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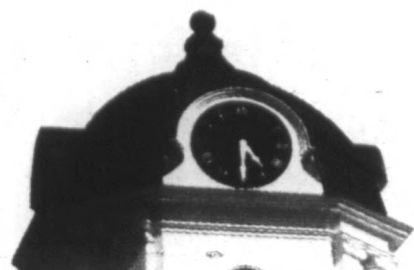
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Winters discusses budget proposal

By TOM BERRY
Staff Writer

First District Sen. Ken Winters says he and senate colleagues spent a lot of time the past week reviewing House Bill 265, an \$18 billion budget proposal for 2012-14.

Winters (R-Murray) said the Senate's reciprocal proposal carried about 6.58 percent authorized debt; lower than the House's proposal of 6.8 and Gov. Steve Beshear's proposed 7.1 percent. However House legislators rejected the Senate bill Friday and a compromise is scheduled to be considered by a joint conference committee this week.

"The Senate's budget puts more money into the 'rainy day fund' and significantly lowers the state's structural imbalance," Winters said. "The Senate recognizes that it is bad public policy to bond or restructure or borrow money to pay for current expenses."

Winters said the senate's budget reflects what families in the Commonwealth has had to face during the last several years - less money.

"We needed to decide what was necessary as opposed to what would be nice to have," he said. "People decide between paying their mortgage or going on vacation; paying their utility bill or going to the movies."

While the Senate budget provides for social services, education, public safety, and necessary infrastructure, Winters said senators are mindful about the cost of some programs.

"While nice or even beneficial to have, are not ultimately critical," he said. "Of course, as the nation's and our economies improve, we will continue to evaluate and review our revenues as compared to our needs."

In other action, Senate Bill 134 would allow returning military who have heating, ventilation and air conditioning expertise to obtain certification in Kentucky. The bill allows U.S. armed forces personnel qualify for a journeyman license if trained by the military and had

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WEATHER

TODAY	TOMORROW
70s	70s
50s	50s

Daily Forecast

The National Weather Service

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 75. North northeast wind between 3 and 5 mph.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 53.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 76. South southeast wind between 5 and 7 mph.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 57.

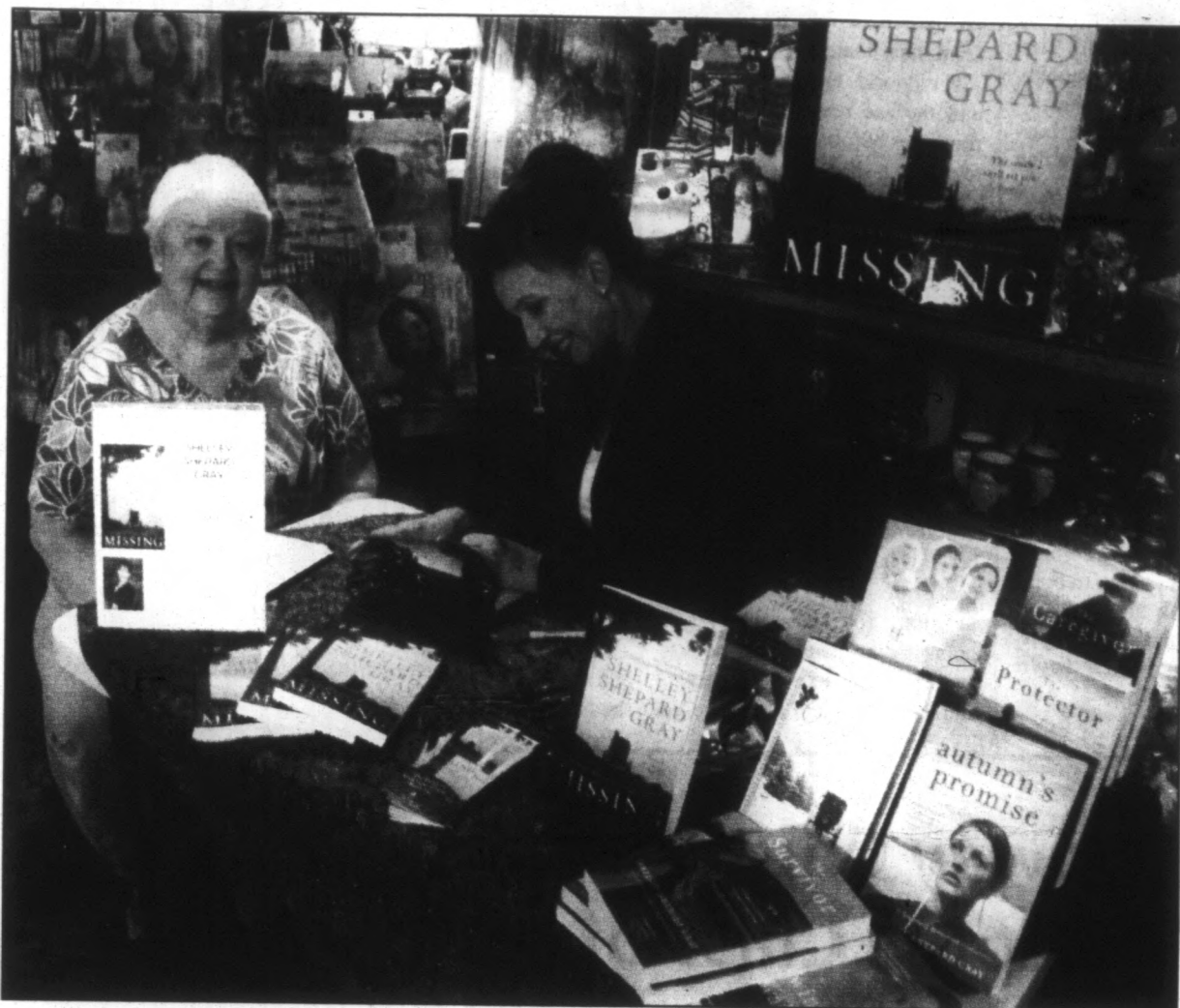
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Wednesday Night: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 57.

Thursday: Mostly sunny with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. A high near 76.



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HAWKINS TEAGUE / Ledger & Times
Bestselling author Shelley Shepard Gray, right, signs a copy of her latest novel, "Missing," for Betty Wagar at New Life Christian Bookstore. The book was released last week and is the first in Gray's new series, "The Secrets of Crittenden County."

N.Y. Times best-selling author visits, signs books in Murray

By HAWKINS TEAGUE
Staff Writer

Bestselling author Shelley Shepard Gray visited downtown Murray last Friday afternoon to sign copies of her novels at the New Life Christian Bookstore.

According to her website, Shelley Sabga writes Amish romances under the name Shelley Shepard Gray for HarperCollins' inspirational line, Avon Inspire. Her recent novel, "The Protector," is the final book in her "Families of Honor" series and hit the New York Times bestseller list. Her previous novel in the same series, "The Survivor," appeared on the USA Today bestseller list.

Since 2000, Gray has sold more than 30 novels to numerous publishers, including HarperCollins, Harlequin, and Abingdon Press. She has been interviewed by National Public Radio,

and her books have been highlighted in USA Today and The Wall Street Journal, among other publications.

All of Gray's novels are part of larger series, starting with 2008's "Hidden," the first in the four-book series "Sisters of the Heart." Other series penned by Gray include "Seasons of Sugarcreek," "Families of Honor" and "Heart of a Hero." The "Hero" series is not part of the Amish romance genre, and the books are instead described as "historical, western inspirational romances" by her website. They are also published under a slightly different name, Shelley Gray.

The latest series from Gray - who currently lives in Loveland, Ohio, north of Cincinnati - is based right here in western Kentucky. The series is called "The Secrets of Crittenden County," and the first book,

"Missing," was released last Tuesday, March 20. The second and third books are called "The Search" and "Found," and are set to be released in June and August, respectively.

Because her editor likes for the series to be set in different locations, Gray was looking for a new setting and stumbled onto the Amish community of Crittenden County while doing an Internet search. She visited the area and loved it, so she set the new trilogy there. On the same day she was in Murray, Gray appeared at the McCracken County Public Library. On Saturday, she appeared at the Crittenden County Public Library before heading back home.

Gray said she has lived in several places around the country because of her husband's job as a salesman, and the inspiration to start writing Amish

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Lawmakers enter final stretch of 2012 session

By ROGER ALFORD
Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — A contentious month-long debate over political redistricting left scant time for Kentucky lawmakers to tackle a long list of bills, many of which will likely fall to the wayside in the final days of the 2012 legislative session.

So far, four of the 786 bills filed this year have been signed into law by Gov. Steve Beshear. That includes a bill redrawing the state's legislative districts that the Kentucky Supreme Court has already declared unconstitutional.

With six days remaining, lawmakers have largely turned their attention to negotiating final terms of a two-year, \$19.5 billion state budget.

"I honestly have to say not a lot has been accomplished," said House Republican Whip Danny Ford of Mount Vernon. "Our time is very short. I hope that we can get a budget. I think the people expect that of us, and I hope we can meet those expectations."

Budget negotiators from the House and Senate are scheduled to begin talks Monday to hammer out final details of the budget that calls for massive cuts to agencies across state government. They hope to have an agreement before the end of the week.

Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville, said he is "very concerned" about the tight deadline lawmakers are working under to get the budget completed. He said Senate and House negotiators have to resolve all their differences by late Wednesday night.

House Speaker Greg Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, said he's confident the House and Senate will reach an agreement. "I don't think we'll reach an impasse," he said.

The fate of most bills are in question, including one that would provide some Appalachian students with financial grants of up to \$6,000 a year to help them earn degrees from private colleges in the mountain region.

The proposal is a spinoff from an earlier recommendation to turn the private University of Pikeville into a public university to boost educational levels and spur the economy in central Appalachia. Widespread opposition led to that idea being withdrawn.

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Chamber 'cash mob' gathers at business

By TOM BERRY
Staff Writer

More than a dozen volunteers breezed through Gate 28, one of Murray's newest retail clothing shops, Saturday morning during Murray Calloway County Chamber of Commerce's first-ever "Cash Mob" events.

Chamber Executive Director Lance Allison was on hand to award the volunteers a \$20 "Chamber Check" if they purchased at least \$20 in goods from the North 12th Street store which offers a wide selection of stylish clothing, shoes and accessories.

"The idea is that you are supporting your locally-owned store with one big shopping swoop, much like a 'flash

mob' except we are spending money," Allison said. "It's estimated that just \$20 a month spent at a locally owned business has over a \$200,000 economic impact on the community."

Allison said each of the volunteers has to spend at least \$20 to get the Chamber Check, which may be spent at any local business participating in the program.

He said the event Saturday was enhanced by awarding the checks to the group that volunteered.

Apparently the program has rewards, not only for the business, but the participants as well.

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TOM BERRY/Ledger & Times
Lance Allison, executive director of the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce, right, presents a \$20 Chamber Check to "Cash Mob" volunteer Brett Watson, center, while Adrienne Rogers, owner-manager of Gate 28, checks out Watson's purchase. Allison thanked several volunteers for taking part in the Chamber effort to promote local retail sales.

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Lawmakers ...

From Front

The proposed scholarships would be paid for using revenue from an existing tax on mined coal. Proponents believe generating more college graduates would make the impoverished central Appalachian region more appealing to businesses looking to build or relocate.

The Senate stripped money for that program out of the budget. Stumbo said the House will press to put it back, saying he sees that scholarship program as one of the more important proposals of the legislative session.

"What you have to remember is times are tough, and there's not a lot of money in the budget," Stumbo said.

"And when there's no extra money, it's difficult to have many major pieces of legislation, but most of them require some form of funding."

The House and Senate still are working on legislation intended to curb meth production and to crack down on unscrupulous doctors who overprescribe painkillers. That, too, is one of the top priorities of the legisla-

tive session, but lawmakers have disagreed on how to proceed.

The meth proposal would limit the amount of cold and allergy medications that people can buy in an attempt to limit access to pseudoephedrine, a key ingredient in meth. That proposal has been staunchly opposed by consumer groups.

The Amish are hoping lawmakers will pass legislation that would allow them to forgo a longstanding traffic safety measure in the name of religious freedom.

A bill awaiting passage would allow the Amish to use strips of reflective tape on the backs of their horse-drawn buggies rather than bright orange triangles some object to.

The Amish argue that God directs their safety, even on the roads.

They say the bright color of the signs calls attention to them, which is against their religion, and the triangular shape represents the Trinity, which they're not allowed to flaunt.

N.Y. Times Author...

From Front

romance fiction came after their most recent move. She said that while her children were in school, she would pass the time by driving to an Ohio Amish community about an hour away from their home.

The world appealed to her, and she had read a few Amish romances before, so she decided to give it a shot.

When she started, she only knew of three other writers of Amish romance, but the genre has really exploded in the last few years, she said.

"When I first started out and I got my first contract with HarperCollins, really the only authors that I knew of were Beverly Lewis and Wanda Brunstetter and Cindy Woodsmall. I had read their books, but I hadn't read a lot of the genre, and I just kind of thought, 'You know what? I'm going to write my own books, and if people like them, great, and if people don't, that's OK

too.' And they ended up liking them, and now, it's amazing how many authors are writing in the genre.

"But, you know, I think people enjoy reading about a life that's very different from their own, without all the technology. I think the faster our lives get, people are enjoying the fact that they can read a book about people that aren't involved with any of that."

Gray said she goes to church with a woman who is a former Mennonite from Sugarcreek, Ohio, hence giving her a setting for her second series of books. Gray said the former Mennonite friend has another friend who is Old Order Amish, so the two of them answer Gray's questions and read the manuscripts to help Gray keep her characters grounded in a real world that she hasn't lived herself.

Winters...

From Front

actively served in that capacity.

"The Senate also passed several other bills to lay the groundwork for a prosperous future," Winters said. "If you ask business owners what kinds of things the government can do to help them, one of their top answers will be to tell government to get out of the way."

Winters said Senate Bill 4 calls for a moratorium on administrative regulations as the governor determines which regulations to keep in place, amend or repeal.

"The governor can then reissue the regulations he deems important and these will go through the usual legislative review," he said. "The purpose of SB 4 is to rein in what many feel is out-of-control red-tape. We need to look at these regulations with fresh eyes and make sure they still have a constructive purpose."

As chairman of the Senate Education Committee, Winters is spearheading efforts to structure and reform education in Kentucky. He says math and science skills are very important for high school students going into the workforce or on to college.

"Senate Bill 11, which I sponsored, will provide financial incentives to teachers, based on student achievement on Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate tests in advanced science and mathematics," he said. "AdvanceKentucky, a private-public educational partnership, has similar programs in many of our public high schools and has experienced wonderful success

as students score well enough to obtain college credit, saving both them and their parents' money."

In 2010, AdvanceKentucky programs in participating high schools saw a reported 53 percent increase in math, science and English Advanced Placement qualifying scores above 2009, according to Winters.

"Qualifying scores among low-income students went up 109 percent," he added. "This is an investment in our future."

Winters said the Commonwealth must also continue to be frugal with taxpayer dollars and verifying documentation of those applying for public benefits is important.

"Senate Bill 118 will require all applicants for public benefits to either present a legitimate document verifying United States citizenship or submitting an affidavit verifying legal residency here," he said. "These are your tax funds, and you should have the assurance that they benefit U.S. citizens."

Senate Bill 213, also sponsored by Winters, provides transitional living support for young people who have aged out of the foster care system but still may need assistance.

"A youth may choose, before they are 19, to extend or reinstate his or her commitment to the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to the age of 21," he said. "This means that the children will continue to be eligible for educational, residential, and psychological support to help ensure they will grow into productive members of society."

'Cash Mob'...

From Front

"This is way too much fun," said volunteer Erin Carrico.

The first "cash mob" in Murray was scheduled to coincide with the national program.

"It just so happens Saturday is part of a national effort so I think it is a great time to try it out here in our community," Allison said. "If we can get folks excited about this we will do some more either monthly or quarterly."

The volunteers will also have some input into which business will be selected next for the program.

"The only rules are the business has to be locally owned and offer something for men and women," Allison said. "It kind of focuses on the 'buy local' theme that the chambers of commerce are pushing."

Rogers said she named her shop "Gate 28" because a gateway represents a "new direction" or beginning of a new experience.

"The 28 was my age when I

opened the shop," she said. "My husband actually come up with the name."

The first "National Cash Mob Day" was officially organized by Andrew Samtoy, a Cleveland, Ohio attorney on November 16, 2011.

Although at the time he thought the name was original, he later learned that the first gathering by the name took place in Buffalo, N.Y. on August 5, 2011 and organized by blogger Christopher Smith.

Since then, the program has spread across the U.S., Canada, and around the world in an effort to promote local business, according to the Cash Mob website.

For more information about the chamber's cash mob program, contact Allison at 753-5171. For more information about the national program go online to cashmobs.wordpress.com/about-us.

Town Crier

• The Murray-Calloway County Endowment for Healthcare Advisory Committee will meet Tuesday, March 27, at 9 a.m. in the Annex Conference Room of Murray-Calloway County

Hospital, at 803 Poplar St.

• The Murray Calloway Transit Authority board will meet Tuesday, March 27, at 9 a.m., at the transit office, at 1111 Transit Way.

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Tuesday, March 27, 2012

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Registration for Calloway County Schools' 2012-2013 Primary 1 / Kindergarten Program

Children who will be five (5) years of age on or before October 1, 2012 are eligible to attend Calloway County's full day Primary 1 / Kindergarten program.

Parents should bring the following items:

- A copy of the state issued birth certificate
(Hospital birth certificate cannot be accepted)
- An up-to-date Kentucky Certificate of Immunization
- A copy of the student's Social Security card
- A Kentucky Preventative Health Care Examination form
(Physicals dated prior to August 7, 2011 cannot be accepted)
- A Kentucky Eye Examination Form completed by an optometrist or ophthalmologist will be required by Jan. 1, 2013.
- A Kentucky Dental Screening Examination Form completed by a dentist, dental hygienist, physician, registered nurse, advanced registered nurse practitioner, or physician assistant will be required by Jan. 1, 2013.

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Obituaries

William 'Bill' Thomas Brown

William "Bill" Thomas Brown, 84, of Murray, Ky., died Saturday, March 24, 2012, at his home. Arrangements are incomplete at this time at Heritage Family Funeral Home.

Audie Bee Linn

Mrs. Audie Bee Linn, 89, of Murray, Ky., died on Saturday, March 24, 2012, at the Murray-Calloway County Hospital.



Linn

She was born in Macedonia on Jan. 3, 1923, to the late Matthew Mitchell and Leona Witherspoon Mitchell. She was a retired seamstress and a member of the Masons Chapel United Methodist Church.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Linn was preceded in death by her husband, William Edgar Linn, who died on March 18, 2006; one daughter, Joyce Adams; two grandsons, Jason Linn and Chris Rudolph; one sister, Ethel Vinson; and two brothers, Aubrey Mitchell and Mozell Mitchell.

She is survived by one daughter, Anna McAdoo and husband, Paul, of Milan, Tenn.; two sons, Eddie Linn and wife, Sandy and Gerald Linn and wife, Coleen, all of Murray; seven grandchildren, Lynn Crittenden, Lisa Batten, Connie Hill, Kristy Spann, Gina Harness, Tammy Lovett and Leanna McClure; eight great-grandchildren, Jennifer Knolton, Emily Kellerman, Whitney Linginfelter, Adam Crittenden, Christopher Rudolph, Aidan Lovett, Ally Harness and John Spann, V; as well as one great-great-grandson, Porter Linginfelter.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at 1 p.m. at the J.H. Churchill Funeral Home with the Rev. Dan Leslie officiating. Burial to follow in the Murray Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be held from 5-9 p.m. Monday, March 26, 2012, at the funeral home. Online condolences can be made at www.thejhcchurchillfuneralhome.com. Arrangements are being handled by J.H. Churchill Funeral Home.

This is a paid obituary.

John E. Fortin

John E. Fortin, of Fremont, Calif., passed away Wednesday, March 21, 2012, at the age of 95. He was the beloved father to Alta Jo Adamson and her husband, Ron, of Fremont, Calif., Delma Rose Holcombe and her husband, Bill, of Brookfield, Conn., and John "Jack" Ellis Fortin, Jr. and his wife, Sara, of Vadnais Heights, Minn.



Fortin

Loving grandfather to Andrew Adamson and his wife Mary Beth, Amy-Harris and her husband Keith, Will Holcombe, Beth Holcombe and Douglas Fortin and his wife, Sarah. Cherished great-grandfather to Hanna, McKenzie, Luke, Jasper, Sonja and Sunny. Also survived by many nieces and nephews and extended family. He was predeceased by his wife, Joy Fortin; his brother, James Fortin; and his sister Delma Rose Weber.

Mr. Fortin was born in the rural village of Knapp, Wis. He was blessed with a beautiful voice and was a church soloist from an early age. The first in his family to attend college, he met his future wife, Joyce Shafer, in the college drama club, and they appeared together in many plays and operettas. They married shortly after college and eventually had three children and were happily married for 49 years.

Mr. Fortin received his bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Stout in 1936, and later his master's degree from Northern Illinois University. He began his career as director of the Alabama School of Trades at Gadsden, Ala. Later he became director of Vocational and Adult Education, Rockford, Ill. Finally, he became a tenured professor at Murray State University, Murray. For his achievements as a dedicated educator, accomplished administrator, and noted consultant, he was awarded the Distinguished Graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stout in the year 1979.

Besides work, Mr. Fortin had many interests and hobbies. He loved driving trips across the United States and Canada. He loved international travel, visiting England, most of Northern Europe, Bangladesh and China. He was a gentleman farmer who loved gardening and searching for antiques and collectibles. He was a devout Christian and a life-long leader in the Methodist Church.

A Memorial service will be held Monday, March 26, 2012, at 7 p.m. at Aegis of Fremont, 3850 Walnut Ave., Fremont, CA 94538. There will be a graveside service on Saturday, March 31, 2012, at 12 p.m. at Rose Hill Cemetery in Downsville, Wis. Arrangements are being handled by Freemont Chapel of the Roses in Fremont, Calif.

This is a paid obituary.

Richard Lee Wright, Sr.

Richard Lee Wright, Sr., 62, of Arlington, Ky., died Saturday, March 24, 2012, at his home.

Mr. Wright was born in Fulton on April 6, 1949, to the late George Blackwell Wright and Louise Honor Harkey Wright. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, George Wright.

He is survived by his wife, Carol Wright, of Arlington; one daughter, Chasity Norton, of Arlington; one son, Richard Lee Wright Jr. and wife, Marilyn, of Arlington; one sister, Virginia Davis, of Clinton; one brother, Jim Wright, of Arlington; two grandchildren, Richard Lee "Trae" Wright, III and Aspin James "A.J." Norton; and several nieces and nephews. No visitation or services are scheduled at this time. Online condolence can be made at www.thejhcchurchillfuneralhome.com. J.H. Churchill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Larry Jeff Williams

Larry Jeff Williams, 66, of New Concord, Ky., died at 2:40 a.m. Friday, March 23, 2012, at his home.



He was a U.S. Army veteran, with 20 years of service. He was also a member of the Am Vets and The Murray Bass Club.

Mr. Williams was born March 23, 1945, in Calloway County to the late Charles (Goon) Williams and Maxine (Valentine) Williams. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Eddie Williams.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Faye (Kirks) Williams, to whom he was married Sept. 14, 1989; three daughters, Rhonda Gibreau, of Florida, Rachel Doughty, of Murray and Amanda Fowler, of Nashville, Tenn.; one son, Jeff Williams, of Murray; two sisters, Reta Williams, of Murray and Paula Jo Burgess and husband, Eddie, of Dexter; four grandchildren, Andrea Gibreau, Aleisha Doughty, Emily Doughty and Myranda Fowler.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 28, 2012, at Blalock-Coleman & York Funeral Home with the Rev. Heyward Roberts and John Mark Roberts officiating. Burial will follow in New Concord Cemetery, with full military honors by Ft. Campbell. Visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be left at www.yorkfuneralhome.com. Arrangements are being handled by Blalock-Coleman & York Funeral Home.

Ronda Nyboer

Ronda Nyboer, 53, of Mayfield, Ky., died at 2 a.m. Sunday, March 18, 2012, at her home. She was the former owner of Pizza Pantry in Farmington. She is survived by her brother, Paul McDonald, of Wyoming and nieces and nephews. Her parents were Edward and Mae (Lovette) Young. There will be no public services or visitation.

Online condolences may be left at www.yorkfuneralhome.com. Arrangements are being handled by Blalock-Coleman & York Funeral Home.

Janice F. Dowdy

A memorial service for Janice F. Dowdy, 68, of Hazel, Ky., formerly of Mayfield, Ky., were held Sunday, March 25, 2012, at 2 p.m. at the Hazel Baptist Church with the Rev. Brent Lee officiating. Burial will follow at a later date.



Dowdy

Mrs. Dowdy died Friday, March 23, 2012, at Heritage Manor Nursing Home in Mayfield. She was born Dec. 17, 1942, in Mayfield, to the late Harry Moore Wyatt and Cleoth Irene Hendley. She was a former medical records assistant and was of the Baptist faith.

Survivors include two sons, Keith Mangrum and wife, Beth, of Puryear, Tenn., and Steve Mangrum, of Owensboro; one sister, Carol McDermott and husband, Robert, of Golo; four brothers, Donnie Wyatt, of Mayfield, Tommy Hendley and wife, Beverly, of Sylva, N.C., Dwayne Hendley and wife, Debbie, of Melber and Tom Wyatt and wife, Lucia, of Chicago, Ill.; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Expressions of sympathy may go to the Hazel Cemetery Fund, P.O. Box 8, Hazel, KY 42049. Online condolences can be left at www.thejhcchurchillfuneralhome.com. Arrangements were handled by J.H. Churchill Funeral Home.

Lillian Inez Mills

A private graveside service for Lillian Inez Mills, 79, of Murray, Ky., was held Saturday, March 24, 2012, at New Zion Cemetery. Interment followed. No public visitation is scheduled.

Mrs. Mills died Thursday, March 22, 2012, at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

She was the daughter of the late Wintford Shirley and the late Bonnie (Alderman) Shirley. She was preceded in death by her brother, Stanley L. Shirley.

She is survived by her husband, John Bobby Mills, of Murray; two daughters, Katrina Duff, of West Palm Beach, Fla., and Karen McConkey, of Mansfield, Tenn.; four stepdaughters, Debbie Leslie, of Kirksey, Patty Dunn, of Las Vegas, Nev., Valarie England, of Murray and Joni Rhodes, of Mt. Sterling; one brother, J.D. Shirley, of Richardson, Texas; one sister, Gracie L. Kincaid, of Dahlonega, Ga.; 16 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Kentucky and Southern Indiana Chapter, Kaden Tower, 6100 Dutchmans Lane, Ste. 401, Louisville, KY 40205-3284. Arrangements were handled by Collier Funeral Home in Benton.

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GOP votes lining up behind Romney

AP NEWS ANALYSIS

By DAVID ESPO

WASHINGTON (AP) — It hasn't been pretty, but the Republican establishment, the delegate math, the money and more are increasingly lining up in Mitt Romney's favor in the long and grinding race for the party's presidential nomination.

The race will go on. Romney's most dogged rival, Rick Santorum, is all but certain to claim more victories before the primary season ends.

An astonishing admission by one of Romney's top aides — that primary-season policy positions may be no more lasting than squiggles on a child's Etch A Sketch drawing toy — will hardly reassure skeptical conservative Republicans.

"Everything changes" for the fall campaign, said Eric Fehrnstrom.

Still, Romney's Illinois primary victory provided fresh evidence of electoral strength, produced a big delegate haul and paid an overnight dividend in the form of an endorsement from Jeb Bush.

"Now is the time for Republicans to unite behind Governor Romney and take our message of fiscal conservatism and job creation to all voters this fall," said the former Florida governor, the man most often mentioned as a last-minute savior for the party, who could swoop into a deadlocked convention and emerge with the nomination.

Former Sen. Bob Dole, a Romney supporter, summarized Santorum's position from the point of view of a man who lost his first try for the nomination before winning on the second.

"In every race, Romney is going to pick up delegates. Looking back at my race in 1988 I should have gotten out, but I just kept going out there," Dole said. "When you're out of money and you don't have the organization to buy TV, you have to take a hard look at it. As much as you don't want to do that, sometimes you have to face reality."

Much has changed since Dole last ran for the White House in 1996, including the emergence of super PACs that are allowed to raise money in unlimited amounts. That, too, is working to Romney's advantage.

So far, he has benefitted from more than \$32 million in television ads from Restore Our Future, the entity that played the major role in wiping out Newt Gingrich with attack ads in the days before the Iowa caucuses and again in the Florida primary.

More recently it has turned its attention to Santorum. For comparison purposes, the \$32 million is more money than Santorum, Gingrich and Ron Paul plus super PACs supporting them have spent combined on television, and may be the reason Romney has been able to avoid dipping into his own personal fortune so far in the campaign.

Additionally, campaign finance reports released last week showed that big donors to a GOP organization founded by political strategist Karl Rove have boosted their financial support for the Romney-aligned super PAC in recent months.

It's taken months, far longer than anticipated, for Romney to begin to take charge of a race that he began with overwhelming financial and organizational advantages.

His record as a Massachusetts governor, particularly his embrace of a requirement for state residents to purchase health insurance, has made it hard for him to win over doubting conservatives in the South and elsewhere.

"Ann drives a couple of Cadillacs," he blurted out in one appearance, one of several utterances that suggest he doesn't quite understand the financial woes facing millions of Americans in the wake of the worst recession in decades.

Yet in Illinois, he won more votes than Santorum and Gingrich put together, a far better showing than the grudging victories he eked out in Michigan and Ohio over the previous few weeks.

Romney's delegate haul was even more impressive. He picked up 41, to 10 for his chief rival. That was hours after an aide to Santorum went on television to predict that the former Pennsylvania senator would win between 24 and 30.

There were more embarrassing moments for the former senator's campaign.

The candidate himself backpedaled after saying the economy wasn't the main issue of the campaign. "Occasionally you say some things where you wish you had a do-over," he said later.

The calendar, too, is a problem for Santorum, his objections aside.

In a memo released March 11, his campaign said Romney's claims of delegate superiority were based on "fuzzy math. ... Simply put, time is on our side."

In the days since, Romney has won 109 delegates, Santorum 44. In The Associated Press count, Romney has 563 of the 1,144 delegates needed to clinch the nomination at the convention in Tampa, Fla.; Santorum has 263; Gingrich has 135 and Paul, 50.

er sort of working community. Although the experiment failed and Owen eventually went back to Scotland, the value of education and scientific enterprise endured, and New Harmony became the home of the Workingman's Institute and Library, the oldest continuously operating library in the state of Indiana.

With a current population of about a thousand souls, New Harmony is a small town with big ideas about peace, creativity and divine inspiration.

The restored buildings of the original utopian communities attract tourists interested in seeing how the industrious citizens in the early 19th century lived and worked.

The downtown galleries and antique stores mix easily with local eateries and a couple of cafes to provide a range of pleasant pastimes.

A visitor center, the starkly beautiful Athenaeum, sits on the banks of the Wabash River like a splendid white bird.

The building, designed by renowned architect Richard Meier, houses an auditorium where visitors learn about the background of this charming and historic town before taking a tour.

Although surrounded by rolling farmland, New Harmony also features some stunning architecture. The Roofless Church, designed in 1960 by another world-class architect, Philip Johnson, needs no ceiling. The sky, in its endless bound-

ty, is the roof of this interdenominational space. As the weather gets warmer, there will be weddings and other ceremonies performed here, but in early spring one enjoys its intangible beauty as a solitary experience.

Newer additions to the local landscape include two labyrinths, one on the south end of Main Street, and the other across from the Roofless Church. There is also a peaceful memorial garden that inspires meditation and reflection that most of us have little time for in everyday life.

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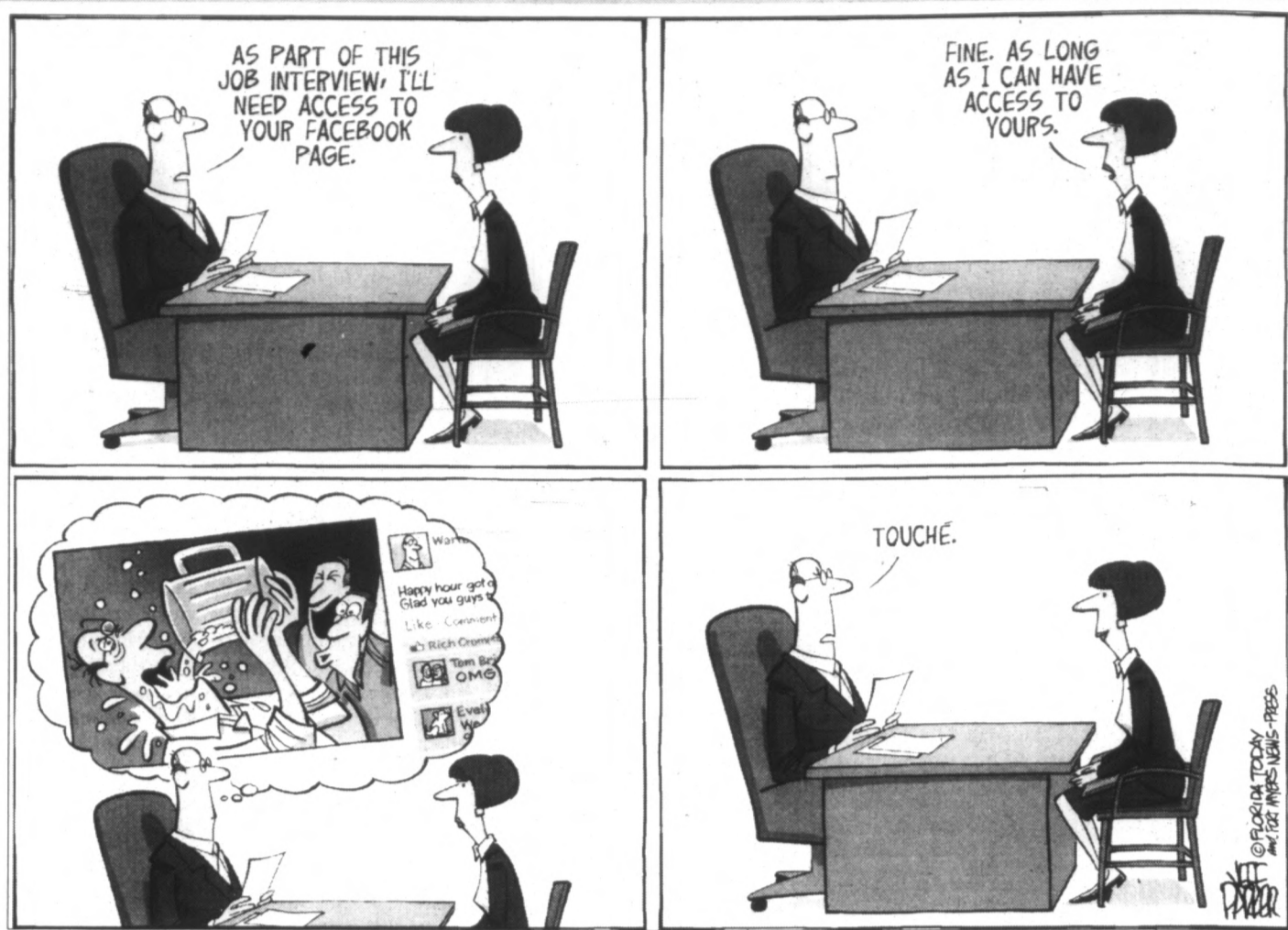
programming that reflects the Institute's mission to provide for "the diffusion of useful knowledge by mutual instruction amongst the producing classes." Coming up on May 3 is a presentation by Lisa Muller, teacher fellow at the US Holocaust Memorial Museum, entitled "Voices of the Shoah: The Healing Power of Art & Music."

On May 5-6, is the Harmonie Hundred 2012. The Saturday event is designed for bike riders interested in choosing between bike routes of 50 or 27 miles. Options for Sunday include 50 and 38 miles, or a 16 mile Family Ride. On both days, riding will be on rural, well-paved roads with some "winding and rolling" hills. Helmets are mandatory.

The major local lodging alternative is the New Harmony Inn and Conference Center, which sits next to the Red Geranium Restaurant, reputed to be one of the region's most charming and romantic fine dining restaurants.

While there are many lovely destinations closer to home, New Harmony is a great place to enjoy spring break. You may not come back with a tan or stories about wild parties, but if you're lucky, you'll get home with renewed energy and uplifted spirits.

For additional information about historic New Harmony and its many attractions and opportunities for peaceful retreats from busy lives, log on to www.newharmony.biz.



New Harmony: A pause that restores

Spring break. The phrase evokes stereotypical images of bikini-clad coeds, beer swilling college kids with fake IDs, and trashed motel rooms in beach communities that take a whole year to recover before the next onslaught. Looking for something different? Welcome to New Harmony, Indiana, a 3-hour drive and a uni-versal away from fast food, big-box stores and endless to-do lists.

On a recent weekday morning, Main Street, New Harmony, is tranquil. The blinker light at the intersection of Main and Route 66 blinks at a few parked cars and empty sidewalks. No traffic. The only sound is birdsong. This is a peaceful place to escape for a springtime respite.

The former site of two of America's utopian communities, New Harmony was first known as Harmonie on the Wabash, which endured from 1814 to 1824. Founded by Johann Georg Rapp, leading a group of Separatists from the German Lutheran Church, the Rappites believed in the value of work and prayer. Applying these concepts, they created a community that achieved impressive economic results and was called "the wonder of the west."

In 1825, when the Harmonists returned to Pennsylvania to found the town of Economy, Robert Owen, an industrialist and social philosopher, purchased the town and its acreage to establish another

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Gas prices, Ky. history and drug abuse

Courier-Journal Louisville, Ky.

As if national Republicans didn't already have enough to worry about, the economy — the issue to which they've clung like a drowning man to a raft — is showing signs of life.

It's not great, of course. But unemployment is trending downward, the stock market has been gaining more often than it loses, Europe is shaky but not crumbling, and the Obama administration has taken steps to bolster the sagging housing market.

Then there is the little problem for the GOP that it's far healthier than the imploding economy that George W. Bush handed over to Barack Obama in January 2009.

So, now what? The Republicans can't really think they'll win by threatening women's affordable access to contraceptives, even if they try to disguise it as some sort of religious freedom issue.

Maybe the voters will think that Mitt Romney, a fellow who seems clueless about how most Americans live and who says he doesn't care about the poor, will have their backs on economic issues. But that might be a longshot. What to do?

Oh, wait. How about blaming Obama for the recent rise in oil prices, especially the cost of gasoline? Well, the Republicans are doing just that.

All of this flies in the face of reality. Oil prices tend to go up with an improving economy (more demand) — or with a potential crisis in the Middle East or other oil-producing regions — and both of these are happening now.

Presidents and Congress have little ability to influence oil prices and the insistence of Republican candidates and leaders that the U.S. wage or threaten war with Iran would drive oil prices up more than any other factor.

for their private collections or sold to the highest bidder.

The result is that both the artifacts and the information — our history — are lost to Kentucky.

News-Enterprise Elizabethtown, Ky.

Somewhere, a teenage girl is fretting over her body image and the upcoming ACTs. She's thinking about how, for her friend, ADHD medication not only kills an appetite but improves focus.

Somewhere else, an aching student athlete is wondering about the powerful pain medication a relative took after a back injury.

And, still, plenty of children are curious about the mood-altering drugs they've heard so many adults call "happy pills."

Prescription drug abuse has been on the rise in Kentucky with fatal drug overdoses claiming more lives than car crashes, according to the state attorney general's office.

And it's not just an adult problem. One in five teens has abused prescription drugs, up from one in 10 over a three-year period.

Children's exposure and access to pills has played a key role in the increased abuse.

Taking medication for a chronic illness is common, and they see that, even among their peers.

IN OTHER WORDS

The following are editorials from newspapers across Kentucky offering divergent points of view about issues of importance.

the fact, what they found and where.

It's unnecessary because there already is a law, the state antiquities act, that deals with archaeological research on state and municipal property in Kentucky. Worse, it's in conflict with that law.

The antiquities act sets out a permitting process before historic or prehistoric sites are excavated, and stipulates that any artifacts discovered remain the property of the state.

When trained archeologists do their work they gain information from the context as well as the artifacts, he said. "It's not about the process of discovery it's about how they (the artifacts) came to be there."

Amateurs using metal detectors, on the other hand, may discover objects but are unlikely to make the detailed observations and notes that help solve the mystery of how they got there.

Even if they did surrender what they find to the proper authorities, the information is lost. Many, though, will never turn over the artifacts they find on public properties or even report them. Kentucky's treasures instead will either be kept

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Ft. Heiman Camp 1834 to meet



Datebook
Jessica Morris,
Community
editor

Fort Heiman Camp 1834 of the Sons of Confederate Veterans will meet Monday, March 26, at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the east end of First United Methodist Church. The speaker will be Dr. Tom Hiter, who will speak about Indian tribes who fought for the Confederacy and why. Those who have or are interested in finding out about Confederate ancestors are invited to attend.

Masonic Lodge to meet

Murray Masonic Lodge Number 105 will have a called meeting Monday, March 26, at 6 p.m. at the Lodge Hall. There will not be a meal. Participants will hear a lecture on entered apprentice and doing fellowcraft work. Master Bob Sanders invites all masons to attend.

Parkinson's Support Group to meet

The Parkinson's Support Group will meet Tuesday, March 27, at 12 p.m. at the George Weak's Community Center. Participants are invited to come at 11:30 a.m. to eat with the Senior Citizens. Call 753-6001 for more information.

KUMC to begin weight loss, Bible study

Kirksey United Methodist Church will begin a 13-week First Place for Health Weight Loss Bible Study entitled, "A New Beginning" on Tuesday, March 27, at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall of the church. The public is invited to attend. For more information call (270) 489-2136.

Revival to be held at Sugar Creek Baptist

Spring Revival will be held at Sugar Creek Baptist Church March 26-28, at 7 p.m. nightly. Evangelist Rodney Wallace will be speaking. The public is invited to attend.

Kindergarten registration to begin

Calloway County Kindergarten Registration will be held Tuesday, March 27, at 9 a.m., and from 5-7 p.m. in the school cafeteria of East, North and Southwest Calloway Elementary Schools. Children who will be five years of age on or before Oct. 1, are eligible to attend the full day Primary 1/Kindergarten program.

UDC to meet Wednesday

The next meeting of the J.N. Williams Chapter 805, United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held Wednesday, March 28, at 12:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Murray-Calloway County Transit Authority Building. Moran Smotherman will give the program on Confederate era music. For more information call Frances Spillman at (270) 435-4130.

Free computer class to be held

The public is invited to attend a free computer class, "Facebook 101" on Tuesday, March 27, from 5-7 p.m. at the Calloway County Public Library. Call 753-2288 for information and registration.

Rebate Day to support Relay for Life set

Regents College, of Murray State University, will host a Rebate Day Wednesday, March 28, in support of Relay for Life at The Big Apple Cafe, Murray. The public is invited.

Storytime Tuesdays offered by church

Immanuel Lutheran Church, 100 South 15th Street, offers Storytime Tuesdays from 9:30-11 a.m. for children from birth to 5 years of age. Call 753-6712 for more information.

Veterans assistance available

Regional Field Rep. Ron McClure will be in Mayfield on Tuesday, March 27, at the VA Clinic, 1253 Paris Rd., Mayfield from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to provide counseling and assistance in filing claims for state and federal benefits. For information call (270) 247-2455, ext. 73905.

Calloway Alumni to meet at Pagliais

Alumni and Associates of Calloway County Schools will meet Monday, March 26, at 6 p.m. at Pagliai's, Murray. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Revival to be held at South Marshall Baptist

Revival will be held at South Marshall Baptist Church, Dexter, March 25-28, at 7 p.m. nightly. Bro. Howard Conner from Ferguson Springs Baptist Church will be speaking. The public is invited to attend.

Purchase Area park board to meet

The Purchase Area Regional Industrial park board will meet Monday, March 26, at 11 a.m. at the Purchase Area Development District office, Mayfield.

Stroke/Head Injury Support Group to meet

The Stroke/Head Injury Support Group will meet Tuesday, March 27, at 5:30 p.m. at the Center for Health and Wellness. For more information call 762-1557.

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4-H teens participate in yearly event

Special to the Ledger

Members of the Calloway County 4-H Teen Club recently participated in 4-H -A Capital Experience, a yearly event comprised of 4-H members, volunteers and Extension professionals from across the state of Kentucky.

While in Frankfort, the Calloway County team of Kara Moseley, Taylor Sheridan, Lauren Wilson and Greg Wood were able to meet with Representative Melvin Henley and Senator Ken Winters to discuss public policy and issues impacting our local community. They discovered how to actively become involved in influencing policy decisions, explored careers in public policy and learned how decisions made at the State level impact our local community.

Moseley, Sheridan and Wilson were each introduced on the State senate floor by Winters and were allowed to be his per-



Photo provided
Pictured, from left, are Taylor Sheridan, Lauren Wilson, Senator Ken Winters, Greg Wood and Kara Moseley during the 4-H -Capital Experience event, held in Frankfort.

sonal pages during the session. President, had the opportunity to meet with each representative of the house and senate floor along with the other State 4-H officers.

Area piano students present 'Goodbye to Winter' recital

Special to the Ledger

Piano students of Murray Music Teachers Association recently performed in the annual February recital, "Goodbye to Winter."

Participants included Anna Cate Brown, Graham Gibson, Hannah Gibson, Alison Inman, Anna Marvin, Michael Okuda, Annie Ryan, Paul Ryan, Alex Thome, Ben Thome, Clay Watkins and Evan Watkins. Participating teachers were Eleanor Brown and Margaret Wilkins, of Murray and Ruth Somers, of Paducah.

Murray Music Teachers Association is an affiliate of Kentucky Music Teachers Association and Music Teachers National Association. The Murray chapter hosts several piano events during the year for area piano students, including

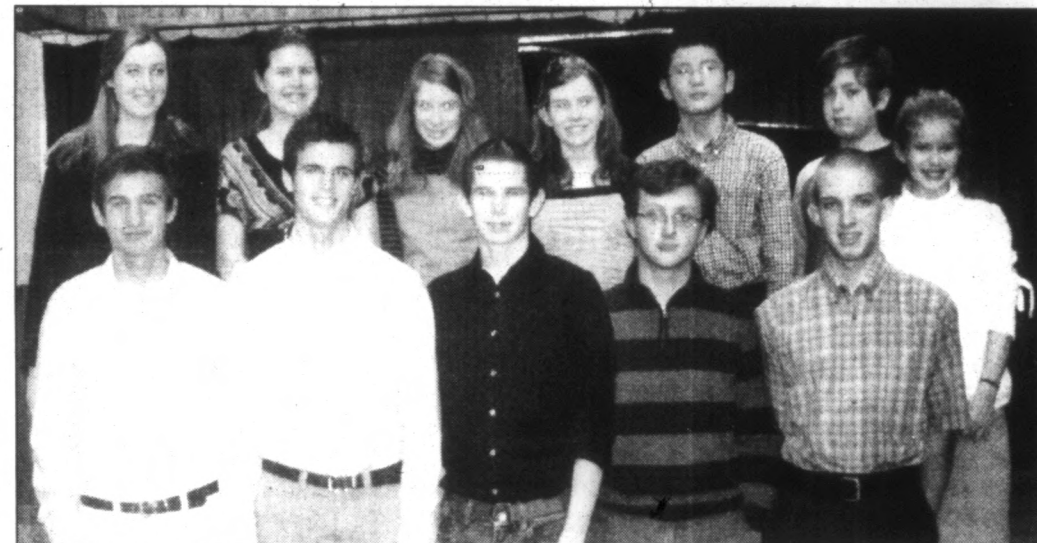


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the Area-wide Hymn Festival on March 31, and Sonata Saturday on April 21. Interested teachers may contact Karen Heise at (270) 362-7926 or Brown at 759-1389 for the Hymn Festival and Kathy Thweatt at 809-4359 or 753-3494 for Sonata Saturday information.

Ladies of the Oaks

The ladies of the Oaks Country Club held their regular bridge play Wednesday, March 21, at 9:30 a.m. with Linda LaRochelle as hostess.

Winners were LaRochelle, first place and Patsy Neale, second place.

Bridge will be held Wednesday, March 28, at 9:30 a.m. You must sign up in advance to play. Call Melva Hatcher, hostess, at 753-9517. All members are welcome.

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by Annita Peeler

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We are loving our new tai-chi exercise class along with our regular chair exercises. Hopefully, we'll be in shape and looking good for our spring and summer clothes!

Friday, Jenise took us for a nice country drive. Even though some of us were lost on all those country roads, it was still relaxing to look at how beautiful the countryside was. This is our favorite time of year. Except for all the pollen, it's not too hot or too cold to rock on the front porch!

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Looking Back

Ten years ago Glenn T. Timmons, of Murray, earned inclusion on the dean's list at Clemons University because of his outstanding academic accomplishments during the fall semester. Pictured are fifth grade students from East Calloway Elementary School taking part in the eighth annual Mock Trial production of Captain Hook vs. Peter Pan, a mock trial written by Randy Hutchens. Members of the 2002 West Kentucky Reds travel squad include Devion Winchester, Timothy Dunn, Gabriel Shaw, Colby Starks, Shawn Wilkerson, Jake Faughn, Quentin Riley, Austin McCuiston, Taylor Thieke, Josh Streetman and M.J. McCuiston. Coaches include Kenneth McCuiston, James Streetman and Kirk Starks. Twenty years ago Recent births reported at Murray-Calloway County Hospital for March 20 include a boy to Grace and Louis Forte, Benton; a boy to Crystal and Steven Freeman, Benton; a girl to Wendy and Allen Perry, Paris, Tenn.; and a girl to Karen Walston, Hardin. For March 21, a boy to Alice McCoy, Bumpus, Mills, Tenn.; a boy to Elizabeth and Thomas Hartfield, Farmington; a girl to Pamela and Scott Deshields, Murray and a boy to Gina Lane, Benton. The Murray High Lady Tigers held their basketball banquet with Christy Bell, Mary Catherine Woodridge, Bonnie Payne, Renee Hornbuckle and Colette Jones receiving awards. Thirty years ago Pictured is phase one of construction of the new Kroger Company office building, located by the warehouse portion of the Tappan building. The office building is expected to be completed in September. Three Murray High School students, Mark E. Hussung, Erin O'Brien, and Natalie Simpson, have qualified as finalists in the 1982 Merit Scholarship Competition. Brenda Donelson, a student at

Murray Middle School, was named Kentucky State Exceptional Child by the Kentucky Association of the Student Council for Exceptional Children. A recent birth reported at Murray-Calloway County Hospital for Feb. 24 includes a girl to Mr. and Mrs. John Gallagher, Murray. Three Murray State tennis players, Terje Persson, Mats Ljungman and Finn Swarling, are approaching their 100-win mark in their careers, a feat which has never been accomplished by an MSU netter. In college basketball, the Murray State Thoroughbreds beat Nebraska-Omaha 12-1. Tommy Gregg went three-for-five at the plate and had a home run. Paul Kiesow, Ed Ford and Robert Glover all received Silver Beaver Awards during the Four Rivers Council Boy Scout Recognition Dinner. Miss Spring 1982 was Tiffany Taylor. Forty years ago James Lawson, director of the new Murray Vocational School at Murray High School, said classes were to start there this fall. Elected as officers of Murray Rotary Club were Harold T. Hurt, Ray Brownfield, Ted Billington and Carmie Hendon. Fifty years ago Army 2nd Lt. Isaac B. Adams completed a four week chemical, biological and radiological officer course at The Chemical Corps School, Fort McClellan, Ala., March 16. Calloway Deputy Sheriff Taylor M. Gooch had completed an intensive one-week course in police work and duties of sheriff's office at Frankfort. Sixty years ago Dan Shipley had showed grand champion single hog and James Outland the reserve champion at 4-H and FFA Hog Show-March 24 at Murray Livestock Market. Both are members of Murray Training School Chapter of Future Farmers of America.

Car booster seats are right choice for small children

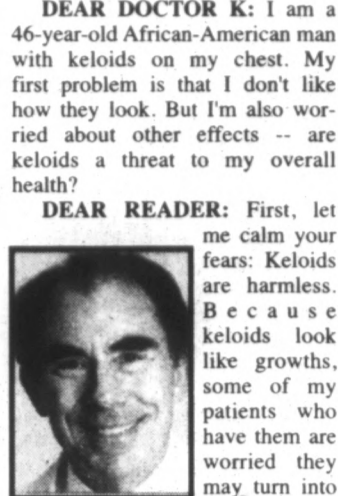


Dear Abby By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: What do you think of a grandmother who has her 7-year-old grandson sit in a baby car seat when she's driving? The boy weighs 65 pounds and is 4 1/2 feet tall. His parents don't want to cause a rift with her, as she helps them after school. He looks ridiculous and must feel embarrassed in front of his friends. Should relatives intervene? GRANNY'S NEIGHBOR DEAR NEIGHBOR: I took your question to a public affairs specialist with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. He said that children through the age of 12 should always ride in the back seat. He also reminded me that seat belts were designed for adults, not children. According to the NHTSA, the 7-year-old should be in a "booster" seat. A booster seat positions the seat belt so it fits properly, over the shoulder and chest -- the strongest parts of the child's body -- so it won't cut him or her on the neck or face in case of an accident. The NHTSA used to recommend that children 8 to 12 years old or 4 feet 9 inches and under use a booster seat. However, it NOW recommends that parents visit its website, www.nhtsa.gov, to choose a correct seat. Click on the child safety section, and you'll find an area titled "Which Car Seat Is the Right One for Your Child." There are also videos in this section showing parents how to install the seats correctly. The recommendations are

national and do not vary among the states. And yes -- this information should be shared with the child's parents and the grandmother in order to ensure the boy's safety. DEAR ABBY: At the age of 2, I was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes. I have been involved with the American Diabetes Association since I was 6. As its 2012 National Youth Advocate, I'd like to invite your readers to join me by participating in the 24th Annual American Diabetes Association Alert Day tomorrow, March 27. Alert Day, held on the fourth Tuesday in March, is a one-day "wake-up call." On that day, the American public is invited to take the Diabetes Risk Test to find out if they are at risk for developing Type 2 diabetes. It's a serious disease that strikes nearly 26 million children and adults in the United States. Many of them don't know they have it. Unfortunately, people are often diagnosed with Type 2 diabetes seven to 10 years after it has settled in their system. By then, the major symptoms have already developed and harmed the body, so early diagnosis is critical. Please urge your readers to "Take it. Share it." Let them know they can protect their health and stop this disease by taking the free risk test. Just answer a few simple questions and share the fact with everyone you care about that there is a test. If they take it, there could be saving lives. LOGAN NICOLE GREGORY, 2012 A.D.A. NATIONAL YOUTH ADVOCATE DEAR LOGAN: Congratulations on your selection as the 2012 National Youth Advocate. Readers, because diabetes is a serious -- but manageable -- condition, and there are simple ways to find out if you could be at risk, please pay attention to Logan's message. Some people are prone to

Keloids may look bad, but they are harmless



Dr. Komaroff By Dr. Anthony Komaroff

DEAR DOCTOR K: I am a 46-year-old African-American man with keloids on my chest. My first problem is that I don't like how they look. But I'm also worried about other effects -- are keloids a threat to my overall health? DEAR READER: First, let me calm your fears: Keloids are harmless. Because keloids look like growths, some of my patients who have them are worried they may turn into cancer. You may not like how they look, but they do not become cancerous. And they don't cause other serious health effects, either. But as you point out, keloids can affect your appearance. So what are they? Keloids are raised overgrowths of scar tissue that occur at the site of a skin injury. They occur where trauma, surgery, blisters, vaccinations, skin infections, acne or body piercing have injured the skin. For reasons we don't understand, the healing response has gone a little overboard. Keloids continue to grow after the original wounds have healed. That's why they form bumps on the flat surface of the skin. Keloids are shiny, smooth and rounded, and may be pink, purple or brown. They can be doughy or firm and rubbery to the touch, and they often feel itchy, tender or uncomfortable. A large keloid over a joint may interfere with joint function. Now and then, I've seen keloids in places where the skin has not been visibly injured. Some people are prone to

keloids and may develop them in several places. They can crop up anywhere on the body, but they commonly appear on the shoulders, upper back and chest. Keloids usually appear between the ages of 10 and 30. They affect both sexes equally, but they may be more common among young women with pierced ears. Keloids are also more common in African-Americans. Keloids may continue to grow slowly for weeks, months or years. They eventually stop growing, but do not completely disappear on their own. Once a keloid develops, it is permanent unless removed or treated successfully. Keloids that are removed often come back. I generally recommend non-surgical treatment. The most commonly used treatment, which works in about 70 percent of people, is injection of the keloid with anti-inflammatory medicines called corticosteroids. Other medicines also can be injected into keloids, but they are not as well proven. Sheets of silicone gel placed over a keloid may help deal with the symptoms. Laser treatments and treatments with extreme cold have also been used, but, again, are not as well proven. If you decide to pursue treatment for a keloid scar, you will have the best results if you start treatment soon after the keloid appears. To reiterate, keloids are primarily a cosmetic concern and not a health threat. If a scar becomes enlarged, itchy, uncomfortable, interferes with the movement of a joint or creates an unacceptable cosmetic effect, discuss treatment options with your doctor. (Dr. Komaroff is a physician and professor at Harvard Medical School. Go to his website to send questions and get additional information: www.AskDoctorK.com.)

Today in History

By the Associated Press Today is Monday, March 26, the 86th day of 2012. There are 280 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On March 26, 1982, groundbreaking ceremonies took place in Washington, D.C., for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. On this date: In 1804, the Louisiana Purchase was divided into the Territory of Orleans and the District of Louisiana. In 1812, an earthquake devastated Caracas, Venezuela, causing

an estimated 26,000 deaths, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. In 1912, an explosion at the Jed Coal & Coke Co. Mine in West Virginia claimed the lives of 83 miners. In 1937, a 6-foot-tall statue of the cartoon character Popeye was unveiled during the Second Annual Spinach Festival in Crystal City, Texas. In 1962, the U.S. Supreme Court, in Baker v. Carr, gave federal courts the power to order reapportionment of states' legisla-

tive districts, a 6-2 decision that eventually led to the doctrine of "one man, one vote." In 1992, a judge in Indianapolis sentenced former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson to six years in prison for raping a Miss Black America contestant. (Tyson ended up serving three years.) In 1997, the bodies of 39 members of the Heaven's Gate techno-religious cult who'd committed suicide were found inside a rented mansion in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

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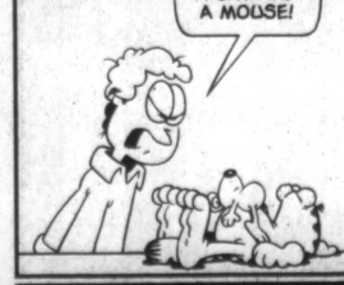
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CLEANING LAMINATE FLOORING Dear Heloise: What is the best way to clean laminate flooring? It seems sticky after I clean it. -- Debbie C., via email Debbie, I am happy to help! If you are using a cleaner or wax on your floor, that is probably what is leaving the sticky residue. Use a dust mop or electric sweeper to remove dirt and grit frequently. Then using a damp mop every so often should be all you need. Be careful about the amount of water you use. Too much can warp the laminate. Use a clean, dry cloth to go over the floor after you mop to remove any excess water. Never use wax, polish or anything that can scratch the floor, like a scouring pad. Check with your manufacturer for what it recommends. Some market-specific cleaners for laminate floors clean without leaving a film. -- Heloise P.S.: Some manufacturers say to use vinegar and water, and others say not to, so you should check so that you don't void the warranty. FAST FACTS Dear Readers: Have these items on hand for easy meal fixes: * Chicken or beef broth. * Canned tomatoes. * Rice or instant potatoes. * Onions. * Bread crumbs. Want to know some great recipes to make in a pinch? Order my pamphlet Heloise's Main Dishes and More. Send \$3 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (65 cents) envelope to: Heloise/Main Dishes, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. Whenever possible, make extra potatoes and rice. You can refrigerate them and use a few days later as a side dish or in a casserole. -- Heloise ZIPPER HELPER Dear Heloise: I have a pair of pants for which the zipper will not stay up. My friend taught me a trick that she learned. Take an old key ring and thread it through the zipper pull on your pants. Then when you zip up your zipper, loop the key ring around the

button before you button your pants. The key ring is hidden, and your zipper stays up all day. Hope this helps! -- Shayna from Colorado WAIT TO BUY Dear Heloise: I have a favorite moisturizer that I use from a department store. I always wait to buy it until the store is having a "free gift with purchase." Not only do you get the product you love, but you get new products that you might not have been willing to try otherwise. -- Toni, via email SOUND OFF Dear Heloise: What has happened to common courtesy? I am a capable woman, but I still find it very nice when someone (man or woman) holds the door for me. I have been walking behind someone and have had a door slammed in my face because the person didn't have the courtesy to hold it open. It especially irritates me when I have my baby with me and am pushing a stroller. It is hard to hold open a door and get the stroller through. -- Peggy from Indiana (c)2012 by King Features Syndicate Inc.

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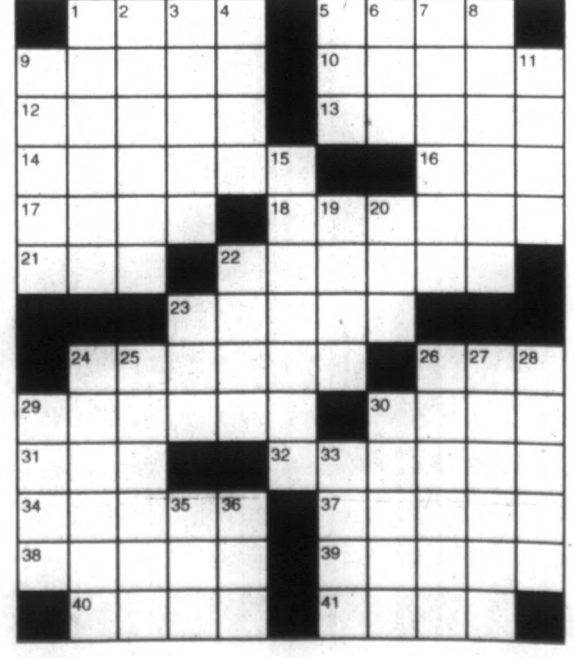
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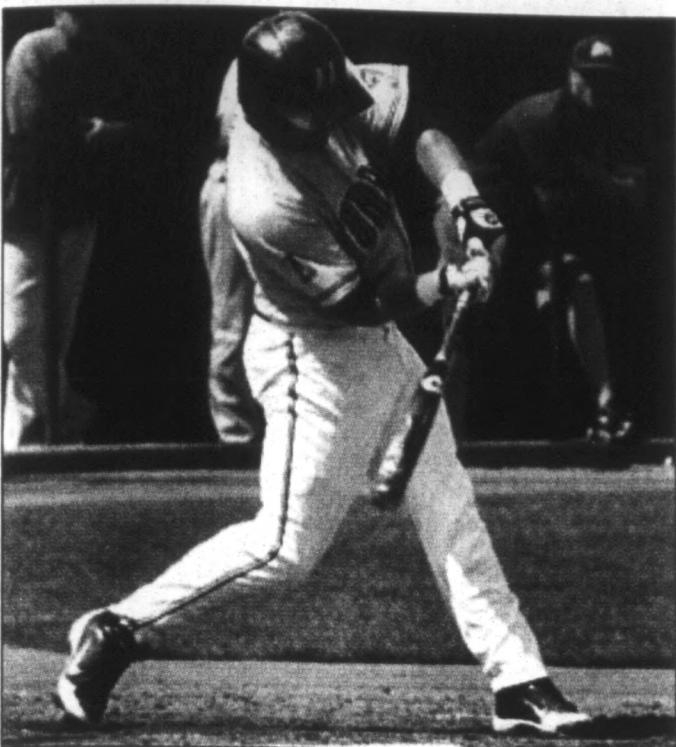


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Murray State's Mike Kozlowski led the 'Breds on Sunday with a 3-for-4 performance, notching three RBI's, but it wasn't enough, as a late error let Morehead State defeat Murray State at home for the second-straight day.

OVC BASEBALL: MOREHEAD STATE 5, MURRAY STATE 4

'Breds fall at home

LATE ERROR PROVES COSTLY FOR SECOND-STRAIGHT DAY IN LOSS

From MSU Athletics
For the second game in a row, an error late in the game proved costly as Murray State fell, 5-4, to Morehead State Sunday afternoon at Reagan Field.

With the game tied in the top of seventh, Andrew Deeds hit a slow chopper to left side that was thrown away by the third baseman, allowing Deeds to go to second. A wild pitch moved the runner to third for Chase Greenwell to deliver a sacrifice fly to right center.

The Eagles (13-11, 2-1 OVC) got on the board in the first inning

as Nick Duff drew a leadoff walk and came around to score on a Deeds' single up the middle.

Morehead added a run in the third as Eric Bainer doubled to left center and scored on Cole Cleveland's single to right field.

The Breds (13-12, 1-2 OVC) got on the board in the fourth inning as Travis Isaak doubled to right center and scored on a Mike Kozlowski single up the middle.

The Eagles took advantage of a fielding error in the fifth to help push across a pair of runs. After a pair of singles put runners on the corners, Cleveland hit a

grounder to short that was misplayed, scoring one run and putting two on. A wild pitch moved both runners up a base for Drew Williams to deliver a sacrifice fly to center.

Murray State rallied in the fifth inning as Brandon Elliott singled up the middle and went to second on a wild pitch. Jacob Rhodes drove in the runner with a single up the middle before Kozlowski delivered a two-run home run to center field.

The Breds were able to get two runners on in each of the final three innings, but were unable to score. The Eagles were aided by double plays to end the seventh and eighth innings.

Tim Vonder Haar (1-3) was the tough-luck loser as he

allowed one unearned run on no hits and four strikeouts over four innings. Bryan Babin did not factor in the decision after striking out a career-high eight over five innings.

Morgan Cirbo (4-0) earned the win in relief after allowing three hits in 1.2 shutout innings. Matt Duncan (6) picked up the save after allowing one hit over 1.2 innings.

Kozlowski led the offense by going 3-for-4 with three RBIs. Rhodes also went 3-for-4 with an RBI. Elliott and Colton Speed each added two hits.

The Breds return to action Wednesday afternoon as they travel to face Southern Illinois. First pitch is set for 3 p.m.

NCAA TOURNAMENT: (1) KENTUCKY 82, (3) BAYLOR 70

Kentucky rolls



DAVID J. PHILLIP / AP

The Kentucky Wildcats clinched the South Regional Championship on Sunday with an 82-70 victory over Baylor.

WILDCATS COAST TO SOUTH REGIONAL TITLE WITH WIN OVER BAYLOR, READY FOR FINAL FOUR

By PAUL NEWBERRY
AP Sports Writer
ATLANTA (AP) — Kentucky could've cut the nets down at halftime. Actually, the Wildcats probably would've been good skipping the ceremony altogether.

A South Regional title is fine, but what matters to this bunch of future NBA stars is breaking out the scissors in the Big Easy. Top-seeded Kentucky advanced to the Final Four for the second year in a row with a 82-70 blitzing of Baylor, setting up a Bluegrass showdown with rival Louisville in the national semifinals Saturday at New Orleans.

Michael Kidd-Gilchrist scored 19 points, Anthony Davis added 18 points and 11 rebounds, and Terrence Jones dazzled in all the overlooked areas to lead the Wildcats (36-

2) on Sunday. For all the hoopla sure to surround the next game in its basketball-crazed state, Kentucky won't consider the season a success unless it wins two more games — culminating in a national title.

"I'm not satisfied yet," Kidd-Gilchrist said.

This group sure has the look of a champion, shaking off an early blow by the Bears (30-8) — a very good team with a daring fashion sense that was simply no match for coach John Calipari's latest group of Fab Freshmen. Kentucky took control with an early 16-0 run and led by 20 at halftime.

"This team is better than I thought," Baylor coach Scott Drew said. "This is the best team we faced all year ... probably in a couple of years."

Two years ago, Baylor lost to eventual national champion

Duke in another regional final. "Duke was a good team," Drew said, "but Kentucky is better."

The Wildcats beat Louisville 69-62 on New Year's Eve, but now they'll meet with the highest stakes ever. Kidd-Gilchrist shrugged when someone asked about playing the Cardinals.

"I'm just worried about us," he said. "That's it. I don't worry about anybody else."

Calipari, in his third season at Kentucky, just keeps recruiting the best high school players in the land, molds them into a top team, then sends most of 'em on to the NBA.

Then he starts the whole process over again.

"There are some opinions that will never change," Calipari said. "All I'm trying to

■ See KENTUCKY, 10A

OVC SOFTBALL: UT-MARTIN 4, MURRAY STATE 2

Racers miss sweep at home

SKYHAWKS TAKE FINAL MATCH OF THREE GAME SERIES

From MSU Athletics
Murray State softball fell short of taking its first home series sweep this weekend, dropping game three against UT Martin 4-2 Sunday afternoon at Racer Field.

UT Martin scored first for the third straight game, starting off the game on a lead-off triple against the right field fence from OVC batting leader Leah Taylor. Kayla Wade followed with a single that landed in front of MSU pitcher CheyAnne Gaskey that was ruled to have been touched on a catch attempt before it rolled into foul territory.

Both runners would be thrown out on an attempted double steal, as short stop Alexa Becker cut off the throw to second and threw back to home in time for catcher Ellyn Troup to tag out Taylor trying to score from third. Troup was able to then throw out an advancing Wade from second for the second out of the play.

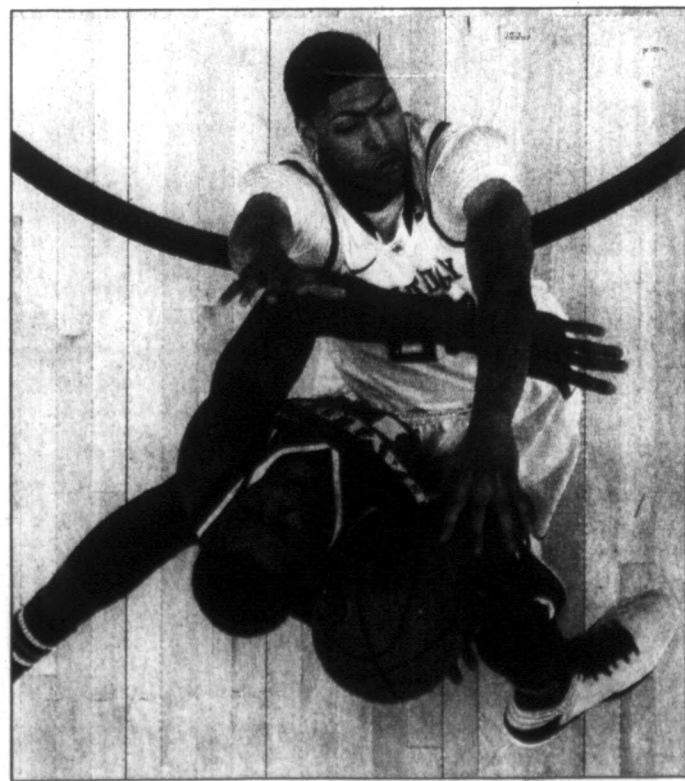
Both outs would prove beneficial as Lauren Smith followed with her second home run of the series to the gap in right field to put the Skyhawks up 1-0.

The Racers (11-7, 6-3 OVC) wouldn't trail for long as Leslie Bridges would counter with a home run of her own to the left of the scoreboard in left field. The blast was her second of the season.

Troup drew a bases-loaded walk in the next at-bat and moved in to scoring position on a ground out to the second baseman. She advanced to third as Stephanie Edwards reached safely on a booted ground ball by the second baseman. Troup would come in to score on an Alexa Becker ground ball to the shortstop, beating the double play attempt at first to take a 2-1 lead.

UTM (19-12, 9-2) tied the game up again in its half of the fourth as Stephanie Nidiffer grounded out to third with the bases loaded to even the game at 2-2. Erica Duke would double the Skyhawks' runs total on the day, singling to the wall in right center to score both

■ See SOFTBALL, 10A



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Kentucky's Anthony Davis (top) battles with Baylor's Perry Jones III in Sunday's South Regional title bout in Atlanta.

