buying — especially if it's experience.

"I don't buy that experience factor anymore," the long-time

Calloway County head coach said of his youthful Lakers. "The inexperience should be gone. This is a time when we sharpen some of the things that we have been working on and this is an opportunity to show some of the advancements that we made and quit making excuses."

In other words: "Hush up and

play." It's with that and a challenge that Stonecipher has thrown at his gridiron warriors (1-6) as they face a must-win situation Friday at Jack D. Rose Stadium against Hopkins County Central (2-5) at 7:30 p.m.

Stonecipher and company share in the fact that Paducah Tilghman (next week's opponent) is down a bit because of injuries and the Blue Tornado graduated a large number of kids, while Madisonville-North Hopkins (against which Calloway closes out the season) beat Tilghman 13-0 earlier in the year.

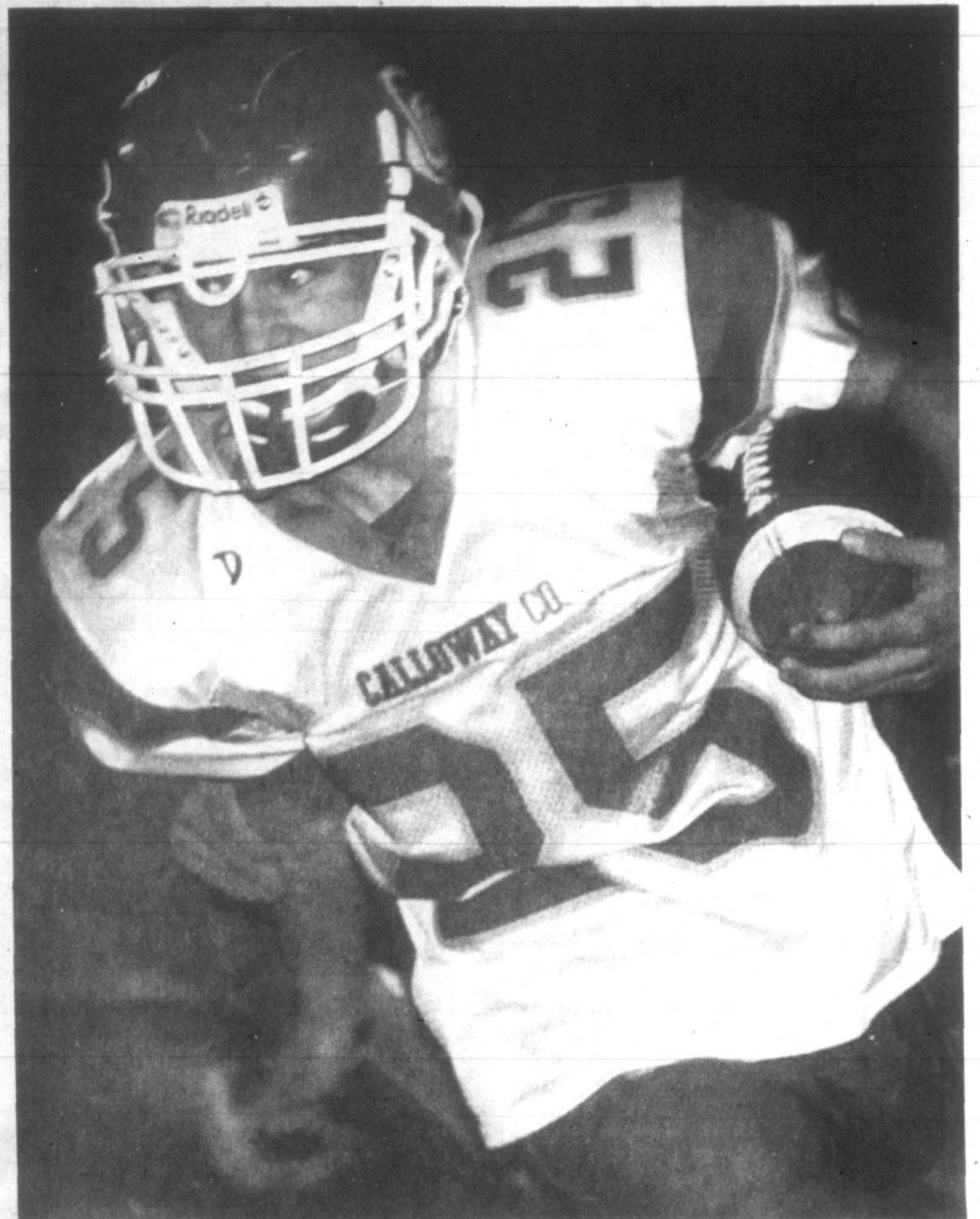
If the Lakers, Stonecipher said, have "any glimmer of making the playoffs this year, this is a must win for us." The Lakers need two wins to make the playoffs.

Junior wideout Tyler Brockman, who leads the team in receptions, went down against Hopkinsville with a broken collarbone and will miss the rest of the season. Calloway will get back Logan Schwettman, who was sidelined for a couple weeks after a car accident.

"They have athletes," Stonecipher said of the Storm. "They don't have as many as some of the others we have played this year and they have some size upfront."

The key to beating Hopkins County Central rest solely on the fact that the Lakers can't make mental mistakes they made a week ago against Hopkinsville.

"We felt like we played well in spurts against Hopkinsville," the coach said. "We told the kids that if we can cut down on the number of bad plays we have and increase the number of good plays, we feel we have an opportunity to win a football game."



MICHAEL DANN/Ledger & Times photo

Calloway County junior Logan Seay, who splits time as both a wide receiver and punt returner, will be counted on to give the Lakers a boost offensively when they host Hopkins County Central Friday night at Jack D. Rose Stadium.

Laker Profile

TYLER BROCKMAN

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WIDE RECEIVER/LINEBACKER

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What do you want to major in?...

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I'd like to switch places for a day with...

Randy Moss

Favorite Movie ...

Mr. 3000

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Albert Pujols

If I were an animal, I'd be a ...

Dog

Favorite Athlete ...

Randy Moss

Favorite subject in school

Journalism

Favorite moment on football field ...

Last year when we defeated

Marshall County

*Compiled by Michael Dann

2004 Laker Schedule	
Aug. 21	at Stewart Station, MSU (1-29-13)
Aug. 28	at South Western College (9-25-03)
Sep. 5	at Viroqua, Tenn.
Sep. 10	at Marshall Co. (9-17-03)
Sep. 17	at Madisonville, Ky.
Sep. 24	at Union Co. (9-20-03)
Oct. 1	Open
Oct. 8	at Hopkinsville (9-28-03)
Oct. 15	Hopkinsville
Oct. 22	at Paducah Tilghman
Oct. 29	at Madisonville
*Class 5A First District game	

2004 District Standings	
Team	Overall District
Hopkinsville	7-0 2-0
Union County	6-1 1-1
Madisonville	5-1 2-0
Paducah Tilghman	5-2 1-1
Hopkins Central	2-5 0-5
Calloway County	1-6 0-6

2004 Laker Stats	
Calloway	0-27-2-30-50
Opponents	71-83-42-228-228

CCPS	First Downs	Opp.
78	100	100
170	164	164
278	152	152
65-213-11	Passing	60-23-7
904	Passing Yards	592
1493	Total Yards	2402
9-2	Fumble-loss	14-4
33-180	Penalties	44-262

Rushing - Chase Coleman 55-190 TD, Aaron Costery 21-64 TD, Trey Tramm 16-58, Nathan Clymer 2-10, Wesley Tucker 4-8, Douglas Wills 11-26, Devon Winchester 1-11, Pete Trussler 1-1-16, London Lockhart 8-1-120.

Passing - Devon Winchester 17-32-0-282-1 TD, London Lockhart 7-17-0-11-54.

Receiving - Jason Young 6-81, Tyler Stonecipher 18-186, Taylor Tramm 10-130, Devon Winchester 14-127, Pete Trussler 13-125, Corey Daniel 9-128 TD, Chase Coleman 4-24, Logan Seay 7-80, Logan Schwettman 1-4, Nathan Clymer 1-4.

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■ CATS ...

From Front

Jefferson County, Johnson County, Ohio County, Oldham County and Rockcastle County.

Locally, Mills agreed with McCallon's assessment.

"If you're progressing, that means you're not sitting still, so that's an exciting thing," she said, noting progress can be difficult to attain with the CATS exam. "When you keep progressing like both of us are, it gets tougher and tougher. I talked to some people from Oldham County about this, and they've had good scores for years, but when goals are set so high, they said they're thankful for one or two more points. And the bar keeps going higher."

McCallon and Mills' have more ideas to reach the 2014 statewide goal.

That goes for East Calloway Elementary, too, but its staff probably could not be blamed for being more than a little giddy Wednesday.

Just a little more than a year after appearing before the Calloway Board of Education to outline a plan on how it intended to make improvements to scores, it did just that, increasing its accountability index from 74.7 to 83.8 in one year.

"That has proven to be an effective plan, too," said ECES Principal Fred Ashby. "We were already working hard, but what we're doing now is working smarter, and our teachers are very focused on how to adjust to what the students need and how to keep them learning."

"You know, I've heard of teachers saying, 'I taught it, but (the students) didn't get it.' That's not done here. We're like if they didn't learn it, then I didn't teach it.' That's how you've got to be."

"The first pat on the back, though, has to go to the students. They're the ones who performed."

Murray High School was able to gain three points on the CATS exam from last year when it met its goal by two-tenths of a point. This year's performance allowed MHS to finish the 2002-04 biennium with an 82.3, still well above the 80.7 goal.

"We've been very pleased with what they've done out there. They really put on the steam and have done a great thing," Mills of MHS, whose performance was second-best in Region 1 to Graves County, who was four-tenths of a point ahead of Murray High. "You know, they did meet their goal (in 2003), but they decided, 'You know what? We're better than this,' and went to work and showed it."

Florida appeals court strikes down abortion consent law

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — A Florida law requiring doctors to give patients specific information about abortion risks and alternatives is unconstitutional, an appeals court ruled Wednesday.

Upholding a lower-court ruling, a three-judge panel of the 4th District Court of Appeal found that the never-enacted law "imposes significant obstacles and burdens upon the pregnant woman which improperly intrude upon the exercise of her choice between abortion and childbirth."

Attorney Barry Silver, who represented one of the groups challenging the "Women's Right to Know Act," said it would have required doctors to provide biased, religious and inaccurate information to patients who were seeking an abortion.

Silver said doctors would have been required to give patients a state-produced pamphlet saying they could be entitled to government benefits, such as health care, transportation and housing, if they decide against an abortion.

The law was passed in 1997, but an injunction issued by a judge that year kept the state from enforcing it.

Anne Herndon, interim principal at Southwest Calloway Elementary, was familiar with ECES' situation. She was interim principal there when it adopted the improvement plan, and Ashby recognized her as being part of his school's success.

This year, though, she is getting the chance to celebrate a bit of history at SWES, where its students broke the 90 mark in the CATS test and became the first Calloway campus to do that.

"We've had the good (Comprehensive Test of Basic

Skills) scores before, though," said Herndon, noting that SWES has been familiar with the 118 figure for a few years. "It was with the CATS that they weren't as high (SWES, in fact, was four points below its 81.0 goal for '03), but they decided to try looking at places where they could improve, and it seemed to be open-response type questions that were slowing them down. We knew they could do it, though. Going from 77.7 to 90.6, that's very nice."

That allowed SWES to finish the biennium more than three

points above its goal.

As for the middle schools, it seems there is hardly reason for panic. Calloway's drop from '03 when it met its biennial goal of 77.7, caused it miss by just half a point; while Murray finished a little less than two points shy. Mills says, in both cases, though, the improvement plan for both campuses was already in action before Wednesday, thanks to both systems adopting the MAP testing system, an online exam that has already been taken and whose results are already being analyzed.


"For us, the majority of what was already being talked about is what we're already working on, so it's nice to be able to go ahead and carry out the plan," she said. "You don't have to change anything, and (the MAP) is already making a difference, because you get the results back so quickly."

North Calloway Elementary continued the elementary success by surpassing its goal of 78.9 for the biennium with an 82.1. It also upped its index from 81.6 in 2003 to 82.6 last year.


Calloway County High School also continued its solid performance, adding to its '03 performance where it finished two points above its 75.4 goal by upping its '04 score by a full point (78.3) to finish the biennium 77.8.

The CATS exam is taken by all Kentucky fourth, fifth, seventh, eighth, 10th and 11th graders and includes requirements related to 12th-grade writing portfolios.

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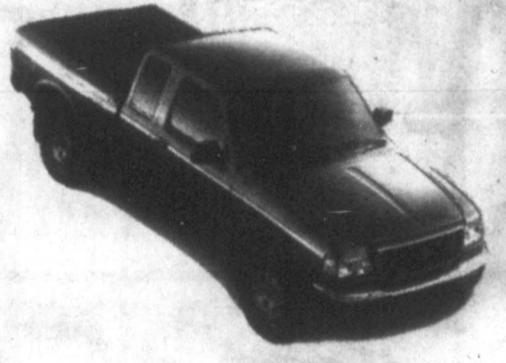
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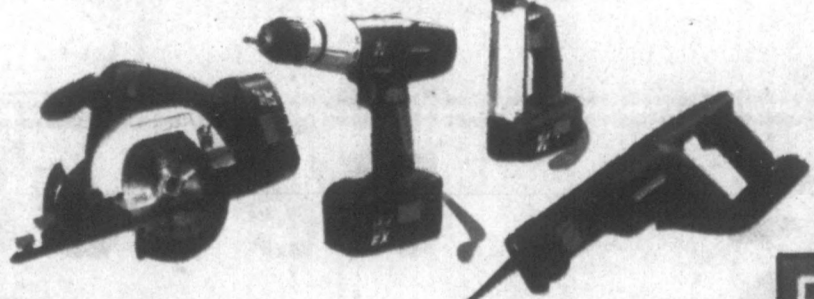



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MURRAY CITY COUNCIL • ELECTION 2004

City residents can choose from 19 candidates

Nineteen city residents hope to win one of 12 seats on the Murray City Council in the Nov. 2 election.

The candidates come from a variety of disciplines — education, construction, small business, city government. They are

different ages and have different reasons for wanting to represent the citizens of Murray.

Some are Murray natives who have never left. Others left but returned home. Still others adopted Murray as their home after attending Murray State.

Eleven of the 12 incumbents are seeking re-election to another two-year term.

One member, Jay Morgan, opted not to run again, hoping to spend more time with his family as they build a home in the county.

Then there are eight who hope to challenge those who presenting sit on the council. The incumbents are marked with asterisks by their names.

The council meets the second and fourth Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at city hall. But they also

serve on a variety of committees, including public safety, transportation and finance. They approve the annual budget and tax rates. And recently they've discussed many growth-related issues as more people and businesses move to Murray.

The following information, appearing in the same order as the candidates will appear on the ballot, is to help city residents decide who they want to sit on that council for next two years.

—KRISTIN TAYLOR

1. Danny O. Hudseph*

Age: 48
Occupation: Briggs & Stratton purchasing supervisor
Family: Wife, Regina; two sons, O'Shea, who is in his second year of the University of Kentucky pharmacy school, and Dominique, who is a freshman at Murray State



Hudseph

Why are you running for city council?

"If re-elected this will be my sixth term. I run for this office to serve my community and to be a strong voice for the continued improvement of our city. To be a voice and a vote for what is the 'right' thing to do, not influenced by who is presenting but by the merit of what is being presented and the impact it will have upon the citizens of Murray. This is important as our city continues to prosper through growth and change."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"We have to make sure the service departments and others are funded to keep them at the service level that we expect with continued improvement."

As we annex property into the city and as more businesses move in, we, as city leaders and administrators, have to make sure our infrastructure grows to keep up with the demands that will be put on it. That infrastructure includes the water department, sewer and trash collection, street department, natural gas supplies as well as the police and fire departments.

These departments are currently in good shape and they are big factors in the quality of life in Murray being what it is.

As Murray grows we must realize that city services and expenditures to these departments will have to grow with them or the level of service will fall and with it the quality of life.

We need to also look at all aspects of our city and community and address the hard issues like drug and alcohol abuse, health care, better pay for our teachers and continue to look to bring in good paying jobs so the young people of this community can have opportunities that will keep them here.

To maintain and/or improve the quality of life that the citizens of Murray have grown accustomed to it will take all of us working together."

2. Orville Herndon

Age: 40
Occupation: Publications systems manager for Murray State University's Department of Journalism and Mass Communication
Family: Single; parents live in Cadiz



Herndon

Why are you running for city council?

"My decision to run for city council was made last fall. After reading in the Murray Ledger and Times that the city council had voted to give themselves a 300 percent pay raise beginning in January 2005. I called the mayor's office and asked to be allowed to speak against this raise before the council voted the second time. I was told by the mayor that I would not be allowed to speak against this proposal because the time for public comment had ended. The mayor was unable to tell me when the hearing had been held and when the public notice of the hearing had been published.

All I learned was that as a taxpaying citizen I would not be allowed to speak against the pay raise in the city council meeting. I realized that the best way to get the attention of the mayor and city council was to seek a seat at the table. The current team may not have time to listen but I am willing to listen and to represent the working class people of Murray. City leaders need to listen to citizens and taxpayers whether they agree with them or not.

The same council that thinks they deserve a pay increase gives each of us a property tax increase every year. They have also created a new tax for a storm water fund. This tax will give birth to another local bureaucracy that will require more money each year. The tax will be added onto our utility bills so we are less likely to notice and complain. Is there any plan to eliminate this tax once the problems are corrected? Will any report be given annually telling how this money is being spent and how it is fixing the problem?

Speaking of taxes, the city should coordinate property tax collection with the county so citizens can pay both taxes in one location and at one time.

This may require some coordination, but city government should work for us.

I would like to see the city look for grants to construct and upgrade its sidewalks. Several sidewalks in town are not wheelchair accessible. Other streets have no sidewalks. Pedestrians must brave the traffic on the street.

I am running for city council because it is time for a change. If elected, I will listen to working-class citizens while issues are being discussed and will try to vote those wishes.

I have lived in the city since becoming employed full-time by Murray State in 1991. I also lived in the dorms while earning my two degrees, B.S. in business with an area in accounting and M.B.A., during the 1980s."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"We need to focus on three things — planning, communication and participation."

Planning ahead can prevent many problems. We need to place people with foresight and wisdom on our various boards. Hopefully these people will be able to see the potential for problems and develop ways to turn a potential problem into a definite opportunity to better the quality of life for all.

It is important for the city to communicate with its citizens. Misunderstandings and duplication of efforts can be prevented with proper communication. I would like to see city council post its meeting agenda on the Internet and publish the agenda in its entirety in the legal notices section of The Murray Ledger and Times and as an ad in The Murray State News. I would like to see notice of public hearings printed on utility bills, because most city residents get a utility bill every month. The best way to keep government on the right track is to make sure that all citizens can see it operate. A city Internet site should provide information on everything from zoning ordinances to a list of frequently asked questions.

I would like to see a wider number of people participate in the life of our town. Each of us can bring our ideas, dreams and perspectives to the table. The city has many worthwhile civic and religious organizations that are doing great things to improve the quality of life. We need to encourage these groups to keep up their good work. We also need to encourage people to become actively involved in these groups. Together we can accomplish more than we will ever accomplish individually."

3. Sammy Jason Pittman

Age: 24
Occupation: House manager for Lovett Auditorium and Regional Special Events Center at Murray State University
Family: Single; parents, Sammy and Dora Pittman



Pittman

Why are you running for city council?

"I chose to run because I have a tremendous amount to offer the people of Murray. Coupling fresh, new ideas with an understanding of traditional values, I look forward to serving the city. My love and roots in this community run very deep. Being both born and raised in Calloway County, I understand how unique our hometown is and how important it is to have a city council that will help promote the sense of community we all share. I have always been driven by a strong desire to give back to the people of Murray, whether it is through my job at Murray State University or through more charitable avenues. If elected I pledge to work non-stop and make sure that Murray continues to prosper and is ready to face its already promising future.

Responsible fiscal policies need to always been a high priority of the Murray City Council. I will strive to maintain a city budget that has the ability to expand with the growing economy of this area. We must look ahead and ensure that Murray has a budget that will be stable enough to provide a quality of life that residents deserve, and capable of meeting the needs of the increasing population of our city.

I will work to strengthen the lines of communication between the many different organizations that help bring more industry and commerce to our area. If we can maintain a strong line of communication then Murray and Calloway County will see a stronger, faster commercial and industrial growth in this region. This growth would certainly create a wider range of employment opportunities for our residents. With the slimming job market in western Kentucky, city officials must work

overtime in order to attract businesses. The city of Murray must face these issues head on offering creative incentives to attract more jobs to this area."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"First and foremost, we must keep the best interest of people in our community in mind. We must realize Murray, above all else, is our home and unique in its own way. With careful planning and execution of future developments and changes, the city government, with input from the citizens in our town, will be able to achieve growth together with great ease. The city council must make sure that it continues to provide great municipal services to its residents and always keeps the lines of communication open. If these annexations or developments are not done in a collective manner than the quality of life will certainly suffer. I believe we can all do our part, by getting involved, exercising our right to vote, and voicing ideas to elected officials, to ensure that this future growth is achieved with vision and prosperity."

4. Martin Milkman

Age: 44
Occupation: Murray State University economics professor



Milkman

Family: Wife, Velvet Jones Milkman; no children

Why are you running for city council?

"I look forward to the opportunity to assist in the development and progress of our city. The main reason that I am running for city council is that I think I offer a perspective that can be useful to the city and other council members. Due to my background as an economist I can provide input and analysis to the discussions of different proposals that the council might consider."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"I think each time we consider annexation and new business in Murray we need to think through the issue using a cost benefit analysis. In this cost benefit analysis we need to include issues related to our environment and congestion as well maintaining the beauty of our city as well as the benefits of an increased tax base and more diversified economy."

5. Jane Brandon*

Why are you running for city council?

"My reason for seeking a second term on the city council has not changed from two years ago. My main objective is to represent the people in our growth and be their voice. I have been approached at the grocery, auctions and even church about problems and questions. I have always tried to and will continue to help find the answers if possible. I enjoy talking with the people about their feelings on issues and what is important to them."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"The quality of life in Murray is unsurpassed. We are blessed with people that want to retain that quality as Murray grows, as I do. Our growth has been incredible the last 15 years and I will work to keep that growth continuing. I will also work to preserve "old" Murray if possible, because when it is gone it is gone forever.

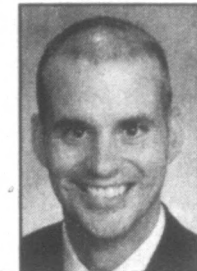
The annexation of county property and business growth will certainly bring more needs. Services need to be expanded such as police and fire protection. Drainage problems will grow as more land is paved, streets will need attention. The growth should consider trees and how important they are to us all.

If we are to maintain the quality of life we have, zoning and planning must be studied carefully. The effects on the people and the surrounding areas must be considered."

6. Robert Billington Jr.

Age: 39
Occupation: President of The Murray Insurance Agency; insurance agent
Family: Wife, Stefani; daughter, Courtney

son, Houston



Billington

Why are you running for city council?

"The reason I am running for city council is that I feel I have the leadership ability to serve our great community during this most important time. Leadership becomes so vital during a period of growth. Your elected officials are going to be making the decisions that impact our community for many years to come. I am dedicated and committed to serving Murray and want to make sure our decisions are the best ones for our great community. I feel I have a proven track record. In addition to being a graduate of Leadership Murray and past president of Leadership Murray Alumni, I have had the privilege to serve our great community in a leadership capacity on several volunteer boards as well as my leadership role in business. I am a listener and always will be an ear for the community."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"We are going to have to expand our city services in order to meet these needs. Safety is one concern that several people have approached me about. We are going to have to make sure our police and fire departments are staffed to meet these needs. With the increased number of businesses locating north of town, both in and out of the city limits, and the possibility of request for annexation into the city, this will create the need to continue to expand our services. Our service could result into a need for a new fire station north of town.

Also, I feel it is extremely important that we don't forget what got us here today. As bright as the future is, and I'm excited about it, we must continue to preserve what we have done in the past. We need to always remember the reasons for why people chose to live in Murray. I strongly feel quality of life is one of the top reasons. With a safe community, with added services, and strong commitment to keeping Murray a great place to live, for which I feel I'm qualified for, city services and quality of life will be well maintained as Murray annexes property and business locate to Murray."

7. Dan M. Miller*

Age: 55
Occupation: Physician
Family: Wife of 25-plus years, Laura; two daughters, Lauren, 22, and Elizabeth, 20



Miller

Why are you running for city council?

"I enjoy city government. I would like to think I can contribute something back to my community where I grew up. Murray has always been special. I would like to preserve her past and plan for her progress in the future."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"As Murray grows geographically getting from one place to another becomes more difficult, so maintaining and widening some roads is important. Preserving significant buildings and homes from Murray's past also is important. Expanding water and sewer protects our ground water from pollution. I feel our water is some of the best in the country."

8. Rita Henley*

Occupation: Manages a family business, Fox Meadows and Coach Estates manufactured homes communities; serves in her second term on Murray City Council and is a member of its finance, public safety and public works committees; member of senior citizens board, YMCA board and the West Kentucky Economic Development Corporation; former member of the Big Brothers Big Sisters board



Henley

Family: Married to Melvin Henley. They have five sons and three grandsons. The family members own Fox Meadows and Coach Estates manufacturing home communities and are partners in

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Why are you running for city council?

"I am running for a third term on the Murray City Council because I love Murray. It is my community, it has been good to me and my family and this is my way of giving back. I have been a community volunteer for several years, and serving on the city council gives me the opportunity to help in seeing that Murray continues to be a community of high standards and will continue to have the quality of life that we all value and enjoy."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"As more industry comes to Murray we will attract more businesses and more subdivisions will be annexed into the city. The council will be faced with growth problems and it will be important that we be particularly careful in the management of our monetary resources to ensure that services continue to be furnished in an economical matter without compromising on services to areas already served.

Growth and prosperity are vital to any community, but growth brings zoning problems and requires decisions to be made that everyone does not agree with. I expect the council to be faced with many hard decisions over the next few years — decisions that will require strength of will and character to ensure that growth is managed in a proper and organized manner. We need to continue to work diligently to keep taxes as low as possible while providing a high level of quality in the services that our city provides to its citizens."

9. Doris Parham *

Age: 38

Occupation: Adventures in Math and Science (AIMS) director at Murray State University

Family: Daughter, Tiffany Marie, 8 years old

Why are you running for city council?

"I believe my past experiences and training will enable me to make good solid and informed decisions on issues which affect the quality of life of the citizens in our community. I also want to continue to be of service to all regardless of their political savvy or lack of to disseminate information on political policies and procedures."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"First and foremost everyone needs to be informed of what changes can occur in regards to annexation of more property from the county into the city. A very powerful and informative campaign must be instituted to help with making sure this happens. There are several people over the years who have adamantly opposed the proposed merger of county and city government, as well as more annexation of the county into the city. These critics should not and must not be ignored. Discussion groups need to continue to hear all of the pros and the cons with both sides getting equal time. The city has a comprehensive plan which deals with the issue of growth and development. This is a working document and must be consulted by all parties to ensure we develop in the most positive and productive manner for our community."

10. Hugh G. Massey *

Age: 63

Occupation: Small business owner — Massey Citgo LLC

Family: Wife and two daughters

Why are you running for city council?

"I am 63 years old and have been in business in Murray all my life. Murray has been very supportive of my endeavors and I would like to be able to give back to the community."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"We need to maintain as good as council as we currently have. If we obtain any new members, we must continue to move forward. Annexation and business growth must be handled with care. We need a larger tax base for the city of Murray that can be accomplished through annexation. The current aggressiveness in seeking new business for Murray needs to be maintained. The quality of the local high schools, park, and Murray State University is an excellent draw for new businesses and families. Aggressive city government will allow us to move forward."

11. Bill Wells *

Age: 59

Occupation: Murray Family Resource Center assistant director

Family: Wife, Ann, who works at MSU's Waterfield Library; two children, Shannon and Adam

Why are you running for city council?

"Murray, Kentucky, is a great place to live. I think I can make some positive decisions to improve the quality of life in Murray even more."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"The good news is we are growing as a community. The better news is we have the infrastructure in place to handle that growth. The trick will be to maintain our city services properly. That is where I think I can make a difference."

12. Pete Lancaster *

Age: 63

Occupation: Advertising sales for Froggy 103.7 and WNBS-AM 1340

Family: Single

Why are you running for city council?

"I am energized by being a member of Murray's City Council. I enjoy working with our mayor and other council members who have the vision to make the decisions that will make Murray the best place to live in this commonwealth."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"I believe strongly in structured, well-planned growth for our city. I believe citizens who are candidates for city government positions should, above all else, be advocates for properly zoned, structured growth. We have an energetic, optimistic community. Our elected officials should reflect this optimism.

Many of our county citizens have come to realize that their quality of life in our community will be enhanced by annexation into the city. This will qualify them for fire and police protection, water and sewer services, trash pickup and all the other services and options this city provides. As we annex property and our community grows, our city will qualify for additional state and federal grants to improve and provide even more services, and the quality of life for our citizens will improve even more.

I understand the 'quality of life' aspects that help determine a company's decisions to locate in a particular community. I want businesses to strongly consider locating in Murray, Kentucky, when making those decisions."

13. Dale Campbell

Age: 68

Occupation: Contractor and developer

Why are you running for city council?

"To try to help make a difference for this city."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"To spend less of our limited tax money on new personnel and new equipment and more on streets, utilities and drainage; to hold the line on new taxes and fees; to require orderly, common sense growth."

14. F.T. "Butch" Seargent

Age: 58

Occupation: Murray Family Church pastor

Family: Wife of 38 years, Jan, who is retired from Murray Middle School; two sons and their wives and families — Trice and Kristen Seargent have two daughters, Allie and Bethany, and Todd and Amanda Seargent have one son, John, and a daughter, Abigail.

Why are you running for city council?

"I moved to Murray in 1976 with my wife Jan and two sons Trice and Todd. In the past 28 years our family has grown and matured while experiencing an exciting life in this wonderful community.

I spent approximately 23 of these 28 years working with the city of Murray in various capacities. I served on the board of zoning adjustments as a citizen member, performed many surveying and engineering services for the city while in private practice and I was director of planning and engineering for the city for 12 years. I have gained an enormous amount of knowledge, wisdom and insight when it comes to city government. I retired from city government with 15 years of service on January 1, 2002.

Now, with a fresh look at life and community I'm ready to do a job that I truly believe God has called me to do. Serving as a city council member would be an honor to me. All I want is to use my God-given talents and abilities to help improve city government and support Mayor Tom Rushing as he continues to serve this community."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"The quality of life in Murray has always impressed me. People who move to Murray from other places continue to be amazed that life here is such a well-kept secret. We need to be able to maintain our high quality life style as our population grows and our business and industrial communities expand. One way we can do this is by not making the same mistakes that larger cities have made. This means constantly observing the trials

that other cities are going through and adjusting our procedures with new and different ideas so we don't make the same mistakes.

I know about the high quality of our city services because, for years I worked alongside those who provide these services. One of the reasons this city attracts strong, top quality businesses is because we offer top quality services with a progressive attitude toward making existing services even better. I believe that if property is contiguous to the city limits and the owner wants city services, a request should be presented for annexation before services can be received. However, there may be areas of the county that are significant to economic growth but are not contiguous to the city limits. In this case, I think the city should strongly consider serving these areas. A city that becomes self-controlled, self-serving, self-indulging and self-thinking with no vision for growth, will eventually become stagnate and die. Murray is not this type of city and I will do all I can to keep it that way."

15. William C. (Bill) Adams Jr. *

Age: 57

Occupation: Self-employed building contractor with Bill Adams Construction Inc.

Family: Wife, Genevieve Adams; son and daughter-in-law, William C. (Chip) Adams III and Jill Adams, who have three children; daughter and son-in-law Courtney and Ryan Vanover, who have one child.

Why are you running for city council?

"Historically, the city of Murray has been blessed by having public servants who have had an unselfish desire to provide leadership for the betterment of the entire community. It is my desire to serve the community in the same fashion. Furthermore, having been raised in this community with seven years of experience on the city council and my experience as the local businessman, I have an understanding of the needs and expectations of the community. It is my desire to make a difference in this community and, thus, it is my belief that I can best serve the community as a member of the Murray City Council."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"The quality of life in this community is contingent upon the economic health of its citizens and, thus, the community. Murray must continue a consistent, controlled and manageable growth as it has maintained during the past several years. This manageable growth has allowed city services to keep up with the expansion and, at the same time, provide needed general-fund revenue growth without excessive tax rate increases.

Murray is blessed with a diverse economy. The greatest source of economic growth in a community is the expansion of its existing businesses and industries. City government must be partners with existing businesses and industries in order to assist them in their effort to succeed. Furthermore, the council must be fiscally responsible in order to provide the services to expanding businesses as we grow. However, business and industrial growth must be compatible with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan so that residential, business and industrial growth is compatible with long-range plans for the community."

16. Pat Scott

Age: 52

Occupation: Retired Murray Fire Department chief

Family: Wife, Sally Davison Scott; three daughters, Amy Mills and husband Brian, Mary Beth McKnight and husband Justin, and Jennifer Scott; two grandsons, Jacob Mills and Jordan McKnight; parents, the late Jim and Virginia Scott of Lynn Grove

Why are you running for city council?

"I see it as a natural progression. I served the city as an employee for more than 31 years, 14 of those as an administrator and over 12 years as a department head. My career has been devoted to public service and I want to continue to serve. I believe I can use my experience and knowledge gained as an employee to more or less "hit the ground running" and do what I can to work toward orderly growth and deal with the many issues arising from the progressive nature of Murray."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"I believe we must constantly look ahead and make solid plans for the future. This is being done with the comprehensive plan, but we must be aware of changes. We must have a solid infrastructure in place to serve the public and entice industry into our community. We must support public works to ensure this infrastructure is in place. People want to feel safe. Public safety must be supported in this changing world. We must support Murray State University because what is good for Murray State is good for Murray. As county property is annexed, the revenue produced for the general fund should be sufficient to expand public safety services as soon as the annexed areas are built upon. The revenue produced from the sale of water, sewer and gas will support those respective departments, allow the city to recover the initial

costs, and produce profit in the long run. If we are good stewards of the public's money, quality of life will be maintained and even improve. Murray will grow and all services will be expanded to match the demand."

17. Tommy Sanders *

Age: 58

Occupation: Self-employed in advertising

Why are you running for city council?

"I've got an interest in the city and I feel like I can help keep the city being progressive."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"We need to continue to keep the best infrastructure, water system, sewer and gas as well as other departments, such as sanitation and planning. I just think if we can continue to do that, we can support annexation. We have some of the lowest-priced utilities in the state, and they are the best."

18. Lance Allison *

Age: 33

Occupation: Photographer

Family: Wife, Terra; daughter, Payton

Why are you running for city council?

"The main reason I am running for city council is because I care about the city of Murray, its past, present, and future. I have deep roots in Murray. A member of my family has attended the city school system since the '20s. I graduated from MHS and MSU and instead of looking elsewhere to begin my adult life like many of my fellow graduates, I chose to stay in the community that made an investment in me.

The values I learned growing up in a community like Murray are the same values I want my children to learn. In order to continue that tradition I want to be involved in city government so that we remain a vibrant, safe, and growing community. We need to retain the values of our past but look to the future with progressive ideas. It is time for my generation to step up to the plate and be productive for the betterment of the city."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"It says a lot about the operation of your local government when people want to come into the city even when it means doubling their property taxes. We have a tradition of providing outstanding services through the police, fire, utilities, sanitation and general government offices. The way we maintain the quality of life is to continue those services while constantly looking at how our resources are utilized.

Keeping an eye on the bottom line, making sure that we are not spending more than is coming in while at the same time providing top-notch service to the citizens. Our quality of life is directly linked to how these offices perform their duties."

19. Annazette Fields

Age: 45

Occupation: Murray State University director of equal opportunity

Family: Two children — Troy, 23, Brianna, 16

Why are you running for city council?

"As a social justice professional, I have served on boards and commissions across the commonwealth of Kentucky. I see the prospect of serving on city council as a means to work within my own community. I believe that I can bring the concerns of various constituents to the table and expand communications across various sectors. I am proud of the Murray community and hope that if given the opportunity to serve on the city council, that I can preserve the positive strides that have been made. Additionally, I would like to enhance the quality of life, maintain the integrity of the council and open lines of communication for all citizens."

What do you think needs to be done to maintain quality of life and city services as Murray annexes county property and more businesses move here?

"I believe that we should examine every opportunity for growth to determine if it is in the best interest of the city and its citizens. We need to determine that the appropriate infrastructures are in place to ensure that services are adequately provided and that the environment is protected. We also need to ensure that state regulations and city ordinances are followed. If this is accomplished the community will successfully balance the economic benefits of growth with the needs, desires and concerns of its citizens, therefore allowing the community to grow at an appropriate pace."

The Murray Woman's Club will sponsor a candidate forum for all the Murray City Council candidates. The forum will be at 7 p.m. Oct. 25 at the clubhouse on Vine Street. The doors open at 6:30 p.m.



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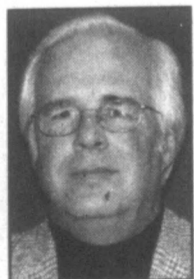
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CDC, Aventis to direct remaining flu shots to high-risk patients

By LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government moved Tuesday to direct scarce remaining flu shots straight to pediatricians, nursing homes and other places that care for the patients who need them most.

But only a fraction of the 22.4 million doses that maker Aventis Pasteur has yet to ship can be diverted to areas with the biggest shortages. And officials acknowledged Tuesday that even if planned rationing goes well, there will be high-risk patients who struggle to get shots but can't find them.

"We're sorry for the people who need flu vaccine and may not be able to get it this year," said Dr. Julie Gerberding, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. "But we will take every step that we can take to get an equitable distribution of vaccine as quickly as we can."

The targeted shipments come as CDC struggles to ensure that the youngest, oldest and sickest Americans — those most vulnerable to influenza — have first access to flu shots now that the nation's supply has been cut in half.

U.S. officials are scrambling for ways to make up the shortage.

Food and Drug Administration officials turned to Canada's major influenza vaccine producer in an effort to acquire an estimated 1.5 million extra doses.

Dean Linden, spokesman for ID Biomedical of Vancouver, British Columbia, said negotiations were "an evolving story."

"But ... it's by no means a slam dunk that we're going to be able to deliver flu vaccine into the United States this year," Linden said Tuesday from Vancouver.

Gerberding called "heroes" those healthy adults heeding CDC's plea to forgo flu shots this year. But, "shame on the people who are price-gouging," she said, pledging to help state officials prosecute those caught doing so.

There have been scattered reports of price gouging since the shortage was announced, and Kansas filed a lawsuit Tuesday against Meds-Stat, a pharmaceutical distributor. Attorney General Phill Kline said Meds-Stat proposed selling the vaccine to a pharmacy in Kansas City, Kan., last Friday for \$900 per vial; a week earlier, the company was selling the vaccine for \$85 per vial. Each vial contains about 10 doses.

Also Tuesday, two other companies revealed they had offered the government flu vaccine originally intended for sale

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Attorney General Greg Stumbo announced Wednesday consumers should be on alert and immediately report suspected price gouging by either distributors or providers of the flu vaccine.

This week, Kansas Attorney General Phill Kline filed suit against Fort Lauderdale, Fla.-based Meds-Stat, alleging the company proposed to deliver and sell a vial of five doses of flu vaccine to a Kansas City, Kan., pharmacy for \$900 with the knowledge that the vaccine was to be used in a nursing home. On Oct. 1, the price for the same vial was listed as \$85.

Stumbo has alerted the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to contact his officer with any complaints and inquiries about vaccine price gouging in Kentucky. The CDC is neither equipped nor empowered to take action against these alleged law violations.

"We are not presently aware of such instances of price gouging taking place in Kentucky," Stumbo said in a release. "However, due to the limited distribution of the influenza vaccine this flu season, the opportunity is present for a distributor or provider to gouge consumers. This will not be tolerated and we will act swiftly and aggressively to protect citizens of the commonwealth from such actions."

Kentuckians who suspect price gouging should call the attorney general's Consumer Protection Division at 1-888-432-9257.

abroad. GlaxoSmithKline has 500,000 doses manufactured in Germany; ID Biomedical is offering 1 million to 1.5 million doses made in Canada. The Food and Drug Administration has not approved either vaccine brand for sale in this country.

"It's not easy to get unlicensed vaccine into the country in time to solve any problems this year," Gerberding cautioned. "But we're not ruling anything out."

British regulators unexpectedly shut down a major U.S. vaccine supplier, Chiron Corp., last week, freezing shipment of up to 48 million expected flu shots. The U.S. Attorney in New York has subpoenaed Chiron, the company said Tuesday,

demanding documents and other information related to the shutdown of its Liverpool plant because of contamination concerns.

That shutdown left Aventis as this year's sole supplier of injectible flu vaccine, a total of 55.4 million doses. More than half already has been sold and shipped, mostly to private distributors — doses that can't be yanked back, although Aventis is asking customers to share any not reserved for high-risk patients.

Tuesday's plan targets Aventis' remaining shots. A shipment of about 14.2 million doses will begin this week, headed for pediatricians' offices, hospitals, long-term care facilities

and Veterans Affairs clinics — distribution that will take six to eight weeks.

Also on the list are state health departments that had ordered supplies only from Chiron and thus haven't yet received any doses. Gerberding wouldn't list the states Tuesday, saying more information on when and where shipments will arrive should be available later in the week.

"Be patient," Damian Braga, president of Aventis' U.S. branch, urged patients and providers. Vaccine shipments normally are paced through late November, when flu season is just getting started.

But the vast majority of those now-shipping doses — 11.8 mil-

lion — already were sold to high-risk providers, Braga acknowledged.

That leaves 8.2 million doses — half headed for an already planned federal stockpile — that CDC will target even more tightly. The agency is tracking vaccine shipments, the number of high-risk residents and number of flu cases county-by-county, to direct those final doses to areas most in need.

Still, 42 million to 50 million high-risk patients probably will seek flu shots this year — roughly half the number who need them — and it's unlikely all will find one, Gerberding and Braga acknowledged.

High-risk patients who don't get vaccinated should contact a doctor as soon as they feel flu symptoms, Gerberding urged. There are drugs that can treat influenza if taken promptly, and even prevent it when taken before infection.

Flu shots are made of killed influenza virus, and thus are recommended for high-risk patients.

The healthy do have a limited other option: the nasal spray vaccine FluMist, made of live but weakened virus. Maker MedImmune Inc. said last week it would double supplies to 2 million doses. It is to be used, only by healthy 5- to 49-year-olds.

Federal agents search Louisville health care offices

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — About 80 federal agents on Wednesday raided three offices of a health care company that operates in 18 states.

U.S. Attorney David Huber said a U.S. Magistrate Judge found probable cause to issue a search warrant for the offices of Health Essentials Solutions, including its corporate office.

Huber said in a written statement that agents from the FBI and Department of Health and Human Services Inspector General's unit took files and computers from the offices.

Huber said no charges, complaints or indictments have been issued, but that agents were looking for evidence of conspiracy, false statements relating to health

care matters, wire fraud, bank fraud and a scheme to commit health care fraud.

The search warrant was sealed.

Health-Essentials was founded in 1998 to provide nurse practitioners to care for seniors, including making house calls. It provided primary care to about 60,000 nursing home patients by July of this year.

The company was formed by Vencor co-founder Michael Barr. Vencor made the Fortune 500 list, but went bankrupt in 1999.

The U.S. Attorneys Office said the raid was continuing Wednesday afternoon, but declined further comment.

Soldier shown in notorious abuse photos, gives birth

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Pfc. Lynndie England, the Army reservist seen in some of the most notorious photos in the Abu Ghraib prisoner abuse scandal, has given birth to a baby fathered by another soldier charged in the case.

The 21-year-old England had the baby on Sunday at the post hospital at Fort Bragg, Col. Billy Buckner, an Army spokesman, said Wednesday.

The Sun of Baltimore, citing an unidentified military source, reported that she had a

boy.

England's father, Kenneth England of Fort Ashby, W.Va., said the family would not release any information about the birth.

England became a focal point of the scandal after the release of pictures of her smiling and posing with nude Iraqi prisoners, some of them stacked in a pyramid. She was also photographed holding a prisoner on a dog leash.

Attorneys said the child's father is Spc. Charles Graner Jr., England's ex-boyfriend,

who is also shown in the prison photographs, including one with a dead man packed in ice in a body bag.

England and Graner are among of seven members of the 372nd Military Police Company of Cresaptown, Md., charged in connection with abuse that occurred at Abu Ghraib prison outside Baghdad late last year.

England faces court-martial in January on charges of abusing detainees and committing indecent acts. She could get up to 38 years in prison if convicted.

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Kiwanis Club installs officers



The Murray Kiwanis Club recently installed new officers for the 2004-2005 administrative year. Pictured, from left, are Division Lt. Gov. Tommy Brown, who officiated at the installation; Immediate Past President Bob Rodgers; Secretary Glenn Hughes; Vice President Rich Beam; President Brenda Call; and Treasurer William Call.

The Kiwanian of the Year award was presented to William Call. The officer installation took place on Oct. 7, in the meeting room of Holmes Family Restaurant, where the Kiwanis Club now meets. Officers serve an administrative year of Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.

Sponge duck creates a buzz in Tennessee

SPRING HILL, Tenn. (AP) — Katherine Williams says the yellow ducky sponge she put on sale at a flea market is merely a child's toy. City officials say the vibrator inside makes it a sex toy.

But officials in this Nashville suburb backed off from citing Williams for violating the city's sexually oriented business ordinance because she had already taken down her display by the time police responded to complaints Saturday. Nearby vendors also refused to be witnesses in the case.

"We've declined to prosecute because of a lack of evidence," City Administrator Ken York said Tuesday.

Williams, whose Passions & Pleasures business sells lotions and adult novelties at in-home parties, described her product line as "PG-13" and said she got only two negative comments at the flea market.

"Nothing we do is nasty, unless you have a nasty mind," she said, turning a knob on the yellow ducky's tail to make the sponge vibrate. "My 3-year-old son loves to play with this duck in the bath. He puts it on his neck and on his head."

Williams said she'll be back at the flea market next year.

Horoscopes

by Jacqueline Bigar

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Oct. 15, 2004:

Your self-expression comes out, be it through your humor or general creativity. You will tend to take risks, but be sure you can afford a backfire. You will be lucky this year, especially come spring, when the world is your oyster. You enter a new life and luck cycle at this point. Christen it well. In the interim, you might want to look at what doesn't work in your life and let those areas go. Make room for better, and you will get better. Finances become a major focus. Creativity can help you expand your income. Tap in to a talent. If you are single, you could become quite possessive about the person you choose to bond with. Cut a tendency to put this person on a pedestal as well; eventually he or she will tumble off. If you are attached, work on creating more romantic moments. Re-create first dates. SCORPIO gives you financial insight.

Forecast: a B+ year

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Everyone's (including yours) imagination runs haywire. Try to funnel this gift and use it constructively. Work with individuals and not groups. Brainstorm. This process could go on for a while. Funny, outrageous moments just happen. Tonight: Time to direct this intensity elsewhere.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Others pop up with solutions, ideas and requests. The boss might not be as helpful

as you might wish. He or she might be into dreaming up more ideas. Work with those who are willing and present with the moment. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Dig into work. You might not have an alternative, especially if you would like to leave the office on time. A new idea or different approach works well. Your creativity shakes up others, though you might find another person playing devil's advocate. Tonight: Plan on calm.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Your imagination knows no limit. Your humor invigorates others, encouraging them to focus and find solutions. Do research. Find experts. You might start thinking about splitting and getting out of town. Tonight: Take care of your responsibilities.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You might not want to open up like you normally do. Some Lions could opt to stay home and work. Partners mean well and could inspire you. Your comments could be a lot more sarcastic or sharp than you realize. Screen calls if possible. Tonight: Order in.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You express yourself while inspiring others at work. You might be distant in the morning; your mind might be on someone new in your life. Careful: You need to be here and now. Decide to spend some money to make some. Tonight: Celebrate the weekend at a favorite spot.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Indulge yourself. You might have been eyeing a new purchase that you really want. Just make sure you are going to get a good buy. Stop and purchase a card or token of affection for someone you care about. Tonight: Curb your possessive-

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You are the cat's meow with the Moon in your sign, charging you with energy and magnetism. Family might be touchy. Pick and choose your words, as you really don't want the War of the Roses. Be a smart Scorp. Tonight: Your wish is another's pleasure.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Don't allow others to pressure you. By proceeding like this is a normal workday, you'll accomplish a lot. A call or compliment puts a smile on your face. Keep plans and ideas to yourself. As you mull them over, you could change your perspective. Tonight: Take some personal time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Clear out work and add in a touch of socializing as you roll into a very social 24 hours. You might want to investigate an expenditure that could help your public appearance or professional status. Tonight: Hook up with your friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Getting out of work and allowing your professional responsibilities to go to the wayside will take tremendous effort. Knowing this, invite associates out for a late lunch and let what is natural unfold. Tonight: In the limelight.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Read between the lines. What others don't say might be more significant than what they do say. Detach and don't trigger. Start thinking about a fall or winter getaway. Stop and get some travel brochures. Tonight: Follow the music.

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Treatment for pressure sores in the elderly

DEAR DR. GOTT: I worked at a nursing home for nine years and we had a unique way of healing bedsores, which



Dr. Gott

By Dr. Peter Gott

are so common among the infirm. We cleansed them with peroxide, filled the ulcers with sugar and placed the affected part under a heat lamp for 10 minutes, without the lamp being too close. Many people experienced relief this way and it may help some of your readers.

DEAR READER: I have been taken to task in the past, by specialists in wound care, when I endorsed the kind of simple strategy you describe for treating bed sores. I was told in no uncertain terms that such "home remedies" have been completely superseded by more sophisticated methods of which there are several commercial varieties.

Bedsores can best be treated by frequently repositioning the patient. If the skin continues to break down, despite repositioning and good nursing care, techniques such as The Scott Protocol System (which uses special coverings and gels) are more appropriate than peroxide, sugar and heat. Sorry! Time marches on.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have an arthritic calcium growth on the second vertebra up from the base of my spine. I have severe pain in my neck, lower back and upper legs. Painkillers don't stop the pain. Would it be beneficial to receive chiropractic treatment?

DEAR READER: Possibly. Calcium deposits may cause pain primarily by initiating

muscle cramps and spasm that can be relieved by chiropractic manipulation.

In contrast, some calcium deposits can actually press on nerves, causing discomfort that cannot be cured by chiropractic therapy.

I see no reason why you should not try a chiropractor and if, after about two weeks, your pain has not subsided, then see an orthopedic surgeon for more definitive treatment, such as removal of the calcium spurs.

Back pain like yours is usually the consequence of abnormalities (such as a herniated disc) in the lower spine.

Therefore, along with addressing your neck problem, you and your doctors should also pay attention to the lower spine, where something might be awry, namely the calcium deposit. X-rays or an MRI of the area may solve the puzzle and enable you to receive therapy that is appropriate for your condition.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Managing Chronic Pain."

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If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may write him through your newspaper or send their mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016.

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DNA test will prove truth of woman's paternity claim

DEAR ABBY: I agree with your advice 95 percent of the time. However, I disagree with your comments to "Heartsick in N.Y.," the widow who said a young woman had shown up on her doorstep claiming to be her deceased husband's illegitimate daughter.



Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

That young woman didn't ask to be born from an affair. Although I'm sure the widow is heartsick, there is no way to easily break that kind of news to anyone. It is a sad situation, but neither side is at fault. If "Heartsick" is unsure about paternity, a simple DNA test can be done to prove the truth. -- CHERYL

DEAR CHERYL: That's true. And that is why I advised "Heartsick" to contact her lawyer right away. However, my gut told me that something might be amiss. And here's why. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Heartsick's" letter had "con artist" written all over it. Please inform her that there are people who check the obituaries every day for the names of people who die. They get all the personal information and show up when the survivors are not thinking clearly.

Pictures can be doctored, and the information about the husband being in the sports field, I'm sure, was public knowledge. It's a simple matter, with today's technology, to scan pictures and digitally alter them, even to the point of merging them with other pictures.

If the husband was clever enough to have kept his affair and the child hidden for 20 years, and he wanted to help the girl with college tuition, don't you think he'd have

devised a way to provide for her financial security? And if that girl was really his daughter, don't you think she'd have been more sensitive at a time like that? -- BEEN CONNED

DEAR CONNED: I agree with you. There are better ways to approach someone than to tell the person the last 20 years of her marriage was a lie. And one of them is through an intermediary. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My 37-year-old husband was killed by a drunk driver. His picture appeared in the newspaper. My husband was a very handsome man who had been successful in sales.

When I returned from his funeral, I found, mixed in with the condolence notes, a letter from a woman claiming that my husband was the father of her child. She said she was willing to leave town and not embarrass us, but needed money to do so. I did not contact a lawyer -- I called the police. They contacted the FBI and the woman was caught.

It was a scam that she had used successfully before. I recommend that "Heartsick" call the police before giving the woman anything. -- SYMPATHETIC IN HAWAII

DEAR SYMPATHETIC: You're a quick thinker. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to "Heartsick" was right on the money. Here's how I handled the same situation after being contacted by an "adult daughter" asking me to "share something to help her remember her dad." I told her I'd be glad to. I photocopied the funeral bill and sent it to her immediately, with a request she pay her portion in cash. -- NOBODY'S FOOL, BROOKSVILLE, FLA.

LookingBack

10 years ago

Calloway County High School Band was awarded all superior ratings and received fifth place overall in open class finals at the Festival of Champions at Murray State University.

Published is a picture of Anita Bucy, a volunteer, sorting clothing in preparation for the Calloway County Community Resource Fair at the National Guard Armory.

Births reported include a boy to Tim and Jeff Houston, Feb. 6; a girl to Allen and Michelle Leslie, Sept. 20; a boy to Becky and John Zeulner, Oct. 8; a girl to Tina and Robert Hodges, Oct. 9.

20 years ago

Murray leaders dedicated the city's new Bee Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant with Dr. C.C. Lowry, chairman of the public works commission and mayor protem as speaker.

Dr. Ray Mofield spoke about the "Status of Education During the Revolutionary War" at a meeting of Captain Wendell Oury Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution held at the home of Mrs. Doris Nance.

Dr. Tim Miller scored first hole-in-one at Murray Country Club. Playing with him were Johnny Prichard, Jim Berry and Bill Seale.

30 years ago

Published is a picture of students entering the doors of the three new elementary schools at East, North and Southwest, for the first day of school in the new buildings.

Melissa Easley was named as a member of the Murray Independent Board of Education to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Dr. C.C. Lowry who has moved out of the district.

Murray State University Racers won 14-6 over the University of Tennessee at Martin in a football game before a crowd of about 14,000 fans at Stewart Stadium.

40 years ago

Murray State College's record breaking enrollment of 4,851 this year includes 1,971 freshmen. This is the largest undergraduate class ever enrolled at MSC, according to Wilson Gantt, dean of admissions.

Recent births reported at Murray Hospital include a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Suiter and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Henley.

The Rev. Bob Lashbrook of Nashville, Tenn., is the speaker at revival services this week at Memorial Baptist Church, 10th and Main Streets, Murray. The Rev. T.A. Thacker is pastor at Memorial.

50 years ago

Mrs. Gladys Scott has sold The Gladys Scott Shop, located on the east side of the courthouse in Murray, and another ladies ready-to-wear shop in Benton to Russell L. Johnson of Fulton. Mrs. Scott opened her shop in Murray Sept. 21, 1935.

Recent births reported at Murray Hospital include a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Holmes Dunn, a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Sykes, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Underwood and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Glindel Reaves.

TodayInHistory

By The Associated Press Today is Thursday, Oct. 14, the 288th day of 2004. There are 78 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Forty years ago, on Oct. 14, 1964, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was named winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.

On this date: In 1912, Theodore Roosevelt, campaigning for the presidency, was shot in the chest in Milwaukee. Despite the wound, he went ahead with a scheduled speech.

In 1947, Air Force test pilot Charles E. ("Chuck") Yeager broke the sound barrier as he flew the experimental Bell X-1 rocket plane over Edwards Air Force Base in California.

In 1960, the idea of a Peace Corps was first suggested by Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy to an audience of students at the University of Michigan.

In 1968, the first live telecast from a manned U.S. spacecraft was transmitted from Apollo 7.

In 1987, a real-life drama began in Midland, Texas, as 18-month-old Jessica McClure slid 22 feet down an abandoned well at a private day care center.

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♣ K 6 5 3

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♥ J 8
♦ Q 9 7 6 3 2
♣ Q J 10

EAST
♠ 6 5
♥ Q 10 9 5 3 2
♦ 4
♣ 9 8 7 2

SOUTH
♠ A Q J 9 7
♥ A 6
♦ K J 5
♣ A 4

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 NT Pass
3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass
4 NT Pass 5 ♠ Pass
5 NT Pass 6 ♠ Pass

Opening lead — queen of clubs.

Locating a missing key card by counting the opponents' cards as they are played is one of the most satisfying experiences possible at the bridge table. But for many players, satisfaction can change to frustration when, midway through the play, the counting effort collapses while trying to remember the suit and rank of every card played. Players who experience this problem are best advised that the key to accurate counting lies in keeping track only of what is per-

manent to the issue at hand.

Consider this deal where South is in seven spades. Declarer's only worry is a potential diamond loser. But before trying to guess which opponent to finesse for the queen, South should attempt to learn more about the opponents' distribution in the other three suits.

South therefore determines to keep an eye on when and if either defender shows out in any of the other three suits. The actual rank of the cards in these suits as they are played does not really matter. South starts by taking the club lead with the ace, cashes the A-Q of trumps, then plays the king of clubs and ruffs a club.

At this stage, all declarer knows is that the spades were divided 2-2 and the clubs 4-3. But when South next cashes the A-K of hearts and ruffs a heart — on which West shows out — he gets the break he's been looking for. East, having turned up with two spades, three clubs and six hearts thus far, cannot possibly hold more than two diamonds.

To complete the count, declarer leads a trump to the king and ruffs dummy's last club. When East follows to the fourth club, his original diamond holding drops to one, giving South a sure thing. He simply cashes the diamond king (to guard against a singleton queen in the East hand), then takes the marked finesse through West to secure the slam.

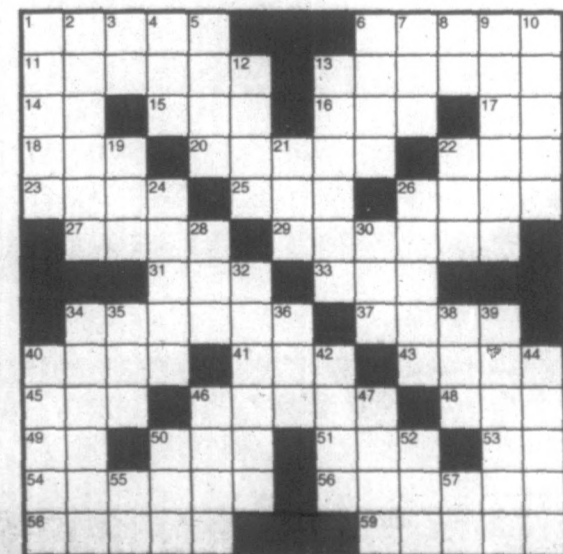
Crosswords

- ACROSS**
- 1 Dirty Harry
 - 6 Big quarrels
 - 11 Cowboy meets
 - 13 Like lava
 - 14 Sundial numeral
 - 15 Genetic material
 - 16 Toon Olive
 - 17 Derek or Jackson
 - 18 So-so grade
 - 20 Behind the — ball
 - 22 Long sandwich
 - 23 "Fish Magic" artist
 - 25 Meadow
 - 26 Sticky fruits
 - 27 Jedi knight trainer
 - 29 Apes
 - 31 Not rainy
 - 33 Aussie jumper
 - 34 Squeezed
 - 37 Dog's barks
 - 40 Dirty
 - 41 Haul along
 - 43 Not colorful
 - 45 Draw to a close
 - 46 Wingless insects
 - 48 Muckraker
 - 49 — Tarbell
 - 49 Distance meas.
 - 50 Weed whacker
 - 51 Weep loudly
 - 53 Pub. prosecutor
 - 54 Michener opus
 - 56 Like bad bruises
 - 58 Planet's course
 - 59 Removed the peel
- DOWN**
- 1 Neck annoyance
 - 2 Extremely beautiful
 - 3 Psyche part
 - 4 Rorem or Beatty
 - 5 Voice quality
 - 6 Indy winner
 - A.J. —
 - 7 Building wing
 - 8 Western st. topaz
 - 9 Fixes software
 - 10 Social climbers
 - 12 Weigh anchor
 - 13 Fine wool
 - 19 Want-ad abbr.
 - 21 Sapphire or topaz
 - 22 Thus, in citations
 - 24 Mr. Murphy
 - 26 Narrow inlet
 - 28 Part of a circle
 - 30 Flightless bird
 - 32 Cheered
 - 34 Minor partner
 - 35 Sturm —
 - 36 Drang, as a bill
 - 38 Part of TGIF
 - 39 Bike seat
 - 40 Speed
 - 42 Huff and puff
 - 44 Made like sheep
 - 46 Type style
 - 47 First course
 - 50 Yes, in Yokohama
 - 52 Bikini half
 - 55 16 oz.
 - 57 San Juan loc.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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CLAM ONE MOUE
RACE TOW ESTA
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PUREE RUE DON
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Murray Art Guild Guild hosts activities this month for public

Special to the Ledger

The Murray Art Guild will present the following activities:

■ **Beginning Oil Painting** — Mary Fuhrmann will be in the instructor for the class that meets from 6 to 8 p.m. Mondays. Call 753-4059 to join the ongoing class.

■ **Annual Holiday Sale** — The sale will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 5-6 at the guild. It will feature a collection of fine arts and crafts, including gifts for all seasons.

■ **Watercolor Workshop** — The workshop is offered for beginners through advanced students. Ingrid Lederer will be the guest lecturer. The workshop will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 21-24. Registration deadline is Oct. 19.

■ **Weavings and Watercolors Exhibition** — Art by Sallie Guy will be on display through Oct. 22 at the guild.

The Murray Art Guild is located at 103 N. Sixth St. and is a non-profit cultural and educational organization. Membership is open to anyone with an appreciation of visual arts.

The guild is open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday or by appointment. Call 753-4059 for more information.

MCMA, teachers association present concert

Special to the Ledger

Murray Civic Music Association joins with the Kentucky Music Teachers Association in hosting the Parry Karp (cello) and Eli Kalman (piano) concert in the historic Lovett Auditorium on the campus of Murray State University at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

The auditorium is handicapped accessible.

Karp is professor of music, artist-in-residence and director of the string chamber music program at the University of Wisconsin-Madison's School of Music.

He received his early training in Vienna, Austria, and continued his studies with Peter Farrell in Urbana, Ill., graduating from Illinois as a scholarship student of Gabriel Magyar.

He was awarded the Kate

Neal Kinley Fellowship for excellence in the arts and won the National String Artist Competition. Karp frequently performs solo recitals in the United States and Canada and has performed as soloist with many symphony orchestras including the San Salvador Symphony and the Chicago Civic Symphony.

Kalman received his diploma in piano performance from the Music Academy George Dima in Cluj, Romania.

After his move to Israel in 1990, he developed a rich career in chamber music, performing on stages in Israel, Romania, Germany, Hungary, Canada and the United States.

For the past three years, Kalman performed in the Art of the Ensemble concert at the Banff, Canada, Chamber Music Festival. Recently Kalman has focused mainly on string reper-

toire while holding the Steenbock Award for Excellence as a Doctoral Candidate at the University of Wisconsin School of Music.

The artists will perform a children's concert for Calloway County and Murray students as well as conduct master classes for MSU Students. Admission is by MCMA membership, but tickets are also available at the door.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens and \$10 for children. Because of the support of the MSU College of Humanities and Fine Arts, this musical experience is free to MSU students (student ID is required).

For additional information, contact Sally DuFord at 753-4446.

The 2004-05 MCMA season also includes a Holiday Pops concert by the Louisville

IF YOU GO ...

What: Concert featuring Parry Karp on cello and Eli Kalman on piano

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Where: MSU Lovett Auditorium
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Symphony Orchestra at 7 p.m. Dec. 2, a tribute to St. Patrick by BOHOLA at 7:30 p.m. March 15 and a Sunday afternoon concert by the Fisk Jubilee singers at 3:30 p.m. April 17.

Partial funding has been provided by the Kentucky Arts Council, a state agency in the Commerce Cabinet, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Murray writer's opera to be performed

Special to the Ledger

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — "The Way Home," a spoken opera by Murray Ledger & Times columnist Constance Alexander, will be performed at the Lake Forest Hospital on Friday at 9:30 a.m. in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Alexander presented a reading of excerpts from the piece while she was in Lake Forest in July, as a resident of the Ragdale Foundation. The performance was so well-received, the hospital is featuring "The Way Home" as a centerpiece for its activities associated with Breast Cancer Awareness.

"The Way Home" was inspired by an award-winning civic journalism project Alexander undertook with WKMS-FM, a National Public Radio member station in Murray, between 2000 and 2003. During the course of that project, the playwright conducted scores of interviews, including an ongoing series of meetings with two women from western Kentucky, both of them fighting cancer.

One of the women, named "Theresa Flowers" in the play, struggled with ovarian cancer without benefit of health insurance. As a survivor of breast cancer thirteen years earlier, she could not afford the high insurance premiums on the income she earned from her stained glass business. With the diagnosis of ovarian cancer in 2000, she faced a number of obstacles, including chemotherapy that cost \$4000 per treatment.

When another cancer sufferer named Pat read Alexander's articles about Theresa's dilemma, she contacted the author and asked if a fund could be established to help Theresa pay some of her enormous medical costs.

"That is how the Theresa Fund came to be," Alexander explained. "In about a year," she continued, "we raised about \$8000 for Theresa. She told me she felt like angels were watching over her, since help arrived just at the moment she thought she could not manage her plight any longer."

The two women never met, but their lives become so intertwined that Ms. Alexander was inspired to honor their spirit and courage by dramatizing their stories in "The Way Home."

"The Way Home" was written and revised during Ms. Alexander's residencies

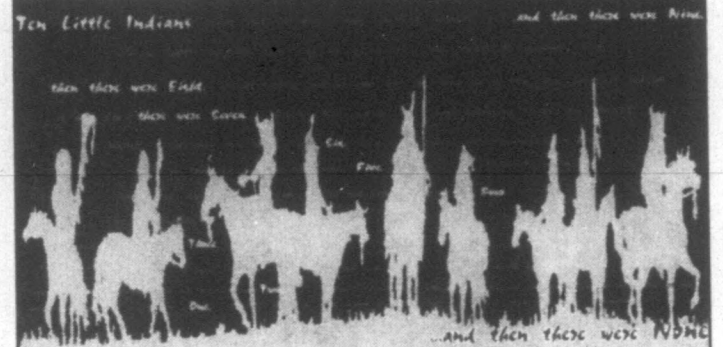
at the Ragdale Foundation in Lake Forest. Susan Page Tillett, Executive Director of the Foundation, heard readings of the work-in-progress that impressed her.

"When Constance read the completed piece at Ragdale last fall," Tillett said, "I was very moved and very proud she had worked on it at Ragdale. It is wonderful to think that the time and space we provide for writers and artists yields this kind of important, compassionate work. In a world that is so often divided, it is wonderful to hear voices that unite us in our common humanity."

Alexander is an award-winning columnist, radio producer, poet, playwright, founder and artistic director of the West Kentucky Playwrights' Festival. She recently won the Writers Exchange Award from Poets & Writers, Inc., for an excerpt from her first novel, "Thirty-One Fat Ladies on a Bus." Her radio pieces and newspaper articles on end-of-life issues were recognized as a semi-finalist for the Batten Award from the Pew Center for Civic Journalism.

Recent grants from the Kentucky Arts Council, Kentucky Foundation for Women, the Kaiser Foundation and the Pilgrim Project have supported Ms. Alexander as she developed "The Way Home."

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