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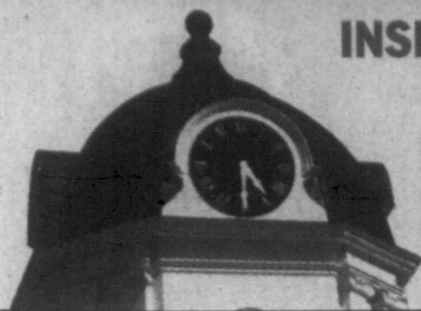
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**Expansion tough for land-locked Murray Electric**

By KRISTIN TAYLOR  
Staff Writer

Murray Electric System is land-locked, but it's still trying to expand its services.

Much has changed since MES was established in 1942, when state law allowed municipalities to start providing local electric service. Now the company, which is an agency of the City of Murray, is in its sixth year of providing broadband telecommunications to its customers.

An agreement between MES and West Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corp. defines the electric system's territory. The boundaries were drawn up after Murray Electric was involved with a dispute with WKRECC about the Gatesborough Circle area about a decade ago, according to MES General Manager Tony Thompson.

State law just says municipal and rural services can't compete for customers, but otherwise it has no restrictions on the companies. That means as the city limits expand, MES can't pick up new electric customers. Only unserved areas are fair game, but then the local agreement comes into play.

"It's a terrible law," Thompson said earlier this month during his annual report to the Murray City Council. "We should be able to serve the city. We are the city."

Councilman Pete Lancaster agreed.

"It seems weird to me that as we annex you can't provide your city service," he said.

Although lobby efforts are always underway, Thompson said he doesn't expect the law to change because Kentucky is mostly rural and even Louisville and Lexington aren't served by municipal companies.

Thompson said he has requests from nearby county areas about changing services, but he always explains the law and the agreement. WKRECC serves a more rural area and experiences problems a municipal company is less likely to have.

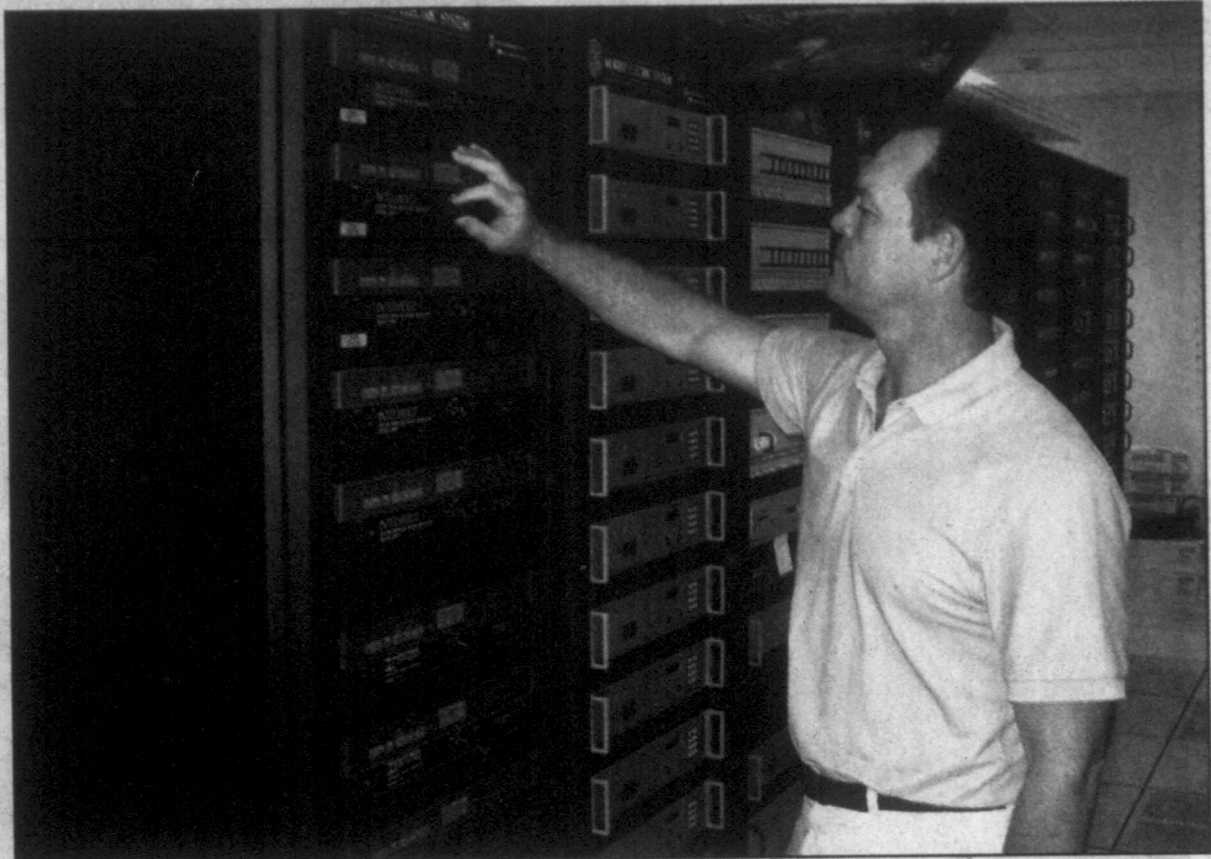
"People out in the county have power outages and see the city lights glowing," Thompson said. "They want part of that."

Complicating matters are the way the university and hospital are expanding, taking away other city property that would have used MES' services.

"We are losing customers every day to parking lots," Thompson said.

But the good news for MES is that it isn't bound by law for its telecommunications services. Of its 7,752 electric customers, about 55 to 60 percent of those are served with another MES service, whether that's telephone, Internet, cable television or a combination of the three.

Since starting its broadband operations, MES expected losses, which happened the past three years. In 2003, the



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Murray Electric System General Manager Tony Thompson checks readings on equipment at MES. As the city expands its boundaries, the utility is hindered by law to expand past its boundaries.

system had a net loss of \$624,764, but that was cut down to \$243,807 in 2005. This fiscal year ended on the positive side with \$472,234 in income, accord-

ing to the information Thompson provided council members.

"Our feasibility study indicated that we could expect losses over the first

four years of operation in the broadband division, so we feel that we are

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**White House says U.S. making progress in terror war**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration proclaimed significant progress in the war on terror today but said the enemy has adjusted to U.S. defenses and that "America is safer but we are not yet safe."

Releasing an updated counterterrorism strategy in advance of a speech that President Bush

was set to give later in the day, the White House said: "The United States and our partners continue to pursue a significantly degraded but still dangerous al-Qaida network."

"Yet the enemy we face today in the war on terror is not the same enemy we faced on Sept. 11," said the 23-page terrorism

strategy update. "Our effective counterterrorist efforts in part have forced the terrorists to evolve and modify their ways of doing business."

Two months before the midterm elections, the report was the White House's latest attempt to highlight national security, an issue that has helped

Republicans in past campaigns. Democrats were releasing their own assessment.

"Years of failed Republican policies have made America less safe and less able to effectively fight terrorism, and Democrats are ready to take this country in a new direction," Democrats said in statement.

The updated White House strategy came in the wake of the release of a new al-Qaida video over the weekend that raised concerns about the possibility of another attack as the fifth anniversary of Sept. 11 approaches. The tape featured an American — believed by the FBI to have attended al-Qaida

training camps — calling for his countrymen to convert to Islam. Asked about this Tuesday, Fran Townsend, a special assistant to President Bush for homeland security and counterterrorism, said she did not think the tape suggested another strike.

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**A MOMENT TO HERSELF:** Leslie Mann, a junior at Murray State University, finds a quiet moment to talk on her cell phone. The mall area on campus is normally filled with students. Mann is an art and public relations major from Lexington.

**State, nation looking at record corn crop**

OWENSBORO, Ky. (AP) — The corn crop in Kentucky and nationally may set a record, driven by what officials call high demand in China and India and a fresh consideration of using corn as fuel in ethanol.

"It's clearly a historic crop by any means," said Steve Riggins, a grain marketing expert with the University of Kentucky.

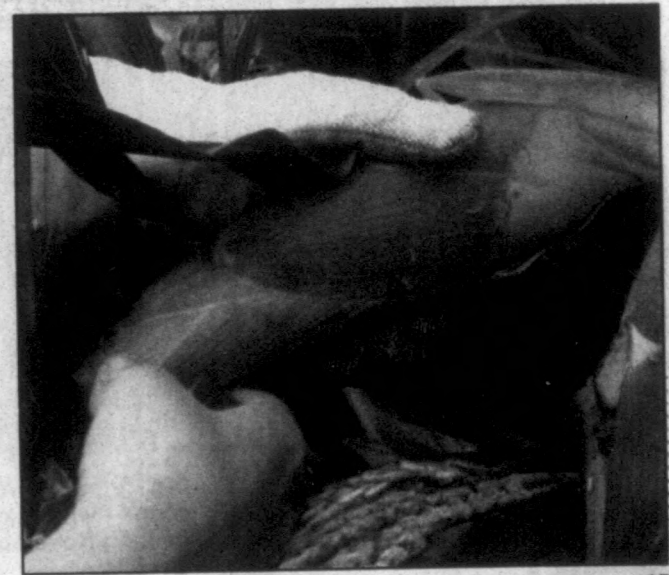
But, even with a high corn yield, demand will still outpace supply for U.S. corn.

"It could be several years of good profits," Riggins said of what he calls the "ethanol bubble." "Almost everyone accepts it's the third-largest crop in history and it's not enough to (match) consumption."

Officials described Kentucky's corn growing season as excellent and the Midwest has at least an average crop, despite a drought.

Riggins said the market for corn is good, even though there is a large reserve of corn on stock and a bumper crop expected because ethanol uses a lot of corn to produce and the foreign demand.

"The yields don't look like they're going to be much reduced," in the Midwest, said Chris Hurt, a grain marketing



AP

State experts say Kentucky and the rest of the nation could see a record corn crop, driven by international demands.

specialist with Purdue University.

Hurt said farmers who can store corn for the winter could benefit by spring, when prices will jump to about \$2.75 per bushel.

"Storage should be quite beneficial for corn," Hurt said.

Farmers also need to consider whether to lock in a price for

their corn now or wait and take a chance on prices going up in an effort to make a few extra dollars as the demand for ethanol goes up.

While Riggins doesn't expect the ethanol bubble to pop in the next 24 months, he said nothing is permanent.

"I would certainly say it won't last forever," he said.

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## Court martial recommended in Iraqi killing

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - A U.S. Army investigator has recommended that four American soldiers accused of raping a 14-year-old girl and of killing her and her family face a court-martial, a lawyer in the case confirmed on Monday.

Col. Dwight Warren, the investigator in the case, said in a report issued Sunday that "reasonable grounds exist to believe that each of the accused committed the offense for which he is charged."

The report was given to lawyers in the case and obtained by The Associated Press from David Sheldon, the lawyer of one of the defendants.

The four soldiers of the 101st Airborne Division are charged with raping Abeer Qassim al-Janabi in her family's home in Mahmoudiya, about 20 miles south of Baghdad, then killing her along with her parents and her younger sister. Military prosecutors say the four set the teenager's body on fire to hide their crime.

The soldiers accused of rape and murder are Spc. James P. Barker, Sgt. Paul E. Cortez, Pfc. Jesse V.

Spielman and Pfc. Bryan L. Howard — could potentially face the death penalty. Another soldier, Sgt. Anthony W. Yribe, is accused of failing to report the attack but is not alleged to have been a direct participant.

Another soldier who was said to have allegedly planned the attack, Pfc. Steven D. Green, was discharged from the Army because of a "personality disorder" before the allegations became known. He was arrested in June shortly after the allegations became known. He has pleaded not guilty to rape and murder charges and is being held in a civilian court in the United States.

Sheldon, who is counsel to Barker, said the soldiers were abandoned by a military command that did not give them the support that they needed either in the field or in the courtroom.

"I'm not surprised given the events in this case. It was apparent that neither Spc. Barker nor any of the other soldiers were going to get a fair hearing," Sheldon told the AP. He added that he would file an objection within the five days allowed.

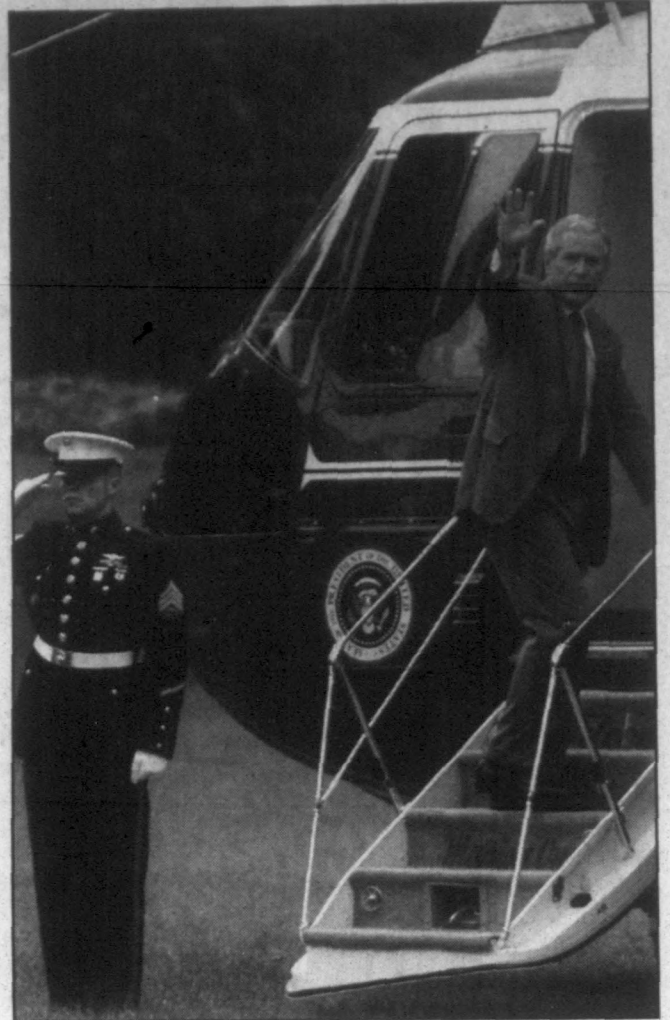
## MES ...

### From Front

moving in the right direction on the time that we set for ourselves," Thompson said.

Overall, with 37 employees, MES' net plant value is \$13.2 million and the system has almost \$25 million in assets.

More expansion is coming soon in the form of digital equipment for high-definition TV. Thompson told the council the high-tech equipment is on order from Motorola and is expected to arrive in November. That means customers could have the HDTV option in early 2007.



AP  
President Bush waves before boarding Marine One helicopter during his departure on the South Lawn of the White House Monday in Washington.

## White House ...

### From Front

"We've seen tapes before. We've seen these sort of releases right near Sept. 11," she said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

"There are no plans to raise the threat (terror) threat level," Townsend said.

The Department of Homeland Security had raised the terror threat for aviation to red — its highest level — in mid-August at the time the British, working with the United States, broke up what was purported to be a plot against international flights bound from Britain to the United States.

The administration's Iraq war policy and terrorism strategy have come under increasing criticism in recent months, and Republicans and Democrats returning to Capitol Hill Tuesday for the fall session were set to debate the strategy as the midterm elections draw near.

Five years after the attacks on the World Trade Center in New York and the Pentagon,

about a third of the American people think the terrorists are winning, according to a recent AP-Ipsos poll.

In its updated terror-fighting strategy, the administration took credit for some successes, saying that "we have deprived al-Qaida of safe haven in Afghanistan and helped a democratic government rise in its place. It also said that "a multinational coalition joined by the Iraqis is aggressively prosecuting the war against the terrorists in Iraq."

But it also acknowledged continuing challenges:

— "Terrorist networks today are more dispersed and less centralized. They are more reliant on smaller cells inspired by a common ideology and less directed by a central command structure."

— "While the United States government and its partners have thwarted many attacks, we have not been able to prevent them all. Terrorists have struck in many places throughout the world, from Bali to Beslan to Baghdad."

— "While we have substantially improved our air, land, sea and border security, our Homeland is not immune from attack."

— "The ongoing fight for freedom in Iraq has been twisted by terrorist propaganda as a rallying cry."

Bush has said on many occasions that the country must be prepared for a drawn-out battle against a new kind of enemy, and the new counterterrorism strategy released Tuesday says flatly that "the war on terror will be a long war."

It says that among the strategies the United States must emphasize are making all sovereign nations accountable for what happens on their soil, strengthening existing coalitions and partnerships against terrorists and continue to develop more expertise in this area.

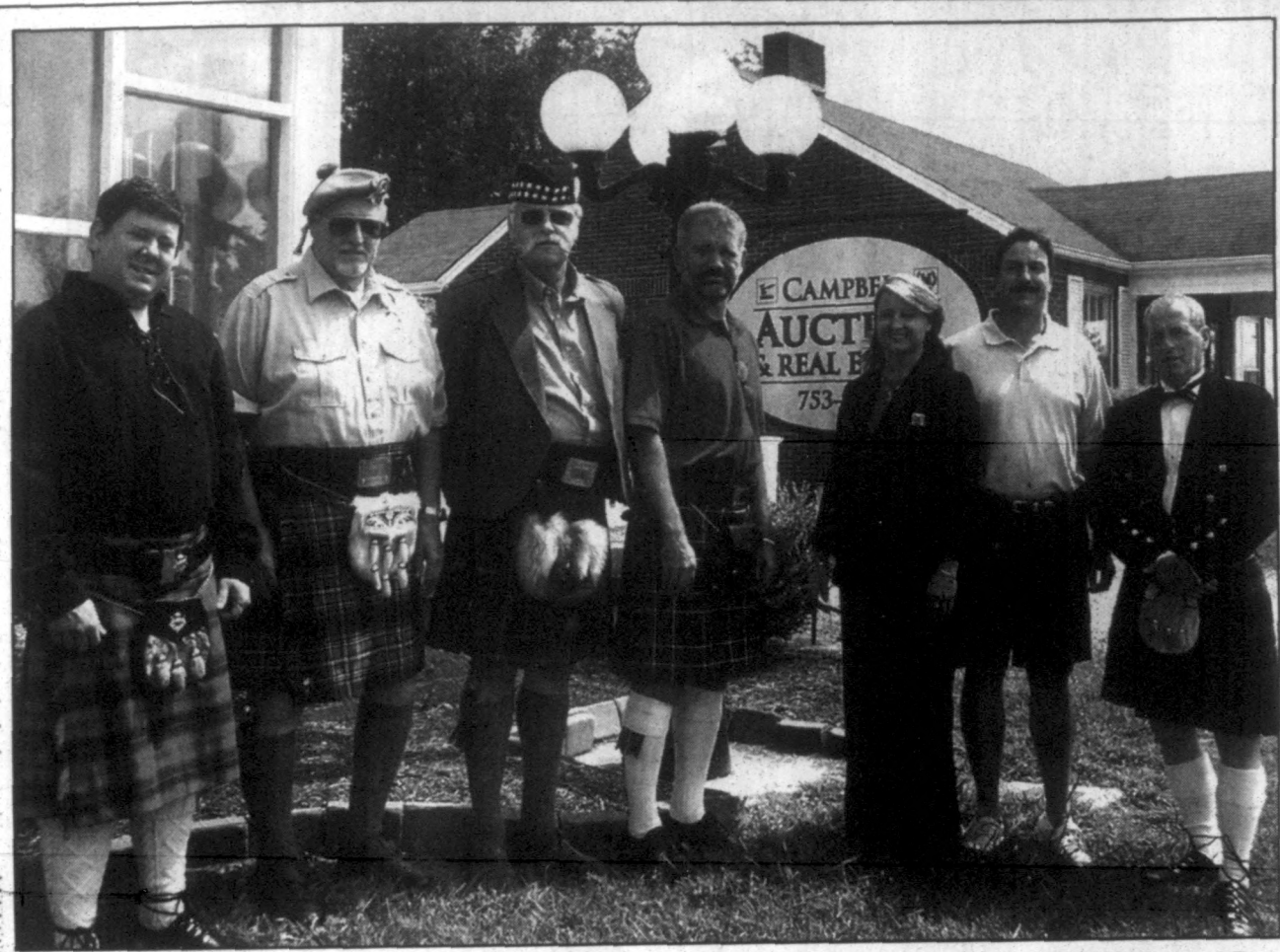
One particular problem, it noted, is an "increasingly sophisticated use of the Internet and media" by terrorists and would-be terrorists, saying these tactics have allowed enemies of the United States to "rally support, proselytize and spread their propaganda without risking personal contact."

It also maintains that terrorism "is not simply a result of hostility to U.S. policy in Iraq."

"The United States was attacked on September 11 and many years earlier, well before we toppled the Saddam Hussein regime," it said. "Moreover, countries that did not participate in coalition efforts in Iraq have not been spared from terror attacks."

"There will continue to be challenges ahead, but along with our partners, we will attack terrorism and its ideology and bring hope and freedom to the people of the world," the policy statement said.

"This is how we will win the war on terror."



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PROMOTING HIGHLAND GAMES: Representatives of the upcoming Western Kentucky Highland Games and Campbell Realty, the sponsor of the event set for Sept. 15-17 in Murray, gathered last week in promotion of the event. Those that gathered included Patrick Stewart, Mike Smith, Dr. Brad Robertson, Darrell Duncan, and John McConnachie of the Highland Games Committee. Joining them are Barbara Campbell and Jim Tate of Campbell Realty.

## Outstanding Parents nominations sought by MSU

Murray State University students have the opportunity to recognize the inspiration and support of their parents or guardians by nominating them to receive the Outstanding Parents Award during Family Weekend, scheduled for Sept. 22-23.

Patti Jones, associate director for alumni affairs, said the award is a wonderful way to recognize parents. "This is a great chance for students to say thank you to their parents or guardians who have helped them realize their educational goals."

Sponsored by the MSU Alumni Association, the office for student affairs and the residential college heads, the award provides a meaningful salute to parents dur-

ing Family Weekend. Parents or guardians of current MSU students are eligible for the award.

The student must write a narrative of 500 words or less explaining why his parents or guardians should win the award. After a committee views the nominations, one finalist from each residential college will be selected, with the Outstanding Parents Award selected from the group. Presentation of the finalists' certificates and the Outstanding Parents Award will be made during the Parent and Family Connection Cookout at 3:30 p.m., Sept. 23. The overall winner will receive recognition during the football game at Roy Stewart Stadium and be guests of

MSU Interim President Tim Miller in the President's Box. The Outstanding Parents will also receive a copy of the student's nomination letter, a plaque, overnight lodging at the Curris Center and a dinner certificate for Tom's Grille in Murray.

Nomination forms can be obtained from the residential college heads at the Easley Alumni Center adjacent to Roy Stewart Stadium, or online at <http://www.murraystate.edu/outstandingparent.pdf>. Completed forms should be returned to the Easley Alumni Center by Sept. 8.

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## Clarification

The Aaron Perkins, 29, who was listed in Thursday and Friday's Police Logs is not the same Aaron R. Perkins, 31, of Quail Creek Drive and who is a pharmacist at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

## Town Crier

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The Dexter-Almo Heights Water District's regular monthly meeting will be Thursday at 7 p.m. at the water office located at 351 Almo Rd in Almo.  
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## Scientists Find Anti-Calorie Formula

WASHINGTON — Japanese scientists found that natural ingredients in a new formula could cause significant weight loss without dieting or exercise.

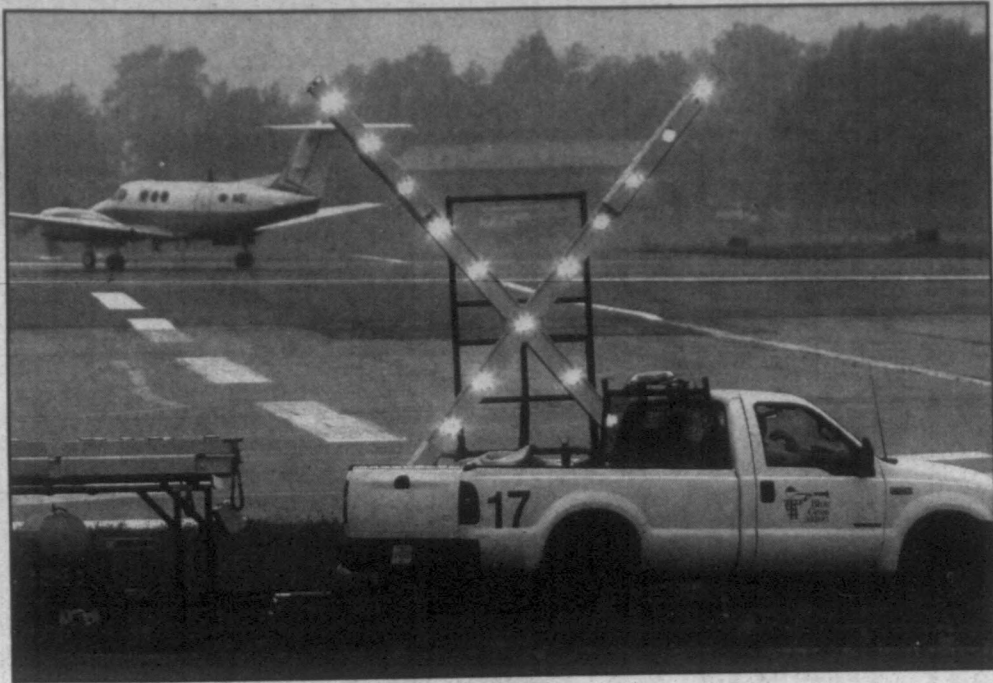
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Workers place an illuminated sign at one end of Runway 26 at Blue Grass Airport in Lexington, Ky., to shut it down last week. Comair Flight 5191 took off by mistake down Runway 26 on Aug. 27, crashing on takeoff and killing 49 people.

## Dangers can be created by construction at airports

By ROGER ALFORD  
Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Dan Silverthorn had just touched down when his single-engine Beech C23 jolted violently and careened off the runway on its belly in a shower of sparks.

From the air, the veteran pilot couldn't tell that the runway at Higginsville, Mo., had a fresh layer of pavement that ended abruptly, creating an 8-inch ledge that ripped the landing gear from his plane like the pull-tab from a sardine can.

"I never really had time to get scared," Silverthorn said. "It happened so fast."

The Missouri businessman's experience last October is not uncommon. The National Transportation Safety Board has documented at least 15 similar occurrences since 1992 at airports where runway or taxiway construction projects were under way or newly completed. Silverthorn and his daughter ended up safe in a grass field, but others weren't as fortunate.

The latest involved Comair Flight 5191 and its attempted takeoff early on the morning of Aug. 27 at Lexington's Blue Grass Airport.

A repaving project had changed the taxiway route just one week earlier and is now one of several factors federal investigators are looking into as possible causes of the fiery crash that killed 49 of the 50 people aboard.

The pilots of the Atlanta-bound regional plane took a wrong turn onto a runway that was much too short for the twin-engine jet, even though conversations with the air traffic control tower indicated they thought they were heading for the airport's main runway —

one almost twice as long. Data recordings from the plane show they continued to accelerate until the plane clipped trees and crashed in a nearby field.

The only survivor was the first officer, James Polehinke, who remained hospitalized Monday.

The deadliest crash recorded by the NTSB at an airport construction site was in Taiwan in October 2000, when the pilots of a Los Angeles-bound Boeing 747-400 turned onto the wrong runway and plowed into construction debris, killing 83 passengers.

Jeffrey Roy, a retired Federal Aviation Administration investigator now working as an aviation safety consultant in Colorado, said that considering the large number of runway and taxiway construction projects each year, such crashes are relatively rare, especially those in which pilots end up on the wrong runway.

"I don't know of any crashes where construction has been considered the primary factor, because there are so many other procedures that should be followed by the crew to verify their position," Roy said.

Pilots can avoid construction zones if they take advantage of "notices to airmen" alerts distributed about airport conditions.

"Each FAA region probably has multiple construction projects going on at any time at small and large airports," Roy said. "It's a fairly common thing that pilots need to be aware of."

In the Lexington crash, recorded conversations between the cockpit and control tower indicated Captain Jeffrey Clay and First Officer James Polehinke intended to use the airport's 7,000-foot runway for

commercial aircraft, investigators said. Instead, they turned onto the 3,500-foot runway and attempted to take off. The plane hit a fence and trees and crashed on an adjoining farm.

The pilots were familiar with Blue Grass Airport. Clay had been there six times in the past two years, and Polehinke had been there 10 times in that period.

However, neither had been to the airport since the runway repaving project was completed. The construction project extended the airport's main runway by 600 feet at each end. It also redirected the taxiway, blocking the previous route with a white- and orange-striped barricade with flashing lights on top and creating a sharper turn right near the start of the shorter runway.

Blue Grass Airport Executive Director Michael Gobb had touted the importance of the project in press statements, saying the additional runway length "is intended to provide an extra margin of safety for arriving and departing aircraft."

In the case of Silverthorn's belly landing, the NTSB investigation noted that he touched down on an unfinished portion of a runway extension. There were no markings to show the end of new pavement.

The agency cited as probable causes the airport's failure to properly mark the runway project — and the pilot's failure to obtain the "notices to airmen" alert.

Silverthorn said he was thankful that he and his daughter were able to walk away from the crash uninjured. "I hadn't been to that airport in about six months," he said. "It was such a surprising thing."

## Plane's pilot no longer on life support

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — The only survivor of the Comair commuter jet crash in central Kentucky last week is no longer on life support, a University of Kentucky spokesman said Monday night.

James Polehinke, the plane's first officer and pilot, was no longer on a ventilator, UK spokesman Jay Blanton said. Polehinke, 44, continued to make progress and remained in serious condition in UK Medical Center's intensive care unit, Blanton said.

Polehinke suffered facial fractures; spine fractures; a complex pelvis fracture; a broken leg, foot and hand; three broken ribs; a broken breastbone; and a collapsed lung in the Aug. 27 crash at Lexington's Blue Grass Airport.

The crash of Comair Flight 5191 killed 49 people. Polehinke was pulled from the fiery wreckage by a Lexington police officer and two airport security workers, but the rescuers couldn't get to anyone else, police said.

The Atlanta-bound jet took a wrong turn onto a short runway, was unable to get airborne and crashed into a nearby field.

## State farmland preservation program almost out of money

BRANDENBURG, Ky. (AP) — The state program to preserve agricultural land from development is out of money, leaving more than 600 applications from farmers to keep more than 120,000 acres farm land in limbo.

The Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement (PACE) program is at least a few years away from getting more money, if it ever does, said Brent Frazier, the program coordinator.

That leaves farmers such as Homer Richardson of Brandenburg wondering how he'll keep more than 1,000 acres of beef cattle and raises corn, soybeans, hay and wheat in Meade County as farmland.

"I'm going to do what I can to keep it agricultural," Richardson said.

Kentucky lawmakers created the Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement (PACE) in 1994 with the aim of keeping farmland in use for agriculture and preserve the state's farming heritage. The state started buying land in 1998 and has purchased easements covering 21,000 acres on 88 farms.

Landowners have donated an additional 28 easements on 3,800 acres. Farmers are paid based on a fair-market appraisal of their land's development value, minus the value if it stayed in agriculture. Easements have averaged about \$850 per acre under the Kentucky program.

The program uses protective

easements, effectively contracts between a property owner and the government or a private agency. Landowners agree that they won't develop their land and in turn receive the benefit either through a direct payment or tax breaks.

The easements can be removed only if a property owner proves that agriculture is no longer viable because conditions have changed on the preserved farmland or nearby land.

Since then, the state has spent the \$10 million allocated to create the program. But, the legislature left out \$400,000 for the program in the most recent two-year budget.

That move left about 625 applications for more than 120,000 acres of land valued at an estimated \$100 million in limbo.

Stephen Coleman, director of the Kentucky Division of Conservation, said PACE was seen as a way to keep farmers in agriculture, rather than giving in to dividing up the property for the money as many did between 1982 and 1997.

During that time frame, development took up 48,000 acres annually, a per-capita rate that put Kentucky third among all states, the American Planning Association said in a report.

"It's so easy to forget about what makes Kentucky special and just start gobbling up the farmland, and if you do you take a very special area and turn it into another urban area," said former Gov. Brereton Jones,

whose wife, Libby, helped launch the program during his administration.

Rep. Adrian Arnold, who in 1994 co-sponsored the bill establishing the program, said the program seems generally popular with lawmakers who appear willing to fund it.

"Other things this year just overshadowed the PACE program," said Arnold, D-Mount Sterling. "I hope in future years the legislature will realize its importance."

The program does have its detractors. Bob Weiss, executive vice president of the Home Builders Association of Kentucky, said taxpayer dollars shouldn't be used for the program.

And, preserving the land isn't urgent as only 5 percent of Kentucky land has been developed, Weiss said.

"The question is: Should a person living in a subdivision finance the set-aside of land that might be on the other side of the county from them?" Weiss said.

Until the legislature works out funding, farmers such as William Armstrong in Bullitt County will have to decide whether to wait for the state or sell to developers.

Armstrong, a cattleman, applied to sell 53 acres of agricultural easement on his property last year. He didn't get the answer he wanted from the state.

"They told me then that there wasn't a lot of money to go around," Armstrong said.

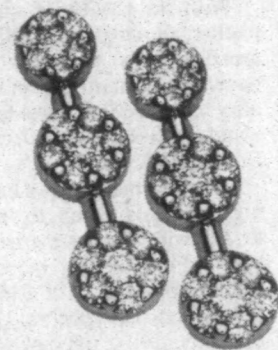
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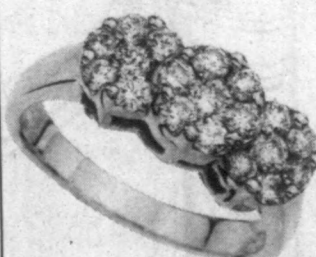
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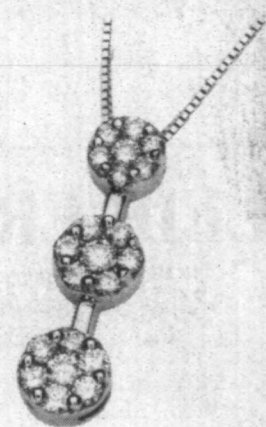
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## Stories from steel

The pressman always talked too loud; in fact, he shouted. When I asked my father why, Daddy explained that the man had to make himself heard above the din of the presses. He had gotten so used to it, he seemed unable to turn down the volume even when he wasn't at work.

That story came back to me the other day, as I listened to the weekly sound clip from StoryCorps, an oral history project with the mission of inspiring and enabling people to record each other's stories in sound.

Last Friday, in honor of Labor Day, the clip (heard on WKMS-FM, the National Public Radio member station at 91.3) featured Ken Kobus, of Pittsburgh, Penn., talking about his steelworker father, John Kobus.

Ken's earliest memories include the steel mill. "I always heard and smelled it," he recalls. "The mill was always present."

The first time the son went to work with his dad, the boy was stunned. "There were all these things moving back and forth. I was terrified I was going to get run over," Ken Kobus remembers.

"My dad just walked straight through like nothing was going on. You know it's amazing. To face a furnace," he continues, "well, it's just hard to describe because you watch cold steel being put into there and watch it become more and more red, and red and red. And then it disappears and falls apart. It's just unimaginable."

It is not surprising that such dangerous and dirty work penetrates the psyche. When Ken Kobus's father was dying of cancer and sedated with painkillers, he lay in his hospice bed, restless hands moving and turning in the air.

Puzzled, the doctor wondered what the old man was doing. "He's making steel," the son explained. "He was opening furnace doors and adjusting the gas on the furnace and the trap. I could see what he was doing. To the day he died, that's what he lived and how he lived - making steel."

When I asked another retired steelworker, Jeff Manes, about this, he told me a similar tale. Manes was visiting his elderly father, also a retired steelworker, and his father's lady friend revealed that the old man had been making steel in his sleep the night before.

"He did that throughout me and my brother's childhoods," Jeff Manes admitted.

Manes's father worked his way up from the labor gang, to 3rd helper, 2nd helper, 1st helper, and finally a melter foreman.

"When he worked first helper," Jeff Manes declared, "it was said that he could tell within 15 degrees the temperature of that molten lava - just by lookin' at it."

"My old man made a lot of steel," he concluded, "and made a lot of money for the company as a melter. Still, on my birth certificate, under father's occupation, it simply reads: Laborer. And, strangely enough, it is for that job that I respect him the most... When he fed fiery furnaces with a shovel so we'd have spaghetti on our plates."

Even the day after Labor Day, there is a lot to ponder when it comes to work, who does it, and how workers are regarded in society.

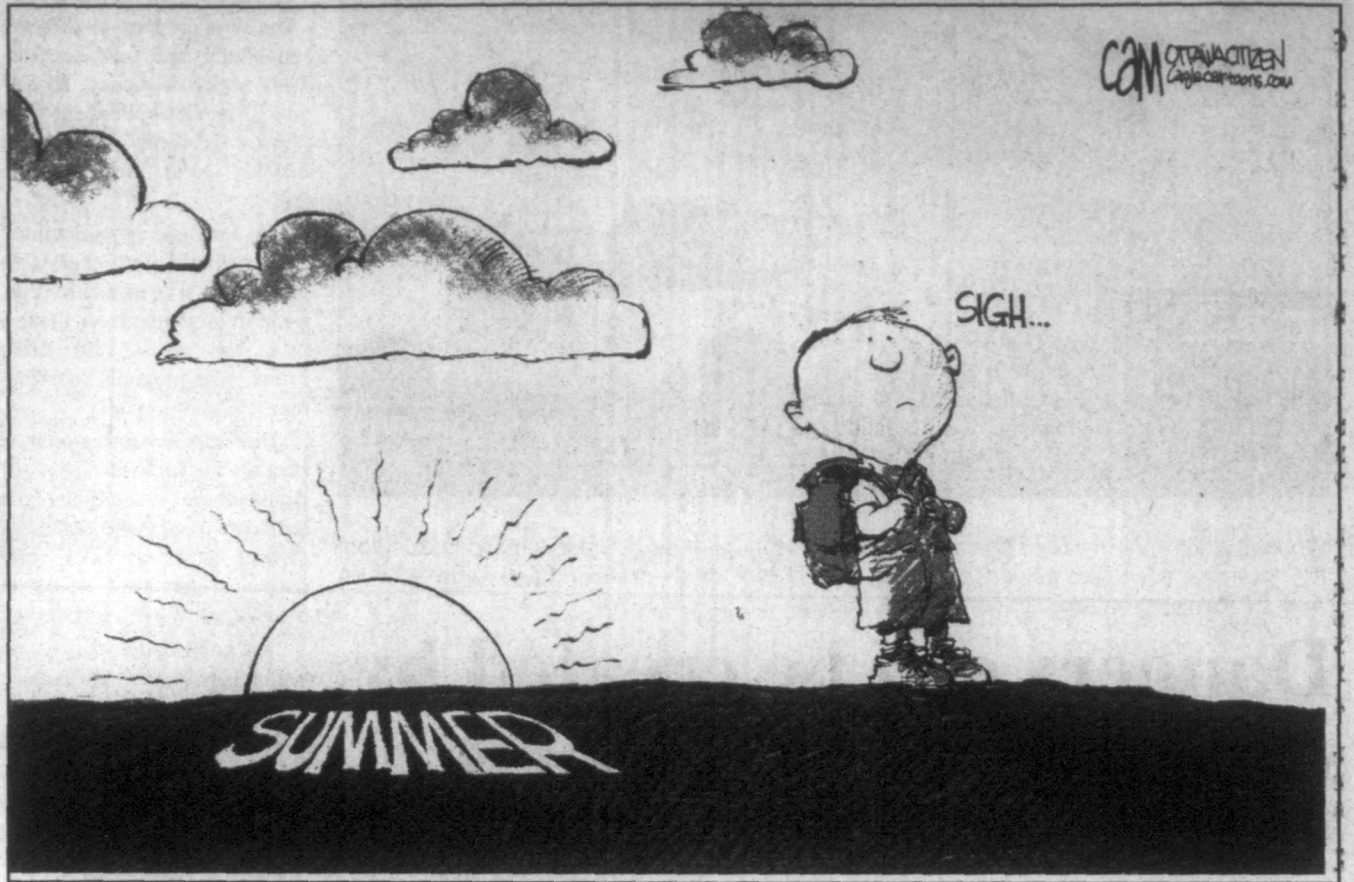
For more information about the StoryCorps project and to hear the sound clip of Ken Kobus, log onto <http://storycorps.net>.

Story Corps also has undertaken a special initiative to honor and remember the stories of people affected by the events of September 11, 2001. To learn more about that project, log onto <http://www.storycorps.net/wtc>.

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**Main Street**  
By Constance Alexander  
Local Columnist



## Congress' focus is on national security

**By JIM ABRAMS**  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress will mark the fifth anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks with a pre-election agenda focusing on national security-related issues.

Must-do tasks for lawmakers returning today from a monthlong break are reaching agreement on defense spending, which has gone from about \$300 billion before the terrorist attacks to nearly \$500 billion, and passing a \$32 billion spending bill for the Homeland Security Department.

The House and Senate plan to recess Sept. 29 until after the November election. Any other issues — perhaps immigration or offshore drilling — they take up before then will be colored by the possibility that the election could restore Democrats to power in either or both chambers.

With no chance of completing all the fiscal 2007 spending bills, Congress will have to return in November after the election for what could be a lame-duck session for Republicans.

The habitually slow-moving Senate is going to have to act with uncharacteristic speed. First up this month will be passage of a \$468 billion defense spending bill that includes extra money for military equipment and a security fence along the Mexican border.

The Senate Armed Services Committee is trying to

coordinate with the administration on legislation to create a new legal system for holding and trying terrorists in the wake of the Supreme Court's rejection of the current military tribunals.

Responding to other court rulings, GOP leaders also hope to put together in the coming weeks a bill establishing new legal status for the National Security Agency's warrantless wiretaps of terrorist suspects.

Also on the agenda are a port security bill and — if House and Senate negotiators can reach compromises — final votes on the Homeland Security bill and a \$500 billion bill to authorize defense programs in fiscal 2007.

Senate GOP leaders also hope to confirm John Bolton as the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations. President Bush appointed Bolton to the post on a temporary basis a year ago after Democrats repeatedly blocked his nomination from getting a vote.

The Senate may also vote to confirm Dr. Andrew von Eschenbach as commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration. Democratic obstacles to that vote were lifted last week after the FDA announced a long-delayed decision to allow women to buy the morning-after pill without a prescription.

The House leads off with a bill outlawing the slaughtering of horses for human consumption. But it also is expected to quickly move on

to measures legalizing military tribunals and the terrorist surveillance program.

House Republicans, in danger of losing the majority they have held since 1995, were playing to their strength in focusing on security issues. "Now is not the time for a weak and indecisive approach that has been offered by Capitol Hill Democrats," said Majority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio.

GOP leaders were also discussing whether to bring up another border security bill.

Immigration reform legislation hit an impasse this summer when House Republicans, after pushing through a tough border security and enforcement bill, rejected the Senate approach of allowing more guest workers and opening a path for illegal immigrants to gain legal status.

"We need the president. He has to pull this together," said Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., a chief sponsor of the Senate bill. In a rare instance of division with House Republicans, Bush has supported a guest worker program and efforts to help the estimated 11 million undocumented immigrants earn legal status.

On another issue with election repercussions, Republicans will try to show they are addressing the high cost of energy by passing a bill expanding offshore drilling for oil and gas.

The Senate, before leaving for the August recess, passed a drilling bill limited to one area in the Gulf of Mexico. A previously passed House bill is significantly broader. Senate Republicans have made clear that, if Republicans want an energy bill before the election, theirs is the only one with a chance of passing.

Among other pending issues:

—Just before adjourning for the recess, Senate Democrats blocked a GOP plan combining a Democrat-backed increase in the minimum wage with a Republican-backed cut in inheritance taxes and renewing popular tax breaks that have expired. Sen. Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., may make another shot at it, but it appears only that extending the tax breaks — including for college tuition and business research — will survive in the end.

—With the Senate and House at odds over legislation to address the lobbying and ethics scandals of the past year, House GOP leaders say they will move ahead with changes in House rules making it more difficult to surreptitiously insert pet projects, or earmarks, in legislation.

—House and Senate negotiators will try to work out differences in bills aimed at preventing girls from crossing state lines to get an abortion without parental notification.

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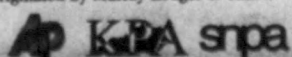
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## Space still open for QuickBooks Workshop

Space is still available to sign up to attend a free QuickBooks workshop on Tuesday, Sept. 11. The MSU Small Business Development Center, PC Doctor of Murray, LLC and the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce are all sponsoring the workshop.

The workshop will feature a beginner course on QuickBooks and will cover the basics of financial management for small business owners. Highlights will include the introduction to financial management, why accounts are important, using reports, managing essential tasks, a practice session and tips and resources.

Jane Shoemaker, owner of PC Doctor of Murray and Lee Hatcher, computer specialist, will conduct the workshop. "PC Doctor of Murray is a well-known computer business in this area and has the reputation of providing excellent educational services, as well as many other computer-related services, to small business owners," said Rosemary Miller, SBDC director. Trial versions of the QuickBooks software will be given to participants.

The workshop will be held at the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce Center, 805 N. 12th St., from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Although the session is free, those planning to attend should pre-register by Sept. 7. Call the Murray State University SBDC office at 270-809-2856 for more information.

## Hendricks to attend WVSOM in West. Va.

LEWISBURG, W.Va. — Brad Hendricks has entered first year studies at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, located in Lewisburg, W.Va.

Hendricks, son of Clayton and Lisa Hendricks of Murray, Ky., received a bachelor of science degree in biology from Murray State University in Murray. Hendricks calls Almo, Ky., home and attended Calloway County High School in Murray.

WVSOM, an award-winning osteopathic medical college in southeastern West Virginia, offers world class medical education with a dose of small town charm. WVSOM is recognized worldwide for its efforts in rural, family, and primary care medicine. The college has been recognized in U.S. News & World Report's



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Color guard recipients for Murray Middle School Band are, from left, front row, Dnaielle Dolack and Rebecca Walker, second row, Abby Murdock, Chandler Purdom, Kaitlyn Robinson and Amberly Moss; third row, Lindsay Lambert, Sydney Caver, Tori Chapman, Whitney Carver and Kirby Pittman. Not pictured is Alyson Mathis.

## Murray Middle School selects drum major and color guard team

Beth Stribling, Murray Middle School band director, recently announced the 2006-2007 Tiger Band MMS drum major and color guard.

Alex Bloodworth, a MMS eighth student, was recently selected to serve as this year's drum major for the Middle School band. Bloodworth, also a French Horn player, is the daughter of David and Holly Bloodworth of Murray.

Stribling also announced the

12 color guard recipients composed of sixth, seventh and eighth grade students.

They are Danielle Dolack and Rebecca Walker, eighth grade students, Abby Murdock, Chandler Purdom, Kaitlyn Robinson and Amberly Moss, seventh grade students, and Lindsay Lambert, Sydney Carver, Tori Chapman, Whitney Carver, Kirby Pittman and Alyson Mathis, sixth grade students.



Alex Bloodworth



Photo provided

Rebecca Landolt, left, of Century 21 presents the Student of the Week honor to Meagan Pember, center. At right is Teresa Speed, MHS principal.

## Pember, senior at MHS, named Student of the Week

This week's WNBS and Century 21 Loretta Jobs Realtors Student of the Week is Meagan Pember, a senior at Murray High School and the daughter of Steve and Melinda Pember.

Pember was selected for her leadership ability, as well as being a role model for others. She is captain of the varsity

soccer, softball and basketball teams, serves as an officer in the chapter of Future Business Leaders of America, Student Council, Tri-Alpha and of FCCLA.

She is also a member of Leadership Tomorrow, Key Club, Beta Club, Pep Club and the yearbook staff.

## Garden Department plans salad luncheon Thursday



Jo's Datebook  
By Jo Burkeen  
Community Editor

The Garden Department of the Murray Woman's Club will have a salad luncheon on Thursday at noon at the club house.

Todd Powell, county extension farm agent, will speak about "Bulbs-When, how to plant, how to safeguard."

Presentation of the annual Murray State University scholarship by the department will be held.

Hostesses will be Jan Ochoa, Peggy Nieschlag, Carol Wimberly, Margaret Taylor and Jane Cathey.

## Shrine Club to meet

Murray Shrine Club and Ladies of the Nile will resume their monthly meeting on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the club building on Ky. Hwy. 121 North. A meal will be served. All members are encouraged to attend.

## Open Singing at Coldwater

Open Singing will be held Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Coldwater United Methodist Church. The public is invited. For information call Timothy R. Palmer, pastor, at 489-2371.

## Extension Board will meet

Calloway County Extension District will have a special meeting on Friday at 1 p.m. at the Calloway County Extension Service meeting room. All members are urged to attend.

## 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.

## Temple Hill Lodge will meet tonight

Temple Hill Lodge 276 of Free and Accepted Masons will meet tonight at 7 p.m. at the lodge hall on KY, Hwy. 464, east of Almo, according to William Dixon, master.

## Purchase Retirees will meet

Purchase Area Chapter of Kentucky Retirees will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at Pizza Inn, 1001 Joe Clifton Dr., Paducah, for a combined luncheon and meeting.

## Dexter Clothes Closet open Thursday

The Clothes Closet will be open on the first and third Thursdays from 8 a.m. to noon at Dexter Baptist Church. For information call Linda Young, coordinator, at 437-4890.

## Lighthouse Clothes Closet open

Clothes Closet at Lighthouse Missionary Baptist Church is open every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information call 437-4588.

## Kappa Department will meet

Kappa Department of Murray Woman's Club will open the new club year with a salad supper tonight at 6:30 p.m. at the club house. "Empowered By Education" will be the theme of the meeting with Jane Bright giving the "Inspirational." Hostesses will be Belinda Wallis, Linda LaRochelle, Cathy Mathis and Barbara Barnett.

## Laker Band Boosters to meet

Calloway County Laker Band Boosters will meet today at 5:30 p.m. in the media center of Calloway County Middle School. Middle and high school parents and all interested persons are invited. Those attending are asked to note the change in meeting place.

## MHS Girls Soccer plans event

Murray High School girls soccer team will have a rebate day at Sirloin Stockade on Wednesday. Customers are asked to tell the cashier they are there for Lady Tigers.

## 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.

## Bingo play at Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus sponsor Bingo every Tuesday, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the building at 332 Squire Rd., Murray, KY 42071. Funds from the Bingo help support local, national and international charities. For more information call 293-7061.

## Al-Anon meeting is tonight

Al-Anon will meet tonight at 7:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. Please enter from the southside rear door located near the playground. The only requirement is that there be a problem of alcoholism or addiction in a relative or friend.

## Singles will meet tonight

Murray Singles (SOS) will meet tonight at 7 p.m. in the annex of Calloway Public Library. This is open to all singles. For information call Mike at 759-3180 or Pat at 489-2909.

## Health Express lists stops

Health Express of Murray-Calloway County Hospital will offer Osteo heel scans and blood pressure and pulse checks today from 12:30 to 3 p.m. at Save-A-Lot in Murray; on Wednesday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at Post Office in Buchanan, Tenn., and from 12:45 to 3 p.m. at Subway in Puryear, Tenn.

## Ladies Bowling League tonight

The Ladies Bowling League will start tonight at 6:30 p.m. at Corvette Lanes. Bowling will continue for 30 weeks. All ladies interested in bowling in one of the leagues are invited to attend the first event on Tuesday or call 753-2202.

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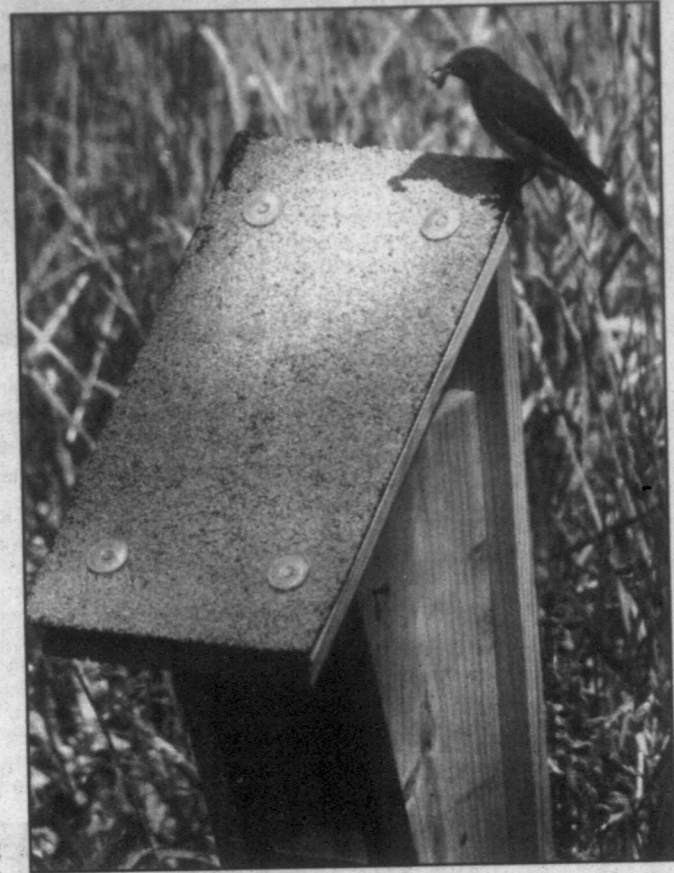
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## KBS announces school program

By EDWIN E. RAY  
KBS VP, Education Director  
Approximately 40 Kentucky schools are participating in The Kentucky Bluebird Society's Outdoor Classroom Enrichment Program (OCEP), Edwin Ray, KBS vice president, has reported. This exciting hands-on program was selected by the Kentucky Association of Environmental Education (KAEE) to receive the 2005 KAEE Award for Excellence in Environmental Education.

As part of OCEP, all Kentucky schools with bluebird habitat are invited to request up to five free bluebird boxes from KBS. Bluebirds prefer to nest in open grassy areas. Most Kentucky schools can support a bluebird nesting population although urban schools may not. Urban schools may select an option such as locating their bluebird boxes in a near-by open grassy area such as a park (with permission). The bluebird-nesting season is winding down for 2006 so now is a great time to begin planning and ordering boxes for the March 2007 nesting season.

KBS provides assistance to teachers as needed with its volunteer staff available in person when possible, or by e-mail. Many schools are finding that students are more interested in school subjects when the subjects can be combined with an active bluebird-nesting project. The bluebird-nesting program is aligned with Kentucky's core content and can easily be included in teaching life cycles, mathematics (counting eggs, percent nesting success), geography (bluebird range), art and much more. Participating schools receive a framed certificate recognizing their school's new bluebird "trail" and a free



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KBS organizational membership. The KBS membership includes receiving the KBS Newsletter, with participating schools invited to submit examples of their project work for possible publication in the KBS Newsletter.

KBS also produces an excellent bluebird box with a built in camera so students can observe real-live nesting bluebirds on an indoor TV monitor. The bluebird camera box is sold by KBS at a 50 percent discount to Kentucky schools. The camera nesting box provides live color images of nesting birds and sound.

Some results of this program

include better student grades and more students interested in conservation and improved populations of Kentucky bluebirds. Those interested in helping students and bluebirds, or wanting more information, should contact the Kentucky Bluebird Society, P.O. Box 3425, Paducah, KY 42002, or e-mail Ray at: edrayosprey@yahoo.com.

Information, with examples of student projects, is also available at the KBS web site at: <http://www.biology.uky.edu/kybluebirds.html>. KBS is supported by public memberships and donations. KBS is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.



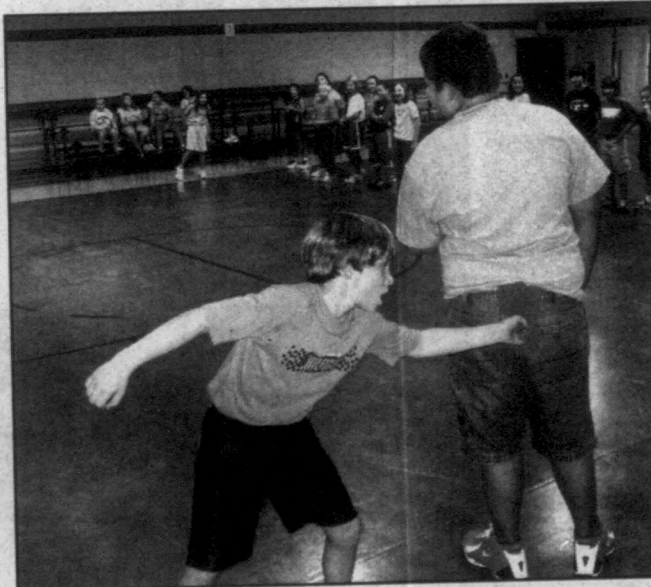
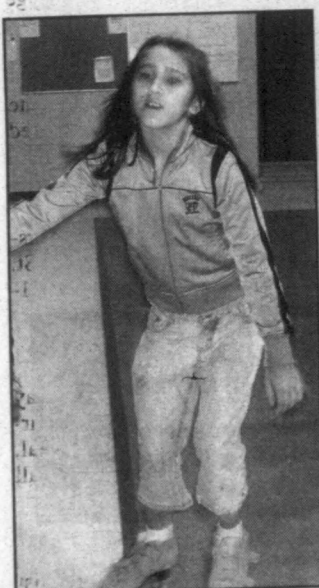
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**PIRATE DAY AT MES:** "Captain Book" and the "Bookaneers" at Murray Elementary School recently participated in a kick-off event for reading. The students attended learning stations about the adventures at sea that books bring. Pictured above, front row, are: David Harper; Taylor English; Hannah Tinsley; and William Haneline; Pictured above, back row, are: Chuck Ehram, art teacher; Kim Black, music teacher; and Tina Dunn, librarian, as "Captain Book."



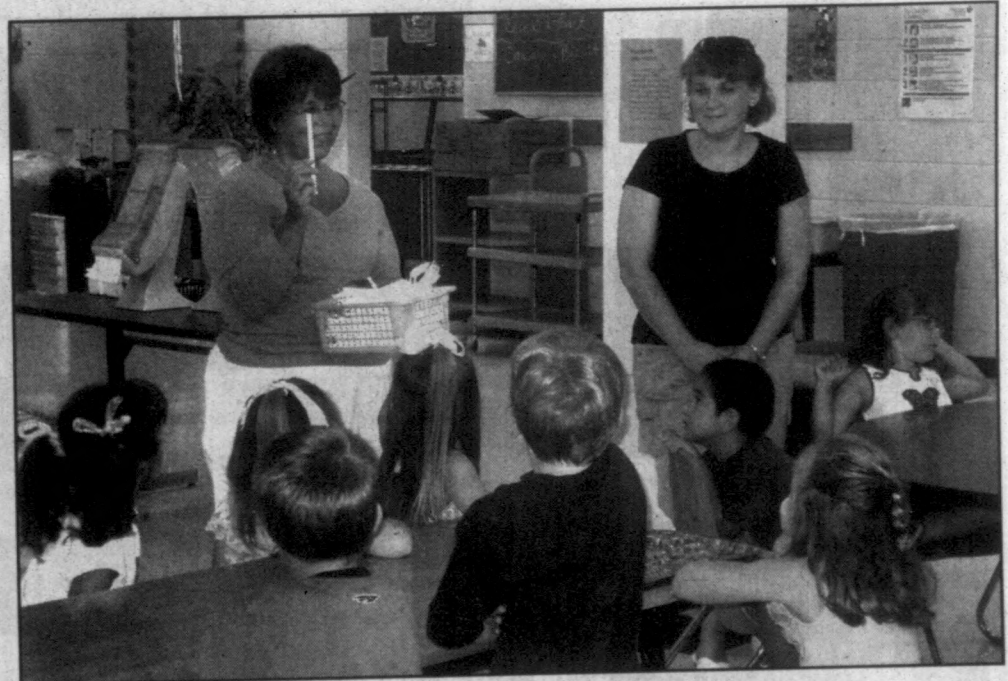
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**VIDEO PRODUCTION CLASS:** Calloway County High School senior Danny Joyce works on an audio console in his video production class at CCHS. Joyce has on his bath robe as a part of the school's "Pajama Day" activities during its recent Spirit Week. The students learn many different aspects of television production in the class, it was reported.



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**NORTH ELEMENTARY P.E. ACTIVITIES:** Students at Calloway County's North Elementary School recently enjoyed a game of Flag Tag (right) during a morning physical education class. Pictured above, Landon Fike, left, grabs a flag from Bradley Knight. At left, Makaylyn Wilson, participates in a skating activity during one of the morning class. Troy Webb, teacher, said the students were excited and pleased with the activities.



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**LEARNING CAFETERIA ETIQUETTE:** Becky Robertson, left, a kindergarten teacher at Southwest Elementary School, spent a portion of a recent school day explaining cafeteria etiquette to students. The training was designed to help the young students understand the guidelines for eating in a large setting with other students.

## KAS seeks nominations for Superlative Awards

Each year the Kentucky Academy of Science (KAS) presents Superlative Awards to those in the state who have made a significant contribution to science and engineering in either teaching or research. The KAS seeks your assistance in identifying these individuals. Please review the "Call for Nominations" document posted on the KAS website [www.kyacademyof-science.org](http://www.kyacademyof-science.org) for detailed information on the awards. Superlative Award categories include: 1) Distinguished College/University Scientist, 2) Outstanding College/University Teacher,

3) Outstanding Secondary School Science Teacher, 4) Distinguished Professional Scientist (in a non-academic position), and 5) Outstanding Academy Service. September 20, is the deadline for nominations, with complete packets due by September 27. All nominations and supporting materials should be submitted in electronic format; e-mail attachments must be in the MS Word format. Send to: Dr. John Mateja, c/o Jody Cofer, [jody.cofer@murraystate.edu](mailto:jody.cofer@murraystate.edu)

"Being nominating by a fellow teacher, a research colleague, or someone

working in the community is an honor in itself. Those receiving a KAS Superlative Award will be recognized at the organization's 92nd Annual Meeting in November on the campus of Morehead State University," said Dr. John Mateja, Vice-President of KAS. The Kentucky Academy of Science, founded in 1914, is an organization that encompasses all scientific fields. The 700-member organization encourages scientific research, promotes the diffusion of scientific knowledge and unifies the scientific interests of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

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# 'Crocodile Hunter' Irwin's death caught on tape

CAIRNS, Australia (AP) — Dramatic videotape of Steve Irwin's last moments shows him pulling a poisonous stingray barb from his chest, officials said Tuesday, as tributes poured in for the beloved naturalist.

As TV's "Crocodile Hunter," Irwin made a career out of getting dangerously close to deadly beasts. But police said there was nothing suspicious about his death and no evidence he provoked the animal.

Irwin, 44, was stabbed through the heart on Monday while snorkeling with a stingray during filming of a new TV program on Australia's Great Barrier Reef.

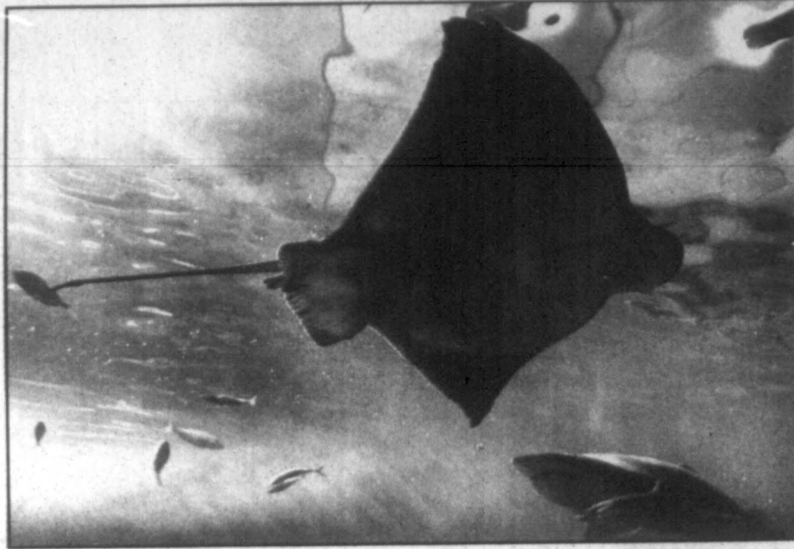
John Stainton, Irwin's manager who was among the crew on the reef, said the fatal blow was caught on videotape, and described viewing the footage as having the "terrible" experience of watching a friend die.

"It shows that Steve came over the top of the ray and the tail came up, and spiked him here (in the chest), and he pulled it out and the next minute he's gone," Stainton told reporters in the Queensland state city of Cairns, where Irwin's body was taken for an autopsy.

Police were holding the tape as evidence for a coroner's inquiry — a standard procedure in high-profile deaths or those caused by other than natural causes.

Experts agree human deaths caused by stingrays are extremely rare and speculate the stingray may have felt trapped between the cameraman and the TV star.

But Queensland Police



A stingray swims in its enclosure at the Sydney Aquarium. Australian international media personality and environmentalist Steve Irwin also known as the Crocodile Hunter was killed by a stingray barb to the heart while filming a television series on the Great Barrier Reef on Monday.

Superintendent Michael Keating said there was no evidence Irwin threatened or intimidated the stingray, a normally placid species that only deploys its poisonous tail spines as a defense.

Stainton said Irwin was in his element in the Outback, but that he and Irwin had talked about the sea posing threats the star wasn't used to.

"If ever he was going to go, we always said it was going to be the ocean," Stainton said. "On land he was

agile, quick-thinking, quick-moving and the ocean puts another element there that you have no control over."

Irwin's American wife Terri and two young children returned late Monday from a trekking vacation in Tasmania to Australia Zoo, the wildlife park where the family lived at Beerwah in Queensland's southeast.

Australia Zoo was open Tuesday — staff said it was what he would have wanted — but the mood was somber and most visitors were to a makeshift shrine of bouquets and handwritten condolence messages that emerged at the gate.

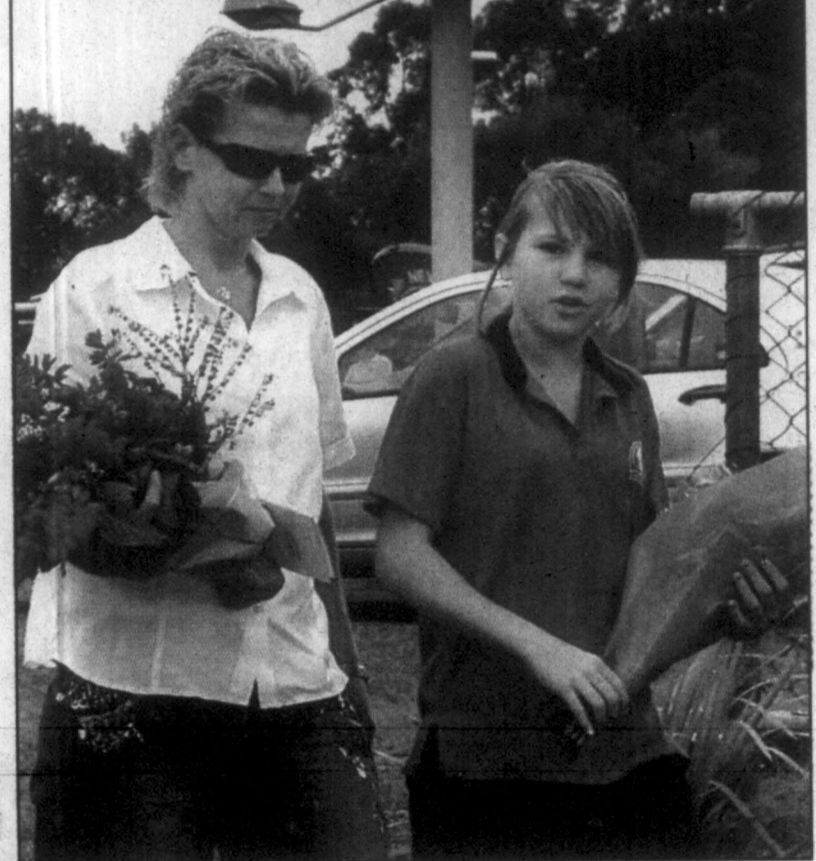
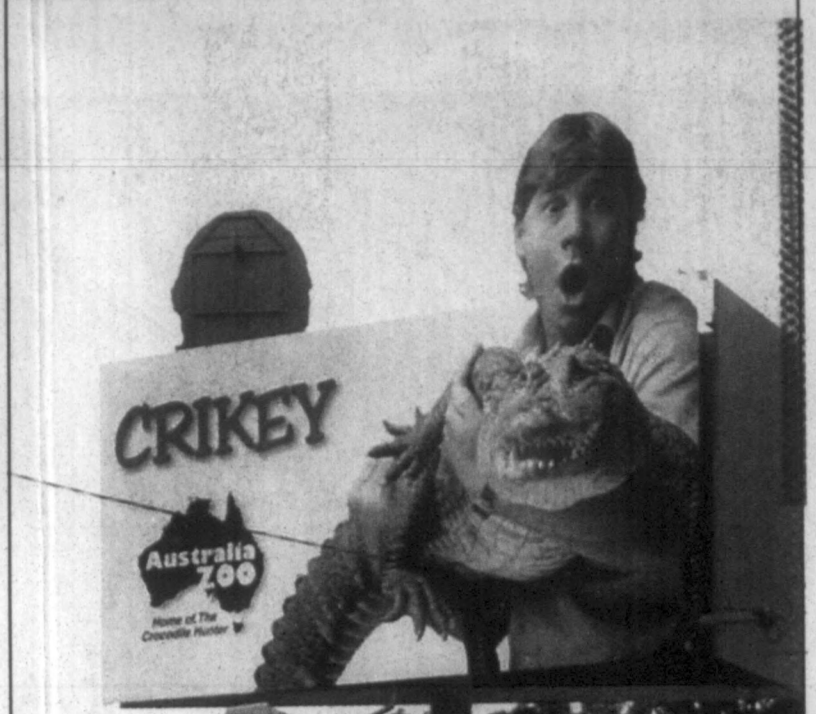
"Mate, you made the world a better place," read one poster left at the gate. "Steve, our hero, our legend, our wildlife warrior," read another. Khaki shirts — a trademark of Irwin — were laid out for people to sign.

Parliament interrupted its normal schedule so lawmakers could pay tribute to Irwin, whose body was flown home Tuesday from Cairns. No funeral plans were announced but state Premier Peter Beattie said Irwin would be afforded a state funeral if his family agreed.

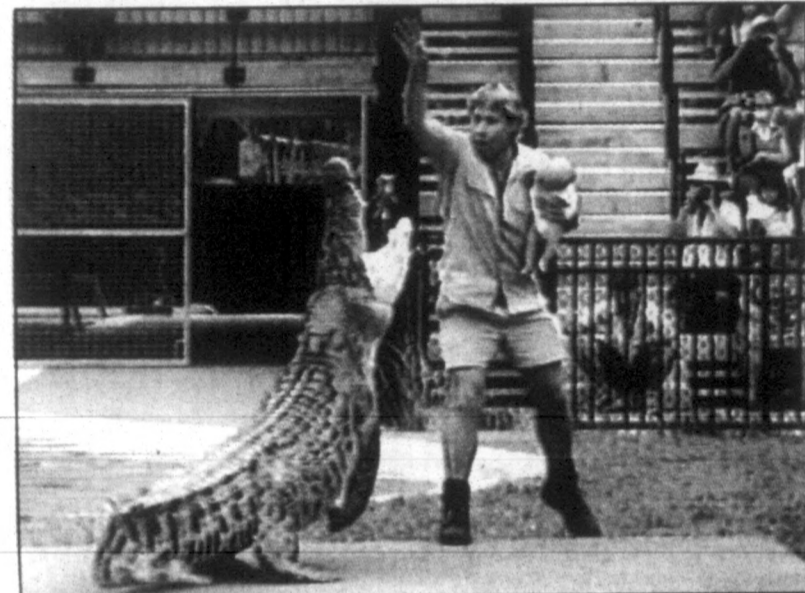
"He was a genuine, one-off, remarkable Australian individual and I am distressed at his death," Prime Minister John Howard said.

Irwin was propelled to global fame after his TV shows, in which he regularly wrestled with crocodiles and went face-to-face with poisonous snakes and other wild animals, were shown around the world on the Discovery Channel.

The network announced plans for a marathon screening of Irwin's work and a wildlife fund in his name.



Visitors deliver flowers to Australia Zoo today at Beerwah, home of Australian international media personality and environmentalist Steve Irwin who died on the Great Barrier Reef in far north Queensland, Australia, Monday. Irwin, known as The Crocodile Hunter, was killed Monday by a stingray barb to his heart while filming a new television series.



Australian Steve Irwin, famous for his TV show "The Crocodile Hunter," holds his month-old son, Robert, in front of a 13-foot crocodile in an image from television during a croc feeding at his Australian Zoo reptile park in Brisbane, Australia.

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AP  
Tiger Woods hits a wood off the 7th tee during the final round at the Deutsche Bank Championship golf tournament at the TPC of Boston in Norton, Mass., Monday.

# Five & Counting

## TIGER EXTENDS WIN STREAK WITH DEUTSCHE BANK RALLY

NORTON, Mass. (AP) — He knows how many majors Jack Nicklaus won, Sam Snead's record for total victories and, yes, Tiger Woods knows all about Byron Nelson's 11-tournament winning streak, too.

"It wasn't just 11. It was 11 in a row, 12 out of 13, 18 for the year," Woods said, rattling off the details in rapid fire. "That will work."

Woods won his fifth consecutive tournament on Monday, shooting an 8-under 63 in the final round of the Deutsche Bank Championship to beat Vijay Singh by two strokes. With his 53rd career victory, Woods moved past Nelson into fifth on the all-time list.

But he still has some work to do to top Nelson's record-setting streak from 1945.

"In this day and age, with this competition, to win 11 in a row would be almost unheard of," Woods said when asked how Nelson's accomplishment compared with others, like Joe DiMaggio's

56-game hitting streak. "What Byron accomplished, that goes down as one of the great years in the history of our sport. ... DiMaggio's record, I see that being broken more than winning 11 in a row."

Woods' streak began with the British Open — his first victory after his father died. Now, he's almost halfway to Lord Byron's mark, matching the best final round of his career to finish at 16-under 268 and win for the seventh time this year.

No other player has won more than

■ See WOODS, 2B

## MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

### Norris named to OVC weekly honor

#### SOPHOMORE LIBERO NAMED DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

By MSU Sports Information

Sophomore libero Heather Norris was a unanimous choice for Ohio Valley Conference Defensive Player of the Week, based on ballots taken from league volleyball media contacts.

Norris averaged 6.31 digs per match, a full 1.3 digs per outing more than anyone else in the conference. She had 33 digs against Idaho State in the team's first match of the season, then notched 26 digs against North Florida and 23 against Appalachian State.

Norris was named to the UNF Labor Day Classic All-Tournament Team for her efforts.

As a freshman last season, Norris ranked among the nation's best in digs, ranking as high as 11th in Division I and finishing the season at No. 17. She led the conference in digs per match for most of the season, repelling a season-high 37 at Eastern Illinois.

Murray State (2-1) returns to action this weekend at the Kent State Invitational. The Racers open on Friday at 6:30 p.m. CDT against host Kent State, then face North Carolina State on Saturday at 11:30 a.m., followed by a match against Chicago State at 4:30 p.m.

## Griffin leads Racers out of gate

### GOLF TEAM TURNS IN SOLID PERFORMANCE IN FIRST TOURNEY

By MSU Sports Information  
PINEVILLE, Ky. — The Murray State men's golf team broke from the gate with a solid performance in the first tournament of the fall season at Wasiota Winds Golf Resort.

The Racers fired a team score of 289 for a third-place tie with host Morehead State, one stroke behind second place John A. Logan. Eastern Kentucky is the leader of the Wasiota Fall Kick Off with a score of 276.

The Racers were led by freshman Chris Griffin with a three-under 69. He sits in fourth place in the field of 88 competitors. MSU

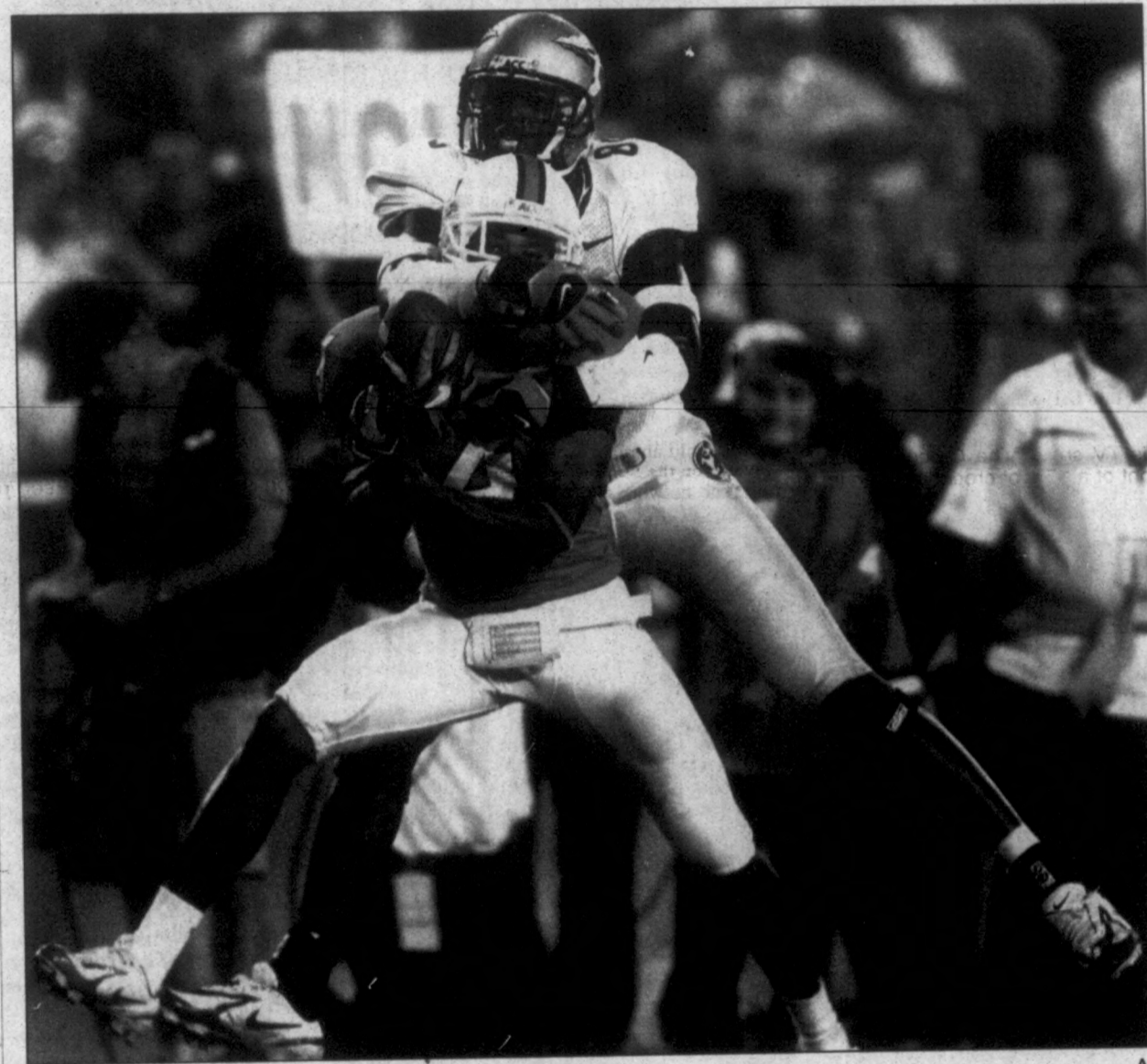
■ See GOLF, 2B



MSU Sports Information  
Freshman Chris Griffin was the leader for the Murray State men's golf team at the Wasiota Fall Kick Off, carding a 69 to help the Racers to a third-place finish on the first day of competition.

## SEMINOLES 13, HURRICANES 10

# The Beauty Of Winning Ugly



AP  
Miami cornerback Glenn Sharpe, foreground, breaks up a pass intended for Florida State wide receiver Greg Carr, rear, during the third quarter Monday at the Orange Bowl in Miami.

## FSU KICKER LEADS TEAM TO SECOND STRAIGHT WIN OVER MIAMI

MIAMI (AP) — Gary Cismesia tossed blades of grass skyward on the Florida State sideline, trying to decipher which way the wind was blowing.

Unable to figure it out, he went with the simplest plan: Kick straight.

With one swing of his strong right leg, Cismesia put a swift end to 15 years of Florida State's kicking woes against Miami. His 33-yard field goal with 8:01 left put the 11th-ranked Seminoles ahead to stay in their come-from-behind 13-10 win

over the 12th-ranked Hurricanes on Monday night.

"I didn't win the game," Cismesia said. "My team won the game."

It was the second straight win in the series for the Seminoles, who also eked out a three-point win over their Sunshine State rival in last season's opener — and took a piece of Orange Bowl sod back to Tallahassee as a souvenir from this one.

Drew Weatherford, who was awful in the 2005 win, was solid this time — throwing for 175 yards, 62 of

them on a pair of pivotal third-down conversions that set up the Seminoles' lone touchdown early in the fourth quarter. And Florida State's defense was dominant in the second half, holding Miami to 17 yards.

"In this series, it's been defense, defense, defense," Miami coach Larry Coker said. "Our defense has won in the past at times. But not tonight."

Michael Ray Garvin intercepted Kyle Wright's final pass with 29 seconds left, sealing the victory.

Florida State's offensive hopes almost entirely hinged on the passing game, since Miami's defensive front held the Seminoles to 1 yard on 25 rushes. Still, even a performance like that wasn't enough to carry the Hurricanes, who wasted a 10-3 halftime lead.

"You don't know how hard it is to beat Miami," Seminoles coach Bobby Bowden said. "I mean, I've been playing these guys for 31 years. They've probably got as good a defense as there is in the country, unless it's us."

## NATIONALS 4, CARDINALS 1

### St. Louis gets shut down

#### ORTIZ NEARLY PERFECT FOR WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON (AP) — A near no-hitter? Yeah, that's worth smiling about. A first career home run? Now, there's a reason to celebrate.

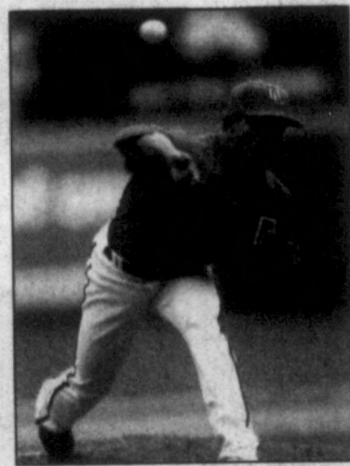
Ramon Ortiz came within three outs of pitching the majors' first no-hitter in more than two years Monday, but it was his eight-inning shot to the bullpen beyond the left field fence that had him practically giddy after the Washington Nationals' 4-1 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

"When I see that ball's a homer, I say, 'Yes! It's unbelievable. I can't sleep tonight,'" Ortiz said. "I can't wait to go to my house to watch the TV and watch how hard we hit the ball."

On the second pitch of the next inning, Ortiz left a fastball up in the strike zone to leadoff hitter Aaron Miles, who singled to center to end 33-year-old Dominican's bid to become the first pitcher to throw a no-hitter since Randy Johnson's perfect game for the Arizona Diamondbacks on May 18, 2004.

"He came up short, but we decided it was worth a bottle of Dom anyway," said general manager Jim Bowden, shortly after presenting Ortiz with a bottle of the highbrow champagne.

Bowden also held his own ticker tape parade for Ortiz, throwing paper out the window of the GM's box after the pitcher's home run off reliever Jorge Sosa — only the 10th hit in Ortiz's career.



AP  
Washington starter Ramon Ortiz delivers a pitch against the Cardinals during the sixth inning Monday in Washington.

## KENTUCKY FOOTBALL

# Wildcats still holding out hope

### UK STILL HOPES FOR BOWL BERTH AFTER LOUISVILLE LOSS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The Louisville Cardinals had their way with the Kentucky Wildcats as most expected.

Fortunately for Kentucky, there's a

lot more football to be played between now and December. And the Wildcats are sticking to the goal they talked about at media day a month ago.

"We got 11 more games left," quarterback Andre Woodson said. "We got plenty of games to get us into a bowl game."

Woodson and some of his teammates showed flashes of bowl wor-

thinness but ultimately fell to the Cardinals, 59-28.

Woodson missed on his first six pass attempts but finished the night with 231 passing yards and three touchdowns. Maybe even more important, Woodson had zero turnovers. Last season against the Cardinals, Woodson fumbled four times and lost three.

The most productive player Sun-

day night was wide receiver Keenan Burton. He had a career high 127 receiving yards, and 185 kick return yards. Burton took one kickoff back 100 yards for his second score of the night. Wide receiver Dicky Lyons caught Woodson's other two touchdown passes.

"We just know we have athletes to get the ball to in space," Wood-

■ See WILDCATS, 2B

PREP GOLF

Tigers take triangular match

NEWSOME LEADS MHS PAST TRIGG, LYON

Staff Report EDDYVILLE, Ky. — The Murray High School boys' golf team competed in a triangular match with Trigg and Lyon counties last Thursday at Mineral Mounds State Park.

Murray claimed the match with a team score of 181. Trigg followed with a 192, while Lyon County finished third with a 233.

Leading the way for MHS was Zack Newsome, who fired a 43. James Campbell, Will Shearer and Colin Capps each carded a 46 to round out the Tiger scoring.

The Murray girls' squad did not compete in the match. Both MHS teams were scheduled to return to action this afternoon against Carlisle County and Christian Fellowship at Murray Country Club.

Wildcats

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son said. "We know that we have vertical threats and we have players who can make plays on their own."

But Burton would take no comfort in his individual performance.

"Regardless of what I've done, we lost," he said. "That's the main thing. There's nothing I've done that was special because we lost."

It also didn't help that Burton and Louisville running back Michael Bush have been friends since before their ages hit double digits. Both wear number 19. Bush broke his leg when Wildcats' linebacker Wesley Woodyard tackled him in the third quarter.

Bush, who had three rushing touchdowns before being injured, will miss the rest of the season. He had been touted as a Heisman Trophy candidate.

Like Woodson, Woodyard, who led the Wildcats with 10.5 tackles, saw positives from his team in the loss.

"We never quit and that was the big thing," Woodyard said.

They didn't quit but they were sporadic. The Wildcats have had consistency problems since last season.

"We made some plays," head coach Rich Brooks said. "I think we showed we have the capability if we can put it all together but we certainly didn't come close to putting it together tonight."

The Wildcats also used several young players including linebacker Micah Johnson and defensive lineman Corey Peters, both freshmen. They combined for eight solo tackles.

The Wildcats' running game, which should have been a positive, never got rolling. Running back Rafael Little rushed for more than 1,000 yards last season but managed only 21 yards against the Cardinals. Running back Tony Dixon had five yards.



Kentucky quarterback Andre Woodson is tackled by Louisville defenders Adrian Grady (94), and Abe Brown during the first half Sunday in Louisville.

"We didn't get our backs loose at all," Brooks said.

Though it's September, the Wildcats' youngsters and running staff will have to come together quickly if they want to keep their goal of playing in December.

"The only redeeming thing is, we have 11 other opportunities," Brooks said.

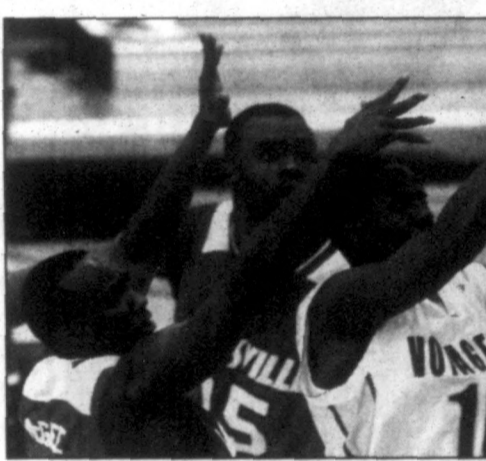
The Wildcats' next game will be Saturday against Texas State in Lexington.

LOUISVILLE 89, LAURENTIAN 49

Cardinals run record to 2-0 with another Canadian win

OTTAWA, Canada (AP) — Terrence Williams led five Louisville players in double figures with 15 points as the Cardinals rolled to an 89-49 win over Laurentian University in an exhibition game on Monday.

Jonathan Huffman had 13 points for the Cardinals while Edgar Sosa had 11 and Juan Palacios and Earl Clark added 10 points apiece for Louisville as the Cardinals completed their three-game series of exhibitions against Canadian collegiate teams undefeated.



Louisville's Andre McGee, left, and Perrin Johnson, center, keep an eye on Laurentian's Darrell Drake, right, in the first half in Ottawa, Canada, Monday.

Louisville held Laurentian to 29 percent shooting from the floor and used a 20-0 run to start the second half and put the game away. The Cardinals forced 27 turnovers and shot 56 percent from the floor.

"Overall, I got a chance in these three games to find out our strengths and weaknesses in the month of September," coach Rick Pitino said. "This was a very rewarding trip for us."

Jason Brown led Laurentian with nine points.

Coach arrested for assaulting boy on opposing team after late hit

STOCKTON, Calif. (AP) — An assistant youth football coach was arrested for felony child abuse after allegedly rushing the field and assaulting a boy on the opposing team, police said.

Cory Petero, 36, of Riverbank, turned himself in to Stockton police Saturday night following what witnesses described as a late hit that turned into a brawl, with parents and children from both teams fighting on the field.

Referee Tim Winek said he had just called a penalty on Brian Wood, 13, a Stockton Bears player.

"There was a penalty on the play, and it was a late hit," Winek said. "The parent of the kid who got hit took exception to it. He came charging out onto the field."

Daniel Champion, who identified himself as Wood's father, told The (Stockton) Record that his son suffered bruises on his stomach and jaw from the assault.

The brawl erupted at around 3:30 p.m. with less than a minute left to play between the Riveroak Redskins and the Bears.

Fighting continued for about 20 minutes, according to witnesses.

State Football Polls

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The top teams in the Kentucky Associated Press high school football polls, with first-place votes, records, total points and previous rankings.

Table with columns: Rank-School, FPV, Rcd, TP, Pvs. Lists top teams in Class 1A and Class 2A.

Table with columns: Rank-School, FPV, Rcd, TP, Pvs. Lists top teams in Class 3A and Class 4A.

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senior Nick Griffin and junior Jerry Price are in 21st place after a pair of even-par 72's.

Freshman Jared Wolfe is in 52nd position after a four-over 76 and senior Mark Brant sits in 67th place with a 79. Senior Michael Craft, playing as an individual, is in 33rd place after a 74.

Northern Kentucky, Walters State JC, Dayton,

Tennessee Tech, Southern Illinois and Bellarmine round out the Top 10. Lindsey Wilson College, Cumberland and IPFW are in 11th, 12th and 13th place, respectively.

The Wasiota course is playing 6,428 yards to a par of 72 this week. The 54-hole event was scheduled to wrap up today, with the teams playing 36 holes.

SCOREBOARD

Advertisement for The Insurance Center of Murray, featuring a photo of a man and contact information.

NATIONAL SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Table showing National League Standings and American League Standings with columns for W, L, Pct, GB.

Monday's Games and Tuesday's Games sections listing various sports events and scores.

Woods

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"I was 4 over through five holes; he was 4 under through five," Rose said. "Obviously, it was 'Game Over' for me."

Woods twice shot 63 in the final round at the Byron Nelson Championship and once at Disney, but this was his lowest final round in a tournament that he won. It also was his largest comeback in the final round since he overcame a five-shot deficit at the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am in 2000, which he won for his sixth straight victory.

In the process, he crossed out something else on his ever diminishing "to-do" list: He had never won the Deutsche Bank Championship, a tournament that lists his foundation as one of its charitable beneficiaries.

"If a lot of guys pull out," Woods said with a laugh. Singh shot a course-record 61 on Sunday to take a three-stroke lead into the final day. But he followed that up with a 68, shooting even par on the front nine while Woods went 6 under — with two eagles — on the first seven holes.

"Normally it's good enough. Today it wasn't," Singh said. "Tiger played incredible on the front nine. I hung in there but I made too many mistakes."

Brian Bateman shot 66 to finish third at 8-under 276. Justin Rose, who entered the day tied with Woods in second, closed with a 72 to finish in a tie for fourth at 7 under with Robert Allenby (68).

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LABOR DAY TELETHON: Ed McMahon looks to the crowd as they cheer for Jerry Lewis during a record contribution of \$23.5 million from the International Association of Fire Fighters on Monday in Las Vegas. The 41st annual Labor Day Telethon received an all-time high of \$61,013,855 million in pledges and contributions.

### AP-AOL Video Poll: Video viewers shun full-length movies, TV shows

By ANICK JESDANUN AP Internet Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — You won't find Vanita Butler sitting in front of her computer watching a full-length movie or television show, even though she's an avid viewer of video on the Internet.

The 43-year-old saleswoman from Newark, Ohio, said she sees the Internet as more of a tool — for catching a news story or highlights from a NASCAR race. When she has time for entertainment, she and her husband prefer the television set.

"It's a little bit more of an intimate environment," Butler said of watching television. "We can sit and do it together."

Butler is a typical consumer of video over the Internet, according to a new AP-AOL Video poll, which found that only one in five online video viewers have watched or downloaded a full-length movie or television show.

Overall, more than half of Internet users have watched or downloaded video. News clips were the most popular, seen by 72 percent of online video viewers, followed by short movie and TV clips, music videos, sports highlights and user-generated amateur videos.

Cheryl Landers, 50, a retail manager in Dedham, Mass., said she finds amateur clips funny and entertaining, but with two foster kids, she can never spare more than five minutes at a time, let alone a whole hour to watch an entire television episode. She said she usually has the TV on as background noise.

The poll's findings come as major Hollywood studios and television networks are increasingly making their old and current programs available online — free with commercials, or for \$1.99 an episode through services like Apple Computer Inc.'s iTunes Music Store and Google Inc.'s video store. AOL announced deals with four studios last month to offer programs through its new video portal.

"Rome wasn't built in a day," said Benjamin Feingold, president of Sony Pictures Home Entertainment, which is selling programs and giving away ad-supported shows through AOL. "A lot of progress has been made in terms of the quality of video and audio on the Web. It's not the same as broadcast or DVD, but it's improving."

Kevin Conroy, executive vice president for AOL, said its users have been watching longer and longer clips as more programs become available — starting with music videos, moving to television and now adding movies. Viewership should improve, he said, as more portable gadgets and other devices support Internet video.

For now, full-length programs are good for frequent travelers who like to watch movies on laptops and for television fans who might have missed an episode of a serial drama like "Lost," said Rob Enderle, an industry analyst with the Enderle Group. Few PCs these days are hooked up to television sets, he said, making longer programs less of a draw.

Enderle and other analysts consider online video key to AOL's ability to increase traffic to ad-supported sites and offset declines in revenues expected as the company drops subscription fees for millions of high-speed customers. Last month, AOL launched a video portal it envisions as a television guide for video clips from around the Internet, including those at rival sites.

The Associated Press also has its sights on video. In March, the news cooperative launched a service with Microsoft Corp. allowing AP member Web sites to offer free video news clips and share in ad revenue. The AP Online Video-Network uses Microsoft's MSN Video technology.

The major networks have free and premium subscription offerings on their sites, while ABC and NBC are also selling news clips through iTunes. The new survey found that relatively few — 7 percent of video users — have paid to watch any video online. Nearly three-quarters of online video users prefer free videos with ads.

"I'm pretty much against paying for stuff on the Internet," said P.J. Park, 25, of Mount Rainier, Md.

Men and younger people were more likely to have watched online video, although one in five Internet users 65 and older and nearly half of all online women have. Joyce Wade, 66, of Dover, Del., said she likes the fact that she can watch news clips from the British Broadcasting Corp. and avoid watching "the same thing over and over again" on TV.

Troy Richards, a businessman from Scottsdale, Ariz., likes the control the Internet offers.

"I don't like to watch the news because it's depressing, so I just go on the computer and pick the stories I want to see," Richards said.

He also likes to watch Arizona Diamondbacks games online when he is at his summer home in San Diego.

"The quality is not nearly as good, but it gets the job done," he said.

Among other findings: — Users of online video are drawn to its convenience and accessibility, but the bulk of them say their television viewing habits remain unchanged.

— One-third of video viewers — higher among high-speed Internet users — say they watch more video on the Internet now than a year ago.

— Urbanites and suburbanites — who have high-speed connections at home in greater numbers than rural residents — are more likely to have watched video online.

— Forty-six percent of video watchers with high-speed service view video at least once a week, compared with 22 percent of dial-up users. Dial-up users also were more likely to complain about download times.

The AP-AOL Video poll of 3,003 adults, including 1,347 online video watchers, was taken by telephone July 27-Aug. 9. It has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 2 percentage points for all adults and of 3 percentage points for online video watchers.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Associated Press Writer Will Lester, AP Manager of News Surveys Trevor Tompson and News Survey Specialist Dennis Junius in Washington contributed to this report.

### TV Listings Wednesday, September 6, 2006

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

Table of TV listings for Wednesday Morning, September 6, 2006. Columns include time slots (6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30) and various channels (WKRH-ABC, WSL-ABC, WSMY-NBC, etc.) with program titles.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

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

Table of TV listings for Wednesday Afternoon, September 6, 2006. Columns include time slots (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30) and various channels with program titles.

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

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

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