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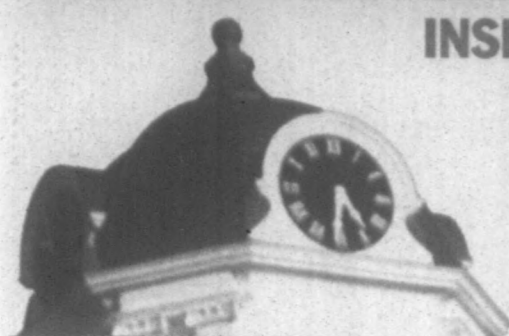
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TOM BERRY/Ledger & Times Photo
Lech Walesa (left), recipient of the 1983 Nobel Peace Prize, answers questions through his interpreter, Magda Iwinska, about his speech earlier concerning America's leadership role in the world during a news conference at MSU's Pogue Library Tuesday night. Walesa said America can and must meet the challenge of spreading peace and democracy around the world.

Walesa: U.S. must be active in leading world

By TOM BERRY
Staff Writer

In the 21st century, the world has entered a promising, but potentially threatening new era of globalism and, as the only remaining superpower, Americans must be actively involved in leading the world through the challenges that await.

That was the message that 1983 Nobel Peace Prize winner Lech Walesa shared with hundreds of Murray and Calloway County residents, Murray State University students and others during the college's Second Annual Presidential Lecture Series at Lovett Auditorium Tuesday night.

Rising to the podium to a standing ovation, Walesa, who stood against Polish and Russian communist leaders in the 1970s and early 1980s by fighting to form an independent workers' union, said U.S. leadership is badly needed to ensure the growth of democracy and freedom and must not shy away from the responsibility.

“The world is looking to you to provide answers to these questions...”

— Lech Walesa

Speaking through an interpreter, Walesa warned that Americans must work together with other world leaders in facing the challenges to come.

“You must not underestimate your participation...else your children will never forgive you,” he said. “They will ask, ‘What did you do? You could have made the whole world a global village in democracy and peace.’”

Because of the nature of America's “melting pot” status, Walesa said the U.S. is a model for the rest of the world that also must come together in unity and democracy. “Americans have proven that many nations can live together relatively peacefully and such a demonstration can only be accomplished by ensuring free elections where the peo-

ple come together in peace,” he said.

However Walesa warned that being a leader in the new globalism now sweeping the world will not be easy for Americans or any other nation and will take more than just economic and military power.

“It will also take spirit,” he said, detailing the struggle of the Polish people to throw off the yoke of aggressors in the past 100 years to stand tall as a free country.

Speaking optimistically, Walesa said that he has confidence that U.S. will find a way to join with other nations and meet the challenge. He also noted that the decisions and actions that will form the new

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Off-duty Calloway deputy nabs burglary suspect pair

By KRISTIN TAYLOR
Staff Writer

The plan came together — even slightly unexpectedly.

While off duty, Calloway County Sheriff's Deputy Shane Mize spotted two people Tuesday wanted in an earlier Faxon Road burglary when he saw a man and woman matching the suspects description milling around a vacant house near the intersection of U.S. 641 North and Ky. 80.

“It was good police work. In this case he had gotten the description on the report. And he thought, ‘That’s them’ They were prowling around a vacant house,” Calloway County Sheriff Larry Roberts said. “It’s like they used to say on ‘The A

Team,’ I love it when a place comes together. It says a lot for Shane to be observant — even off duty — to be noticing things like that.”

Roberts said Thomas Pisco Jr., 27, and Melissa Matthews, 34, were arrested for second-degree burglary and theft from the Faxon Road incident. Pisco also was charged with several other unrelated misdemeanor thefts and Matthews was served with a failure to appear warrant.

Mize had worked the Faxon Road burglary and recognized both the couple's description and their vehicle, in which they had been living at what's known as “White Beach” in the Anderson Shores area.

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Regents chair's term to expire on June 30

By KRISTIN TAYLOR
Staff Writer

At the same time that the staff regent changes at Murray State University for the first time in almost a decade, another seat on the board could be up for grabs.

The six-year term of MSU Board of Regents chairman Don Sparks expires June 30. Nominations are being accepted in Frankfort for this position.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher is responsible for appointing eight members to the 11-member board. Kentucky law requires the appointments to proportionally reflect the two leading political parties and minority racial composition of the state.

As far as political parties go, the gubernatorial appointments on Murray's board are split evenly. Sparks, who was appointed in 2000, is among the Democratic half. The other Democratic appointments are Bill Adams, Marilyn Buchanan and Olivia Burr. The Republicans are Beverly Ford, Peggy Hays, Alan Stout and Vickie Travis.

Whether the new appointment will be a Democrat or Republican remains unclear. “Our consideration, consistent with all applicable statutes, will be from among highly capable persons with an expressed interest in advancing Murray State University as a leader in higher

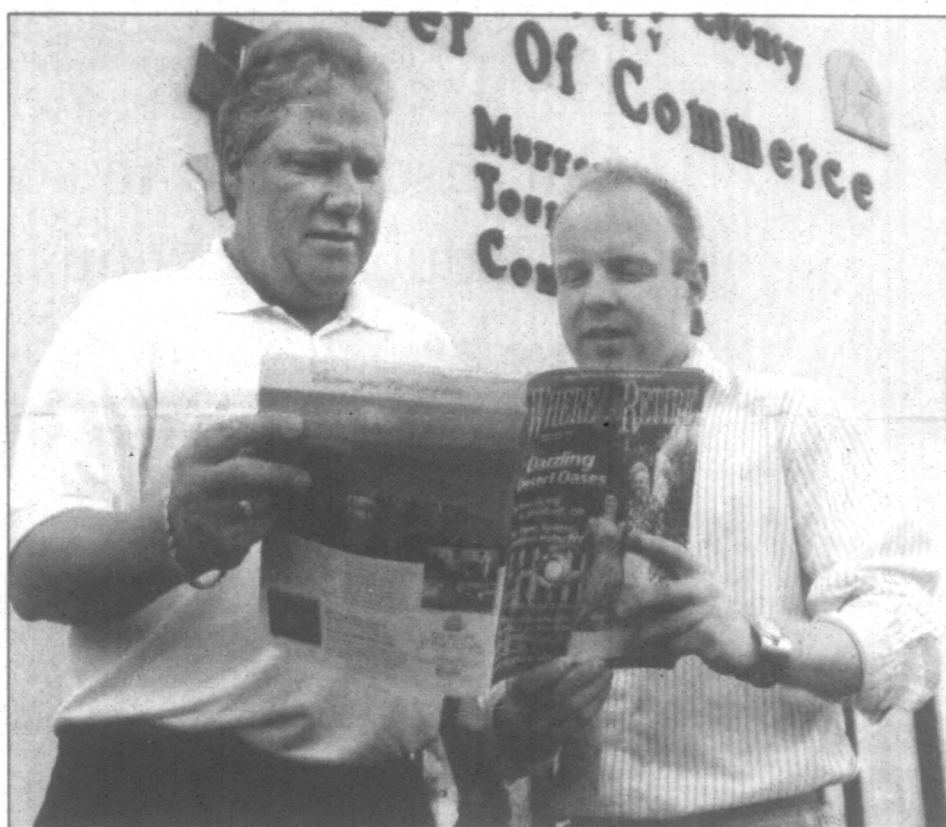
education and regional economic development,” Fletcher spokeswoman Jodi Whitaker said.

This will be Fletcher's fourth appointment to the board. In 2004, he chose Travis, a Murray civic leader, and Stout, a Crittenden County attorney. The most recent appointment was Adams, who owns a Murray construction company.

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Sparks



GREG TRAVIS/Ledger & Times Photo
Tab Brockman of the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce (left) and Jim Burress of the Murray Tourism Commission look at Where to Retire magazine and an article that includes Murray as a top retirement spot.

Magazine lauds Murray area as retirement haven

By ERIC WALKER
Editor

Without question, Murray and Calloway County have reaped plenty of benefits from Rand-McNally's recognition 20 years ago that pegged the area as the nation's prime retirement spot. Now, a new magazine is spotlighting Murray and Calloway once again.

In the March/April issue of Where to Retire magazine, Murray and Calloway County are featured in an article titled “Lakeside Lifestyles at Reasonable Costs.” In it, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Tab Brockman is quoted about the community's draw of retirees from across the country.

The recognition isn't surprising to Brockman, who is a tireless promoter of Murray and Calloway County.

“The big one was in 1987,” he said, noting the Rand-McNally honor. “People refer to that.”

The draw of people isn't just limited to those from northern climates, like Wisconsin or Minnesota, but warm weather havens like California and Florida, as well. Brockman said the climates and seasons are big

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Murray Police Department

• Extra patrol was requested after a burglary was reported at 2:42 p.m. Monday at 1315 Payne St. Calloway County Sheriff's Department

• A caller from Bethel Road reported at 8:54 a.m. Monday that someone dumped trash on the property. Items in the trash showed a name and a Almo Shiloh Road address. An illegal dumping case was opened.

• A female from Marshall County was arrested at BP on Main Street at 6:19 p.m. Monday.

— Information is obtained from reports, logs and citations from various agencies.

Grand jury set to hear attempted murder cases

Staff Report

The grand jury will hear another attempted murder case stemming from a domestic violence incident.

Keith Duncan's attempted murder charge was waived to the grand jury for a possible felony indictment. The grand jury decides if there is enough evidence to continue with prosecution.

Calloway County's grand jury is scheduled to meet Tuesday. The case could be heard then.

Duncan, 40, was arrested March 26 after his girlfriend, Deborah Kendall, said he shot her in the leg and hand. Murray Police Department officers became involved when Kendall sought treatment at Murray-Calloway County Hospital almost 11 hours after the shooting incident.

An argument at Duncan's 407 N. Fourth St. home became physical, according to police reports. When Duncan tried to leave the residence, Kendall got in his truck with him. Duncan, who had a .22-caliber handgun,

told Kendall to get out of the truck. When she refused, Duncan shot her in the right leg and left hand, police said based on her statements.

Duncan remains at the Calloway County jail on a \$100,000 cash bond, a jail spokeswoman said this morning.

The grand jury is also scheduled to hear the case of Larry D. Swift, who is charged with attempted murder, second-degree assault, kidnapping, first-degree burglary and first-degree criminal mischief stemming from a domestic dispute on March 12 with his wife, Scarlet.

The dispute began at the Swifts' home at 393 Hidden Hills Lane. After Scarlet escaped from Larry, who police said tried to keep his wife inside, she went to a friend's house at 2420 Pottertown Road. Calloway County Sheriff's Department deputies actually first responded to the Pottertown Road home after Larry dove through a window to get to Scarlet.

Swift is out of jail on a \$100,000 surety bond.

McConnell, musician Gabriel urge more action on Myanmar

WASHINGTON (AP) — Musician Peter Gabriel and Sen. Mitch McConnell joined forces Tuesday in demanding stronger action by the United Nations against atrocities they say are being committed in Myanmar.



McConnell

McConnell, a leading Republican from Kentucky, said that misrule by the junta that governs Myanmar, also called Burma, "threatens the entire region, and the world community needs to get a lot more concerned than it has been."

Gabriel praised U.S. sanc-

tions against Myanmar's military regime and emergency relief efforts to help thousands of Burmese displaced inside their country.

These efforts, he said, "make the U.S. one of the few countries in the world willing to step up to this challenge."

McConnell said that a rare U.N. Security Council briefing last year on the political and social deterioration in Myanmar is "not nearly enough, but at least it's a start."

Gabriel and McConnell want the United Nations to pass a binding resolution demanding change in Myanmar, where the generals have kept pro-democracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi in detention for 10 of the last 16 years. She is among some 1,100 political prisoners.

Grandson finds body of farmer killed in tractor flip accident

CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky. (AP) — A Campbellsville farmer was killed Tuesday when his tractor turned over while he was loading hay, officials said.

Lloyd Clifton "Buck" Carter, 65, was found by his grandson at about 1:30 p.m. EDT pinned

under the tractor, the Taylor County sheriff's office said. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Carter's grandson went to look for Carter when he didn't return home from loading hay, the sheriff's office said.

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From Front

"When they were confronted, they admitted to doing the other burglary," Roberts said. "I don't know if they were planning to burglarize that house or not. But they shouldn't have been there."

Pisco and Matthews were at White Beach earlier in the day when the sheriff's department got a report of them living there.

"We went down there (Tuesday) morning and talked to them, but they didn't appear to be doing anything," Roberts said.

Cut discovered in security fence at Paducah Gaseous Diffusion

PADUCAH, Ky. (AP) — Guards were increasing patrols and on alert at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant, where a security fence was found cut, *The Paducah Sun* reported today.

The 3-foot cut appeared to be less than 24 hours old when it was discovered Monday night, USEC Inc. spokeswoman Elizabeth Stuckle told the newspaper. USEC leases the plant

from the federal government and enriches uranium into nuclear fuel.

The cut was in an open area and not close to process or storage buildings, Stuckle said. There was no indication that anyone was trying to take nuclear material, she said.

"There's no nuclear material that is high (grade) enough to bother with," she said.

A check inside the fence

turned up nothing amiss, she said.

"It could be that someone was just trying to test our security, to see how long it would take us to find it," Stuckle said.

Security was heightened, meaning guards will increase patrols along the approximately five miles of perimeter fencing and be extra alert in looking for unusual activity.

Town Crier

NOTICE

■ The Dexter-Almo Heights Water Dist. will meet Monday, April 10, 2006 at 7:00pm at the District Water Office located at 351 Almo Rd.

■ To report a Town Crier item, call 753-1916.

Regents ...

From Front

Sparks, a retired Mayfield Schools superintendent, could not be reached to comment on whether he'd like to serve a second term on the board.

The student representative

generally changes each year because that seat is held by the Student Government Association president. Dr. Terry Strieter has been the faculty regent since 2001.

Lori Dial served three three-year terms representing the university staff on the board, but Gina Winchester was elected in March in the three-person race, including Dial, to fill the seat.

The regents are in the midst of hiring a president to replace Dr. King Alexander, who left at the beginning of the year to take the helm at California State University-Long Beach. His father, Dr. Kern Alexander, returned to Murray to serve in the interim.

Last week they met to narrow the candidate pool to about a dozen, 10 of whom will be interviewed at an off-campus location. The smaller group of finalists will meet with students, faculty, staff and administrators in late April or early May. Sparks has said he hopes to have a new president named not long after that.

The board's last presidential search came in 2001 when the elder Alexander announced he was retiring. That search resulted in the hiring of King Alexander.

The governor will rely on the Postsecondary Education Nominating Committee for recommendations for the Murray position as well as the vacancies

at the other universities, according to a release from Fletcher's office. Eastern Kentucky University, Kentucky State University, Morehead State University, Northern Kentucky State University, Western Kentucky University and University of Kentucky each will have one position available on their boards. Three seats will open on the University of Louisville Board of Trustees and two positions will be vacant on the Kentucky Community and Technical College System Board of Regents.

Also related to education, two people will be appointed to the Kentucky Authority for Educational Television while three will be chosen for the Higher Education Student Loan Corporation Board of Directors/Higher Education Assistance Authority.

Applications previously submitted during Fletcher's administration will be considered, according to the release. Others may be submitted through the governor's Web site at governor.ky.gov/employment.

Applications are also available by contacting Boards and Commissions Executive Director Edwin Orange at 502-564-2611 or e-mailing hollis.rosenstein@ky.gov. Current resumes must be included with applications, which are must be received by May 30.



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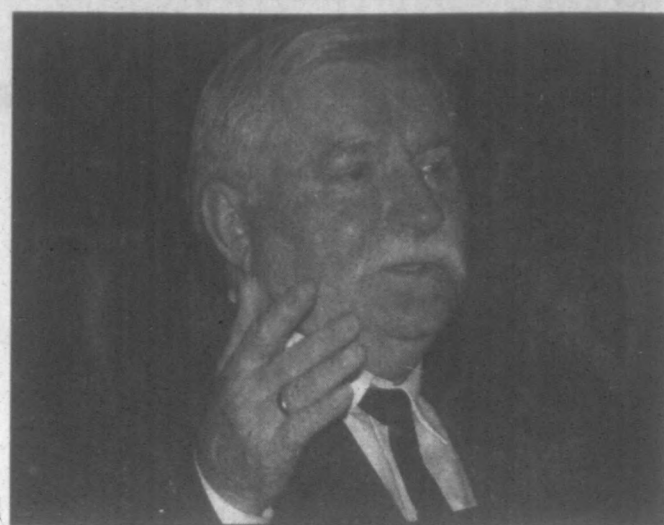
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foundation and structure of a new world order will be formed in the next 10 to 15 years.

However, one of the greatest challenges to the new global order will be dealing with the horrific disparity between rich and poor nations and peoples.

"There will always remain a threat to lasting peace as long as 10 percent of the world's people own 90 percent of the wealth," he said. "Do we prefer them to be poor so they will not attack us."

Walesa also pointed out that, although the world recognizes America's economic and military might, most are unsure about whether the U.S. can lead morally.

"The world wants the U.S. continue being the leader, but many doubt that the U.S. can be the moral leader of the world," he said. "I'm confident that the U.S. will find a way to be the moral and political leader in the world."

"The world is looking to you to provide answers to these questions...along with the European Union."

Walesa, who was born in his native Poland in 1943, earned the Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts in leading shipyard workers to defy government authority and establish independent unions in communist Poland during a clash in 1970, according to www.nobelprize.org. In 1978, he began to organize free non-communist trade unions for which he was kept under surveillance by Polish and Russian government officials and was frequently detained.

In August 1980, he led the Gdansk shipyard strike which gave rise to a wave of strikes over much of the country. The authorities were forced to capitulate and to negotiate with Walesa the Gdansk Agreement of August 1980, which gave the workers the right to strike and to organize their own independent union.

In September 1981, Walesa was elected Solidarity Chairman at the First National Solidarity Congress in Gdansk.

The announcement of Walesa's Nobel prize in 1983 reportedly raised the spirits of the underground movement. The result was the holding of parliamentary elections which led to the establishment of a non-communist government in Poland. Other than a Nobel prize, Walesa has also been awarded with many honorary degrees from universities, including Harvard University and the University of Paris as well as the Medal of Freedom from the United States, the Award of Free World from Norway, and the European Award of Human Rights.

LAKESIDE LIFESTYLES AT REASONABLE COSTS

YEARN TO RETIRE NEAR THE WATER? THESE LOCALES HAVE THE SPORTS AND SCENERY

BY NINA STEWART

For many people, the idea of retiring to a lakeside locale is a dream. And the fact is, it's not only a dream, it's a reality. There are many lakeside communities that offer a lifestyle of peace and tranquility, with beautiful views and recreational activities. These communities are often located in scenic areas, providing a perfect setting for a peaceful retirement.

Whether you're looking for a quiet retreat or a more active lifestyle, there's a lakeside community for you. From the serene beauty of Lake Geneva to the vibrant energy of Lake Michigan, these communities offer a wide range of options to suit your needs.

So, if you're ready to retire, consider the lakeside lifestyle. It's not just a dream, it's a reality waiting to be discovered.

Clockwise from top left: Resort of Cour d'Alene, ID; winter sports at Grand Lake O' the Cherokees, Grove, OK; sailing on Lake Geneva, WI; boating on Smith Mountain Lake, VA; water skiing.

GREG TRAVIS/Ledger & Times Photo
Pictured is the front page to the Where to Retire article that features Murray.

Magazine ...

From Front

factors in retirees moving to the area.

"We've had several folks say they like the fact that we have all four seasons here," he explained. "They say that's important to them."

And as far as those who have made the move to Murray from the Golden State and the Sunshine State? "People have called and said they're 'hurricaned out' and they like it here," Brockman added.

Other areas noted in the Where to Retire article included Marble Falls, Texas; Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; Grand Lake O' the Cherokees, Okla.; Lake Geneva, Wisc.; Smith Mountain Lake, Va.; and Saugatuck, Mich.

The article refers to Murray's quality of life as an overall draw. That, the article notes, includes a low crime rate and low cost of living, as well as close proximity to Nashville, Tenn., Murray State University, downtown revitalization, lakes, Murray-Calloway County Hospital, and housing with an average price of \$112,000.

Also while Murray and Calloway County is seen as an attractive place for retirees, the community's recent recognition as one of the Top 100 Communities for Young People in the nation is also an appeal.

"They like that we're at both ends of the spectrum," Brockman commented.

And print recognition isn't the only driving force in getting the word out about Murray and Calloway County. According to Brockman, several Internet sites offer on-line questionnaires that try to match retirees' preferences and likes to certain communities and areas and Murray is almost a constant Internet hit.

"We just keep showing up," he said.

Remaining interest purchase complete for The Murray Bank

Locally-based BancKentucky now owns 100 percent interest

Special to the Ledger

BancKentucky, Inc., the Murray, Kentucky-based bank holding company that now owns 100-percent interest in The Murray Bank, announced today that it has completed the purchase of the remaining interest

in the Bank from Civitas Banking Group of Nashville, Tennessee.

The transaction was completed Friday, March 31.

"We are so pleased to have 100 percent local ownership of The Murray Bank," stated Ronnie Gibson, president of BancKentucky, Inc. and The Murray Bank. "We were able to complete the transaction ahead of schedule thanks to the overwhelming success of the shareholder rights offering. Through that offering, existing Kentucky shareholders subscribed for over

\$5,250,000 of stock, which was more than we anticipated."

Gibson added, "The vision of the board of directors has always been to have complete local ownership of the Bank. The Murray Bank is the only locally owned bank in Murray and Calloway County and we are very proud of that fact."

The Murray Bank has offices at 405 S. 12th Street and 700 N. 12th Street. A new two-story, 7,000 square foot facility for the North Office is presently under construction and is expected to be completed this summer.

Audit report finds some deficiencies in state government's finances

By JOE BIESK

Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — State government agencies should do a better job of ensuring that employees who take paid time off to vote actually cast their ballots, according to an auditor's report.

The finding was one of many included in a wide-ranging review of state government conducted by state Auditor Crit Luallen's office. Among other findings, the document also claimed that the state Office of Homeland Security needed to improve how its grant applications are evaluated.

"This 309-page document is a blueprint to improve the way the government of Kentucky does business," Luallen said. "It is very important that an independent watchdog for the taxpayers' money exist in order to assure that Kentucky's money is being spent as efficiently and effectively as possible."

The review, called the "Statewide Single Audit of Kentucky" looked at the previous fiscal year, which ended June 30, 2005. Luallen said the review documented 72 instances in which internal controls were deficient during the 2005 fiscal year — an increase of 23 from the year before.

The audit, required by state law, is submitted to the federal government.

An audit of the state's finances uncovered some "significant deficiencies" in internal financial controls. The audit, which examined more than \$20 billion in expenditures, questioned the way \$2.1 million in federal funds was spent.

A review of state government employees found some apparently missed work to vote but did not actually vote, according to the audit. By law, state employees are allowed four hours paid time off to vote.

In the 2003 general election, 2,571 employees took a com-

bined 9,805 hours off but apparently never voted, according to the report. However, slightly more than 90 percent of state employees who took time on that election day did vote, according to the audit.

By the 2004 primary election, the compliance rate of state employees slipped to 83 percent, the audit found. In the 2004 primary, 4,081 employees apparently didn't vote but claimed 15,773 hours of paid leave, according to the audit.

Legislation to form organ donation registry

Governor Ernie Fletcher will usher in a new era for organ donation efforts in Kentucky Thursday at the Capitol Rotunda in Frankfort when he signs legislation that will allow for the creation of an organ donation registry. At the bill signing ceremony, the Governor will also issue a proclamation recognizing April as National Donate Life Month in the Commonwealth.

The legislation (HB57), co-sponsored by State Representative Steve Nunn and others, calls for cooperation between the Kentucky Circuit Clerks Trust For Life, Kentucky Organ Donor Affiliates, the Kentucky Departments of Health and Transportation, and other members of a coalition formed to promote organ donation, to form a statewide organ donor registry. The bill passed both chambers of the legislature without opposition.

The creation of a registry will allow Kentuckians to record their names on a list indicating that they wish to be organ donors after their death. The list

would be accessible by organ procurement organizations on a 24-hour basis.

Currently, Kentuckians can only sign the back of their driv-

ers licenses or donor cards and talk to their families about their wishes and their willingness to donate is not recorded anywhere else.

Bill Marcum is running for the office of Sheriff. We think he would make an excellent sheriff. Bill has been in law enforcement for 30 years. He was helpful to Ann and me while I was Judge and Sheriff. Carolyn, Bill's wife is a Registered Nurse at MCCH, she has been there for over 30 years. They both attend First Baptist Church and they have a son, Jonathan. They both have deep feelings for Calloway County and Murray.



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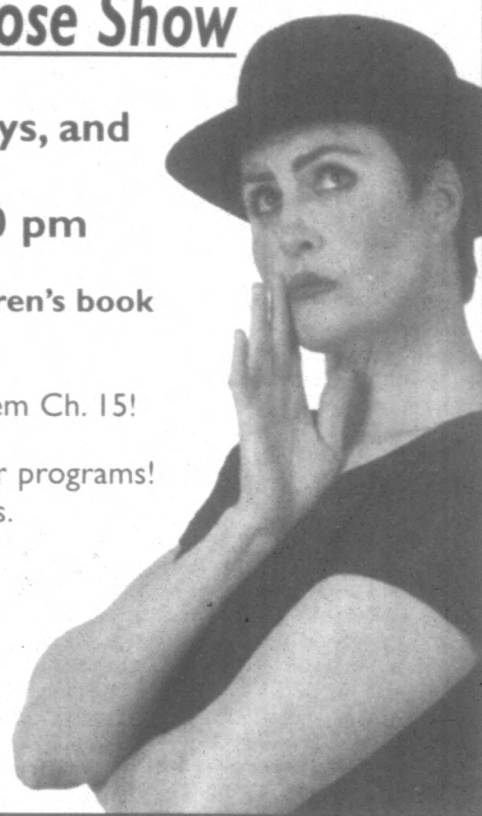
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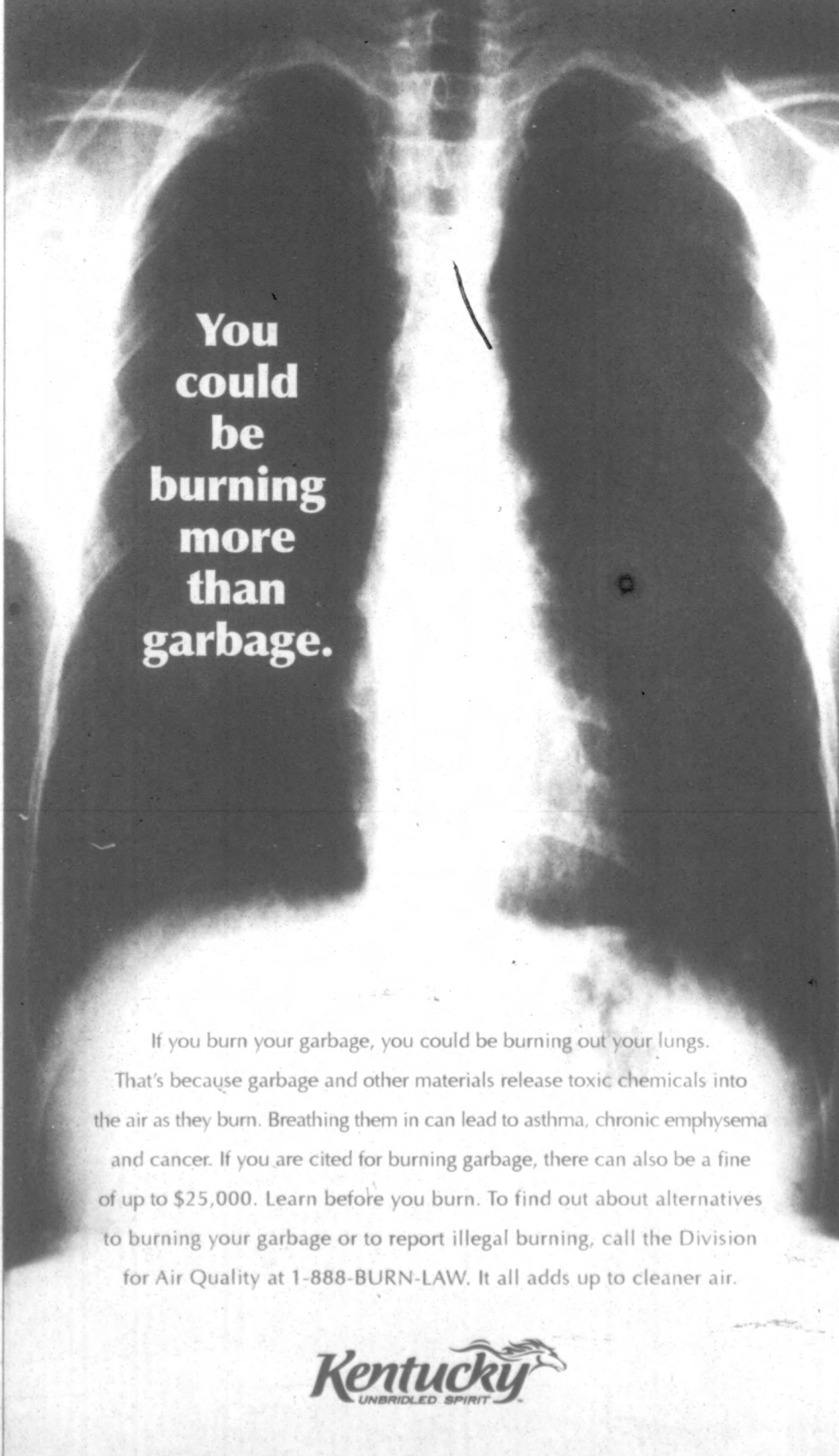
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DeLay's GOP Legacy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tom DeLay leaves a troubling legacy for Republicans as they face re-election.

The Texan, once one of the most powerful and feared leaders of Congress, joined Newt Gingrich in helping to lead Republicans to power in 1994. But he became a symbol of the widening ethics scandal that now clouds GOP prospects for continued control.

Republicans face voters weary of corruption allegations and the heavy-handed tactics DeLay came to personify. At the same time, GOP candidates are further weighed down by President Bush's low approval ratings and the unpopularity of the war in Iraq.

"It's hard to believe that in just 12 years, Republicans could end up in the same situation that it took Democrats 40 years to get in," said Republican strategist Frank Luntz.

Luntz, who was once Gingrich's pollster and who helped orchestrate the 1994 "Contract With America," a set of unifying GOP policy initiatives, said the GOP majority now seems "tired" and those speaking out for change and innovation "are just not being noticed."

Republicans hold 231 of the 435 House seats. Democrats have 201. There is one independent and two vacancies.

DeLay said Tuesday he would resign from Congress rather than seek a 12th term so as not to hurt Republican chances. He acknowledged his re-election prospects were threatened.

The voters of his Houston-area district "deserve a campaign about the vital national issues that they care most about and that affect their lives every day, and not a campaign focused solely as a referendum on me," DeLay said.

He had stepped aside as House majority leader last fall after a grand jury in Texas indicted him, accusing him of funneling illegal corporate contributions into state legislative races. In January, he decided against trying to get the leadership post back amid a spreading election-year corruption scandal.

Former lobbyist Jack Abramoff, once a key DeLay ally, and two of DeLay's former aides have pleaded guilty in a Justice Department corruption probe and are cooperating with prosecutors.

DeLay's resignation "marks the end of a 12-year reign of unquestioned Republican dominance and casts a shadow on the chances of Republicans in the fall elections," said Ross Baker, a political scientist at Rutgers University who specializes in Congress.

Under DeLay's sometimes iron-fisted rule, House Republicans marched pretty much in lockstep during Bush's first term, delivering one legislative victory after another. "Republicans, however loyal they may have been in the past, are now taking an every-man-for-himself attitude," Baker said.

Congress draws even lower public opinion ratings than the president. An AP-Ipsos poll last month showed only 31 percent of those surveyed approved of the job Congress was doing, compared with 37 percent for Bush.

When people were asked if they wanted to see Republicans or Democrats win control of Congress, Democrats got more backing, by 47 percent to 36 percent.

Democrats have used DeLay's legal problems and those facing other Republicans — including Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist and former vice presidential chief of staff I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby — to claim that Republicans are in the grips of a "culture of corruption," an assertion they repeated on Tuesday.

DeLay's resignation might help to take the heat off rank-and-file Republicans — by removing from the scene an easy target for Democrats. But the Democrats signaled they were unlikely to change their focus whether DeLay was in Congress or back in Texas.

"Tom DeLay will leave behind a sad legacy of partisan political corruption," said Rep. George Miller, D-Calif.

Further indictments and trials would help keep alive the "corruption" issue — and DeLay's role.

"As the Justice Department gets closer and closer to him through his aides, and if he is in more trouble, certainly the Democrats will use that," said James Thurber, an American University political science professor.

Republican leaders, from Bush to House Speaker Dennis Hastert of Illinois, were generous in their praise of DeLay on Tuesday. And Bush told reporters, "My own judgment is that our party will continue to succeed because we're the party of ideas."

Bush and DeLay haven't always seen eye to eye and are not close. Still, DeLay "has been a good soldier for Bush. And Bush has always said the right things when DeLay gets in trouble," said Bruce Buchanan, a political scientist at the University of Texas.

But there are limits to what Bush can do at this point to help DeLay — or Republicans facing tight races.

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The Jaafari Problem

PM is stumbling block to government

By **ROBERT H. REID**
Associated Press Writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Ibrahim al-Jaafari has emerged as the main stumbling block to Iraq's chances of forming a new government, under pressure from both the U.S. and some of his fellow Shiites to step down.

But the prime minister has a reputation for stubbornness, leaving Shiite politicians scrambling to figure out a way to remove him without shattering their own fragile unity.

Even if al-Jaafari steps aside, Iraq faces huge problems in assembling a government capable of stopping the country's slide toward anarchy.

The surprise visit of Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw, which ended Monday, merely highlighted the conundrum.

Both made clear they are frustrated with the slow pace of talks on a new government and said the country needs a strong prime minister as quickly as possible, although they were careful to avoid specifically calling for al-Jaafari to bow out.

Rice instead made the point obliquely, saying the next prime minister must be a "strong leader" capable of unifying Iraq's people.

The specific complaint against al-Jaafari, from Sunni Arabs and Kurds, is that his government has done little to stop the rising tensions between Iraq's religious communities, a cycle of tit-for-tat violence that threatens to plunge the country into civil

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war.

Those fears escalated after the Feb. 22 explosion at a major Shiite shrine in Samarra triggered reprisal attacks against Sunnis. Many of the assaults by Shiites were carried out by the militia of anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, the man responsible for al-Jaafari's nomination to a second term.

Sunnis and Kurds also complain that al-Jaafari has not done enough to rein in the Shiite militias that they view as little more than death squads. Some accuse the Interior Ministry of being a sanctuary for death squads that target Sunnis.

Both Rice and Straw spoke of the need for the next government to curb the power of sectarian militias.

"You have to have the state with a monopoly of power," Rice said. "We have sent very strong messages" that there must be "a reining in of militias."

The pressure to deny al-Jaafari a second term has been building almost since he won the nomination in February in an election within his Shiite bloc, the United Iraqi Alliance.

He won by a single vote over the candidate of the main alliance faction, the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, or SCIRI. And he owed his victory to support from al-Sadr, leader of the dreaded Mahdi Army militia and the main rival to SCIRI for leadership of the Shiite community.

That alarmed not only many mainstream Shiite leaders, but also Sunni Arab and Kurdish politicians whom the Shiites need as partners in the new government. The Shiites won 130 of the 275 parliamentary seats in the Dec. 15 election, giving them first crack at the prime minister's job but not enough to govern without partners.

At first, it was just Sunni and Kurdish politicians who called for the Shiite bloc to replace al-Jaafari as its nominee.

Last weekend, two prominent Shiite politicians joined calls for the prime minister to step aside — a sign that al-Jaafari's support is cracking. President Bush also sent a message to another top Shiite leader asking him to ask al-Jaafari to step down. The Associated Press reported last week.

With the Americans lining up against al-Jaafari, chances for him to lead the new government appear doomed. But he is a fighter and has wielded an effective, hard-to-rebut argument — that he was democratically elected — to hold onto power so far.

Shiites fret that if they force him out, the decision could break up their political bloc, leading them to lose the power they have gained since the fall of Saddam Hussein in 2003. Indeed, if the Shiite coalition breaks up, that could pave the way for moderate Sunni Arabs to pair with Kurds, secular politicians and breakaway

Shiites to form a coalition.

So far, there are few signs of that. In fact, in the wake of Rice and Straw's visit, the various Iraqi factions seemed to be mostly re-evaluating their position and deciding their next moves.

Nevertheless, even if al-Jaafari is thrust aside and someone else take his place, there is no guarantee that anyone could peel back the poison that has seeped into Iraq's psyche since late February.

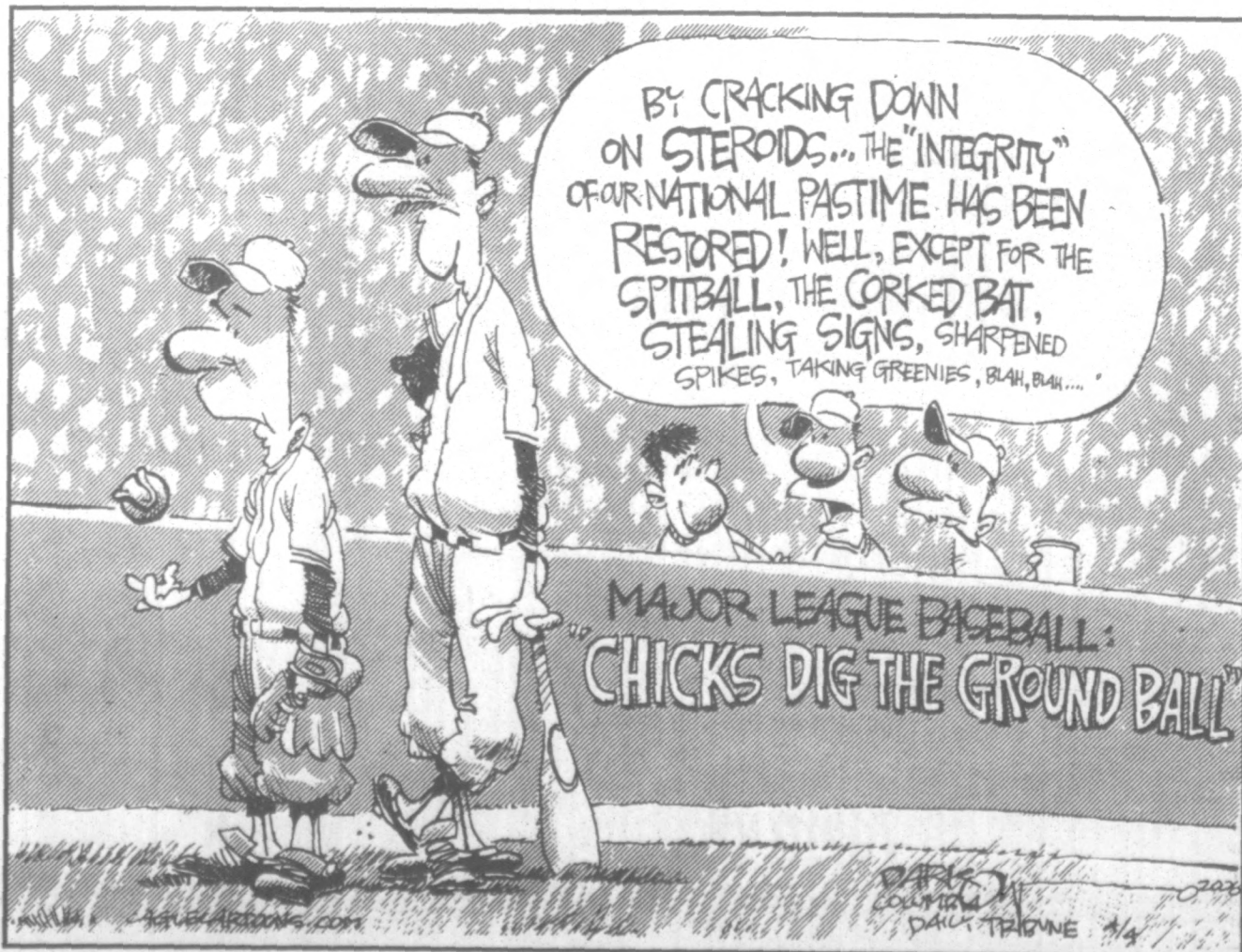
In the streets of Baghdad, armed citizen patrols now watch the streets, leery of both the militias and their own government. Even if Iraq is lucky enough to get a unity government sometime soon, with a new prime minister or old, that mistrust won't fade soon.

For example, some Shiite politicians fear that al-Sadr's militia might become even more difficult to control if his followers bolt the alliance to protest any move against al-Jaafari.

Kurdish elder statesman Mahmoud Othman said al-Jaafari's supporters raised that possibility in meetings with the Kurds.

"They told us they feared a civil war could erupt if they withdrew al-Jaafari's nomination," Othman told the AP. "They told us they wanted to get out of this dilemma but that they had no alternative to al-Jaafari."

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Obituaries

Mrs. Juanita Hargis

Mrs. Juanita Hargis, 80, Locust Grove Road, Murray, died today, Wednesday, April 5, 2006, at 12:20 a.m. at West View Nursing Home.

She had retired after 25 years of service as a sales person with Rogers Jewelry Store, Paris, Tenn. She was a member of Green Plain Church of Christ.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Thomas Hargis in 2002, one grandchild, Jerry Warmack, one sister, Hilda Moody, and two brothers, Robert Moody and Keys Moody. Born April 12, 1925, in Stewart County, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late A.G. Moody and Julie Coy Moody.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Sharon Warmack and husband, Tommy, Murray; one son, Junior Willoughby and wife, Pam, and one brother, Billy Frank Moody and wife, Edna, all of Puryear, Tenn.; five grandchildren, Shannon Grise, Richmond, Shawn Jones, Dexter, Christina Burnett, Mansfield, Tenn., Corey O'Bryan, Puryear, and Tony Warmack, Brady, Texas; six great-grandchildren, Amber and Allison Jones, Dexter, Zach and Alex Grise, Richmond, and Devon and Dylan Warmack, Murray.

The funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of J.H. Churchill Funeral Home. John Dale will officiate. Burial will follow in the Murray Memorial Gardens.

Visitation will be at the funeral home after 5 p.m. Thursday.

Mrs. Delia Griselda Morgan

Mrs. Delia Griselda Morgan, 70, Boatwright Trail, Murray, died Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at 7 a.m. at her home.

Retired from Food Services at Murray State University, she was of Baptist faith and an active member of TOPS #Ky. 616.

Born March 21, 1936, she was the daughter of the late Robert David Elkins and Hattie Francis Haynes Elkins. Also preceding her in death were one sister, Bernice Eural McCoy, and two brothers, Albert Deas Elkins and Elbert Laymon Elkins.

Survivors include her husband, John Howard Morgan, to whom she was married May 18, 1957; two daughters, Mrs. Laurie Lee Tucker and husband, Sammie, Almo, and Mrs. Lisa Ann Hays and husband, Don, Murray; one son, Randall Dale Phillips and wife, Linda, Murray; two sisters, Mrs. Eural Elizabeth Moore and husband, Arthur, Jonesboro, Ark., and Mrs. Dortha Mae Mathis and husband, Charles, Calvert City; two brothers, Bobbie Vernon Elkins and wife, Fredia, and James William Elkins and wife, Lois, four grandsons, Morgan T. and Marshall D. Hays, and Michael C. and Justin D. Phillips, and one great-granddaughter, Rebekah Phillips, all of Murray; several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be Thursday at 1 p.m. in the chapel of Imes-Miller Funeral Home. Bro. William B. Miller and Bro. Mitchell Mathis will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Michael Phillips, Dean, Doug and Norval McCoy, Harold Elkins and Connie Morgan. Burial will follow in the Elm Grove Cemetery.

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

Sienna E'Lee Lawrence

Sienna E'Lee Lawrence, infant daughter, Boyd Street, Paducah, died Thursday, March 30, 2006, at 1:20 p.m. at University of Louisville Hospital, Louisville.

Survivors include her mother, Misti Lawrence, her father, Antonio O. Cunningham, one sister, Ahnyx Lawrence, and one brother, Sebastian Lawrence, all of Paducah; two grandmothers, Mrs. Torie Lawrence, Murray, and Mrs. Gloria West, Mayfield; two great-grandmothers, Ms. Dorothy Stone, Murray, and Mrs. Mary Starks, Mayfield; aunts and uncles, Shanna Lawrence and Mario Lawrence, Murray, Melissa and Gloria Starks, and Joe and Joseph Starks, Paducah.

A graveside service will be Saturday at 11 a.m. at the Murray City Cemetery, Murray. Rev. Tim Green will officiate.

Imes-Miller Funeral Home of Murray is in charge of arrangements, but no public visitation will be scheduled.

Jimmie Dale Jones

Jimmie Dale Jones, 74, Benton, died Sunday, April 2, 2006, at 3:30 p.m. at his home.

He had retired as a tire builder from Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Union City, Tenn. He was a member of Hot Wheels Club and was of Baptist faith.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Thomas Oliver Jones and Lattice Boon Jeffrey Jones.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Joan D. Miller Jones; three daughters, Cynthia Jones, California, Sandra Jones, North Carolina, and Marge Barrett, New York; five sons, Micheal Allen Jones and Carlton Jeffery Barrett, both of Benton, James Raymond Jones, California, Corey Steven Barrett, Pennsylvania, and Scott C. Barrett, Coldwater; two sisters, Mrs. Lula Bell Ross, California, and Mrs. Judy Cullen, Symsonia; two brothers, Thomas J. Jones and William R. Jones, both of Benton.

A private memorial service will be held.

Filbeck-Cann & King Funeral Home & Crematory of Benton is in charge of arrangements.

Garland Oatman

The funeral for Garland Oatman will be Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Slaughters-Hanson chapel of Tompkins Funeral Home, Slaughters. Rev. Roy Finley will officiate. Burial will follow in the Oddfellows Cemetery, Madisonville.

Visitation will be at the funeral home from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. today (Wednesday) and after 10 a.m. Thursday.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Mr. Oatman, 69, Murray, died Monday, April 3, 2006, at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

He had been a construction inspector for GRW Engineers for 20 years and was a member of Second Baptist Church, Madisonville.

Born Feb. 23, 1937, in Paducah, Texas, he was preceded in death by his father, George Washington Oatman in 1985 and one son, Joney Oatman in 2004.

Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Eloise Robertson Oatman, Austin, Texas; one daughter, Mrs. Tammy Fowler, Franklin, N.C.; one son, Kim Oatman, Paducah; one stepdaughter, Crystal Royal, Logan County; two stepsons, Chris Campbell, Slaughters, and Rick Campbell, Madisonville; one sister, Mrs. Georgene Crolley, Austin, Texas; one brother, Don Oatman, Jefferson, Texas; 13 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Opal Sylvia Webb

The funeral for Mrs. Opal Sylvia Webb will be today (Wednesday) at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Brown Funeral Home, Mayfield. Eddie Richardson and David McPherson will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Bryan Kendall, Chase Kendall, Kyle Kendall, David Kerns, Travis Kerns and Jason Tubbs, all grandsons. Burial will follow in the Milburn Cemetery.

Visitation is now at the funeral home.

Mrs. Webb, 83, Mayfield, died Monday, April 3, 2006, at 11:15 a.m. at Jackson Purchase Medical Center, Mayfield.

A retired secretary for Mayfield Electric & Water Systems, she was a member of Sutton Lane Church of Christ.

Her husband, Johnie Webb, and one son, Gerald Neal Kerns Jr., both preceded her in death. She was the daughter of the late Bryant Fleming and Bertha Tackett Fleming.

Survivors include one son, Rev. Bryant Kerns and wife, Sherry, Mayfield; one daughter, Mrs. Ruthie Wilferd, Farmington; five stepdaughters, Mrs. Gerlene Newsome, Golo, Mrs. Mavis Dean Murdock and Mrs. Janette Murdock, both of Lynn Grove, Mrs. Loretta Stidham, Lexington, and Mrs. Martha Milam, Bowling Green; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

George H. Harris

The funeral for George H. Harris will be today (Wednesday) at 1 p.m. in the chapel of Milner and Orr Funeral Home, Paducah. Rev. Jewell Barrett will officiate. Burial will follow in the Harris Cemetery.



Visitation is now at the funeral home.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Kentucky Baptist Home for Children, 10200 Linn Station Rd., Louisville, KY 40223-9963. Tributes may be left online at www.milnerandorr.com.

Mr. Harris, 82, West Paducah, died Sunday, April 2, 2006, at 7:19 p.m. at Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah.

Retired from I.B.E.W. Local 816, he had also worked for 18 years for Modine Manufacturing. An Army veteran of World War II, he had fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Western Kentucky Lakes Retiree Campers Club and American Legion.

Preceding him in death were one granddaughter, Lara Leigh Powell, and one brother, Dr. Melvin Harris. He was the son of the late Ira Harris and Pearl Dowdy Harris.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Barbara Washam Harris, to whom he had been married for 59 years; two daughters, Mrs. Diane Harris Powell and husband, Larry, Paducah, and Mrs. Debbie Harris-Royal and husband, Earnie, Kirksey; one son, Douglas Harris and wife, Julie, Ballwin, Mo.; two sisters, Mrs. Barbara Heath, Mayfield, and Mrs. Frances Jean Fox, Fountain Hills, Ariz.; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

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Jerry W. Falwell

The funeral for Jerry W. Falwell was today (Wednesday) at 11 a.m. in the chapel of J.H. Churchill Funeral Home. John Dale and W.D. Jeffcoat officiated.

Active pallbearers were Jimmy Wilson, Elvin Crouse, Bill Crick, Bill Edwards, Rob Darnell, Rex Smith and Tom Jones. Honorary pallbearers were Dan Bazzell, Larry Sanders, Charlie Oldham, Waburn Wyatt, A.R. Hatcher, Tommy Dan Story and Mickie Morton. Burial was in the Murray Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Falwell, 67, Kirksey Road, Murray, died Monday, April 3, 2006, at 4:05 a.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

Before retiring, he was self-employed as owner and operator of Falwell Refrigeration and Electric. He was a member of Glendale Road Church of Christ.

Preceding him in death were his first wife, Norma Jean Falwell in 1987, his second wife, Karen Sue Falwell in 1999, and his father, L.B. Falwell. He was born Sept. 9, 1938, in Calloway County.

Survivors include special friend, Sonja Wilson, Puryear, Tenn.; his mother, Mrs. Robbie Williams Falwell, one son, Tim Falwell and wife, Lori, and two grandchildren, Hugh and Brandon Falwell, all of Murray; one daughter, Mrs. Jill Bell and husband, Keith, two stepdaughters, Karrie Goetz and Kimberly Sanderson and husband, Jay, and two stepgrandchildren, Kallie Goetz and Corbin Sanderson, all of Memphis, Tenn.

Dexter woman hurt in two-vehicle accident

Staff Report

A 54-year-old Dexter woman was treated at the hospital for ankle and chest pains after the vehicle she was driving was involved in a collision Monday morning.

Mary F. Ellis, 54, of Palestine Church Road, was driving a 1992 Dodge Shadow westbound on Ky. 1346 (Roosevelt Road) when she stopped at the intersection with Ky. 1824 (Radio Road) about 9:09 a.m. Monday, according to a release from the Calloway County Sheriff's Department.

Ellis told Deputy Charles Tidwell she did not see an approaching vehicle northbound on Ky. 1824. The approaching vehicle — a 1995 Chevrolet pickup truck — was driven by Tony D. Bullock, 32, of Coach Estates in Murray, according to

the release.

When Ellis continued through the intersection in front of Bullock's truck, Bullock said he noticed the other car coming and applied his brake, but he skidded forward and was unable to avoid the collision. Police said the front of Ellis' car hit the passenger side of Bullock's truck.

EMS transported Ellis to Murray-Calloway County Hospital's emergency room, according to the sheriff's department. She was released Tuesday, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Bullock was not hurt. Also, neither of the two passengers — Edward R. Ellis, 18, also of Palestine Church Road, in Ellis' car or Timothy C. Torsak, 38, of Lakeway Drive in Murray, in Bullock's truck — were injured.

Fort Campbell soldier dies in fall from helicopter

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) — A Fort Campbell soldier died in Iraq after falling from a helicopter, Army officials said.

Pfc. Joseph J. Duenas, 23, of Mesa, Ariz., died while taking part in an operation in the Kirkuk Province on March 30, Fort Campbell officials said on Monday. The helicopter was landing after a nighttime combat operation.

His death remained under investigation, Department of Defense officials said.

Duenas was an infantryman assigned to D Company, 1st Battalion, 327th Infantry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat

Team. He joined the Army in November 2004 and arrived at Fort Campbell in February 2005.

Duenas is survived by his wife, Shawna, of Phoenix, Ariz.; his mother and stepfather, Rose and John Garret, of Ceres, Calif.; and father, Michael Tibbitts, of Kapolei, Hawaii.

A memorial service will be held in Iraq.

Including Duenas, 136 soldiers from Fort Campbell have been killed in the war in Iraq.

Fort Campbell straddles the Kentucky-Tennessee border.

Newbern family survives terror of killer storm

NEWBERN, Tenn. (AP) — Jackey Reynolds heard the tornado sirens and saw storm warnings on television, but he figured odds were good that the twisters would miss his home, so he didn't take shelter.

"We've had a lot of storms before," Reynolds said Tuesday. "We've had a lot of sirens go off before and nothing came of it."

But his family was nearly killed Sunday when swarms of violent thunderstorms and tornadoes devastated communities across eight states. The death toll in Tennessee rose to 24 on Tuesday with the discovery of the last unaccounted-for resident. Four others were killed in Missouri and southern Illinois.

Reynolds knows now that he should have heeded the warnings. A tornado tore off his roof in the town of Bradford and tugged his house off its foundation, forcing Reynolds, his two boys and one of their girlfriends to rush into the front yard and duck into a ditch.

All four survived without injuries, but the cluster of tornadoes destroyed more than 1,000 buildings in western Tennessee.

Officials say some residents disregarded the warning sirens that go off frequently during spring thunderstorms. Other neighborhoods were too remote to hear the sirens. And in some cases, the tornadoes struck too quickly after the warnings for people to take cover.

Gov. Phil Bredesen, who surveyed the damage Tuesday, said he's ambivalent about the warning sirens.

"If they work right, they're obviously a lifesaver. On the other hand, you worry that either they won't go off, or they go off so often that it becomes crying wolf," Bredesen said. "I mean, when's the last time you heard a car alarm going off and you said, 'Oh my God, there's someone breaking into a car!'"

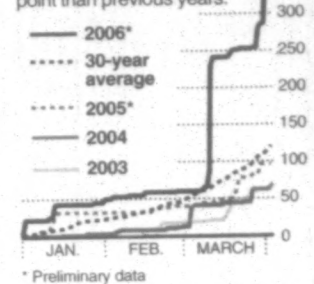
A meteorologist said at least one tornado in Tennessee's hard-hit Dyer County appeared to be an F-3 on the Fujita scale used to measure a twister's strength, with winds from 158 to 206 mph, strong enough to tear down walls.

Dyer County's emergency management director, James Medling, said in some cases, a warning would not have helped.

"Most of the fatalities

Twisters arrive early

The number of reported tornadoes is higher at this point than previous years.



SOURCE: NOAA

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occurred in those homes that were wiped completely off, and there's just not a lot you can do unless you're underground in a basement," Medling said.

Dyersburg Police Chief Bobby Williamson said he cannot hear the sirens in his rural neighborhood. He knew to duck into a closet while the storm rattled his house only because of warnings on television and the threatening skies.

"I'm just thankful we're alive. That's all that matters," Williamson said. "I can get a new house, but some people are going to a funeral."

U.S. Rep. John Tanner, who accompanied Bredesen on the tour, said his cousin was killed by a tornado that destroyed her home near Newbern.

"When you have 20-something fatalities, that's just a number. This really puts a face to it," said Tanner, D-Tenn., who was visibly shaken.

The buzz of chain saws filled the air during the governor's tour as neighbors worked to clear debris and patch roofs. Electric crews erected new utility poles.

Clothing and other belongings still hung from many limbs. People spray painted numbers on their houses because street signs had been blown away and set up makeshift pens for livestock.

The Democratic governor took extra time in Newbern to walk alone amid the rubble of a home where an 11-month-old boy and his grandparents were killed.

"I just wanted to pay my respects for the family and the small child," he said later. "There, where the kitchen used to be, there is a water-soaked teddy bear."

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Rainfall still higher than average

A total of 3.41 inches of rain were recorded in Murray for the month of March, according to John Ed Scott, official government weather observer for Murray.

Rainfalls were recorded on March 5, 9, 10, 13, 20, 21 and 31. This brings the total rainfall for the year to 14.06 inches. The average yearly total for the first three months is 13.41 inches.

Fog was reported on March 21 and thunder on March 9.

The high temperature for the month was 84 degrees on March 12 and the low temperature was 28 degrees on March 22. Averages for the month were 62 for a high and 40 for a low.

Free AARP tax assistance offered today

Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens Center, 607 Poplar St., will host AARP Tax-Aide, a free and confidential tax preparation service on a first come, first serve basis every Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. from Feb. 1 to April 12. For more information call 753-0929.

FUN & FASHION

By D.K. Kelley



Classic looks in gold jewelry are making a big comeback in fashion. Oval link chains, layered in matte gold and shiny tiered earrings, hoop earrings and gold charm bracelets are perfect for day or evening.

I just got back from market and gold was everywhere in fashion jewelry. Mixed with the wood and shell jewelry, long and short necklaces were in every showroom of jewelry.

Belts are back as well. They are wide and can be worn over the loops of your jeans or pants.

Denim is the main player in fashion now. You just can't have too much. There are so many different types of washes, embellishments, rises and widths in jeans, you'll want several pairs.

We have ganchos, long shorts, trouser type jeans, jean skirts in short and long lengths. We also have some really cute denim jackets in a variety of styles and colors.

New jewelry and more sandals are on the way. Really cute handbags are here too.

Brigitton sunglasses have arrived as well, new bangles, necklaces, compacts, pill boxes and key tobs. These make wonderful gifts for friends or graduation.

Don't forget we have Power Planets to go under all the lighter weight fabrics of spring, we certainly don't want a panty line showing.

No Bra sticks on so you have no strap marks, it adds cleavage too.

Spring is here so get ready from the bottom up with fashions from DK Kelley.

Many thanks to the girls who modeled in the style show for Marshall County Hospital on March 28th. They included Mary Bennett, Beverly Solomon, Tabitha Gilliland, Tish Sloan, Kristen Hall, Renee Ellis and Mariah Ellis.

Congratulations to Judy Hafner who won the door prize this week.

We have 20% off of spring embellished skirts and tops from Haven Blue and Basil and Maude. We also have a 50% off rack of spring merchandise with Tribal, Joseph Ribkoff as well as many others.

Come in to register for the Easter Basket to be given away as a promotion from WLZK in Paris.

Quote of the Week: "Life is ours to be spent, not to be saved." D.H. Lawrence

Stay tuned to next week's Fun & Fashion report.....

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KRAEMER SPEAKS: Dottie Kraemer, project director for Calloway County Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention, spoke Saturday with New Beginnings about her program and the connection with the transition home proposed for this area. Trish Barton, Coalition Network coordinator, was also present to answer questions. New Beginnings, sponsored by Westside Jail/Prison Ministry, will meet again on April 15 and the meetings are open to the public. For information call Ron and Linda Wright at 753-0156.



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TRIVIA NIGHT: Members of the Murray Main Street Organizational Committee are involved in planning a Trivia Night fundraiser, to be held Saturday, May 13. The teams will be made up of tables of 8 people. Event and ticket information will be released beginning April 10. Pictured are (left, clockwise): Martha Alls, Melissa Finklea, Darrel McFerron, Roger Reichmuth, and Sally Hopkins.

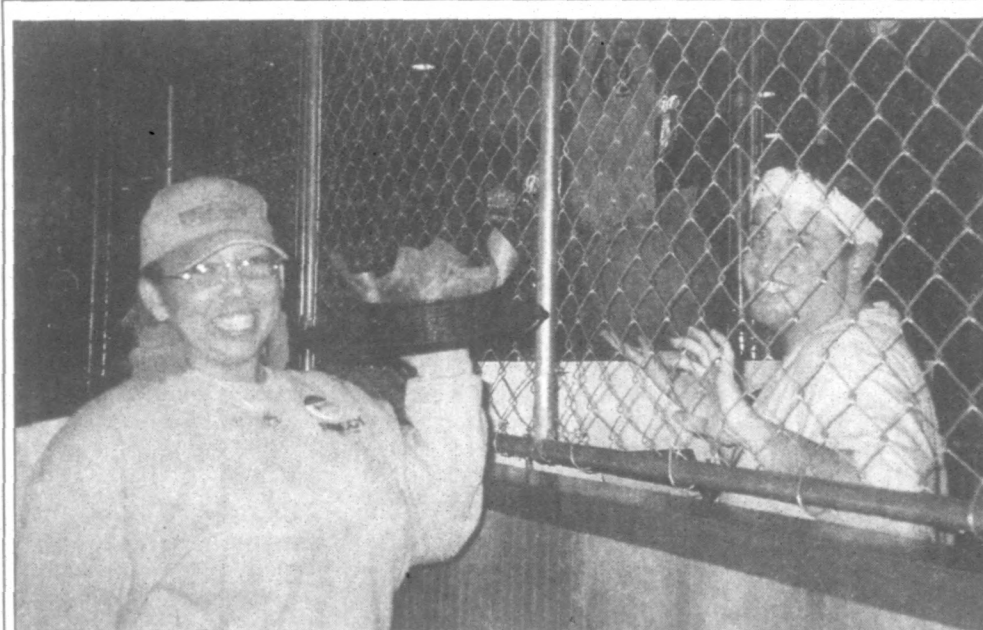


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FUNDRAISER CONDUCTED: Pictured are Sweet Pea Green and Splash, disc jockeys at FROGGY 103.7 FM, as they fundraise for the Calloway County Chapter of the American Red Cross. The DJs held a 1,000 Shots or \$1,000 event at Nick's Family Sports Pub, trying to raise a \$1,000 for the Red Cross during the HEROES campaign during the month of March.

MCCH announces blood drives for April

The Blood Bank at Murray-Calloway County Hospital will conduct one blood drive open to the public during the month of April. This drive is in addition to routine appointments that can be scheduled during the regular hours at the Blood Bank.

The hospital blood bank has new hours for drawing blood: Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, April 19

from 5 to 9 p.m. there will be a blood drive at University Church of Christ. It is open to the public and everyone is encouraged to participate.

MCCH is facing a blood shortage and needs donors to come out.

The bank is offering a new promotion to encourage blood donations. During a donor's birthday month, donors who make a blood donation will receive a free T-shirt especially for the Birthday Club. This is an excellent way to celebrate your birthday by giving life to another.

The constant supply of blood provided locally to the blood bank provides the gift of life to many people. From a convenience perspective, it only takes less than an hour to make a blood donation and donations of all blood types are greatly needed. The blood received by MCCH Blood Bank stays in the community to serve the needs of patients within the area.

A blood donor must be at least 18 years of age (or 17 with parental consent), be in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds, and pass the brief physical and health history exams given prior to collecting the donation.

To make an appointment to donate blood or to find out where the next blood drive will be held, contact the bank at 762-1119.

This combination of dates will happen only once



Jo's Datebook
By Jo Burkeen
Community Editor

Received a special e-mail yesterday from one of my regular correspondents on the Internet.

It read "This will only Happen Once. On Wednesday, April 4, at two minutes and three seconds after one in the morning the time will be 01:02:03 04/05/06. This will happen only once and never again."

St. Leo plans fish fries

St. Leo Catholic Church will have its food and fellowship on Friday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Center on Payne Street behind the church on North 12th Street. Take-out service is also available. All proceeds help support the programs at the church. The public is urged to attend.

MMS Parent meeting April 13

Murray Middle School Title 1 annual Parent Involvement meeting will be April 13 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the school library. This is a corrected date from that listed in a story published Monday. All Title I students and families have received an invitation. Tips for Test Taking will be given and Title I students will have an opportunity to create test taking survival kits. Supper will be provided. For more information call Vicky Dunlap at 753-5125, ext 2384.

Festival board to meet Thursday

Members of West Kentucky Highland Festival Board of directors will meet with Murray-Calloway County Tourism and local business leaders on Thursday at 7 p.m. for a dutch treat meal at Tom's Grille, Murray. This will be to discuss details of bringing the Scottish heritage event to Murray in September. Board President Charlotte Harris said a planning meeting will follow the supper at about 8 p.m.

Mother to Mother Group to meet

Mother to Mother, a support group for breastfeeding moms, is scheduled to meet Friday at 10:30 a.m. at Calloway Public Library. Featured will be refreshments and door prizes. Pregnant moms, dads and older children are welcome. For more information call Heather Duffy at 436-5657.

Glory Bound Entertainment Friday

Glory Bound Christian Entertainment Ministry has changed its weekly program to Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. in the new Goshen Family Fellowship Center, Ky. Hwy. 121 North at Stella. Featured entertainers will be Hallelujah Singers, Etheleen Darnell and Straight and Narrow. The public is invited and there is no charge but note the change from Thursday to Friday. Items for Need Line will be taken. For more information call Joe Lawrence at 753-5643, Renee Taylor at 753-8124 or Patrick Lea at 761-2666.

Dexter Clothes Closet open Thursday

The Clothes Closet will be open on the first Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Dexter Baptist Church. This is a new day for the closet. For information call Linda Young, coordinator, at 437-4890.

Spanish teacher wanted

Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens Center, 607 Poplar St., is in need of a volunteer to teach an introductory Spanish language class for the seniors. Anyone in the community, senior citizen or not, who would like to volunteer, call the center at 753-0929.

Trammel Trio at Northside Thursday

The Mark Trammel Trio, well known gospel singing group, will appear in concert Thursday at 7 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church, located on Radio Road, near Almo Heights. A love offering will be taken. The public is invited.

Homemakers Club will meet

Potpouri Homemakers Club will meet Thursday at 9 a.m. in the annex of Calloway Public Library. This is a specialty club with a new craft to be demonstrated and made at each meeting. For information contact Liz Williams at 435-4498.

Garden Department will meet

Garden Department of the Murray Woman's Club will meet Thursday at 1 p.m. at the club house. Michelle Kidd of the Paducah Orchid Society will be the speaker. Hostesses will be Cathy Mathis, Wilma Wilson, Deb Devine, Susan O'Neill and Joanna Adams.

Thursday TOPS Club will meet

Thursday TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) Club will meet Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in the annex of Calloway Public Library. The meeting is open to the public. For information call Marge Andrews at 753-7732.

Art Guild to close exhibit

Murray Art Guild's Visual Evidence Exhibit may be viewed between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. today and Friday when the exhibit will close. For information call 753-4059.

Volleyball Day Camp scheduled

A Middle School Volleyball Day Camp has been planned for April 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Calloway County High School gymnasium. This is for Grades 5-8 with the cost being \$30 per participant which includes lunch and T-shirt. Participants may register by mailing \$30, shirt size, address and telephone number to Calloway County High School, Attn.: Volleyball, 2108 College Farm Rd., Murray, KY 42071. Reservations must be made by April 10.

Narcotics Anonymous will meet

Narcotics Anonymous will meet each Tuesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. at 1628 West Main St., Murray, next to St. John's Episcopal Church. For information call 753-8419 or 1-877-447-2004.

Chair Auction planned

United Way of Murray and Calloway County is kicking off the annual chair auction set for April. Anyone who would like to donate a chair or chairs (to be decorated by local artists) can bring them to the United Way office, located in the Weak's Community Building, or call Peggy Billington, United Way director, at 753-0317. The chairs will be sold at auction to provide funds for United Way. Any artists interested in decorating a chair must turn their finished chairs in to the United Way office by April 12. Tickets for the event will be available soon.

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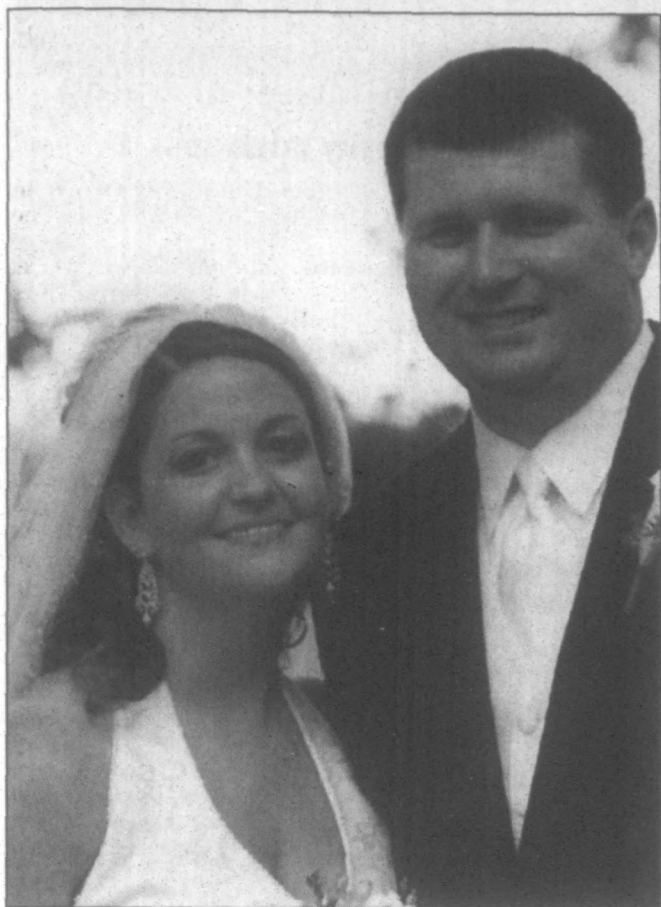
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Weddings



Anderson and Jones

Margaret (Margo) Katherine Anderson and Jody Barton Jones were married in a late afternoon ceremony at Walnut Grove Farms, outside Hopkinsville, on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2005. John Dale, of Murray, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Altsheler Anderson of Hopkinsville. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phelps Anderson and Mrs. Ann Dixon and the late Seldon Dixon, all of Hopkinsville.

The groom is the son of Mrs. Brenda Laverne Jones and the late Barton Linn Jones of Murray. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ollis Anderson of Murray and the late Mr. and Mrs. Riley Jones of Benton.

The bride arrived in a limousine, escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents.

She wore an off-white halter style dress and carried a mixed off white bouquet of flowers.

Sarah Cavanah of Hopkinsville and Leigh Menchinger of Murray as her attendants. They wore sage green dresses and carried burgundy and off white bouquets.

The groom wore a black tuxedo.

Jason Prescott and Corey Morton of Murray were his attendants. Colby A. Landrum, son of the bride, was ring bearer. They wore black tuxedos.

A reception followed at the farms, using both the lawn and inside of the home owned by the bride's aunt, Ellen Anderson and her husband, Robert Pinholster.

Music for the wedding and reception were by harpist, Caroline Milan of Hopkinsville. Ellen Anderson was the wedding coordinator. Caleb Gary and Colby Landrum distributed bubbles and streamers.

The bride is employed as a relationship banker at BB&T Bank. The groom is employed as a loan officer at Jackson Purchase Agriculture Credit Association of Murray.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Yellowstone National Park.

The rehearsal dinner at the Hopkinsville Golf and Country Club was hosted by the groom's mother. A bridal shower given by family and friends and a bridal shower given by members of Glendale Road Church of Christ, Murray, were pre-nuptial events held in Murray.

Moorman and Bright

Kandace Moorman and Jason Bright were married Friday, March 24, 2006, at the Fayette County Courthouse, Lexington.

The Honorable Paula Goodwine officiated.

The private ceremony was witnessed by Andrew Bright of Murray, brother of the groom, and Ashley Kingsolver of LaGrange, friend of the couple.

The bride is the daughter of Kimberly Hook and stepdaughter of Geno Hester of Owensboro.

Parents of the groom are Cassie Bright and John and Jane Bright of Murray. He is the grandson of Bob and Kaye Bright of Murray.

The bride, a graduate of Apollo High School, received her bachelor degree in Spanish at Centre College, Danville. She is employed by the University of Kentucky Orthodontic Graduate Program.

The groom, a graduate of Murray High School, received his bachelor degree in biology at Centre College. He is an account executive at Konica-Minolta Business Solutions.

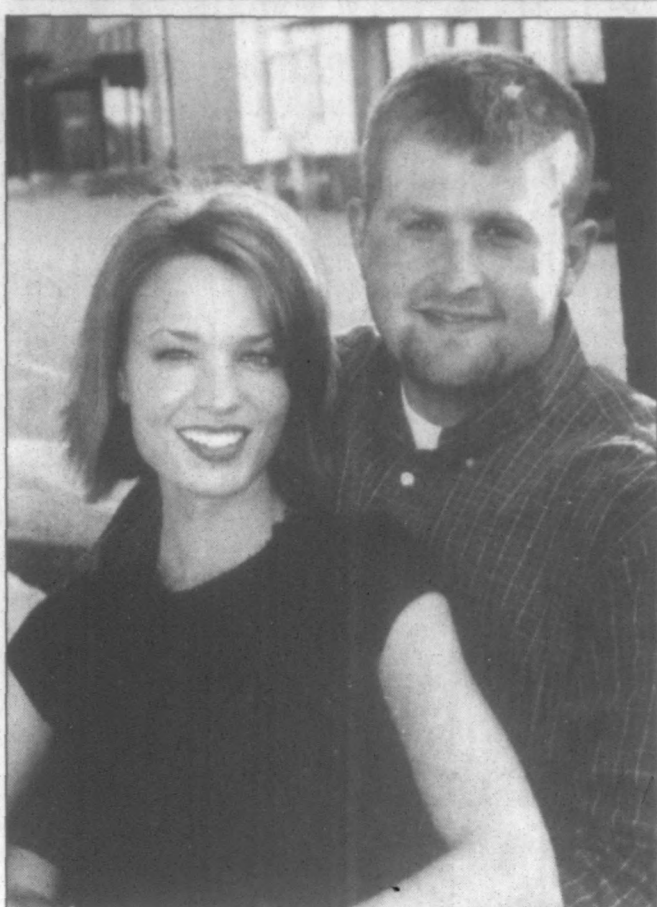
Mr. and Mrs. Bright are residing in Lexington.

Jackson and Cothran

Charles Jackson and Jane Cothran will have a reception on Sunday, April 9, to celebrate their wedding.

The reception will be from 3 to 5 p.m. at her home. All friends are invited.

Engagements



Lamb and Cossey

Rhonda Lamb and Kevin and Tammy Lamb of Murray announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Nikki Lamb, to Ben Cossey, son of Danny and Cindy Cossey of Murray.

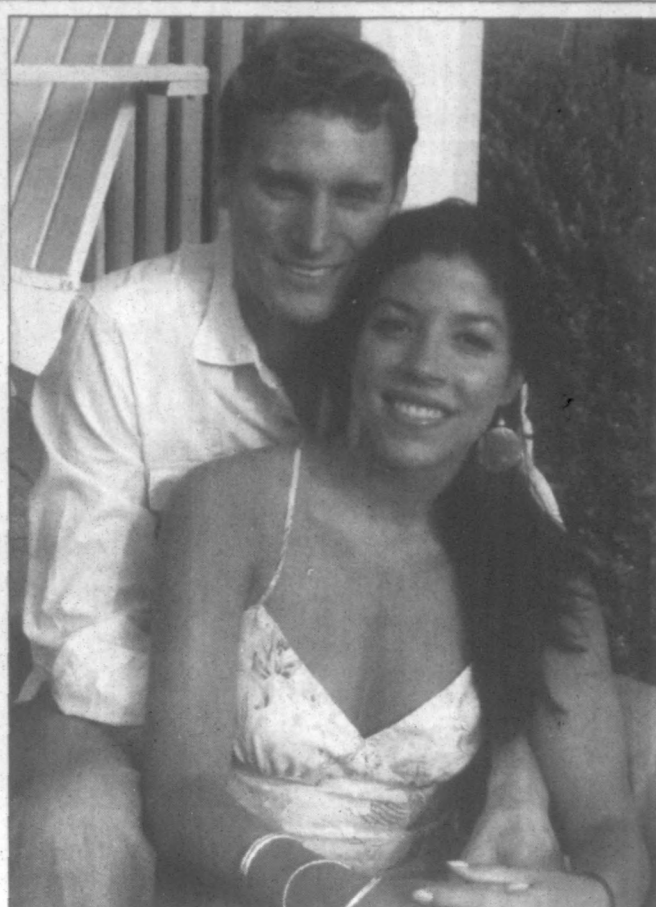
Miss Lamb is the granddaughter of Pat Johnston of Hardin, and Judy Johnston, Norma and Harold Viniard and the late Gene Lamb, all of Murray.

Mr. Cossey is the grandson of Junior and Janice Compton of Kirksey and Earnestine Cossey and the late John Gardner Cossey of Murray.

The bride-elect is a 2002 graduate of Calloway County High School and is attending Murray State University majoring in business education. She is a member of Hazel Baptist Church and employed by The Murray Bank.

The groom-elect is a 2001 graduate of Calloway County High School and is attending the University of Kentucky majoring in mechanical engineering. He is a member of Kirksey Baptist Church and is employed by HydroGear, Princeton.

The wedding will be Sunday, June 4, 2006, at 3:30 p.m. on the beaches of Fort Walton at Destin, Fla.



Camargo and Keller

Dr. Luiz Mauro Camargo and Ms. Julia Q. Carmargo of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Brenna Maria Q. Camargo, to Christopher Brent Keller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darold Keller of Murray.

The bride-elect, a 2000 graduate of the University of Tennessee, will graduate on May 13 from Pikeville College of Osteopathic Medicine.

The groom-elect, a 1998 graduate of Rhodes College, Memphis, Tenn., will also graduate from the Pikeville College of Osteopathic Medicine on May 13.

Both the bride-elect and groom-elect will be pursuing a residency in internal medicine in Mobile, Ala.

The couple will be married on Saturday, May 20, 2006.

A reception celebrating their marriage will be held at the Murray Country Club.

Grant Writing Workshop
will be held on April 14

Murray State University's Center for Continuing Education will host a day-long workshop on how to write a professional grant proposal.

The workshop is designed for groups such as non-profit organizations, as well as individuals who are interested in learning how to prepare successful grant proposals.

Topics covered will include: How to search for funding opportunities, interpret guidelines, develop a narrative, design a budget, evaluate a proposal, and other tips of the writing process.

Michael S. Weatherholt, director of MSU's Office of Sponsored Programs, will present the workshop.

The workshop will be April 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in room 211 of the Collins Industry and Technology Center on the MSU campus. The fee will be \$135 which includes all learning materials. Morning refreshments will be served.

Because of space limitations, pre-registration is required by contacting the center at 809-3659 or 1-800-669-7654, ext. 3659.

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BIGGEST LOSER: Calloway County Schools in cooperation with Martial Arts Academy sponsored "Biggest Loser: Laker Style", a six-week fitness program. At the "weigh-in" before the final class on March 30, Stacey Butterworth was determined to be the winner. Norraa Carbaugh was runner-up and Kassa McCallum finished in the third spot. Pictured are Tung Dinh of Martial Arts Academy (front, from right) with school nurse Vicki Williams, class instructor Tara Evans, and winner Butterworth.

Revised courses offered by Red Cross in first aid, CPR and AED

This spring the, Calloway County Chapter of the American Red Cross will begin implementing the newly revised first aid and CPR/AED courses for workplace, schools and community members.

These Red Cross programs and products are updated with the latest science available for first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), automated external defibrillation (AED) and emergency cardiovascular care (ECC).

A result of the program updates is the Red Cross' innovative new approach to educating students. For the first time in Red Cross training history, students will be able to utilize on-screen skills demonstrations along with hands-on instruction.

This "practice-while-you-watch" instructional method is just one way the Red Cross is making it easier for everyone to be trained and certified in lifesaving skills. By practicing along with the video, students are more engaged and receive more one-on-one coaching by a Red Cross-trained instructor.

The Red Cross will also be offering flexible training programs for first aid, CPR and AED. Flexible training allows you to customize a program that fits your specific

needs. Red Cross instructors are available to schedule training with the specific courses your organization needs, at a time that is convenient — even nights and weekends.

Whether you need first aid training for two or CPR certification for 2,000 the Red Cross has high quality, cost-effective training options available for the workplace, schools and throughout the community.

New courses also enhance the relevancy of training for students through the use of visuals and the take-away products received during class. Students can expect to find more comprehensive health and safety materials to compliment their training. New Red Cross training materials specific to workplaces and schools/community members feature more expansive references in an easier to read format.

The revisions to the first aid and CPR/AED courses are from the results of the latest scientific research. Every five years, international organizations and experts in the field of first aid and emergency care come together to review and evaluate the latest data on injury and care. The American Red Cross Advisory Council on First Aid and Safety (ACFAS) — an inde-

pendent panel of nationally recognized health and safety experts — played an integral role in the evaluation and interpretation of these very important scientific findings.

The results of the scientific review led ACFAS, along with the participation of the Red Cross Research and Product Development

Team, to produce the 2005 First Aid Guidelines and the American Red Cross 2005 Guidelines for Emergency Care and Education. The new guidelines mean all American Red Cross health

and safety training programs are updated to with the most advanced science in injury prevention and care.

The Calloway County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer the updated training beginning in May during its monthly CPR and First Aid training.

For more information on the update or to schedule training for your workplace, school or in your community contact the Calloway County Chapter at 753-1421 or log on to www.redcross.org for a list of courses available.

Overall U.S. obesity rates up

While larger proportions of America's public are overweight than ever before, women — who as a group are more obese — appear to be holding steady.

Percentage of people obese and overweight in the U.S.

YEARS	1999-2000		2003-2004	
	Obese	Overweight	Obese	Overweight
All Adults	30.5%	64.5%	32%	66%
Men	27.5	67	31	71
Women	33	62	33	62
Children	14	28	17	34

SOURCES: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Journal of the

AP

More children, men are fat, women steady

ATLANTA (AP) — More American children are getting fat, with more than one-third now overweight. More of their dads are getting heavy, too.

But the percentage of women who are overweight seems to have peaked, leading some experts to wonder if the U.S. obesity epidemic may soon be leveling off.

Overall, larger proportions of the U.S. public are overweight than ever before, according to the government's most accurate recent check of the nation's girth. But women — who as a group are more obese — seem to be holding steady.

The study didn't examine why more men and children are getting fatter and women aren't. But some experts think the leveling off in women could signal a turning point in the nation's obesity epidemic.

"Women have always been more responsible about health than the general population," said Dr. William Dietz, of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which reported the new data.

"I'd like to think this shows women are leading the way in recognizing obesity as a health threat," said Dietz, director of the CDC's Division of Nutrition and Physical Activity.

Another piece of research also suggests a turn. The NPD Group, a New York-based market research firm, found the percentage of overweight adults has held steady from 2002 to

2005.

"I would say it has leveled off. The bad news is we haven't found a way to lose weight," said Harry Balzer, vice president of NPD, which each year tracks what thousands of people eat and their self-reported height and weight.

The CDC report is being published in this week's Journal of the American Medical Association.

The findings come from the CDC's National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, which collects data on a sample of about 5,000 people each year. The researchers clustered years together, presenting calculations for 1999-2000, 2001-2002 and 2003-2004.

The survey is considered the gold standard for obesity data — it's done through in-person examinations that include actual height and weight measurements.

That beats telephone surveys, in which men tend to overstate their height and heavy people underestimate weight, throwing off obesity calculations, said Cynthia Ogden, the study's lead author.

The study found the percentage of men who are overweight rose to 71 percent in 2003-2004, from 67 percent in 1999-2000. The obese percentage rose to 31 percent, from 27.5 percent.

For women, both the overweight and obese percentages held steady, at about 62 percent and 33 percent, respectively.

Why women held steady is not clear, but Balzer said it may have to do with a leveling of employment rates for women since the late 1990s. He also noted a leveling of the percentage of Americans who eat meals at home — home portions are considered healthier than what is eaten in restaurants.

For children, the percentage

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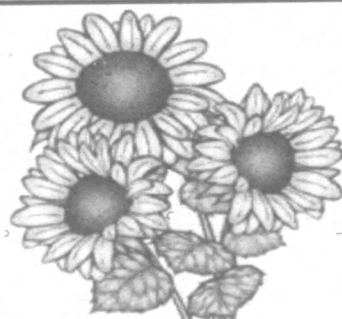
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MCCH working to upgrade systems

As an upgrade and addition to the healthcare information system purchased and implemented in October 2002, Murray-Calloway County Hospital is working to upgrade its system with the Meditech Patient Care System (PCS).

This system is to go live in August 2006 and members of the Core Team recently completed Applications III training with Meditech Specialists from Boston. Currently, the Core Team is working on building and testing assessment screens, intervention sets, and care plans.

PCS is an electronic documentation system offering care providers interdisciplinary Plans of Care, which is required for a patient-focused care delivery system. Automated worklists allow care providers to document care using a point-of-care device. PCS display panels provide the ability to observe up-to-date patient information.

In February, the Core Team representatives from Nursing, Education, Information, Students, Rehab and Respiratory Therapy participated in a site visit to Ephraim McDowell Regional Medical Center in Danville, Ky. During this visit, team members received information and suggestions on building and implementation and had the opportunity to meet with not only Core Team members from EMRMC but also staff that use the system regularly.

"Once we begin using PCS, nurses and nursing assistants will bring a laptop or computer on wheels, to the bedside to document patient information and care given in a more efficient



Pictured are members of the MCCH Core Team who are helping to implement the Patient Care System. Members are pictured with the Rioux cart or COWS, better known as Computers on Wheels. These will allow for better care for patients at MCCH.

manner," said Lori Callihan, RN, PCS Core Team Leader. "Physicians will also have access to this information faster than the traditional patient chart. It is our plan that the PCS system will improve not only data collection but overall workflow and ultimately patient satisfaction."

"The Meditech Patient Care Systems will put real time data in the hands of clinical professionals at the exact time that they need it," said Andy Adams, Director of Information Systems. "Medical information should follow the consumer so that they are at the center of their care. It will also allow more one-on-one interaction with the patient and docu-

mentation will be done at the patient bedside via wireless computer carts and/or laptops.

"On March 8, 2005, Gov. Fletcher signed Senate Bill 3 known as the 'e-Health bill,' which supports President Bush's National Healthcare IT Agenda. Our goal is to keep moving forward with the building of our Electronic Medical Record, which is a vital piece of healthcare's national strategy."

In 2002, MCCH purchased a system from Medical Information Technology, Inc. (MEDITECH). Based out of Boston, MEDITECH has been the leader in healthcare information technology since 1969 and is installed in over 1,700 hospitals and healthcare enterprises

worldwide.

This new system includes a series of acute care, long-term care, and clinical and financial applications that will allow physicians, nurses, and other caregivers to better track patient information and will help improve scheduling of appointments for patients. The system has improved clinical applications, which has allowed physicians and patients to reap rewards.

This is another way Murray-Calloway County Hospital is working to bring the region the latest in technology while providing the best in service and care.

New law key to drop in North Carolina meth labs

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — The number of methamphetamine labs busted by police in North Carolina dropped by a third in the first three months of 2006, a decline officials credited to a new state law that restricts the sale of cold medicines used to make the highly addictive drug.

Authorities discovered 62 meth labs between Jan. 15, when the law took effect, and the end of March, compared with 91 labs in the same period of 2005, Attorney General Roy Cooper said. "We still have them with us, but this new law appears to be working because it's much more difficult for criminals to get the main ingredients to make meth," Cooper said. "We were hoping to see quick results and we're seeing results."

In March alone, police raided 14 labs in 2006, compared with 40 labs found last year and 33 in 2004, according to state figures. For the entire first quarter, officials found 73 labs this year, compared to 108 last year and 81 in 2004.

The new law requires anyone who buys cold tablets containing pseudoephedrine and ephedrine, such as Sudafed, to show a photo ID at a store counter and sign a log. Most liquid, gel-capsule and children's forms of the medicines, which are not generally used to make the drug, remain freely available on retail store shelves.

In 2004, Oklahoma became the first state to restrict consumers' ability to purchase products containing pseudoephedrine, limiting their sale to pharmacies. Raids of meth labs there have since plunged, and several other states, including Tennessee, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Oregon, have approved similar restrictions.

"We're the first state on the East Coast to do this and it's already showing immediate, positive results," Cooper said.

North Carolina in 2004 toughened the penalties related to manufacturing the drug and making it in front of children, but had seen limited success in reducing the number of meth labs.

Methamphetamine — also called crank, speed, ice or poor man's cocaine — is cheap to make and often "cooked" in homes, cars, or motels. It's also easy to sell. Addiction leads to psychotic or violent behavior and brain damage. Withdrawal symptoms include depression, fatigue, paranoia and aggression.

Mass. bill requires everyone to have health insurance

BOSTON (AP) — Lawmakers overwhelmingly approved a bill Tuesday that would make Massachusetts the first state to require that all its citizens have some form of health insurance.

The plan — approved just 24 hours after the final details were released — would use a combination of financial incentives

and penalties to dramatically expand access to health care over the next three years and extend coverage to the state's estimated 500,000 uninsured.

If all goes as planned, poor people will be offered free or heavily subsidized coverage; those who can afford insurance but refuse to get it will face increasing tax penalties until

they obtain coverage; and those already insured will see a modest drop in their premiums.

The measure does not call for new taxes but would require businesses that do not offer insurance to pay a \$295 annual fee per employee.

The cost was put at \$316 million in the first year, and more than a \$1 billion by the third

year, with much of that money coming from federal reimbursements and existing state spending, officials said.

The House approved the bill on a 154-2 vote. The Senate endorsed it 37-0.

A final procedural vote is needed in both chambers before the bill can head to the desk of Gov. Mitt Romney.

Fat ...

From Front

of boys, ages 2 to 19, who were seriously overweight, or obese, rose to more than 18 percent in 2003-2004, from 14 percent four years earlier. For girls, the percentage rose to 16 percent, from about 14 percent.

The CDC study also offered data on the percentage of kids who were heavier than 85 percent of children the same age and sex, as recorded in an earlier growth chart benchmark. Those children are customarily referred to as overweight, though the CDC does not use that term.

The percentage of kids in that category shot up to almost 34 percent in 2003-2004, compared to 28 percent in 1999-2000.

"I think the bad news about children far outweighs the good news about women," said Kelly Brownell, director of Yale University's Center for Eating and Weight Disorders.

A leveling off of obesity in

women isn't such great news, either, if 1 out of 3 women still are obese, he added.

"I would hate for people to feel complacent — like we're somehow winning this battle —

because you have a problem leveling off at a terrible point," Brownell said.

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Hundreds of Hispanics protest immigration bill

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Chanting, holding signs and waving American and Mexican flags, hundreds of Hispanics rallied downtown Tuesday to call for immigration reform.

Many of the marchers outside the Gene Snyder Federal Courthouse clutched homemade signs opposing a bill passed by the U.S. House in December that would make illegal immigrants criminal felons.

Opponents of the stricter immigration laws have staged protests throughout the country in recent days, including a massive rally in Los Angeles on March 25.

"I think it's very important to try to get the law to be more flexible, so that way (undocumented immigrants) can become legal immigrants," said Saul Garcia, part owner of four Mexican-style restaurants in the Louisville area. "They deserve the right to stay here and become a citizen like I am."

Garcia, who emigrated from Mexico in 1986 and became a citizen a decade later, brought 10 of his employees to the rally.

About 450 people marched in a block-wide oval, chanting "sí se puede," which translates to "yes, we can." They held signs that read "We are hard workers" and "OK work permits."

The Rev. David Sanchez, a pastor at Church of the Holy Spirit in Louisville, had encouraged locals to attend the rally on a local Hispanic radio station Friday. Sanchez said many people left work during their lunch hour Tuesday to attend the event, which lasted about an hour.

"It was a great turnout in a short period of time," Sanchez said.

He said he supports a bill that passed a Senate committee last month that would create a guest worker program. The legislation, now before the full Senate, takes steps to strengthen border protection but omits the criminal penalties proposed by the House bill.

All six Kentucky congressmen voted for the House bill.

"After spending \$20 billion over a 10- or 15-year period to do border enforcement, and see-

ing an increase in undocumented immigrations, one might suspect that a reasonable person would not think that enforcement is the answer," said the Rev. Patrick Delahanty, associate director of the Catholic Conference of Kentucky.

Others said a less-strict approach would benefit both immigrants and U.S. citizens.

"I love America, and I want what's best for America and right now, I believe we need to do something about this problem," said Ramona Sharp, a court interpreter who came from Cuba as a political refugee in 1966. Sharp said she supports a guest worker program so that immigrants could pay taxes and drive vehicles. She also said the program would help identify criminals.



AP
Four-year-old Elaine Dominguez listens at right as some of the hundreds of people who marched in favor of immigration reform pass by Tuesday in Louisville, Ky.



NBC/AP
An image made from television show Katie Couric on the Today Show this morning. On her 15th anniversary on "Today," Katie Couric told viewers she's leaving to join CBS and become the first woman to solely anchor a network evening newscast.

Couric leaving NBC to be CBS evening anchor

By DAVID BAUDER
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — On her 15th anniversary on "Today," Katie Couric told viewers today she's leaving to join CBS and become the first woman to solely anchor a network evening newscast.

"I wanted to tell all of you out there ... that after listening to my heart and my gut ... I've decided I'll be leaving 'Today' at the end of May," she said. "I really feel as if we've become friends through the years."

The 49-year-old Couric, the longest-serving anchor in "Today" show history, is expected to replace Bob Schieffer on the third-rated CBS broadcast in September.

Following a months-long guessing game that has consumed the TV industry, Couric chose the 15th anniversary of her first day as "Today" co-host in 1991 to say that it's time for a change.

"It's been such an honor and a privilege to occupy this seat for as long as I have," she said. "Sometimes I think change is a good thing," Couric said. "Although it may be terrifying to get out of your comfort zone, it's also very exciting to start a new chapter in your life."

The bold move simultaneously forces NBC to find a new team for "Today," television's most profitable news program, and gives CBS News President Sean McManus a major success in his effort to lure more stars to his beleaguered news organization.

Meredith Vieira of the daytime chat show "The View" has emerged as the leading candidate to team with Matt Lauer at "Today." Vieira, a former CBS News reporter who won a Daytime Emmy as host of "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," had previously turned down offers to return to news since joining "The View."

Couric, Lauer, newsreader

Ann Curry and weathercaster Al Roker have formed TV news' most successful morning team in history since 1997, with "Today" riding an unprecedented 10-year ratings winning streak.

During that time, morning news programs have simultaneously grown in influence and have become important entertainment vehicles. The job required Couric to both interview presidents and don goofy costumes on Halloween.

Couric's NBC contract extends to the end of May and she's expected to remain at "Today" through that ratings sweeps month.

The lure of trying something new and making history in the evening proved enticing to Couric, who is also expected to contribute to "60 Minutes." She spurned a more lucrative offer — about \$20 million a year — to remain at NBC and accept CBS' bid at a salary near her current range of \$13 million to \$15 million, according to a non-network person close to negotiations who spoke on condition of anonymity.

With Schieffer filling in during the year since Dan Rather's exit, the "CBS Evening News" is the only network evening newscast rising in the ratings. But it's still in third place behind NBC and ABC.

"I will be delighted if she came," Schieffer said Tuesday. "I think she'll be a great addition to a very good news team. ... I've known Katie for years and I think the world of her."

If a deal with Vieira can't be reached, the top in-house candidates to replace Couric are "Today" weekend anchor Campbell Brown, NBC reporter Natalie Morales and Curry.

"If it comes to an end, I'll be the first to cry," Curry told "Access Hollywood" about Couric before her colleague's announcement. "If she leaves, she'll be very hard to replace."

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COURT OF JUSTICE CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT

Civil Action No. 05-CI-00368

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.,
d/b/a America's Wholesale Lender and
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., PLAINTIFF,

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

CHRIS MACDONALD, DEFENDANT.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on March 14, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Monday, April 17, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., c.d.t., or thereafter, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land situated in the County of Calloway, State of Kentucky and being a part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 32, Township 2, Range 8 East, and being a part of TVA tract XGIR-546, and also being Lot #175-A of a Minor Subdivision Plat of the Billie Ray Roberts and Purdom Lovell property as recorded in Plat Book 20, page 78, Slide 1890 and a replat of Lot #175 of Panorama Shores, Unit 2, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 20, Slide 220, and being further described as follows:

BEGINNING at a 3/4" iron pipe found in the south line of Kenwood Circle, the northeast corner of Lot #174 and the northwest corner of Lot #175-A described herein;

THENCE 20' from and parallel to the centerline of Kenwood Circle, North 85 deg. 37' 00" East 90.00' to a 3/4" iron pipe found, the Northwest corner of Lot #175-B;

THENCE with the West line of Lot #175-B, South 04 deg. 36' 00" east 230.31; to a 2"

diameter rebar set on the 375' contour line of the Blood River Embayment of Kentucky Lake;

THENCE, with the said 375' contour line, North 27 deg. 15' 53" West 18.17' to a 2" diameter rebar set;

THENCE North 40 deg. 06' 19" west 121.34' to an angle point in said 375' contour;

THENCE South 39 deg. 05' 22" West 181.12' to a 2" diameter rebar set, the Southeast corner of Lot #174;

THENCE with the East line of Lot #174, North 04 deg. 36' 00" west 128.20' to the point of beginning.

This tract contains 0.3365 acres.

Being in all respects the same property conveyed to Chris MacDonald by deed from Larry Frankhouser, et ux., dated October 12, 2004, of record in Book 568, Page 63, in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court.

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of thirty (30) days, but if sold on a credit of thirty days, the purchaser shall deposit with the Commissioner one-third (1/3) of the purchase price, and execute bond with good and sufficient surety for the remainder of the purchase price, same being due and payable in two installments and bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid by the Commissioner.

This 21st day of March, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

MAX W. PARKER
Master Commissioner
Calloway Circuit Court

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO PETITION

TO: Resident voters or owners of real property within the limits of the territory proposed to be annexed by the City of Murray.

Per KRS 81A.420, this publication shall serve to put on notice all resident voters and real property owners within the territory proposed to be annexed by the City of Murray Ordinance Number 2006-1395, of their right to petition the Mayor of the City of Murray to place the question of annexation on the ballot for a vote.

A valid petition may be presented to the Mayor for the City of Murray, 104 North 5th Street, Murray, Kentucky within 60 days from the enactment of Ordinance Number 2006-1395, which is on or before April 17, 2006. A valid petition must be signed by either 50% of the resident voters or 50% of the real property owners within the limits of the territory proposed to be annexed by the City of Murray.

The Intent to Annex Ordinance Number 2006-1395 may be reviewed at the City Clerk's Office located at 104 N 5th Street, Suite B. Said Ordinance references the area to be annexed and gives the property description.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COURT OF JUSTICE CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT

Civil Action No. 06-CI-00060

THE MURRAY BANK PLAINTIFF,
VS. NOTICE OF SALE

JOHNNY REID RAINS, and wife,
CARRIE J. RAINS,
LEIGH WALKER RAINS,
COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.,
d/b/a AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER
and CALLOWAY COUNTY, KENTUCKY, DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on March 28, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Monday, April 24, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., local time, or thereafter, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, with its address being 1243 Independence Road, Dexter, KY 42036, and more particularly described as follows:

Legal description of a tract of land situated approximately 5.5 miles Northeast of the City of Murray, in the County of Calloway, State of Kentucky, being a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 20, Township 34, Range 5 East, and being Tract III of a Minor Subdivision Plat of the Tommy Walker and Marilyn Walker property of record in Plat Book 30, Page 39, Slide 2855 and being further described as follows:

Commencing at a 2" diameter rebar found in the East line Independence Road, and the East line of the Larry Lee Hale property (Deed Book 153, Card 1082 and Deed Book 161, Card 1356), and in the West line of the Tommy Walker property (Deed Book 174, Card 1945), located approximately 0.12 miles North of McDaniel Cemetery Road; thence with Hale's East line, South 00°12'05" West 270.69' to the Northwest corner of Tract III. Said corner bears South 71°34'19" East 2.25' from a 2" diameter rebar set as a witness pin for the Northwest corner of Tract III described herein and the point of beginning; thence severing the lands of Tommy Walker and Marilyn Walker, the following bearings and distances: South 71°34'19" East 373.47' to a 2" diameter rebar set; South 48°54'30" East 140.00' to a point which bears North 45°15'11" West 15.00' from a 1/2" diameter rebar set; South 77°09'41" East 115.42' to a point in the centerline of a creek, which bears South 87°28'05" East 45.18' from a 2" diameter rebar set; South 75°14'06" West 106.71' to a point which bears South 37°47'43" East 20.00' from a 2" diameter rebar set; South 47°14'50" West 127.90' to a point which bears South 38°41'46" West 20.00' from a 2" diameter rebar set; South 31°23'46" West 184.70' to a point which bears South 58°14'46" East 20.00' from a 2" diameter rebar set; South 52°53'43" West 93.80' to a point which bears South 36°13'29" East 20.00' from a 2" diameter rebar set; South 27°56'10" West 48.89' to a point which bears North 55°33'43" East 39.26' from a 2" diameter rebar set in the North line of the Geraldine Boaz property (Deed Book 183, Page 632); thence with Boaz's North line, South 85°56'24" West 183.98' to a 2" diameter rebar found in the East line of the Jerry Lee Hale property; thence with Hale's East line, generally along an existing fence, North 00°12'05" East 620.21' to the point of beginning. This tract contains 4.5420 acres.

Also the right of ingress and egress over an access easement beginning from a point where the driveway from Independence Road to the Tommy Walker and Marilyn Walker residence begins, and extends to the North line of Tract III, as shown by said Minor Plat and described herein. Said Easement is to be 30' in width and is adjacent to and parallel with the Larry Lee Hale East line.

Being the same lands conveyed by deed from Thomas L. Walker and wife, Marilyn W. Walker to Johnny Rains and wife, Leigh Walker Rains, dated March 20, 2001 and of record in Book 373, Page 188 in the Calloway County Court Clerk's Office.

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of thirty days, but if sold on credit, the purchaser shall deposit with the Commissioner ten percent of the purchase price and shall execute bond with good and sufficient surety for the remainder, said amount bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security pursuant to the Judgment of Sale. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid by the Commissioner, but the property is sold subject to the 2006 ad valorem taxes.

This 31st day of March, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,
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Master Commissioner

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Civil Action No. 05-CI-00369

FRANKLIN CREDIT MANAGEMENT CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF,
VS. NOTICE OF SALE

BURL IVAN NAUGLE,
BARBARA JEAN NAUGLE, DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on December 13, 2005, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Monday, April 17, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., c.d.t., or thereafter, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, with its address being 991 Pottertown Road, Murray, Kentucky 42701, and more particularly described as follows:

TRACT I:

Beginning at the center of the old Murray and Pine Bluff Road, now a blacktop road known as Kentucky Hwy. 280 at a point 140 feet west of the northeast corner of a forty acre tract heretofore conveyed to previous Grantors by deed from O.F. Cohoon; thence south 185 feet to a stake; thence west parallel with said blacktop road 140 feet to a stake; thence north 185 feet to the center of said blacktop road; thence east 140 feet with the centerline of said blacktop road to the point of beginning.

TRACT II:

Beginning at the N.W. corner of Tract No. I (as described in deed of record in Book 129, Page 313); thence west with the center of said road 13 feet to a stake; thence south 300 feet to a stake; thence east 153 feet to the S.W. corner of J.C. and Ulyca Alderson's lot; thence north parallel with and adjacent to said Alderson's west line 115 feet to the S.E. corner of Tract No. I (as described in deed of record in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court in Deed Book 129, Page 313); thence west parallel with and adjacent to the south side of Tract No. I (as described in deed of record in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court in Deed Book 129, Page 313); thence north parallel and adjacent to the west side of Tract No. I (as described in deed of record in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court in Deed Book 129, Page 313); 185 feet to the center of said road and beginning point.

Being the same property conveyed to Burl Ivan Naugle and Barbara Jean Naugle, his wife, by deed dated March 10, 1989, and recorded on Microfilm in Book 173, Card 2846, in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court.

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of thirty (30) days, but if sold on a credit of thirty days, the purchaser shall deposit with the Commissioner ten percent (10%) of the purchase price, and execute bond with good and sufficient surety for the remainder of the purchase price, and bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable within thirty days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid by the Commissioner, but the property shall be sold subject to the 2006 ad valorem taxes.

This 21st day of March, 2006.

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PLAINTIFF,

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

DANIEL BOLOIS,
BRENDA BOLOIS

DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on February 13, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Monday, April 10, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., c.d.t., or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake in the West side of Woodlawn Avenue, 615 feet South of Poplar Street, the southeast corner of Harry Sparks lot; thence, West with is line 150 feet to a stake; thence, South 75 feet to a stake corner to Lenis Ward lot; thence, East 150 feet to a stake in the West edge of Woodlawn Avenue; thence, North along said street 75 feet to the point of beginning and being of the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 2, Range 4 East.

Being in all respects the same property conveyed to Daniel Bulois, and wife, Brenda Bolois, by deed dated December 1, 2004, in Book 574, Page 310, in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court.

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of thirty (30) days, but if sold on a credit of thirty days, the purchaser shall deposit with the Commissioner one-third (1/3) of the purchase price, and execute bond with good and sufficient surety for the remainder of the purchase price, same being due and payable in two installments and bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid by the Commissioner.

This 15th day of March, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,
MAX W. PARKER
Master Commissioner
Calloway Circuit CourtCOMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
COURT OF JUSTICE
CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT
Civil Action No. 01-CI-00420STATE STREET BANK & TRUST CO.,
AS CUSTODIAN/TRUSTEE

PLAINTIFF,

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

DON FAUGHN, LEISA FAUGHN,
BANK COLORADO, N.A.,
UNION PLANTERS BANK, N.A.,
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
SAM UNDERWOOD,
WELLS FARGO BANK, and
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,

DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on January 24, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Monday, April 24, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., local time, or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, with its address being 65 Wrenwood Lane (vacant lot), Murray, KY, and more particularly described as follows:

Lot No. 2 of Unit 2 of Cedarling Hills Subdivision as shown by plat which is recorded on Plat Book 7, Pge 1, in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court.

The above-described property is hereby transferred and conveyed subject to the restrictions, rights, easements, and reservations contained in Plat Book 3, Page 95, on plat dated March 24, 1972.

Being the same property conveyed by deed from C. Stuart Conover, et ux., to Don Faughn, et ux., dated January 9, 1988, of record in Book 172, Card 1428, in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court.

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of 30 days, but if sold on a credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall be required to execute bond with good and sufficient surety for the purchase price, said amount bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty (30) days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid by the Commissioner. The aforesaid property is sold subject to the Right of Redemption in favor of the United States of America, Internal Revenue Service.

This 30th day of March, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

MAX W. PARKER
Master Commissioner
Calloway Circuit CourtCOMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
COURT OF JUSTICE
CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT
Civil Action No. 05-CI-00278MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
SYSTEMS, INC., AND COUNTRYWIDE
HOME LOANS, INC., D/B/A
AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER

PLAINTIFF,

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

JASON D. ROETHLE,
CHRISTINA M. KINGSBURY-ROETHLE,
ET AL.

DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on February 28, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Monday, April 10, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., c.d.t., or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Being Lot No. 28 in Oaks Estates Subdivision, as shown on the plat of said subdivision, of record in Plat Book 3, Page 13, in the Calloway County Court Clerk's Office.

The above described property is sold subject to the restrictions set forth in Plat Book 3, Page 13, in the Calloway County Court Clerk's Office, and such restrictions are specifically referred to in the conveyance and incorporated herein as if same were written in full.

Being the same property conveyed to Jason D. Roethle and wife, Christina M. Kingsbury Roethle, by deed dated December 28, 2001, in Book 410, Page 454, in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court.

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of thirty (30) days, but if sold on a credit of thirty days, the purchaser shall deposit with the Commissioner one-third (1/3) of the purchase price and execute bond with good and sufficient surety for the remainder of the purchase price, same being due and payable in two installments and bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid by the Commissioner.

This 15th day of March, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

MAX W. PARKER
Master Commissioner
Calloway Circuit CourtCOMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
COURT OF JUSTICE
CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT
Civil Action No. 05-CI-00069GREEN TREE SERVICING, LLC
f/k/a CONSECO FINANCE SERVICING CORP.,
F/k/a GREEN TREE FINANCIAL SERVICING
CORPORATION

PLAINTIFF,

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

ROBERT BRELSFORD,
JANET BRELSFORD,
SPHS BANK OF AMERICA, FSB,
GENE J. BRELSFORD,
CALLOWAY COUNTY, KENTUCKY,

DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on December 13, 2005, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Monday, April 10, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., c.d.t., or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, with its address being 10 Myers road, Hazel, KY 42049, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake in the East edge of gravel road running from Hazel to the Old Murray and Paris Road and known as the Ballpark Road, said beginning point being corner to Maggie Mason, being the Southwest corner of the land herein conveyed; thence North with the East right of way of the gravel road 300 feet to an iron pipe; thence East with the South right of way of said gravel road 250 feet to an iron pipe; thence South parallel with the first gravel road 300 feet to an iron pipe, corner to Galen White and Maggie Mason; thence West with Maggie Mason 240 feet to the point of beginning, being 1.72 acres.

Subject to any and all easements, restrictions, conditions, and legal highways of record and/or in existence.

Being the same property conveyed to Robert Brelsford and Janet Brelsford, husband and wife, by virtue of a deed recorded at Deed Book 170, Page 993, of the Calloway County Court Clerk.

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The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of sixty (60) days, but if sold on a credit of sixty (60) days, the purchaser shall execute bond with good and sufficient surety, said amount bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in sixty days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid by the Commissioner.

This 15th day of March, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

MAX W. PARKER
Master Commissioner
Calloway Circuit CourtCOMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
COURT OF JUSTICE
CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT
Civil Action No. 05-CI-00084CENTEX HOME EQUITY COMPANY, LLC
f/k/a CENTEX HOME EQUITY COMPANY I, LLC,

PLAINTIFF,

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

GARY COTTERMAN,
JANICE COTTERMAN, et al.

DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on June 14, 2005, and Order to Reschedule entered March 14, 2006, both in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Monday, April 24, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., local time, or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A 17.399 acre tract of land as surveyed by the firm of Trinity Engineering, Inc., of Murray, Kentucky on December 15, 1994, located approximately 8.5 miles northeast of the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, on Hale Road and being more particularly described in a plat of record in Plat Book 18, Page 3, Slide 1615, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a #4 rebar (set) on the north right-of-way of Hale Road (60' R/W) approximately 1.9 miles east of the intersection of Highway 94, said pin being the southeast corner of the Sue Chaney property - Tract 2 and the southwest corner of the herein described tract of land;

thence, North 01 degrees 51 minutes 49 seconds East for a distance of 1649.55 feet with the newly created east line of sue Chaney - Tract 2 to a #4 rebar (set) on the south line of the Leroy Todd and Robert Swift property (D.B. 177, Pg. 904), said rebar being the northeast corner of Sue Chaney - Tract 2 and the northwest corner of the herein described tract of land;

thence, South 84 degrees 59 minutes 50 seconds East for a distance of 470.08 feet with the south line of Todd & Swift to a #4 rebar (set), said rebar being the northwest corner of Sue Chaney - Tract 4 and the northeast corner of the herein described tract of land;

thence, South 01 degrees 51 minutes 49 seconds West for a distance of 1593.26 feet with the newly created west line of Sue Chaney - Tract 4 to a #4 Rebar (set) on the north right-of-way of Hale Road (60' R/W), said rebar being the southwest corner of Sue Chaney - Tract 4 and the southeast corner of the herein described tract of land;

thence, with the north right-of-way of Hale Road for the following calls:

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thence North 87 degrees 48 minutes 04 seconds West for a distance of 141.36 feet to a point;

thence South 86 degrees 00 minutes 35 seconds West for a distance of 54.60 feet to a point;

thence, South 79 degrees 32 minutes 07 seconds West for a distance of 20.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Janice Cotterman and Gary Cotterman, wife and husband, by deed dated February 6, 1995, and recorded on February 10, 1995, in Deed Book 211, Page 331 in the Calloway County Clerk's Office.

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of 30 days, but if sold on a credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall be required to deposit with the commissioner one-third of the purchase price in cash together with bonds (for the remainder of the purchase price) in two equal installments with good and sufficient surety, said amount bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty (30) days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid.

This 30th day of March, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

MAX W. PARKER
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Horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY for
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You have what it takes to create
what you want. Often, you are
overly serious and uptight, espe-
cially with a child or a creative
product. Knowing when and
how to loosen up could be very
helpful and important this year.
You probably feel the weight of
your responsibilities more than
in most years. You will also
meet them with your strong
sense of duty. If you are single,
a romance can turn sour, but this
type of experience will be less
likely after the fall, when you
blossom and open up. If you are
attached, the two of you might
be looking at a new addition to
the family if at the right stage in
life. Otherwise, a pet or grand-
child could wave hello on the
horizon. LEO knows what he or
she wants.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You might need to be
stopped in your tracks, especial-
ly if you are eyeing an invest-
ment of a sort. Stop and take a
hard look at what types of losses
you can handle. Be easy on
yourself. Know your limits, and
don't cause yourself a hassle.

Tonight: Loosen up; think "week-
end."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ A family member could be
hard on you. Quite possibly, you
also might be very critical of
yourself, bringing your mood
down. If you won't indulge your-
self, others won't either. Take
your time making positive deci-
sions. Tonight: At home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Your words could be
very hard on someone you care
about. Know when to say no and
proceed in a different direction. A
positive attitude goes a very long
way, if you let it. Trust yourself
and your decisions. Tonight:
Hang with a friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You might want to say
"enough," especially if someone
has been difficult or has taken a
financial agreement for granted.
Rethink a situation carefully, and
you will gain. Act on the fact that
you are tired of a problem.
Tonight: Pay bills.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You might be restrict-
ing yourself more than you real-
ize. Know when to say no. Know
when to say enough. Your ability
to walk away from a problem
could define the success of your
day. Remain confident. Tonight:
Easy does it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★ You could be inordinately
depressed and off. Know when
to pull back and let events tum-
ble in whichever direction they

need to. Cocoon and make this
period special for you. No one
else will if you don't! Tonight: Get
some extra sleep.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You might not be able
to set a trend or change a situa-
tion. Still, your positive outlook
might make all the difference.
Emphasize the possibilities
rather than let negativity filter
into your life. You don't want that
-- do you? Tonight: Where the
gang is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You might want to
rethink a decision, especially if
others in power might be react-
ing unusually negatively. Know
when to put a halt to a problem
and when to go ahead even if
the path is rocky. Use your intu-
itive sense. Tonight: Could be
late.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might want to pro-
ceed with caution, especially
financially. Too much pressure
could make you uncomfortable
and leave you wondering
whether you can continue.
Detach and make new decisions
around new desires. Tonight:
Hop on the computer or talk to
an expert.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You could be raining on
someone's parade without even
knowing it. Be careful that your
demands aren't too heavy on a
very important person. Listen
well to someone's complaints.

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You key into important news.
Tonight: Togetherness.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Your ideas might fall flat
on another's ears because he or
she doesn't have the imagination
that you do. You might need to
cater more to this person in
order to get him or her to visual-
ize what you do. Tonight: Easy
does it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might want to
rethink a work or daily life situa-
tion that is nothing less than a
drag. Get past a problem and
loosen up. You don't have to tol-
erate negativity in your life. Start
living more openly. Tonight:
Unwind and relax.

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Pianist, composer Andre Previn
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LookingBack

10 years ago
Murray City Council voted to reappointed Howard Giles to the Murray-Calloway County Hospital Board for a term expiring March 1, 2000.

Murray-Calloway County Ministerial Association will have its annual Easter sunrise service at 6:30 a.m. at the Playhouse in the Park. Rev. Bill Horner, pastor of First Christian Church, will be the speaker.

Births reported include a boy to William and Misty Barnes, March 29; a girl to Kenneth and Melissa Gordon, March 30.

20 years ago
Published is a picture of Charlotte Dawson and James Dowdy, students, and Jane Sisk, teacher, of Calloway County High School who are among 20 students and 10 teachers chosen from the Tennessee Valley by TVA to participate in a water quality monitoring network. They recently attended a TVA Workshop at Henry Horton State Park near Nashville.

Births reported include a girl to Suzanne and Geoff Dunlap, a girl to Sheila and Paul McDaniel and a girl to Shelley and James Rudd, March 31; a boy to Cynthia and Charles Veach and a boy to Sherry and Richard Crittendon, April 1.

30 years ago
Elected as officers of the Kirksey Adult Farmer Class were Clinton Burchett, president, Max Gore, vice president, and Charles Tucker, secretary-treasurer, at a dinner held at Seven Seas, hosted by Bank of Murray. Jamie Potts is teacher of the class.

Linda Ann Burris, 13-year-old sixth grader at Murray Mid-

dle School, received several awards at the West Kentucky Open Twirling championship held at Livingston High School.

Births reported include a boy to Mr. and Mrs. James B. McFadden, March 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce King will be married 50 years April 10.

40 years ago
A proposed science complex has been planned at Murray State University. The new complex includes the present science building plus a new wing that will add 68,000 square feet of laboratory and classroom space.

Pamela Garland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eurie Garland and freshman at Murray State University, is featured as Miss Spring of 1966 in the special section published by The Ledger & Times.

The Beaux Arts Trio of New York will be presented in concert by the Murray Civic Music Association April 6 at Murray State University auditorium.

50 years ago
The City of Murray has accepted the lowest bid of \$855,000 by O.A. Holdren Construction Company for the construction of a natural gas system for the city.

Over 100 persons attended the Father-Son Banquet of the Kirksey High School Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held April 3 at Murray Woman's Club House with Coleman Reed, president, presiding. Honorary FFA memberships were presented to Herman Ellis and Harvey Ellis.

Recent births reported at Murray Hospital include a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Barnett.

Mom demands center stage at her daughter's expense

DEAR ABBY: I own my own home. My mother lives with me. I cannot understand why she makes up the most fantastic, whopping lies. Mother tells people that I live with her and she pays all the bills. Abby, I pay the bills, and I'm left with pocket change at the end of the month because her spending spree keeps me financially strapped.

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She'll go to any length to keep the spotlight on herself, even if it means making me look like a complete idiot.

If I do anything that earns acknowledgment or recognition, Mother tells these people that she instructed me, or suggested the work, or had a lot to do with the project.

Is her behavior a form of jealousy, rivalry or downright meanness? Is the attention so important to her that she must embarrass me or make me look like I'm living off her when the reverse has been true for the last 20 years? What makes my mother have to do this to me? -- PUZZLED IN NEW MEXICO

DEAR PUZZLED: People lie for various reasons. Some lie because they are ashamed

to tell the truth; others lie to make themselves seem more important. Your mother may do it because she's competitive with you, but it's more likely she's a compulsive liar. A therapist might help you pinpoint her rationale, but I cannot without knowing her. You have my sympathy.

DEAR ABBY: I am in my late 20s and the man I date is in his late 30s. He has children by his first wife, from whom he has been divorced nearly six years. Although we have dated casually for a couple of years, our conversations recently have turned to serious topics -- like possibly marrying and having children.

I will be meeting his kids soon and would appreciate any suggestions you can offer in relating to them. I'm college-educated, independent, stable, and have a successful career. But this is a situation I have never confronted before. He has mentioned the possibility of introducing me to his children before, but this is the first time I have agreed. This is my first experience with children. He has two sons, 14 and 15, and a daughter who will be 13 in February. Help! -- PANICKED IN PITTSBURGH

DEAR PANICKED: Calm down and discuss your qualms with your boyfriend. Ask what kinds of things his children are interested in, then do a little reading up so you can ask intelligent questions. I have found that when people show a sincere interest in the interests of others, it makes them more attractive to be around. Remember, it's OK not to know everything. In fact, his children may feel they have more to contribute if you don't. And above all, relax and be yourself. (That's the person they're going to have to get to know, anyway.) This isn't an Academy Award performance -- so play it cool, don't try too hard, and I'm sure you'll be a hit. Good luck!

DEAR ABBY: After a recent trip to see my father and his wife (my parents have been divorced for eight years), my stepmother left a message on my answering machine that said, "It's Mom and Dad calling to see if you got home OK."

Abby, I barely know this woman and certainly have never called her anything but her first name. How should I deal with this sudden and unexpected change in her? -- OFFENDED IN N.Y.

DEAR OFFENDED: If the woman didn't like you, she wouldn't have left the message she did, which appears to be a warm one. If I were you, I wouldn't make waves. Address her as you always have and let her call herself whatever she likes.

Could vitamins cause allergic reaction?

DEAR DR. GOTT: After reading your column concerning the gentleman who had an itchy forehead, I had to respond for the sake of your readers.

Twenty years ago, while living in South Carolina, my husband developed an itchy area accompanied by pain in his groin area. We mistakenly thought it was the result of a "chapped hide" caused by trekking through the woods in the

heat of the summer. (He had been searching for our wandering golden retriever, who was seeking female companionship.) My husband went to the doctor. She sent him to a dermatologist, and cream after cream later, on to a specialist in Charleston. Many dollars later, he found relief.

Now, 20 years have come and gone, and we are living in Missouri. Out of the blue, he developed this itch and pain again. This time, before spending a fortune, we began asking questions. "Honey, have you taken anything into your body lately that you haven't had in awhile? Tomatoes? A new cereal? Are you using a different detergent?" I did talk him into buying vitamins, Centrum Silver. You know, we took Centrum years ago. Oh, my soul! Could it be? He stopped taking them immediately. Within two days the itch and pain were gone.

People should be warned. What appears to be good for us is not always the case. We (Americans) are developing more and more ailments, but our medical professionals have fewer answers concerning their causes. In our case, they didn't have a clue, but just prescribed more chemicals. What a shame!

Help educate our people to stop trying to get health from a bottle of pills.

DEAR READER: Based on your brief description, I am uncertain about the cause of your husband's skin problem. It sounds like an allergy, but a reaction to Centrum would be highly unlikely. I do not believe that a plea to stop people from "trying to get health from a bottle of pills" would solve the problem, however valuable that advice might be for other reasons.

Medical doctors certainly cannot diagnose and treat all health issues with 100 percent accuracy. Most physicians are aware of that fact.

Although I do not doubt your conclusion, I believe that the next appropriate step would be to see an allergist. Why? Because if your husband has a bona fide allergy to something in his environment, continued exposure to that element could lead to a life-threatening reaction. You need to have the situation resolved. Let me know how this turns out.

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

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♥ J 5 4
♦ 6 4
♣ K 7 6 5 4 3

WEST
♠ A K 10 2
♥ 9 8
♦ J 7 5 3 2
♣ Q J

EAST
♠ Q J 9 7
♥ 7
♦ A K Q 10 9 8
♣ 10 8

SOUTH
♠ 8 6 3
♥ A K Q 10 6 3 2
♦ A 9 2

The bidding:
North 1♦ East 4♥ South 4♠ West 4♠
Pass 1♦ 4♥ Dbble 4♠
Opening lead — jack of hearts.

Yesterday, we featured a hand from the Tournament of Champions where the British East-West pair, Kenneth Konstam and Maurice Harrison-Gray (aka "Gray"), had a misunderstanding about a suit-preference signal and permitted the Italian pair, Walter Avarelli and Massimo D'Alelio, to make five hearts doubled.

By a strange coincidence, the Italian pair on the very next deal also had a suit-preference opportunity.

Tomorrow: From bad to worse.
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But, as usual with the Italians, the partnership functioned in perfect harmony.

Gray made an inspired decision when he elected to bid four spades on a four-card suit. D'Alelio would have made five hearts, and the British pair did exceedingly well to find their spade fit at such a high level.

Avarelli led the jack of hearts, and D'Alelio played the ten on it. This was a suit-preference signal in the Italian methods, asking partner to shift to the higher ranking of the two side suits.

So Avarelli — showing full faith and confidence in his partner — switched to a diamond. D'Alelio ruffed, played the ace and another club, and Avarelli, after taking the king, led a second diamond for South to ruff. As a result, the Italians collected 500 points.

The hand points up the value of a clear partnership understanding in a situation where most players at best have only a vague arrangement.

Adopting a special convention in either the bidding or the play because you think it will pay in the long run — is not nearly as important as making sure that you and partner are on the same page whenever the situation actually arises. That is what makes for a good partnership.

TodayInHistory

By The Associated Press
Today is Wednesday, April 5, the 95th day of 2006. There are 270 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
One hundred and fifty years ago, on April 5, 1856, black American educator Booker T. Washington was born in Franklin County, Va.

On this date:
In 1614, American Indian princess Pocahontas married English colonist John Rolfe in Virginia.

In 1621, the Mayflower sailed from Plymouth, Mass., on a return trip to England.

In 1792, George Washington cast the first presidential veto, rejecting a congressional measure for apportioning representatives among the states.

In 1887, British historian Lord Acton wrote, "Power tends to corrupt and absolute power corrupts absolutely."

In 1895, playwright Oscar Wilde lost his criminal libel case against the Marquess of Queensberry,

who'd accused the writer of homosexual practices.

In 1964, Army Gen. Douglas MacArthur died in Washington at age 84.

In 1976, reclusive billionaire Howard Hughes died in Houston at age 72.

In 1991, former Texas Sen. John Tower, his daughter and 21 other people were killed in a commuter plane crash near Brunswick, Ga.

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- 4 Rhyme maker
- 8 Boats like Noah's
- 12 It gives a hoot
- 13 Team of oxen
- 14 Fourth-down option
- 15 Told
- 17 Helm position
- 18 Not square
- 19 Inch along
- 20 Adventure tale
- 23 Riding attire
- 26 Cincinnati river
- 27 Monte Carlo action
- 28 Pickle
- 31 Tense affirmative
- 32 All kidding —
- 34 Big bird
- 35 Mantra chants
- 36 Youngster
- 37 Adored one
- 38 Tendon
- 40 Lipstick buyer
- 41 Wide tie

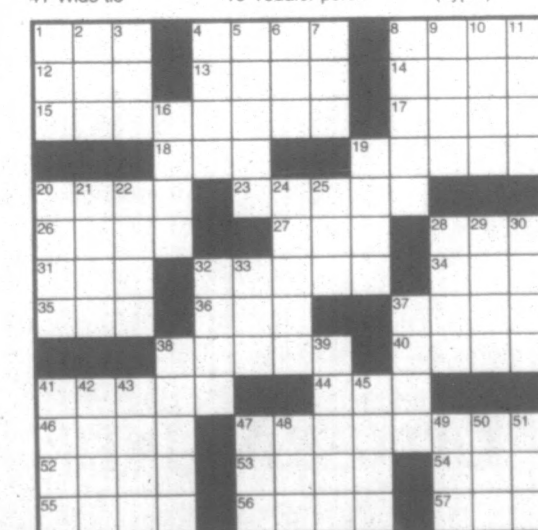
DOWN

- 44 Cinemax rival
- 46 Once around the sun
- 47 Corporate department
- 52 Fishing spot
- 53 Choir voice
- 54 Wheel nut
- 55 "liad" deity
- 56 Sheikh's cartel
- 57 Having scarcely any light
- 1 Garden-pond fish
- 2 Be in possession of
- 3 Sitcom, ET
- 4 Ceremonial fire
- 5 Energy
- 6 Just scrape by
- 7 Koppel of the news
- 8 Separate
- 9 Exercise control
- 10 Toddler perch

Answer to Previous Puzzle

PAN BULK SAPS
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Kilowatt Ours showing at MSU

A new documentary film designed to help consumers cut their energy bills and improve the quality of the environment is touring the United States this spring as many Americans face record-high heating bills.

The public is invited to view Kilowatt Ours: A Plan to Re-Energize America and meet the filmmaker during a special screening at Murray State University at 6:30 p.m. on April 18. The showing will be in Room 240 of Alexander Hall.

This acclaimed film, brought to Murray by the Center for Environmental Education in celebration of Earth Week, advocates energy conservation methods and clean, renewable power sources available as alternatives to the high costs of energy.

Kilowatt Ours is the story of filmmaker and conservationist Jeff Barrie's 18-month journey across the southeastern U.S. to document our energy-related problems and present prac-

tical, cost-saving solutions for consumers. Widespread problems revealed in Kilowatt Ours include mountaintop removal, air pollution, global warming, childhood asthma, and mercury contamination. The film illustrates practical solutions that help homeowners save more than \$600 per year on energy bills while helping the environment and protecting human health.

"I hope this film sparks an energy conservation movement across America, while boosting demand for clean renewable power sources," says filmmaker Jeff Barrie, who will lead a discussion following the screening. "Many people are unaware that we're still burning coal to generate most of our electricity in America, creating serious consequences to the environment and human health. The need for conservation is urgent," says Barrie.

According to the Department of Energy, the average

American home consumes more than 900 kilowatt-hours of electricity each month. More than 50% of our nation's electricity is generated in coal-fired power plants, amounting to nearly 6 tons of coal burned to generate electricity for the typical American home each year. By using products marked with EPA's Energy Star label, purchasing "green power" generated from renewable resources, more effectively insulating our homes, and utilizing natural energy sources like sunlight, wind, and geothermal power, consumers can reduce the impact of their energy use while saving money.

For more information on the Center for Environmental Education's Murray screening of Kilowatt Ours, please call 270-809-2595 or cee@coe.murraystate.edu.

For additional information on the film or filmmaker Jeff Barrie, visit <http://www.kilowattours.org>.

Squealin' on the Square, LBL, spring break ministries to be featured on Roundabout Murray

This week on Roundabout Murray, Jim Burrell, the convention and events coordinator of the Murray Tourism Commission, will provide information on Squealin' on the Square taking place July 1.

Squealin' on the Square is part of Freedom Fest, which takes place in Murray each July. The event will include a public art project featuring 10 life-size fiberglass pigs made and decorated by a local artist. The pigs will be auctioned off with half of the proceeds going to a local organization of the artist's choice and the other half of the earnings going to Freedom Fest. Squealin' on the Square will also include a Bar-B-Que Competition.

Jim Burrell will be announcing Murray's spring City Wide Yard Sale as well. Community members can host their own yard sale and have their location included on a map for \$10. The Chamber will also have the city park available for those who live outside of Murray and wish to host a yard sale.

Denise Schmittou, audio/visual coordinator from Land Between the Lakes (LBL), will also appear on Roundabout Murray. Schmittou will announce the merge of LBL with the National Recreation Reservation System that went into effect March 1.

This merging will allow individuals to reserve campsites and camping shelters through the National Recreation Reservation System. Denise Schmittou will explain how people can make reservations and how this system will benefit those visiting LBL.

Murray State student Candice Nichol and MSU Baptist Campus Ministries Director Mark Whitt will also be guests this week. Candice and Mark are two of 70 Baptist Campus Ministry members who traveled to Ocean Springs, Miss., during their spring break to help victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Candice and Mark will dis-

cuss why they decided to replace time spent relaxing at home or on a beach with sleeping outdoors. They will also talk about those projects they were able to help with and how this experience has changed their perspective on life.

Roundabout Murray is a weekly 30-minute video magazine of Murray State University that brings the community up-to-date with area events. Every week Roundabout Murray exhibits the accomplishments of the community with guest from

the local region.

Roundabout Murray airs Tuesdays at 6 p.m. on MSU TV-11. Roundabout Murray also airs on UPN the Beat Fridays at noon, Saturdays at 11:30 a.m., on Charter Communications in Murray (Channel 19) Saturday and Sunday at 9 a.m., on Murray Electric System (channel 15) Wednesdays at 6 p.m. and MediaComm serving the cities of Murray, Mayfield, Benton and Calvert City and the counties of Calloway, Graves and Marshall on Thursdays at 6 p.m.

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	A	B	C	D	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
WKRN-ABC	2	2			(5:00) News		Good Morning America			Regis and Kelly			The View (N)		Martha (N)	
WSIL-ABC	3	3	3		News		Good Morning America			Tony Danza			The View (N)		Matlock (In Stereo)	
WSMV-NBC	4	4			News		Today (In Stereo)						Tony Danza		Ellen Show	
WTVF-CBS	5	5			News		News		The Early Show	Montel Williams			The Price is Right		News	Y & R
WPSD-NBC	6	6	6	6	News		Today (In Stereo)						Martha (N)		News	
WBBJ-ABC	7	7	7		Good Morning		Good Morning America			Regis and Kelly			The View (N)		Divorce	News
WNPT-PBS	8	8			Rogers	Caillou	Lions	Arthur	Couch	Teletub	Sesame Street		Booh-	Big	Jakers	Rogers
KBSI-Fox	9	9	2	3	Paid	Paid	Trolitz	Paid	Hatchett	Hatchett	Judge Mathis		People's Court		Divorce	Judge A.
WQTV-UPN	10	17	11	30	Paid	Paid	Breakfast Show			Nanny	Mad Abt.		Starting Over		Eye Eye	Eye Eye
KFVS-CBS	12	12	12	12	Breakfast Show		The Early Show (In Stereo)			Regis and Kelly			The Price is Right		Young-Restless	
WGN	16	38	9	10	Chang-	Believ-	Hap	Hap	Hillbl-	Hillbl-	Rockford Files		Matlock (In Stereo)		Magnum, P.I.	
INSP	17	83	28		Truths	Watkins	Jacobs	Today	Hagee	Life Tod	Your	Meyer	Sid Roth	Hickey	Fellow-	Paid
WKMU-PBS	21	21	5	11	Berens-	Arthur	Par-	Big	Dragon	Cliff Pup	Sesame Street		Caillou	Barney	Teletub	Rogers
WOKA-WB	22	16	10		Chapel	Sabrina	Liberty	Paid	Paid	Paid	Believ-	Living	Girl-	Parkers	Cosby	Cosby
ESPN	24	29	26	8	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		Fast-	Baseball
ESPN2	25	30	25		(5:00) Mike and Mike in the Morning (Live)					Cold Pizza (In Stereo Live)			Cold Pizza			
MTV	26	49	27	24	(5:00) MTV Video Wake-Up (In Stereo)		Big 10 (In Stereo)			Momma	Momma		Momma	Great-	Punk'd	RealWri-
TNT	28	27	39	14	Angel (In Stereo)		Charmed		Charmed		ER "The Visit"		ER "Rescue Me"		Judging Amy	
TLC	29	41	41		Bus	Hi-5	Peep	Peep	Baby	Baby	Baby	Wedding	Wedding	Mak-	What Not to Wear	
LIFE	30	52	31	31	Fit Lite	Workout	Design-	Design-	Palace	Palace	Nanny	Nanny	Palace	Palace	Will	Will
USA	32	51	49	5	Texas Ranger		JAG (In Stereo)		The District		Nash Bridges		Nash Bridges		Texas Ranger	
AMC	34	58	29		(5:30) Movie: *** "A Farewell to Arms" (1957)					Movie: *** "In Love and War" (1958)			Movie: ** "Jet Pilot" (1957)			
A&E	35	35	44	27	Hazing: Deadly		Sell		Sell	Movie: *** "Rocky V" (1990, Action)			City Confidential		American Justice	
FAM	36	53	36	2	Kong	Spider	Rangers	Rangers	The 700 Club		Living	Step	Full Hse.	Full Hse.	Hogan	Hogan
NICK	37	22	24	4	Oddpar-	Oddpar-	Sponge	Sponge	Dora	Go	Blues-	Back-	Dora	Pets	Lazy-	Spider
HGTV	43	36	18		House	Rebecca	Room	Quilts	Duval	Duval	Room	Room	Country	Design-	Clever	House
SPIKE	44	33	30	23	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Stooges	Stooges	Maximum Exp.		Police Videos		Deep Space Nine	
WTBS	52	26	21	13	Saved-	Saved-	Saved-	Saved-	Dawson's Creek		Movie: *** "Turbulence" (1997) (PA)				Becker	Becker
TOON	65	32	50		Ed, Edd	Coden-	Grim	Foster	Looney	McBoling	Scoboy	Peppa	Looney	Dino-	Krypto	Little
COURT	66	61			Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Bloom & Politan: Open Court				Best Defense			
BET	67	39			(5:00) BET Morning Inspiration		Wayans	Wayans	Jamie F.	Jamie F.			106 & Park: Top 10 Live		BET	
CMTV	70	34			(5:00) CMT Music											
HBO	68	71	51		(5:30) Movie: "House Arrest"		Movie: "Warm Springs" (2005)			Movie: ** "The Newton Boys" (1998) "PG-13"						
MAX	76	72	54		Movie: *** "Bullitt" (1968) "PG"				Movie: *** "Troy" (2004, Adventure)	Brad Pitt, R			Movie: "Field of Dreams" "PG"			
SHOW	70	73	52		Movie: *** "Lady in White" (1988)				Movie: *** "Fear of the Dark"				Movie: *** "Under Fire" (1983) Nick Nolte, R			
DISN	78	31	57		Break-	Higgly	Ein-	Dood-	Jojo	Charlie	Wiggles	Koala	Rollie	Dood-	Charlie	Rollie
FLIX	76				Movie: "Anatomy		Movie: "Undercover Blues"		Movie: *** "Time Bandits" (1981) "PG"				*** "Trail of the Pink Panther			
HBO2	82				Movie: *** "Vanishing Point"		Movie: "As Good as Dead"		Movie: "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind"				*** "Fever Pitch"			

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

A- CHARTER, B- MURRAY ELECTRIC, C- MEDIACOM, D- GALAXY

	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30
WKRN-ABC	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital		Judge J.	Judge J.	News	News	News	ABC	News	Fortune		
WSIL-ABC	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital		Tyra Banks Show	Montel Williams	News	ABC	News	ABC	News	Enter-		
WSMV-NBC	News	News	Passions (N)		Days of our Lives	Dr. Phil (In Stereo)	Oprah Winfrey	News	NBC	News				
WTVF-CBS	Y & R	Talk of the Town	Bold		Guiding Light	As World Turns	News	Edition	News	News	News			
WPSD-NBC	Days of our Lives	Passions (N)			Edition	Insider	Dr. Phil (In Stereo)	Jeop-	Million-	News	NBC	News	Fortune	
WBBJ-ABC	All My Children	One Life to Live	General Hospital		Dr. Phil (In Stereo)	Oprah Winfrey	News	ABC	News	Fortune				
WNPT-PBS	Berens-	Lions	Reading Cyber-		Shrinks	Zoboo	Dragon	Clifford	Maya Post-	Arthur	Zoom	News-Lehrer		
KBSI-Fox	Brown	Brown	The 700 Club		Paid	Cops	Maury (N)		Fear Factor	70s	Malcolm	King Hill	Simp-	
WQTV-UPN	Animal	Holly-	News	House	Adven-	Sports	Starting Over	Enter-	Yes	Yes	Ray-	Enter-	Holly-	
KFVS-CBS	News	Bold	As World Turns		Guiding Light		Ellen Show	Oprah Winfrey	News	News	News	Ray-		
WGN	News (In Stereo)	Magnum, P.I.			Da Vinci's Inquest	Cosby	Cosby	Moesha	Moesha	Home	Home	Home	Videos	
INSP	Life Tod	Jacobs	Feed	Paid Program	Mass	Retro	Discov-	Mixx	Snow Sr	Paid	Hagee	Feed	Cerullo	
WKMU-PBS	GED	Pre GED	Reading	Lions	Zoom	Post-	Cyber-	Maya	Clifford	Dragon	GED	Busi-	News-Lehrer	
WOKA-WB	My Wife	Drew	Jerry Springer		Feud	Feud	ER "Make a Wish"	8 Rules	8 Rules	My Wife	Bernie	Home	Better	
ESPN	Billiards		Billiards		Billiards		1st and Burning	Horn	Inter-	SportsCenter	MLB Baseball			
ESPN2	Girls High School Basketball				College Hockey: NCAA Semifinal -- BC vs. N.D.					Best of Horn	Inter-	Madden		
MTV	RealWri-	8th-	8th-	Sweet	Sweet	TRL		Made (In Stereo)	Date	Momma	Parental	8th-	8th-	
TNT	Judging Amy		NYPD Blue		Charmed		Charmed		Charmed		Charmed		Law & Order	
TLC	Younger	Baby	Baby	Baby	Clean Sweep		Trading Spaces		While You Out	Martha (N)		You Thinking?		
LIFE	Frasier	Frasier	Unsolved Myst.		Movie: "Heart of the Storm" (2004)		Nanny	Nanny	Palace	Palace	Between Truth			
USA	Texas Ranger		Movie: ** "Happy Gilmore" (1996)		Golf: The Masters -- First Round. (Live)							Law & Order: SVU		
AMC	Movie: "Jet Pilot" G		Hustle		Movie: *** "The Untouchables" (1969) G		Movie: *** "Island in the Sky" (1953) NR							
A&E	Cold Case Files	Sell	Sell		Movie: *** "Rocky V" (1990, Action)		City Confidential		American Justice	Cold Case Files				
FAM	Family	Family	Boy	Boy	FullHse	FullHse	Ground-	Ground-	Gilmore Girls		7th Heaven		7th Heaven	
NICK	Dora	Go	Sponge	Sponge	Neutron	Neutron	Oddpar-	Oddpar-	Sponge	Drake	School	Phan-	Oddpar-	Neutron
HGTV	Decorat-	Sensi-	Mission	Design	Design	Design-	House	De-	Clever	Land-	Reno-	Week-	Curb	House
SPIKE	Deep Space 9	Star Trek Gen.	Star Trek Gen.		Star Trek Gen.		Star Trek Gen.		Amazing Video	Ult. Knockouts	Ult. Knockouts			
WTBS	Cosby	Cosby	Harvey	Harvey	Drew	Drew	Yes	MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at San Francisco Giants		Ray-				
TOON	Tom & Jerry	Scooby	Ozzy		Cartoon	Grim	Lyoko	Zatch	Yu Gi	Totally	Xiaolin	Ed, Edd	Coden-	Totally
COURT	Courtside				Nancy Grace: Closing Arguments		Catherine Crier		Foren-	Foren-	Cops	Cops		
BET	BET Now				Top 20 Countdown (Wayans)	Wayans	Rap City-Bass.		106 & Park: Top 10 Live		BET			
CMTV	CMT Music	CMT Music			Top 20 Countdown (N)		Foxwor-	Dukes of Hazzard	Dukes of Hazzard					
HBO	Movie: "The Wedding Date"	Movie: "Empire Records" (N)	** "How I Got Into College"		Movie: *** "The Phantom of the Opera" (2004)									
MAX	Movie: "Fat Albert" (2004)	Movie: "Pavement" (2002)			Movie: "Jackie Chan's Who Am I?"		Movie: "Paparazzi" (2004)							
SHOW	Movie: ** "Artworks" (2002)	Agent Cody Banks 2			Movie: "Judge Dredd" (1995)		Movie: *** "Dallas 362" (2003) R							
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-Rajon Rondo

Rondo's days at UK done

GUARD WILL HIRE AGENT FOR UPCOMING DRAFT

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Rajon Rondo, the lightning-quick guard who led Kentucky in points, rebounds, assists and steals, announced Tuesday he will hire an agent in pursuit of an NBA career — a move that would end his college eligibility.

Sitting alongside coach Tubby Smith, whom Rondo praised for his "tough love," the sophomore said the two

made the decision together last week and were comfortable with it.

His choice to enter the NBA draft was no surprise, but there had been wide speculation that Rondo would delay hiring an agent, leaving open the path back to Kentucky should he change his mind. Although Rondo says he hasn't signed one yet, he has interviewed several and intends to do so

soon.

"Some people said I should test the waters, but I'm very confident I'll prove my game to the scouts and let them know I'm one of the top point guards in the draft this year," he said.

Smith, who has always praised Rondo's athletic ability but yanked him and other standouts from the starting lineup toward the end of the Wildcats' sub-par season, said

he expected Rondo would be a high pick.

"We don't want to see Rajon leave, but we understand this is a dream of his, and we're confident he'll be very successful at the next level," Smith said. "I don't think I've coached a better athlete, a more talented basketball player, in my entire life."

Rondo said friends in the NBA have told him he's assured of being a first-round draft pick, which would guar-

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AP
Kentucky guard Rajon Rondo, left, shakes hands with UK coach Tubby Smith after a news conference in Lexington Tuesday. Rondo announced he is hiring an agent, ending his college basketball career, and hopes to become a high pick in the NBA draft.

MURRAY STATE ROUNDUP

Lady Racer tennis falls at Martin; men's golf finishes sixth at tourney

By MSU Sports Information

Murray State's women's tennis team fell to Tennessee-Martin, 5-2, Tuesday at the Bennie Purcell Tennis Courts.

Both teams entered the match with perfect Ohio Valley Conference records. The Lady Racers dropped to 4-1 in the OVC and 8-8 overall, while the Skyhawks improved to 7-0 in league matches and 10-2 on the season.

Murray State opened by winning two of the three doubles matches to earn the doubles point and an early 1-0 lead. Tennessee-Martin came right back to win at No. 6, 4 and 5 singles matches to draw within a point of winning the match.

The match would come down to the No. 1, 2 and 3 singles matches — all of which turned out to be three-set thrillers.

With MSU trailing 3-1, Anna Lask at No. 1 singles, Rachael Lask at No. 2 singles and Casady Pruitt at No. 3 singles each won their first set to bring the Racers close to the team victory.

Rachael Lask, a junior from Louisville claimed a 6-2, 6-7 and 6-4 win over Sara Leavy at No. 2 singles.

With that win, Murray State had cut the deficit to 3-2, with

the No. 1 and 3 singles matches still being played. However, just seconds after Rachael Lask won, UT-Martin clinched the match when Katrina Domela won a three-set battle at No. 1 singles over Anna Lask.

With the match in hand, UTM's Jeanne de Wet completed a comeback at No. 3 singles to give Tennessee-Martin a 5-2 victory.

UTM's Elizma Schoonees and Ernestine Koornof won the first doubles match, 8-1, over Adriana Alvarez and Tami McQueen at No. 3 doubles.

When MSU's Anne Pennington and Pruitt finished off de Wet and Amber Garza at No. 2 doubles, 8-2, the deciding match for the doubles point was in its final moments.

Anna and Rachael Lask led Domela and Leavy 7-4 when all the attention was turned to their match at No. 1 doubles. Murray State's duo took a 30-0 lead and then a 40-15 edge when Tennessee-Martin returned a shot into the net. Anna Lask's drop shot from the left side to the right sideline gave the Lady Racers the match 8-4 and the doubles point.

Koornof took out McQueen at No. 6 singles without losing a

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WOMEN'S NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP: MARYLAND 78, DUKE 75

Terps Of Endearment



AP
Maryland players, including Jade Perry (55) and Crystal Langhorne (1), celebrate their 78-75 win over Duke in the NCAA Final Four basketball championship game Tuesday in Boston.

MARYLAND STUNS DUKE IN OT TO WIN FIRST TITLE

BOSTON (AP) — Maryland junior Shay Doron hugged coach Brenda Frese for what felt like an hour. Confetti rained down on the young Terrapins, the newly minted champions of women's basketball.

Could this be the same Maryland team that was on the verge of getting blown out by Duke? Whose coach stepped onto the floor in the first half, stood nose-to-nose with her star player and unleashed a withering, public rebuke just minutes before?

It was: With the second-largest comeback in NCAA women's finals history complete, Maryland finally had the national title Duke still lacks, the result of a 78-75 overtime victory Tuesday night.

And they did it by playing to perfection in the only period where the Terps are absolutely perfect — overtime.

"Overtime is our time," Terrapins forward Marissa Coleman said. "What a better way to win a national championship than in overtime, which was our time all season long?"

Freshman Kristi Toliver hit a 3-pointer at the end of regulation, then made two free throws with 35 seconds left in overtime to give Maryland the decisive lead.

Maryland (34-4) is 6-0 in overtime games this season — the first five on the road and the last two in the NCAA tournament.

Considering that Doron, a junior, is the seasoned veteran on a young team that starts two sophomores and two freshmen, these Terrapins are likely to become a fixture in future Final Fours. And to think that Frese, precocious enough for a coach at 35, got them this far in four short years.

"We just kept saying this is exactly what we wanted and what we hoped for and dreamed for when I signed at Maryland," Doron said. "She's going to have a great career ahead of her."

Frese revived a program that hadn't been to the Final Four since 1989. She arrived in 2002 after a year at Minnesota where she was honored as AP coach of the year, and it's been a steady climb at College Park since: In her second year, she won 18, then 22 and now a school-record 34 games. And all the while she chased Duke, the ACC's dominant force for years, which has won a combined 13 conference tournament and regular-season titles since 1998.

She finally caught the Blue Devils in the biggest game of all.

"You hope that we're building a dynasty here, but each and every season defines its own. The players define it with their character and really how they come together," Frese said. "Never have I had a team go through a season and play for each

other the way they played tonight."

Toliver's improbable 3-pointer to force overtime sparked the first of two celebrations — even though the Terps had another five-minute period to play against a Duke team that had dominated for most of the game.

"When Kristi hit that shot, we all went crazy in the huddle," Coleman said. "Overtime is our time."

But the real party came after Blue Devils guard Jessica Foley's desperation, well-covered 3-point attempt nicked the front of the rim at the overtime buzzer.

Piling up on the court, the Terrapins reveled in the youth that had been the biggest doubt surrounding them coming into the tournament.

"Age is just a number," Frese said. "When you've got kids that believe and they believe in each other and they've got that kind of confidence, you can accomplish anything as a team."

Maryland was a charter member of the Final Four 25 years ago but struggled before Frese took over the program in 2002.

"Who would have ever thought in my wildest dreams I would have gotten two rings this year?" Frese said. "One getting married and the other a national championship."

Davis, Goggin, Grady join Cronin at UC

CINCINNATI (AP) — New Cincinnati head coach Mick Cronin added two of his assistants from Murray State and Furman head coach Larry Davis to the Bearcats' men's basketball coaching staff Tuesday.

Davis, who headed Furman's program the past nine years, was

named associate head coach. Chris Goggin and Matt Grady will leave Murray State to rejoin Cronin, who got the Cincinnati job March 24.

Cronin expects to add another assistant coach, a video coordinator and a graduate assistant.

SEMO narrows coaching search to three candidates

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. (AP) — Former Mississippi coach Rod Barnes, Tennessee assistant Scott Edgar and former

Missouri assistant Jay Spoonhour are the three finalists for the coaching vacancy at Southeast Missouri State.

The university announced the finalists on Monday. Director of athletics Don Kaverman chose the finalists from 60 applicants for the job vacated when Gary Garner's contract was not renewed after a 7-20 season.

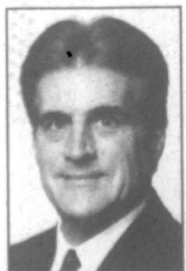
Kaverman said he expects a new coach to be named early next week after each candidate

meets with a search committee and others on campus.

Edgar was previously head coach at Duquesne and Murray State. His career record as a Division I head coach is 108-95.

Spoonhour, the son of former Saint Louis University coach Charlie Spoonhour, led Wabash Valley College in Mt. Carmel, Ill., to a 36-1 record and the National Junior College Athletic Association championship in 2001. He was an assistant at Nevada-Las Vegas before coaching under Quin Snyder at Missouri the past two seasons.

Barnes coached for eight seasons at Mississippi but was told last month he would not return. He led Ole Miss to the NCAA tournament in three of his first four seasons, but was let go after a 14-16 2005-06 campaign, the Rebels' fourth straight losing season.



Edgar

UT donor pledges \$5 million for basketball facility

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A Tennessee alumnus has pledged \$5 million toward construction of a new basketball practice facility, the athletic department announced Tuesday.

School officials hope to break ground in August for the facility next to existing Thompson-Boling Arena. The UT board of trustees will have to

approve it, but officials plan to call the building the "Pratt Basketball Practice Pavilion," in honor of the donation from Larry F. Pratt.

So far the athletic department has raised \$13.6 million total in pledges for the facility, spokeswoman Tiffany Carpenter said.

The pavilion would include a

training room, weight room, film study room and two full-size gyms, one for the men's and women's teams.

"I have a long-time appreciation for the standard of excellence Pat Summitt has established for Tennessee and I have confidence that Bruce Pearl is the right coach to lead the men's program to the same level,"

Pratt said in a statement. "We've got to make sure that they have all the tools they need to recruit the best possible student-athletes and develop their skills to a championship level."

Pratt graduated in 1972 from Tennessee's college of business and is president and CEO of First Savings Mortgage Corp. in McLean, Va.

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Arizona	0	1	1.000	1	Texas	1	1	1.500	—
San Francisco	0	1	1.000	1					

Monday's Games

N.Y. Mets 3, Washington 2
Milwaukee 5, Pittsburgh 2
Chicago Cubs 16, Cincinnati 7
St. Louis 13, Philadelphia 5
Colorado 3, Arizona 2, 11 innings
Atlanta 11, L.A. Dodgers 10
Houston 1, Florida 0
San Diego 6, San Francisco 1

Tuesday's Games

Florida 11, Houston 2
Milwaukee 7, Pittsburgh 5
San Francisco at San Diego, ppd., rain
L.A. Dodgers 5, Atlanta 4

Wednesday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Rusch 9-8) at Cincinnati (Arroyo 14-10), 11:35 a.m.
St. Louis (Mulder 16-8) at Philadelphia (Myers 13-8), 6:05 p.m.
Washington (Patterson 9-7) at N.Y. Mets (Barnister 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Florida (Moehler 6-12) at Houston (Rodriguez 10-10), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Duke 8-2) at Milwaukee (Onka 11-9), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (O Hernandez 9-9) at Colorado (Cook 7-2), 7:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Morris 14-10) at San Diego (Estes 7-8), 9:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Ramirez 11-9) at L.A. Dodgers (Od Perez 7-8), 9:10 p.m.

Thursday's Games

St. Louis at Philadelphia, 2:05 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Mets, 6:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
Arizona at Colorado, 7:35 p.m.

Monday's Games

Boston 7, Texas 3
Baltimore 9, Tampa Bay 6
Detroit 3, Kansas City 1
L.A. Angels 5, Seattle 4
N.Y. Yankees 15, Oakland 2

Tuesday's Games

Cleveland 8, Chicago White Sox 2
Toronto 6, Minnesota 3
Texas 10, Boston 4
Seattle 10, L.A. Angels 8
Oakland 4, N.Y. Yankees 3

Wednesday's Games

Cleveland (Lee 18-5) at Chicago White Sox (Contreras 15-7), 1:05 p.m.
Detroit (Bonderman 14-13) at Kansas City (Mays 6-10), 1:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Weaver 14-11) at Seattle (Washburn 8-8), 5:35 p.m.
Tampa Bay (McClung 7-11) at Baltimore (Bedard 6-8), 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 9-12) at Toronto (Towers 13-12), 6:07 p.m.
Boston (Beckett 15-8) at Texas (Loe 9-6), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Wang 8-5) at Oakland (Haren 14-12), 9:05 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 6:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Toronto, 6:07 p.m.
Detroit at Texas, 7:05 p.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 9:05 p.m.

White Sox receive World Series rings

By The Associated Press

Not long after the Chicago White Sox received their championship rings, Roy Halladay and the Toronto Blue Jays showed why they could contend for a title this year.

Halladay outpitched Johan Santana in a matchup of recent Cy Young Award winners, and B.J. Ryan earned a save in his Toronto debut Tuesday night as the revamped Blue Jays opened the season with a 6-3 victory over the visiting Minnesota Twins.

Tired of finishing third behind the big-spending Yankees and Red Sox in the AL East, the Blue Jays signed Gold Glove catcher Bengie Molina, starter A.J. Burnett and Ryan during an expensive offseason overhaul. They also traded for slugger Troy Glaus and first baseman Lyle Overbay.

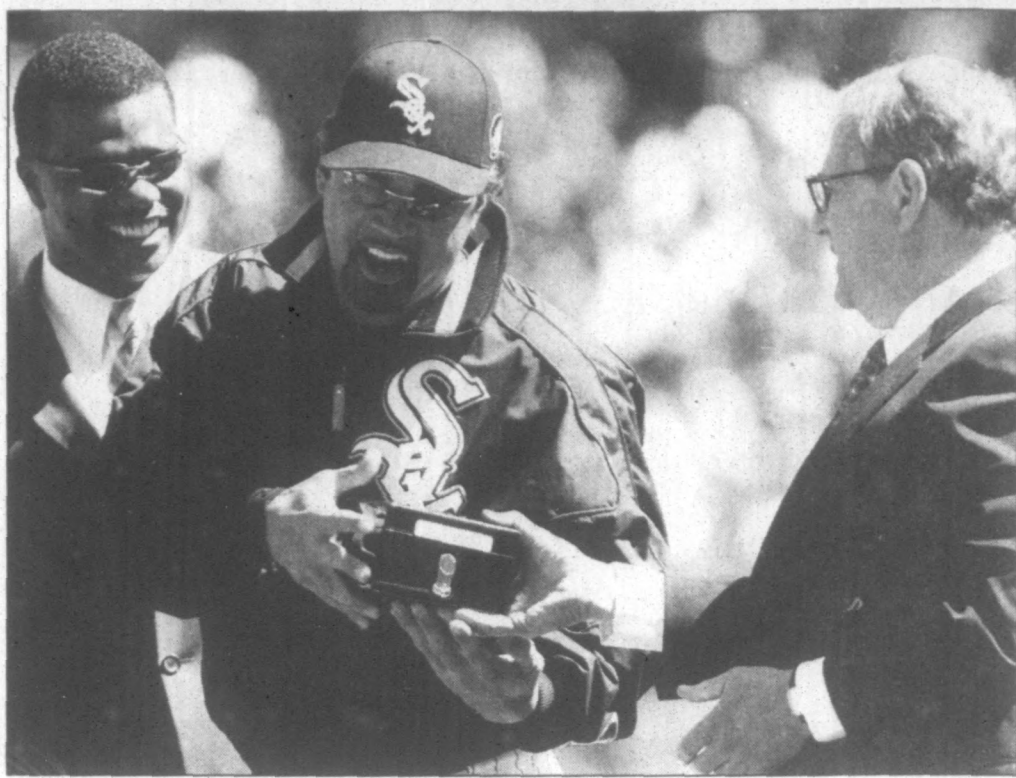
The new additions paid off right away.

Molina homered off Santana to give Toronto a 3-1 lead. Ryan, signed to a \$47 million, five-year contract — the richest ever for a reliever — entered to loud cheers and struck out two in a perfect ninth to close it out.

"You saw it all tonight — by design," Blue Jays manager John Gibbons said with a smirk.

After winning it all in 2005 for the first time in 88 years, the White Sox took home their glittering hardware Tuesday afternoon.

In a pregame ceremony before Chicago hosted



Chicago White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen, center, smiles as he receives his World Series ring from White Sox Chairman Jerry Reinsdorf, right, and general manager Kenny Williams during ceremonies before their baseball game against the Cleveland Indians at U.S. Cellular Field in Chicago Tuesday.

Cleveland, commissioner Bud Selig assisted White Sox owner Jerry Reinsdorf and general manager Kenny Williams in passing out the rings.

Then the Indians put a damper on Chicago's latest celebration, beating their AL Central rival 8-2. Aaron Boone home-

red, drove in four runs and crashed into catcher A.J. Pierzynski to score a run for Cleveland.

"The rings are great. We can now put last year behind us and move on," Pierzynski said, adding that the ceremony had nothing to do with the way the

White Sox played. "After tomorrow, hopefully all this stuff goes away and we can focus on the season."

And manager Ozzie Guillen, who embraced Reinsdorf in a huge bear hug as he went to receive his ring, agreed. It's been fun, but time to move on.

NATIONAL LEAGUE ROUNDUP

Cabrera, Marlins tag Pettitte in rout

HOUSTON (AP) — On a night when the Houston Astros received their NL championship rings, the Florida Marlins did most of the celebrating.

Miguel Cabrera hit one of Florida's four homers and the rookie-laden Marlins roughed

up Andy Pettitte for 10 runs and 13 hits Tuesday night in an 11-2 rout of Houston.

"It's just extremely disappointing," Pettitte said. "A special day for the organization, getting our rings, and just a horrible outing by me."

Josh Willingham connected twice, Mike Jacobs added a three-run shot and Hanley Ramirez had four hits and three RBIs. Florida, with six rookies in its starting lineup and a major league-low payroll of about \$15 million, gave first-year manager Joe Girardi his first win.

Jacobs presented a game ball to Girardi that he said would go in his trophy case. Team officials gave him a bottle of champagne to commemorate his first victory.

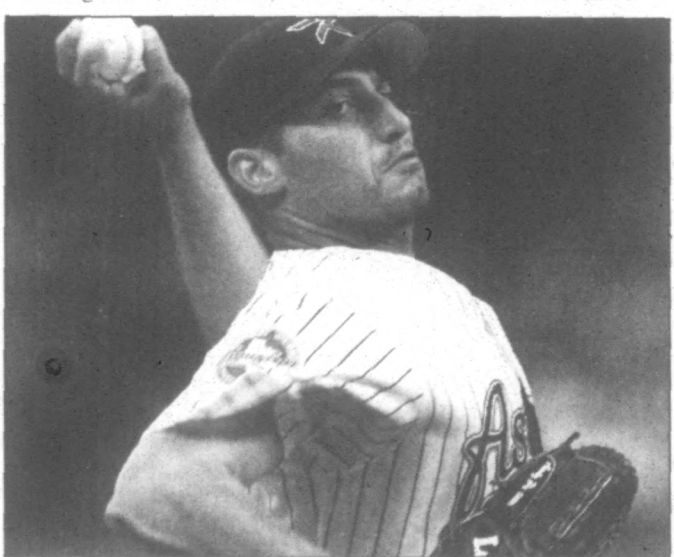
In other NL games, it was: Los Angeles 5, Atlanta 4; and

Milwaukee 7, Pittsburgh 5. San Francisco's game in San Diego was postponed by rain and will be made up as part of a day-night doubleheader on July 1.

Things went bad early for Pettitte, who allowed seven earned runs in 4 2-3 innings.

"Obviously, the starting pitcher, you've got to set the tone," he said. "The first inning, give up three runs, that's just terrible. It's extremely disappointing. I'm embarrassed. I don't know what to say. I've got to go around to every guy and apologize."

Without Roger Clemens, who was at the game to receive his ring, until at least May 1, the Astros are counting on Pettitte to have another big season in the final year of a \$31.5 million, three-year contract. The left-hander was 17-9 last season with a career-best 2.39 ERA.



Andy Pettitte delivers a pitch during the first inning of the Astros game with Florida Tuesday in Houston.

Rondo

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antee him a three-year contract, but he's eyeing a lottery selection, which could fetch a far wealthier contract.

Early Tuesday, the Web site www.NBADraft.net projected Rondo would be the No. 15 pick, one spot above Duke's J.J. Redick, the national player of the year, and one spot below Joakim Noah, who led Florida to the national championship. But within two hours of Rondo's announcement, the site updated the list with Rondo 19th and Noah second.

Smith says Rondo is attractive to NBA scouts because of his ability to quickly dish the ball to an inside player or beat the defense and drive to the hoop himself. His Achilles heel has always been the jumpshot, although Rondo had two buzzer-beaters this year — against

Central Florida and South Carolina.

Doug Bibby, Rondo's high school coach from Louisville, attended the news conference and said the decision was a no-brainer.

"As long as you're a first-round pick, the window of opportunity often is not open too long," he said.

Rondo's classmate, center Randolph Morris, attempted to enter the draft a year ago but went undrafted. He returned to Kentucky this season but only after being suspended for 14 games for his association with a sports agent.

Kelenna Azubuike, another star of last year's Wildcats, hired an agent but he too wasn't chosen by a professional team.

Rondo said it was a tough decision to leave Kentucky, even though he is confident the time is right.

Racers

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single game, 6-0 and 6-0. Schoonies followed with a win at No. 4 singles over Pennington, 6-1 and 6-1. Garza also lost just two games on her way to a 6-1 and 6-1 victory at No. 5 singles over Alvarez, which gave the Skyhawks a 3-1 advantage in the match.

Next up for Murray State is a home match against Eastern Illinois on Thursday at the Purcell Courts. The match is scheduled for 2:30 p.m.

Men's Golf

FRANKLIN, Tenn. — MSU improved its position by one and finished sixth at the 2006 Comfort Inn and Suites Belmont Intercollegiate, which began Monday at Old Natchez Country Club.

The Racers' final-round 285 tied Tennessee Tech for the second best team round of the day behind winner Belmont and its 280. The Bruins won their own event with a total score of 853. The Racers were sixth with a 883.

Will Cox fired a final-round 72 and finished 16th with a 285. His teammates, Michael Craft and Jamie Frazier, both shot 72's in the final round and finished in a tie for 24th in the 66-player field.

Nick Griffin shot the Racers' best round with a 69 and finished in 36th position. Kyle Shirley had a 76 and finished 39th.

The course at Old Natchez played to a par 72 and 6,501 yards.

The Racers have one more event, Monday at the Billiken Invitational in Madison, Ill., before they play the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament at the Country Club of Paducah on April 23.

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ESPN2 — Junior middleweights, J.C. Candelo (26-8-4) vs. Verno Phillips (38-10-1), at New Orleans

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

11:30 a.m.

ESPN — Chicago Cubs at Cincinnati 1 p.m.

WGN — Cleveland at Chicago White Sox

6 p.m.

ESPN2 — St. Louis at Philadelphia

9 p.m.

TBS — Atlanta at L.A. Dodgers

NBA BASKETBALL

7 p.m.

ESPN — Sacramento at San Antonio

9:30 p.m.

ESPN — L.A. Clippers at Phoenix

SOCCER

1:30 p.m.

ESPN2 — UEFA Champions League, playoffs, quarterfinal, teams TBA

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ESPN2 — Draft, at Boston

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Thursday, April 6	at Philadelphia Phillies	2:00 pm
Friday, April 7	at Chicago Cubs	1:00 pm
Monday, April 10	Milwaukee Brewers	3:00 pm
Thursday, April 13	Milwaukee Brewers	12:00 pm
Monday, April 17	at Pittsburgh Pirates	6:00 pm
Wednesday, April 19	at Pittsburgh Pirates	11:30 am
Wednesday, April 26	Pittsburgh Pirates	12:00 pm
Thursday, April 27	Washington Nationals	7:00 pm
Tuesday, May 2	at Cincinnati Reds	11:30 am
Thursday, May 4	at Houston Astros	7:00 pm
Friday, May 5	at Florida Marlins	6:30 pm
Monday, May 8	Colorado Rockies	7:00 pm
Tuesday, May 9	Colorado Rockies	7:00 pm
Wednesday, May 10	Colorado Rockies	12:00 pm
Tuesday, May 16	New York Mets	7:00 pm
Thursday, May 18	New York Mets	12:00 pm
Thursday, May 23	at San Francisco Giants	9:00 pm
Wednesday, May 24	at San Francisco Giants	2:30 pm
Monday, May 29	Houston Astros	3:00 pm
Tuesday, May 30	Houston Astros	7:00 pm
Wednesday, May 31	Houston Astros	12:00 pm
Friday, June 2	Chicago Cubs	7:00 pm
Tuesday, June 6	Cincinnati Reds	7:00 pm
Friday, June 9	at Milwaukee Brewers	7:00 pm
Saturday, June 10	at Milwaukee Brewers	6:00 pm
Tuesday, June 13	at Pittsburgh Pirates	6:00 pm
Thursday, June 15	at Pittsburgh Pirates	11:30 am
Friday, June 16	Colorado Rockies	7:00 pm
Saturday, June 17	Colorado Rockies	6:00 pm
Tuesday, June 20	at Chicago White Sox	7:00 pm
Thursday, June 22	at Chicago White Sox	7:00 pm
Friday, June 23	at Detroit Tigers	6:00 pm
Monday, June 26	Cleveland Indians	7:00 pm
Tuesday, June 27	Cleveland Indians	7:00 pm
Wednesday, June 28	Cleveland Indians	7:00 pm
Friday, June 30	Kansas City Royals	7:00 pm
Thursday, July 6	at Houston Astros	7:00 pm
Friday, July 7	at Houston Astros	7:00 pm
Thursday, July 13	Los Angeles Dodgers	7:00 pm
Friday, July 14	Los Angeles Dodgers	7:00 pm
Friday, July 21	at Los Angeles Dodgers	7:00 pm
Monday, July 24	at Colorado Rockies	8:00 pm
Tuesday, July 25	at Colorado Rockies	8:00 pm
Wednesday, July 26	at Colorado Rockies	2:00 pm
Thursday, July 27	at Chicago Cubs	7:00 pm
Friday, July 28	at Chicago Cubs	1:00 pm
Tuesday, August 1	Philadelphia Phillies	7:00 pm
Thursday, August 3	Philadelphia Phillies	7:00 pm
Friday, August 4	Milwaukee Brewers	7:00 pm
Monday, August 7	at Cincinnati Reds	6:00 pm
Tuesday, August 8	at Cincinnati Reds	6:00 pm
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Tuesday, August 15	Cincinnati Reds	7:00 pm
Thursday, August 17	Cincinnati Reds	1:00 pm
Friday, August 18	at Chicago Cubs	1:00 pm
Tuesday, August 22	at New York Mets	6:00 pm
Thursday, August 24	at New York Mets	6:00 pm
Friday, August 25	Chicago Cubs	7:00 pm
Tuesday, August 29	Florida Marlins	7:00 pm
Thursday, August 31	Florida Marlins	7:00 pm
Friday, September 1	Pittsburgh Pirates	7:00 pm
Monday, September 4	at Washington Nationals	12:00 pm
Tuesday, September 5	at Washington Nationals	6:00 pm
Wednesday, September 6	at Washington Nationals	12:00 pm
Thursday, September 7	at Arizona Diamondbacks	8:30 pm
Friday, September 8	at Arizona Diamondbacks	8:30 pm
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Tuesday, September 26	San Diego Padres	7:00 pm
Thursday, September 28	Milwaukee Brewers	7:00 pm
Friday, September 29	Milwaukee Brewers	7:00 pm

Whitfield hearing deals with exploitation of children on Web

Hearing reveals horrors of child sex predators lurking online

WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield, Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, on Tuesday held a hearing investigating the sexual exploitation of children over the Internet. Witnesses testified about the astonishing breadth of pornographic material depicting children that is available on the Internet and recounted heart wrenching stories of how the dark world of child pornography is destroying young lives across America.

"With the growing use of the Internet, the number of child predators who seek to make, distribute and view images of children being sexually abused continues to skyrocket. This is primarily due to the anonymity, accessibility and ease with which child predators can operate on the Internet," said Whitfield. "The scope of this growing problem is astounding. This is a despicable practice that must be stopped."

Tuesday's lead witness was Justin Berry. Beginning at age 13, he was repeatedly sexually exploited over the Internet by a number of men during the course of several years. Berry testified that within minutes of connecting a webcam to his computer, he was contacted by multiple men seeking to establish a sexual connection with him. These men showered money, gifts and attention on Justin, manipulating Justin to perform progressively more graphic sexual activities at their request.

Berry's story was first brought to light by Kurt Eichenwald, a reporter with the *New York Times* who testified with Berry at the hearing. Eichenwald, who wrote several articles for the *Times* about the online sexual exploitation of children, helped Berry escape his sordid situation and persuaded him to turn over the names of more than 1,500 online pedophiles to federal law enforcement. Eichenwald found that some of the names disclosed by Berry revealed individuals that were true pillars in their respective communities, including pediatricians, lawyers

and teachers.

"My experience is not quite as isolated as you might hope," warned Berry. "There are hundreds of kids in the United States alone who are right now wrapped up in this horror."

Subpoenaed to appear before Whitfield's Subcommittee was Ken Gourlay of Detroit, Mich. Gourlay, who ran a web hosting business, is one of the men who allegedly contacted Berry after seeing his picture on the Internet. Gourlay allegedly maintained a relationship with Berry and sexually molested him on multiple occasions. Under questioning from the Committee, Gourlay invoked his Fifth Amendment privileges against self-incrimination.

Kentucky native Ernie Allen, co-founder and executive director of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), testified that nearly 1 in 5 children report being sexually solicited over the Internet. Of those thousands of children who are inappropriately contacted online each year, only 10 percent of these cases are reported to authorities. Allen reported that the NCMEC receives nearly 1,500 tips per week through its "CyberTipline" about suspected online child pornography, which has produced 385,000 credible leads for law enforcement during its eight years in operation.

The sale of child pornography over the Internet is an enormous and burgeoning industry, with global commercial revenues from the online sale of explicit and abusive images of children reaching approximately \$20 billion. Revenues for other legitimate online businesses are dwarfed by comparison - for instance, the total global commercial revenue from selling music online was a mere \$3 billion in 2004. Because so much of the commercial side of the online child pornography trade operates in the shadows, however, it is difficult for law enforcement to track individuals who are purchasing this material and to get a true estimate of the sexually explicit content that is readily available for sale.

Child predators that are found in possession of child pornography typically have thousands of images of children being sexually molested or abused stored on their computers. Last month, Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents apprehended a man in Kentucky who reportedly possessed more than 400,000 images of child pornography on his computers. Despite successes such as these, many other cases of child pornography and online sexual abuse go unreported each year due to the lack of an urgent, coordinated response by federal law enforcement.

"Until recently, I never understood why these child predators always laughed about the government enforcement activity. Now I know the child predators are at least partially right. They have little to fear as law enforcement efforts to prosecute these people are, based on my case, riddled with mistakes and bureaucracy. Unless something changes, the child predators will win often enough that dozens, hundreds, or even thousands of children will be lost forever," said Berry.

"The Internet has revolutionized the way we communicate in America, but unfortunately, some sick and depraved individuals seek to use this open forum to prey on the most vulnerable in our society," said Whitfield. "Children and parents should know exactly what risks are each time they log online. We need to shine a light on criminals that manipulate and abuse children and show them that we will not stand for this disgusting behavior. At the same time, federal law enforcement has to understand the urgency of this problem and take these matters more seriously than they apparently have to this point. I am committed to working with law enforcement and my colleagues in Congress towards crafting solutions that can eliminate this problem once and for all."



Whitfield

Investigators find problems in professionally-filed tax returns

By MARY DALRYMPLE
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WASHINGTON (AP) — Tax return preparers made mistakes on virtually every tax return prepared at the request of undercover congressional investigators, the auditors said Tuesday.

In 19 visits, the Government Accountability Office asked for assistance from commercial chain preparers to file returns for two hypothetical families.

Only two of 19 tax returns showed the correct refund amount, but both of those returns included errors. Incorrect refunds on the other tax returns delivered as much as \$2,000 extra to some taxpayers but took more than \$1,500 from others.

The GAO said it looked at a tiny number of returns prepared by chain tax companies and the findings cannot be generalized across the tax preparation industry. More than half of all taxpayers, especially those with complicated tax situations, ask a professional to prepare their returns.

The problems uncovered included bad advice and incomplete reporting:

■ Tax preparers correctly recorded wage income but not necessarily side income. In 10 of 19 instances, side income was not reported. Several tax preparers incorrectly advised the undercover auditors it was up to them to report side income because the IRS would not know about it unless reported.

■ On half the tax returns prepared for a hypothetical single mother, the preparer said her two children lived with her when the investigator posing as the taxpayer said one lived with a relative. The number of dependent children can affect the earned income and child tax credits.

■ Only two of nine returns prepared for a hypothetical plumber and his family correctly reported itemized deductions.

■ In none of the tax returns prepared for the single mother did the advisers use child care expenses to claim the child and dependent care credit.

■ Tax preparers made numerous errors trying to apply education credits to college expenses paid by the plumber for his child.

Had the IRS found these problems on real returns, many preparers would have been subject to penalties for negligence and willful or reckless disregard of tax rules.

An IRS research project, studying 2001 tax returns for errors and other problems, found that tax returns prepared by paid professionals tend to have more errors than those taxpayers prepare themselves. That may be due to the complexity of those returns, or poor information provided by the taxpayer.

The top lawmakers on the Senate Finance Committee said the study shows that tax professionals should have to meet minimum training and competency requirements before opening for business.

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Stumbo rescued after running boat aground

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Kentucky Attorney General Greg Stumbo was rescued Monday morning after his fishing boat ran aground on a sand bar in Tampa Bay, stranding him overnight, authorities said.



Stumbo

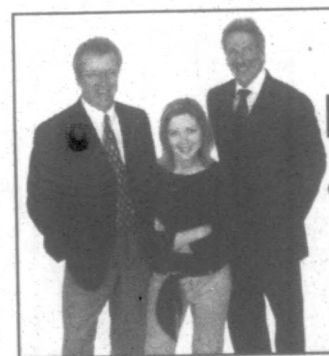
Stumbo, 54, who was not hurt, was reported missing by his wife after he did not return to an area marina Sunday night as planned, the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office said. He left at about 6 p.m. to scout fishing locations in a 23-foot Hydrosport powerboat.

Officers from the sheriff's office and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission began searching Monday morning. Just after 11 a.m., a helicopter crew spotted the boat, which had run aground near the Sunshine Skyway Bridge.

Deputies were able to free the boat and escort Stumbo, of

Prestonsburg, Ky., back to his home marina.

Stumbo spokesman Corey Bellamy said the attorney general had talked to someone on his staff and "he's fine." Bellamy added that Stumbo was looking for a fishing location he could share with his 6-year-old daughter, Cassidy.



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Iraqis show little surprise as U.S. Marines take cover in their villas

By TODD PITMAN

Associated Press Writer

RAMADI, Iraq (AP) — Darting through the shadows of this insurgent-plagued city, U.S. Marines zigzagged down the street, past ornate columned villas and palm trees silhouetted against the night sky.

Pausing at a black gate, a Marine knelt and another stepped onto his back, hurtling over to unlock it from inside. There was no polite request for entry. The threat from insurgent bombs, snipers or small arms fire was too great.

"We apologize for the inconvenience," 31-year-old Staff Sgt. William Brooks of Houston said as a man, his wife and two children came to the door to watch Marines take up positions in their courtyard. "We're just stopping by. We'll be on our way soon."

Most people would be shocked to see a dozen heavily armed troops taking cover in their front yard. But after three years of near-daily skirmishes between insurgents and U.S. forces, folks in Ramadi are used to it.

After a six-month deployment outside Fallujah last year, the 3rd Battalion, 8th Regiment of Camp Lejeune, N.C., are back in Iraq for a second tour. Commanders said they are getting to know their "battle space," patrolling neighborhoods and entering houses.

During one recent night patrol, a Marine unit entered half a dozen villas in three hours. Nobody appeared surprised or seemed to mind. One woman came into the kitchen to see who was around, saw Marines through the window and casually walked into another room. Another man, perhaps woken up by the clank of automatic weapons bumping into his front gate, did the same.

"There's a tolerance for what we're doing out here. They realize we're here to help," Brooks said, adding he had expected a more hostile reception. "I've been pleasantly surprised."

Other Marines said reaction to the domestic interruptions varies.

"Sometimes they don't talk to you at all. Sometimes they're scared of us," said Lance Cpl. Ryan Walblay, 20, of Bowling Green, Ky. "Sometimes they're scared that after we leave, insurgents will threaten or kill them."

Both U.S. and Iraqi troops have burst in on homes to use them as makeshift "strong-points" during firefights. While on patrol, they often move quickly on foot down streets, taking cover inside villa walls.

"We prefer to move courtyard to courtyard because of the sniper threat, especially during the day," Brooks said.

At House No. 1 on the recent patrol, a Marine handed two children a palm full of candy before quickly moving on.

The second and third houses were empty, with lights flickering inside and some window glass broken. They weren't searched.

As Marines stood in House No. 3's courtyard, a massive blast suddenly pierced the air. The Marines crouched briefly and watched as a huge plume of grayish white smoke rose above buildings perhaps 400 yards away.

A U.S. patrol had just rolled by and they thought it might have been hit. They didn't run after it. Insurgents are known to detonate roadside bombs only to set the stage for a larger ambush. The Marines learned later an explosives ordnance disposal team was moving in to disarm the bomb when it went off — probably detonated by remote control. Nobody was wounded.

At House No. 4, Marines unlocked another gate and stepped inside. A father, a mother, two young daughters and two teenage sons living there keep their sandals outside the door. The Marines marched in, stepping onto red carpets with boots caked in dust.

They stayed for an hour, setting up a temporary post. They studied satellite maps of the neighborhood, and scanned outside with night vision goggles to be sure nobody was following them. Lines of U.S. Humvees

rolled down the streets, patrolling with their lights off. A lone helicopter clattered overhead.

The family was kept in the living room while the house was lightly searched. "We have to keep an eye on them, especially the men," Walblay said.

Several Marines sat with the family, who appeared genuinely at ease, curious and smiling. They joked in broken English with the Marines sitting on their blue couch.

The sons and daughters stared at their equipment with wide eyes. Each Marine was crammed into a full set of heavy armor, clutching an automatic rifle. Night vision equipment was on their camouflaged helmets.

There was no serious questioning. A couple of Marines appeared simply to be getting to know the family.

The family was surprised that Walblay speaks basic Arabic, which he picked up from a translator last year.

Speaking broken English, one of the sons, Issa, said "we were watching the Oprah Winfrey show."

Mustafa, the father, said they don't go out after 7 p.m., four hours before curfew.

"Ramadi, good, not good," Mustafa said, mimicking the sound of explosions. "My daughters ..." — he wrapped his hands around his arms, pretending to shiver in fright, explaining the girls fear the war.

The sisters smiled, bashfully. Inside, one Marine sat on a stairwell with his helmet off, sniffling a cigarette.

One Marine asked if they family has seen any insurgents.

"If I know, I say to you," Issa said. "You love your country, we love our country."



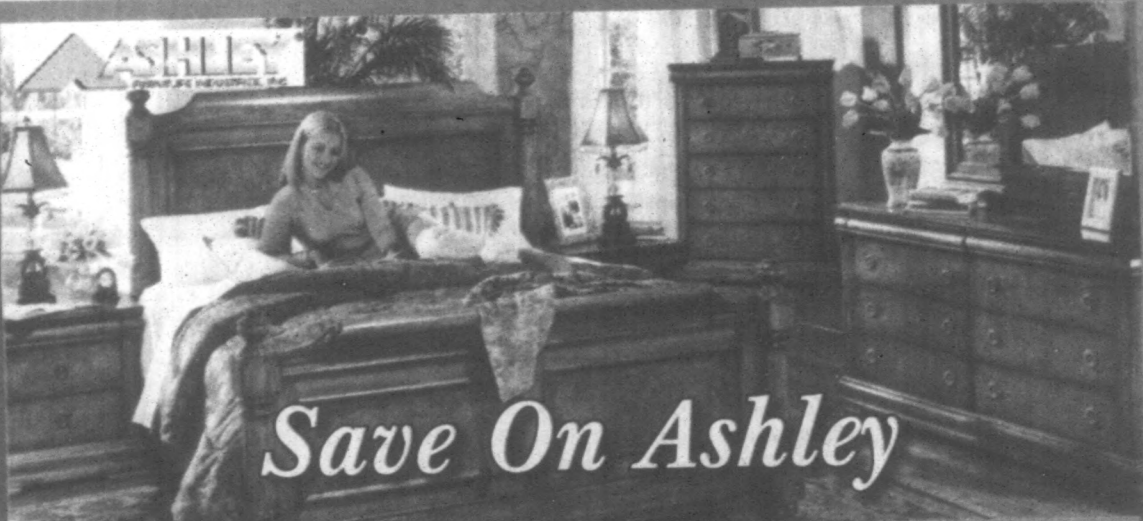
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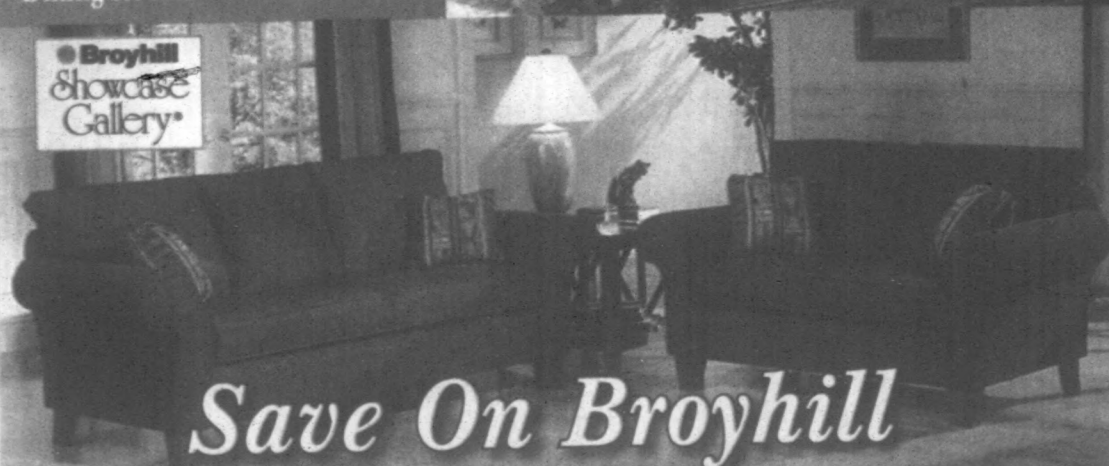
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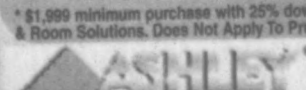


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