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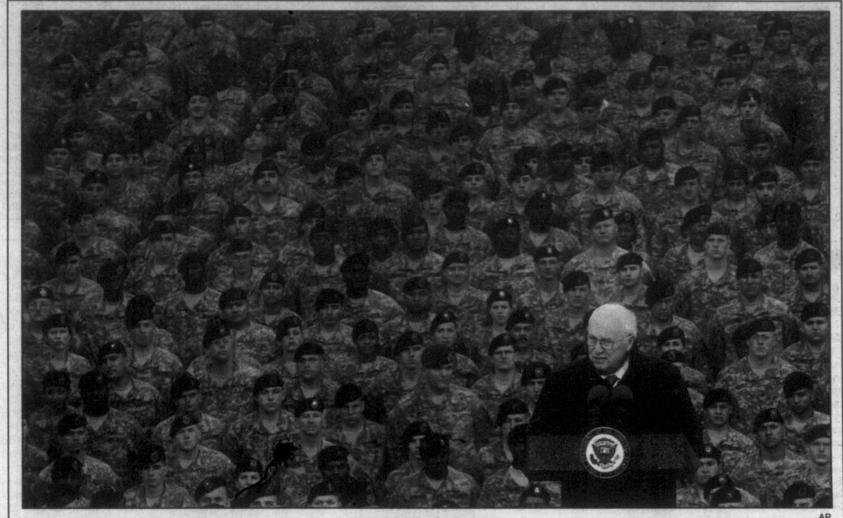
Staff Report

A 40-year-old Murray man died in a two-vehicle collision Monday morning on Ky. 121 North just west of Robertson Road.

Kerry Oakley died from injuries sustained when his vehicle struck another vehicle head on, according to a release from the Calloway County Sheriff's Department.

Calloway County Deputy Coroner Ricky Walls pronounced Oakley dead at the scene at 9:18 a.m. Walls said the preliminary cause of death is blunt force trauma to his chest, according to an autopsy performed Monday afternoon.

The sheriff's department was dispatched to the scene for a possible injury crash at 8:34 a.m.



VP VISIT: Vice President Dick Cheney addresses members of the 101st Airborne during a visit to Fort Campbell Army Base in Fort Campbell, Ky., Monday. See related story on page 3A.

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# Whitfield, Barlow spar in KET debate

By KRISTIN TAYLOR

Republican U.S. Congressman Ed Whitfield touted progress in

healthcare and economic development during his 12 years in office, while his Democratic opponent, Tom Barlow, said more needs to be done but didn't offer any clear-cut solutions.

The two men responded to questions from each other and two western Kentucky journalists during a televised debate Monday evening on KET. The congressional First District is made up of 34 counties, including Calloway, and stretches from the Mississippi River to the Appalachian foothills.

Whitfield, who was elected in 1994 and is seeking a seventh term, opened the debate with comments that he doesn't consider Barlow — a former one-term congressman who is running in his seventh election — the best choice for voters.

"When Tom Barlow was a member of the United States Congress, he voted for the largest tax increase in history of our country," Whitfield said. "He voted to increase taxes on Social Security benefits. He voted to increase taxes on personal income. He voted to increase taxes on the gasoline tax.

Barlow tax.

"While I have been a member of Congress, I have voted against tax increases and as a result of that policy, it has stimulated our

In his opening comments, Barlow said workers' wages aren't keeping up with rising costs of living, including healthcare premi-

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### MISD questions safety of buses

# Confusion apparently rests with 'safe' and 'legal' tread measurement guidelines

By TOM BERRY Staff Writer

The Murray Independent Board of Education is seeking almost \$20,000 in reimbursement from Calloway County Schools for the replacement of tires on school buses that MISD officials claim were not properly maintained.

In an update to the board during a special-called meeting Monday night, Murray Superintendent Bob Rogers told board members that he was contacted by Taylor Bus Sales officials that buses the district took possession of this year from the Calloway County school bus garage would need new tires and minor repairs beyond what was expected and didn't want the district to be surprised by the

Rogers said he and Dale Reid, district director of operations, inspected tires on 11 Murray Independent school buses in July that the district sold to or sub-let and then obtained back from Calloway County and found at least 24 tires in a condition they considered unsafe under Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. Rogers said the district paid Taylor Bus Sales almost \$20,000 for repairs and maintenance on the fleet.

"They just said you need to come look at these buses because they are going to take a lot of work and we don't want you to be surprised when you get your bill," Rogers told the board.

As part of a March 2005 nonresident agreement between the two districts. Murray

Independent sold or sub-let the buses to the Calloway County Board of Education for the transport of Murray Independent students to classes for the 2005-06 school year. As part of the agreement, Calloway was paid \$850,000 in state transportation funding through MISD and an additional \$287,154 in SEEK add-on funds for transportation costs earmarked to be used for transportation maintenance, personnel and upkeep for the year. The money was allocated by the state through MISD to Calloway County Schools.

While showing board members and other school officials pictures of the tires in question with an overhead projector, Rogers said that he contacted Calloway Superintendent Steve Hoskins on Aug. 22 explaining the situation and Hoskins later agreed to pull the maintenance records on the designated buses. Rogers requested the two meet to discuss the issue and Rogers, Hoskins and other officials for both districts met at Taylor Bus Sales six day later to look at the tires.

According to Rogers, there was an agreement that "differences lie in the way tread is measured."

Rogers said Hoskins then contacted him later the same day saying he had called the Kentucky Department of Education asking them to send an objective third party down to assess the situation. On Sept. 6, Don Saylor, a tire and maintenance specialist hired by the KDE, arrived from Louisville to inspect the tires and reportedly told Rogers that the tires were



Photo provided the center of

In this photo is a sample of a school bus tire at the center of a dispute between Murray Independent and Calloway County school district officials. The crux of the dispute is over whether or not this tire and 23 similar tires meet state and federal guidelines and still be safe and functional.

too unsafe to be on school buses, according to a copy of a release to the Murray Independent Board of Education by Rogers.

I have documentation to that effect," Hoskins said. "So I think they are OK and I hate to make any concessions to them

Rogers said he got an e-mail from Saylor on Sept. 25 concerning his assessment of the situation. Rogers then sent a letter to Hoskins requesting reimbursement for the expenses the next day. On Friday, Rogers said he was notified by Hoskins that the Calloway County Board of Education would need more information before making a decision on the MISD request.

"That's where we stand right now," Rogers told the MISD board last night. "We have requested that the county board reimburse us for our costs and we are still waiting their answer."

Hoskins said this morning that he has a report from Saylor saying the tires are "safe and legal" under state and federal guidelines.

"They meet or exceed all state and federal guidelines and

effect," Hoskins said. "So I think they are OK and I hate to make any concessions to them because that's like admitting that they weren't. But, anyway, we're just trying to be a good neighbor and since some of those tires were close and in the normal event of maintenance on buses it was close according to the number of 1/32nds on tread."

During a meeting of the Calloway County Board of Education meeting Thursday night, board members post-poned any decision concerning MISD's request until further information was available concerning maintenance records on the buses. Hoskins said this morning that the board is waiting on a comparison between the condition of the buses when they were received by Calloway last year to the condition they were in when they were re-pur-

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JACK-KNIFED: This semi-truck jack-knifed around 9:30 a.m. Monday on U.S. 641 South, which blocked traffic. Kentucky State Police handled the incident near Midway. No injuries were reported.

#### SheriffPoliceFireLogs 4 6 1

Calloway County Sheriff's Department A caller from a Ky. 121. South location reported at 3:35 p.m. Friday his place had been broken into again. A burglary case

· A caller from Gray Wolf Drive reported at 8:19 a.m. Sunday her camper was broken into at Earthdaddies Campground. An incident report was taken.

Murray Police Department

• A purse was reported stolen from A-Plus Karate at 3:54 p.m.

Monday. Halloween decorations were reported stolen from 1502

Canterbury Drive at 5:09 p.m. Monday.

Subjects were throwing stink bombs at 5:59 p.m. Monday at Peddlers Mall.

A tree fell on several cars at 1635 Farmer Ave. at 8:38 p.m. Monday

**Murray State University Police Department** · A trash can on the north side of Richmond College was on fire at 3:53 p.m. Wednesday. Two males set off firecrackers in the Dumpster. Murray Fire Department cleared it out. The state fire marshal's office was notified. A student reported damage to a vehicle parked on College

Circle at 4:05 p.m. Wednesday. A criminal mischief report was taken. · A caller wanted to talk with an officer about a stolen wallet at 4:31 p.m. Friday. A report was taken for theft by unlawful taking

less than \$300. Hub caps were reported missing from a vehicle at Richmond College at 6:52 p.m. Sunday. A report was taken for theft by

unlawful taking more than \$300. Calloway County Fire-Rescue

· A grass fire was reported at 1:41 p.m. Sunday on Ky. 80 between Todd and Purdom roads.

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

#### ■ MISD ...

#### From Front

chased by Murray this summer. In accord with the March 2005 non-resident agreement, Calloway agreed to take over bus transportation for both districts for five years; however the agreement contained an "optout" clause and the responsibility for bus transportation was passed back to Murray after only one year. Reid said last night that the buses now at the center of the dispute between the two districts were the same buses that Murray sold or sublet to Calloway County in 2005 and had purchased or sub-let back from them during the sum-

The buses were used by Calloway to transport Murray Independent students and

### Town Crier

NOTICE ■ The Murray Planning

Commission will meet at 5 p.m. today at city hall. The agenda includes two public hearings to set the zoning for two proposed annexations and the review of a preliminary subdivision for Kamden Estates off Ky. 121 North.

■ The Murray Board of Zoning Adjustments will meet at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday at city hall. The agenda includes two public hearings about allowing non-related people gether in a family residential zone.

Murray No. 2 Water District in area of Ky. 121 will be flushing South hydrants Friday and Saturday. ■ To report a Town Crier

item, call 753-1916.

Murray bus drivers were employed to perform the duty. The MISD board took no action concerning the issue at last night's meeting

In other action, the board approved non-resident contracts for the 2006-07 school year with Calloway, Graves, Mayfield Independent and Marshal County schools. Reid, also director of pupil personnel, told the board that 462 non-resident students from Calloway County were now attending classes in Murray school from which the district was receiving state daily attendance funding under a contract three-year Calloway

However he pointed out that the district is not collecting any attendance funding from an additional 131 Calloway students that were now attending classes in Murray. Reid said about 230 students who live in the Murray School district are now attending Calloway County

He also noted that 25 students who live in the disputed Crossfield subdivision attend Murray schools this year and five attend Calloway County. Neither district is collecting any state attendance funding for the students until a decision is made by the Kentucky Board of Education concerning the annexation of the Crossfield subdivision by Murray.

According to Reid, a total of about 30 students were approved under non-resident contracts between the district and Marshall, Graves and Mayfield Independent school

### Debate ...

#### From Front

ums and gas prices.

"I am going to be working for the future of the first district and the future of the first district is jobs - more jobs, better-paying jobs in the first district. The first district has been suffering from job losses, job stagnation, layoffs, cutbacks in wages," Barlow said. "... We are going to cut taxes for working people. We are going to see our Democratic-led Congress move our nation ahead and Kentucky ahead with good jobs.'

But later Barlow advocated affordable healthcare coverage for all Americans when Paducah Sun political reporter Bill Bartleman asked the candidates about whether they'd support universal healthcare. Details were few.

"Don't state the problem," Bartleman told Barlow, who often mentioned the 530,000 Kentuckians without affordable health insurance. "State how it's going to be solved."

Barlow said citizens would pay for such à healthcare plan through taxes.

They need affordable medical insurance," he said earlier. "And it's going to be my work as soon as I get to Congress to push for full coverage for all Americans with affordable health insurance."

But Whitfield basically said Barlow, who served in the House from 1993-95 after defeating long-time representative Carroll Hubbard, had his chance to improve the system.

"I might say, Tom, when you were in Congress, you did not do a particularly good job of addressing the health care problem when you were there," Whitfield said. "I might say I have voted to curtail malpractice lawsuits. I have voted to allow community health centers to expand across the country. We've improved Medicaid. We've improved Medicare. We're providing more money for health care than we ever

Specifically, Whitfield said he was proud of the legislation that allows senior citizens on Medicare to have a prescription drug benefit for the first time, paying no more than \$5 for a brand-name drug.

When Kentucky New Era reporter Joe Parrino asked the candidates about troops in Iraq, Barlow said government leaders need to listen to military officials and consider their perspec-

"At some point in the future, we are going to have to have Iraqis carry their own water for their own country, their own government," Barlow said. We've helped them in many, many ways. We've helped them form a government. We've helped them form their constitution and their elections, which were very, very well attended by voters. So now it's time to turn to the Iraqi people and say, 'We can't always be there for you. We have to let you take the job on yourself and do it."

Whitfield praised the troops and then said there needs to be an orderly withdrawal of troops so neighboring countries like Iran and Syria don't see a chance to become involved.

"They've performed admirably. They've done exactly what we've asked them to do," the congressman said. "We know there are more young Iraqis in schools today. They are next month or so. We know there are about 275,000 Iraqis now in the military. The police force is being built up as well.

"I know every member of Congress, including myself, would like to withdraw our troops as soon as possible. We do not want to do it unilaterally. We do not want to do it prematurely because that will make the situation worse in the area."

Both candidates said they'd support an increase in the minimum wage, which has been \$5.15 for nine years. And Whitfield went on to say he and his House colleagues approved an increase that also incorporated tax reductions, but the Democrat-led Senate didn't want the permanent reductions

Early in the debate, the can-

didates asked each other questions, which prompted Whitfield to raise concerns about Barlow's past voting on immigration.

Whitfield praised the strong immigration bill that makes being in the country illegally a felony offense and has criminal penalties for companies to knowingly hire illegal immigrants. But the congressman said his opponent voted against an amendment that would allow states to require proof of citizenship before permitting immigrants to vote in U.S. elections.

"What I voted on was 12 years in the past and the times have changed dramatically and my votes are going to be for a stronger American, for a more secure America," Barlow said. "And we are going to have to get on top of our illegal immigrant problem and make sure illegal immigrants do not stay in America at all.'

Meanwhile, Barlow asked Whitfield about his service on a subcommittee responsible for overseeing energy costs. He asked why there hadn't been hearings on the rising gasoline

Whitfield responded saying the subcommittee did look into the matter and has looked at using more ethanol fuel, relying on coal and producing more bio-

"We did hold hearings, Tom, as a matter of fact about the gasoline prices. We brought in corporate executives to talk about the gasoline prices," Whitfield said. "As you know, I also had hearings on the impact Katrina had on the gasoline prices in the U.S. As you know, 25 percent of our refineries were incapacitated because of Katrina. A number of oil platforms were disabled in the Gulf, and that cut down on production."

The two reporters also asked questions concerning Whitfield's political future. Bartleman raised the rumors that Whitfield was considering running for Kentucky governor with U.S. Sen McConnell's blessing.

"I have never had any interest in running for governor of Kentucky," Whitfield said. "Many people have asked me about my interest for running for governor. I have told them I am not interested in running for governor of Kentucky. I enjoy being in the U.S. Congress. I've found it very challenging."

Later Parrino brought up term limits. Whitfield said when he ran in 1994 he refused to sign a document that said he would not seek more than three terms. The congressman said voters make a choice every two years and he's learned seniority makes a difference in the House.

"I think I'm even becoming more effective each year," Whitfield said.

Barlow's political aspirations also were questioned. Bartleman asked him what he offers voters in this seven attempt for office after only one successful race.

"We are going to pick up where we left off in 1994 when we were defeated. I had been in congress for two years and we had gotten jobs into the district," Barlow said. "... I want to pick up where we left off and have a ving economy in western Kentucky central Kentucky.

The Democratic candidate also said he would listen to what colleagues interested in being Speaker of the House, including Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., had to say before making a choice, despite her liberal believes that Barlow admitted don't always line up with Kentuckians.

"I am going to listen to the open debate as we in the Democratic party have it among all candidates," Barlow said. "And then I'll make my vote for the people of western Kentucky and central Kentucky."

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#### Wreck ...

From Front

Oakley was traveling southbound on Ky. 121 when he crossed the center line and struck an oncoming vehicle, driven by Gary Jones, 50, of Almo, head on, according to Calloway County Sheriff's Deputy Dennis Chief McDaniel's report.

At the time of the collision, the weather was rainy.

Murray Fire Department extricated Oakley from his vehicle using the Jaws of Life. A pri-

vate vehicle transported Jones to Murray-Calloway County Hospital emergency room, where he was treated and released, according to the sheriff's department release.

Ky. 121 was closed for about five hours as officers investigated the crash and removed the wreckage.

Calloway County Fire-Rescue and Murray-Calloway County Disaster Emergency Services also responded to the scene. McDaniel is continuing the investigation.



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Joe Currin, right, father of murder victim Jessica Currin who was killed Aug 1, 2000 in Mayfield, Ky., attends a rally Monday in Louisville, Ky., to press for justice in her case that has gone unsolved. Next to him is Ralph Perkin of Mayfield a member of the New Vision Ministries. A group rallied Monday in Louisville to call for an FBI investigation into the unsolved slaying of a western Kentucky teenager.

### Supporters call for FBI to investigate unsolved murder

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — A group rallied Monday in Louisville to call for an FBI investigation into the unsolved slaying of a western Kentucky

The father of 18-year-old Jessica Melissa Currin, who was found dead in Mayfield six years ago, and the Rev. Louis Coleman stood along with more than a dozen supporters outside the U.S. Courthouse and a nearby federal office building.

Alton McDonald of Tacoma, Wash., a representative of the Rev. Al Sharpton's National Action Network, also joined Jessica's father, Joe Currin, The ment.

Courier-Journal reported on its Web site.

"As long as I am alive and as long as I'm healthy enough, I will continue until we get justice," Currin said at the rally.

McDonald said he believed Jessica's death was a hate crime. He delivered a letter to the FBI offices Monday in Louisville alleging that Mayfield police "intentionally and deliberately mishandled Jessica's murder, tampered with evidence and conspired to cover up her murder," the newspaper reported.

A spokesman for the FBI office in Louisville had no com-

Mayfield Department headed the investigation for three years but turned the case over to Kentucky State Police after charges against three people were dismissed due to the city police department's mishandling of evidence.

The Kentucky attorney general's office is assisting state police in investigating.

Jessica's body was found strangled, beaten, stabbed and burned on Aug. 1, 2000, on the back lawn of Mayfield Middle School. She had been dead for

police at (270) 827-8700.

### Cheney addresses 101st troops home from Iraq

Associated Press Writer

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) — Flanked by parked helicopters in chilling rain, Vice President Dick Cheney thanked soldiers from the 101st Airborne Division who had just returned from Iraq, assuring them the fight they left behind is one the nation must see to an end.

At least 2,766 service members have died in the war in Iraq. The war has tested the nation's strength, but the U.S. is determined to finish its work, Cheney said.

"We know that if we leave Iraq before the mission is completed, the enemy will come after us," Cheney said to nearly 5,000 soldiers from Fort Campbell who had gathered on soggy training grounds to hear Cheney speak.

Cheney reiterated that Iraq is a central front in the war on terror and that soldiers face an enemy that "has no uniform, no respect for the laws of warfare and no code of honor."

"This nation harbors no illusions about the nature of our enemies," he said. "They seek to impose a dictatorship of fear under which every man, woman and child would live in obedience of a narrow and hateful ideology."

Soldiers from Fort Campbell have been involved in operations in both Afghanistan and Iraq. The 101st Airborne Division — whose soldiers call themselves Screaming Eagles - is in the midst of returning from a yearlong deployment to Iraq. For some brigades, it was their third since Sept. 11, 2001.

But the vice president assured them this conflict bears no resemblance to any before it.

"The war on terror is different because the enemy sees the entire world as a battlefield," he

During his brief visit, Cheney also met privately with several soldiers wounded in Iraq and presented Chief Warrant Officer Lori Hill with the Distinguished Flying Cross, an honor awarded to pilots for heroic acts.



Vice President Dick Cheney shakes hands with members of the 101st Airborne during a visit to Fort Campbell Army Base in Fort Campbell, Ky., Monday.

Hill, who flew Kiowa Warriors in Iraq, was injured when bullets tore through her helicopter while she was coming to the aid of a convoy under fire in central Iraq. She said the injury bothers her still.

"Once I can run four miles without stopping, I'll consider myself healed," she said with a

Almost two-thirds of the nearly 20,000 in the division have returned to the sprawling Army post on the Kentucky-Tennessee border. The rest are expected to return through November.

Fort Capapbell has lost 171 soldiers in the war since it began in 2003. More than 150 of the deaths have been from the 101st Airborne Division, a fact Cheney referred to several times during his 20-minute speech.

"Each sacrifice reminds the nation that our freedom comes with a price," he said.

After speaking to troops at Fort Campbell, Cheney flew to Louisville for a nearby fundraiser for U.S. Rep. Geoff Davis. The freshman Republican is being challenged by former U.S. Rep. Ken Lucas, a

Democrat who came out of retirement to try to win back the 4th District seat.

The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee released a statement following Cheney's visit to Fort Campbell, questioning underlying political motives.

"With 22 days before the election and the administration's poll numbers sagging, Vice President Cheney's fear and smear tactics should come as no surprise," said Stacie Paxton, a committee spokeswoman. "America needs a foreign policy that puts the focus back on fighting and winning the war on terror.'

But for many soldiers, hearing thanks for serving even as public opinion for the war in Iraq wanes had nothing to do with politics or polls. It was comforting.

"It's a morale booster," said Spc. Shay Thomas, 23, who wasinjured when an anti-personnel mine struck him during a patrol. "And we need it."

### Social worker found dead, baby and mother are missing

HENDERSON, Ky. (AP) -A social worker was found dead in a western Kentucky home Monday, and a mother and 10month-old boy along with the mother's boyfriend were missing, police said.

An Amber Alert was issued uled for Tuesday. for the baby, Saige Terrell. Terrell, 33, of Henderson, and her boyfriend, Christopher Wayne Luttrell, 23.

Henderson police were didn't return to work after taking the baby for a visit with the mother, who does not have custody of her son, a dispatcher said

dead at about 4:30 p.m. CDT.

tified late Monday as Boni on his arms. Frederick, 67, of Morganfield, who worked for the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Henderson reported.

Nevels told the newspaper that on the back of his neck. the boy is in state custody and

Frederick was taking the baby to ing boy can be reported to visit his mother sometime between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

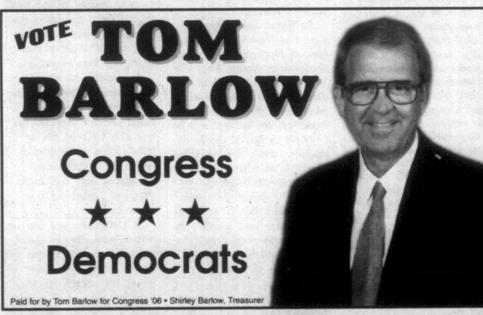
Nevels declined to comment on the cause of Frederick's death but said "it was a violent attack." An autopsy was sched-

Terrell has family in Police said he was believed to Louisville; Evansville and Fort be with his mother, Renee Wayne, Ind.; and in New York, police said. Frederick's car was missing, and the dispatcher said Terrell, Luttrell and the boy may be traveling in it. It was called when the social worker described as a 2000 white Daewoo Nubia station wagon with Kentucky license plate 675-DRV.

Renee Terrell was described as white, brown hair, brown Police went to Terrell's home eyes with glasses, 5-foot-5 and and found the social worker 240 pounds. Luttrell was described as white, blue eyes, 6-The social worker was iden- 2 and 150 pounds with tattoos

Saige Terrell is white, brown eyes, brown hair, 27 inches tall and 19 pounds. Police said the Services, The Gleaner of boy is developmentally disabled and has a scratch on the right Henderson police Sgt. John side of his face and a rug burn

Information about the miss-







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### FORUM

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### Know about the state's judicial elections

It starts with a phone call; these quests often do. A reporter from elsewhere wants to know about Kentucky's judicial elections, and I'm caught flat-footed. I know candidates' names, dimly recall a controversy between Bill Cunningham and Rick Johnson on their race for a seat on the

state Supreme Court, but have to confess confusion over exactly what judicial seats are up for grabs.

Step one is to email the editor of the Murray Ledger & Times. Eric Walker steers me to Kristin Taylor, who covers the courts for the paper. Over lunch, Kristin patiently coaches me through the hierarchy. Since I can't eat my salad and take notes simultaneously, I listen carefully and vow to do more research on my own.

As soon as I get back from downtown, I go on the Web to the site of Kentucky's chapter of the League of Women Voters (LWV). Quite handily, they have a .pdf file entitled "Electing Judges in Kentucky 2006."

Reading that brochure, I learn that nearly every judgeship in Kentucky is up for grabs on November 7. Moreover, when that many judicial positions are opened at the same time, there are long-term implications associated with who is elected and for what reasons voters choose them.

**Main Street** 

By Constance

Alexander

Local

Columnist

Unlike other public offices, judges are supposed to be elected to serve, but not to represent us, according to the League of Women Voters. "The first requirement of justice." the LWV explains, "is impartiality. If judges' political and financial connections are such that some litigants fear their bias and others expect favors, the whole system is tainted."

Of course we want judges to be faithful to the law, not to rule on personal opinion or be swayed by political or financial connections. In other words, in the midst of campaigning, judicial candidates should not make statements that appear to commit them to rule in a certain way on an issue that might come before him or her.

The challenge for voters in these judicial contests is to find out which candidates have fidelity to the law and which are beholden to campaign contributors and/or special interest groups. Results of a poll posted on the Website www.kyjudges.com indicate that 52 per cent of voters in the last election for judges felt they did not have enough information about the candidates. A whopping 64 percent felt that campaign contributions had a great deal or at least some influence on a judicial candidate's decisions on the bench.

Elsewhere on the kyjudges.com site is a matrix that identifies the candidates Calloway Countians will be sorting through when they vote on November 7. Jeanne Carroll and Randy Hutchens are vying for district judge. Foust, Roberts and Mattingly are competing for a circuit judge seat. Bill Cunningham and Rick Johnson are hoping to win the race for the state Supreme Court in the 1'st district.

For more information about the roles these various courts play in the system, and the length of the terms on each, log on to http://courts.ky.gov/courts/.

With election day a mere three weeks away, voters are hard-pressed to gather enough information to make informed decisions about which way to cast their votes for judges.

According to the Kentucky Judicial Campaign Conduct Committee, "Judges may share 'your values,' but when it comes to deciding disputed issues, they must demonstrate that they can step back and judge an issue on its own merits. We recommend," the article went on, "that candidates and voters bear in mind that unlike all other public officials whom we elect, we do not elect judges to 'represent' us. We elect them to make decisions impartially and independently, based on the facts and the law.

Amen to that, I say. Without impartial judges, segregation might still reign, and sanctioned prayer in public schools would be at the whim of the majority.

The Kentucky Judicial Campaign Conduct Committee article is available at http://www.loubar.org/JCCC/KJCC-CHOME.HTM

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### Way Back for Republicans

It's not just the war, or the travails of former Congressman Mark Foley, or any number of other things that political experts and pollsters tell us has jeopardized Republican

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**Thoughts** By Cal Thomas little more Syndicated

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its own sake.

In former days, Republicans had ideas. They even had an ideology from which those ideas sprang. They forced the media and liberal Democrats to debate those ideas and the country was better off for it.

Now, in just 12 years of majority status, they may be about to do what it took Democrats 40 years to achieve - disgust the public to the point that it wants to clean house (and possibly the Senate, too).

The problem is Democrats have fewer ideas than Republicans. They, too, crave power for its own sake and would return to their failed class warfare of the past, the

Recently, two articles have appeared

in the Murray Ledger & Times about

Heritage Ball, to be held in the Murray

State University Curris Center. I want

to express appreciation that both con-

tained information about the "Grumpy

Old Men', the band that is to provide

We are very much looking forward to

this event and want to encourage atten-

dance. It promises to be a gala affair.

Something I want to point out, how-

the music for this special occasion.

ever, is that the "tongue-in-cheek"

description of our group (written by

yours truly), was not intended to appear

in media outlets, but was written to be

handed out by members of the band at

events toward future bookings, or as a

comic introduction for an emcee. Lest

the other three members of the group,

R. H. Pruitte, our pianist, and a

music teacher who lives in Lone Oak.

degrees from Murray State University

He holds bachelor's and master's

and taught in the Hopkins County

native of Clarksville, Tenn., is a retired

please allow me to tell a bit more

about them.

sensitive musicals all, suffer indignation,

the Nov. 18 Murray Women's Club

To the Editor,

only warfare they support. They will grow government even more than Republicans have and they will raise taxes and retreat from engaging America's enemies, thus encouraging those enemies to come after us with renewed zeal and an assurance that God is on their side.

Shortly after Republicans won a majority in the 1994 elections, I recall warning them not to be arrogant. Have your celebrations, I said. Enjoy your new status, but don't use the gavel as a club. Kindness and grace in victory, I noted, goes a long

Because Republicans chose to crow instead of the harder, but more rewarding path of pursuing consensus, they now appear about to reap what they have sown.

In addition to watching Democrats, if they are victorious, pursue previously failed policies, Republicans will also have to put up with endless investigations of the Bush administration, which can only fuel bitterness and further paralyze government.

If Democrats win one or both houses, they will face the same choices Republicans had in 1994. They can return fire, like some Middle East revenge-seeker, perpetuating a cycle that never stops, or they can announce

that America's problems and challenges are too large for one party and work with Republicans toward common objectives.

My guess is Democrats will crow like the Republicans did and begin to position themselves to grab the White House in 2008, giving immediate problems a lower priority.

If that is their choice, Republicans may want to try something radically different, which might not only produce policy successes that benefit the country, but incidentally pay them political dividends.

Republicans should assemble a bipartisan group of former members of Congress, such as Georgia Democrat Sam Nunn and Missouri Republican John Danforth. They would be commissioned to draft a bipartisan team to find solutions to common problems and challenges, such as a general framework for when American forces would be committed abroad and for what purposes. The team could also attack poverty in ways politicians have not, largely because each side is beholden to its "base," which won't let them stray far from past practices.

They can start by considering the ideas of this year's Nobel Peace Prize winner, Muhammad Yunus.

Yunus, a Bangladeshi banker, founded and heads Grameen Bank, which offers "micro-credit" to the very poor. Since 1983, when the bank was founded, more than half of its borrowers have climbed out of poverty.

In a recent Wall Street Journal column, Yunus expresses a philosophy that sounds Republican. He offers, "small loans packaged with practical business and social advice." The Democratic Party philosophy is to give the poor more government aid. Republicans, when they think of the poor, believe they should emerge from poverty on their own initiative. With micro-credit, Yunus says the poor become self-sufficient and acquire dignity because they must repay the loans. He says nearly 99 percent of the loans are repaid.

If Yunus can make it work in Bangladesh, it should work in America.

Republicans need to try something dramatic that will demonstrate success and communicate to the public whose interests they actually serve. If they do lose their majority next month, but learn the greater lesson that power should be a means to success, not an end in itself, they will not be the first party or person to learn more from failure than from

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School System until retirement. as he is called, also plays with the groups Southern Jazz and Jazzin'. He has played professionally since he was 14 years old and arranges many of the compositions we perform.

Scott Thile, our bassist, is the piano and instrument technician at Murray State University. A native of California, he and his family moved to Murray when he accepted the offer from the Department of Music. He played numerous instruments in high school and began playing the bass in jazz groups then. Later, as his son Chris, was identified as a prodigy, Scott played bass in the renowned bluegrass group, "Nickel Creek." When it became apparent that the group was destined for international acclaim, Scott elected to stay close to the rest of the family in Murray and became available to our group.

Dean Hughes, our drummer, is a native of Princeton, Ky., and studied with Murray's Chuck Simons when he was in high school. 'Always active as a percussionist, Dean chose to major in business and is an executive with a computer-related firm that develops leading-edge technology. In addition to being the drummer for "Grumpy Old Men", he performs regularly with the Alonzo Pennington Band and Southern

I am the saxophone player and do some vocals with our group. My father played saxophone semi-professionally and I dreamed of the day when he would allow me to learn it. Although I was an oboe major in college, I have played the saxophone since I was about 11 years old. The "tour" has included a high school dance band, college dance bands at Murray State and the University of Illinois and onenight gigs with many touring groups. I had the good fortune to be a part "The Moderns featuring Nancy Adams", while in school at Murray State and was strongly influenced by the musical artistry of Chuck Simons. My professional career included teaching positions in the Paducah City Schools and at Murray State University.

Thanks for the opportunity to share this information. I felt it only fair to the individual members of the band.

> Roger Reichmuth Murray, Ky.

#### **Obituaries**

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**Kerry Bruce Oakley** 

Kerry Bruce Oakley, 40, Grant Road, Murray, died Monday morning, Oct. 16, 2006

His death was from injuries sustained in a traffic accident on Ky. 121 North, Murray.

J.H. Churchill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

#### Thomas Ervin (Buddie) Poe



Thomas Ervin (Buddie) Poe, 70, Oak Park Boulevard, Calvert City, died Sunday, Oct. 15, 2006, at 11:03 p.m. at his home.

Retired from the Marshall County Board of Education, he was a member of North Marshall Church of Christ. He was affiliated with surrounding counties basketball programs for 47 years. A former member of the Army National Guard, he was a charter member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at Murray State

He was the son of the late Ervin Franklin Poe

and Myrtie Anges Peck Poe.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Jimberlyn Sue Poe Lewis, and one granddaughter, Nicole Ashley Lewis, both of Hardin; one sister, Mrs. Martha Egner, and three brothers, James Ronald Poe, John Edward Poe and Thomas Edwin Poe, all of Benton.

The funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Collier Funeral Home, Benton. Gary Knuckles, David Lemmons, Elder Robert Chandler and Barney Thweatt will officiate. Burial will follow in the Marshall County Memory Gardens, Benton.

Visitation will be at the funeral home after 5 p.m. today (Tuesday).

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Buddie Poe Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Marshall County Board of Education, 86 High School Rd., Benton, KY 42025.

Mrs. Mary F. Dugger

The funeral for Mrs. Mary F. Dugger will be Thursday at 1 p.m. at Oak Grove Baptist Church in Henry County, Tenn. Burial will follow in the Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery.

Visitation will be at Blalock-Coleman & York Funeral Home from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and after noon on Thursday at the

Mrs. Dugger, 85, Utica, Mich., formerly of Hazel, Ky., died Saturday, Oct. 14, 2006, at 1:15 p.m. at St. Joseph's Medical Center, Clinton Township, Mich.

She was a member of Faith Missionary Baptist Church, Utica,

Preceding her in death were her husband, Silas Dugger, to whom she was married Dec. 24, 1966, and one son, Jon Humphreys. Born Aug. 18, 1921, in Hazel, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Roy Cooper and Ruth Taylor Cooper.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Jo Duff and husband, Allen, Utica, Mich.; one son, Gary Humphreys and wife, Carol, Romeo, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. Delyghte Humphreys and husband, Charles, Murray; one brother, Wildy Cooper and wife, Jan, Hazel; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Opal D. Milligan

The funeral for Mrs. Opal D. Milligan was Sunday at 4 p.m. at Vienna First United Methodist Church. Rev. Lance Leeds officiated. Burial was in the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery.

A posthumous Masonic rite was accorded for Harold Milligan under the auspices of Vienna Lodge 150 of Free and Accepted Masons at the committal service.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Vienna First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1349, Vienna, IL 62995.

Mrs. Milligan, 89, Murray, former resident of Vienna, Ill., died Saturday, Oct. 14, 2006, at 10:40 a.m. at Spring Creek Health Care. A homemaker, she was a member of Vienna First United

Methodist Church and Untied Methodist Women's organization. Her husband, Harold Milligan, and one brother preceded her in death. Born July 29, 1917, in Ellis Grove, Ill., she was the daughter of the late Albert C. Zander and Carrie Hermis Zander.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Dee Ann Umar, Murray; two granddaughters, Mae Alexander, Paducah, and Leila Bacon, Mayfield; seven great-grandchildren.

### U.S. census tops 300 million this morning

WASHINGTON (AP) - The nation's population officially hit 300 million at 7:46 a.m. EDT this morning when the Census Bureau's population clock rolled

over to the big number. But there weren't any wild celebrations, fireworks or any other government-sponsored hoopla to mark the milestone. Why bother? Many experts think the population actually hit 300 million months ago.

"I don't think anybody believes it will be the precise moment when the population hits 300 million," Howard Hogan, the Census Bureau's associate director for demographic programs, said in an interview before the milestone was reached. But, he added, "We're confident that we're somewhat close."

It's not easy estimating the exact number of people in a country the size of the United States. It gets even more complicated when you take into account illegal immigration, another reason for the federal government to let the milestone

When the U.S. population officially hit 200 million in 1967, President Johnson held a news conference at the Commerce Department to hail America's past and to talk about the challenges ahead. Life magazine dispatched a cadre of photographers to find a baby born at the exact moment, anointing a boy born in Atlanta as the 200

millionth American. This year, there's a good chance the 300 millionth American has already walked

across the border from Mexico. "It's a couple of weeks before an election when illegal immigration is a high-profile issue and they don't want to make a big deal out of it," said William Frey, a demographer at the Brookings Institution, a Washington think tank.

Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutierrez said the Bush administration isn't playing down the milestone, though he said he had no plans for Tuesday. Census Bureau employees planned to mark the moment Tuesday afternoon with cake and punch.

"I would hate to think that we are going to be low key about this," said Gutierrez, whose department oversees the Census Bureau. "I would hope that we make a big deal about it."

Gutierrez said America's growing population is good for the economy. He noted that Japan and some European countries expect to lose population in the next few decades, raising concerns that there won't be enough young people entering the work force to support aging populations.

"This is one more area where we seem to have an advantage, Gutierrez said. "We should all feel good about reaching this milestone.

The U.S. adds about 2.8 million people a year, for a growth rate of less than 1 percent. About 40 percent of the growth comes from immigration. The rest comes from births outnumbering deaths.

The Census Bureau counts the population every 10 years. In between, it uses administrative records and surveys to estimate monthly averages for births, deaths and net immigration. The bureau has a "population clock" that estimates a birth every seven seconds.

### U.S. envoy urges punishment of N. Korea over reckless behavior

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - North Korea this morning blasted U.N. sanctions aimed at punishing the country for its nuclear test, saying the measures amount to a declaration of war and that the nation wouldn't cave in to such pressure now that it's a nuclear weapons

The bellicose remarks — the central government's first response to the U.N. measures imposed last weekend — came as China warned the North against stoking tensions and the American nuclear envoy arrived in South Korea for talks.

The North broke two days of silence about the U.N. resolution adopted after its Oct. 9 nuclear test, issuing a Foreign Ministry statement on its official Korean Central News Agency.

"The resolution cannot be construed otherwise than a declaration of a war" against the North, also known as the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

The North warned it "wants peace but is not afraid of war" and that it would "deal merciless blows" against anyone who violates its sovereignty.

The communist nation "had remained unfazed in any storm and stress in the past when it had no nuclear weapons," the statement said. "It is quite nonsensical to expect the DPRK to yield to the pressure and threat of someone at this time when it has become a nuclear weapons

China has long been one of North Korea's few friends, but relations have been frayed in recent months by Pyongyang's missile tests and last week's nuclear blast.

On Tuesday, Chinese Foreign spokesman Liu Jianchao warned Pyongyang against aggravating tensions and said the North should help resolve the situation "through dialogue and consultation."

The verbal volley came as the U.S. pressed on with a round of diplomacy in Asia aimed at finding consensus on how to implement the sanctions. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was expected to arrive in Japan on Wednesday before traveling to South Korea and China.

After landing in Seoul on Tuesday, the U.S. nuclear envoy, Assistant Secretary of State hristopher Hill, said he couldn't confirm media reports that the North may be preparing for another test explosion.

But Hill stressed that the international community should make the North pay a "high



Korea's nuclear test in Incheon, west of Seoul, South Korea, this morning. South Korea is aware of signs related to possible preparations for an additional North Korea nuclear test, government officials said. The letters on the headbands read "Oppose Nuclear."

Alexander Alexeyev, who has

price" for its "reckless behav-

Hill told reporters he wanted to talk to South Korean officials about reports the North was getting ready for a second nuclear test. Japan's government also had "information" about another possible blast, Foreign Minister Taro Aso told reporters, without elaborating.

But a senior South Korean official told foreign journalists that despite signs of a possible second test, it was unlikely to happen immediately.

"We have yet to confirm any imminent signs of a second nuclear test," the official said on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the informa-

China, whose support for the sanctions is key to whether they will have any impact on neighboring North Korea, began examining trucks at the North Korean border. The measures ban trade with the North in major weapons and materials that could be used in its ballistic missile and weapons of mass destruction programs. They call for all countries to inspect cargo to and from North Korea to enforce the prohibition.

Hill planned to meet his South Korean counterpart, Chun

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Yung-woo, and the two were to hold a three-way meeting with their Russian counterpart, Deputy Foreign Minister

been in Seoul since Sunday. Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Fradkov was also due in Seoul for talks with his South Korean counterpart. North Korea was expected to top their agenda. South Korea has said it would fully comply with the sanctions but has also indicated that it has no intention of halting key economic projects with the North, despite concerns that place, as Pyongyang has they may help fund the North's nuclear and missile programs.

"Sanctions against North Korea should be done in a way that draws North Korea to the dialogue table," South Korean Prime Minister Han Myungsook said Tuesday ahead of her meeting with Fradkov, according to Yonhap news agency. "There should never be a way that causes armed clashes."

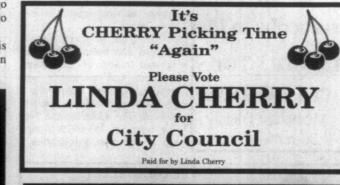
In Washington, U.S. National Intelligence Director John Negroponte's office said Monday that air samples gathered last week contain radioactive materials that confirm that North Korea conducted an underground nuclear explosion.

In a short statement posted on its Web site, Negroponte's office also confirmed that the size of the explosion was less than 1 kiloton, a comparatively small nuclear detonation. Each kiloton is equal to the force produced by 1,000 tons of TNT.

It was the first official confirmation from the United States that a nuclear detonation took claimed.

Meanwhile, the U.S. envoy on North Korean human rights, Jay Lefkowitz, urged China and South Korea to rethink aid policies to North Korea, saying unmonitored assistance could prop up a "criminal regime."

China and South Korea provide large amounts of badly needed economic and energy aid. Both Beijing and Seoul worry that a collapsed regime in Pyongyang could send refugees flooding over their borders.



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### COMMUNITY

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### 'Identity Theft' discussed by Robinson for AARP

Sgt. Mike Robinson of the Murray Police Department spoke on "Identity Theft" at a recent meeting of the Kentucky Lake/Murray Chapter #4437 held at the annex of Calloway Public Library.

Robinson urged the group to remember the following:

Shred financial documents and paperwork with personal information before you discard

- Protect your Social Security number. Don't carry your card in your wallet or write your SS number on a check. Give it out only if absolutely necessary or ask to use another identifier.

- Don't give out personal information on the phone, through the mail, or over the Internet unless you know who you are dealing with.

- Never click on links sent in unsolicited e-mails. Instead, type in a web address you know. Use Firewalls, antispyward, and anti-virus software to protect your home computer; keep them up-to-date. Visit OnGuardOnline.gov for more information.

Don't use an obvious password like your birthdate, your mother's maiden name, or the last four digits of your Social Security number.

Keep your personal information in a secure place at home, especially if you have roommates, employ outside help, or are having work done in your house.

Place a "Fraud Alert" on your credit reports to Equifax: 1-800-525-6285; Experian: 1-888-EXPERIAN (397-3742) or TransUnion: 1-800-680-7289 and review the reports carefully. This entitles you to free copies of your credit reports.

Notify your bank imme-



Sgt. Mike Robinson

diately if checks are stolen. Robinson said "file a police report immediately if your Social Security card or credit cards are stolen. Common ways identify theft happens are Dumpster Diving, Skimming, Phishing, Changing Your Address and 'Old-Fashioned' stealing.'

The officer said "to learn more about ID theft and how to deter, detect and defend against it, visit ftc.gov/Idtheft; or request copies of ID theft resources by writing to Consumer Response Center, Federal Trade Commission, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, H-130, Washington, DC 20580."

Dr. Sally DuFord, chapter president, presided.

Nancy Manning, program chairman, announced that Rep. Melvin Henley will speak at the meeting on Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at the Calloway Public Library. All members and interested persons are invited. Members may bring a sack

Pictured, from left, are Jo Farley, treasurer, and Judy Stahler, sales chairman for the 15th annual poinsettia by the Calloway

### Annual Poinsettia Sale planned by homemakers

\$15. Each pot will be shipped ready for delivery in gold Christmas paper unless a different color is requested.

Delivery date for all poinsettias will be Nov.. 30 from 2 p.m. until all plants have either been picked up or delivered. First United Methodist Church Family Life Center on S. Fifth Street will be this year's pick up point of delivery.

Orders may be placed with

ing the Calloway County Exten-

Stahler said, "If poinsettias can not be picked up, the homemakers will personally deliver all plants to buyers and will be delighted to deliver to any one by another person with a gift card on each plant. Businesses and churches ordering plants will be billed at a later

Five colors are available in the 6 1/2 inch pots at the mentioned prices. They are white, marble, jingle bell, pink, and Christmas red. Four colors for the 8 1/2 inch pot are white, marble, pink and Christmas

Stahler said, "Our services are especially open to all businesses and churches within the Calloway County surrounding areas. The homemakers appreciate the support of everyone in this annual fund-raising drive, and we look forward to serving the community during this holiday season."

All interested persons are invited. Jo's

**Datebook** By Jo Burkeen Community

Council meeting Wednesday
Calloway County High School Based Deci-

The newly-formed Murray Tobacco Coali-

This will be to discuss strategies to

address secondhand smoke risks in the community and will also be addressing ini-

tiatives to reduce smoking among the youth.

tion will meet Wednesday at noon in the Stables Restaurant of Murray State Uni-

e-mail: jo.burkeen@murrayledger.com

**Newly-formed Murray** 

**Tobacco Coalition will meet** 

versity Curris Center.

sion Making Council will have a called meeting Wednesday at 3:45 p.m. in the media center. The Curriculum Committee of the council will meet at 3:15 p.m. also in the

media center. All parents are invited.

Tiger Booster Club will meet

Murray Tiger Booster Club will meet Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at Murray High School. All officers, sports representatives, parents and other interested persons are invited.

100 Best Communities to meet

The 100 Best Communities for Young People will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce. Persons are asked to note the change. Another meeting will be Oct. 25 at 11 a.m. at the Murray Woman's Club House.

Hazel Woman's Club will meet

Hazel Woman's Club will meet Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Hazel Community Center with Carla Owens as the speaker. Hostesses will be Hilda and Linda Bennett.

Home Department to meet

Home Department of Murray Woman's Club will meet Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the club house. Members are asked to bring Christmas cards and stamps to be sent to Walter Reed Hospital. Dues will be collected. Hostesses will be Sylvia Sanert, Chistal Carter and Judy Stahler.

Stroke/Brain Injury Group to meet

Murray Stroke/Brain Injury Support Group will meet Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in the classroom of MCCH Center for Health & Wellness. The program on "911" will be presented by Ed Pavlick, director of Calloway County 911. For information contact Cheryl Crouch at 762-1557.

Amputee Support Group to meet

Amputee Support Group meeting will be Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at Lourdes Hospital Marshall Nemer Pavilion, Doug Borders community room, Paducah. Emily Young will be speaker. For more information call Terri Ross at 270-488-3020 or e-mail tross@brtc.net or Kim Coby at 270-965-3181 or e-mail km\_cosby@yahoo.com.

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.

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-

Costume Closet scheduled

Girl Scout Troop 1483 will host its third annual Costume Closet at the Calloway County Public Library on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. If your child needs a costume, go by and borrow one free and then return it on Friday, Nov. 3. Anyone having a costume to donate, call 227-5923 to arrange a time to pick up the costume.

MCMA concert tonight

The Murray Civic Music Association will present its con-cert for "Night and Day - The Best of Cole Porter" tonight at 7:30 at Murray State University Lovett auditorium. This will feature Nancy Fox, soprano, William Thorpe, baritone, and William Merrill, piano. For more information call Dr. Sally DuFord at 753-4446.

Quilt Lovers plan meeting

Quilt Lovers of Murray will meet tonight at 6 at the Calloway County Public Library. The room will be open by 5:30 p.m. Bridget Stuart will present a demonstration on tessellating pinwheels. All interested quilters are invited.

CCHS Alumni will meet

The Alumni and Associates of Calloway County Schools will meet tonight at 6 at Pagliai's. All members are urged to

Calloway Band Boosters to meet

Calloway County Laker Band Boosters will meet today at 5:30 in the band room at Calloway County High School. The Laker bands will have an all day rebate day on Tuesday at Sirloin Stockade. Please hand receipts to the cashier for this rebate and support the Laker bands.

Southwest Council will meet

Southwest Elementary School Based Decision Making Council will meet today at 4 in the counselor's office.

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



### Fitness Class for 55 or older scheduled at Weaks Center

Beginning Nov. 6, the Murray Calloway Senior Citizens Center will hold a Fitness Class for those 55 and older. The target group should be in good

physical health. The class, led by AFAA certified instructor Marian Posey, will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 to 11



Call 753-1916 Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. a.m. in the gym at the Senior Center, 607 Poplar St., and will run through Dec. 13.

A charge of \$10 will be assessed for those under 60 years of age.

Each participant will need to obtain a physician's release from their doctor. Forms will be available in the senior center office.

This conditioning class will include a warm-up of rhythmic limbering exercises and stretches, muscle strengthening and endurance exercises, lowimpact aerobic exercises and cool down.

The main focus will be on posture and balance, flexibility and range of movement, strength and endurance and proper breathing techniques.

Class size will be limited, so call Teri Cobb at the senior center at 753-0929 to sign up or for more information.



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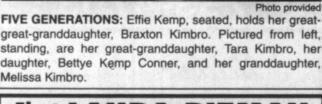
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### **MSU** to offer **Microsoft Excel** non-credit class

Murray State University's computer station. Center for Continuing Education recently announced non-credit course "Introduction to Microsoft Excel". The course is open to for the course is \$65 and the public and is currently tak- includes manual and learning ing registrations.

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This three session course will help participants of all ages and pre-registration is required. learn about Microsoft's spreadsheet application. This hands-on introductory course teaches students how to organize, calcu- older. late, and analyze data using this popular program. Taught in a register, contact the Center for private computer lab and limited to 15 participants, each student will work at their own extension 3659.

The class will meet on Mondays, Oct. 30 - Nov. 13 from 6-8 p.m. in room 209 of the Collins I&T Center. The fee

Space in the class is limited A 10 percent discount is given to MSU faculty, staff, students and senior citizens age 55 and

For more information, or to Continuing Education, at 809-3659, or 1-800-669-7654,

### 2006-07 MCMA season opens tonight

This evening at 7:30, an internationally-known trio performs the music of Cole Porter, the great master of lyrics, at Murray State's Lovett Auditorium. It's the opening concert of the 48th annual season of the Murray Civic Music Association.

Tickets are \$20 at the door or by Murray Civic Music Association Membership, which is also available at the door.

Nancy Fox, soprano, William Thorpe, baritone, and William Merrill, pianist, join their talents for an evening of Porter's most memorable tunes, including: "I Get a Kick Out of You," "In the Still of the Night," "True Love," and "Night and Day."

Lovett Auditorium's handicap access is by the doors on the west side of the hall approached by the driveway behind the Trio Center on the Murray State Campus. For more information, call 753-0224 or 753-4446, or www.MCMAweb.org.

The rest of the MCMA 2006-2007 season includes: A Holiday Concert with the Paducah Symphony Orchestra and Chorus conducted by Dr. Bradley Almquist on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 2:30 p.m. at Lovett Auditorium; Scott Conklin, violin, on Sunday, Feb., 18 at 2:30 p.m. in Performing Arts Hall; and The David Johnson Chorus on Friday, March 9, at 7:30 p.m. in

The Kentucky Arts Council, a stage agency in the Commerce Cabinet, provides operational funding for the Murray Civic Music Association with state tax dollars and federal funding from the National Endowment for the Arts. MCMA also benefits from local underwriting support and membership dues.



PELLA PRESENTATION: The Pella Corporation recently made a check presentation to the Murray-Calloway County Parks and Recreation board of directors. The money will be used for upgrades at the concessions area of the Central Park. Pictured above, from left, are: Matthew Martin, parks director; Bill Bailey, park board chairman; Don Fraher, human resources director in the vinyl department at Pella; and Andy Johnson, park maintenance foreman.

### Minority academy meeting set for Oct. 26

PADUCAH, Ky. - The ninth annual PRIME (Promoting Real Initiatives for Minorities through Empowerment) 2000 Leadership Academy will host an informational meeting Oct. 26 at West Kentucky Community and Technical

A networking/ refreshment session begins at 5:30 p.m. in the PJC Board Room at Carson Hall. The meeting begins at 6

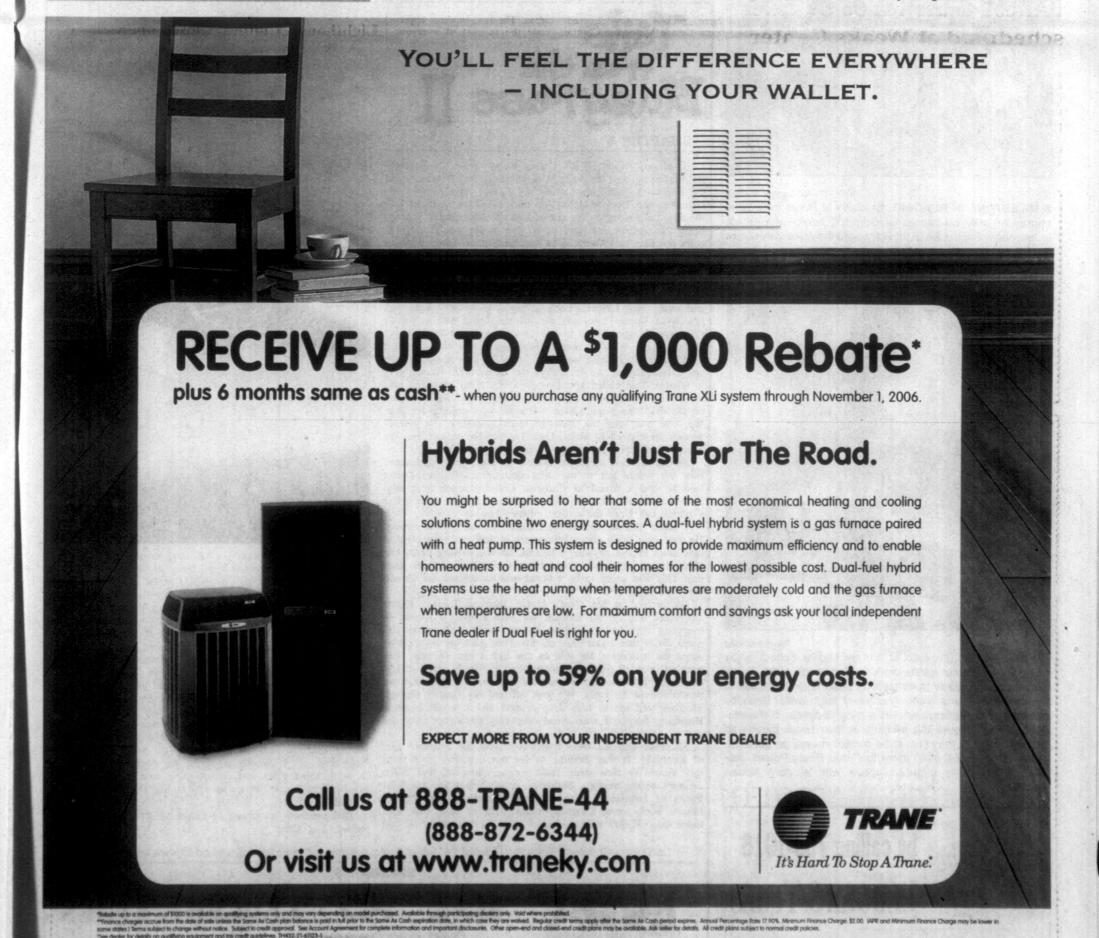
The academy is designed to equip African-Americans with

strategic empowerment information and to prepare graduates to assume leadership roles within the community.

PRIME Coordinator Jipaum Askew-gibson said objectives and requirements for participation in PRIME will be discussed

during the Oct. 26 meeting. Participants will receive a scholarship to cover the cost of the class and materials.

For more information, call Askew-gibson at (270) 534-3420 or contact her via email at jaskewgibson0001@kctcs.edu



### LEARNING

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THE NORTH GAZETTEER: New to North Calloway Elementary School for the 2006-2007 school year is The North Gazetteer - "News written by students, for students to read." Intermediate Title I teacher Jennifer McCafferty said that the staff will write columns to make all students aware of the exciting news that occurs in the school daily in each grade level and in the special classes. The paper will be printed each month, and it will be posted on the school's Web site. Pictured is the first-ever North Newspaper Staff for the school. Staff members were chosen by filling out an application and then going through an interview process. According to McCafferty, "I believe the North Gazetteer will be an excellent, authentic learning experience for both the writers and the readers."

### **Bright to conduct information** session at Southwest event

Southwest Elementary will and school technology coordihost a Parent Teacher Conference night on October 19. This is normal school procedure. However, there will be a Bright, library media specialist

nator at Southwest Elementary School.

Bright will be covering topics about new technology, the iSafe Parent Information Session in Program that teaches children to the library for parents while be safe on the Internet (and they wait for their conference sharing safe search engines for time, according to Catherine children) the school Web site and other issues.



GREG TRAVIS/Ledger & Times A MILESTONE IN READING: Students at Room to Grow in Murray recently celebrated reading 100 books with an ice cream party. Regina Bean, director, said the students will now donate 100 books to other children who don't have books.



MATH SKILLS: Students at Murray Middle School enjoy using the computer lab to work on their math skills. Paige Edwards, sixth grade math teacher, often takes her class to the computer lab to work on different math skills. Recently students were adding and subtracting decimals. If the students couldn't figure the problem in their head, they used paper to be sure they chose the correct answer on the computer. "This makes math more fun" said Brady Powell, student. Edwards is pictured above with student Adrian



### Middle school teachers invited to workshop

The Murray State University Center for Economic Education and the Kentucky Council on Economic Education are offering a free workshop for middle school teachers titled "Middle School World Geography: Focus on Economics," on Oct. 26, from 4 to 7 p.m. Calloway County Middle School will host the event at 2108-A College Farm Road in Murray.

The workshop blends the disciplines of geography and economics through meaningful classroom instruction at the middle school level. The curriculum offers students the ability to develop content knowledge and to enhance their analytical skills by learning to view the world from the perspectives of geography and economics. Both perspectives are valuable to students as they study regions of the world and understand the choices people make in different regions. It also encourages thinking critically about an increasingly interdependent global economy.

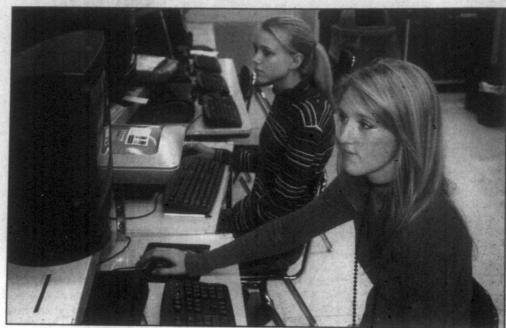
Using real-world scenarios, the curriculum leads students to apply economic and geography concepts to their everyday lives. They will uncover the decisionmaking process involved in using and distributing resources, and explore how human activity affects the physical environment. Each lesson plan is packed with the tools that give students critical exposure to essential life skills. Hands-on activities use maps, data, charts, graphs, tables, documents and more. Core life skills that are important in every career, such

as negotiation, teamwork and data analysis, are also mastered through the curriculum.

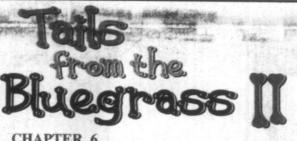
Economic concepts, including scarcity, trade and opportunity costs, are covered with an integrated geographic perspective. The curriculum encourages students to take a critical look at how people interact with their surroundings, through organizing and analyzing information about people, places and envi-

Each workshop participant will receive hands-on training and teaching strategies to use in the classroom, a personal copy of the "Middle School World Focus Geography: Economics" curriculum and three hours of professional development credit approved by the Kentucky Department of Education. A light supper will also be served.

Barry Brown, director of th MSU Center for Economic Education, urges teachers to sign up for the free workshop as soor as possible. Space to join the program is limited and pre-reg istration is mandatory. To regis ter online, visit www.econ.org or email your name, school and grade taught to econed@mur raystate.edu. You may also reg ister by calling (270) 809-4277.



"LAKER REVIEW" GOES HIGH TECH: The Journalism class at Calloway County High School, taught by Kris Fazi, has recently upgraded the computer software used to produce the student newspaper, the "Laker Review." This year's issue number one, dated Sept. 29, 2006, was the first in school history to be completely prepared for press in an electronic format. An extra benefit of the new process is the opportunity to have the Laker Review available on the world wide web for alumni and friends living outside of Calloway County. To read the student newspaper online, visit the district's Web site at www.calloway.k12.ky.us; then find the "schools" link and select Calloway County High School. The Laker Review is available from the CCHS page. Pictured above are Genevieve Postlethwait (right front), editor in chief of the Laker Review, and Danielle Pritchett, feature editor, in the Journalism Lab at Calloway County High School.



CHAPTER 6

Hi Woody readers! It's Chloe. Woody sends his apology for not being able to write. Unfortunately, my brother is in the doghouse. Remember when my family traveled to Hopkinsville with Trooper Deron? At the end of our visit, he was showing the four of us the sirens, lights and handcuffs. Woody, being the curious little guy he is, had to see what the handcuffs felt like, or PAWcuffs, as he called them. Trooper Deron put the cuffs on Woody, but as you can imagine, they were too big for his little paws. Woody looked at the cuffs and thought they were the same size as his collar. Without thinking, or asking permission, he put the cuffs around his neck and said, "Hey Chloe! Look at my new collar!" That was fine until Woody went to take off the collar and it wasn't that easy. Trooper Deron had to find the key and work to get the cuffs off Woody's neck. Once again, my little brother found himself listening to Mom and Dad talk about actions and consequences. As is always the case when Woody gets in trouble, Dad called him Dogwood, and then grounded him for a week. "Dogwood, no dessert or play time while we are on the road this week. Chloe will write your column for you. We love you, but you have to learn to follow our rules!" Woody apologized to Mom, Dad, Trooper Deron and me. We accepted his apology and gave him a hug and kiss!

Woody worried about the trouble he had caused and about how we would get to our next destination. Trooper Deron said he had a friend in Christian County named Pete who flew helicopters. He was sure Pete would love to help. After a phone call from the cruiser, plans were set.

I asked Trooper Deron the location of the closest airport. He said neat thing about helicopters is they can take off and land from almost anywhere. In fact, he was driving us to Mr. Pete's house where we would begin the next leg of our journey. This was going to be a brand new experience for us and we were thrilled!

We arrived at Mr. Pete's house, thanked Trooper Deron and asked him for his address. We were keeping a journal of everyone who had helped us so we could write thank-you notes. With that taken care of, Mr. Pete gave us instructions about the helicopter. He told us that like a car, we must stay buckled in at all times. Mommy asked if Woody and I understood the instructions. We assured her we did and that we would follow the rules. We took off and my tummy flipped. Mommy told me to take deep breaths and I would be fine. Breathing deeply, I was already enjoying the sights from the

Mr. Pete said we were flying east over the Southern part of Kentucky. It was thrilling to see our beautiful state from this view. We flew over Todd, Logan, Simpson and Allen counties seeing treetops, buildings, cows, horses and beautiful tracks of farmland. I remembered reading in one of my library books how Kentucky ranks 37th in land size with more than 37,000 miles of land. Also, it has about 91,000

Woody, the Kentucky wiener dog, his sister Chloe, and their human parents travel around the state. Follow along on this great adventure every Tuesday for this 10-part story, written by Leigh Anne Florence and illustrated by James Asher.

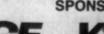


farms that produce tobacco, corn, hay, soybeans and wheat. We also passed over a large body of water. Dad said it was Barren River Lake. At 10,000 acres, it flows through Barren, Allen and Monroe counties. We flew over Cumberland and Clinton counties before seeing Lake Cumberland. At 63,000 acres, it's one of the largest constructed lakes in the nation. It was formed in the 1940s by damming a portion of the Cumberland River. I wondered how many Kentucky bass were in that large body of water!

We saw the Appalachian Mountains in Wayne, McCreary Whitley and Bell counties. Middlesboro, the county seat of Bell, is the only city in the world to be formed by an asteroid strike. We saw the Cumberland Gap, the place Daniel Boone blazed to get to Tennessee. We decided this was the perfect place to take a break and sniff around. Mr. Pete is getting ready to land the helicopter. I'd better stop writing. Next time, see if Woody is out of the doghouse. Remember to think about rules and consequences and in the words of my brother, "work and dream like a Big Dog!"

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Don't miss Chapter 7 Tuesday, October 24. For online questions and internet activities go to www.kypress.com.







#### **MURRAY STATE FOOTBALL**

# Griffin looks for delicate balance

### RACER COACH SEARCHES FOR WAY TO BALANCE PRESENT, FUTURE OF MSU PROGRAM

By SCOTT NANNEY

Sports Editor The most difficult thing for first-year Murray State head coach Matt Griffin has been balancing the present against the

future of the Racer football program.

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Wins have been hard to come by for the Racers (1-6, 0-4 OVC) in 2006, including last Saturday's Homecoming game, which ended in a disappointing 33-7 loss to a Samford ball club that was also winless in league play entering the contest.

Still, Griffin insists everyone associated with the MSU program remains committed to winning as many games as possible this season — even if it means sacrificing a little piece of the future.

"I don't want to sit here and say we've got a young team and that it's OK to be 1-6. That's an excuse, and we won't offer it," said Griffin. These are the best players we've got. That's the cards we've been dealt. We're playing them, and we love them. We've just got to keep coach-

White Griffin and the rest of the MSU coaching staff continue to mold their active players, help may be on the way in the form of a handful of freshmen who were originally targeted for redshirt seasons but could be called into action.

Whether or not to pull those redshirts is perhaps Griffin's biggest quandary.

"I'm wavering, which I hate to do," Griffin admitted Monday. "I need to sit down with a couple of guys we're considering (playing). If there's any hesitation from them, then no, we won't play them. And I would understand if there is (hesitation) at this late date. But we've got a couple of kids (sitting out) that are pretty

"Do you burn a year for four games and then not have them three years from now? We're just going to have to wait and see."

On the field, Griffin will be busy trying to find some answers for an offense that continues to struggle while play-

■ See RACERS, 2B



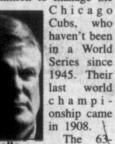
Murray State head coach Matt Griffin offers some words of encouragement to Racer defensive back Koji Farrington (2) as the junior comes back to the MSU sideline after a play in the first half of last Saturday's Homecoming loss to Samford. The Racers will try to shake off the disappointing loss while preparing for this week's battle at OVC leader Eastern Illinois.

# Cubs

### set to hire Piniella

CHICAGO (AP) -Piniella feels refreshed after a season broadcasting games instead of managing them. He'll need the extra energy for his next assignment, one of the most challenging in the major

Piniella agreed Monday to a three-year contract worth nearly \$10 million to manage the



year-old Piniella, with 19 years of major league managerial experience, including a World Series title with the Reds in 1990, was set to be introduced at a Wrigley Field news conference Tues-

"I feel terrific about Lou. I think he's a tremendous baseball man and a proven winner from the beginning of his career," Cubs general manager Jim Hendry said Monday.

"I think he's absolutely the perfect choice as we move forward."

Piniella replaces Dusty Baker, another veteran manager who came to the Cubs with a strong resume. Baker departed after four years when his contract was not renewed following a 66-96 last-place finish in the NL.

Now Piniella gets a chance where so many of his predecessors have come up short.

"I'm basically a blue-collar-type manager that believes in a good work ethic, preparation and a desire to win a baseball game," Piniella told the Chicago Sun-Times over the weekend.

Known for his fiery style and outbursts with umpires in which he's thrown his cap, flung a base and kicked dirt on the plate - the Cubs hope Piniella can be the spark the team obviously lacked during the last two seasons.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES



Head groundskeeper Billy Finley walks across the rain covered infield tarp as rain falls over Busch Stadium, postponing Game 5 of the National League Championship Series between the Cardinals and New York Mets. The game was rescheduled for today.

### Game 5 postponed; Mets, Cards to resume play today

ST. LOUIS (AP) - The starting pitchers are rested and the days off are done. Now, the NL championship series comes down to a best-of-three.

Daylong rain caused Game 5 between New York and St. Louis to be postponed Monday, meaning Mets lefty Tom Glavine and Jeff Weaver of the Cardinals will start Tuesday night on full rest.

The teams are tied at two games each in the best-of-seven playoff. Game 5 was rescheduled for 8:19 p.m. EDT at Busch Stadium.

"I think this next game is probably the pivotal game of the series," St. Louis third baseman Scott Rolen said.

For the second time in the NLCS, the clubs will travel without a day off. They'll play Game 6 at Shea Stadium in New York on Wednesday night, as scheduled, with a potential

**NLCS Schedule** 

Today
New York (Glavine 15-7) at St. Louis
(Weaver 5-4), 7:19 p.m.
Wednesday
St. Louis (Carpenter 15-8) at New York
(Maine 6-5), 7:19 p.m.
Thursday Thursday
St. Louis at New York, 7:19 p.m.,
if necessary

Game 7 the following night. Glavine and Weaver had been slated to start Monday night on only three days' rest after rain pushed back the series opener by one day last week.

nated the need for that. "It's certainly not a bad thing," said Glavine, who has

But another washout elimi-

tossed 13 scoreless innings in two playoff starts. "It's just something in this day and age we're not condi-

tioned to do." St. Louis manager Tony La Russa played down the issue of regular rest, saying Weaver

and Glavine both knew the task at hand all along and had been preparing for it since Game 1. La Russa thought a bigger concern Monday was the drenched field.

"I think both guys have been gearing themselves to go, so they are ready. I think the position players would have had to deal with the elements," he said. "It would be dangerous and a lot to ask.

Cardinals ace Chris Carpenter is slated to start Game 6 against rookie John Maine. Both will be on full rest, as well.

Glavine threw seven shutout innings of four-hit ball last Thursday night, beating Weaver 2-0 on Carlos Beltran's tworun homer.

"I'm turning into the rain man this series," Glavine said. "Hopefully, the results will be as good as they were the last time we got rained out."

LOUISVILLE FOOTBALL

### **Perfect Cardinals** know real season about to begin

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) -Bobby Petrino keeps telling people there's more to the Big East than Louisville and West Virginia.

Halfway through the season, the resurgent conference's actions have spoken as loud as the Louisville coach's words.

While the sixth-ranked Cardinals (6-0) and the fourthranked Mountaineers (6-0) survived the first half of the year unscathed, they're hardly alone at the top of the Big East. Rutgers is undefeated and ranked 19th, and all three trail Pittsburgh in the conference

standings. "I think they're (the doubters) starting to believe me," Petrino said.

If Petrino's team didn't believe him about the conference's talent, Cincinnati provided the Cardinals with a wakeup call over the weekend. Louisville's 15th straight home

nerback Gavin Smart knocked down a last-second pass in the end zone to preserve a 23-17 victory.

Now, Louisville's muchanticipated matchup with the Mountaineers on Nov. 2 looks like just part of a brutal fourgame stretch that begins Saturday at Syracuse (3-4).

"It's going to be a difficult challenge," Petrino said.

And though Petrino pleased the Cardinals enter the teeth of their schedule with their hopes for a conference championship intact, there's still plenty of work to do.

The running game is strug-gling without Michael Bush out for the season with a broken leg - and the defense is having trouble getting opponents off the field.

"Offensively as you watch

See UofL, 2B



Louisville coach Bobby Petrino discusses a call with line judge Wayne Mackie during the first half of the Cardinals' win over Cincinnati last Saturday. UoL begins the meat of its Big East Conference schedule this Saturday at Syracuse.

#### MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL

# Bears use stunning comeback to remain unbeaten GLENDALE, Ariz, (AP) — If the and somehow the Bears are still with- ter returned a punt 83 yards for a quarter touchdowns and finished

Chicago Bears finish the season without a loss, they will look back to that strange night in Arizona when they had a victory that was as improbable as they come.

"I have never seen anything like that," Bears quarterback Rex Gross-

man said. "It was unbelievable." Six turnovers, 3 points on offense, out a loss after beating the shellshocked Cardinals 24-23 on Monday night.

"I have never played so bad and won a game like that," said Grossman, who threw four interceptions and fum-

bled the ball away twice. Down 20-0 at halftime, Chicago returned two fumbles for touchdowns in the second half. Then Devin Hes-

score with 2:58 remaining to take the lead. The night ended with Neil Rackers missing a 41-yard field goal that would have been the game-winner with 53 seconds left.

'Sometimes, when you're a team of destiny, things like that happen," Chicago coach Lovie Smith said.

Matt Leinart, who threw two first-

quarter touchdowns and finished 24for-42 for 232 yards, coolly directed Arizona downfield at the finish for a chance to claim a victory that appeared to be the Cardinals' all night.

But Rackers, a Pro Bowl kicker last season who connected from 41, 28 and 29 yards earlier in the evening, missed

See BEARS, 2B





WINNERS ANNOUNCED: The winners of the Rally For A Cure Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Golf Tournament, held earlier this month at Oaks Country Club, have been announced. (Left) Claudene and Walter Epps of Puryear, Tenn., hold the trophies they received for winning the couples division. (Right) Marcia Pritchett of Mayfield and Julie Brundige of Martin, Tenn., pose with the trophies they earned in the ladies division. In the men's division, David Dunning of Calverty City and Sam Dunning of Kevil took home top honors.

#### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

### Miami extends 1 suspension; FIU drops 2 in wake of melee

MIAMI (AP) - Amid the pushing, punching and posturing during the sideline-clearing brawl that Miami and Florida International probably will never forget, some incidents were deemed worse than oth-

And the punishments reflected the differences in severity.

FIU kicked two players, Chris Smith and Marshall McDuffie Jr., off the team for attacks against Miami holder Matt Perrelli, while Hurricanes' safety Anthony Reddick - who swung his helmet as a weapon saw his one-game suspension become an indefinite one Monday.

Those moves were among the many made by the two universities, both of whom promised that they would do whatever possible to ensure something like Saturday night's fight between the teams never happens again.

"For us," FIU athletic director Pete Garcia said, "one incident is one incident too many."

The universities found that: Reddick ran across the field in the opening seconds of the fight, helmet raised high before he struck at least one FIU player. That merited "additional measures," Atlantic Coast Conference Commissioner John Swofford said

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TV Schedule

Today
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

7 p.m. FOX — Playoffs, American League championship series, Game 6, Detroit

at Oakland (if necessary)

6 p.m.

SOCCER

1:30 p.m. ESPN2 — UEFA Champions League,

Manchester United vs. FC Kobenhavn

at Manchester, England

4 p.m.
ESPN CLASSIC — UEFA Champions
League, CSKA Moskva vs. Arsenal, at
Moscow (same-day tape)

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Miami and Florida International players tussle during the third quarter of Saturday's game in Miami. The fallout continues for players who were involved in the fight.

Chris Smith wrestled Perrelli down as the melee began and appeared to punch him in the chin.

As Smith held Perrelli on the ground, McDuffie ran up and kicked the Miami player in the head.

There were many other violent acts committed during the fight, yet those were the ones that the schools apparently

deemed the most grievous. "What was envisioned as an opportunity for two hometown teams to provide an evening of athletic competition resulted in a brawl that brought embarrassment to the teams, our universities, and our com-Miami president munity," Donna Shalala wrote Monday in a letter posted on the school's Web site.

Somehow, neither team had any players injured.

Miami ordered each of its other 12 players suspended along with Reddick to serve community service, plus said it "re-emphasized" the importance of sportsmanship to coach Larry Coker and members of

### **Injury slows**

ST. LOUIS (AP) — If it appears that Albert Pujols gs to first base on occa

ion, there's a good reason The St. Louis Cardinals star has been nursing a right hamstring injury for several weeks and is under orders ager Tony La Russa said the injury also has affected Pujols' ability to drive the

"He doesn't have that big power push," La Russa said. 'He's not going to be generating as much power, but he can still generate base hits. Just got to be careful

Pujols got a day off Monday night when Game 5 of the NL championship series was rained out. The New York Mets and Cardinals are tied at two games each in the best-of-seven series and will try again Tuesday night a

Pujols, the reigning NI MVP and one of the favorites to win it again, is 4-for-14 in the NLCS with one double and no RBIs. He's been bothered by hamstring prob-lems in the past, but La Russa said this injury was "a little more serious" and one that will improve only

That means Pujols wil play impaired until the se son is over.

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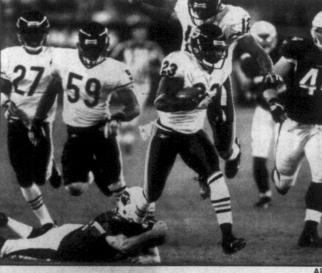
### **SportsBriefs**

■ The Kenlake Foods/Kroger Relay for Life teams will host a golf scramble on Saturday, Oct. 28 at Miller Memorial Golf Course.

The tournament is a one day, four-person scramble with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. The fee is \$50 per person, which includes green fees and cart rental. For more information, contact Michael Kirschbaum at (270) 804-5205, or Marcia Sirls at (270) 762-5177.

#### Bears

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ars punt returner Devin Hester (23) breaks away from the tackle attempt by Arizona punter Scott Player in the fourth quarter of Monday's game in Glendale, Ariz. Hester returned the ball for the game-winning touchdown as Chicago stunned the Cardinals 24-23.

a 41-yarder to the left with 53 seconds left for what would have been the game-winner for Arizona (1-5).

Just last week, he missed a 51-yard attempt at the finish that would have sent the game against Kansas City into over-

"Neil is still one of the best kickers in the league," Leinart said. "That's just life."

The Cardinals have lost five in a row after a season-opening win. Three have come at home - all in a similar excruciating fashion.

"I've seen just about everything at this point," defensive end Bertrand Berry said. "Heartwrenching games. You know, one team doesn't deserve to lose like this. This is a good football team.'

Arizona coach Dennis Green

was seething. Judging by his comments, he clearly didn't believe the Bears lived up to the hype.

"The Bears are who we thought they were!" he said, yelling at the top of his lungs and pounding on the podium at his postgame press conference. "Now, if you want to crown them, then crown (them)! But they are who they thought they were! And we let them off the hook!"

Green then stormed away. Anquan Boldin caught 12 passes for 136 yards and a touchdown for the Cardinals.

Edgerrin James carried 36 times for only 55 yards, an average of 1.5 yards. It was the most carries in an NFL game by a player while averaging less than 2 yards per attempt.

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it, we're executing at times (but) we're not as consistent as we need to be," Petrino said. "It ends up being one person here, one person there. It's kind of like I've been telling them that's how we look in practice. We've got to get back to where we have all 11 guys on the field doing their job.

The Cardinals ran for just 105 yards against Cincinnati, 109 below their season aver-

"Obviously as a team we felt our offense didn't perform like we would like it to, but

a lot of other teams out in the country would be happy with the way we performed," said fullback Brock Bolen, who led Louisville with 45 yards against the Bearcats. "There are some

things we need to work on." The inability to run the ball consistently has hurt Louisville on third down.

The Cardinals converted just three third downs against Cincinnati, allowing Bearcats to hog the ball.

"I like the game when we're controlling the clock, we're controlling the line of scrimmage and we get the other team behind and make them throw the ball," Petrino said.

It didn't happen against the Bearcats, who had a 13-minute advantage in time of possession, the second straight week the Cardinals have struggled getting the ball back.

"We can't go hard the first

two downs and just let them gain a lot of yards on third," defensive tackle Amobi Okoye Petrino may have a solu-

tion to Louisville's somewhatsluggish offense - hurrying things up a bit. Louisville has scored touchdowns at the end of the first half in each of its last two games, including an eight-play, 50-yard drive against Cincinnati that gave the Cardinals the lead for good.

"Our two-minute drive was like bang, bang, bang right in the end zone," he said. "So who knows? Maybe we'll come out and no huddle this week."

Though there are areas of concern, the Cardinals know things could be worse.

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### Racers

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ing a redshirt freshman at quarterback and two freshmen tailbacks in the backfield.

First-year signal caller Zach Barnard had the worst outing of his brief collegiate career against Samford, throwing for just 93 yards while tossing two interceptions on 11-of-19 passing before being lifted late in the first half in favor of junior backup Ryne Salyer.

Salyer didn't fare much better, collecting 101 yards while throwing two more interceptions on 10-of-20 attempts. He did account for the Racers' only touchdown - a 15-yard strike to tight end Ben Rush in the fourth quarter — but that came

after the game's outcome had long been decided.

Griffin said both Barnard and Salyer would continue to compete for playing time in this week's practice sessions, and both could see playing time this Saturday at Ohio Val-

Illinois (4-3, 3-0). Whoever the quarterback is, they will likely need more help from freshmen backfield mates Charlie Jordan and Josh Jones, who found little running room against the Bulldogs last week-

ley Conference leader Eastern

Led by Jordan's 48 yards on 12 carries, Murray managed to net a mere 39 yards on the ground versus Samford. "We've got to find a way to get some continuity offensively," Griffin noted.

"We have some flashes of brilliance, but we have too many flashes going the other way right now. ... We're going to get there, I have no doubt about

Four games still remain in the 2006 season. However, Griffin and his staff continue to look toward the future of the MSU program.

"We're well into recruiting. We've already started on our next class, and there's work being done on the one after that, believe it or not," he explained. "Every position gets evaluated daily.

The recruiting goal for Murray State is to improve both

the offensive and defensive line areas, which are sorely lacking in depth.

'We're probably going to take five offensive linemen and three or four defensive linemen (in the next class)," said Griffin. "You've got to shore up your team there. Those two groups are the personality of your club.

"If you look at the top teams in the league right now Eastern Illinois, Martin and Jacksonville State - they've got some pretty good football players there. They're tough, and they're physical. When we get back to that point, it will be just like the successful years we've had here at Murray."

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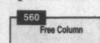
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### Positive signs show for holiday selling

NEW YORK (AP) - A warning to procrastinators: Better shop early if you want the must-have holiday gifts.

Already, toy sellers like Wal-Mart Stores Inc., Toys R Us Inc. and KB Toys Inc., are scrambling to get their hands on more hot toys, particularly T.M.X. Elmo from Mattel Inc.'s Fisher-Price, whose better-than-expected sales are making it increasingly likely to be the must-have

toy for the season. In yet another encouraging sign of consumers' willingness to spend, Scott McCall, chief toy officer at Wal-Mart, noted that high-priced toys like \$249 red Mustangs under Mattel's Powerwheels brand are selling fast early in the season, something that he hasn't seen in five

And Michael Gould, chairman and CEO of Federated Department Store Inc.'s Bloomingdale's, reported strong sales of fall merchandise in September, which could only bode well for holiday apparel.

"There is no question that business is better. It has been a strong September," Gould said. 'Apparel business has been good, the shoe business has been outstanding. There is a better feel out there."

Such encouraging signs are helping to lift the spirits of many retailers, who only this summer planned for modest gains in holiday inventory as they worried about how soaring gasoline prices and rising interest rates would curtail gift-buying.

Still, merchants are being cautious as they adjust some holiday orders, so consumers won't see the same level of generous deals as they did a year ago and procrastinators won't

find the goods they want. "Yes, (stores) may be adjusting to possible gains," said Dan Butler, vice president of retail operations at the National Retail Federation. "But they are not going overboard. Gas prices

could always go back up." And other big challenges still remain. One big worry is the deteriorating housing market. In the last few years, a booming housing market and record-low interest rates spurred spending as consumers tapped into their rising home equity. Still, the recent pause in interest rate hikes by the Federal Reserve should offer some relief to shop-

Meanwhile, the New Yorkbased Conference Board reported last week a rebound in consumer confidence in September, but the survey showed consumers' lingering concerns about the job market. Employment showed modest gains in August, with wages barely up, according to the latest

Consumers have remained resilient throughout the year, despite rising gasoline prices. Still, there have been some signs of consumer strain in recent store sales reports. Wal-Mart has blamed rising prices at the pump for slowing sales this year. J.C. Penney Co. Inc., which generally pleases Wall Street, reported disappointing sales in August, dragged down by slower demand for big purchases like furniture.

For the holiday season, The National Retail Federation forecasts a healthy 5 percent gain in total sales for the November-December period. That's higher than the 4.6 percent average over the last decade, though less than the 6.1 percent from the year-ago period. Scott Krugman, a spokesman at NRF, said falling gasoline prices were reflected somewhat in the forecast, but he cautioned not to make too much of the trend since it could be

only temporary. Amid some lingering uncertainty, one challenge for stores is to keep profits high without jeopardizing sales. Selling out of products is good for profits, but stores' goal is to sell out of goods close to Christmas Day, not earlier, which would hurt revenues, according to Madison Riley, a strategist at Kurt Salmon Associates, a consulting firm. He estimates that holiday inventories are up anywhere

Riley noted that in apparel, an increasing number of stores are replacing the hot apparel items once they have sold out, with other fashion alternatives. because they have their floors looking fresh.

from 3 percent to 5 percent.

Another issue is that no hot apparel items have emerged, according to Wendy Liebmann, president of WSL Strategic Retail, a New York-based consulting firm. But she believes that accessories like satchel bags and high-heeled boots will be? winners.

But the toy business is a different matter - children don't want a substitute for a hot toy. That's why toy sellers are

scrambling to get their hands on T.M.X. Elmo and other hot items that are beating sales projections. The good news is that goods are flowing smoothly through the U.S. ports, including the West Coast ports, according to Craig Sherman, NRF's vice.

president of government affairs. Jim Silver, editor-in-chief of Toy Wishes, a trade publication, estimates that Fisher-Price made about 700,000 T.M.X. Elmo units, and the company is scram-

bling to make more. Fisher-Price officials

declined to comment. Silver noted other toys that may be in short supply are Speed Stacks, from Jakks-Pacific Inc. and Hasbro Inc.'s Butterscotch, a \$299 life-size

Another hot item that analysts expect to be in limited supply this holiday season is Sony Corp.'s new generation console PlayStation3 when it hits stores Nov. 17.

robotic pony.

Ed Schmults, CEO of FAO Schwarz, which carries toys not heavily distributed elsewhere, said that the retailer is already increasing its orders of the Eloise doll from Madame Alexander and Zizzle LLC's 18inch Jack Sparrow action figures related to the movie "Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's

"Everyone is seeing a bit of a rosier picture," said Ernie Speranza, chief marketing officer at KB Toys. "But it is still going to be a battle down to the wires, whether it is in pricing or availability."

### **Horoscope**

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2006:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

This year, you get a lot done quickly and efficiently. As a result, your reputation precedes you. You have energy, magnetism and spirit. What more could you ask for? You might want to try to do something very different and unusual. You might want to rethink a situation. Your creativity flourishes. You will want to do something more dynamic this year. Allow that to happen. You cannot hold yourself back any longer. If you are single, check out who you meet. Shop around. If you are attached, communication will flourish if you reveal more of yourself. VIRGO understands you.

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) \*\*\* Though you might experience some disruption that you would rather not discuss, you'll get the job done. You are focused and direct. Read between the lines and listen to what isn't being said. Tonight: Find your favorite chair.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\* Your creativity comes out when dealing with others. You find answers while others create an uproar. You have reason to smile. You could find a family member or domestic issue a bit weighty. Know when to say you have had enough. Tonight: Acting as if there is no tomorrow good for you! GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\* You might come to a new level of comprehension. Understand what is happening with someone who can be touchy or a little difficult. You might feel put off by someone's attitude. Look at the big picture. Do you really want to pull away? Tonight: Happy at home. CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\* You have the right words. Make calls and reach out

thought marks your sign. Many of you will opt to work from home or do something totally different. Think positively. Tonight: Hang out with a pal LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\* Spending often creates a hassle. Think in terms of gaining through solid and direct action. You have what it takes to

make a difference. Use that tal-

ent. Trust yourself, as well as

others, to ask the right ques-

to the many people in your life.

Foundations count, and that

tions. Tonight: Your treat. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* You are all smiles and

make choices accordingly. Think in terms of positive changes. A purchase could help you get where you want to be. Think carefully about what you want. Tonight: As you like. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

\*\* Know when to back off and try something totally different. Sometimes you might do or say things that could be offensive. Know when to bail out and stay out of trouble. You are strong and direct with dynamic actions. Expenses could soar. Tonight: Know when to call it a day. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\*\* You might be overwhelmed by what is going on around you. Others seek you out. As a result and a side benefit, all this activity puts you in a strong position. Let others think that your ideas are theirs. Tonight: The center of the party SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

\*\*\* You are happiest doing what you do well. You are a natural leader, one who is understanding. You demonstrate your innate caring for others. Listen well. Tonight: In the limelight. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\* Read between the

lines. You will see what is hap-

### by Jacqueline Bigar

pening. If you can, gather others together and circle the wagons, so to speak. Listen to what is happening with someone who is important and can shake up your life. Tonight: Relax your mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* You might want to add more vitality to a partnership. The real question is: Does this person want the same? You might be startled by what comes up, but not totally displeased. Trust your intuition. Tonight: Encourage another to display his or her true colors.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* You will want to handle a matter in a different manner. However, acting quickly could up many people. Explaining and, at the same time, understanding where they

are coming from help. Tonight: Let others state their case.

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#### LookingBack

Published is a picture of Jack Rose, superintendent of Calloway County Schools, talking with members of the state legislative Research Committee as the group toured the television station of Calloway County High School. The photo was by Staff Photographer Jim Mahanes.

Michael Robinson has been named as the new executive director of Murray-Calloway County Playhouse in the Park.

Births reported include a girl to Nancy and Alex Wilson Jr., Sept. 17; a girl to Michael and Dawna Manning, Oct. 7; a boy to Sheila and Toby Turner, Oct.

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Dr. Viola P. Miller, chairman of the department of special education at Murray State University, has accepted an appointment to the Kentucky Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology from Gov. Martha Layne Collins.

Births reported include a boy to Lisa and Johnny Henricks and a boy to Christine and Dennis McKnight, Oct. 10; a girl to Pam and Bruce Logue and a girl to Stephanie and Johnny Alexander, Oct. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Jones were married 60 years Oct. 2. 30 years ago

Senior Airman Craig E. Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sanders, is serving at Ellsworth Air Force Base, Rapid City, N.C.

Margaret Trevathan, librarian Calloway County Public Library, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Public Library Section of the Kentucky

Library Association for the year

Mr. and Mrs. Bun Swann were married for 65 years Oct.

Rev. and Mrs. W.A. Farmer were married 50 years Sept. 25. 40 years ago

Doris Rowland was named 'Business Woman of the Year" by the Murray Business & Professional Women's Club at a luncheon held at Triangle Inn.

Rev. Martin Mattingly, pastor of St. Leo Catholic Church spoke about "Alcoholism" at a meeting of the Theta Department of the Murray Woman's Club. Mrs. James Fee is chairman of the department.

In football games, Murray High School Tigers lost 13-7 to Paducah Tilghman Tornado at Murray; and Murray State University Thoroughbreds lost 44-0 to Arkansas State Indians.

50 years ago

Published is a picture of first class of nurse aides to graduate from Murray Hospital Nurses Aide Training Course. They are Bernice Dunigan, Peggy Futrell, Janice Newberry, Roy Ann Hartsfield, Rubene Sykes, Datha Outland, Glenda Sue Hale, Louise Paschall and Elizabeth Dalton. Also pictured was Lucille Ross RN, instructor.

Dr. Woodfin Hutson was elected president of the Murray Baseball Association for the 1957 season at the meeting held at the American Legion Hall. Red Howell was elected president of Little League and Bill Solomon of the park League.

Mr. and Mrs. Conley James will be married 50 years Oct.

### Straying spouses, straight or gay, can spread STDs

DEAR ABBY: I have a couple of issues with the answer you gave "Dumbfounded in San Jose" (8/16), the woman who discovered that her husband had a homosexual relationship in college 20 years ago. Had she discovered the relationship was



**Dear Abby** 

By Abigail Van Buren

adulterous and unsafe. Being bi does not mean you

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necessarily have relationships with men and women, but that you can be attracted to and possibly have relationships with both sexes. You have perpetrated a stigma that homosexuals and bisexuals are unfaithful and unsafe. He has chosen to spend his life with her, so it's possible he has been faithful to that commitment. -- PHILADEL-PHIA READER

DEAR PHILADELPHIA READER: Let me refresh your memory. The man was overheard discussing the four-year affair he had with his college roommate when the man came to visit. They were overheard by his 16-year-old son. The wife would like to discuss it with her son and her husband "to control the damage" -- but the son "refuses and is now pretending it's not important."

I advised her that if her son didn't think it was important, he wouldn't have told her. I also said she needed to find out if her husband's bisexual activity had continued after college, and that she should be tested for STDs. That is, by the way, the same advice I have given in the past to spouses of both sexes who suspect their partner has had heterosexual affairs.

In addition, I urged family counseling because the writer was unaware of her husband's prior sexual history and the news is bound to have an effect on their marriage -- and because their son may need reassurance and help working through this.

DEAR ABBY: I was appalled by your response to "Dumbfounded in San Jose." For many people, attraction is not necessarily about gender. It's about the other person. It's entirely possible that this homosexual affair was a one-time thing, based on a special attraction, and that the husband is not skulking around back alleys with other men. If so, he is not automatically an AIDS risk.

You should be fair and give this man, and his marriage, the benefit of the doubt before rushing to the emergency room. (And yes, I live "there," and maybe have been brainwashed by the evil homosexual underground into thinking there's more than one way to approach sexual orientation.) - APPALLED IN SAN FRANCISCO

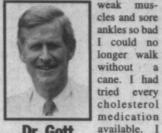
APPALLED: DEAR Although it is possible that the four-year affair in college was a "one-time" thing, in my opinion "experimentation" is taking a nibble of the cake, not consuming the entire thing. And remember, this man kept it a secret from the woman he married. If there were no men carrying on clandestine affairs with other men while pretending to be strictly heterosexual, I wouldn't be concerned.

What I find extremely worrisome -- and it goes beyond the facts of this letter -- is that sexually transmitted diseases that could be prevented are rampant in this country because of ignorance. Sexually active seniors are getting AIDS because they think they're somehow exempt from having to take the same precautions young people do. Parents are refusing to have their daughters vaccinated against a virus that's linked to cervical cancer because they're afraid it will give them permission to havesex before marriage. (Has it not occurred to them that these girls can cross the altar as virgins and be infected by their husbands?) Men have unprotected sex with other men and call it something else.

Sometimes I ask myself if we're living in the United States or a State of Denial. My advice was the prudent thing to do.

### Patient, heal thyself

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a 72-year-old male. I had colon cancer in 1990 and a serious heart attack in 1995. I started cholesterol medication shortly after that, until two years ago, when I started having leg cramps,



Dr. Gott

convinced Ву gist to drop Dr. Peter Gott

all cholesterol medication. I am happy to report I can walk again. I take omega-3 fish oil and feel great. My only question is, if statins damage muscles, what does it do to the heart? It is also a muscle

my cardiolo-

DEAR READER: Good question. I don't know the answer. To my knowledge, the muscle damage that is occasionally the result of therapy with cholesterol-lowering statin drugs does not affect the heart.

The primary consequences of rhabdomyolysis (the muscle damage to which you referred) are muscle pain and weakness. However, as the damage progresses, the protein that is released by the damaged muscles circulates in the blood stream until it is removed by the kidneys and excreted. A massive amount of protein may be more than the kidneys can tolerate. In this situation, which resembles a storm drain in a flood, the kidneys themselves may become blocked, an exceedingly dangerous situ-

I doubt that you have suffered permanent damage. But I endorse your position regarding the unwanted effects of statin drugs, and I applaud your steadfastness in following a sensible medical path. I also should give credit to your doctor, who had the sense to listen to you and take reasonable steps to correct the problem.

You mentioned in your letter that you are 72 years old. Given your involvement and experience with the medical profession - plus what is probably a relatively feisty attitude you will surely live at least another 20 years, during which you might well have a earned the title of "Cranky Yankee," the label with which I bless my own wonderful, aging patients.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: My daughter is addicted to Afrin, as many others are. Her doctor is casual about this situation. What are the effects of this? Where should she go for help?

DEAR READER: As is true with many types of nose spray, Afrin can cause a congestive condition called "rebound" if used for more than a few days at a time.

You don't say the reason your daughter is misusing Afrin. If she simply has nasal congestion, a daily lavage with saltwater might help her. Or, if she has allergies, an oral antihistamine, such as Claritin, could lessen her congestion.

In either case, I recommend that she stop using the Afrin; that act by itself could solve her problem.

### **TodayInHistory**

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, Oct. 17, the 290th day of 2006. There are 75 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 17, 1777, British forces under Gen. John Burgoyne surrendered to American troops in Saratoga, N.Y., in a turning point of the Revolutionary War. On this date:

In 1919, the Radio Corporation of America was chartered. In 1931, mobster Al Capone was

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convicted of income tax evasion (sentenced to 11 years in prison, Capone was released in 1939.)

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In 1941, the U.S. destroyer Kearny was torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of Iceland; 11 people died.

In 1945, Col. Juan Peron, the future president of Argentina, was released from prison after protests by trade unionists, ending a cri-

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sis that began with his forced resignation from his government posts nd his arrest.

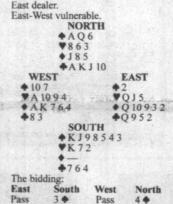
In 1956, the all-star movie "Around the World in 80 Days," produced by Michael Todd, had its world premiere in New York.

In 1973, Arab oil-producing nations announced they would begin cutting back oil exports to Western nations and Japan; the result was a total embargo that lasted until March 1974.

YEAH ... HER BACK-TO

SCHOOL GOODBYES USUALLY LAST UNTIL

#### **Contract**Bridge



Opening lead - king of diamonds. There are times when the winning play runs so contrary to normal practice that very few declarers w even think of it, much less make the play. Yet, when the play is subsequently examined in the cold light of day, its validity cannot be denied.

Consider this deal where West led the king of diamonds against four spades. South ruffed, played the A-K of trumps, then led a club to the jack, losing to the queen. Back came the queen of hearts, whereupon the

could have done to prevent this unlucky outcome, even if you look at all four hands. But the fact is that South could have guaranteed the contract at trick one. Instead of trumping West's opening lead, he should have discarded a club!

Let's say West leads another diamond. South ruffs, cashes the A-K of trumps and plays the A-K-J of clubs.

It's not easy to see what declarer

for down one.

If East produces the queen, South ruffs, returns to dummy with a trump and discards a heart on the club ten to make the contract. If East does not produce the queen of clubs, South discards a heart and achieves the same result even if West has the queen. Either way, declarer can't lose more than three tricks.

There is no question that discarding a club at trick one is a play few declarers would think of. It simply runs too much against the grain. Nevertheless, there can be no deny ing that the club discard virtually assures a favorable outcome, while trumping the king of diamonds clearly jeopardizes the contract.

By discarding on West's king of clubs, South makes sure that East, the dangerous opponent, can never gain the lead for the potentially killing heart shift. From that point defenders collected three heart tricks on, all roads lead directly to Rome.

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# SGA events, novelist, Mr. MSU highlighted on show

Special to the Ledger

Student Government Association (SGA) Coordinator Jeanie Morgan will be discussing the upcoming events sponsored by the SGA, including the "Rocky Horror Picture Show" and "Snow Globes."

Marshall Welch joins her to talk about the SGA's Chili Cook-off scheduled for Oct. 28 in the Roy Stewart Stadium. There will be entertainment provided by two of Nashville's up and coming alternative music artists, Jeremy Lister and Brandon Ingle.

Participants must bring three gallons of already prepared chili to the cook-off. Bowls, spoons, crackers, napkins, and a soda will be given to all of those who purchase a wristband for \$5. The wristband will allow participants and attendees to enjoy all of the chili they can eat and, at the end of the cook-off, participants will vote for the best chili on the back off the wristband.

First, second, and third places will receive a percentage of the total wristband sales. There is no entry fee and applications are due by 4:30 pm on Oct. 23

The award-winning novelist Leah Stewart, MSU's visiting professor of creative writing, will discuss her career as a writer with host Jim Carter. It includes two novels, "Body of a Girl" and "The Myth of You and Me." They will also talk about the effects of the releases on Stewart's life and how the books were accepted into the literary world.

Moving from prose to music, viewers will be introduced to Wes Smith, the newly crowned Mr. MSU 2006. The senior from Smithland, Ky. had a big act to follow in the talent competition: a tornado siren. The video of his vocal performance will be aired during the interview.

Roundabout Murray airs Tuesdays at 6 p.m. on MSU TV-11. Roundabout Murray also airs on CW Wednesday nights at 11:30, on Charter Communications in Murray Saturdays and Sundays 9 a.m., on Murray Electric System Wednesday nights at 6, 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.

#### WEDNESDAY MORNING A- CHARTER, B- MURRAY ELECTRIC, C- MEDIACOM, D- GALAXY 8:30 | 9:00 | 9:30 | 10:00 | 10:30 | 11:00 | 11:30 ABCD 6:00 | 6:30 | 7:00 | 7:30 | 8:00 KRN-ABC 2 2 Regis and Kelly The View (N) (5:00) News Good Morning America 🗵 SIL-ABC 3 3 3 Rachael Ray (N) I The View (N) I Good Morning America 🗵 SMV-NBC 4 4 The 700 Club 🗷 Ellen Show Today (In Stereo) E WTVF-CBS 5 5 The Early Show @ Montel Williams @ The Price is Right Talk-News 🗷 VPSD-NBC 6 6 6 6 News E Today (In Stereo) (E) Good Morning America E BBJ-ABC 7 7 7 Good Morning Lions Arthur Couch Teletub Sesame Street @ Bob Big Jakers Rogers 9 9 2 3 Paid Judge Mathis People's Court Judge A. Judge A. Paid Gadgt- Paid QTV-UPN 10 17 11 30 Paid Paid Nanny Mad Abt. Megan Mulially KFVS-CBS | 12 | 12 | 12 | Breakfast Show The Price Is Right 16 38 9 10 Chang- Believ-Hillbil- Hillbil- Rockford Files Homicide: Life Magnum, P.I. 🗵 17 83 28 Truths Craw-Paid Today Hagee Life Tod Your Meyer Proph- White WKMU-PBS 21 21 5 11 Bob Curious Clifford Dragon Big Teletub Rogers Arthur Sesame Street @ Caillou Barney /DKA-WB 22 16 10 Chapel Griffith My Wife My Wife Littles Paid Paid Bellev- Paid Girl-One 24 29 26 8 SportsCenter SportsCenter SportsCenter SportsCenter (# 25 30 25 (5:00) Mike and Mike in the Morning (Live) @ Cold Pizza (In Stereo Live) @ Cold Pizza @ 26 49 27 24 (5:00) MTV Video Wake-Up (In Stereo) The Big Ten Parental Parental Talent Charmed E 28 27 39 14 Angel "Tomorrow" | Charmed @ ER (In Stereo) E ER "First Snowfall" 29 41 41 HI-5 🖾 Bus Bigfoot Peep 🖾 Baby Baby Baby Baby What Not to Wear 30 52 31 31 Fit Lite Workout Nanny Nanny Golden Golden Will Will Frasier Frasier 32 51 49 5 JAG (In Stereo) @ JAG "Rogue" @ Texas Ranger Texas Ranger Texas Ranger 34 58 29 (5:00) Movie "Mode sty Blaise" Movie: \*\*\* '/2 "The Hot Rock" (1972) 35 35 44 27 The District @ 24 国 City Confidential American Justice Cold Case Files ( Crossing Jordan 36 53 36 2 Family Family Hogan Hogan The 700 Club 🖾 Living Step Gilmore Girls @ NICK 37 22 24 4 Phan-OddPar- Sponge Sponge Dora Go Blues- Back-43 36 18 Design-Duvail Duvail House Quilts Room Scrapb- B Design- Clever House 44 33 30 23 Paid The Equalizer Paid The A-Team The Shield ( 52 26 21 13 Saved-Megan Mulially Dawson's Creek @ Saved-Coden- Lazio Tom Scooby Looney Aloha, Scooby-Doo COURT 66 61 Paid Bloom & Politan: Open Court (5:00) BET Morning Inspiration BET 67 39 Wayans Wayans Jamie F. Jamie F. 106 & Park: Top 10 Live 70 34 CMT Power Picks CMT Music (In Stereo Movie Chernobyl Heart Movie: \*\* "In Good Company" (2004) Journalst-Jihadi "Just Like Heaven" 765 72 54 Movie: ★★½ "Everybody's All-American" Movie: ★★½ "The Hard Way" (1991) "R' Movie: ★★★ "City of Angels" (1998) 🗉 Movie: ★★ "Sheena" (1984) 'PG' 图 Movie: ★½ "Totally Blonde" (2001) 图 700 73 52 Wiggles Higgly Ein- Mickey Handy Dood- Charlie Koala Wiggles Higgly Lilo

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TV Listings Wednesday, October 18, 2006

#### A- CHARTER, B- MURRAY ELECTRIC, C- MEDIACOM, D- GALAXY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 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 | RN-ABC All My Children I One Life to Live General Hospital Judge J. Judge J. News News ABC News Fortune WSL-ABC All My Children One Life to Live General Hospital Dr. Keith Ablow Montel Williams News ABC Passions (N) @ Days of our Lives Dr. Phil (in Stereo) Oprah Winfrey @ News News News WTVF-CBS Y & R Bold As World Turns Guiding Light Rachael Ray News Inside News News WPSD-NBC Days of our Lives Passions (N) ( Inside Insider Dr. Phil (In Stereo) Jeop-News E Fortune WBBJ-ABC All My Children III One Life to Live General Hospital Dr. Phil (In Stereo) Oprah Winfrey III News ABC WNPT-PBS Berens- Lions Reading Cyber- Shrinks Zoboo Dragon Clifford Curious Maya Post-The 700 Club @ Paid Judge Judge Cops (III) MLB Baseball: NLCS Game 6 -- Cardinals at Mets Holly-What I What I Reba @ Reba @ Greg Behrendt News House Ron H. Per-Holly-KFVS-CBS News Bold Guiding Light @ As World Turns Ellen Show Oprah Winfrey ( News News Ray-News (In Stereo) Home Videos Greg Behrendt Moesha Even Lizzie Home Videos Feed Paid Mass Dooley Discov- SRtv Top Ten WKMU-PBS To Read Pre GED Reading Lions Arthur Post-Cyber- Maya Cliff Dragon GED Bernie Bernie Jerry Springer 🖾 Feud Feud Divorce Divorce Judge Mathis @ The Contender 1st and Lines NFL Burning Horn (11:00) Cold Pizza NBA **UEFA Champions League Soccer** Hot List | Series of Poker Series of Poker Footba Made (In Stereo) Made (in Stereo) Momma TRL 图 Parental Parental Talent My Judging Amy 🖭 Law & Order 🖾 Law & Order 🖾 Charmed (%) Charmed (K) Law & Order 🖾 TLC Younger Younger Baby Baby Mother Baby Trading Spaces Chef While You Out LIFE Reba (III) Reba (III) Movie: \*\*1/2 "Hangman" (2000) (III) Golden Golden Still Still USA Movie: In & Out 图 Movie; \*\*½ "The Jerk" (1979) 图 Movie: \*\*½ "Liar Liar" (1997) 匯 Law Order: CI AMC (11:45) Movie: "Silver Streak" (1976) Movie: \* "Slap Shot 2: Breaking the Ice" (2002) Movie: \* "Blues Brothers 2000" (1998) 'PG-13' A&E CSI: Miami (#) City Confidential American Justice Cold Case Files Crossing Jordan CSI: Miami Ground- Ground- FullHse FullHse Sabrina Sabrina 7th Heaven 図 Sponge Sponge Neutron Neutron OddPar- OddPar- Sponge Drake NICK School Avatar HGTV Decorat- Sensi-Get Design- First Free-Design Design If Walls Re-Deep Space 9 Star Trek Gen. Star Trek Gen. Star Trek Gen. Police Videos News- Harvey Harvey Home Home Yes Yes King King Seinfeld Seinfeld Ray-Poke- Cartoon Cartoons Ozzy Coden- Xiaolin Titans Lyoko Poké- Poké-Movie: \*\*1/2 "Scooby-Doo" (2002) ng Argu The Center Wayans Wayans Rap City BET Now **E** CMT Music (In Stereo) CMT Power Picks | Pure Country (N) | Gill's Top 10 Movie: \*\*\* "Ocean's Twelve" (2004) "PG-13" 图 Movie: "In Good Company" (2004) 图 Movie: "The Skeleton Key" (2005) 图 \*\*\* "A History of Violence" | Movie: "Necessary Roughness" (1991) | Movie: \*\*1/2 "Firestarter" (1984) 'R' III | Movie: "Re Movie: "Enduring Love" 'R' Movie: "The Stepford Wives" (2004) ® Movie: \*\* "Saved!" (2004) Movie: "The Longest Yard" Timon Buzz Whis- Proud Dragon Kim Life Life Phil Phil Mon- Suite Phil Raven

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WEDNESDAY EVENING

Movie: "If Looks Could Kill" Movie: \*\* "Matchstick Men" (2003)

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### Keeping Score to air on KET

The San Francisco Symphony has announced that KET1 in Murray (WKMU-21) will begin airing the three episode Keeping Score television series, hosted by the legendary conductor Michael Tilson Thomas, on Nov. 2 at 10 p.m. (check local listings).

The Keeping Score series, created by the San Francisco Symphony, consists of three one-hour documentary style-episodes and explores the music of Beethoven, Stravinsky, and Copland and how and why these three composers were able to write such remarkable, revolutionary works. These lively episodes feature the musicians of the San Francisco

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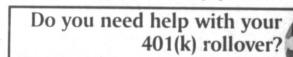
To watch a preview of the episodes, visit http://www.keepingscore.org/index2.html

The companion web site to the television programs, keepingscore.org, provides an interactive online experience designed to give people of all musical backgrounds a way to explore the music and stories behind the works in much greater depth, and at their own pace. A separate section for each of the three composers will launch a week prior to the episode airing on televi-

sion. Users can explore the composer's musical scores through interactive learning tools that offer an entirely unique online learning experience.

The television series and web site is part of the San Francisco Symphony's unprecedented five-year multi-media initiative designed to make classical music more accessible to people of all ages and musical backgrounds.

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