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Dennison, **Alexander** mediation to resume

By KRISTIN TAYLOR Staff Writer

OWENSBORO, Ky. Settlement negotiations between former Murray State athletics direc-

> E.W. Dennison and

> > King

ex-President

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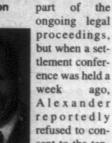
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this week.





reportedly refused to consent to the tentative settlement agreement reached. The former MSU president

to court documents. The six-hour conference in Owensboro with U.S. Magistrate Judge Robert Goebel mediating included Dennison and two of his attorneys -Harold Hurt and Robert Moore - as well as defendants' attorneys Serieta Jaggers and William Johnson; United Educators attorney Caroll Catalfo; and Board of Regents members Marilyn Buchanon,

was not in attendance but was reached by telephone, according

There was some progress made, but what I have to report to you is the mediation is ongo-

tial colleges, lower left, stand by as a giant 30-foot Christmas tree is lighted during the Hanging of the Green event at the Curris Center Tuesday night. About 200 students, faccontest between college organizations.

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Dr. Terry Strieter, Beverly Ford TOM BERRY/Ledger & Times and Vickie Travis. HANGING OF THE GREEN: Students from several of Murray State University's residen-

Briggs may see additional layoffs in Jan.

Although the details are uncertain, Briggs & Stratton will likely cut additional personnel from its Murray workforce early next year as part of an effort to deal with lower demand for lawn and garden

Murray Briggs Plant Manager Rodney Bohannon said he did not know how further cutbacks would affect plant employees, but that the plant would almost certainly be affected.

We started having employee meetings within all of the different departments yesterday just to let them know that we're seeing continued slowing on sales for the future and that we're going to have to start putting plans in place to possibly further reduce our production rates here at the plant," he said. "Now that it's getting close to the holidays we just wanted to let our employees know that we de think it's going to have some impact - probably in the next quar-

Bohannon said he would know more about how developments would affect the plant after the holidays.

"It'll be about the first to mid-January before we could make a ormal announcement about the impact to the plant," he said.

Murray-Calloway County Economic Development Corp.

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Faculty express appreciation to Miller, Strieter

By KRISTIN TAYLOR Staff Writer

The Faculty Senate formally expressed their appreciation for two of the colleagues.

With new MSU President Dr. Randy Dunn looking on, Faculty Senate President Dr. Steve White read a resolution in honor of Dr. Tim Miller, who served as interim president for the fall semester. The resolution, which was approved unanimously, praised Miller's willingness to promote shared goverful dev work with all campus constituencies and exemplary lead-

ership. White also presented Miller with a plaque.

"I really appreciate this, especially from the faculty. It's hard to get awards from your peers," said Miller, who has spent nearly four decades as an accounting professor and also in recent years the MSU Foundation director. "I'm really looking forward to working with Dr. Dunn. He's going to be a great president and he needs your support."

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MISD's 'Tiger Christmas for Kids' program underway

By GREG TRAVIS Staff Writer

The Murray Independent School System's "Tiger Christmas for Kids" program is underway, according to Tootie Oakley, director of the Murray City Schools Family Resource Youth Services Center. The program, which helps students from Head Start through eighth grade, is sponsored by her office and Samantha Hunt, youth service center director at Murray High School.

She said this year's program was off to a good start and she anticipated everyone supporting the annual effort.

Oakley said this year's program would be totally focused on clothing, shoes and other apparel. "The greatest need is clothing. Somehow the students always seem to get some toys. We know that many residents who help with clothing will also help with toys. That's why we are really focusing on the cloth-

She added monetary donations and sponsors were the greatest need at this time.

Oakley said the program always helps some 300 students and she expects those receiving assistance this year to remain around that same number. "That's why we have started working and will continue to work until all students in the program have been sponsored," she noted.

She said residents can stop by the atrium of Murray Middle School between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to select a child or family to sponsor for the Tiger Christmas Program. She said residents can also mail their tax deductible donations to the Murray City Schools Family Resource Youth Services Center at 208 S. 13th Street, Murray, KY 42071

Participation in the Tiger Christmas Program is based on the free lunch eligibility, she

To learn more about the program residents can pick up information at the middle school atrium, the Murray Independent School District board of education office on 13th Street, or any of the other city schools.

Oakley said volunteers from organizations, sororities and clubs are all a part of the volunteer support program called upon to assist each year.

She noted that residents can sponsor a child or a whole family. "Helping younger ones can be very inexpensive. Costs can range from around \$40 to \$100 for the older students. It's up to the individuals. We have volunteers who work hard to stretch every dollar," she said.

Oakley said that items donated would not be refused, but it was the monetary donations that are most needed.

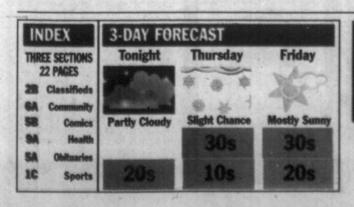
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GREG TRAVIS/Ledger & Times

This year's annual "Tiger Christmas for Kids" program is underway. Those working on the project, from left, are Tootie Oakley, director of the Murray City Schools Family Resource Youth Services Center; Carol Chapman; Lou Carter, Murray Middle School principal; Tammy Cothran; and Teresa Butler.



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Briggs ...

From Front

President Mark Manning said this morning that, althought any cutbacks would be unfortunate, that the corporation and the community will support the company during the transitional period.

"Briggs & Stratton has been really, really good to this community and they really care about both the community and their employees. They have stuck by us and we are going to stick by them," Manning said. "We know that their market conditions are tough right now, but they are still a strong company and their brand name is recognizable worldwide.

Board Chairman Ronnie Gibson said he has a lot of confidence in the company's judgement.

'Obviously we're supportive of Briggs. They're a good company," he said. "Business is changing all over the world and I'm sure they are doing what they feel is best for the future of the company and also what is best for the future of Murray.'

Briggs & Stratton announced the cut of 112 jobs in October. The layoffs were scheduled to begin Nov. 27 with about 10 percent of the plant's 1,130-strong workforce losing their jobs. Third shift operations were set for shut down.

The cuts are reportedly the result of decreased demand for lawn and garden equipment and an effort to maintain desired inventory levels at the end of the selling season. Other job cuts were announced at Briggs in February as part of a worldwide downsizing effort to cut costs that also involved the company's Milwaukee, Wis.; Rolla, Mo.; and Auburn, Ala.

Briggs & Stratton has been in business for 21

Following the cutbacks in Murray in October, those affected were almost immediately offered jobs at a STIHL Inc. plant in Virginia Beach, Va. STIHL is the manufacturer of world's largest selling chain saws and is seeking about 100 experienced personnel in quality control and machine operations.



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HAVE A PINK CHRISTMAS: Gerry Arnett, left, and Mitzi Cathey, both mammography techs, pose next to the Christmas tree Cathey decorated at Murray-Calloway County Hospital's mammography department housed in the Center for Health and Wellness in hopes of creating awareness for breast cancer and encouraging mammograms as a preventative measure.

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Kentucky State Police

 Post One — which covers 11 counties including Calloway reported the following activity in November. Troopers opened 75.2 criminal cases; made 217 criminal arrests and 64 driving under the influence arrests; investigated 90 collisions, including seven fatalities; and received 754 calls for service. Through November, tatalities; and received 754 calls for service. Through November, 57 people have been killed in crashes in the Post One area. Of those, 26 were not wearing seat belts and 10 involved motorcycles. During the same period last year, 53 people died. Statewide this year, 831 people have been killed, compared to 2005. 901 in 2005.

Calloway County Sheriff's Department A construction trailer on Midway Road was reported broken into

at 7:17 a.m. Monday.

 A subject was trying to open an account by depositing checks from closed accounts at 2:29 p.m. Monday. A case was opened for theft by unlawful taking more than \$300.

Marshall County Sheriff's Department

 Deputy Nathan Maxlow was dispatched to 132 First Street in Hardin on Nov. 19 to investigate a burglary at Evelyn Jordan's residence. A .22-caliber revolver and cash were stolen. The investigation is continuing.

— Information is obtained from reports, logs

and citations from various agencies

MISD ...

From Front

centers is to remove the barriers that keep children from learning. We want our students to feel they are dressed and are as comfortable as the students sitting next to them. That's why we are really focusing this year's program on clothing," she added.

For more information, call 759-9592 or 753-4363.

Faculty ...

From Front

Strieter also was presented with a plaque as the senate recognized him for nearly six years of service on the MSU Board of Regents. He's resigning Jan. 15 to chair the history department.

White read the resolution, which also was unanimously approved, that praised Strieter's success in the dual role as the faculty representative and university advocate.

Jay Morgan, an associate agricultural science professor, will finish out the remaining five months of Strieter's term on the board. In the spring, someone will be elected to a full three-year term starting July 1.

In other business, the Faculty

—Approved adding the Undergraduate Bulletin 2005-07 intolerance policy to the fac-

ulty handbook. Terry McCreary, who chairs

the policy committee, told the Faculty Senate the wording was recommended after some discussion about including an antidiscrimination clause about sexual orientation.

Approved with a 29-0 vote with one abstention, the policy includes this wording: "Intolerance refers to an attitude, feeling or belief wherein



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an individual shows contempt for other individuals based on characteristics such as race, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or political or religious beliefs."

-Approved a new section in the handbook about personal relationships. McCreary told the senate the policy simplified earlier discussion about how to address student-faculty relationships outside the classrooms.

The policy, which was approved on a 26-4 vote with two abstentions, says relationships between faculty and students that interfere with or jeopardize faculty obligations and effectiveness should be avoided. Also, faculty members are subject to sanctions if they enter into romantic or sexual relationships with students whom they have direct academic responsibility because those relationships are conflicts of interest.

We are talking about some really rare occasions," said Joy Navan, a senator from the College of Education.

McCreary recognized the difficulty in defining such relationships when it comes down to taking action against a faculty member on a case-by-case

"We haven't attempted to cover all the possible situations," he said.

Faculty President Peggy Pittman-Munke said some sort of policy needed to be added in case it's needed in the future.

"Even though this isn't a perfect policy, it's a good starting. point," she said.

Fletcher reps to visit local counties

Special to the Ledger FRANKFORT, Ky. - Eddie Spraggs and Virginia Gray, repmi oth Tu

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resentatives of Gov. Ernie Fletcher, will be throughout western Kenucky to address

constituent concerns. Locally, the representatives will be in Calloway County on

Monday at 9:30 a.m. at the courthouse, at the Marshall County Courthouse on Dec. 12 at 10:30 a.m., and at Graves County's Courthouse on Dec. 18 at 1:30 p.m.

For additional information, call (270) 362-7963.

Town Crier

NOTICE

■ The Calloway County Board of Education will hold a public forum at the preschool on Dec. 14 at 6:15 p.m. to discuss a health and wellness

policy.

The Housing Authority of daysloped an Murray has developed an agency plan in compliance with the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 and is available for review at 716 Nash Dr., through Jan. 16 from 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday. A public hearing is planned for Jan. 16 at noon at the Authority's office.

the Authority's office.

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

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Missing father graduated from high school in Louisville

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — A California man who was still missing Tuesday after his family was found stranded in snow in Oregon went to high school in Louisville, school officials said.

James Kim, 35, of San Francisco, graduated from Ballard High School in 1989, Jefferson County school officials said.

Kim's wife and two daughters were found Monday after being lost for more than a week and were in good condition at a hospital in Oregon, a spokeswoman said. Searchers Tuesday found a pair of pants matching the description of those worn by Kim when he struck out for help Saturday morning.

Stacy Seay, a former classmate and friend of Kim's who now lives near Miami, Fla., said the news of Kim's disappearance saddened her.

"I remember James Kim as a kind individual who was extremely intelligent and full of life," she told The Courier-Journal in an email. "So of course, when I saw the news about he and his family, I was completely dumb-founded. My thoughts and prayers are with the Kim family for James' safe return."

The family saw friends in Portland on Nov. 25 and headed toward home after a Thanksgiving trip to the Pacific Northwest. They were last spotted at a restaurant that day, and never arrived at a lodge where they had reservations.

Oldham County court narrowly adopts smoking ban

LA GRANGE, Ky. (AP) — Smoking will be restricted in Oldham County beginning Feb. 1 under a ban narrowly approved Tuesday night by the county Fiscal Court.

The court's members "have really shown Oldham County is progressive and health conscious," said Liz Burrows, project director for Smoke Free Oldham, which promoted the ban.

Nearly three dozen people spoke at the meeting, and after the 5-4 vote, ban supporters stood and applauded, The Courier-Journal reported.

About a dozen people spoke against the measure, the newspaper reported. Ray Irwin, who owns Ray's Corner restaurant in La Grange, said he feared a ban would hurt his business.

"People come in there to have a drink and smoke," he said. "I just feel why should I take a hit in clientele just because somebody wants to pass a smoking ban."

The ban exempts designated hotel rooms, retail tobacco stores and designated smoking rooms in hospitals, hospices and nursing homes. Private clubs that don't have paid employees also are

Former Fletcher spokesman back with political blog

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — About six months ago Gov. Ernie Fletcher's former mouthpiece resigned during what was perhaps one of the most intense episodes of the state hiring investigation.

Now, Brett Hall is back on the Kentucky political scene with a new Internet blog he's touting as the state's "cyber-source for political news." Hall, who said he spent much of the summer working on political campaigns in Florida, recently launched the site, which contains his own political commentary and links to other stories and Web sites.

"It's what I want to do, having been frustrated communicator and wanting to do this for months," Hall said, "not just because there was a void in the blogosphere of Kentucky politics, but because I really love this medium."

Hall's blog, www.kypolitics.org, launched this past weekend. His site joins other blogs such as www.bluegrassreport.org, and www.conservativeedge.com, which focus on political issues in Kentucky.

Since its launch Saturday, Hall said his site has received about 400 unique visitors per day.

Hall joined the Fletcher administration in September 2005 after working as a consultant to try to boost Fletcher's public image from fallout surrounding the state hiring investigation. His hiring made Hall Fletcher's fifth head spokesperson, following Carla Blanton, Doug Hogan, Wes Irvin and former Commerce Secretary Jim Host.

Former PE teacher charged with abusing students

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — A former elementary school teacher was charged with sexually abusing two students and three other counts of abuse, Kentucky State Police said Tuesday.

Kenneth Edward Dunn, 51, of Lexington, was suspended as Linlee Elementary School physical education teacher after school officials received a report May 12 of inappropriate contact at the school, Fayette County Public Schools spokeswoman Lisa Deffendall said.

Dunn was arrested and charged with three counts of first-degree sexual abuse involving three victims under the age of 12 and two misdemeanor counts of second-degree sexual abuse involving two other victims under age 14, the Lexington Herald-Leader reported Tuesday on its Web site.

Police said the crimes allegedly occurred between January 1997 and this year.

The two misdemeanor counts stem from the May 12 report from Linlee Elementary, the newspaper said. Deffendall said the three felony charges did not involve Linlee students.

Dunn resigned his from his job in August. The school district has pursued suspension of his license with the Education Professional Standards Board.

Christian County man dies of smoke inhalation

FEARSVILLE, Ky. (AP) — A southwestern Kentucky man whose body was found in a burned vehicle died of smoke inhalation, the Christian County coroner said.

James C. Adkins, 27, of Hopkinsville died after his vehicle caught fire, Coroner Dorris Lamb said Tuesday. The death was ruled

accidental after an autopsy, Lamb said.

Kentucky State Police began investigating after receiving a report early Monday that a body was inside a burned van parked in

report early Monday that a body was inside a burned van parked in the yard of a residence on Kentucky 189 in Christian County near Fearsville.

Police were still investigating how the fire occurred, Trooper Stu Recke said.



Internationals exposed to American culture

MSU News Bureau

International student enrollment continues to grow at Murray State University during its "Year of the International." Approximately 380 students from several nations around the world are attending Murray State for both undergraduate and graduate degrees.

Among these students are Lichao "Scott" Xing and Zhonghai "Buzz" Zheng, from China, who arrived in mid-August. Both are working on their master's degrees in journalism and mass communication.

Xing, 23, graduated from Beijing Language and Culture University with a bachelor of arts degree in teaching Chinese as a second language. Xing is from Chifeng, Inner Mongolia.

A native of Heilongjiang Province, Northeast China, Zheng, 34, received his master's degree in economics from Harbin Institute of Technology in 1998. He has worked as a reporter and editor at China Daily, the largest English-language newspaper in the county, for eight years prior to coming to the U.S.

While traveling to the United States, Xing experienced one of the downfalls of flying — a long delay. "I came here via Chicago and waited in the airport for more than six hours

since the flight to Nashville was delayed, with no reasons given at all," Xing said.

Even though that journey was not as smooth as he had wished, both Xing and Zheng wish to travel some more while in the U.S., however, not owning cars here has curtailed their travels. "I haven't traveled outside of Murray," Zheng said, "but surely I will travel around the country. I know there are lots of things to see and lots of things to do in this country."

Not only has the adjustment of not having a car been a large one for both, but also the change in school systems. "In China, the admission is primarily based on the students', exam scores," Zheng said

High school graduates must take the National College Entrance Examination before they can progress to universities, according to Zheng. Those seeking master's and doctorate degrees must also take exams before they are allowed to continue their schooling, he explained.

The timing of school sessions is also different, Xing said, as well as the recruiting and enrolling strategies and criteria of schools. "I think the U.S. has done a better job in appreciating students' overall value," he said. "Here, the edu-

cation is more student-oriented. Students play a more active role in class and have more chances of being involved in practical work."

To help them assimilate to the new culture and easily meet other students, both Xing and Zheng are employed on campus. Xing works at the International Center for Economic Development and Cultural Studies in the Kentucky World Trade Center office. Zheng is employed as a contributing writer for Murray State's student newspaper, The News. "This job has helped me get more involved in the campus community, make more friends and easily get used to the life here," he said.

Exposing themselves to American culture has taught the two students many things. "People tend to be more friendly," he said, "but, I know that saying 'hello' or 'how are you doing' does not mean they necessarily want to elicit a conversation."

Zheng has also discovered the friendliness of Americans, especially at church. "I was raised an atheist," he said. "Since I came here, I started to sample different churches around the city. I have made some good friends at the

Going to different churches has allowed him to learn of

the interesting differences in each denomination. "I have discovered the distilled wisdom in the Bible," he explained. "There are some big differences between denominations, not only the service procedures, but also the interpretations and understandings of different issues."

Although learning first-hand about a different culture has been a good experience for both students, Zheng explained how his study in the U.S. would pay off in both the short and long run. "I can get a better-paid job back home," he explained. "A majority of the Fortune 500 global companies have a presence in China. They offer very competitive remunerations."

For job applicants to be considered at these Fortune 500 companies, they must have had exposure to a multicultural environment, according to Zheng. "Exposure to the American culture will no doubt increase my job opportunities," he said.

Although this exposure is important for career purposes, Zheng explained it will help him in other areas of life as well. "My experience in this open and diversified society will foster cultural appreciation and global perspective, helping me think out of the box. The new way of thinking will be with me all my life."

MSU ...

From Front

ing," Strieter, the faculty representative on the board, told Faculty Sentate on Tuesday afternoon.

The conference will reconvene at 1 p.m. Friday at the U.S. Courthouse in Owensboro and Alexander — who is being represented by Jon Fleischaker and Ashley Park of Louisville-based Dinsmore & Shohl LLP — is ordered to personally attend.

Should an agreement not be reached, the matter is scheduled for trial in U.S. District Court in Paducah. A Jan. 8 trial date was scheduled, but Strieter told the Faculty Senate that is expected to be delayed a couple of months if it becomes necessary.

Also on Friday, the MSU Board of Regents will meet at Pogue Library. Committee meetings start at 8:45 a.m. and the main meeting will be at 1:30 p.m.

U.S. District Judge Thomas B. Russell dismissed on Nov. 3 the breach of contract lawsuit that Dennison filed against the university, specifically naming the regents and Alexander. But Dennison's defamation claims against Alexander personally remain on the table.

Russell said university policies allowed Dennison to be transferred to another job as long as his salary remained the same.

Dennison filed the lawsuit in February 2005 — five months after Alexander transferred him from the AD post to a newly created fund-raising job. But Dennison has asked the judge to reconsider the ruling, saying he was under contract to be the athletics director.

Although the judge dismissed the claims against the regents, the board remains involved in because of Dennison's appeal.

"Dennison's lawyers filed an appeal to that," Strieter said of the judge's ruling, "so until the appeal is resolved, we are still involved in litigation."





Photo provided

CALLOWAY FARM BUREAU HONORED: The Calloway County Farm Bureau was recognized for outstanding membership and program achievement during the recent 87th Kentucky Farm Bureau annual meeting in Louisville. Here, Tripp Furches, center, accepts the award from David S. Beck, right, Kentucky Farm Bureau executive vice president and Roger L. Simpson, executive vice president of Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, during a Dec. 1 recognition and awards program.

Education college earns another high rating

Special to the Ledger

The Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board recently released the Kentucky Educator Preparation Programs' Quality Performance Index (QPI) for 2005-06. Murray State University's college of education received the highest rating of Excellent Performance for the second consecutive year.

The QPI provides an indicator of a program's overall performance through a calculation that includes three separate performance measures:

— PRAXIS II annual summary pass rate,

— the overall mean on the KEPP new teacher surveys, and

— the three-year average on KTIP pass rates.

"I am extremely proud of our students, faculty and staff," said Dr. Russ Wall, dean of the college of education. "This is a state and federal report that demonstrates the outstanding teacher preparation program we have a Murray State. We should all take pride in these results — the entire university community, our public school partners, alumni and the region at large."



FORUM

Here's to proof in the pudding

Dr. Randy Dunn says he wants your input. Yes, really.

Murray State's newest president spent the last six months easing into his new job while he finished up his former role overseeing K-12 education throughout Illinois. But he's moved into Oakhurst and is well on his way with becoming better acquainted with the campus

and larger community. Trying to put behind him the negative publicity former interim President Dr. Kern Alexander garnered for the university during his seven-month tenure, Dunn says he wants to move forward with availability and accessibility.

He said these things just hours into his first official day in Wells Hall. And he quickly followed up his philosophy with assurance that proof will be in the pudding.

"There's a public good that comes from this. This is a public university," Dunn said in an interview with local media. "We are supported by taxes from the citizenry. Parents and students pay great amounts of money to come here. We don't need to hide

And he wants help advancing the university's mission. Surrounded by peo-ple he called "good leaders," Dunn plans on meeting and greeting folks throughout the holidays

People on campus and in the community will have plenty of chances. He'll speak at Murray Rotary Club on Thursday and then host a campuswide reception from 3 to 5 p.m. that same day in Pogue Library. Then he'll attend the Murray City Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 14 and then host a holiday reception Dec. 21 for the community from 4 to 6 p.m. at Oakhurst.

In Dunn's words: "We aren't a privately held company." And in that open environment there are numerous voices.

"Where people in the university see that not happening," Dunn said of transparency, "I hope they tell

On the flip side, discussion shouldn't delay decisions. True, not all decisions are emergencies, but universities have a reputation of being slow to act. Dunn thought about that.

We need to start early enough to include everyone so we can render a timely

Dunn said about his leadership style. "I don't dodge making deci-sions. When the time comes, I will say this is what I think should happen. I

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By Kristin **Taylor** default to be Ledger & Times Staff Writer

less.' There's a lesson here to take away from Dr. Tim who served just more than three months as the second interim president. Miller was often seen at faculty and staff meetings sharinformation with them and soliciting ideas. Sure, he was a temporary president, but he has invested his career in MSU. Dunn noticed.

"The university owes à tremendous debt of gratitude to Dr. Tim Miller for stepping in. I think he was mas-terful," Dunn said. "He moved forward with things he knew couldn't wait, and he pulled me in when he needed me. He's one of those people who if you have a problem with Tim Miller - you're the prob-

Calling him a patient leader, Dunn said Miller had a calming effect on the university - an approach he hopes to continue.

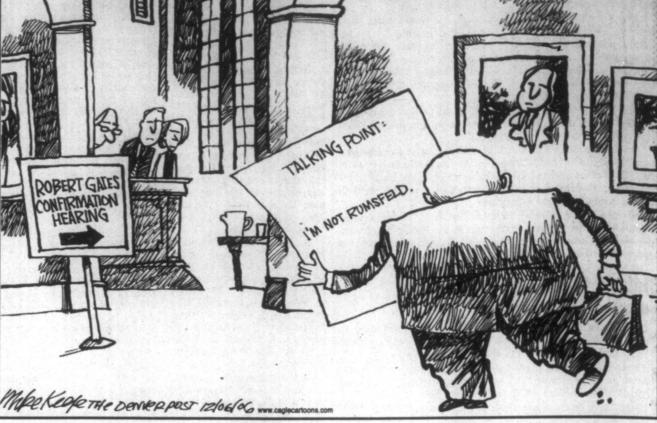
'He and I are kind of the Dunn said. "He didn't see everything as a crisis. He had patience.'

Catering to the tech-savvy students, a presidential blog is in the works. And he plans to invite different groups over to his house for informal — but important conversations and a meal.

"There's no magic to it. It's just visibility," Dunn said of learning what people think. "... Getting people together for a meal is sometimes a good way to do

If you see Dr. Dunn eating a meal in Winslow, jogging through campus or cheering on the Racers at games, stop and say hi. He

Give him a chance. Tell him what you think. After all, he promises the pudding will be worth it.



anges seem inevitable

WASHINGTON (AP) Make no mistake about it. change is coming in President Bush's Iraq policy. After stubbornly pursuing a stay-the-course policy into a



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The big question is, how far is Bush willing to bend?

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Iraqis, I'm going to listen to members of Congress, I want

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Bush told Fox News Channel

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Washington Today By Tom Raum Associated **Press Writer**

But Bush may do it gently, and he might not even acknowledge that a course fourth year change is under way. "His default position may being told be to make changes while saying that he's not making for a new changes," said Fred Greendirection stein, a political science professor at Princeton Universiby every-

defend itself.

"I just don't think he's got any room to just dig in and not do anything. That would be like jumping off a cliff, Greenstein said. "And Bush doesn't strike me as a guy who jumps off a lot of adviser and cliffs

East and his oft-stated asser-

tion that the U.S. won't

stand down until Iraq can

Bush had been gradually moving away from "stay the course," although variations on the theme still crop up, including as recently as last week during a news conference in Amman, Jordan, with Iraqi President Nouri al-Mali-'So we'll be in Iraq until the job is complete, Bush said, adding that he wasn't looking for "some kind of graceful exit out of

But many in Washington, Democrats and Republicans alike, were looking for just that — a graceful exit.

And many hoped that the

Baker-Hamilton report would provide such an opportunity. "There is no obvious cor-

rect policy in Iraq," said Michael O'Hanlon, a foreign policy analyst at the Brookings Institution and one of the Iraq Study Group's many advisers. "What matters is getting a better policy in Iraq

O'Hanlon said Bush needs to listen to the panel's recommendations. Still, O'Hanlon said he is worried that

expectations were being set too high, with some people "presupposing that because Baker and Hamilton are involved, they must necessar ily create wisdom from on

The Iraqi Study Group is widely expected to recommend a plan for the U.S. to begin withdrawing its 15 combat brigades from Iraq - whether Iraqi forces are ready or not.

And, while the report is not expected to call for a formal timetable, by some accounts it will suggest that the bulk of combat forces be out by 2008, and the U.S. role transformed from combat to one of support. There are now about 140,000 U.S.

troops in Iraq. The study group also is expected to advocate a more aggressive diplomatic effort in the region, including reaching out to Iran and Syria, an overture that Bush has resisted strenuously.

Bush's stubbornness may be a factor in what could be a rocky period ahead as his administration slowly adjusts to changes and tries to justify them. He's never been shy about proclaiming progress in Iraq, even while acknowledging setbacks.

"His rhetoric is at odds with the general momentum' toward a U.S. withdrawal, said P.J. Crowley, a military and national security aide in the Clinton administration.

Crowley said he thinks the administration will take the Iraq Study Group's recommendations under advisement, then base a rationale for troop reduction on al-Maliki's own claim that Iraqi forces could take control by

"Whether the administration can afford to wait six months before all of this takes place remains to be Crowley said. seen,"

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Recently leaked memos show dissent even among top members of Bush's national security team toward Bush's long-held "stay the course" strategy.

One revealed that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld called for a "major adjustment" in U.S. tactics on Nov. 6 - the day before an election that cost Republicans the Congress and Rumsfeld his job as defense secretary.

In another leaked memo, Stephen Hadley, Bush's national security adviser, judges al-Maliki either "ignorant of what is going on" Iraq or not up to the job of controlling sectarian violence.

"It used to be when you talked to people inside the administration, you'd hear one consistent message on Iraq. Now, everyone you call is telling you something different," said Michele Flournoy, a former deputy secretary of defense for policy and now an analyst with the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Defiance at the White House is slowly giving way to setting the stage for changes that may be inevitable.

Hadley, for instance, now speaks of a "new way forward." And Bush, meeting on Monday with Abdul-Aziz al-Hakim, the Shiite leader of the largest bloc in Iraq's parliament, cited a "need to give the government Iraq more capability as soon as possible."

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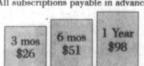
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Student Bloopers

Kids say the darnedest things. And, sometimes, students write the darnedest things. An essay response is required on every examination that I give in my History classes at Murray State. Students often produce well-reasoned, wellorganized, and well-written essays within a fixed block of time, one hour and fifteen minutes for a Tuesday/Thursday class. This is no small achievement.

From time to time, however, the pressure of the clock and a lack of preparation cause students to state ideas with less clarity. Sometimes, faulty sentence structure, poor word choice, and fuzzy thinking (all problems for which I have been guilty) produce sentences that I wince at and savor all at once, sentences that I am quick to include in a growing "student blooper"

Bloopers are not limited to student essays, of course. Sunday School provides a venue for children to utter their own interpretations of the Bible. A recent email I received revealed a few Bible Facts from Kids." One young Bible scholar assures us that "Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day but a ball of fire at night." Another stated confidently that "Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines." Yet another offered one concept of Biblical marriage. "Christians should have only one wife," the youngster said, before quickly adding, This is called monotony.

Church bulletins sometimes reveal

less than enduring truths. One bulle announced, "Thursday at 5:00 p. m. One bulletin there will be a meeting of the Little Mothers' Club. All those wishing to become little mothers, please meet with the minister in his study." Another bulletin proclaimed, "This afternoon there will be a meeting in the south and north ends of the church. Children will be baptized at both ends." In one announcement for a church charity function, it was revealed that "The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind and they may be seen in the church basement on Friday afternoon.'

My favorite bloopers come in the written offerings of History students. I grade essays for style as well as content, and sometimes students resent such meddling. On one of my course evaluations one student moaned (and I quote directly): "This is a History class not an English class I do not feel me English down fall should make me loose points. Even English class was give more than 5 min. after answering 40 problems to write 3 pages with no gram. & spelling mistakes." Oh well.

In an examination essay, one of my very own students stated that "the biggest gold rush in the 1880's was the 1849 gold rush." My students are not the only culprits, however. Richard Lederer, a teacher in Concord, New Hampshire, is the editor of "Anguished English," a book in which he compiled

some favorite bloopers from his students at St. Paul's School.

One of Mr. Lederer's students wrote that 'Ancient Egypt was inhabited my mummies, and they all wrote in hydraulics. They lived in the Sarah Dessert and traveled by Camelot." In a unit on ancient Greece, a student revealed that "Socrates was a famous Greek teacher who went around giving people advice. They killed him.

Home and Away By James Duane Bolin Ledger & Times Columnist

Socrates died from an overdose of wedlock. After his death, his career suffered a dramatic decline.'

In American History, one student elaborated on the early years of Abra-ham Lincoln. "Lincoln's mother died in infancy," the student wrote, "and he was born in a log cabin which he built with his own hands."

My favorite blooper came from the pen of a student contemplating the achievement of Sir Francis Drake when the explorer circumnavigated the globe. Perhaps the student was confused when he of she wrote, "Sir Francis Drake circumcised the world with a hundred foot clipper."

Obituaries

Mrs. Betty Donie Blewett Hansen

Mrs. Betty Donie Blewett Hansen, 82, Tulsa, Okla., died Monday, Dec. 4, 2006.



A graduate of Mayfield (Ky.) High School, she was a volunteer for the USO, aiding soldiers from Fort Campbell during World War II. She was a member of Beta Sigma Phi and Junior Women's Club in Roswell, N.M.; Republican Women's Group of Tulsa; and the United Methodist Women's Circle at Boston Avenue United Methodist Church, Tulsa, being named UMW of the year.

She was married Oct. 20, 1951, in Roswell to George (Duke) Hansen, who died Feb. 25, 1995. Hansen Also preceding her in death were one sister, Dorothy Krause, and two brothers, Raleigh Blewett and Herschel Blewett. Born Nov. 16, 1924, in Bowling Green, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Lucye Bell Carr and Peyton Blewett.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. AnnEtte Owen and husband, David, Murray, Ky.; two sons, George Hansen and wife, Dorothy, Scottsdale, Ariz., and Austin Hansen, Tulsa; three grandchildren, Jeff Owen, Chris Owen and Bonnie Hansen; one brother, Peyton Blewett and wife, Susan; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Thomas and husband, James, and Mrs. Joyce Higgins and husband, Rudy; several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be Thursday at 11 a.m. at Boston Avenue United Methodist Church, Tulsa. Burial will be in the Rickman Family Cemetery in Graves County, Ky., Friday at 11 a.m. Visitation will be at Bym Funeral Home, Mayfield, Ky., from 9 to 10 a.m. Friday. Fitzgerald Ivy Funeral Services of Tulsa is in charge of arrangements there. Online tributes may be sent to www.fitzgeraldivy-

Mrs. Michelle Lynn Allen

Mrs. Michelle Lynn Allen, 35, Toney, Ala., died Tuesday, Dec. 5,

A native of Kentucky, she had lived in Toney for the past seven years. She was a homemaker and of the Holiness faith. Preceding her in death was her father, Gary Youngblood.

Survivors include her husband, Brian Allen; two daughters, Hope and Haylie Allen; her mother, Mrs. Anne Jones; grandmothers, Mrs. Genella Jones and Mrs. Odell Reynolds.

The funeral will be Friday at 7 p.m. at Briar Fork Holiness Church, Hazel Green, Ala. A graveside service will be Friday at 1 p.m. at Mount Olive Cemetery, Mayfield, Ky. Visitation will be at the church from 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday. Moore Funeral Home, Bryant, Ala., is in charge of arrangements.

Bipartisan commission: Iraq war situation 'grave and deteriorating'

commission on the war in Iraq recommended new enhanced diplomacy this morning so the United States can begin to move its combat forces" out of the country responsibly.

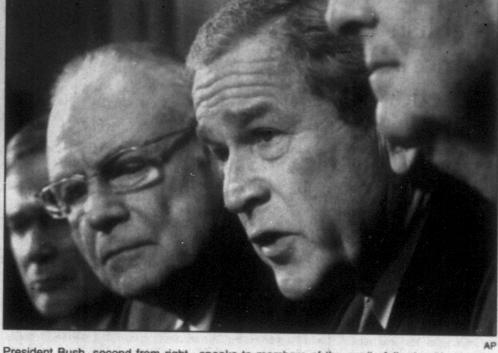
The situation in Iraq is grave and deteriorating," the commission warned after an eightmonth review of a conflict that has killed more than 2,800 U.S. troops and grown increasingly unpopular at home. The report was obtained by The Associated

The report warned that if the situation continues to deteriorate, there is a risk of a "slide toward chaos (that) could trigger the collapse of Iraq's government and a humanitarian catastrophe."

"Neighboring countries could intervene.The global standing of the United States could be diminished. Americans could become more polarized," commissioners said.

President Bush received the report in an early morning meeting at the White House with commission members, and pledged to treat each proposal seriously and act in a "timely fashion." He was flanked by the commission's co-chairmen, former Secretary of State James A. Baker III, and former Rep. Lee Hamilton.

The report painted a grim picture of Iraq more than three years after U.S. forces toppled



President Bush, second from right,, speaks to members of the media following his meeting with the Iraq Study Group in the Cabinet Room of the White House this morning in Washington. From left are, National Security Adviser Steve Hadley, Iraq Study Group Co-Chairman Lee Hamilton, the president and Iraq Study Group Co-Chairman James A. Baker III.

Saddam Hussein.

"Violence is increasing in scope and lethality," the commission warned. That was a blunt rebuttal of claims of sustained progress that the administration had made until recently.

Bush said he told the 10 commission members that his administration will take their

report, called "The Way Forward, "very seriously.

"This report gives a very tough assessment of the situation in Iraq," Bush said. "It is a report that brings some really very interesting proposals, and we will take every proposal seriously and we will act in a timely

He also urged members of Congress to give the report a hard look

"While they won't agree with every proposal, and we probably won't agree with every proposal, it nevertheless is an opportunity to come together and to work together on this important issue," Bush said

Japanese, American survivors of Pearl Harbor reconcile in Hawaii

HONOLULU (AP) - Sixtyfive years ago, Takeshi Maeda and John Rauschkolb tried to kill each other at Pearl Harbor. This week, now both 85, they met face-to-face for the first time - and shook hands.

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The Japanese veteran gripped Rauschkolb's arm with his left hand and briefly hesitated, as if he was searching for the right words. Then he said, "I'm SOITY.

On Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese Imperial Navy navigator Maeda guided his Kate bomber to Pearl Harbor and fired a torpedo that helped sink the USS West Virginia.

Rauschkolb, a Navy signalman, stood on the West Virginia's port side as a series of Japanese planes pummeled the battleship with torpedoes and bombs. The West Virginia lost 106 men in the assault.

"He may have been shooting at me," Rauschkolb said as he

Overcoming the legacy of the attack, the Japanese who bombed Pearl Harbor and the Americans who survived the attack are coming together during a five-day series of Pearl Harbor attack anniversary observations in Hawaii.

Some, like Maeda and Rauschkolb, shake hands spontaneously after being introduced. Others are doing so before crowds in a symbolic show of peace, like the Japanese and American World War II aviators scheduled to attend the opening of the new Pacific Aviation Museum on Thursday.

A significant share of veterans from both countries say they



Pearl Harbor survivor John A. Rauschkolb, 85, right, meets for the first time former Japanese Navy aviator Takeshi Maeda, 85, during the opening ceremony for Pearl Harbor's 65th anniversary symposium at the Hilton Hawaiian Village Beach Resort Sunday in Honolulu. Maeda's torpedo plane bombed the USS West Virginia which Rauschkolb was aboard on on Dec. 7, 1941.

respect each other as professional military men who fought for their countries. Now in their 80s and 90s, they don't want to live burdened with hatred and want to die with peace in their hearts.

Rauschkolb, who had to swim under burning fuel to escape bullets being fired at him from a Japanese Zero fighter, admitted "it's difficult to accept" shaking hands with someone who fired a torpedo at his ship.

But he never believed, even during World War II, in hating his Japanese foes

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"I've never held anything against them," said Rauschkolb, wearing a white aloha shirt and his Pearl Harbor survivors' cap. "They were doing their job. I was doing my job. We were military. They were taking orders. I was taking orders."

Not all veterans can bring themselves put the past behind them. For some, the memories are too painful and their loyalty to fallen comrades too strong for them to reach out.

60 to 70 percent of his body, said embracing the Japanese who carried out the attack is out of

the question. "I don't stand beside them. I don't sit beside them. I don't shake hands with them," Stratton said. "There's a thousand men out there on that ship that lost 65 years of their life and I'm sure they would not shake

hands with them." Over 1,100 died aboard the

Arizona, accounting for almost half of the 2,390 Americans Don Stratton, a USS Arizona sailor who suffered burns over killed that day Let Down Home Finance Make Your Holidays A Little Brighter! Did you know you can get \$503.17 with a payment as little as \$51 per mo. for 12 mos. Call Us Today! Most approvals within one hour. \$ Previous Bankruptcies Welcome Down Home Finance

Maeda has been trying to make amends since 1991, when he and a few other Japanese Pearl Harbor veterans flew to Hawaii for the 50th anniversary of the attack. He's since become mends with dozens of Pearl Harbor survivors, including many who have visited him in Japan. When in Honolulu, Maeda always pays his respects at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, where his friend Richard Fiske, anoth-

er USS West Virginia survivor, was buried after his death two

"War is between countries. It has nothing to do with us as individuals. We have no quarrel," Maeda said. "So when the war ends, of course you should make up." Japanese dive bomber pilot Zenji Abe, 90, led the push for reconciliation when he visited Hawaii with Maeda and other Japanese veterans in

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Students establish memorial collection

The Murray State University Student Government Association, along with the school of agriculture's Agribusiness Club has launched an annual holiday project to honor the memory of the late Dr. Kenneth Bowman.

The Ken Bowman Memorial Toys for Tots Collection will be going on through Dec. 15 to help assure that all area children have a bright Christ-

Bowman was a professor in the school of agriculture at the time of his sudden death earlier this year. He also previously served in the residential college system as faculty head of Springer-Franklin College.

Participating in the annual Toys for Tots campaign was an event that Bowman and his wife, Chris, enjoyed each year. To honor his memory, these two Murray student organizations wanted to establish an annual collection project in Bowman's name that would serve others as an example of his past dedication and charitable endeavors.

The collection boxes will be set up in all residential colleges on Murray's campus. Toys

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FUN & FASHION By D.K. Kelley



With the holidays upon us sometimes we feel frazzled and stressed. Research says participating in the season's traditions can change our brain chemistry so we fee ready to tackle the holidays head on.

Eating candy canes boosts beta waves, which gives you more energy and helps improve concentration.

The scent of vanilla is proven to reduce anxiety by nearly 70%, so bake some cookies. You don't have to eat the whole batch. Researchers found that eating a litde fat increases feel-good endorphins and serotonin in the brain.

Focusing on a flame can calm you down, it puts you in a meditative state so you feel more peaceful and relaxed. So light the fireplace or use candles which works just as well.

Watching holiday movies like "Miracle on 34th Street" reminds us of the Christmas we had growing up, which psychologists say makes us feel secure and

Give out your gifts early. Studies show acts of kindness activate pleasure centers in the brain. It makes us feel better about ourselves and gives us a sense of satisfac-

The scent of a real Christmas tree eases stress and tension instantly, which makes us feel more relaxed.

Since you're going to be so relaxed with these great tips, you'll love shopping this

season. Especially at DK Kelley. We have so many great gift ideas for you from stocking stuffers to gift baskets.

(Christmas items 25% off). Our Wickle's Pickles are the perfect host-

ess gift and the jalapeno relish is delicious to keep on hand for a quick appetizer. Our new cookbooks are really good ones

for the cook on your list. Niven Morgan has room spray this year as well as liquid soaps and body lotion in a gift set. Their candles smell divine.

New tops to wear with leggings have come in. Lots of new merchandise from Lucky Brand has also arrived.

We have some beautiful holiday tops and outfits to razzle dazzle your Christmas par-

Next Thursday, December 14th, 4-7 p.m. we're having an "After Hours Open House" refreshments, door prizes, free gift wrapping and lots of in store specials. Please join us for the festivities.

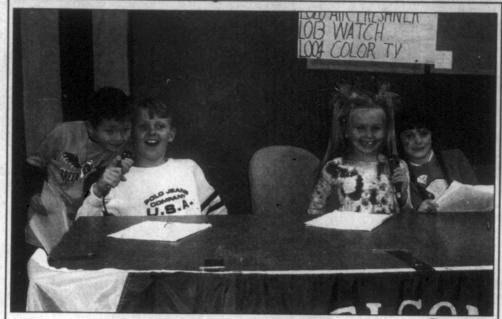
Congratulations to Janet Farmer who wor the iewelry last Friday.

Ouote of the week: "Live while you live, the epicure would say, and seize the pleasures of the present day." Philip Doodridge Stay tuned to next week's Fun & Fashion

P.S. More new Brighton has come in really cute jewelry



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MES STUDENTS NARRATE VIDEO: Students from Murray Elementary narrated the video for the Rotary Telethon. The students are: Hayes Finklea, Wendy Waltrip, Channing Foster and Tanner Foster. The students recorded at the MHS studio and were introduced live at the MSU studio during the Rotary Telethon. The video highlighted various events and activities at Murray Elementary.

Almo couple elected to committee at Kentucky Farm Bureau meeting

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — The selection of leaders for two important advisory committees was announced at the 87th Kentucky Farm Bureau annual meeting in Louisville.

Daniel Gaston, Russellville, is the new chair of the Farm Bureau Young Farmers Advisory Committee, and Cathy Pleasants, Stanford, was reelected chair of the Women's Advisory Committee.

Gaston replaces Daniel Smith, Stamping Ground, who served in the young farmer post one year.

The new vice chair of the young farmers group is Ryan Bivens, Hodgenville, and the secretary is Alison Smith from Stamping Ground.



WINDOWS DECORATED: Kim Henson decorated WATCH windows with her artistic talent, paint and immagination. Henson donated her time for the 58 disabled individuals who atend WATCH daily. For an appointment and/or consultation, call Henson at 703-5649.

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Meaning of Christmas

A candy cane An orange A walnut in the toe Santa filled my stocking At least Mom told me so But the dollhouse that I found Was not made by an Elf Grandpa made it just for me With love by himself.

Frieda Heath of Hickory, was re-elected first vice chair, and Phyllis Amyx, Campton, was re-elected second vice chair of the women's committee. Jane Elam from Lexington will serve on the executive committee as immediate past chair.

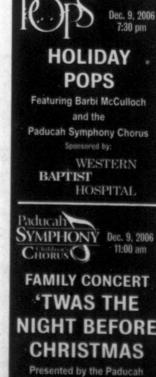
There are 11 members comprising both singles and married couples of the young farmers committee.

Those members for 2007, including the officers, are: Chris and Misty Thorn, Almo; Micah and Lauren Lester, Gracey; Ryan and Misty Bivens, Hodgenville; Daniel and Amy Gaston, Russellville; Eric Sweazy, Taylorsville; Daniel and Alison Smith, Stamping Ground; Stephen Williams, Monticello; Jason and Tori Gaffney, Lancaster; Robert McClanahan, Butler; Brent and Angela Blankenship, Pikeville and Shad and Melanie Baker, Jenkins.

Members of the Women's Advisory Committee, in addition to the three officers are: Bettie Wallace, Princeton; Betty Roundhill; Vickie Farris, Tompkinsville; Michelle Armstrong, lorsville; Pam Chappell, Owenton; Carol Sullivan, Campbellsville; Jeanne Ellis, Mt. Olivet; Margaret Hensley, Manchester: and Terry Gilbert, Danville



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'Olde Fashioned Christmas Sing-Along' will be Friday



Editor

An "Olde Fashioned Christmas Sing-Along" will be Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. at South Pleasant Grove United Methodist Special groups will be singing and tak-

ing requests from the audience. A finger food fellowship will be featured.

The public is invited and urged to attend. For more information call Valerie Clark at 492-8842.

Jo's Glory Bound will meet **Datebook**

Glory Bound Christian Entertainment Min-By Jo Burkeen istry will meet Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. in the fellowship hall of Goshen United Methodist Community Church, Ky. 121 North at Stella. Featured

groups will be The Peacemakers and The Morehead. The public is invited. There is no charge, but items for Need Line will be taken. For more information call Joe Lawrence at 753-5643, Renee Taylor at 753-8124 or Patrick Lea at 761-2666.

NARFE meeting Friday

Kentucky Lake Chapter #0853 of National Association of Retired Federal Employees will meet Friday at 11 a.m. at Holmes Restaurant. Joe Horcher, vice president of First District Field, will install chapter officers for 2008. In addition to the luncheon there will be an auction and if you wish to participate bring a gift cost not to exceed \$5. This will be the final meeting of 2007 and all retired federal employees are urged to attend.

MHS Junior Class will meet

Murray High School Junior Class will have an organizational meeting for the 2007 prom on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. in the MHS library. All junior parents and students are encouraged to attend. Committees will be formed and important decisions will be made.

Memorial service Thursday

Compassionate Friends will have a candlelight memorial service and potluck meal Thursday at 7 p.m. at University Church of Christ, corner of North 12th Street and Hwy. 121 Bypass, Murray. Persons should use the back entrance. Each one should bring a candle in a holder, picture of child and dish for the potluck. Bread, drinks and utensils will be furnished. For more information call Hilda Bennett, 753-6926 or 498-8324, or Kerry Lambert, 762-1274.

Calloway 4-H Council will meet

Calloway County 4-H Council will meet Thursday at 4 p.m. in the meeting room of Calloway County Extension office.

Thursday TOPS Club will meet

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

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.

Health Express lists stops

Health Express of Murray Calloway County Hospital will offer vision/glaucoma and blood pressure screenings on Friday from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Lowe's in

CCHS committees to meet

Calloway County High School Curriculum Committee and llture/Climate Committee will have separate meetings today at 3:15 p.m. in the guidance office and media center respectively. Interested persons are invited.

Angel Alert issued

An Angel Alert for a standard size refrigerator for a mother of four children has been issued by the Calloway County Family Resource Center. Anyone having one to donate call 762-7333.

Book signing will be today

Dwight A. Moody, dean of the chapel of Georgetown College, will read from his new book, "On the Other Side of Oddville," today at 6:30 at First Baptist Church. He will also be at the Welcome Center at 5 and 7:15 to sign his books.

Playhouse will hold auditions

Playhouse in the Park will hold auditions for "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" Thursday from 6:30 to 9 p.m. For information call 759-1752 or e-mail playhouse@murray-ky.net.

Narcotics Anonymous will meet

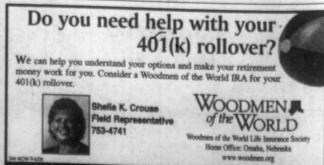
Narcotics Anonymous will meet each Tuesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. at 1628 West Main St., Murray, next to St. John's Episcopal Church. For information call 753-8419 or 1-877-447-

Ceramics sale scheduled

Murray State University Ceramics Sale will be held today and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the rocking chair lounge of MSU Curris Center. Proceeds from the sale will go to make extra money for visiting artists and for students to attend the national meeting in Louisville in 2007.

Holiday event scheduled

The Murray bank will host a Good Life holiday event to kick-off the travel itinerary for 2007 on Dec. 14 at 2 p.m. in the Barkley room on the third floor of Murray State University Curris Center. All members are invited to attend and should respond by Dec. 8. For more information contact Brenda Sykes at 767-3338 or e-mail bsykes@themurraybank.com.



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Lynn and Vincent

Jennifer Haley Lynn of Murray and Andrew William Vincent of Alexandria, La., were married Saturday, Aug. 12, 2006, in an evening ceremony in the courtyard of the China Pavilion at the Memphis Zoo, Memphis Tenn. Pastor Robert Benn Vincent, Sr., father of the groom, and Pastor John Uhl, brother-in-law of the groom, officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Jones of Murray and David Lynn of Portland, Ark. She is the grand-daughter of Mrs. Marie Lynn and the late Calvin Lynn of Portland, Mrs. Faye Benson of McGehee, Ark., Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Benson of Sarepta, La., and Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Jones of Murray. She is the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Lois Benson Hood of Sarepta, La.

The groom is the son of Pastor and Mrs. Robert Benn Vincent, Sr. of Alexandria. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew William Price of Jacksonville, Fla., and the late Mr. and Mrs. William Wyman Vincent of Myrtle Beach, S.C. Scripture reading was by Lydia Uhl of Opelousas, La., sis-

ter of the groom, and Jordan Holbrook of Memphis.

The bride, escorted by her father and stepfather, wore a strapless silk gown with a fingertip veil. The ruched bodice was caught at the hip with silk flower accents. She carried a bouquet of white orchids and sea grass tied with black organza ribbon.

Amberly Paschall of Murray was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Leslie Lynn of Murray, sister of the bride, Geri Zavala of Owensboro, Amy Kniss of Lake Village, Ark., Chalise Schuyler of Memphis, Mary Leslie Neal of Murray, Melissa Tillman of St. Louis, Mo., and Meagan Rogers of Murray. They wore black cocktail dresses of their own selection and carried bouquets of lilies and alstromeria tied with black organza ribbon.

Kess Kelly of Murray was the flower girl. She were an ivory tea length dress and carried a backet of alstromeria

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Robert Benn Vincent, Jr. of Baton Rouge, La., brother of the groom, was best man. Groomsmen were Kyle Tullos of Pineville, La., Loye Ayers of Alexandria, Josiah Lawrence of Jonesboro, Ark., Brian Lewis of Memphis, Daniel Moore of Alexandria, Damien Schitter of Jasper, Ind., and Benson Jones of Murray, brother of the bride.

Nathan Uhl of Opelousas, La., nephew of the groom, was the ringbearer.

Ushers were Jay Barron of Owensboro and Josh Speyrer, Jared Speyrer, and Craig Harwell, all of Alexandria

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The wedding was directed by Kelly Roberson of Cookeville,
Tenn. Rachel Samoska and Rachel Gasser of Memphis kept
the guest registry while Virginia Preston, sister of the groom,

and son Brian, were program attendants.

After the ceremony, a Chinese buffet was served in the exhibit's panda pavilion area, followed by dancing in the Chinese theater. The reception coordinator was Amy Vincent of Natichitoches, La., sister of the groom. She was assisted by Jessica Jones of Murray, stepsister of the bride, and Bree Hol-

brook of Memphis.

The rehearsal dinner, hosted by the groom's parents, was held Friday evening, Aug. 11, in the Rendezvous Room at the Memphis Zoo. Guests were served a dinner of Italian favorites.

Following their honeymoon in Ixtapa, Mexico, the couple has set up residence in Memphis. The bride, a 2005 graduate of Murray State University, will graduate in May from the University of Memphis with a master's degree in speech pathology. The groom, a 2006 University of Memphis graduate, is general manager of DaVinci Coffee in Memphis.



Mr. and Mrs. Stubblefield

Bill Stubblefield and Joan Barnes were united in marriage on Sunday, Dec. 3, 2006.

The vows were said at Green Plain Church of Christ after the evening service. John Dale officiated.



Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey J. D. Kinsley

Keisha Lyn Darnell of Murray and Jeffrey Jon David Kinsley of Minneapolis, Minn., were married Saturday, Oct. 21, 2006, at the Murray Woman's Club house, Murray.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Darnell of Murray.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Kinsley of St. Cloud, Minn., and Ms. Patricia Kinsley and Gary Crum of Minneapolis.

Rev. Charles Rolen officiated at the ceremony. Music on the acoustic guitar was by Tony and Drew Thompson.

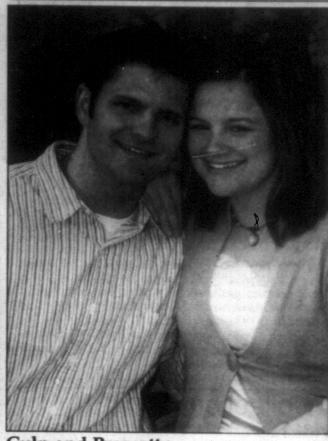
Kristen Kopperud of Lexington was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Leslie Rowland of Kuttawa and Tara Fits-Gerald of Minneapolis.

Brian FitzGerald of Minneapolis was best man. Groomsmen were Jeffery Davidman and Tim Storms, both of Minneapolis. A reception followed at the club house.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Murray High School and attended Murray State University. She is employed as a medical office assistant with Caring Family Physicians, Crystal

The groom is a 1993 graduate of St. Louis Park High school and a 1997 graduate of the University of Iowa. He is a sleep therapy specialist with Remedy Therapeutics, Crystal

Engagement



Culp and Prescott

Keith and Denise Culp of Paducah and John and Janet Prescott of Murray announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Kayce Leigh Culp and Christopher Joseph Prescott.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Culp of Briensburg and the late Mr. and Mrs. Denny Ward.

The groom-elect is the grandson of Lillian Prescott and

Diane Barnett and the late David Prescott and Toy Lee Barnett.

Miss Culp is a 2002 graduate of Heath High School and is

presently a student at Murray State University. She is employed at Olivet Baptist Child Care Center.

Mr. Prescott is a 1997 graduate of Calloway County High

Mr. Prescott is a 1997 graduate of Calloway County High School, a 2001 graduate of Murray State University and a 2004 graduate of Southwestern Theological Seminary. He is currently the youth minister of Olivet Baptist Church, Paducah.

The wedding will be Saturday, Dec. 16, 2006, at 4 p.m. at Olivet Baptist Church.

All relatives and friends are invited.



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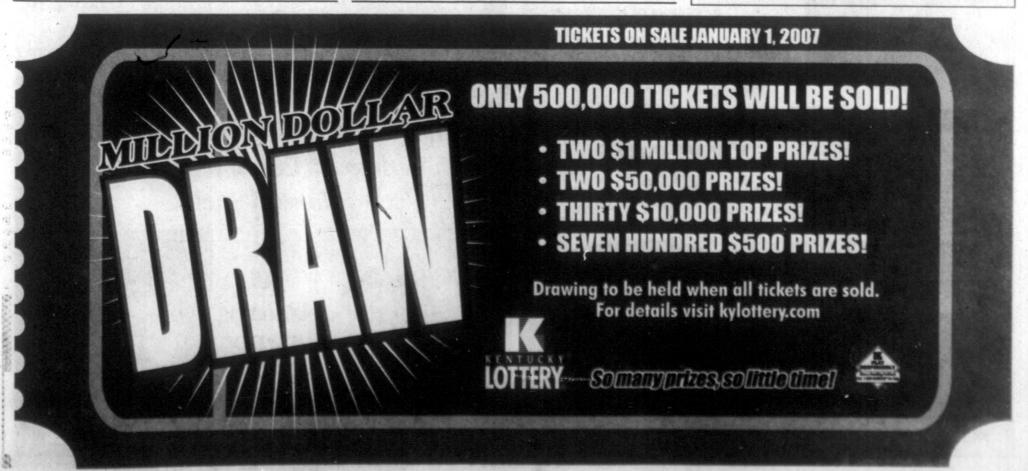




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ROTARY HISTORY: Rotarians Ronald Churchill and Dr. David Roos presented a program to the Murray Rotary Club members about the history of the Murray Club which was founded in 1924 with the sponsorship of the Paducah Rotary Club. The official records of the Murray Club are stored in the Pogue Library at Murray State University, and contain much information about each of the charter members who formed the original club.

■ Collection ...

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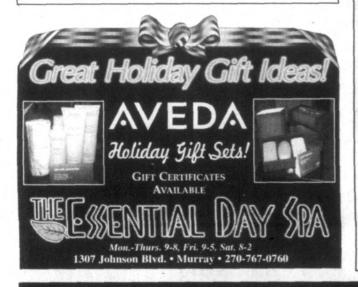
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Walker speaker at meeting

Lizabeth Walker spoke to New Beginnings on how Christ has given her freedom and joy from things in her past which had her bound. She spoke about how grateful she is for the life she now has.

Walker is an active member of Hardin Baptist Church and she and her husband, Jason, have three sons.

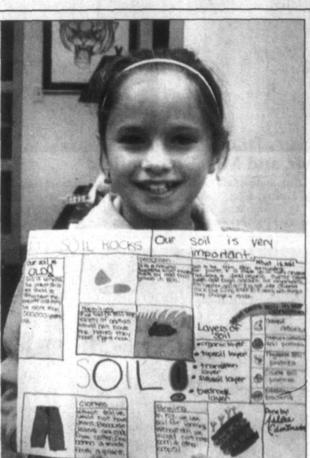
The next meeting of New Beginnings will be Dec. 16. A fundraiser will also be held that day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 201 S. 6th. Fifty per cent of the proceeds of this jewelry display will go to the New Beginnings Transition Home Project. The public is invited to both of these upcom-

For more information call



Lizabeth Walker

Linda or Ron Wright at 753-



THE IMPORTANCE OF SOIL: Ashlee Edminster found out how important soil is when she was asked to do research on soil conservation in Laura Enke's fifth grade classroom at Murray Middle School. "Wow, I didn't know the importance of soil to the earth but doing the research made me realize how much we need to take care of our soil" she said. She is pictured with her soil conservation poster.



CHESS PLAYED: Calloway County Middle School student, Dominik Mikulcik recently competed in the 5th Annual Central City Scholastic Chess Tournament at Central City. The 8th grade student was awarded a trophy for 3rd place Individual in the K-8 section. Mikulcik was also awarded the prestigious 2006 Problem Solving Champion trophy. Pictured is Dominik Mikulcik showing the two trophies he

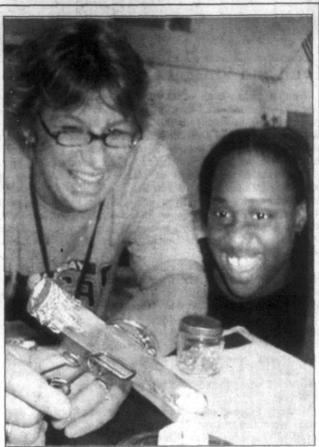


Photo provided A POPPING SCIENCE EXPERIMENT: Benicia Curry, right, fifth grade student at Murray Middle School, was excited to see that the science experiment worked. Mrs. Jenny English placed two grains of popcorn in a vile with vegetable oil and held it over a candle explaining that the moisture in the popcorn would expand and make the corn pop when heated. "It only took about two or three minutes

to make it pop" Benicia said excitedly.

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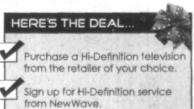


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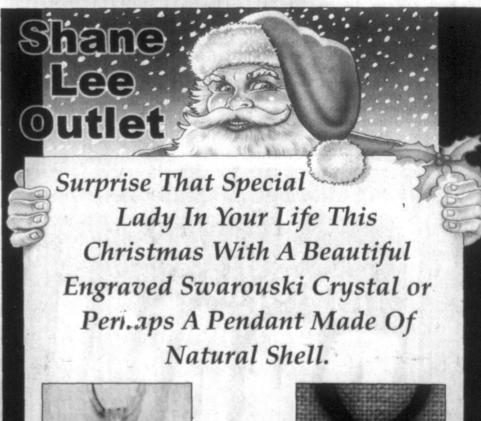
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Health

Infant, child CPR class offered

The Calloway County Chapter of American Red Cross will be offering an Infant and Child CPR class on Feb. 8 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Murray-Calloway County Hospital Center for Health & Wellness Classroom.

The cost for the class is \$35 and all participants will receive a one-year certifica-

This course is perfect for those working

learn lifesaving skills that could save their child's life. Numerous stories have resulted from those taking CPR classes

An example is, the story of Reilly Jones. Reilly nearly drowned at a backyard pool party. For five minutes, his mother's best friends took turns administering CPR to the small, lifeless boy, a skill they learned only months earlier in an American Red Cross Infant and Child CPR course.

all because two very heroic women saved his life and preserved his future.

Interested participants are asked to preregister prior to class at the Red Cross office during regular business hours from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday. The office is located on 607 Poplar St., Murray. Call 753-1421 for more information.

Major study underway regarding oxygen therapy vs. lung killer

By LAURAN NEERGAARD AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) -Oxygen therapy is the mainstay treatment for people in the late stages of a lung-destroying disease that is the nation's No. 4 killer - but could it extend their lives longer if they started it sooner?

Almost 30 years after oxygen's benefit emerged, the government is beginning a major study to finally find that out.

It's a critical issue, as the lung killer called COPD, or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, is on the rise - and no other treatment so far has been proven to help postpone death the way oxygen therapy has, at least in severely ill patients.

"The real question is when to start" oxygen, says Dr. Tom Croxton of the National Institutes of Health, who oversees the new research.

"It's hard for me to argue that it's opportune" timing to find the answer, he adds, "when in fact it may be very past due for this question.

The research is part of a growing national effort to get more of the estimated 24 million Americans with the breath-robbing disease diagnosed and

properly treated. COPD is the killer with an identity crisis. Half of those 24 million people don't even know they have it. Aside from the eyeglazing name - a term for diseases once called emphysema and chronic bronchitis - it's easy to shrug off the main symptom, shortness of breath, as a sign of aging or poor fitness.

And even the diagnosed get only about half the recommended care, such as medications that can significantly improve the quality of their day-to-day lives, says a RAND study in the December issue of the journal

Such dismal numbers don't surprise specialists.

"COPD has suffered greatly in the past from a sense of futility that has led patients to not even seek medical treatment." laments Croxton, with NIH's National Heart, Lung and Blood

Adds Dr. Robert A. Wise of Johns Hopkins University: "We may not be able to get them to 100 percent, but we can almost always get them to be able to be a lot more self-sufficient, and that's what a lot of patients with"



SOURCES: American Lung Association, National Institutes of Health Journal of the American Medical Association

COPD are concerned about. It's not just the shortness of breath: it's the loss of independence."

Healthy lungs inflate and deflate like balloons as they take in oxygen and remove carbon dioxide. With COPD, lungs become scarred and lose their elasticity. They can't deflate fully. Patients need ever-deeper breaths to get air into the remaining healthy portion, even as trapped stale air enlarges the lungs until deep breaths become physically impossible.

Smoking is the main cause. but about one in six patients has never smoked. Certain pollutants and genetic factors also play a role. Doctors urge a simple lung test for anyone at risk: smokers and ex-smokers in their 40s, and anyone with shortness of breath, an unexplained prolonged cough or increased phlegm.

There is no cure. But, inhaled medications do minimize symptoms. Pulmonary rehabilitation is key, too, in helping preserve remaining lung capacity. Patients learn to breathe like athletes so they get the most air from damaged lungs, and special exercises to strengthen muscles that help lung performance. Also, lung surgery helps a subset of patients.

The big quandary is who needs oxygen therapy, too, and

Studies in the late 1970s showed that breathing supplemental oxygen, for up to 18 hours a day, helped patients with severe COPD live longer than

those not treated. Consequently, Medicare pays for oxygen when patients get ill enough. The main requirement is that their blood's 'oxygen saturation" be around 88 percent or worse; in healthy

n't dip below 96 percent. What about patients with mid-stage COPD? Enter the NIH's \$28 million study. Next summer, scientists at 14 hospitals around the country hope to begin enrolling 3,500 such patients, to test oxygen's effects on both life expectancy and quality of life.

people, oxygen saturation does-

It sounds logical that what

works for the very ill would work earlier, and extra oxygen does seem to help patients be more active in the short term. But Croxton warns that there's a theoretical possibility that giving oxygen too soon might spur lung-damaging inflammation. Plus, it's costly. He says the nation's annual tab surpasses \$2 billion for the roughly 1 million COPD sufferers now on oxygen.

"This is one trial, I think, that most of us are going into without a preconceived notion," says Hopkins' Wise, who is helping NIH coordinate the study. "We hope it will work, but if it doesn't work, we want to know that."

The results will help Medicare decide whether to pay for oxygen for earlier-stage COPD.

But only about a third of patients who qualify today actually receive home oxygen, according to the new RAND study. That translates into 27,000 to 54,000 deaths a year that might be postponed now, says lead researcher Elizabeth McGlynn, associate director of RAND Health.

Why so few? McGlynn's study couldn't tell, but doctors say too many COPD patients view oxygen with embarrassment, or think it means

approaching death. "There is a lot of emotional baggage that goes along with starting someone on oxygen that's not necessarily true," says

Avoid reflux this holiday season

By REBECCA WRIGHT, MS, RD, LD Murray-Calloway County Hospital

Large family meals, delicious desserts and second helpings yes, it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas. This time of the year is challenging for people who have gastroesophageal reflux disease (GERD). This is a chronic disease that affects millions of Americans. If left untreated, the excessive stomach acid can begin to erode the lining of the esophagus leading to esophageal cancer. The good news is that heartburn and indigestion do not have to be part of your holidays.

Some tips to remember while you celebrate this season: Avoid certain foods. Foods such as chocolate, wine, tomato-based dishes, caffeinated beverages, citrus fruit, fried & fatty foods can trigger acid reflux. Eliminating these foods may prevent the post-meal heartburn.

Wear the right size clothing. Wearing tight-fitting clothing puts pressure on the abdomen and may contribute to reflux. Choose comfortable slacks that will not compress your stomach when you sit and stand.

Say no to seconds. Overfilling your stomach puts pressure on the lower esophageal sphincter - the muscle that keeps stomach contents from flowing back into your esophagus Instead of piling your plate high, limit yourself to smaller servings at mealtime

- Check the time. Avoid eating and drinking three to four hours before lying down. Even though the tryptophan in the turkey may make you drowsy, stay upright. It is easier for stomach acid to flow back into the esophagus if you're lying on the couch. Instead of reclining, sit up in a chair or remain standing while chatting with family and friends.

Ask for a to-go container. Whether eating at a family home or a restaurant, take a portion home for another day. No one says you have to eat the whole bird in one setting. Spread the joy out for several days by eating a moderate portion each

- Don't be a couch potato. After eating lunch, try taking a stroll around the block rather than sleeping on the sofa. Being overweight is one of the risk factors for GERD. The stroll will help burn some of the excess calories eaten.

- Follow MD orders. If your physician has prescribed medications to reduce acid be sure to follow his orders. Some medications require you to take them several hours before eat-

The holidays are a festive time to share with family and friends. By following some of the tips listed above, people with heartburn and GERD can have a happy and healthy holiday season.

For more information about nutritious food choices and disease prevention, call my office at 762-1834.

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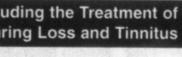
This new procedure involves inserting a small balloon in the sinus opening to unblock it. This procedure is similar to balloon angioplasty heart doctors use to open blocked arteries, however, balloon sinuplasty requires no incisions as the balloon is inserted into the sinus via the nose. Feel free to call my office to see if balloon sinuplasty is right for you.

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KSSM is helping people enroll in Part D Medicare Prescription coverage with open enrollment through Dec. 31.

Anyone going on Medicare soon can enroll in Part D three months before it is effective and three months after and will not have to wait for an open enrollment period. Low income citizens who have not applied for subsidy can still do so by applying at the Social Security

Contact LaDonna Nelson at (270) 247-4046 for additional information or if interested in being a KSSM volunteer.

'Dog the Bounty Hunter' court case in Mexico postponed

HONOLULU (AP) - Duane "Dog" Chapman's court hearing in Mexico that could set him free or order his pending extradition and criminal case to pro-

ceed has been postponed.

The federal court hearing was to begin Monday in Guadalajara but was postponed because a report from a lower court was not received, according to Chapman's spokeswoman Mona Wood.

The court cannot proceed without the "justification report," she said.

A new date for the hearing has not been

The 53-year-old TV bounty hunter is

charged under Mexican law with "deprivation of liberty" for his June 2003 capture of fugitive convicted rapist Andrew Luster, the Max Factor heir, in Puerto Vallarta.

Chapman's attorney, William Bollard, was scheduled to present arguments starting Monday. Chapman was not going to attend the closed hearing in Guadalajara.

Chapman was arrested Sept. 14 along with his son and another associate and is free on \$300,000 bail. He has been aggressively fighting extradition.

He faces up to four years in a Mexican jail if convicted.

Chapman's capture of Luster catapulted the Honolulubased bounty hunter to fame and led to the A&E reality series "Dog the Bounty Hunter."

Luster jumped a \$1 million bond and disappeared during his trial in California's Ventura County on charges that he drugged and raped three women. The disappearance set off a national and international manhunt by police, FBI and bounty hunters trying to recoup some of the bond money. Luster is now serving a 124-year prison term.

Pickup hits school bus, 5 injured

CROSS PLAINS, Tenn. (AP) - A pickup truck hit a slowmoving school bus Tuesday afternoon, injuring two people in the truck and leaving three children slightly hurt.

Mike Browning, spokesman for the Tennessee Highway Patrol, said the bus was slowing to a stop on a curve on Highway 25 in Robertson County and the truck hit it head-on.

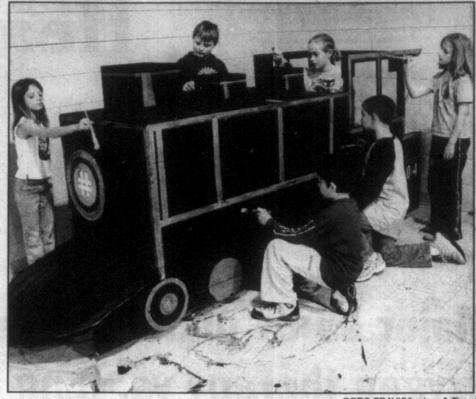
Both occupants of the truck were taken to Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville.

The driver of the truck, Robert P. Johnson, 39, of Springfield, had injuries that life-threatening, were not Browning said. His passenger, William T. Farmer, 33, was in critical condition.

Three of the 16 East Robertson Elementary School students on the bus were taken to a Springfield hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

No one was charged but Browning said the accident was still under investigation. No identities were released.

He said the bus' yellow lights were on and flashing at the time of the wreck.



GREG TRAVIS/Ledger & Times

POLAR EXPRESS '06: Students at Calloway County's East Elementary School work on the "Polar Express" for this year's annual Christmas program scheduled for Monday at 7 p.m. at Murray State University's Lovett Auditorium. The production is open to the public and admission is free, according to Margot McIntosh, art teacher at the school.

Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Thursday, Dec. 7, 2006:

For a flexible Sagittarian, many opportunities head your way. In fact, what you might have liked or wanted a few years ago could be dramatically different from today. Charisma helps you on your path. Your personal growth directly impacts every aspect of your life. You also have a very gentle and appealing manner about you. If you are single, you might go as far as craving a close tie. Lady Luck and need merge to make what you want a reality. If you are attached, more quality time with your sweetie makes you happier than you think. CANCER reads you cold.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) **** You might energetic. You might want to revise plans

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for someone you really care about. Follow your heart and touch base with your inner self. Be yourself, and you'll make positive choices. Tonight: Mosey on home

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
**** You have much to smile about. You feel more comfortable than you have in a long time dealing with finances and key associates. A partner or associate is on the same page as you. Revise plans and ideas. Tonight: Out and about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** You seem to enjoy spending more than ever, and with the excuse of the holidays, you could cause yourself trouble, big-time. A little thought and a conversation with a creative person help you find better solutions. Tonight: Beam in what you

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

**** The Moon in your sign makes you number one -- or at least you should feel like that. Revise your plans with an eye to enjoying your day even more.

Darbaro Counted

by Jacqueline Bigar You might have an admirer where you least expect it. Tonight: What would make you

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Know when to slow down, like today. In fact, you can be instrumental in what happens but still maintain a low profile. Someone else could get the kudos, which might bother you. Don't let it. Tonight: Vanish. You don't have to tell everyone

everything. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Your aim is excellent. Your actions hit the bull's-eye. If you don't like what you draw, then you might need to look at your true intentions. Sometimes we think we want one thing but actually want another. Tonight: Happiest among the crowds. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Others always expect a lot from you -- today is no different. In fact, though you might need to make an adjustment mentally and/or with plans, you head down a different route. A friendship could be testing your patience. Tonight: Know when to put a halt to demands.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) *** You might want to change directions, and for good reason. New information casts a different light on personal matters. You gain understanding. Financial matters improve if you use your knowledge well. Tonight: Let your mind wander. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** You might need to revamp your approach as events unfold. You don't always reveal the real you. Being authentic with a partner could make all the difference. Don't get stuck. Tonight: Be with a special

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Others' actions force you to rethink a decision and take in what is happening in a new way. You might not have as much control as you would like right now. Don't fight city hall. Listen to suggestions. Tonight: Choose plans that have you out

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** You are determined to get done what you must. You will hit a problem or two on the way. You might need to reorient your thinking and plans. Friends could become a touch strange. If you are too tired to continue, say so. Tonight: Some time off.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Your creativity surges to a new level, opening nearly any door. Nothing is impossible remember that. A new relationship will warm up considerably. Don't add more than what really exists. Your imagination is wild. Tonight: Get into the weekend spirit early.

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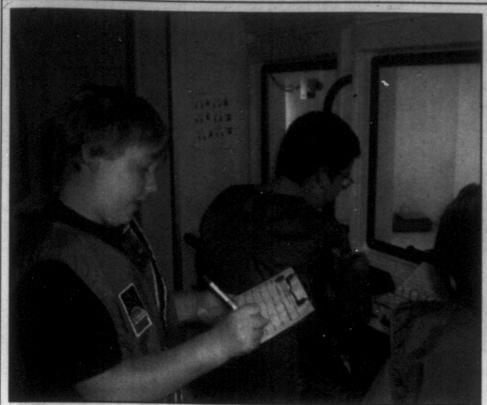
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WE'RE CLEARED FOR LAUNCH!: The 6th grade students at Calloway County Middle School recently visited the Challenger Learning Center in Paducah, Kentucky. Using communication and critical thinking skills, students became active space shuttle crew members and mission control specialists during a simulated trip to the moon. Pictured, from left, are Josh Higgins, Nic Brunn and Jeremy Lee (partially hidden).

Nashville tables 'English only' move

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)

— Leaders of a fast-growing county outside Atlanta voted Tuesday to join several towns nationwide in passing ordinances to crack down on illegal immigrants, while Nashville leaders delayed voting on a similar measure to make English its official language of

Cherokee County, Ga., officials passed an English-only ordinance, as well as other measures to force landlords to check the immigration status of their tenants and have the county join two federal programs targeting illegal immigrants.

Tuesday's actions came as larger metropolitan areas follow mostly smaller towns in states like Texas, Nevada and Pennsylvania to pass similar measures.

But in a city of half a million like Nashville, the language proposal faces opposition from more than immigrants' rights groups. Many business leaders, including the local chamber of commerce, say the legislation would both tourism and investment in "Music City USA."

Nashville's Metro Council deferred voting Tuesday night on the measure that started as

an English-only proposal and was watered down to "English First" after concerns about its constitutionality

constitutionality.

The new proposal makes exceptions for multilingual communications required by federal rules and situations "necessary to protect or promote public health, safety or welfare."

The bill's sponsor, Councilman Eric Crafton, made the motion to put off voting until February. He acknowledged that the bill was divisive and said he wanted time to widen its appeal, perhaps by adding education measures to help immigrants trying to learn English.

Opponents considered the

delay a small victory.

"He deferred this because he didn't have the votes," said Ralph Schulz, president and CEO of the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce. "It

cruised through the first reading, passed the second and tonight it was not passable."
"We see this as a win,"
Schulz said.

The Board of Commissioners in Cherokee County, home to about 184,000 residents northwest of Atlanta, approved the measure to fine landlords who rent to illegal immigrants, despite heavy protest by immi-

d grant rights advocates at a pubth lic hearing last month.

The measure would suspend the business licenses of property owners who house illegals when it takes effect Jan. 1, 2007. The landlords would be banned from collecting rent until they submit a sworn affidavit explaining how each violation has been corrected. Those that don't comply could be fined or lose their business licenses.

Immigrant groups vowed to battle the plan in court and blasted the commission's decision to ban critics from speaking against the proposal during the 2-hour meeting.

The measures have cropped up as the United States is experiencing close to record immigration. Growth has been especially rapid in the Southeast, an area that did not attract much foreign immigration prior to 1990.

In Nashville, the foreignborn population increased by 351 percent between 1990 and 2005, said Stephanie Bohon, demographer and assistant professor of sociology at the University of Tennessee. A majority of that is Hispanic immigration, but cities like Nashville and Atlanta have also attracted refugees from Somalia, Bosnia, Sudan and Iraq.







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Scientists believe they have evidence of liquid on Mars

AP Science Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) - A provocative new study of photographs taken from orbit suggests that liquid water flowed on the surface of Mars as recently as several years ago, raising the possibility that the Red Planet could harbor an environment favorable to life.

The crisp images taken by the Mars Global Surveyor do not directly show water. Rather, they show apparently recent changes in surface features that provide the strongest evidence yet that water even now sometimes flows on the dusty, frigid world. Water and a stable heat source are considered keys for life to emerge.

Until now, the question of liquid water has focused on ancient Mars, and on the Martian north pole, where water ice has been detected. Scientists have long noted Martian features that appear to have been scoured by water or look like shorelines, and have tried to prove that the Red Planet had liquid water eons ago.

This underscores the importance of searching for life on Mars, either present or past," said Bruce Jakosky, an astrobiologist at the University of Colorado at Boulder, who had no role in the study. "It's one more reason to think that life could be there."

The new findings were published today in the journal Science and NASA scheduled a news conference this afternoon to announce the results.

Oded Aharonson, an assistant professor of planetary science at the California Institute of Technology, said that while the interpretation of recent water activity on Mars was "compelling," it's just one possible explanation. Aharonson said further study is needed to determine whether the deposit could have been left there by the flow of dust rather than water.

The latest research emerged when the Global Surveyor spotted gullies and trenches that scientists believed were geologically young and carved by fastmoving water coursing down cliffs and steep crater walls.

Scientists at the San Diegobased Malin Space Science Systems, who operate a camera aboard the spacecraft, decided to retake photos of thousands of gullies in search of evidence of recent water activity.

Two gullies that were originally photographed in 1999 and 2001 and re-imaged in 2004 and 2005 showed changes consistent with water flowing down the crater walls, according to the

In both cases, scientists found bright, light-colored deposits in the gullies that weren't present in the original photos. They concluded the deposits - possibly mud, salt or frost - were left there when

In this photo released, by NASA/JPL/MSSS, a gully is seen on the Martian surface. Researchers have documented the formation of new craters and found possible evidence for liquid water trickling down crater walls. Scientists found bright, lightcolored deposits in the gullies that weren't present in the original photos. They concluded the deposits _ possibly mud, salt or frost _ were left there when water recently cascaded through the channels.

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The Global Surveyor, managed by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, abruptly lost radio contact with Earth last month. Attempts to locate the spacecraft, which has mapped Mars since 1996, have failed and scientists fear it is unusable.

NASA's durable Mars rovers have sent scientists strong evidence that the planet once had liquid water at or near the surface, based on observations of alterations in ancient rocks.

"We're now realizing Mars is more active than we previously thought and that the mid-latitude section seems to be where all the action is," said Arizona State University scientist Phil Christensen, who was not part of the current research.

Mars formed more than 4.5 billion years ago and scientists generally believe it went through an early wet and warm 2.5 billion years, leaving the planet extremely dry and cold.

Water can't remain a liquid for long because of subzero surface temperatures and low atmospheric pressure that would turn water into ice or gas.

But some studies have pointed to the possibility of liquid water flowing briefly on the surface through a possible underground water source that periodically shoots up like an aquifer.

SCUBA SANTA: Scuba Santa places his hand on the glass as Elizabeth Richardson, 4 and her bother Kyle, 2 of Baltimore, Md., look on in Newport, Ky. at the Newport Aquarium. Santa will be making his way around the tank starting Friday through Jan 1.



Last-minute problems could gum up Discovery launch

CAPE CANAVERAL (AP) - Before the space shuttle Discovery can embark on a mission to rewire the international space station's electrical system, NASA engineers have to resolve two late-breaking technical worries: a brief power surge and potential problems with a glue that helps seal rocket boosters.

Engineers will spend much today trying to decide whether the two problems are minor or major. It's too early to tell if these will postpone Discovery's scheduled liftoff at 9:35 p.m. EST Thursday, said launch integration manager LeRoy Cain.

"I don't know enough about either one of the problems," Cain said in a Tuesday evening press conference.

The split-second power surge occurred early Tuesday when power was about to be switched from the shuttle's launch platform to Discovery itself. Early tests found that the shuttle's main engines, boosters and external fuel tank are OK after the power burst, but NASA was not saying the same about Discovery, Cain said.

Concern about booster-seal glue involves the adhesive that helps connect segments of the solid rocket boosters together.

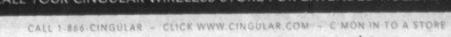
Routine tests found that the adhesive used on some of the connection joints in the boosters might not be as strong as it should be, NASA spokeswoman June Malone said. But the adhesive is only of one many systems that keep hot gas from escaping and is not one of the main ones, she said.

"The adhesive does not produce the seals," Malone said. The seal mostly comes from the pressure of the segments themselves, she

Aside from those potential problems and a concern about worsening weather, NASA was marching toward its first nighttime launch in four years.

We're on track and on target for Thursday," Cain said.

However, each time meteorologists updated their weather forecasts this week, the chance for clear enough skies for a launch dropped. As of Tuesday night, meteorologists gave NASA a 60 percent chance of good enough weather to launch - down from 70 percent earlier in the day and 80 percent on Monday.



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Houston's Christmas tree fol-

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this home is located just outside

the master suite. Once again,

this energetic couple have uti-

lized every square foot of this

home. The main room is set up

primarily as a "kid friendly

area with comfy furniture,

another TV and ample space for

board games, puzzles or just

kicking back with friends and

family. Off this main area is

Stefani's craft room; the picture

on the wall was taken by Stefani

during her trip to Nice. Also on

this level is a half bath and addi-

home family photos are incorpo-

rated into the decorating themes

as family is what this home is all

about. As a special gift to Tour

participants, the Billingtons plan

to serve refreshments in the

kitchen as a "thank you" as they

feel truly blessed to share their

For Trace and Amy Curd to

Angelia Drive in the

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culmination of the whole fami-

ly! Although they moved into

their 4,200 square foot house

June 23, the home emits that

wonderful lived-in feel of a

Contractor Bud Raspberry

framed the house and Trace's

dad, T.G. Curd, Jr., built the

home. Trace's mom, Shirley

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did the magnificent paint tech-

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A hint of the traditional feel-

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For 24 years, the Kappa Department of the Murray Womans Club has sponsored the Tour of Homes on the second Sunday of December which for 2006, falls on Sunday from 1-4

Homes featured on our 2006 Tour are Robert and Stefani Billington, Trace and Amy Curd, Russell and Janet Essary, and Donnie and Ann Roberson.

Billington Home

Robert and Stefani Billington are excited to be a part of this year's tour. Their home, located at 1615 The Lane and built by Bill Page in 1993, is a three story 6,000 square foot family friendly beauty. The Billingtons purchased the house earlier this year and moved in during May.

Robert lovingly credits Stefani with the numerous changes made to the interior of the home to make it their own stating she worked non-stop as they were hosting a very important family event almost immediately! Stefani retained Robin Myhill for assistance to bring Stefani's decorating ideas to

The inviting brick stairs and tasteful landscaping of the front yard beckon you to come on in...the tiled foyer is spacious and provides the perfect spot for a grouping of Alpine trees welcoming the Christmas season. The eye is drawn to the left which takes you to the formal living room. The floor is done in rich mahogany hard wood complimented by crown molding and walls in Ferret Brown. Portraits of the Billington children adorn the walls.

Lush large white upholstered furniture transitioned from their former home nicely adding the plush touches Stefani desired for this room. The Christmas tree adorned with golden ornaments adds beautiful elegance.

Exiting the living room back into the foyer, walking across this space will bring you into the spacious dining room with walls painted in Boston Brick. The center piece of this lovely room is the classic antique dining table and chairs that once graced the home of Stefani's late maternal grandmother, Mrs. Young. Among other prized possessions in this room are Stefani's mother's piano and more of her grandmother's furniture.

The chandelier replaced the original light fixture to enhance the Billington's collection of prized antiques and china on display in the corner hutch and custom shelving. Adding to the warmth of this room is the tree featuring their collection of incredible Swarovski crystal

Exiting the dining room into a hallway to the left brings you to a guest room decorated with comfort in mind using a combination of color and style. Robert's love of golf is evident in this room as several of the framed art pieces are of this theme; it all blends nicely for the lucky guest.

Beyond the bedroom is a bathroom giving their guests privacy. This space will strike the fancy of elephant lovers with its unique blend of texture, color and accessories.

Continuing down this hall-



The Billingtons at 1615 The Lane

way will take you to the walk-in pantry as well as the utility room. Both rooms are completely decorated incorporating Stefani's collection of beautiful Logenberger baskets adding functionality as well as warmth and hominess to each space. At the end of this hall is the entrance to the three car garage.

There is also an entrance to the kitchen from this hallway. The kitchen walls are done in a faux paint treatment the homeowners simply adore. Oak cabinetry combined with Corian counters create just the touch both desired for this much used area of the home.

As the Billingtons entertain frequently, the fact that this space features an island with cook top and additional counter space to accommodate stools is quite useful. Recessed lighting casts light downward to all work services as well as adding an ambient glow.

Having an "eat in" feature with bay windows that look out to the patio area creates a haven for the family whether enjoying a meal or early morning coffee. Again, revered attention is given to grandparents with the Desert Rose dishes displayed on the hutch in this room. The table is set with decorative Logenberger Christmas ware.

An opening flanked with Olympic posts takes you to the "keeping" room (contemporary term for den/family room) to the left of the kitchen painted in a soothing Willington Tan. According to Robert and Stefani, this room is the most used room of the home. And, this is easy to understand considering the corner fireplace with custom built mantel with rubbed black finials. Add to that the 58" big screen TV encased in a custom built entertainment center of ebony wood and one can visualize quality family

Surround sound is built into every room in the home as well as to the outside providing enjoyment of music whenever desired as well as an intercom system. Pella windows & French doors open onto the patio from this room. The featured decoration in this space is the 40 piece "Colonial Village."

The flow of the home carries into the sun room painted in Dunmore Cream complementing the appropriate furnishings for quiet enjoyment of the space to read a good book, share a cup of tea with friends or simply gather your thoughts. The Santa tree displayed adds holiday

To the left of the sun room is

office. The home Billingtons are the proud owners of several prized Frace prints which they have displayed throughout their home and you pass one as you enter into the office. Accessories used in the decoration of this office include Stefani's collection of antique pharmaceutical pieces acquired during antiquing expeditions adding her personal touch to the room. With their respective careers apparent in this space, it's obvious this room serves them well.

The stairway to the second level is located in the foyer. Covered in plush carpet, as you reach the top step you are greeted with a display of black and white photography. Turning right, you will pass by the second story outdoor landing which is decorated with a Christmas tree on your way to the master

Stefani again used the Ferret Brown for the bedroom walls combined with the wonderful furnishings which include a luscious double chaise lounge. Having a big screen TV in their bedroom was a necessity for Robert. Their large master bath is done in a soothing Templeton Gray. Amenities include a corner jet tub with a walled mirror surround, separate walk in shower with seat, double vanity with oak cabinets and even a bidet next to the toilet.

Their master closet is unique as it is a "walk through" as opposed to a "walk in" complete with dressing area and mirrored

In what was once a storage room, Robert and Stefani created a home gym off the closet area containing a tanning bed, elliptic machine, tread mill with built in TV and wall mirrors. How cool is this!

Exiting the master suite and backtracking the hallway, takes you to the children's study/computer room. The painting displayed was purchased by Stefani on one of her trips abroad, this one while in Rome. Adding comfort to the room is a large red leather chair with matching ottoman.

Also located on this level are children's bedrooms. Daughter Courtney, 16, was given the opportunity to decorate her room. She chose the combination of yellow, green and orange. The paint technique uses all three colors quite tastefully with an air of teenage fun. The bed linens were purchased from Pottery Barn and are decorated with pompoms adding to the overall flair of Courtney's space; she wanted a "fun and happy" room and got

Courtney's white Christmas tree decorated in the same three colors definitely adds holiday pizzazz.

The hall bath is shared by Courtney and the Billington's 10-year-old son, Houston. It contains built in shelves which add much needed storage. Decorated to suit both son and daughter, it has everything each need.

Houston has a unique set up. Utilizing yet more space in this large home, Robert and Stefani turned Houston's bedroom into a mini-den using his choice of a sports theme complete with TV

formal living room to your right are all connected with rich cherry hard wood flooring, James Burrow Gold walls, crown molding and incredible custom light fixtures. The dining room captures the

feeling Trace and Amy desired for those special occasions with its large solid wood table, upholstered chairs, area rug, and the large glass front hutch that contains heirloom crystal from their grandmothers, their parents wedding china and their own china. The table is set with their Christmas tableware.

The family room actually contains dual focal points. Trace's favorite wood is cherry with its historical warmth; it is used throughout the primary living spaces adding an unequivocal beauty to each room. The fireplace pops with the cherry surround and cherry framed mirror above the mantel. The huge custom made entertainment center was created by Jerry McCoy® and Jerry's son to Trace's specifications; however, Trace did not see it until the very day it was installed!

The sofa is lush for comfortable viewing of the big screen TV and even has built in cup

The formal living/sitting room is charming and the beautiful armoire contains a secret ... it houses Trace's "office." Comfortable seating and tasteful accessories complete this room.

The custom window treatments in all three rooms were created for the Curds by Laurie Rollins of Lulu's. Lori is also credited with helping add the personal touches the Curds desired throughout the entire home. The living room is decorated with the main Christmas

The Curds made numerous changes to the original plans of this house incorporating the needs of their meshed family. Passing through a short hall from the right of the family room brings you to the master bedroom with its semi-vaulted ceiling and recessed lighting.

The color custom blended by Robin at Paint Plus is best described as "Quietude," a smoky teal, giving the air of serenity desired. The beautifully carved king size bed and matching nightstands add the comfortable elegance evident this perfectly appointed home.

The adjoining master bath is a true work of art created by the talents of several gifted trades people. The corner jet tub, lovely cabinets, oil rubbed bronze granite counter top, tiled floor, lighting...not a single item was left to chance in the creation of this space. Greg Cagle is responsible for the tile work and counter tops throughout the home but no where are his talents better displayed than in the separate shower which rivals any magazine picture or HGTV designer special with its beauty.

As with many contemporary families, the kitchen is the hub of the home. Located to the left of the family room providing easy access to the dining room, extreme functionality is bested by the details. A warm Coral Bronze sets the tone for this area. The cherry wood cabinetry shares the stage with the

The large center island anchors the room with stools for additional seating. The built-ins are impressive including a wet bar with wine captain and ice maker as the Curds do so enjoy entertaining. This kitchen has ample space for their casual dining set and additional kitchen furniture and accessories. French doors lead to the patio on

The half bath located off the kitchen is a must see as it houses a pedestal sink that truly deserves appreciation ... purchased from Neiman Marcus, "the first sink arrived in 500 pieces" to quote Trace. The second delivery fared better and the sink coupled with the mirror and the chandelier are incredible.

Continuing to the left of the kitchen finds the bedrooms of their daughters, carpeted for softness. First, is 1-year-old Emma's room decorated in a combination of green walls with pink ceiling exemplifying the sweetness reflected in the butterfly quilt on the bed. Again, the window treatments are by Laurie Rollins. The furniture is French provincial in style and fit perfectly with the cheerfulness of the space.

Chaney, 10 years old, chose purple and hot pink for her room finished out with zebra accents. Her bedroom furniture is by Bombay for Kids and the cane accents compliment the flair evident throughout. A walk-in closet provides ample storage for a growing girl.

The girls share a "Jack n Jill" bathroom - only in this case, it's a "Jill n Jill" ... tastefully decorated to accommodate the girls as they grow.

Also located off the kitchen is the utility room complete with super sized washer/dryer, builtins and work top. And, more importantly, "Townie" (a.k.a. Townsend, the Curd's 5-yearold miniature Dachshund) shares this room and is quite at home with all the necessities a small dog requires.

The carpeted stairway to the second level of the home is also located just off the kitchen. The walls are adorned with family portraits. The large room at the top of the stairs serves as the children's den/study room. The sectional sofa is covered in brushed suede with an oversized leather ottoman serving as coffee table/extra seating.

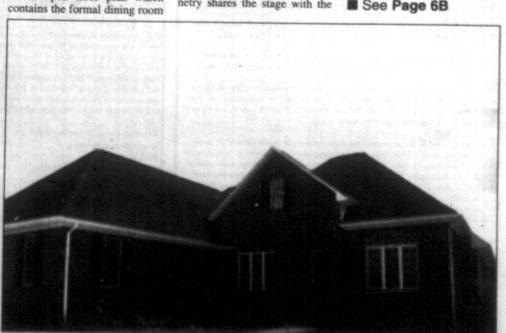
Each child has their own desk in the space. As there is no TV located in the children's bedrooms, the TV with necessary components is a key element to this area. A large game closet keeps toys and games neatly out of sight.

Of special interest in this room is Trace's desk custom made by his grandfather Townsend: Grandfather Townsend cut the walnut tree from which he then fashioned family pieces including this beloved desk on which now sits an aquarium.

For the holiday season, the family's "fun tree" is located in this room decorated with special ornaments from Mardi Gras, Trace's collection of car ornaments as well as those made by the children over the years.

Sharing the upstairs is, of

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Case No. 06-CI-00043

vs. NOTICE OF SALE

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on November 13, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the high-

est bidder, at public auction on Friday, December 22, 2006, at the hour of 10:00

a.m., local time, or thereabout, the leasehold interest and personal property more particularly described as follows:

Glendale Retirement Housing Association of Murray, Inc.'s ("GRHA") leasehold interest in and to a 4.8502 acre tract shown as Lot 2 on the Minor Subdivision

Plat of record in Plat Book 19, Page 98, Slide 1810 in the Calloway County Cour

Clerk's office with the address of 905 Glendale Road, Murray, KY 42071 (here-inafter the "Leased Property" or sometimes the "Land"), the buildings construct

ed on and improvements made to the Leased Property and fixtures attached to

the Leased Property (hereinafter collectively the "Leasehold Interest"); and

GRHA's equipment, furnishings, machinery, furniture, appliances, apparatus, inventory and other personal property (hereinafter collectively the "Personal

A copy of the Lease Agreement dated March 18, 1997 by and between Glendale

Association of Murray, Inc. as Lessee, a summary of the Personal Property and

photographs of the Personal Property may be reviewed in the Calloway Circuit

The Land on which the Leasehold Interest and Personal Property are located is

not being sold by the Master Commissioner and the purchaser of the Leasehold

Interest will not acquire ownership of the Land, only GRHA's Leasehold Interest

Property will be offered for sale separately and combined and sold to the highest

not be sold separately but instead, all Personal Property will be offered for sale

collectively. The Leasehold Interest and Personal Property shall be sold on a casi

or credit basis of thirty (30) days but if sold on a credit of thirty days, the pur-

chaser shall deposit with the Commissioner ten percent (10%) of the purchase

of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty (30) days. A lien shall be

retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be

price, and execute bond for the remainder of said purchase price, with good and

sufficient surety, said amount bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date

scertained and paid by the Commissioner, but the property shall be sold subject

bidder or bidders as the case may be. The various items of Personal Property will

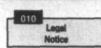
Road Church of Christ, Inc. as Lessor and Glendale Retirement Housing

Court Clerk's office, Calloway County Judicial Building, 312 N. 4th Street,

The Leasehold Interest (but not the Leased Property/Land) and Personal

Murray, KY 42071, in File No. 06-CI-00043.

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GLENDALE AT MURRAY, LLC. sor in Interest to

f/k/a UNION PLANTERS BANK,

OF MURRAY, INC., AND

Property").

in and to the Land

to 2006 ad valorem taxes

Respectfully submitted,

Calloway Circuit Court

MAX W. PARKER

This the 1st day of December, 2006

CENTRAL BANK & TRUST CO.

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GLENDALE RETIREMENT HOUSING ASSOCIATION

REGIONS BANK,

PLAINTIFF,

DEFENDANTS

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COURT OF JUSTICE

LENDMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES, f/d/b/a US BANKCORP CONSUMER FINANCE,

PLAINTIFF

DEFENDANTS.

BETTY WILKERSON, et al.,

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Cour

on November 14, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the ouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Friday, December 22, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., central time., or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, with its address being 8892 Ky. Hwy. 121, Farmington, KY, and more particularly described as follows to

CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT

Civil Action No. 06-CI-00380

VS NOTICE OF SALE

A 4.00 acre tract of land as surveyed by Allgood Surveying Services of Murray, Kentucky, April, 1989, located on Highway 121 approximately 9.3 miles northwest of the intersection of Twelfth and Main Streets in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows

Beginning at the Southeast corner of the herein described tract of land, said oint being a #4 rebar set 708.28 feet East of the centerline of Sand Lick Road, 35.00 feet north of the centerline of Highway 121 and 234.57 feet west of the outheast corner of the Codie Darnell property, Deed Book 253, Card 249; the with the North side of Highway 121, the following bearing and distances, North 58 degrees, 24 minutes, 55 seconds, West 428.60 feet to a point; North 31 degrees, 35 minutes, 05 seconds, East 10.00 feet to a point; North 58 degrees 24 minutes, 55 seconds West 183.64 feet to a #4 rebar set at the southwest corner of the herein described tract of land; thence, North 16 degrees, 45 minutes, 25 secnds East 298.77 feet creating a new division line to the said Darnell property to a #4 rebar set at the Northwest corner of the herein described tract of land; ence, South 58 degrees 24 minutes 55 seconds East 609.59 feet, creating a new division line to the said Darnell property to a #4 rebar set at the northeast corner of herein described tract of land; thence, South 16 degrees, 45 minutes, 55 secnds west 298.77 feet, creating a new division line to the said Darnell property to the point of beginning. This property is subject to all previously conveyed easeents and right-of-ways.

Being in all respects the same property conveyed to Betty Wilkerson by deeds of record in Book 251, Page 50, and in Book 529, Page 834, both in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court.

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

This 29th day of November, 2006. espectfully submitted, MAX W. PARKER Master Commissioner Calloway Circuit Court

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COURT OF JUSTICE CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT Civil Action No. 06-CI-00355

U.S. BANK, NA.

PLAINTIFF,

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

LESLIE HUMPHREYS AND LOURDES HOSPITAL, INC.,

DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on November 14, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Friday, December 22, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., central time., or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County Kentucky with its address being 113 Garland Lane, Murray KY, and more particularly described as follows to wit:

Legal description of a tract of land located at 113 Garland Lane in the County of Calloway, State of Kentucky, being a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 24, Township 2, Range 4, East, and also being Tract 2 of a minor subdivision plat of record in Plat Book 34, Page 24, Slide 3240, and being further described as fol-

Beginning at a #4 rebar w/cap 2188 found 480.54 feet south of the south Right-of way line of State Route 94 East and approximately 9.00 feet west of the centerline of Garland Lane, said point being the northeast corner of the herein described tract and the southeast corner of the Kenneth Borgarding property (Deed Book 447, Page 491, Plat Book 32, Page 83, Slide 3099);

along the west line of Garland Lane, South 02 degrees 39 minutes. 11 seconds West for a distance of 145.00 feet to a #4 rebar w/cap #3175 set at the southeast corner of the herein described tract and the northeast corner of the Dickie Garland property (Deed Book 156, Card 1270);

Thence, along the north line of the Garland property, South 88 degrees 27 minutes 07 seconds West for a distance of 130.64feet to a #4 rebar w/cap #3175 set at the southwest corner of the herein described tract and on the east line of the Ray Griffin property, (Deed Book 487, Page 426);

Thence, along the east line of the Griffin property, North 02 degrees 39 minutes 48 seconds East for a distance of 145.00 feet to a #4 rebar found at the northwest corner of the herein described tract and the southwest corner of the Borgarding property (Deed Book 447, Page 491);

Thence, along the south line of the Borgarding property, North 88 degrees 27 minutes 04 seconds East for a distance of 130.62 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with and subject to covenants, easements and restrictions of record

This tract contains 0.434 acres according to a survey by VL Associates on August 29, 2003 Being the same property conveyed to Leslie Humphreys, single, by deed from

526, Page 480, in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court. nentioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of 30 days. but if sold on a credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall be required to deposit with the commissioner ten percent of the purchase price, with the balance to be paid in full within thirty (30) days, with sufficient surety bond, bearing interest at

Kenneth Wade Borgarding, dated December 22, 2003, of record in Deed Book

12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty (30) days. A lien shall be retained on the property as additional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid, but shall be sold subject to the 2006 ad valorem taxes. This 29th day of November, 2006.

Respectfully submitted.

Calloway Circuit Court

MAX W. PARKER

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COURT OF JUSTICE CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT Civil Action No. 06-CI-00254

BRANCH BANKING & TRUST COMPANY,

PLAINTIFF,

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

KENNETH RALPH BOGARD, a/k/a KENNETH R. BOGARD, TAX EASE LIEN INVESTMENTS 1, LLC, CITY OF MURRAY,

DEFENDANTS

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Cour on November 14, 2006, in the above cause. I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Friday, December 22, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., central time, or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows to wit:

Lot 33 of the Crossfield East Subdivision as shown on the plat of record in Plat Book 20, Page 4, Slide 1816 in the Calloway County Court Clerk's Office.

The property conveyed herein is subject to those restrictions of record and specifically those recorded on Plat Book 20, Page 4, Slide 1816, as above referenced.

Being the same property conveyed to Kenny Bogard by deed from Joe H. Spann, et.ux., dated March 28, 1996, in Book 225, Page 64, and by Quitclaim Deed from Carol Bogard, dated February 28, 2001, in Book 369, Page 746, all in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County Court.

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of 30 days, but if sold on a credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall be required to deposit with the commissioner one-third of the purchase price, with the balance to be paid in two equal installments full within thirty (30) days, with sufficient surety bond, bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty (30) days. A lien shall be retained on the property as addional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid, but shall be sold subject to the current year ad valorem taxes.

This 29th day of November, 2006 Respectfully submitted, MAX W. PARKER Calloway Circuit Court

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY COURT OF JUSTICE CALLOWAY CIRCUIT COURT Civil Action No. 06-CI-00276

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. d/b/a America's Wholesale Lender.

PLAINTIFF.

VS. NOTICE OF SALE

MIRANDA L. ELLIOTT. CARLIE R. ELLIOTT, et al.,

DEFENDANTS.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale entered by the Calloway Circuit Court on October 10, 2006, in the above cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in the City of Murray, Calloway County, Kentucky, to the highest bidder, at public auction on Friday, December 22, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., central time., or thereabout, the following described property located in Calloway County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows to wit:

Being Lot No. 17, in Block No. 3 in McElrath Heights Subdivision Addition to the Town of Murray, Kentucky, as shown by Plat recorded in Deed Book 31, Page 482, in the Calloway County Court Clerk's Office.

Being in all respects the same property conveyed to Carlie R. Elliott, and wife, Miranda L. Elliott, by deed from Stephen G. Raleigh, et ux., dated November 20, 2003, in Book 524, Page 592, in the office of the Clerk of the Calloway County

The aforementioned property shall be sold on a cash or credit basis of 30 days, but if sold on a credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall be required to deposit with the commissioner one-third of the purchase price, with the balance to be paid in two equal installments full within thirty (30) days, with sufficient surety bond, bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of sale until paid, and fully due and payable in thirty (30) days. A lien shall be retained on the property as addiional security. All delinquent taxes shall be ascertained and paid, but shall be old subject to the current year ad valorem taxes

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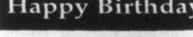
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10 years ago Published is a picture of an artist's rendering of the new facilities planned for First United Methodist Church. The new facilities will be east of the present church. The cost will be \$1.6 million for the two-story multi-purpose facility.

Kappa Department of the Murray Woman's Club will have its annual tour of homes on Dec. 8 featuring the home of Bill and Pat Page, Tim and Teresa Garland and Joe and Linda Dick.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Outland will be married 50 years Dec. 24. Births reported include a boy

to Karen and James Armstrong, Nov. 28.

Published is a picture of Richard Jackson, former director of Clara M. Eagle Gallery at Murray State University, hanging a watercolor Emily Wolfson in preparation for the Murray art Guild open house on Dec. 7 from 1 to 4:30 p.m. The photo was by Staff Photographer David Tuck.

Lois Sparks, Margaret Owen, Inez Jones and Joan Whayne were installed as new officers of the First United Methodist Church

Births reported include a boy to Dr. and Mrs. John Jenkins, Nov. 21; a boy to Merenda and John Lee, Dec. 2; a girl to Betty and R.V. Oliver, Dec. 3; a girl to Anna and Jackie Hamlet, Dec. 4. 30 years ago

United States Senator Wendell Ford will officially open his fulltime field office in room 207 of the Murray Postoffice building on Dec. 18.

The double wide trailer home of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Crouse was destroyed by fire yesterday about 11 a.m.

In high school basketball games Calloway Lakers won 67-56 over Providence Bull Dogs with high scorers being Mike Wells for the Lakers and Powell for the Bull Dogs; Murray Tigers won 87-76 over Paducah Tilghman Tornado with high scorers being Frank Gilliam for Murray and Davis for

Baritone William Warfield was awarded a standing ovation at his concert at the Murray State Uni-

versity auditorium. The concert was one of the special events planned for this year by the Murray Civic Music Association.

Published is a picture of the new addition to the Grace Baptist Church on S. Ninth Street being constructed. The photo was by Staff Photographer Ed Collie.

Murray State University Racers won 121-65 over Georgia Southern in a basketball game. Herb McPherson was high scorer for the Racers.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Wilon will be married 60 years Dec.

Surplus food commodities will be distributed Dec. 7 in the area back of Tabers Upholstery Shop on N. Third Street.

Mrs. Bill Ed Hendon showed film on "Safety" at a meeting of the Protemus Homemakers Club held at the home of Mrs. Claude Weatherford. In high school basketball games,

Murray Training Colts won 699-59 over New Concord Redbirds with high scorers being John Shroat for the Colts and Billy Buchanan for the Redbirds; Murray Tigers won 64-55 over Farmington with high scorers being John Hill for Murray and Andrus for Farming-

Wife objects to husband serving as party escort

DEAR ABBY: My husband, THREATENED "Steve's," daughter by his first marriage has a mentor at work who keeps trying to "borrow" him as her escort to the company Christmas party. Steve and I have been married nine years, and this is the third time she has tried

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By Abigail Van Buren

show up with him as her escort is highly insulting

Steve agreed on the phone to go with her this afternoon and told me about it when I got home from work. I told him how I felt, and he immediately said he wouldn't go -he hadn't realized it would bother me. I told him he now "has to" go or she will think I am threatened by her.

My stepdaughter evidently doesn't see a problem with it, as she's the one who called to facilitate the woman asking my husband. (I wonder how she'd have felt if her mother were still married to her dad?)

Yes, my husband is a fun, entertaining person. Are my pantyhose in a knot over noth--- OFFENDED, NOT

DEAR OFFENDED: Your husband may be "fun and entertaining," but he is also married -- and that means he's out of the escort pool. He should not attend the function without you, and his daughter and her "mentor" were out of line to ask

DEAR ABBY: I have two children, 15 and 17. Many of their friends are becoming single parents. Not wanting that for my children, I talk to them and urge them not to have babies until they're ready to be good

You are so good at coming up with lists for things, Abby. Could you compile a list of criteria for what makes a really good parent? It would be nice to show them what that adds up to. -- NANCY IN FLAGSTAFF, ARIZ.

DEAR NANCY: I'm pleased to help. However, I'm sure my readers will want to add to the list, which is a short one.

ARE YOU READY FOR

PARENTHOOD?

(1) Can you support the child financially? Children are expensive. I always urge people to complete their education and delay parenthood until they are self-supporting, in case they should find themselves in the role of sole provider.

(2) Can you support the child emotionally? Babies are cute, but they are also completely helpless and emotionally needy. While some young women say they want a baby so they'll have someone to love them, the reality is it's the parent's responsibility to love and sacrifice for the child. In plain English, this means the end of a normal teenage social life because babies are extremely time-consuming.

(3) Are you prepared to be a consistent parent? Children learn by example -- both good and bad. Are you prepared to be a role model for the behaviors you want your child to mimic? Because mimic they do. They learn more from what they observe than what they're

(4) Have you read up on child development? Are your expectations of what a child should be able to accomplish as he or she reaches various chronological milestones realistic? Ditto for your partner, whether or not he or she is the child's biological parent.

(5) Are you prepared to put someone else's needs before your own for the next 18 to 21 years? Remember, babies can't be returned to the manufacturer for a refund if you're not 100 percent satisfied. Some times they come with serious challenges. Can you cope with those realities?

If the answer to any of these questions is no, I strongly advise postponing parenthood.

Distraction is the best medicine

DEAR DR. GOTT: A typical example: Confused resident comes to the nursing station and asks "Is my husband dead?" If one answered, "Now you know your husband died 10 years ago,"

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band like? How Dr. Peter Gott tall was he?

What did he like to do?" soon, the client forgets what she asked! Good tool, sort of correlated with distraction, but it works well!

DEAR READER: Excellent points. Thank you for sharing yet another way of managing advanced dementia. No matter how trivial, if we can provide a brief ray of happiness, we are doing our job to assist patients in dealing with their problems.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Alzheimer's Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, selfaddressed, stamped envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, PO Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: At 73 years of age, I have suffered from arm and leg cramps for years. My sister, who lives in

Virginia, read an article written by you last year.

She called me right away (I live in Maryland) to tell me to try the liquid-soap treatment that you wrote about. On several occasions since then, I have been awakened in the middle of the night and used the liquid soap. It works! Each time, my cramps subsided in fewer than three minutes. I am so very grateful you wrote about it. The bottle of liquid soap is now a staple on my bed table.

Since I started using it, I now only have to sit on the edge of my bed to apply it. No more walking the cramps off, only to have them strike again when I get back in bed.

Bless you and thank you from the bottom of my heart!

DEAR READER: I don't remember endorsing liquid soap as a cure for leg cramps. As I have written before, however, of all the things I've ever lost, I miss my mind the most. If the liquid soap works to improve your chronic problem, stick with it - and, by all means, try a bar of soap under your bottom sheet to prevent (not just treat) nocturnal leg cramps.

Doctor Gott is a practicing physician and the author of the new book "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet." (Quill Driver Books. www.quilldriverbooks.com; 1-800-605-7176).

TodayInHistory

By The Associated Press Today is Wednesday, Dec. 6, the 340th day of 2006. There are 25 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 6, 1889, Jefferson Davis, the first and only president of the Confederate States of America, died in New Orleans. On this date:

In 1884, Army engineers completed construction of the Wash-

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In 1921, British and Irish rep-

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In 1923, a presidential address was broadcast on radio for the first time as President Coolidge spoke to a joint session of Con-

In 1947, Everglades National Park in Florida was dedicated by President Truman.

In 1957, America's first attempt at putting a satellite into orbit

DO YOU THINK SANTA IS OKAY WITH THAT?

failed as Vanguard TV-3 blew up on the launch pad at Cape Canaver-

In 1969, a free concert by The Rolling Stones at the Altamont Speedway in Livermore, Calif., was marred by the deaths of four people, including one who was stabbed by a Hell's Angel.

In 1973, House minority leader Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as vice president, succeeding Spiro

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Assume South gets to six hearts as shown and West leads the spade king. It certainly seems that declarer down one, but if he is on his toes, he makes the slam.

South starts by winning the spade lead with the ace and drawing two rounds of trumps. He then plays the K-A of clubs, ruffs a club, cashes the Q-A of diamonds and leads dummy's last club, the seven.

The stage is now set for the crucial play. Instead of trumping East's jack of clubs, South discards one of his spade losers. He is hoping that West had a six-card spade suit for his pre-emptive jump-overcall, which is

the normal expectancy. And, as hoped, that proves to be precisely the case. East finds himself on lead and, like it or not, is compelled to return a diamond. South thereupon discards his last spade and ruffs in dummy to bring home the

There is nothing remarkable about the way in which declarer accomplished his purpose, nor was he exceptionally lucky to find West with six spades for his overcall and East with the majority of the missing clubs. The odds greatly favored finding both of these conditions, and all declarer had to do was to take advantage of the probabilities.

is really not difficult to formulate and execute, the fact is that many declarers in the given situation might quickly concede down one after they saw the dummy

Tomorrow: Good judgment is a key factor

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Homes ...

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course, a bathroom as well as their 10-year-old son, Alec's bedroom. Decorated in rich earth tones, the focal point is Alec's comfortable bed. All his furnishings allow for future growth; he also has the advantage of a spacious walk-in clos-

A very comfy reading chair with matching ottoman covered in a cheetah pattern provides the perfect spot for relaxation, reading or playing a Gameboy.

There is additional walk-in storage on this level utilized for seasonal items. And, not to be forgotten is the 3 car garage of which Trace is proud ... ample space for the cars and extra stor-

The home will be accented with candle lights in each window as well as Amy's prized collection of Possible Dreams Clothique Santas that will be placed throughout the home combined with traditional holiday elements. It is very apparent that Trace and

Amy possess a unique decorating style that is both refined yet very comfortable.

"shopped This couple Murray" to make this dream home a reality and are very proud of the outcome as are the businesses represented within.

They invite you to share the beauty and love of family and home" with them ... you'll love

Essary Home

Russell and Janet Essary call 97 Haynes Creek Road home. Located in Oaks Country Club Estates, their acquisition of this unique residence is a story of faith in their dream coupled with sheer luck.

Purchased in October 2005 at public auction on Murray's courthouse steps, they had not been inside this house! Russell had Janet sit on his shoulders and peer through one of the front windows ... they knew from that point that they must own this home

The house had been unoccupied for years and the grounds were overgrown. Russell and Janet knew they had the wherewithal to create the home from the bare bones before them; they could and would do it. And, they have ..

Built in 1987 by Frank Towery from hand tumbled brick, the federal style, 3 level home is 4,000 square feet with a detached two car garage. The Essarvs love of the primitive design style was made to order with the house built to highlight early American craftsmanship.

The walkway and landscaping give you a subtle hint as to the collections that will dazzle your eyes once you pass through their front door.

To say this home is filled with a variety of collectibles and primitive artifacts coupled with an awesome array of family heirlooms is truly an understatement. Although the Essarys own the "Heart of Hazel," the majority of items have been inherited from family members. Russell runs the shop as Janet is a nurse at Primary Care. They share their weekends going to estate sales, auctions and garage sale adventures.

Flooring throughout the home combines brick, cherry hard wood and carpet. On display in the entrance hall are old Christmas books, stitchery and a hand painted Santa ironing board. To the right is the dining room which remains decorated for Christmas 12 months of the year as a reminder of their belief in keeping the spirit of the holiday in their daily lives.

The dining table is an old five plank harvest table; seating combines chairs and benches with room for family gatherings. The sideboard was Janet's greatgreat-grandmother's biscuit making table. The Newberry pie safe was a gift from Janet's father, Jackie Newberry. A feather tree shares this room with the incredible Santa portrait that "knowingly" gazes at you with his twinkling eyes.

Left of the entry is the spacious living room. The fireplace surround is decorated with custom made tile ordered by the builder from abroad to enhance the period home. Comfortable furniture positioned for relaxed conversation is surrounded by cherished items including an antique icebox that belonged to grandfather, Arvin McCuistion. Janet adores their stoneware pieces especially the ones stamped with Murray and



The Essarys at 97 Haynes Creek Road

Pottertown on them.

Numerous family quilts are lovingly displayed in a large heirloom cupboard. A ceiling height Christmas tree decorated with white lights and family ornaments add a festive touch.

The back hallway which connects the study, hall bath, utility, kitchen and den features an awesome collection of rare children's dishes and cookware. Coca Cola memorabilia share the hall along with the Coke

The study serves multi-purposes as floor to ceiling shelves provide perfect storage for collectibles. The fireplace adds coziness to the refurbished green wicker furniture Janet recovered to create a special spot for relaxing. Janet's nursing career is featured as this room's theme tree.

The kitchen and den feature brick flooring. Hanging stained glass windows, a primitive farm table with mixed chairs, red end tables, and Janet's grandmother's kitchen ware atop the kitchen cabinets all help to create a peaceful area for sharing day's activities. A the Christmas tree adorned with tiny kitchen gadgets is part of the holiday decor.

The veranda is off this section of the home and provides access to the cottage garden to the left and the in-ground pool to the right, a recent addition to their backyard oasis.

The antique banisters and railing of the stairway to the second level is original to the home as are the fixtures and the tile floors in both bathrooms on this level. The Essarys saw no reason to change anything as it all beautifully blended into their style and design.

The master bedroom is decorated in red and white highlighting a mixture of cottage and primitive furniture. Their TV cabinet was made by the late Rupert Maynard, a special patient of Janet's. The 1800-era German stitchery was a gift from Russell.

The "beach bedroom" pays tribute to their annual vacations and love of sand, sun and water. The white iron bed even boasts a grass bed skirt as part of the linens. Janet's son, Josh, made the Adirondack chair in high school shop class. The "Boy with Kite" beach painting was done by friend, Gloria Parelli. Santas in "beach bum" mode add a fun spirit to the space. And, there's a palm Christmas tree with beach themed ornaments ... too cute.

The second guest room maintains a more traditional feeling. Features include the high back bed and armoire which also have been passed from one genimportance are the cherished accessories that fill this bed-

Entry to the third level room is from the "beach" bedroom. This is Russell's special space and highlights his passion as NASCAR and gas station memorabilia fill the room.

Three sky lights cast light on pictures of the old Essary gas stations that were in Dresden and Paris, Tenn., that Russell and his dad owned for years. Since Russell is a Jeff Gordon fan, the Christmas tree is decorated accordingly.

With the many years of collecting, this home is full of incredible, and in some cases, priceless objects. The Essarys enthusiastically embrace their love of primitive design whether inherited or acquired through their shopping adventures.

With their combined goals for this home coupled with their talent for creating this unique environment for their treasures, Russell and Janet reside in a "one of a kind" home living the dream they envisioned. They are excited to swing open the door and invite ticket holders inside

Roberson Home

Located at 5062 State Route 94W positioned perfectly on 9.8 acres is the home of Donnie and Ann Roberson. An incredible English country home with its sweeping immaculate grounds complete with a stocked pond, anticipation builds as you approach the impressive front door fashioned in Honduras mahogany with surrounding windows created exclusively for this home by local renowned artisan Jack Wallis.

Donnie, building contractor by trade, built this 6,500 square foot masterpiece incorporating his master skills with the decisive goal of comfort "magnific in mind! The essence of style intrigues the senses as if walking into the pages of a magazine. Flooring throughout this fabulous home combines rich hardwood, tile, marble and carpet-

Upon entering the two story foyer, you have the study to your right. Custom cabinets in Alder wood, a massive desk centered at an angle to enjoy the view from the windows all create a pleasurable environment. With faux finished gold walls, shelving accented with arches and unique family art, it isn't hard to understand how "working from home" takes on a whole new meaning.

Favorite accessories in this room are the large framed photos of their children, Matthew and Rachel, on their 4-wheelers taken years ago and presented to Donnie by Ann as a Christmas

gift. Located conveniently nearby is a half bath decorated to coordinate with this space.

Left of the foyer is the formal dining room enhanced with a double tray ceiling. Donnie's talent with woodworking adds beautiful custom detailing to the space which is complimented with walls painted in Victorian Red. The grandfather clock was built by Donnie in 1978. Displayed in the china cabinet is Donnie's mother's prized china purchased many years ago from her former neighbor, Rainey T. Wells, the founder of Murray State University.

Obviously, this china service has special significance to the Robersons.

From the foyer straight before you is the barrel archway leading to the two-story formal living room. The fireplace has a marble surround, wood mantel and is flanked with built-in combination shelves and cabinets. Beautiful furnishings

upstairs den and back deck. The view provided by the wall of Pella custom windows includes the detached 3 car garage/workshop with wash bay ... it looks like a small house and only adds to the pleasant vista.

The kitchen has everything needed for an active family and entertainment central. Victorian Red is continued in the kitchen and adjoining butler's pantry which adds punch to the abundant white cabinets used in these spaces. With designed art by Laurie Rollins created in tile by James Hamilton, the kitchen is truly beautiful. The spacious island includes the sink, dishwasher and compactor positioned to complete the cooking triangle. The den side is raised creating an eating bar for the four stools.

The appliances are "invisible" blending into the extraordinary cabinetry. The butler's pantry also includes a built-in desk area providing a special spot to leisurely study a great cook book. There is a second carpeted stairway to the upstairs from the kitchen area for convenience.

A hallway right off the pantry provides access to the combination utility/half bathroom. The walls are adorned with stenciling done by Jo Beth Ticknor which add an awesome whimsical touch that must be seen ... don't skip behind the door! This hall also leads to the attached 3 car garage.

Turning left from the pantry, a hallway takes you to the dining room. This hall displays more of the art work of the family. Ann's photo of Aspen trees in Colorado is a "live action" shot; Donnie and Ann love to travel out west by motorcycle and it was during one of these trips sitting behind Donnie the picture was captured - it's her

shower, linen closet, separate vanities, and ceiling fan is an oasis providing space to unwind. A bedroom cove with built in cabinet gives access to the 14' x 10' master closet loaded with shelves and drawers.

Continuing the tour to the second level brings you to the bridge which is open on both sides giving you an overlook to the two story foyer as well as the 19' living room ... gorgeous.

Built into the wall are arched niches showcasing Christmas decorations which include a hand made Santa created by Ann's mother, Evelyn Shelton. Additional Santas are positioned throughout the home with touches of Christmas tastefully accessorizing various spaces.

As with the main level, the

rooms upstairs are all oversized, a feature important to Donnie and Ann. Matthew's room has walls in Blueberry. With such abundant space, in addition to traditional bedroom furnishings there is a table with four chairs for board games or working on a large jigsaw puzzle. The view from the window is breathtaking, intentional by design. Matthew's private bath has a custom designed tile floor. A skylight brightens the space.

The guestroom painted in Sherwood Tan contains a daybed centered between the dormer windows. As with each of the four bedrooms, guests have their own bathroom providing comfort and privacy.

A second den with vibrant Cardinal Red walls located across the hall provides a special space complete with TV/components, multiple sofas and a luscious yellow chair and matching ottoman.

Rachel's bedroom has walls of Gothic Green complimented with a botanical border. Beautiful furniture in a refined cream colored wood fills the



The Robersons at 5062 State Route 94W

are arranged to take advantage of the ambiance created by the gas logs and/or the view out of the incredible Pella windows and doors to the deck and grounds beyond.

The family piano shares this space. The 12 foot family Christmas tree is centered in front of the wall of windows.

Following a leftward flow from the living room brings you into the spacious breakfast area combined with the dream kitchen, butler's pantry and den. The den has a built-in entertainment center with surround sound that has been incorporated throughout the first floor,

Both Donnie and daughter Rachael possess art degrees from Murray State; as a result of their talent, unique art is tastefully displayed throughout the home adding beauty for all to enjoy.

Completing the ground level is a master suite spectacular in every detail. Donnie designed the bedroom floor with an island of carpet the shape of which is duplicated in the ceiling. The king size bed "floats" on the carpet island with a wall of windows behind it flooding the oversized room with light. The master bath with marble floor, Jacuzzi tub, separate large room. Views from the windows are inspiring. The attached bathroom with all amenities makes it all perfect.

This home has provided the Robersons with a haven in which to live, love, laugh and share their good fortune with family and friends.

Now that their children have grown and moved on, these empty nesters have placed this beloved estate for sale. They just know there is another family that will enjoy and enrich their lives by making this home their

Come see for yourself and you too will be quite amazed!





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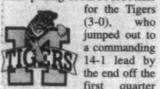
Volp leads Tigers to win

McClure scores 17, But LADY TIGERS FALL 55-36

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HICKMAN, Ky. - Chess Volp's double-double helped lead the Murray High Tigers to a 48-32 triumph over Fulton County in boys' prep action on Tuesday night.

Volp tossed in 25 points while pulling down 10 rebounds for the Tigers



a commanding 14-1 lead by the end off the first quarter and led 23-10 at the halftime break.

Murray outscored the Pilots 10-8 in the third period to take a 33-18 lead into the final eight minutes, where the Tigers earned a 15-14 scoring edge in finishing off the victory.

Kenneth Trice and Casey Parker-Bell each scored six points to support Volp's big night. The Tigers hit 20-of-44 shots from the floor, including 3-of-10 from 3-point range. MHS was 5-of-13 from the free throw line and out-rebounded Fulton County 25-18.

Tony Udley paced the Pilots with 12 points. Fulton County shot 11-of-44 from the field, including 3-of-12 from behind the arc. Fulton County was 7-of-16 from the charity stripe.

"It was another one of those overused coach's clichés, where we're doing it as a team," said foul line.

KENTUCKY 79, CHATTANOOGA 63

Fields. "We've got different guys, different nights that are helping us balance out the scoring, and we have a lot of guys that are being unselfish." Girls

Fulton Co. 55, Murray 36

The second quarter was key in this contest, as the host Lady Pilots outscored the Lady Tigers 20-5 to open up a 33-15 advantage at the intermission on their way to an easy win over Murray.

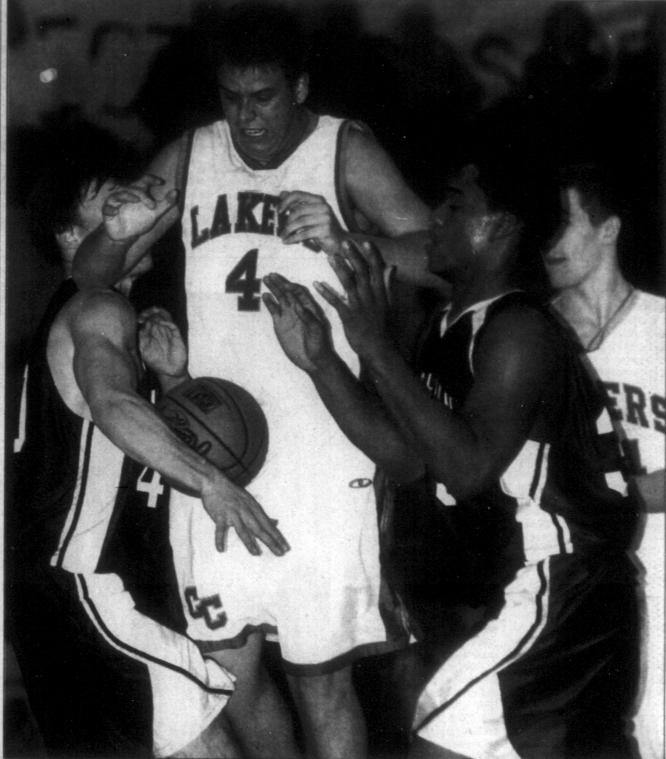
Fulton County extended its lead to 45-21 by the end of the third quarter on the strength of a 12-6 scoring run. MHS did manage to outscore the Lady Pilots 15-10 in the fourth period, but it was too little too late for the Lady Tigers.

'We're just not doing the things we have to do to win games," said MHS head coach Rechelle Turner. "We had several opportunities, but we're struggling offensively right now."

Stacey McClure paced Murray with 17 points. The Lady Tigers finished with just nine field goals and were just 18-of-32 from the free throw

Fulton County's Sharika Smith scored a game-high 20 points, while Ellie Goodman added 15. The Lady Pilots connected on 26 shots from the floor and were 2-of-5 from the

CALLLOWAY CO. 63, PADUCAH TILGHMAN 56



Calloway County senior forward Wes Adams (4) is stripped of the ball by Paducah Tilghman's Brent Buchanan, left, and David Jones in the first half Tuesday at Jeffrey Gymnasium. The Lakers battled to a 63-56 win in the First Region matchup.

Holding Court KERS DEFEND HOME COURT VS. TORNADO

By MICHAEL DANN Sports Writer

One thing can be said for the Calloway County boys' basketball team: When it comes to holding court, the Lakers have one of the best stages in western Kentucky - and they use that to their advantage.

The Lakers shut down a potent Paducah Tilghman ballclub on Tuesday at Jeffrey Gymnasium, where Calloway has won 50 of its last 60 games. Calloway came away with a 63-56 win in a marquee First Region matchup.

Many statewide publications

have picked the Tornado as a this meant so early in the season, indeed it was. preseason favorite to win a Birdsong didn't hesitate. tightly-guarded First Region. But when playing at "The Jeff," one can never count out Calloway - or at least they shouldn't.

While Tilghman holds a 42-5 all-time advantage in the series, the Lakers have won the last three against the Tornado since March 2004.

Following game, Birdsong said he felt good knowing Tilghman might have some matchup problems against

When asked what a win like

"It means that we're either overachieving, or a lot of people didn't want to give our kids enough credit. We felt like we haven't had much respect," Birdsong said. "Again, it's a preseason poll. We don't buy into those. We're much more concerned where we are in February and March. We feel like if we have a good crowd, our kids are hard to beat in this gym. I thought our crowd was

terrific tonight." Birdsong thought his perimeter play was "fantastic" - and

Calloway shot 42 percent from the floor on 21-of-40 shooting, but it went 6-of-14 from 3-point range, where Eric Berberich continued his scoring onslaught by knocking down four treys en route to a gamehigh 20 points.

Wes Perry, a 6-foot-1 senior guard who is the Lakers' leading returning scorer, arguably had the best game of any CCHS player with a double-double on 13 points and 12 rebounds while dishing out eight assists in 32

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CALLOWAY 71, MERIDIAN (III.) 23

dy Lakers sail to Honeywell win

METROPOLIS, II. - All 14 players that suited up for the Lady Lakers on Tuesday night found the scoring column as Calloway breezed by Meridian 71-23 in the second of three games at the Honeywell Tournament.

Rachel Adams had a game-high 12 points, while Kayla Cunningham also reached double digits with 10.

Shelby Webb and Karra Jones each had eight points, while Sam Butts finished with seven and Beth Ross tacked on six. Brittany Fox and Haley McCuiston finished with four, and Allison Jones had three points. Monica Thurmond, Tiffany Govern and Kala Seavers each had two. Whitney Jones added one.

Calloway was 28-of-76 from the field,

including 2-of-7 from 3-point range. The Lady Lakers held Meridian to 9-of-49 shooting from the floor.

The Lady Lakers led 40-17 at halftime and increased that margin to 62-19 at the end of the third quarter.

Calloway was scheduled to play the host Massac County Lady Patriots tonight in the nightcap of the tournament.

ARIZONA 72, LOUISVILLE 65

Cards fall to Wildcats in Jimmy V Classic

NEW YORK (AP) -Arizona couldn't have had much worse of a shooting performance than it did in the second half Tuesday night, and the 14th-ranked Wildcats still left Madison Square Garden with another victory.

Ivan Radenovic had 22 points and 13 rebounds for Arizona, which shot 18.5 percent from the field over the final 20 minutes in a 72-65 victory over Louisville in the Jimmy V Classic.

"I'm really proud of how our guys hung in there despite our miserable shooting in the second half." Arizona coach Lute Olson

said. "That is something we have been trying to get across to them that if you play defense you can survive something like

"Three weeks ago we could

not have won a game like this," The Wildcats (6-1) had a 44-35 halftime lead then missed 17 of their first 18 shots from the field as they lost, then retook the lead. Chase Budinger hit Arizona's first shot of the second half for an 11-point lead, then after 17 consecutive misses, Mustafa Shakur hit a 3 with 9:40 left to give the Wildcats a

54-50 lead. In the second half we were shooting after making one or two passes and that's not what we do," Radenovic said. "But defensively we started to take away their 3-point shot and then we played well when they went

It was the first time this season the Wildcats scored less than 84 points in a game.

Juan Palacios had 15 points for the Cardinals (2-2), who managed to take a 50-49 lead with 13:18 left on a drive by Terrence Williams, but the comeback - and foul trouble seemed to wear down Louisville which was unable to complete a lot of plays inside.



Louisville's Derrick Caracter (32) blocks Arizona's Jawann McClellan during the second half of Tuesday's game at Madison Square Garden.

Threes lift Wildcats past Chattanooga LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) -

Kentucky's Randolph Morris, center, looks for a teammate as

he is trapped by Chattanooga players Khalil Hartwell, left, and Keddric Mays during the first half of Tuesday's game in

One guard was grabbing rebounds. Another was nailing 3s. A third was Joe Crawford. Sound familiar?

The Kentucky backcourt Tuesday night resembled last year's version in many ways, except freshman Derrick Jasper replaced Rajon Rondo as the rebounder and Ramel Bradley succeeded Patrick Sparks as the shooting specialist.

The combination certainly worked against a small Chattanooga team as Kentucky hit a season-high 13 3-pointers - six from Bradley defeating the Mocs 79-63.

"We got better tonight," coach Tubby Smith said. "That's all we want to do is get better, every time we're on the court." Smith didn't say whether the

lineup change - particularly Jasper's inclusion in it - was permanent or a temporary experiment against Chattanooga team whose tallest starter was 6-foot-7.

But Jasper got 10 rebounds, Bradley had a career-high 23 points and Crawford had four 3pointers in one of his best allaround games of the year. "We didn't hesitate in our

play," Crawford said. "Getting a

win like this definitely helps boost our confidence.' Kentucky certainly needed a win like this, having lost three of its last four games, albeit to powers UCLA, Memphis and North Carolina. It will face a bigger test - with bigger play-

ers - Saturday when it hosts Indiana See KENTUCKY, 2C

BASEBALL WINTER MEETINGS

Busy Red Sox add Drew, Lugo

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) - The Boston Red Sox were the busiest team on the second day of baseball's winter meetings, adding right fielder J.D. Drew and shortstop Julio Lugo to their everyday lineup.

The San Diego Padres also made a splash Tuesday, putting Greg Maddux in their starting rotation.

But while a few free agents finally got snapped up, not a single trade had been completed halfway through the meetings.

"I do believe the free-agent market is kind of holding off a

CCMS girls earn win; Lakers fall

Staff Report

Calloway County Middle School's seventh grade girls' basketball team earned a 33-11 triumph over Benton Middle School on Tuesday.

Calloway (12-0) opened a 12-2 lead after one quarter of play and never looked back, posting a 15-3 advantage at the halftime break before entering the fourth period up 27-6.

Leading the way for the Lady Lakers was Alyssa Cunningham, who tossed in nine points. Taylor Futrell and Karlee Wilson followed with six each. Lauren Benson, Abby Futrell, Neely Gallimore, Ashley Gullixson, Cheyenne Maddox and Allison Rogers all had two points apiece.

Boys

The Laker seventh graders dropped a 38-31 decision to Benton on Tuesday night.

The loss came one day after Calloway suffered a 49-27 setback to University Heights Academy. Calloway is now 4-6 on the season.

Against Benton, Russell Garland led the way for CCMS with eight points. T.J. Elam followed with seven. Garrett Schweatman and Jay Green scored four each, while Corey Evans and Nathan Gream tossed in three apiece. Dannis Seay rounded out the scoring with

Against University Heights, Elam paced the Lakers with 11 points. Schweatman and Tyler Schanbacher scored four points each, while Evans tossed in Green and Matt McReynolds had two apiece, and Garland one.



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NBA BASKETBALL 8 p.m. ESPN — Philadelphia at Chicago little bit the trade front, because there are so many free agents still available," New York Mets general manager Omar Minaya said.

That could change soon. The Mets were close to sending pitcher Brian Bannister to Kansas City for reliever Ambiorix Burgos, a person familiar with the talks said, speaking on condition of anonymity because the trade hadn't been finalized. The deal was contingent on both teams being satisfied with medical

In another possible swap, the Chicago Cubs appeared to be discussing deals involving outfielder Jacque Jones.

Boston's attempts to deal Manny Ramirez appeared to be slowing. But the Red Sox did reach preliminary agreements on a \$70 million, five-year contract with Drew and a \$36 million, four-year deal with Lugo. If healthy, Drew would bat behind David Ortiz and Ramirez in the middle of the order.

"With David and Manny, if they want to walk those guys, we want them to pay a steep price," Red Sox manager Terry Francona said.

Ramirez at times has said he wants to leave Boston, which annually explores trades for him without making one. Giants' general manager Brian Sabean joked about a possible Ramirez trade, saying "it might be a four-

way."
"Boston has vats Starbucks coffee, cafeteria vats," Sabean said.

Maddux and the Padres, meanwhile, closed in on a \$10 million, one-year contract, a deal that would contain a player option for 2008. Agent Scott Boras, without indicating a team, said Maddux's deal "was moving positively ... but not done yet.

Details on Maddux's potential contract with the Padres were disclosed by two people familiar with the talks who spoke on condition of anonymity because no deal had been finalized.

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Lakers

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Paducah Tilghman 09 10 21 16 - 56 Calloway County Paducah Tilghman (1-1) Perry 15, Jones 13, McKeel 9, Williams Buchanon 6, McClure 6, Hutcherson,

FG: 22-52. 3-point FG: 5-17 (McKeel 3, Jones, Williams) FT: 7-12. Rebounds: 21 Fouls: 18

Calloway County (3-0) Berberich 20, Perry 13, Lockhart 10, Miller 9, Adams 4,

FG: 21-50. 3-point FG: 6-14 (Berberich 4, Miller, Lockhart). FT: Rebounds: 31. Fouls: 15.

minutes of play.

Perry's presence on the blocks and his ability to dish the basketball impressed his coach even more than his shooting.

"He's worked real hard this past summer to gain the ability to get to the rim. That's the thing that he's improved on from last year," Birdsong said. "When you have Berberich on one side and Josh Miller, along with Landon (Lockhart), on the other side, it's good to be able to penetrate and kick."

Perry, who injured his back in the season opener at Lone Oak and is still feeling some effects from it, said while its still early and there is still a lot to be decided, this win will help propel the Lakers to bigger and better things.

'We're all just playing real well as a team," Perry said. "I think we're playing as well as anyone else in the locker room expected right now."

Lockhart added 10 points, while Miller tossed in nine. Wes Adams and George Garner finished with four, and Jamey Gream had one.

Stefon Perry led the Tornado with a team-high 15 points, Jones tacked on 13.

Tilghman head coach Brad Steig was unavailable for comment after the game.

A pair of triples by B to start the game, along with a 3pointer by Lockhart and a pair of baskets by Perry and Miller, helped the Lakers to an early 11d 4 lead. It was a lead that Calloway would not relinquish. The Lakers were up 17-9 at the end of the first quarter.

Calloway built a 29-16 lead in the second quarter before taking a 31-19 lead into the locker room. But Paducah Tilghman went to work in the second half,

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Calloway County senior forward Landon Lockhart (34) puts up this shot over the outstretched arms of Paducah Tilghman's David Jones in the first half Tuesday at Jeffrey Gymnasium.

whittling away at the Laker lead. The Tornado cut it down to seven (47-40) at the end of the third quarter and pulled to within two, 51-49, with 3:18 to play after a free throw by David

But Calloway answered with an important stretch run, getting a deep three from Miller. Berberich followed with another triple on the Lakers' next possession, extending the lead back to eight, 57-49.

Birdsong pointed to three key areas for the Lakers. The eighthyear head coach knew that if Calloway rebounded the ball, made shots and took away easy

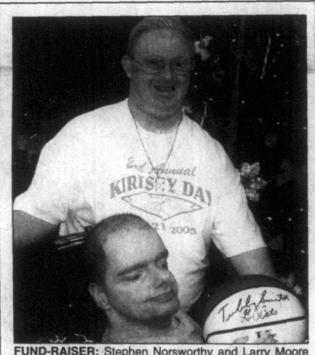
baskets, they were going to be

The Lakers out-rebounded Tilghman 31-21. Three players finished in double figures. Calloway also held Tilghman to 42 percent on 22-of-52 from the field, including 5-of-17 from beyond the arc.

"I thought for three quarters of the game we did what we needed to," Birdsong said of the Lakers' adhering to his plan. There were times there in the second half where we got ragged defensively and they got some run-outs for some easy baskets. But our kids have a lot of guts.'

SportsBriefs

■ The Murray High School football banquet will be held on Sunday, Dec. 17 at Murray Middle School. A meal will be served at 1 p.m. in the MMS cafeteria. The awards portion of the banquet will begin at 2 p.m. in the MMS auditorium. Tickets may be purchased for \$10 per person. by calling Pam Collins at 753-6176 before Dec. 8.



FUND-RAISER: Stephen Norsworthy and Larry Moore hold a University of Kentucky basketball signed by Wildcats' head coach Tubby Smith that has been donated to W.A.T.C.H. as a fund-raiser for their program operation. The center will be accepting bids on the basketball through Dec. 18. The highest bid to date is \$300. To place a bid, call 759-1965.

OVC ROUNDUP

UT-Martin hammered by Lady Vols, 85-29

SKYHAWKS TOP FREED-HARDEMAN 57 at second-ranked North

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) Tennessee's Pat Summitt says she owed her alma mater for helping her get a start in the coaching profession.

As thanks, her sixth-ranked Lady Vols put Tennessee-Martin on their schedule and got an 85-29 victory on Tuesday, two days after Tennessee lost its first game of the season. Candace Parker led the Lady Vols with 17 points and 11 rebounds.

"Obviously if it weren't for the folks at UT-Martin I wouldn't have this job nor would I have been prepared for it," Summitt said. "I think just having the opportunity to have the folks from that area back here is very special for me.

Summitt was hired at Tennessee in 1974 after completing her playing career and has remained in Knoxville ever

UT-Martin named its basketball court in Summitt's honor in

The Lady Vols (7-1) lost 70-

Carolina on Sunday, struggling against the Tar Heels' defensive pressure UT-Martin was not expected

to challenge the Lady Vols, and the Skyhawks (4-2) didn't. The Lady Vols were ahead,

18-0 before Jennifer Angler scored for UT-Martin with 11:43 left in the first half. The Ohio Valley Conference

team last played its sister school in 1999, and Tennessee won 133-60. UT-Martin 70, FHU 58

MARTIN, Tenn. (AP) McClenon Tolliver was the only Tennessee-Martin player in double figures but all 11 of his teammates scored in a 70-58

Freed-Hardeman. Tolliver had 11 points and the Skyhawks (2-7) opened up a big lead in the first half over the outmanned Lions (2-8).

victory Tuesday night over

Will Lewis scored 9 points and had a team-high 8 rebounds for Tennessee-Martin.

■ Kentucky

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But for one night, the Wildcats dominated. Although it was a home game, it was played in Freedom Hall, the home of their rival, Louisville.

Nobody got the blue-clad Louisville crowd into the game more than Bradley. His six 3pointers broke his career-high of five 3s set last month against Mississippi Valley State.

Of course, it was a 3-point on both sides. Chattanooga's Keddric Mays led the way with 25 points and seven 3-pointers, one shy of a career-high.

Mocs' coach John Shulman said he liked his team's chances better in an outside shooting carnival than by challenging Kentucky center Randolph Morris, who had 17 points despite drawing a double team most of the night.

"You've got to pick your poison," Shulman said.

Jasper and Bradley took turns moving the ball up the court, and while Jasper came up with 10 rebounds, Bradley quickly rediscovered his outside shot.

"I thought he was comfortable in shooting the ball," Smith said. "He could get his feet set. He didn't have to worry about getting the offense running because Derrick was doing it."

Jasper had one point and six rebounds to go along with his rebounds, but he also made some freshman mistakes. He drew a technical foul when he nudged a Mocs player and bumped into Morris when the Kentucky center was coming down with a rebound, turning the ball over to the Mocs.

The Wildcats, who never trailed, took a seven-point lead before the Mocs pulled to 19-18 midway through the first half on a dunk by Casey Long.

That's when the 3-point fireworks began for Bradley and his Kentucky teammates.

Crawford nailed a 3-pointer and Morris connected on a three-point play to stretch the Wildcats' lead, but Bradley quickly proved he had the shot. hottest long-range Kentucky's next three possessions - and four of its next five culminated with the junior guard swishing a 3-pointer.

"It's hard to get your shot offwhen you're running the point," Perry said. "When he's able to; get back in position, he's going to shoot lights out like that. He'll never lose his stroke."



Mother has son arrested for playing with Christmas present

A fed-up mother in Rock Hill had her troubled son arrested for rummaging through his great-grandmother's things and taking his Christmas present

The mother called police Sunday after learning her 12year-old son had disobeyed orders and repeatedly taken a Game Boy from its hiding place and played it. The boy was arrested on petty larceny charges, taken to the Rock Hill police station in handcuffs and held until his mother picked him up after church.

"My grandmother went out of her way to layaway a toy and paid on this thing for months," the mother told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "It was only to teach my son a lesson. He's been going through life doing things ... and getting away with it." The AP is not identifying

the boy or his family because he is a juvenile.

"I need help," said the mother, who also has a 7-year-old daughter. "I've been putting overtime in trying to figure out what's going on."

She said her son was diagnosed in the last year with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, but his medicine does not seem to help. Repeated trips to doctors and calls to various agencies have not produced results, she said.

"He can't stand authority. He has a really bad attitude," said the 27-year-old mother, who had the boy while a sophfor something. I don't want to see him be another statistic. I want to see him be somebody.'

The woman said she has lost jobs because she has to constantly tend to her son, whose school troubles began with him taking things from his kindergarten teacher's desk. Trips to the grocery store often end with her returning items he pocketed, she said.

The boy, on suspension from his alternative school, faced an expulsion hearing today, his mother said. He was arrested last month for disturbing the school after he swung at, but missed, a police officer,

Neither of his arrests seemed to scare him, and she is distressed because her son is relishing the attention.

Bond set for driver in Christmas parade charged with drunk driving

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) - A mother on a Christmas parade float that ended up taking a high-speed ride down Main Street in Anderson says the driver, who has been thrown off of the float," Anderson Police charged with DUI, told her it was a great day for a parade before he took off.

"It was beautiful, it was sunny, we were having a good time, and it went downhill so unbelievably fast it was unreal," said Erika Moore, who was on the float with her 4year-old daughter. "It was sheer terror."

Bond was set at \$50,000 Tuesday for David Allen Rodgers, 42, who was charged with drunken driving, 18 counts of kidnapping and about two dozen other charges.

Police think Rodgers became frustrated that he had to wait in line at the end of Sunday's parade, so he pulled the truck and trailer around another float and sped off.

Witnesses say the man ran a red light and a few stop signs and jumped some train

"The parents were literally holding on to the children to keep the children from being spokeswoman Linda Dudley said.

When officers caught up to Rodgers, he had an open container of alcohol in the truck he used to haul the children and adults on the float for the Steppin' Out Dance Studio. Authorities said he had driven the float for the dance studio for several, years.

"I made a very bad judgment on my part," Rodgers told the judge during Tuesday's bond

A message left at the dance studio was not returned Tuesday.

Moore said her daughter will remain at the dance school, but she will think twice before letting her participate in another Christ-

"We may very well enjoy parades from

ATV riders should be aware of state laws

From 2002 to 2004, Kentucky had the nation's fastest growing death rate among all-terrain vehicle users, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

In the 2002-04 time period. 106 Kentuckians died as a result of an ATV accident. The number is alarming.

Because of these safety concerns, a new law passed by the



Letter of the By David Harrington County Attorney

Kentucky General Assembly requires children younger than 16 to wear helmets while riding ATVs on both public as well as private

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protective headgear when required is \$20 to \$50. Despite what their name implies, ATVs are not really 'all-terrain." They are not for use on paved roads and high-

ways. In fact, they are dangerous on these surfaces. Kentucky law permits ATV drivers on the roads for only two reasons, and with specific

restrictions: -By law, ATVs can be driven on roads for up to 0.2 miles-and that is only if the driver is using the A TV for a farm- or agriculture-related activity. This allows farmers to drive to different sections of their farms legally.

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-ATV drivers can cross roads when going from trail to trail. For instance, if a hunter is using his A TV on property that is divided by a road, he or she can drive the ATV across that road to get to the other side of the property. The driver must cross the road as close to a 90degree angle as possible in order to comply with the law.

ATV drivers who drive on roads must be at least 16 years of age and have a valid driver's license

The limited access to driving on roads for short distances is intended to make life a little easier for people who are obeying the law by driving their ATV s off Kentucky roads. These exceptions in no way should be used as excuses to break the law. Since the popularity of ATVs has increased, those driving the vehicles should be aware of the legal restrictions on their use.





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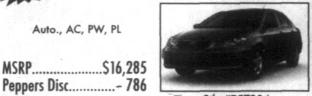
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46K Miles, 20" Wheels, 4x4, Roof Rack, Running Boards, Hard Bed Cover. Stk. #P6258

22,985

2004 Chevy Blazer 4x4



27K Miles Stk **#P6245**

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2002 Jaguar S



45K Miles Stk. **#P6252A**

16,485

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2006 Nissan Frontier XE



Ext. Cab, 9K Miles Stk. #TT6783A

2006 Pontiac Solstice



Leather, Cruise, PW, Chrome Wheels, 8K Miles Stk. #P6233

2006 Chevy Z-71 Crew Cab



Stk. #P6260

26,885

2000 Ford Mustang



Auto., Loaded, 1 Owner -Lady owned, Like New, 73K Miles. Stk. #TT7390A

8,885

2003 Nissan Altima



73K Miles #TT7333A

2004 Pontiac GTO



Auto., Leather, 11K Miles Stk. #P6212

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