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CIA failed to kill war lord with missile hit

WASHINGTON (AP) — The CIA fired a missile from an unmanned Predator in hopes of killing a former Afghan war lord who was plotting to overthrow the new government and was threatening American troops, officials said today.

Former Afghan Prime Minister Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, the leader of a hardline Islamic group, was targeted Monday near the capital, Kabul, but the missile missed him, defense officials said on condition of anonymity.

Hekmatyar had been making plans to strike the interim Afghan government of Hamid Karzai — and perhaps Karzai himself — one official said. He also wanted to target U.S. troops, in Afghanistan for seven months to rout out Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida fighters and Taliban figures that supported the terrorist network.

Although he has been a strident critic of the U.S. role in Afghanistan, he was a major recipient of U.S. weapons and support during the war against Soviet occupiers in the 1980s.

The Central Intelligence Agency has played a major role in the Afghan campaign, gathering intelligence and sending in its paramilitary to work with local tribal leaders who mounted their armies against the Taliban and al-Qaida.

It also has operated Predators fitted with Hellfire missiles — making it the first war in which the U.S. government has used the unmanned spy plane with weapons on it.

Hekmatyar has claimed he still has U.S.-made Stinger missiles and controls a loyal militia in his homeland that would be ready to follow him.

His hardline Hezb-e-Islami party announced in early March that it was ready to cooperate with Afghanistan's U.S.-supported interim leader and sent a delegation to meet with Karzai in Kabul to iron out differences.

But in April, hundreds of people linked to the group were arrested early in Kabul in connection with the alleged overthrow plot. It included plans to set off bombs throughout the capital, officials said at the time.

Documents and other evidence linked Hekmatyar to the plot, but made no mention of al-Qaida, officials said.

Hekmatyar was a guerrilla commander in the fight against the 1980s' Soviet military occupation of Afghanistan and served as a prime minister in the fractious government that took power after routing of a pro-Soviet Afghan administration in 1992.

Ruthless power struggles between his forces and those of rivals laid waste to whole neighborhoods of the Afghan capital and killed tens of thousands. Hekmatyar fled to Iran after the Taliban took Kabul in 1996.

Iranian authorities closed Hekmatyar's offices in the country in February, and ordered him out. The move appeared a gesture toward the United States and Karzai.

Also in April, Pashtun figures said they suspected Hekmatyar's group might be responsible for

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Reaching for the Sky



BRANDI WILLIAMS/Ledger & Times photo
WINGSPAN ... A couple of students from Holly Bloodworth's and Shannon Chiles' P1 and P2 classes from Murray Elementary School walk underneath the wing of an airplane Wednesday at the Murray-Calloway County Airport. The classes were there taking a field trip to learn more about the airport.

Alexander Hall dedication is slated for today

Special to the Ledger

Murray State University's newest facility, Alexander Hall, will be formally dedicated today at 2 p.m. The dedication will be held in the front lobby of Alexander Hall.

Named after former MSU President Dr. Kern Alexander and located on 16th Street, the building houses the college of education. In addition to the departments of education studies, leadership and counseling, early childhood and elementary education, and adolescent, career and special education, Alexander Hall is also home to the office of Teacher Education Services.

The naming of Alexander Hall was approved by the board of regents last year. Alexander, the father of current MSU President Dr. King Alexander, served for seven years and retired from that post June 30, 2001.

Alexander Hall features state-of-the-art technology with computers in each classroom, three computer labs and wireless technology capabilities.

"The different departments of the college of education are now in one facility," explained Dr. Russ Wall,

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Titan founder to speak at MSU commencement

Dr. Gene Wells Ray, Murray State University graduate and founder of the Titan Corporation, will be the featured speaker at MSU's 2002 Spring Commencement.

Ray has served as the president, chief executive officer and director of the corporation since the company's inception in May 1981. He was elected as chairman of the board in April 1999.

Ray's San Diego-based Titan Corporation developed the technology that now zaps mail with beams of X-rays or high speed electrons (approaching the speed of light) to protect it from anthrax. The technology is also being used to sanitize food for American soldiers.

According to an article in *USA Today*, Titan's anthrax-killing system was first developed as part of the Star Wars missile defense system. In 2000, it started to be used to irradiate food to protect it from deadly E. coli and other bacteria.

The Titan Corporation, a New



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York Stock Exchange Company, is also the leading provider of wireless telecommunications and information technology services and solutions. In addition, the company markets business to business e-commerce technology and services.

Prior to launching Titan, Ray was the executive vice president, general manager and a director at Science Applications International Corporation for 11 years.

He served for two years as Chief, Strategic Division, U.S. Air Force. He held the position of Senior Appointee on the staff of the Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force, where he led a team of military and civilian analysts and scientists.

Earlier in his career, Ray was

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Vote-buying alleged in Eastern Ky. county

By MARK R. CHELLGREN
Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — Hundreds of absentee voters were turned away and voting was suspended in an Appalachian county where the sheriff suspected a vote-buying scheme.

Clay County Sheriff Ed Jordan said he estimated there were about 300 people lined up to cast absentee ballots for the May 28 primary when he ordered the voting machines shuttered Tuesday. The sheriff said 269 people voted Monday in the clerk's office, an unusually large number.

"I know what they were doing. Buying votes is what they were doing," Jordan said in a telephone interview Wednesday.

Jordan said he shut down the voting because of potential problems with an unruly crowd and he has no proof of vote-buying.

"I didn't close them down for buying votes. I closed it down because they were getting unruly," Jordan said.

The clerk's office is located in a former bank building in Manchester.

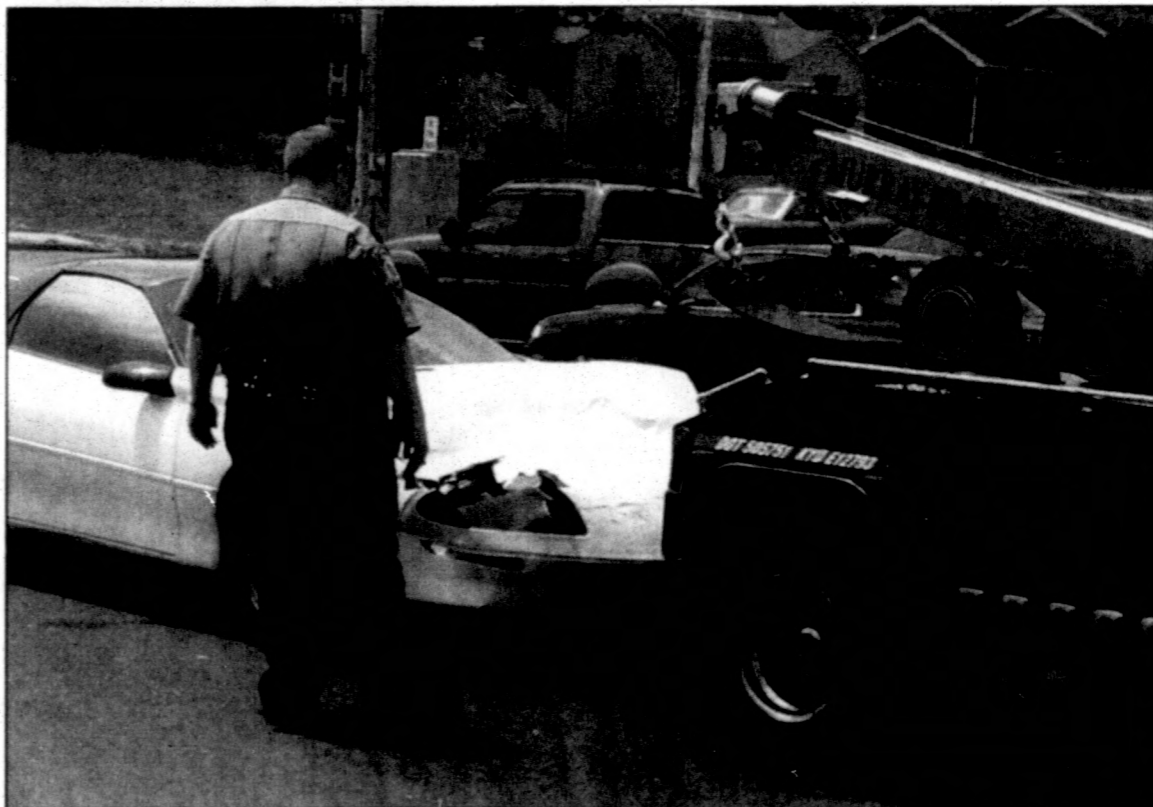
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Absentee voting starts Friday, runs through May 24

Staff Report
Murray Ledger & Times

The Calloway County Board of Elections today were to certify the absentee voting machine in the office of the Calloway County Clerk. Absentee voting will be conducted from Friday, May 10, through May 24, according to a release from County Clerk Ray Coursey Jr.

Fender Bender



EDWARD SHERIDAN/Ledger & Times photo
LUNCHTIME ACCIDENT ... One person was transported to the Murray-Calloway County Hospital Wednesday afternoon following a two-vehicle accident in front of Domino's Pizza on 12th Street. For further information, see the crime log on Page 2.

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Shoplift stop reveals meth lab

Staff Report
Murray Ledger & Times
A stop of a shoplifter at Wal-Mart this past Saturday led to the discovery of a methamphetamine lab in Murray.

According to Murray police, James Dowdy, 31, Murray, was detained at Wal-Mart Saturday after he allegedly attempted to leave the store without paying for several lithium batteries. Dowdy did pay for some camp fuel before attempting to leave the store, but concealed the batteries.

After speaking with Dowdy, Murray Police Department officers searched his vehicle and found several boxes of decongestant antihistamine pills. This led officers to search Dowdy's residence on Southwood Drive.

Upon searching the residence, officers discovered a glass jar with white pills soaking in alcohol; a breathing mask with chemical fil-

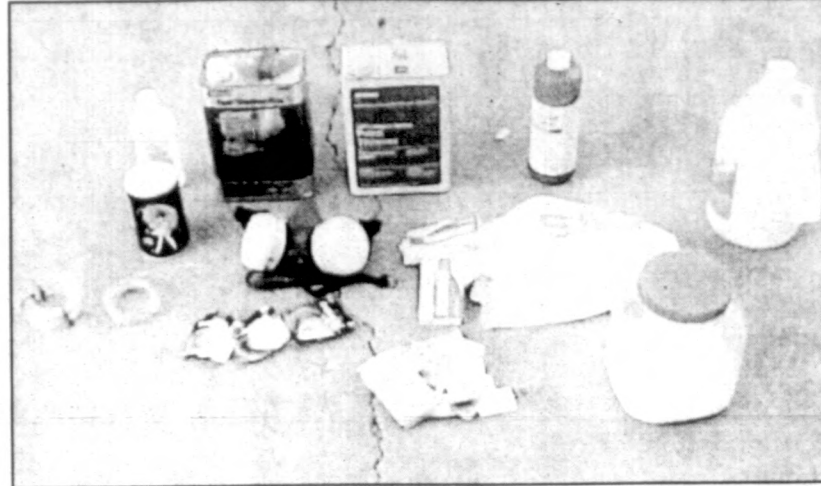
ters; rubbing alcohol; plastic tubing; camp fuel; several empty packs of lithium batteries; and several empty packs of cold pills.

A firearm, a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia were also found at the residence.

Dowdy was charged with manufacturing methamphetamine (firearm enhanced); possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia and theft under \$300. He was lodged in the Calloway County Jail on \$10,000 cash bond.

The MPD requests the community to be aware of and be on the lookout for any suspicious activity involving the use, purchase or disposal of the common ingredients used to manufacture methamphetamine.

Some of the common ingredients include camp fuel; antihistamine-type cold pills; table salt; liquid fire; ether (starting fluid); paint thinner; alcohol; and lithium batteries.



MPD Photo

METH INGREDIENTS ... Pictured are some of the ingredients used to make methamphetamines. The ingredients were confiscated by the Murray Police Department after a recent arrest.

Another main ingredient used is anhydrous ammonia.

Anyone with information or concern regarding the use or disposal of these ingredients should contact the MPD at 753-1621, Crime Stoppers at 753-9500 or any other law enforcement agency immediately.

Police Sheriff's Logs

Murray Police Department

• Gillis Bridges, 55, Cadiz, was treated and released at the Murray-Calloway County Hospital for neck pain Wednesday after his vehicle was rear-ended by another vehicle on 12th Street in front of Domino's Pizza.

Emily Lancaster, 20, Irvington, Ky., was traveling north on 12th Street when she looked down then looked back up and saw Bridges' vehicle stopped in front of her. Lancaster attempted to stop, but was unable to do so, causing severe damage to her vehicle and minor damage to Bridges.

Lancaster did not require medical treatment. The Murray Fire Department assisted at the scene of the accident.

• A burglary was reported at Quik Lube's South 12th Street location Tuesday morning.

• A theft from a vehicle on the On Cue parking lot was reported Tuesday afternoon.

• Officer responded to a report of a person leaving a note stating he had taken a computer hostage Tuesday from Right Touch Automotive, located on Coldwater Road. A MPD spokesperson said the problem has been resolved.

• A burglary was reported at 404 S. Fourth Street Tuesday afternoon.

• The Murray Post Office reported Wednesday that one of their vehicles had been hit by someone firing paintballs through the east side of its parking lot fence. No report was filed, but extra patrol was requested.

• Jerry Mobley and Roger D. Robinson, ages and addresses unavailable, were arrested Tuesday on charges of theft by unlawful taking over \$300. Mobley was released from the Calloway County Jail, while Robinson remains lodged there. Due to computer problems at the jail Thursday morning, bond information was unavailable.

Calloway County Sheriff's Office

• A theft was reported from the Coldwater Store Thursday morning.

— Information gathered from reports, logs and citations from respective agencies

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FBI: Suspect admitted to making, planting bombs

By DON THOMPSON
Associated Press Writer

RENO, Nev. (AP) — The FBI said Wednesday that 21-year-old college student Luke Helder confessed to planting 18 pipe bombs in rural mailboxes in five states. Six people were injured in the spree.

Using a map, Helder pointed to towns where he placed eight bombs in Illinois and Iowa on Friday, FBI agent Mark Heavrin said in an affidavit. The bombs were planted along with notes that carried an anti-government message.

Helder admitted he made 16 more bombs in a room at a Nebraska motel near Omaha and placed 10 of them in Nebraska, Colorado and Texas during the weekend, Heavrin said. The other six bombs were found with him when he was arrested Tuesday, authorities said.

The suspect's own father and an alert motorist led to the arrest of Helder, of Pine Island, Minn., who majored in art at a university in Wisconsin and sang in a punk band called Apathy.

He was arrested along Interstate 80 some 50 miles east of Reno after a high-speed chase and a cell phone conversation with an FBI negotiator and his parents.



DEBRA REID/AP Photo

ADMITTED TO DEED... Suspected pipe bomber Luke Helder, 21, is escorted by law enforcement officials from the Washoe County jail in Reno, Nev. Wednesday. The FBI said that Helder had confessed to planting 18 pipe bombs in rural mailboxes in five states.

Authorities had put out an alert for Helder after his father, Cameron, called police late Monday about a letter from his son that contained reference to the bombings, authorities said.

Hall ...

From Front

assistant dean of the college. "That's very helpful to us and it demonstrates the commitment the university has to public education in this region."

Murray State students, faculty and staff, as well as community leaders and members, are invited to attend the dedication.

Ray...

From Front

with the Aerospace Corporation where he contributed to weapon system analysis programs and specialized in the area of nuclear survivability.

Ray, a 1960 graduate of Murray State, earned a B.S. in mathematics, physics and chemistry. He followed up with an M.S. in physics and a Ph.D. in theoretical physics from the University of Tennessee.

In 1981, Murray State recognized

his various career achievements with the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Ray was honored with an Outstanding Alumnus of Kentucky Award from the Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education in 2000. The OAK Award is presented to outstanding graduates of Kentucky's universities.

Murray State University's 2002 Spring Commencement will be held May 11, at 10 a.m. in the Regional Special Events Center.

Court documents reveal suspect had flight manuals, WTC drawing, book with Sept. 11 entry

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — A suspect in an alleged scheme to obtain fraudulent student visas had flight manuals, a drawing of a plane striking one of the World Trade Center towers and a date book with a lone entry: Sept. 11, according to court documents.

The *Virginian-Pilot* obtained the documents that were used to justify the arrests of five suspects in the Norfolk area Tuesday. They were among more than 58 people arrested in 13 states on Tuesday.

The newspaper reported today that materials seized in northern Virginia also included a Federal Aviation Administration flight manual, photos of men posing outside the trade center and an aerial view photograph of the Pentagon. It said another suspect, who lived in Norfolk, had a CD-ROM with the words "Gainesville" and "flight school" on it.

The FBI and other agencies are investigating whether any of the individuals had ties to the terrorist attacks or connections to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network.

The court documents were filed in connection with the arrests of suspects in what prosecutors called a nationwide ring that used stand-ins to fraudulently take English-language proficiency exams for 130 foreign students. Passing the

exams would allow them to stay in the United States legally.

Raids carried out Tuesday in 13 states led to 58 arrests, mostly students accused of paying others to take the exam for them. The test is required by many colleges and universities as proof that foreign students are complying with the terms of student visas under which they entered the country.

Among the other items seized in northern Virginia, the *Pilot* reported, were phone listings containing locations of oil refineries; a date book that contained the Sept. 11 entry and the words "Track the World Trade Center or the Pentagon track for the plane"; a book identifying commercial airliners; and videos titled "Incredible Air Disasters" and "Incredible Water Disasters."

The court records did not identify the location of the home or its occupant.

Federal prosecutors in New Jersey said more than 130 individuals are involved, and more arrests are expected.

The case is being handled in New Jersey because the test is run by a Princeton firm.

Spokesmen for U.S. Attorney's Offices in New Jersey and Virginia declined to comment on the search warrants.

CIA ...

From Front

threatening leaflets found in the southern Afghan city of Kandahar, the stronghold of former Taliban rulers. The leaflets said parents who send their children to school will be killed and their homes burned down.

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Kelly: Church will work to prevent abuse

TownCrier

By LORI BURLING
Associated Press Writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Archbishop Thomas C. Kelly says his first priority is helping the victims in the recent lawsuits filed against the archdiocese alleging sexual misconduct.

"Anyone who has been wounded as a child or even an adult certainly requires all of the church's compassion, assistance, prayer and sympathy. And we have tried to reach out to each one of them on that basis," Kelly said Wednesday in his first public comments after the allegations began surfacing in April.

Kelly said he is reviewing allegations made against clergy members back to 1982. He acknowledged that parishioners have filed complaints of sexual misconduct among the clergy, employees and teachers of the archdiocese during his 20 years as bishop.

"The pain of those congregations cries out to me as pastor here. I know they feel betrayed and I somehow feel that I very unwillingly have been a part of that betrayal and of their pain," said Kelly, who oversees 124 parishes in 24 counties. "But we promise to work with each one of those parishes to determine how best to heal them."

Kelly said the diocese's sexual misconduct policy was last revised in the 1990s. A new policy — effective immediately — will order priests to advise sexual abuse victims to contact criminal authorities.

"(We) Pledge ourselves to rework our policies, we will continue to work, and to rewrite and to do a better job of dealing with these cases," he said.

Kelly also wants to notify each congregation if a priest actively working in a parish has ever been accused of sexual misconduct, he said.

Several lawsuits have been filed against the diocese, claiming it was aware of sexual abuse among its clergy, but did not take appropriate disciplinary action. Kelly and Brian Reynolds, chief

administrative officer for the diocese, refused to comment on specific pending lawsuits or investigations in a one-hour news conference.

Since April 19, 29 men and three women have sued the archdiocese. Many allege sexual abuse by a recently retired priest, the Rev. Louis Miller, during the 1960s and 1970s. Eleven new lawsuits were filed within hours of the news conference's conclusion.

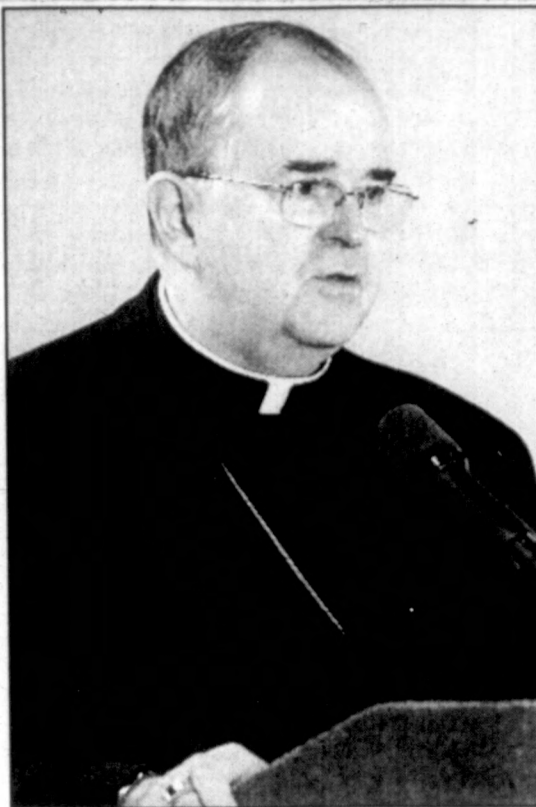
In the lawsuits, six priests, including one former priest, and a teacher within Louisville's Catholic school system have been accused of sexually abusing minors, dating back as far as 1959. One of the accused priests, Thomas P. Creagh, resigned Monday.

Both Kelly and Reynolds said that during the last 20 years, priests who were accused of sexual misconduct have either been removed from public ministry, have been banned from working with children or have been allowed to continue their work in parishes or schools. The diocese includes 24,000 students in 68 elementary and high schools.

"Victims have every right to file suit. The trouble is these boundaries that don't allow us to give them the kind of pastoral care we would like to give. They may seek that elsewhere — I pray to God that they do," Kelly said. "But often enough they say 'Well the diocese never talked to us again' after they put their complaint in before the court. But the judicial process does not permit us to do that."

Kelly said that of the pending lawsuits, most of the cases are 30 years old, and he does not have records of the complaints. This week, a Jefferson County circuit judge ordered that any church files regarding sexual abuse could not be removed or destroyed.

An attorney for most of the plaintiffs, William McMurry of Louisville, filed an emergency request for the protection of the files, known as



Archbishop Thomas C. Kelly

the Canon 489 files. They hold personnel records that contain sensitive material and only Kelly has access under church law.

"We are not covering anything up," Kelly said.

Kelly said he believes his predecessors handled the complaints as a moral, and not a criminal, problem. In the Creagh case, parents of the victim accepted money from the diocese in return for keeping the matter private. Creagh was allowed to continue working with children after undergoing psychological treatment.

The following are events that are of interest to our readers:

NOTICES

• The Calloway County Agriculture Development Board will meet today at 7 p.m. in the Calloway County Extension Office.

• Honors Day will be held Friday at 2:30 p.m. in Lovett Auditorium. From 2 p.m., visitors arriving from any outside campus location will be able to enjoy a 30-minute concert featuring the Price Doyle Fine Arts Center's 111-bell Schulerich Carillon played by Dr. Stephen Brown.

Honors Day is held to recognize outstanding undergraduate students for their academic achievement and leadership. The 2002 Regents Awards for Teaching Excellence will also be presented during the Honors Day ceremony. Department chairs and faculty who are marching in the processional are asked to assemble (in academic regalia) in the lobby of Pogue Library by 2 p.m.

Everyone from the campus and local community is invited to attend Honors Day and congratulate these students and faculty on their achievements. A reception will be held on the green immediately following the ceremony. For more information or questions about handicap accessibility, please call (270) 762-6465.

Navy jets crash into Gulf of Mexico; 7 members missing

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Two Navy jets crashed into the Gulf of Mexico during a training mission Wednesday, and the seven crew members were missing, military officials said.

The twin-engine planes went down about 40 miles south of Pensacola. There was no indication whether they collided, said Barbara Levick, a spokeswoman at Pensacola Naval Air Station where the planes were based.

"They have found two oil slicks and two debris fields," Levick said. Three crew members were on

one plane and four were aboard the other, she said.

The planes were assigned to Training Squadron 86, part of Training Air Wing 6.

Both jets disappeared from radar Wednesday afternoon, Navy spokeswoman Cathy Whitney said.

Three Coast Guard helicopters and the 87-foot cutter Stingray were searching for the missing crew, said Petty Officer 2nd Class Mack Mackowiak in New Orleans.

He said the search was concentrated on a one-mile by two-mile area where the debris was found.

Law said he can't recall letters about priest

BOSTON (AP) — Alleged victims of now-defrocked priest John Geoghan reacted with disbelief after



Law

Cardinal Bernard Law said he didn't remember letters accusing Geoghan of sex abuse and complaining about his transfer from parish to parish.

"I found that the cardinal had some selective amnesia,"

said alleged victim Mark Keane, who heard Law's testimony during a deposition Wednesday.

The cardinal's deposition was ordered in a lawsuit filed by 86 people who say Law and the Boston Archdiocese failed to protect youngsters from Geoghan, who has been accused of sexually abusing more than 130 children over three decades.

Law insisted he relied on the advice of doctors and subordinates when he approved the transfer of Geoghan, who was convicted in January of molesting a boy and is serving nine to 10 years in prison.

The deposition, scheduled to continue Friday and Monday, was held behind closed doors. Transcripts

were released after morning and afternoon sessions.

The rare deposition of a high-ranking church leader was ordered after the archdiocese last week backed out of a settlement with the Geoghan victims that would have been worth up to \$30 million.

Phil Saviano, head of the New England chapter of the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, said he has low expectations for the depositions. "I think it's really significant, and he certainly should be deposed, but I'm not hopeful that there's going to be earth-shattering information exposed," he said.

Senate sends Bush election year increase in farm subsidies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress is sending President Bush an election-year overhaul of farm programs that guarantees grain and cotton farmers steadier incomes while adding thousands more producers to the federal dole.

Bush has promised to sign the bill, which marks a reversal of the 1996 Freedom to Farm law and is expected to swell agriculture spending by nearly 80 percent over the cost of existing programs.

On Wednesday, the Democratic-controlled Senate gave final approval to the legislation, 64-35, over the objections of Republicans who said it was too expensive and a step backward in policy.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Harkin said the bill will give farmers "stability and predictability."

Bush had complained that more subsidies would cause overproduction, worsening farmers' plight, but the bill will shower billions on farm states that will be

battlegrounds in this fall's elections.

"You've got a lot of fairly close races in rural America where this farm bill is the most important thing that comes along every five, six, seven years," said Mary Kay Thatcher, a lobbyist for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

The bill raises subsidy rates for grain and cotton growers, who have traditionally dominated federal farm programs, and revives a target-price system abolished in 1996 to provide supplemental income. The bill also brings back subsidies for wool and honey producers and provides new payments for milk, peanuts, lentils and dry peas.

There is also an 80 percent increase in spending on land-conservation programs that will benefit livestock farms and fruit and vegetable growers who historically get little federal cash.

Support for the 1996 Freedom to Farm Act waned after commodity prices plummeted in 1998.

Vote-buying ...

From Front

about three blocks from the courthouse, which is undergoing renovations. By early Tuesday morning, the line to vote at the three absentee voting machines went outside the building and well down the block.

Jordan said as the line grew, people began pushing and voices were being raised, prompting his concern for public safety.

The sheriff said he will keep the absentee voting machine shuttered until he can get assistance and advice from elsewhere.

Clay County Clerk Jennings White said he has asked for four assistant attorneys general to be stationed in the county to help coordinate and regulate absentee voting.

Coincidentally, Attorney General Ben Chandler's office, as well as federal law enforcement authorities held a news conference Tuesday in Frankfort to emphasize the efforts they would use to combat election fraud this year.

Barbara Hadley Smith, a spokeswoman for Chandler, said Wednesday the office had begun an investigation of "voting irregularities" in Clay County after receiving complaints. She declined further comment.

White said his office was overwhelmed by the crush of prospective voters early this week. White said he is not alleging any wrongdoing, but he said same-day absentee voting has opened the door to abuse.

Kentucky for several years has permitted advance voting at a machine in the county clerk's office, as opposed to the old method of mailing a paper absentee ballot that was opened on election night.

Machine absentee voting must be available at least 12 days prior to election, though counties can offer it earlier if desired, said Lisa Summers, a spokeswoman with the secretary of state's office. Voting can continue through the close of business on election eve.

"This is only good for people

who want to do something dishonest," White said. "It gets very tempting for some people, if they're people of that caliber."

The primary ballot is a full one in Clay County, with contested races from constable to state representative, but the crush of absentee voting is highly unusual.

Clay County has 15,804 registered voters, with more than 500 trying to vote absentee. By comparison, the state Board of Elections said there had been 86 people request absentee ballots as of Monday morning in Fayette County, which has 147,845 voters.

Jordan said White's office called to raise concern about the crowd, but he made the decision on his own to close down voting, even though it might draw criticism of his own primary campaign, in which seven people are running for sheriff.

"If I have to win the election by a bought vote, I don't want it anyway," Jordan said.



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*To explain the policy on tenure ...

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Working in the Clerk's office since 1986, I have seen many people leave and new ones take their places. I have been actively involved in the training of these new people, helping them to learn the many & varied details of daily life in the office. I, myself, was in an ongoing learning process as laws changed, new incidents arose, and problems needed solving. I came to realize that I could never know everything, as information was ever changing and increasing. I believe that is part of why I enjoyed the work so much, and it was rewarding for me to be involved in helping people find solutions to their problems. I always felt that being a part of the solution was why working in Juvenile Court with child neglect and abuse cases was not so discouraging for me.

A Circuit Clerk must be able to see the whole picture in dealing with people and situations and be able to respond in an honest & forthright manner. This requires a basic understanding of state-set guidelines along with a thorough knowledge of the variety of cases maintained by the Clerk's office and a genuine concern for all people.

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No budget breakthroughs

There were no budget breakthroughs in the Kentucky General Assembly's special legislative session that ended last week.

Both the House and Senate approved budget proposals over the course of the eight-day special session, but differences between the two chambers' approaches prevented either plan from being enacted into law.



Legislative Update
By Sen. Bob Jackson
D-Murray

Though the Senate and House plans agree in many areas, a main sticking point arose over the use of public funds in gubernatorial campaigns. This program began in 1992 to limit spending in gubernatorial races and to reduce the influence of special interest money in these campaigns.

The House plan would have continued this program that allows candidates for governor to receive public matching funds to supplement the money they raise for their

campaigns, as long as they agree to spending limits.

There were plenty of other similarities between the plan the Senate passed in the regular session and the one we passed in the recent special session.

Both two-year spending plans included funding to provide health coverage for low-income women diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer. The state's early childhood development initiatives would continue to be funded.

Water lines would be extended to more Kentucky homes through a \$50 million bond sale. The "Bucks for Brains" program that lures world-class researchers to our universities would benefit from a \$120 million bond sale.

The Senate's plans also would continue directing half of our national tobacco settlement money toward efforts to diversify and promote Kentucky's agricultural base.

However, the Senate budget plan approved last week differs from the one we passed a couple weeks earlier in a couple important areas.

The most recent proposal would have provided \$2.8 million for the Reading and Recovery program to help young children get off to a good start in life. The plan also would have provided full funding for Kentucky's Family Resource Centers, which work with students to remove non-cognitive barriers to learning.

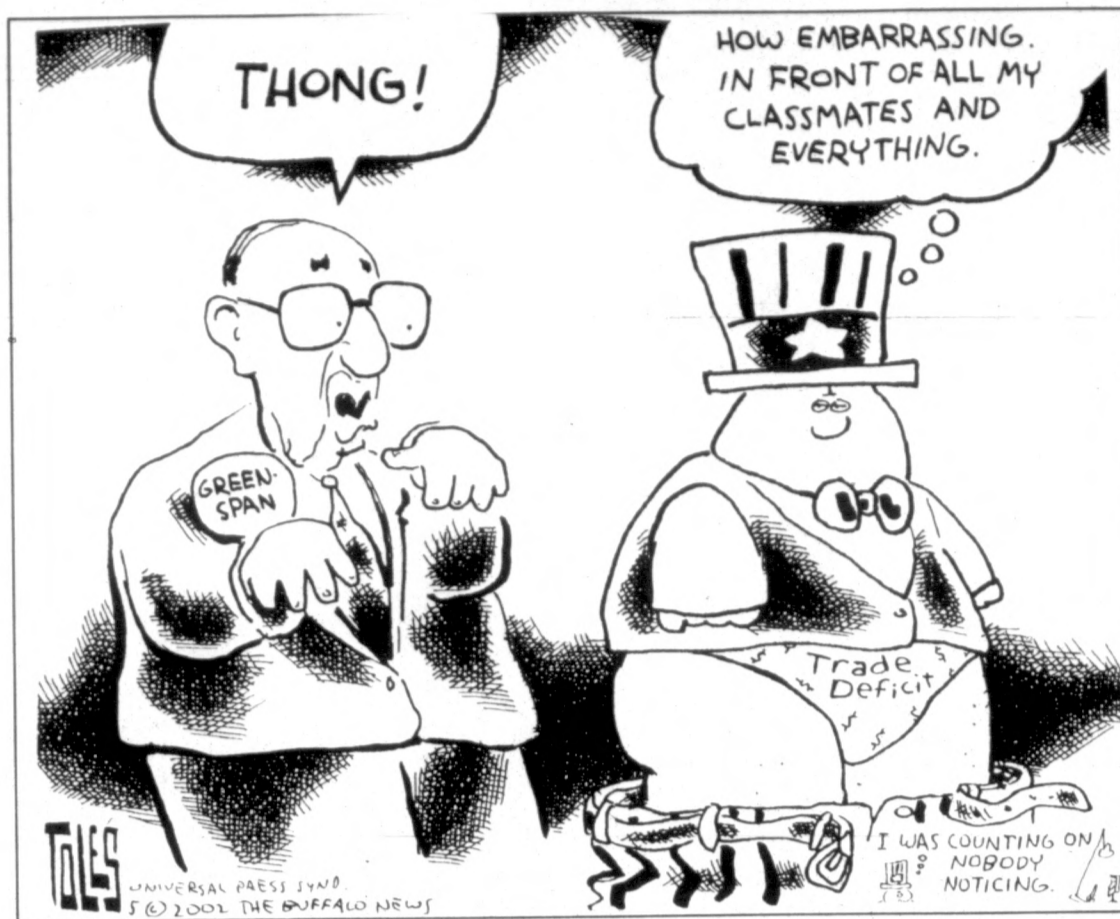
Though the special session has ended and lawmakers have returned to our home districts, we'll likely continue discussing budget priorities with each other and our constituents to see if we can iron out differences and arrive at a budget plan that has the support needed to become law.

If so, Gov. Patton could call lawmakers back to Frankfort for another special legislative session before the next fiscal year begins on July 1.

In the meantime, I look forward to getting your feedback on the budget and other issues confronting our state. If you would like to share your thoughts, you can reach me through the General Assembly's toll-free message line at 1-800-372-7181.

You also can stay in touch with the work of the General Assembly by browsing the Kentucky Legislature Home Page at www.lrc.state.ky.us.

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It's all over but the shouting

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The special legislative session to pass a 2002-2004 state executive branch budget is over without passing a budget. The shouting, however, isn't over. And it probably won't be any time soon.

For reasons not entirely clear, the special session also failed to pass a budget for the judicial branch, although the warring Democrats and Republicans in the House and Senate were able to agree entirely on a legislative branch budget. Those non-partisan expense and paychecks will continue to flow uninterrupted.

And there is every indication that the commonwealth will continue to function just fine even without an executive and legislative budget as required by the constitution.

The current budget expires at midnight June 30. The House and Senate can still come back in special session before that deadline and pass budgets to run state government and the courts, but Gov. Paul Patton says this time he won't issue a formal call for the session until Democrats and Republicans have come to a firm agreement beforehand.

That agreement must be that partial public financing of the 2003 gubernatorial primaries and general election will be fully funded. Anything less would send Kentucky's campaigns for governor back to the days when special interests and wealthy candidates financed gubernatorial elections to the tune of tens of millions of dollars.

The result was that anyone

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who wasn't personally wealthy had to sell their political souls to the highway contractors and engineers, law firms and architects — anyone and everyone who either held a state contract or wanted a state contract — to amass the huge campaign funds necessary to be competitive in a gubernatorial primary and general election.

That ended in 1992 with partial public funding and spending limits on those primaries and general elections. Patton himself benefited from it in 1995, and he is quick to point out he spent far less time collecting money and far more time campaigning as a result.

In fact, Patton needs to hit the hustings himself and counter Senate Republican insistence that public money for campaigns is "welfare for politicians."

It isn't, and Patton is the person to go out in the state and tell taxpayers that the best investment they can make is to use a few of their tax dollars to pay for the next gubernatorial election.

He has nothing to gain personally from continuing the program. He has first-hand knowledge of how it has taken the "For Sale" sign off the Governor's Mansion. And his continuing popularity means people will listen to him over the talk radio blather that has confused and unsettled many people in recent weeks.

And if the House and Senate

cannot agree on continued funding for gubernatorial elections, so what?

Attorney General Ben Chandler issued an entirely reasonable opinion last week that said if there is no new budget by July 1, the governor has the sworn responsibility to carry out the laws of the commonwealth despite the lack of a budget.

The laws call for state funding of public schools, so teachers will be paid and school doors will open next fall. Statutory state programs will continue and state employees will be paid.

He may not be able to issue debt through new bonds, but it isn't the end of the world if some are delayed until the General Assembly comes to its senses.

Patton says if necessary he will abide by his budget the Senate refused to accept. That should ease the problems of school superintendents who, by necessity, have been laying off teachers because of funding uncertainties.

The great irony in this situation, of course, is that Senate President David Williams and Floor Leader Dan Kelly, who have sought to take powers away from Patton, could end up, by a futile effort to end campaign finance reform in Kentucky, render Patton and his successors far more powerful than they were previously.

No easy answers

WASHINGTON (AP) — While President Bush's meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon failed to chart a path toward Mideast peace, U.S. policy-makers and many analysts see the president's stepped-up involvement as at least keeping the process alive.

In their Oval Office meeting Tuesday, Bush failed to persuade Sharon to resume contacts with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, or even to commit to talks that would lead to a Palestinian state.

The lack of a breakthrough was punctuated by a new suicide bombing in Israel at the very time that Bush and Sharon were meeting in the Oval Office, forcing Sharon to cut short his U.S. visit.

Bush, who finds himself squeezed by all sides in the crisis, did say he would send CIA Director George Tenet back to the region to help build a Palestinian security force to fight terrorism and would keep trying to get peace talks back on track.

"There are responsibilities to be had by all the parties," he said, implying there was more that could be done by Israel and by the Palestinians and other Arab states.

"I think the president is right. We have to keep moving forward," said Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Bush's inability to persuade Sharon to resume contact with Arafat and move toward talks on a Palestinian state is threatening to alienate moderate Arab allies he needs in his anti-terrorism coalition.

But he can't be seen as pushing Sharon too hard or wavering from long-standing U.S. support for Israel. That would annoy conservatives in his own party as well as Jewish voters, a traditional Democratic constituency that Bush has been courting.

Bush's job has been further complicated by Israeli allegations that Arafat and Saudi Arabia are linked with terrorists. Arafat and Saudi Arabia, in turn, are accusing Israel of atrocities against Palestinians.

Sharon's comments ahead of Tuesday's White House meeting — crediting the Bush administration with helping to thwart a U.N. inquiry into the Israeli attack on the Jenin refugee camp — further inflamed the Arab world and appeared calculated to put additional pressure on Bush to side with Israel.

It all puts Bush in a difficult box. "There is no one magic approach

to peace in the Middle East," said presidential spokesman Ari Fleischer. "If there was, it would've been done and tried and successful a long time ago."

Deep-felt animosity between Sharon and Arafat is part of the problem, said Judith Kipper, director of Mideast studies at the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington.

"A bigger part of the problem is that the United States has dwelled so much on these two people instead of on the problem itself," she said. "If I were advising the White House, I would tell them never to mention the names of these two leaders."

Sharon has refused to meet with Arafat and wants a revamped Palestinian Authority, presumably with new leadership, as part of any agreement.

Asked if he would demand that Sharon deal with Arafat, Bush told reporters, "I'm never going to tell my friend the prime minister what to do."

"I think we're at a stalemate. I think Sharon is the big problem. And I think more American politicians need to have the courage to say so," said Michael O'Hanlon, a foreign-policy analyst at the Brookings Institution.

But Bush has had little room to stray from a firm pro-Israel line. Just last week, Congress overwhelmingly approved a resolution supporting Israel.

"I think the pressure right now is clearly on Chairman Arafat to produce, and the time frame is short," Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., said Tuesday.

In trying to broker peace in the region — an elusive challenge for U.S. presidents of the past half-century — Bush confronts what appear to be irreconcilable differences and expectations.

Arab leaders are unhappy he has been unable to force a withdrawal of Israeli troops from the West Bank. And strong anti-American sentiment continues to grow throughout the Muslim world.

Bush has tried to balance solidarity with Israel with clear support for creation of a Palestinian state. Clearly, it's a difficult task.

"I think the administration is correct when they say that you can't have a peaceful solution between the Palestinians and the Israelis unless the Palestinians and the Israelis are at the table," said Senate Majority Leader Thomas Daschle, D-S.D. "So that is the dilemma."

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Backfire with military budget

By ROBERT BURNS
AP Military Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Few things start fights inside the Pentagon faster than talk of canceling a weapons program.

The Army, however, may have gone too far in battling to save its high-priority Crusader artillery system, a \$11 billion program that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld has decided to terminate.

Rumsfeld told reporters last week that his aides are looking into reports that Army officials went behind his back to Congress in hopes that politics would overpower policy and save the Crusader. The Pentagon's chief weapons buyer, Pete Aldridge, suggested the Army had overstepped its bounds.

The Army should "let the secretary make up his mind as to what are the priorities for this department," Aldridge said. "To be on the Hill lobbying for a different approach I think is probably not appropriate."

Rumsfeld's comment about the Army's behind-the-scenes maneuvering raised questions about the future of Army Secretary Thomas White, under political pressure as a result of contacts with Enron Corp. officials during the company's collapse last year.

White had headed Enron Energy Services, a subsidiary, before he became Army secretary.

Loren Thompson, a defense expert at the Lexington Institute, a think tank, said he thinks it likely that the flap over Crusader will be the final straw for White, a decorated Vietnam veteran.

"Mr. White has finally found a matter of principle on which to depart," Thompson said in an interview.

Col. Tom Begines, an Army spokesman, said the Army had no comment on the matter.

The conflict over Crusader is part of a wider battle Rumsfeld has waged with the Army and other services since he took office last year and pledged to transform the military to meet 21st century challenges.

"Crusader now becomes a symbol of whether Rumsfeld's priorities will prevail or not," Thompson said.

The Army considers the Crusader vital to its strategy for modernizing and transforming U.S. land forces and to a lighter, more mobile force. The Crusader is a 155mm self-propelled howitzer that has undergone initial tests of its firing capabilities and is scheduled to enter service in 2008.

The military services routinely fight to protect weapons programs from the budget ax, but service leaders are expected to fall in line with the

defense secretary once he makes up his mind.

Rumsfeld said he was told Wednesday that his aides had instructed White to produce a study by the end of May on alternatives to Crusader — "that would assume that Crusader was canceled."

Once the study's results were in hand, a final decision on Crusader would be made, he said.

"It clearly suggests that that's the intention — to cancel it," Rumsfeld said.

Crusader is being developed by United Defense Industries Inc., a defense contractor controlled by the Carlyle Group, an investment firm led by Frank Carlucci, a former secretary of defense.

In a related development, Aldridge said there no longer is any question of canceling the Air Force's new-generation F-22 stealth fighter. Aldridge, undersecretary of defense for acquisition, said the only question is whether the Pentagon will buy all 339 planes the Air Force says it needs. Some in the Pentagon believe fewer than 200 are needed.

Aldridge also announced that the Marine Corps will resume flight testing of its innovative but highly controversial V-22 Osprey.

The hybrid helicopter-airplane was grounded in December 2000 after two crashes killed 23 Marines and raised tough questions about the aircraft's aerodynamics.

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Deaths

Mr. James Duane Wilson

Mr. James Duane Wilson, 69, Almo, died Sunday, May 5, 2002, at 9:11 a.m. at Lourdes Hospital.

A member of the Methodist Faith, he was retired with the CIA in Washington, D.C., a U.S. Air Force Veteran and a member of Murray Radio Control Flyers Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James Earl and Ella Nora Crank Wilson and one son, James A. "Jay" Wilson.

Mr. Wilson is survived by his wife, Darlene Katcher Wilson, and one brother, Jack E. Wilson, Lacon, Ill.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 11, at Lacon City Cemetery in Lacon, Ill. Rev. Wayne Armbrust will officiate. No visitation is scheduled.

Lenz Memorial Home in Lacon is in charge of arrangements. Milner and Orr Funeral Home in Paducah is in charge of local arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of donations to Murray-Calloway County Animal Shelter, 81 Shelter Lane, Murray, or Murray Radio Control Modelers, in the care of Bob Emery, P.O. Box 768, Murray.

Mrs. Mary Angie Mulcahy

Mrs. Mary Angie Mulcahy, 69, New Concord, died Thursday, May 9, 2002, at 3:15 a.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Stark

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Stark, 78, Murray, died Thursday, May 9, 2002, at 5:37 a.m. at Superior Care Nursing Home in Paducah.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home.

Firefighters' families upset over union charity plan

NEW YORK (AP) — The relatives of some firefighters who died at the World Trade Center are unhappy with the way a union plans to distribute \$60 million in donations collected after Sept. 11, their lawyer said.

The Uniformed Firefighters Association has proposed investing the entire amount and then providing payments to the families of all firefighters killed in the line of duty, not just those who died on Sept. 11, said Randy Mastro, who represents

about 70 firefighters' families. The distributions would include a \$20,000 initial payment per family and \$3,000 every year for each spouse and child, with a final lump sum payment of \$50,000 when each child reached the age of 24.

The plan would not give money to the families of single, childless firefighters who died in the terrorist attacks, Mastro said. The department lost 343 firefighters at the trade center.

In a letter to state Attorney

General Eliot Spitzer's office dated Wednesday, Mastro requested that the office investigate and "if necessary, bring suit" against the union.

Mastro said the union's plan "ignores the obvious donor intent that these monies go to help the families of Sept. 11 victims, regardless of the hero firefighter's marital status."

Mastro argued that the plan "has the union retaining these vast sums, rather than distributing them to the families for whom they were intend-

ed." The firefighters association issued a statement Wednesday saying the plan has not been made final, and that the union also asked Spitzer's office to intervene and settle the argument "in order to avoid litigation and unnecessary acrimony," the Daily News reported Thursday.

Juanita Scarlett, a spokeswoman for Spitzer, told the News that the office was reviewing the request for an investigation.

Ceremony honors 60 Sept. 11 police officers

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Richard Sadowy walked slowly toward the black granite memorial holding a photograph of his son-in-law — a New York City police officer who, on Sept. 11, had witnessed the birth of his third child 2 1/2 weeks earlier.

Paul Talty died in the collapse of the World Trade Center towers, one of 60 police officers killed that day. On Wednesday, their engraved names were added to the New York Police Officers Memorial near the State Capitol building.

"I think today is very satisfying, to know people have you on their minds and care about

you," Sadowy said. "It helps in the grieving process."

Hundreds of police officers, family members and dignitaries crowded the capital complex steps to listen to "Amazing Grace," a rifle salute and "Taps," honoring the slain officers.

Of the 60 police officers killed Sept. 11, 37 were with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; 23 were with the New York Police Department.

"It is devastating when only one police officer loses his life in the line of duty," said New York City Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly. "The catastrophe of Sept. 11 is an endur-

ing wound."

Mourning family members and friends, some on ladders, used pencils to rub their loved ones' names onto paper. Each survivor received a white carnation.

"It's emotional, but people should be remembered so we don't forget them," said New York City Police Officer John Mullarky. "Too often people forget the names of fallen officers."

The ceremony brought the number of names engraved on the granite slabs to 1,070. Also added was the name of Utica Police Sgt. Michael Brophy, who died in December 1918 after being pinned between two street trolleys.

Astronomers plan to search for life beyond solar system

BALTIMORE (AP) — Astronomers are trying to find places in the solar system and beyond where conditions are right for life. Thus far, more than 80 planets have been discovered orbiting distant stars, but all are forbidding and unlike Earth.

What the experts want to find are planets where the temperature is right and the orbit is not too far or too close to the central star. There needs to be liquid water and oxygen. It also has to be in a reasonably quiet neighborhood without frequent asteroids or comets collisions.

A place, in other words, kind of like Earth.

"The questions are how many stars have planets and how many of those planets are habitable," said Charles Beichman, a scientist at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif. "Within the next decade we'll get some very good answers."

Researchers have found extrasolar planets by using a technique that measures the very, very slight wobble motion that an orbiting planet causes in its central star. But all of the discovered planets are large, most many times the size of Jupiter — which 318 times more massive than Earth — and unfriendly to life.

Beichman said Wednesday at a symposium at the Space Telescope Science Institute that in 2007, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration hopes to start launching specialized spacecraft to conduct a systematic search for Earthlike planets, and then to probe those planets for the chemical evidence of life.

The first step is the launch of a

spacecraft called Kepler. Beichman said the craft will spend two years to three years observing light from stars and will be looking for a slight dimming, evidence of a shadow cast by an orbiting planet.

Kepler's instruments will be keen enough to detect Earth-sized objects orbiting stars up to 4,000 light years away. It will take measurements every 10 minutes and could study up to 100,000 stars.

"This will give us a statistical sample" of how common are Earth-sized planets, Beichman said.

In 2009, another spacecraft, the Space Interferometer Mission, will be launched to analyze stars out to about 50 light years. This craft will analyze the wobble of a central star and should be able to detect planets the size of Earth orbiting within a distance of 0.5 to 10 astronomical units. An astronomical unit is the distance between the Earth and sun, about 93 million miles.

Beichman said the Kepler and SIM spacecraft will locate targets for the third spacecraft, the Terrestrial Planet Finder, scheduled for launch about 2015.

This craft, he said, will analyze the atmospheres of the candidate planets, searching for the chemical signature of life.

The Planet Finder will be able to shield its instruments from the light of the central star and gather light that has been reflected from the target planet. Each molecule in the planet's atmosphere will leave a characteristic signature in the collected light. As a result, researchers will be able to tell if the atmosphere contains water, carbon dioxide, oxygen or methane, the telltale chemi-

cal of living systems.

Beichman said that if these missions are successful, it will provide a statistical clue about how common are habitable planets in the whole universe, which contains trillions of stars like the sun and could, conceivably, contain trillions of Earths.

The conditions required for the formation of life continues to be a source of speculation by scientists, but there is a consensus on some general principals.

For life to form, there has to be a planet or another body orbiting near enough to a star to be in the "habitable zone" — an orbit warm enough to hold liquid water, but not too hot.

The planet's central star must be one that will last for at least 10 billion years. This gives time for the planet to cool from its formation and to establish a stable surface. This could take a billion years.

After that, it is believed that life forms rather quickly. On Earth, for instance, there is evidence that life started before 3.5 billion years ago.

For that primitive life to evolve to higher forms may depend on how severely the planet is scoured by

colliding asteroids and comets, experts believe.

Intelligent, technically advanced life takes about 5 billion years to evolve, and so may be very, very rare even in a universe with trillions of planets, the experts say.

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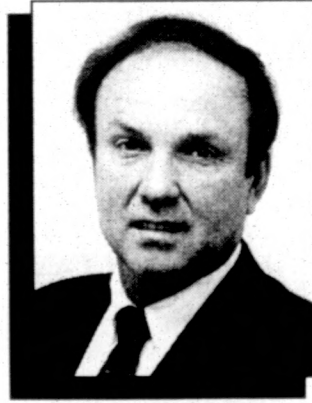
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MCCH nurses to be recognized for work

Seven Murray-Calloway County Hospital nurses will be recognized at the Kentucky Nurses Day Banquet on Friday at the Hurstbourne Hotel in Jeffersonville.

MCCH selected the following nurses to be recognized because they have demonstrated excellence in the field of nursing:

Carolyn Caraway is a medical-surgical LPN at MCCH. She received her LPN from LPN School in Paris, Tenn. She has worked in almost every aspect of nursing during her career, and is viewed as an expert in nursing care of orthopedic patients.

Linda Hall is a night shift medical-surgical staff and charge nurse at MCCH. She received her nursing degree from ADA Hopkinsville Community College and was awarded the Nancy A. Cost Award of Excellence in Nursing in 1993.

Laura Coleman is a staff RN and relief charge RN for MCCH. She received her BS in Nursing from the University of Louisville and has worked on the 4th floor OB/BYN for several years.

She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau and the Kentucky Nurses Association.

Jimmie Joyce is the hospice coordinator at MCCH, having received her associate's degree in nursing from Western Kentucky University. She started at MCCH in 1993 and has worked in CCU/PCU, ER and HomeCare.

Joyce is a member of KHPCO and on the Legislative Committee, and is a member of NHPCO.

Chris Tubbs is a charge RN in the critical care unit at Murray-Calloway County Hospital. She received her BS in nursing from Murray State University in 1978 and is considered a team player that

practices excellent patient care and works well with the physicians.

She is a member of the Kentucky Nurses Association and the American Nurses Association.

Mary Sue Hubbard is the quality improvement coordinator at MCCH, receiving her associate degree in nursing from Western Kentucky University. She has pioneered the patient-resident safety effort at MCCH, which reduces the possibility of error in patient care.

She implemented a skin care program that has reduced skin breakdown in acute care patients and has standardized the skin care assessment and management.

She is a member of the Kentucky Association for Health Care Quality, the National Association for Health Care Quality and the Western Regional Association of Health Care Quality.

Rachel Tinsley is an RN in staff development at MCCH. She received her degree from Paducah Community College. She began her career at MCCH in 1988 as a certified nursing assistant in long term care.

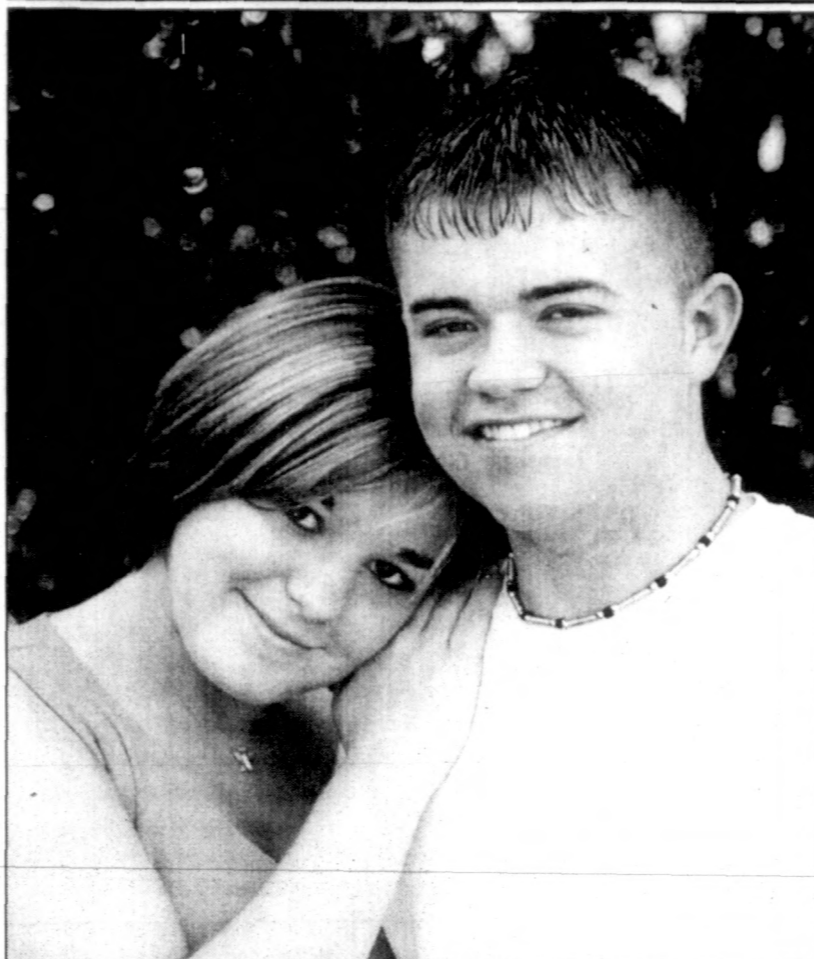
She is a member of AWANA Chapter/0395 and is involved in Relay for Life and Women's Ministries.

Each year, the Kentucky Nurse Day Committee hosts a special celebration to honor Kentucky nurses during National Nurses Week.

The event includes a catered meal, guest speaker and an awards presentation, where every nurse receives a framed certificate and pin.

This year's theme is "Unsung Heroes," representing the heroic efforts displayed by nurses every day.

Engagement



Pittman and Smith

Benny and Cindy Pittman of New Concord, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lacey Pittman to Jeremy Smith, son of Mark and Jeanetta Smith of Murray.

Miss Pittman is the granddaughter of Alvin Jr. and Becky Brandon of Hazel and Hubert and Blanche Pittman of New Concord. Great-grandparents are Neva Ray and the late William Ray, the late Alvin P. Brandon and Trudy Steindorf and the late Mr. and Mrs. Lamor Hendon.

She attended Calloway County High School, is currently attending West Kentucky Tech in Paducah and is employed by Cypress Springs Resort.

Mr. Smith is the grandson of Randall and Joyce Underhill, Murray, and the late Ronnie and Janice Smith. Great-grandparents are the late James D.L. Smith, Sr., Corene Smith and Robbie Rowland, both of Paris, Tenn., the late William Brent Flood, the late Claude and Maggie Underhill and the late Ewing and Lurline Randolph.

He attended Murray High School and is currently employed by Underhill Motor Sales.

The wedding will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 18, 2002, at Westside Baptist Church in Murray. All friends and relatives are invited.

Birth

Leah Eden Cullop

William and Lee Herndon of Dexter are the parents of a girl, Leah Eden Cullop, born April 24, 2002, at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah.

The baby weighed seven pounds, eight ounces and measured 18 inches. The mother is the former Lee Herndon. The baby has one sister, Katlyn Cullop, who is seven.

Grandparents are Benny and Pam Herndon, Murray, Linda Cullop, Murray, and Bill and Jean Cullop, Dexter.

A great-grandparent is M.J. Curts of Matteson, Ill.

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Community Datebook

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Genealogical Society looking for information

The Calloway County Genealogical Society will meet at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, at Lynn Grove Restaurant and Store.

Members of the society are compiling a history of the Lynn Grove area and are interested in gathering information from current or former residents. Those who have stories, events or history of Lynn Grove are asked to come share them at Tuesday's meeting.

For further information, call Ruth Cole at 753-2718, Liz Brown at 753-9700 or Susan O'Neill at 767-9062.

Glory Bound group to meet

Glory Bound Christian Entertainment will meet today, May 9, from 7-9 p.m. at 92 Chestnut Street, across the railroad tracks from Ryan's Milk. The theme for the evening will be "Old Timer's Night." Featured entertainment will come from those groups or individuals who have sang or played for the group before. Those interested are encouraged to attend and enjoy an open house and refreshments.

Dream Factory to meet

The Dream Factory of Murray will meet today, May 9, at 6 p.m. at the AmeriHost Inn. Items on the agenda include the upcoming picnic, Camp Rainbow, softball tournaments and Dream Kids. Anyone interested is encouraged to attend. For more information call 436-6295. Tax deductible donations may be sent to Dream Factory, 67 Port Lane, Murray.

Transit Authority to meet

The Murray-Calloway Transit Authority Board of Directors will meet in a regular session on today, May 9, at 6 p.m. in the Professional Building Conference Room on 4th Street.

Family night planned

Eastwood Baptist Church will be having its first annual "Focusing on the Fight to Keep Our Family" night on Friday, May 10, at 6 p.m. at the church. Dr. Steve Roberson will be special speaker. All persons are invited to attend.

Substance abuse board to meet

The Calloway County Agency for Substance Abuse Policy Board will meet Friday, May 10, at 1 p.m. at the Calloway County Board of Education Conference Room on College Farm Road. Everyone who has concerns about the use and abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs in the community is welcome to attend.

WOW plan youth tournament

Woodmen of the World will be holding a Youth Fishing Tournament on Saturday, May 18, from noon to 4 p.m. at Pine Creek Pay Lake. Participants are asked to bring their own bait and equipment. Snacks will be provided.

Violet show, sale planned

Fort Massac African Violet Club's show and sale featuring Violets across American will be Friday, May 10, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 11, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the community room at Kentucky Oaks Mall. Admission is free.

Hazel senior luncheon set

A Senior Citizens Luncheon for the Hazel community will be Saturday, May 11, at noon at the Hazel Community Center. This yearly event is sponsored by the Hazel Women's Club.

Praise, prayer meeting set

There will be an outside praise and prayer meeting on Saturday, May 11, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Impact Praise and Worship Center on 641 South. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be provided while they last and a free drawing and give-a-ways will be held. For information, call 750-5107.

Covenant Players to perform

The Covenant Players will be at South Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church on Sunday, May 12, during the 10:45 a.m. worship service. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Woodman set meeting, change location

Because of the recent closing of the Green Horse Cafe, Woodman of the World Lodge 728's regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, May 13, at 6 p.m. has been changed from the cafe to Boulder's. The group will be meeting at Boulder's the remainder of the year.

North elementary SBDM to meet

The North Calloway Elementary School Site Based Decision Making Council will meet Monday, May 13, at 4 p.m. in the staff lounge at the school. Agenda items will include textbook adoption, challenged material policy, schedule, staffing, portfolio's and concerts.

THEOS to meet

THEOS - They Help Each Other Spiritually - will meet Tuesday, May 14, at 2 p.m. in the annex of Calloway County Public Library. This is a support group for men and women who have lost their spouse. Following the meeting, the group will go to Sirloin Stockade. Lillian Steele will be in charge of the program.

MMS Title I parent meeting set

There will be a Murray Middle School Title I Parent Involvement meeting on Tuesday, May 14, at 3:30 p.m. in room 307 at the school. All parents of Title I students are invited to attend. For more information, contact Vicky Dunlap at 753-5125, ext. 133.

Soccer team tryouts planned

There will be tryouts for a girls U11 competitive soccer team that will begin play in the fall of 2002. This is for girls who will not turn 11 before August 1, 2002. Tryouts will be Monday, May 13, and Friday, May 17 (if needed), at 5 p.m. at the Bee Creek soccer complex. Those interested in trying out are asked to please wear shinguards and cleats and bring a No. 4 soccerball and water. For more information, call Gary Mathis at 753-1517 or E-mail joann.mathis@murraystate.edu.

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Engagement



Lally and Lyons

Joe Lyons and Elizabeth Lally will be married Saturday, June 1, 2002, in St. Louis, Mo.
 Parents of the bride are Michael and Maryanne Lally of St. Louis. The groom's parents are Thomas and Deborah Balash of Murray.
 The bride-elect graduated from Rockhurst University in 1999, and received a MSW from Saint Louis University in 2001. She is currently employed with Catholic Community Services in St. Louis.
 The groom-elect received an MPA from Murray State University in 1999, and is currently a Ph.D. candidate at Saint Louis University. He is currently employed with the Federal Government in St. Louis.
 The couple will reside in St. Louis.

Tuition taking bite of income

BY ARLENE LEVINSON
 AP National Writer

Tuition at the nation's public colleges and universities took an ever-bigger bite out of family income between 1980 and 2000, outpacing financial aid and state support, a study released Thursday says.

Hardest hit were the poorest families, according to findings of The National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education, an independent, nonprofit think tank in San Jose, Calif. The center promotes policies that expand opportunities for higher education.

In 1980, average tuition for one student at a four-year state school equaled 13 percent of the median income for a family in the bottom 20 percent of income levels, the study found. Twenty years later, tuition at such institutions equaled 25 percent of income for such families.

While others have reported about the steadily rising cost of higher learning — a fact well known to any parent of college-age children and adults returning to school — the report is the first to examine tuition relative to income, according to Patrick Callan, president of the center.

The study, which relied on various federal and state statistics, focused on public institutions — both two- and four-year state colleges and universities — since those are the schools that roughly 80 percent of America's college students attend.

Not all income groups saw tuition take more of their earnings.

The wealthiest saw no change at all; between 1980 and 2000, the cost of sending a student to a public, four-year institution remained at 2 percent of income for the richest 20 percent of families.

Those families between the top and bottom income brackets saw tuition at state schools take more of their income, though the increase wasn't as steep as it was for the poorest Americans, the study found.

In 1980, tuition ranged from 3 percent to 6 percent of income for

the middle groups. Two decades later, tuition took 5 percent to 11 percent of income, the study found.

Similar patterns were found when the study examined tuition at much-less costly community colleges.

Rising prices still don't deter most people from college. More than 65 percent of high school graduates are going straight to college, according to latest federal figures.

However, many students are borrowing more, working more while at school, seeking less expensive campuses and taking fewer courses, which can slow progress toward a diploma, Callan said in an interview.

If the trends continue "you have to ask how much can families do before we start discouraging people," he said.



Congratulations!

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GOING FOR THE SILVER ...
 Members of Girl Scout Troop 1173 received their Silver Awards, the second highest award that can be earned in girl scouting. Each girl had to do pre-requisite activities, which took two years to complete. They had to then design, plan and carry out a project, which committed 30 hours of service to their community. They were awarded their Silver Awards on Sunday, May 5, at a ceremony held in Paducah by Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana Council. Pictured are (back row, from left) Tori Hicks, Jordan Huston, Elise Brittain, Gloria Fritz, Crystal Brumley, (front row, from left) Amanda Trites, Stacy Rotterman and Emily D'Angelo. Girl Scouts is a United Way Agency.



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WORKING FOR HUMANITY ... Loretta Jobs, at right, presented a program on Habitat for Humanity at the April meeting of the Sigma Department of the Murray Woman's Club. Hostesses for the meeting were, from left, Molly Wilmurth and Sarah Curd. The final meeting of the Sigma Department will be held on Monday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m. at the Big Apple Café. Terri Benton and DeAnn Barnett will be the hostesses.

Melvin family reunion planned

The Melvin family will hold a reunion on May 18 at 11:30 a.m. at Farmington Baptist Church. A potluck lunch will be followed by

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Correction

In a photo submitted in Wednesday's issue of the *Ledger & Times*, the outline inadvertently listed Dan Galloway as candidate for Calloway County Sheriff. Galloway is actually a candidate for Calloway County Circuit Court Clerk.

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SPORTS

Thursday, May 9, 2002



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KICKIN' UP DUST...Murray High's Mario Lawrence slides safely into third base during Wednesday's Fourth District battle with rival Marshall County. The Tigers scored first, but came up short against the visiting Marshals 12-5.

Marshals claim top seed

Tigers fall to district rivals

Staff Report
Murray Ledger & Times

Two five-run rallies helped Marshall County overcome a 3-1 Murray lead and clinch the Fourth District's top seed by a 12-5 count in prep baseball action Wednesday at Ty Holland Field.

The visiting Marshals (17-5, 4-0) drew eight walks against three Tiger pitchers and plated five runs in both the fourth and sixth innings to avoid the need for a coin flip to break a tie atop the district standings.

Marshall will face fourth-seeded Christian Fellowship in the district tournament beginning May 20, while Murray (13-5, 2-2) will take the No. 2 seed into its first-round pairing with tournament host Calloway County.

The Tigers led 3-1 through three frames as Mario Lawrence (2-for-2) slapped an RBI single in the first and an RBI double from Nathan Williams and an RBI single from Blake Hoover (2-for-4) brought in two more runs in the third against Marshal starting pitcher Brad Dougherty.

But Adam York's bases-clearing triple in the fourth put Marshall on top, and J.D. Devine's solo home run and RBI singles from Nick Nesler and Ian Willoughby keyed the guests' big sixth-inning.

"We went ahead 3-1, but the we started the fourth with two walks and a hit batter," said Tiger head coach Cary Miller, whose squad outthit the Marshals 11-10. "That gave (Marshall) an opportunity, and boom — they're up 6-3. We hit the ball hard all day, but we didn't give our defense a chance to do what they can do by giving up those free passes."

Marshall tacked on a run in the fifth, but it was matched by a solo homer from Dylan Volp (2-for-3).

However, Hoover's RBI single in the seventh was the last shred of offense Murray would get off Dougherty (7-0), who struck out one and yielded two of his three walks in the seventh to earn the complete-game victory.

Starter Ed Baust (1-3) was charged with the loss, allowing seven runs — all earned — on five hits and five walks in five innings. Brandon Thurmond and Matt Kelleher came on in relief in the sixth.

The Marshals' sixth-inning surge began with a pair of walks, but Miller thinks Wednesday's eight free passes, three hit batsmen, two errors and a couple of baserunning mistakes could serve as a powerful lesson.

"The bright spot is that this is a regular-season ballgame and not

a tournament game," Miller said. "We have to be more fundamentally sound against quality teams, but I think we'll benefit a lot from (the loss)."

Austin Swain also recorded two hits for the Tigers, which got a scare when Lawrence left the game after jamming his hand while stumbling on the basepaths.

X-rays were negative, and the injury, diagnosed as a bone bruise, will not keep Lawrence out of action this weekend.

MHS will host Graves County today at 4:30 p.m. at Ty Holland Field before welcoming Ballard Memorial to Murray for an 11 a.m. doubleheader Saturday.

Saturday's twinbill will include the induction of the second class of former players into the Murray High Baseball Hall of Fame. Those players are Tom Rushing (1953-56), Thomas Kendall (1976-79), Tony Herndon (1979-81) and Ethan Crum (1993-96).

Morris shuts down rival Chicago 3-2

CHICAGO (AP) — Once Matt Morris escaped the first inning, he was too tough for the Chicago Cubs.

"Later in the game I usually get better if I can make it that far," Morris said after pitching the St. Louis Cardinals to a 3-2 victory with eight strong innings Wednesday.

"It was important to go as long as I can."

After allowing three hits in the first, including Sammy Sosa's major league leading 14th homer, Morris allowed just one more in the second and then pitched six hitless innings.

"It was one of those 'have to' games where that early adversity hit us. I just wanted to lock it down and get some innings," Morris said.

Morris (5-2) walked Sosa intentionally to put runners at first and second in the eighth before Albert Pujols made a nice running catch of Fred McGriff's long liner to end the threat and preserve the one-run cushion.

"I didn't say anything to Pujols, I just hugged him," Morris said.

"I never like getting booed about intentionally walking Sammy, but that's the situation. Don't let him beat you. I almost did in the first. We could have lost the game 2-1. We battled back and I wasn't going to let it happen again."

Morris (5-2), who won his first four starts this season, walked four and struck out 10 to get his first victory in three weeks.

"Morris was throwing 97, 99

(mph) and I got one pitch," said Sosa, who walked twice, giving him seven bases on balls in the three-game series. "They pitched me so tough. They didn't want me to swing the bat."

Jason Isringhausen struck out two around a walk in the ninth inning to earn his sixth save in seven chances.

St. Louis avoided a three-game sweep at Wrigley Field by capitalizing on the wildness of Cubs starter Juan Cruz.

Cruz (0-6) walked six, hit two batters and allowed two hits in four innings while becoming the first Cubs pitcher since Mike Morgan in 1994 to lose his first six decisions. He's made nine starts since his last victory.

"The losing is weighing on his mind. He's never been through anything like this and it's probably getting to him," Cubs manager Don Baylor said, adding he didn't know if the 23-year-old righthander would stay in the rotation.

"I don't know what the problem is. I had no control today. Walks and then walks," said Cruz, whose ERA is still only 3.25.

Cruz did have the final Cubs hit of the game, a two-out single in the second inning.

The Cardinals pushed across a run in the first after loading the bases on a single, walk and hit batter when Tino Martinez delivered a sacrifice fly.

In the fourth, St. Louis took the 3-2 lead it didn't relinquish.

Edgar Renteria walked, stole second, and scored the tying run on Mike DeFelice's grounder that got by third baseman Mark Bellhorn for a single.

MSU Baseball

'Breds look for top finish, aim toward tourney

By SCOTT NANNEY
Sports Editor

Mike Thieke will readily admit that a 17-26 record after 43 games is not exactly what he envisioned for his Murray State Thoroughbreds in 2002.

But, at the same time, the ninth-year MSU head coach knows that the fastly-approaching postseason is all that really matters for the 'Breds.

"The (OVC) tournament is the main focus right now," said Thieke, whose charges will play their final three-game homestand of the season this weekend when they host Ohio Valley Conference rival Tennessee Tech.

The series is a crucial one for the fourth-place 'Breds (8-7 OVC), who could finish as high as second place or at the bottom of the league standings with the seventh-place Golden Eagles (22-23, 5-9).

Also, any combination of two MSU wins or two Tech losses would clinch an OVC Tournament berth for the 'Breds. "We feel like we still have a chance to finish toward the top of the standings, so this is a big weekend for us," noted Thieke, whose squad ends the regular season May 17-18 with a three-game series at second-place Eastern Illinois (18-20, 9-5).

"Our job is to at least win two out of three games this weekend so we can relax and have fun at Eastern Illinois ... We don't want to go up to Eastern Illinois still fighting for a spot in the tournament," he added.

To finish the season with a flurry and secure their spot in the postseason tournament — scheduled for May 22-25 at Paducah's Brooks Stadium — the 'Breds must find a way to improve a disappointing offense that currently ranks last in the OVC with a .272 team batting average.

Murray has struggled to manufacture runs this spring, posting a league-low 207 RBIs. The middle of the order has been the main culprit as junior first baseman Brett McCutchan (.348) leads

OVC Standings

(through games of May 5)

	OVC	Overall
Southeast Missouri	12-3	25-15
Eastern Illinois	9-5	18-20
Eastern Kentucky	8-6	14-32
Murray State	8-7	17-26
Morehead State	8-9	22-23
Austin Peay	7-8	23-24
Tennessee Tech	5-9	22-23
Tennessee-Martin	3-13	15-29

the team in RBI with just 33 — 30 off the league pace being set by Morehead State's Kevin Matuszek (63). Shortstop Mike Voyles (.307) is next with 28 while Garner Byars (.314) has knocked in 25 runners.

To make matters worse, senior catalyst Billy Moore has suffered through an uncharacteristic season. Moore — a first-team All-OVC selection in 2001 in posting a .382 average, scoring a league-leading 1.13 runs per game and slugging .426 — has saw his numbers dip to a .277 average and only a .348 slugging percentage from the leadoff spot.

"Our lineup has struggled some because some of the guys we expected to have solid years have struggled," Thieke

explained. "We need guys who can step up and deliver two-out hits. We're still an offense that needs to produce more hits than our opponents."

While the 'Breds have struggled to score runs, they have received a somewhat unexpected lift from a young pitching staff that is still learning how to pitch at the collegiate level.

MSU enters the weekend fourth in the conference in pitching with a team ERA of 6.39. OVC leader Southeast Missouri State (25-15, 12-3) leads the league with a 5.02 ERA.

Sophomore Kyle Perry, a Marshall County product, is the 'Breds' top hurler with a 3-5 record and a 5.37 ERA in 12 appearances.

Sophomore left-hander Jesse Rhoades has posted just a 3-8 mark and a 7.93 ERA, but has shown signs of his potential. Freshman Craig Kraus has also shown promise, tallying a team-low 4.33 ERA in nine appearances — four as a starter.

"We probably have the youngest pitching staff in the conference," Thieke claimed. "Our starters are mostly soph-

omores, but they have some experience.

"Kyle and Jesse have both pitched in the tournament, and they have shown signs that they are two of the better pitchers in this league ... Early in the year, our guys weren't real comfortable on the mound, but now they're a lot more relaxed. They've kept us in games and have given us a chance to win some of them."

The 'Breds have also received a boost in their team defense, which has committed a league-low 57 errors for an OVC-best .961 fielding percentage. Those numbers are vastly better than in 2001, when MSU was next-to-last in the conference in defense with 111 errors on a .945 fielding percentage.

"We knew coming in that we had to improve our fielding," Thieke said. "It cost us some games last year, but the guys have stepped up and played well for us this season ... Everybody knows that the combination of pitching and defense is important, and they've certainly given us a chance this year."

Pierce, Celtics even Eastern Conference series with Pistons

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — The Boston Celtics showed there's more to their team than just Paul Pierce and Antoine Walker.

Pierce led five Celtics in double figures with 22 points in an 85-77 victory over Detroit on Wednesday night that evened the Eastern Conference semifinals and was their first road win of the playoffs.

"We're tough to guard," said Eric Williams, who scored 18 points on 6-of-9 shooting. "We can put five guys out there who can shoot the 3, and if they try to take that away from us, we can attack the inside. We play from the inside out, and that's how teams win championships."

"When you've got two All-Stars, like Antoine Walker and Paul Pierce, you can do lot of

different things."

Game 3 in the best-of-seven series is Friday night in Boston.

Walker scored 15 points for the Celtics, while Rodney Rogers had 13 and Kenny Anderson 11.

"I would definitely hate to play us because we provide so many problems defensively," Pierce said.

The Pistons had a hard time matching up with several Celtics — outside, inside and off the drib-

ble.

"When you combine their 3-point ability with their post ability and their one-on-one ability, it's a hard team to play," Detroit coach Rick Carlisle said.

Boston coach Jim O'Brien believes that's especially true because Pierce and Walker are focused on the right things.

"I don't think either guy cares as much about scoring as they do

about winning," O'Brien said.

Jerry Stackhouse led Detroit with 25 points.

Boston held Detroit to 32.9 percent shooting, its worst performance of the season, and out-rebounded the Pistons 53-35.

"They outworked us and outplayed us," Carlisle said.

Cliff Robinson was held to just two points in the first half, after scoring 30 in Game 1, but he

helped the Pistons get back into the game briefly in the third quarter.

He scored five straight points to cap a 16-4 run which cut Detroit's deficit to 56-54 with 4:10 left in the quarter. Robinson finished 13 points.

Boston regained control of the game by outscoring the Pistons 16-7 to take a 72-61 lead early in the final quarter.

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Montreal	17	16	.515	1	Baltimore	17	17	.500	8
Atlanta	16	18	.471	2 1/2	Toronto	10	21	.323	13 1/2
Philadelphia	14	19	.424	4	Tampa Bay	9	23	.281	15
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Chicago	13	19	.406	6 1/2	Kansas City	9	22	.290	11
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Los Angeles	20	13	.606	1 1/2	Anaheim	16	16	.500	6 1/2
San Diego	17	16	.515	4 1/2	Texas	14	19	.424	9
Colorado	14	19	.424	7 1/2					

Wednesday's Games
 St. Louis 3, Chicago Cubs 2
 Colorado 5, Montreal 0
 Los Angeles 3, Atlanta 1
 Florida 7, San Diego 4
 Philadelphia 5, Houston 3
 San Francisco 8, N.Y. Mets 2
 Cincinnati 14, Milwaukee 5
 Arizona 4, Pittsburgh 3

Today's Games
 Milwaukee (Sheets 2-3) at Chicago Cubs (Bere 1-4), 1:20 p.m.
 Colorado (Neagle 3-1) at Montreal (Chen 2-2), 6:05 p.m.
 San Diego (Tollberg 1-3) at Florida (Izquierdo 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
 Houston (Micki 3-3) at Philadelphia (Wolf 1-1), 6:05 p.m.
 San Francisco (Jensen 2-2) at N.Y. Mets (Astacio 5-1), 6:10 p.m.
 Los Angeles (Ashby 2-2) at Atlanta (Moss 0-0), 6:35 p.m.

UT: self-reporting helps maintain NCAA compliance

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — When the owner of a quick oil-change business notified Tennessee athletic officials a manager was giving football players free service, the university investigated and reported its findings to the Southeastern Conference.

The SEC and NCAA approved the self-imposed penalties, and the players didn't miss any games.

Tennessee's self-report filed in 2000 — like other secondary violation cases at NCAA schools — wasn't made public.

At the request of The Associated Press, the university released edited copies of self-reports filed between 1998 and 2001. Ten involved men's basketball and football, and seven involved women's basketball.

The infractions ranged from free meals to an assistant football coach who made eye contact with a prospect during a no-contact period. Punishments resulted in one player missing games and several coaches, including Pat Summitt, receiving reprimands.

The release didn't reveal any information about an ongoing SEC investigation of two alleged payments in 1999 to quarterback Tee Martin by a businesswoman through a Mobile, Ala., sportswriter. The university said it did not have any documents on file dealing with the case.

In the released documents, names of students, businesses and individuals were blacked out as directed by the university's general counsel office, which cited the U.S. Department of Education's Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

"The university is obligated by FERPA not to disclose personally identifiable information about a

student, including any information that would make the student's identity easily traceable," the general counsel said in a statement.

The only way the university can release the student names is for the information to already be well known or for the students to grant permission. Tennessee officials would not contact the students on behalf of the AP.

Tennessee has filed three self-reports this year.

One was a petition to have Donte Stallworth's eligibility reinstated after he changed his mind about leaving early for the NFL.

A second related to Tennessee admonishing coach Phillip Fulmer last month for meeting with the father of Eric Locke, who was not released from his scholarship at Alabama. The school also took away two football scholarships.

Two boosters contacted by Locke's father, Juicy, were admonished and barred from contributing to the athletic program for three years.

The third was from February, when Summitt and assistant coach Mickie DeMoss were reprimanded for allowing two prospects and their family to have a free tour of a Knoxville facility.

The name of the facility was blacked out, but the document indicated they were admitted free because Summitt is an inducted member and DeMoss belongs to the Women's Basketball Coaches Association. Summitt was inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame here in 1999.

Self-reporting is a common practice and required by the NCAA when members learn of violations.

Last year, 1,724 of the 2,093 secondary violations processed by the NCAA were self-reported.



LOOK MA — ONE SWING...Seven-year-old Garrett Holland (left) of Murray scored a hole-in-one Saturday at Sullivan's Par-3 Golf Course. Holland's ace was witnessed by his playing partners, his father, Jeff Holland, and his cousin, Tristen Holland.

UK football signs prep standout Day

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Travis Day, a 6-foot-3, 245-pound defensive end from Columbus, Ga., has signed to play football at Kentucky, the school said Wednesday.

Day was an all-region and all-city selection as a senior at Carver High School. A three-year starter, he had 404 tackles in his career, including 15 sacks.

Day plans to begin classes in

January and will count toward the 2003 recruiting class, Kentucky coach Guy Morriss said.

"Travis is just what you look for in a defensive end — a big, good-looking kid who can run," Morriss said. "He comes out of a good program with Coach (Wallace) Davis at Carver High School. We're very excited about Travis' decision."

Thunder places 2nd in Mayfield

Staff Report
Murray Ledger & Times

MAYFIELD, Ky. — The Murray Thunder 10-under traveling baseball team finished with a 3-1 record and took home second place honors at the USSSA Mayfield Tourism Classic last weekend.

The Thunder opened the round-robin tournament Friday night with a 13-2 win over the Mayfield Mavericks.

The locals then fell to the eventual tournament champions, the Sikeston (Mo.) Dawgs, by a 3-2 decision Saturday, but Murray rebounded later that day with a

10-2 victory over the West Kentucky Diamondbacks.

The Thunder closed its tournament run Sunday with a 6-5 triumph over the hometown rival Murray Vipers.

The Thunder will resume play May 17-19 at the Bluegrass Challenge in Murray.

Team members are Tanner Richerson, Brock Downey, Austin Hargrove, Austin Lilly, Cody Redden, Logan Burks, Ryan Kelly, Andrew Cavitt, Hunter Henson, Nathan Kelso and Mario Pannunzio.

The team is coached by Cary Redden, Jeff Downey and Aaron Swain.

SportsBriefs

There will be a late registration period for girls' summer softball players ages 11-14. Registration will run from today to May 16, with tryouts scheduled for May 16 from 5-7 p.m. at Chestnut Park. Registration forms are available at Murray and Calloway County middle and high schools, at the Murray-Calloway County Parks and Recreation office or from MHS head softball coach Dave Carr and CCHS head softball coach Tommy Greer. For more information, call Bill Miller at 762-7355.

Murray State head men's tennis coach Mel Purcell will host the Power Tennis Camp June 23-29 at the Bennie Purcell Tennis Courts on the MSU campus.

Purcell and his staff will direct the daily program, which will consist of exercises, drills, lectures, demonstrations, films and individual and group instruction. There will be a minimum of five hours of daily tennis play and practice. Each student will be challenged to progress at his or her own pace as instructors correct stroke defects and help each camper develop strategy.

The camp is open to residential and commuting participants ages 10-18. Housing for the camp will be in the MSU residence halls, and evening activities will be planned for residential campers.

For more information, a camp brochure or to register, call 762-3659 or 1-800-669-7654 ext. 3659.

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Tennessee Today

Financial picture not getting any prettier for Tennessee

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The State Funding Board on Wednesday adopted low estimates for the growth in tax income Tennessee state government can expect next year, and even at that board members were afraid they were being too optimistic.

The Funding Board adopted estimates that state tax income will grow between 1.8 percent and 2.3 percent next year compared to this year. That translates into \$100 million to \$140 million in new revenue.

The estimates are for the fiscal year beginning July 1. The Legislature will use them when putting together the budget for next year; it is not bound by the estimates, but generally follows them.

The problem for the Funding Board is rooted in this year's revenue, which is \$440 million below what the state expected to bring in when it approved the budget last summer. Covering that shortfall will drain virtually all of the state's reserve funds, meaning there will be little money on hand to cover any shortfall next year.

"What all this says to me is — and I know people are tired of hearing this — is our revenue structure is not reliable," said Treasurer Steve

Adams, a member of the Funding Board. "Our collections are not reflective of the economy. We've had increases in areas where we've always gotten our growth, and yet we've seen no growth. Something else is at work."

Adams suggested the Legislature should consider putting some mechanism in place to start cutting government services immediately if revenue collections trail budgeted estimates early next fiscal year, because there will be no cushion otherwise.

Destructive insect now documented inside Smokies park

GATLINBURG, Tenn. (AP) — For the first time, a tiny insect that destroys eastern hemlock trees has been documented inside the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

A park trail worker recently discovered hemlock woolly adelgids about three miles northwest of Fontana Dam. The infestation included less than a dozen trees.

A native of China and Japan, the hemlock woolly adelgid has caused widespread destruction of hemlock trees in the Northeast over the past decade. The insect, which is about the size of the head of a pin, kills hemlock trees by sucking the sap from the needles.

Until recently, the hemlock wool-

ly adelgid had reached only to Shenandoah National Park in Virginia, where the insects have already infested about 80 percent of the park's hemlock trees.

The hemlock woolly adelgid is a close relative of the balsam woolly adelgid, which has destroyed 70 to 90 percent of the park's Fraser fir forest on Clingmans Dome and Balsam Mountain.

"This is the latest in a sequence of foreign invaders starting with the chestnut blight in the 1930s," said Great Smoky Mountains National Park spokesman Bob Miller.

Miller said the outbreak is small enough to be treated by spraying. The park is working with the U.S. Forest Service's Forest Health office in Asheville, N.C., to plan what to do.

"If we have one spot, chances are there are already others," Miller said.

Man killed in gun battle after robbery was veteran, ex-guard

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. (AP) — A man killed in a gun battle with police this week after a bank robbery was a U.S. Air Force veteran who once worked as a corrections officer in California, the FBI said Wednesday.

Gary Thomas Brown, 40, had lived in San Jose, Calif., until about a month ago, according to FBI

Special Agent Keith Bryars.

Brown was armed with an assault rifle when he was shot dead on Monday after firing on officers in a busy thoroughfare. He had just robbed a Bank of America branch on Franklin Road in this Nashville suburb.

Bryars says Brown was the same robber who used an assault rifle earlier in the day to hold up a Nashville bank about 10 miles north.

"The witnesses in the banks told us he seemed to be on some sort of last-minute death mission," Bryars said. "From those statements, it does appear as though he was on what's currently referred to as a 'suicide-by-cop' mission."

"We don't know why at this point," Brown was honorably discharged from the military in 1984 and subsequently worked for an undetermined time as an officer for the California Department of Correction, Bryars said.

Brown apparently purchased the weapons used in the robberies illegally, he said. Authorities were unsure how long Brown was in the area before the robberies occurred.

"We're looking for any information that anyone might have that would help us with his whereabouts," Bryars said. "If he stayed in a local motel or had any friends or associates in Nashville."

Man convicted of killing infant son to get revenge against wife

FRANKLIN, Ind. (AP) — A man was convicted Wednesday of suffocating his infant son to get revenge against his wife for skipping his father's funeral.

Ronald Shanabarger faces possible life in prison without parole for the death of 7-month-old Tyler in June 1999.

After the verdict, jurors met for about 50 minutes but were unable to decide whether to recommend the life sentence to Judge Raymond Kickbush. Sentencing was scheduled for June 6.

Prosecutors told the jury that Shanabarger, 32, suffocated Tyler by placing plastic food wrap around the baby's head. They said he wanted revenge against Amy Parsons for missing his father's

funeral three years earlier, before the couple married. The two have since divorced.

The prosecution cited nine confessions and dozens of letters Shanabarger wrote acknowledging his guilt.

The defense contended Tyler was a victim of sudden infant death syndrome, not homicide; raised claims that Shanabarger was mentally retarded; and suggested that Parsons engineered the killing and the confessions to cash in on a \$100,000 life insurance policy on the baby.

Shanabarger muttered, "I'm just shocked. I'm just shocked," as the verdict was read.

Defense attorney Jay Hoffman said an appeal is planned.

UT president files for divorce

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — University of Tennessee President-designate John Shumaker and his wife Lucy are divorcing after six years of marriage, the University of Louisville's trustees chairman confirmed Wednesday.

Shumaker, 59, has been Louisville's president since 1995. He is expected to become the 21st president of the University of Tennessee system this summer,

moving to Knoxville in June.

UofL spokeswoman Rae Goldsmith said Shumaker "does not comment on his personal life out of respect for his family" and none would be offered by the university.

"But I have been told by both John and Lucy that they are getting divorced," UofL trustee chairwoman Jessica Loving said reluctantly. "I don't really want to talk about this publicly."

Attorney general says ASU funding proposal illegal

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — A proposal by Arkansas State University to cover a \$1.8 million athletic department deficit by re-designating tuition fees violates state law, Attorney General Mark Pryor said Wednesday.

The university had planned to take up to \$7.48 of per-student

hourly tuition for the 2001-2002 fiscal year and designate the money as an additional athletic fee.

Pryor said the move would be illegal — a conflict with an earlier opinion from Lu Hardin, director of the state Department of Education. On Wednesday, Hardin called Pryor's opinion "somewhat of a stretch" but said he would encourage ASU to comply.

ASU president Les Wyatt said the school would complete the fiscal year entirely solvent, despite significant budget reductions. "But because the university cannot use existing reserve funds nor an additional portion of tuition already paid to offset expenditures in athletics, the athletic department will show a revenue shortfall," he said.

He said school officials would begin preparing the budget for the coming fiscal year in light of Pryor's opinion. "The budget for athletics will not use funds allocated for academic purposes," Wyatt said.

And Wyatt said budget problems will not deter his efforts to meet the NCAA's new regulations for Division I-A football membership.

"We intend to remain a I-A school with a I-A football team. It is a challenge to have a competitive product on the field and to find a budget structure that allows to do that," he said.

To remain a I-A school, the uni-

versity must meet several requirements including boosting attendance to an average of 15,000 for home games. The school also must play at least five I-A home games per season, offer at least 16 sports and grant at least 200 scholarships among other criteria.

Pryor said the law limits transfers of unrestricted educational and general funds for athletic programs to \$750,000.

"I do not believe (the law) was intended, and I do not believe it can be read, to mean that a university board of trustees can by fiat evade this restriction simply by redesignating already collected unrestricted educational and general funds as an athletic fee and announcing as much to the university's students," Pryor wrote.

At ASU, officials are predicting a \$1.8 million athletic budget deficit for the current fiscal year and a \$2.67 million shortfall the following year.

Wyatt has said previously that the athletic program is a legitimate part of ASU's operation and should be subsidized.

Last month, the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board passed a resolution which said ASU's plan to transfer \$1.9 million from academic funds to athletic funds was "a dangerous precedent for all of higher education." The university planned to transfer that

amount until Hardin said the action would violate a law that limits such transfers to \$750,000.

Pryor's opinion was in response to a question from Charles Robinson, a legislative auditor.

It cited Hardin's opinion that the ASU board could designate an additional \$7.48 per credit hour from tuition. Hardin said the athletic fee must be specifically set aside and designated from tuition and other fees and that students must be clearly advised of the amount of athletic fees they are paying.

Robinson asked if the board of a state-supported institution of higher education could retroactively reclassify part or all of tuition as an athletic fee and Pryor answered no.

Pryor said he believes the board can do so with respect to future fees.

"I agree with the attorney general that it is certainly questionable policy to re-designate tuition and fees during the course of the semester; however, as a former state senator it has been my experience that it is very difficult for anyone looking at a statute to guess what the Legislature intended," Hardin said Wednesday. "I agree that it is not sound policy to re-designate fees during the course of a semester but in the absence of a clear prohibition and in light of the fact that no increase in fees to the students took place, I think the opinion is somewhat of a stretch."

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UofL creates chair to focus on cancer research

By **BRUCE SCHREINER**
Associated Press Writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The University of Louisville will try to recruit a top national researcher for a position created Wednesday to lead efforts to reduce cancer rates among blacks.

The university formed an endowed chair in oncology as part of a public-private partnership to boost cancer research and treatment.

The new position deepens another partnership between UofL and black leaders, in which the university will provide its expertise to try to alleviate nagging problems

within the black community.

UofL Provost Carol Garrison said the university will try to attract "one of the nation's best and brightest" cancer researchers.

The researcher will try to uncover the genetic, socioeconomic and environmental factors that contribute to disproportionate cancer rates among blacks, she said.

"The long-term goal in creating this chair is to identify more effective ways to reduce cancer in minority populations," she said at an announcement attended by many of the community's black leaders.

University officials did not put a time

frame on hiring the researcher. The position will be funded with \$1 million of a \$15 million pledge from the James Graham Brown Foundation, which UofL intends to match with money from the state's "bucks for brains" program, Garrison said.

The search is already under way, but it could be up to three years before the position is filled because the salary will come from the interest from the endowment, said UofL spokeswoman Denise Fitzpatrick.

Dr. Donald Miller, director of UofL's James Graham Brown Cancer Center, said Kentucky is a national leader in cancer rates and death. That risk is greater among

minorities, he said.

"In almost every instance, the risk of developing cancer and the risk of having inadequate medical care is higher in minority populations, both Afro-American urban poor and rural poor," he said. "We believe that we have an ethical and moral responsibility to help understand the reasons for this disparity and to begin to develop measures to change that."

Lung cancer rates among black men are 54 percent higher than white men, according to 2001 statistics from the American Lung Association. The mortality rate among black men from lung cancer is almost 42 percent

higher than that of white males.

Prostate cancer occurs 70 percent more often in black men than white men, according to statistics from the American Cancer Society. And black men are two times more likely to die from the disease.

Cancer prevention isn't as "glamorous" as efforts to cure the disease but can be more effective, Miller said. Many cancers stem from lifestyle and environmental factors that can be changed, he said.

Miller predicted the research would put Louisville "on the map as the place that not only has many of the problems but also has many of the answers."

Society offers hints on how elderly can live without pain

By **LAURAN NEERGAARD**
AP Medical Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Getting old doesn't mean having to live with pain, the American Geriatrics Society says in new guidelines with easy-to-read pamphlets to help older Americans explain their pain to doctors and know if dementia-stricken loved ones are suffering.

Acetaminophen — Tylenol in the brand-name version — is a good first choice for certain types of mild to moderate pain, the guidelines say. But people with persistent, severe pain require far stronger drugs, including opiates such as Oxycontin.

Controversy over that drug because of some highly publicized overdose deaths linked to recreational use shouldn't limit doctors from prescribing it, the guidelines say.

"The truth is, ... for lots of patients, probably, opioids are a reasonable choice and are still under-prescribed in this population," said Dr. Bruce Ferrell of the University of California, Los Angeles, who co-wrote the society's guidelines.

The society was releasing the guidelines and patient pamphlets today at its annual meeting in Washington.

Some 86 percent of elderly people have at least one chronic illness that can be painful, and they are more likely than other age group to receive inadequate treatment.

"There are these myths ... that as you get old, you have to expect you'll have pain and learn to live with it. That isn't true," said Keela Herr, a University of Iowa nursing professor who led development of the patient materials.

But with today's range of treatments, pain should be controlled at least to a level that doesn't harm quality of life, Herr stressed. "Be more assertive" in demanding care.

A key to good treatment is explaining to a doctor just how bad the pain is, where and when it strikes, if it responds to certain medications and if those therapies cause bothersome side effects.

So the society created a "daily pain diary" to help patients do just that. It includes a pain scale like those used in hospitals so doctor and patient describe the pain using the same terminology. Such a precise recording also may help doctors better realize the extent of suffering, and thus guide therapy, and can provide a faster way of telling if a prescribed dose isn't high enough or if it's time to abandon one drug and try another, Herr said.

Equally novel is a guide for people who care for patients with Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia. It's hard to tell if a dementia patient suffers, the guide explains. They may deny they have "pain," but ask if they're "aching" or "hurting," and the answer might be yes.

Advanced patients often can't talk, however, and for them the guide describes how to watch for grimaces, unusual behavior like rocking or pacing, or a change in appetite that may signal pain but too often can be mistaken for simply worsening dementia.



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Arts

Thursday, May 9, 2002

Drum event to close out Freedom Fest

Special to the Ledger

Drums Between the Rivers, a production of Drum Corps International, will be presented at 7 p.m., July 15, at Roy Stewart Stadium on the campus of Murray State University. The event is being presented in conjunction with Murray State University and the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce.

Corps scheduled to appear include The Cadets, Phantom Regiment, Glassmen, Colts, Spirit of Jacksonville State University, Southwind and Carolina Crown.



"These corps represent half of the top 14 corps and should prove to be an exciting evening of music and motion," said John Fannin, MSU Racer Band director.

Prior to Drums Between the Rivers, one of the corps will hold a free clinic for area high school bands, beginning at 4 p.m. in the stadium.

John Williams, chamber executive vice president, says he expects Drums Between the Rivers to have a great impact across the region.

"We plan to make Drums Between the Rivers an annual event," he said. "The closest

events of this type are held in Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Indianapolis, Ind.

"We are very fortunate to obtain a DCI event for the Murray community," Williams added. "It's a great family event and worth the price of the ticket just to hear the finale with all of the corps playing 'America the Beautiful.'"

Drums Between the Rivers will close 2002's Freedom Fest, "Salute to Homefront Heroes."

Ticket prices for Drums Between the Rivers are \$25 for VIP (which includes chairback seating with preferential parking), \$15 for premium seating (between the 30-yard lines) and \$12 for general admission. Reduced rates of \$10 are available for groups of 15 or more.

For ticket information and sales, contact the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce at 753-5171 or toll free 1-800-900-5171. Requests may also be faxed to (270) 753-0948 or go to www.murraylink.com.

In the Spotlight

Murray Art Guild exhibiting Southwest students' work

The Murray Art Guild is exhibiting student work from Calloway County Southwest Elementary School. Students from Pam Paps' fifth grade art classes will be exhibiting their work, both 2 and 3 dimensional artwork in a variety of media, at the guild through May 17.

The Murray Art Guild is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m.-3p.m., and will be open on Saturday, May 11, from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. for this exhibition. Call 753-4059 for more information.

Guild sets business meeting for May 21

The Murray Art Guild will hold a business meeting on Tuesday, May 21, at 1 pm at the Guild.

All members and interested parties are encouraged to attend.

U.S. Smokeless Tobacco donates to local art guild

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky. — U.S. Smokeless Tobacco Company has donated \$4,000 to the Murray Art Guild. The donation will fund its artist workshop and assist with purchasing equipment.

Danny Kingins, plant manager, presented the check to Debi Henry, Guild president.

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ty and improves the environment in which we live and grow," said Kingins.

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Kenlake's Hot August Blues Festival named to Kentucky 'Top Ten'

FRANKFORT, Ky. — The Kentucky Tourism Council has selected Kenlake's Hot August Blues Festival as one of the Commonwealth's summer "Top Ten" events.

Now in its 13th year, Kenlake's Hot August Blues Festival is held annually, in Aurora, Ky., on the last full weekend in August. This year's dates are Aug. 23-25.

What started out as a handful of performers playing to about 500 people is now three days, numerous bands and audiences in the thousands. Friday evening kicks off the event with a free concert on the front lawn of Kenlake Lodge. On Saturday, the Festival is moved to the amphitheater where a "Blues Sculpture" and hand-painted murals greet concert fans.

A panel of impartial judges selects the Kentucky Tourism Council "Top Ten" Events for each season. Criteria for selection include popularity of the event, its impact on the local tourism economy as well as cultural and historical significance.

For more information, contact Kenlake State Resort Park at (270) 474-2018.

Paducah painters, workshop at Ice House

MAYFIELD, Ky. — A selection of landscape paintings by the Paducah Area Painters Alliance is on display at the Mayfield/Graves County Art Guild.

The Paducah Area Painters Alliance, better known as PAPA, is known for its traditional techniques and themes. Portraits, still lifes and landscapes are a mainstay of the group with members often exhibiting at the Guild as individual artists.

PAPA was founded in April 1991, as an organization dedicated to encouraging area artists through motivation and education to promote and strengthen visual arts awareness in our region. The only membership requirement is for the individual to be a practicing two-dimensional artist.

"The Landscape: PAPA's View" will be display through June 1. The Mayfield/Graves County Art Guild is open Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The Art Guild is located in the historic Ice House, 120 North 8th St.

Admission to the Gallery is free.

Also, the guild will host a workshop in acrylic landscape painting, taught by artist Mel Garbark.

Nationally renown for his wildlife paintings, Garbark studied at the School of Art Institute and The American Academy of Art, both in Chicago. He has exhibited throughout the country with his wildlife paintings placing in many top shows. He was most recently the featured artist at this year's Paducah Women's Club Annual Art Show.

Garbark will lead his students through a complete painting during the course of the four evening workshops. On opening night, he will demonstrate his technique and then help the students as they work toward completing their own paintings.

The workshops will be May 15-16 and 22-23 from 6:30-9 p.m. The four class sessions are \$40 for members and \$55 for all others. Pre-payment is required because of the limited class size.

Call 270-247-6971 to pre-register.

'Spider-Man' casts wide web

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Spider-Man" smashed box-office records with a \$114.8 million debut, easily beating the previous best of \$90.3 million netted by "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" in its opening weekend last fall.

The top 20 movies at North American theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by distribution studio, gross, number of theater locations, as compiled Monday by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. and ACNielsen EDI Inc. are:

1. "Spider-Man," Sony, \$114.8 million, 3,615 locations.
2. "The Scorpion King," Universal, \$9 million, 3,466 loca-

tions.

3. "Changing Lanes," Paramount, \$5.3 million, 2,642 locations.

4. "Murder by Numbers," Warner Bros., \$3.6 million, 2,565 location.

5. "Life or Something Like It," Fox, \$3.2 million, 2,607 locations.

6. "The Rookie," Disney, \$3.1 million, 2,351 locations.

7. "Deuces Wild," MGM-UA, \$2.7 million, 1,480 locations.

8. "Ice Age," Fox, \$2.4 million, 2,137 locations.

9. "Jason X," New Line, \$2.3 million, 1,879 locations.

10. "Panic Room," Sony, \$2.1 million, 1,827 locations.

11. "Hollywood Ending," DreamWorks, \$2 million, 765

locations.

12. "High Crimes," Fox, \$1.7 million, 1,451 locations.

13. "The Sweetest Thing," Sony, \$1 million, 1,125 locations.

14. "Y Tu Mama Tambien," IFC Films, \$759,613, 274 locations.

15. "Clockstoppers," Paramount, \$706,423, 1,352 locations.

16. "My Big Fat Greek Wedding," IFC Films, \$666,304, 147 locations.

17. "Frailty," Lions Gate, \$605,892, 552 locations.

18. "Monsoon Wedding," USA Films, \$593,527, 254 locations.

19. "Blade II," New Line, \$590,179, 687 locations.

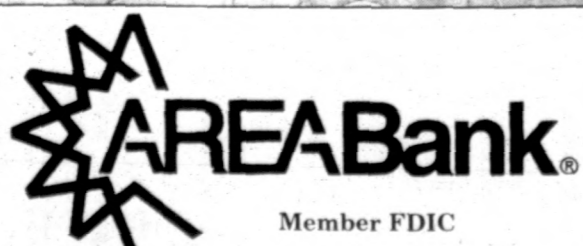
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Youth slips away on Chesney album

By JIM PATTERSON
 Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — At age 34, Kenny Chesney is finally starting to feel like an adult. Heartbreak and other life lessons have made the singer more reflective, and he grapples with such weighty issues on his new album, "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems."

"It's hard for a guy to grow up," Chesney said. "It's even harder to know what you want. ... When you're 30-something, you realize you're not 21 anymore."

But even though his songs might be a little more serious now, don't expect Chesney to stop crowing his hit "She Thinks My Tractor's Sexy" at arenas across the country.

"Look, 'Tractor' isn't going to save the world. But does it get people to the show? Do they have a great time when they listen to it? Not every song has to change the world. I look at music as medicine for whatever ails you."

The song — a silly, sexy and wildly popular concert staple — set Chesney's image in cement. He was viewed as a country pinup, and critics called him a lightweight talent.

"I'm probably the best definition of the gap between industry and fans," admitted Chesney.

Chesney grew up in the East Tennessee town of Luttrell. He made money during his college years at East Tennessee State University playing guitar at parties and bars.

He steadily built his career in the 1990s with hits such as "Me and You," "She's Got It All" and "That's Why I'm Here." Things heated up in 1999 with the breezy "How Forever Feels," which spent six weeks at No. 1, and "She Thinks My Tractor's Sexy" on the "Everywhere We Go" album.

Chesney is trying to lead those fans somewhere new. Many of the songs on "No Shoes, No Shirt, No Problems" are about men feeling their youth slip away ("Young," "Never Gonna Feel Like That Again"), or struggling with relationships ("I Can't Go There" and Bruce Springsteen's "One Step Up").

That's how he feels these days. He's still getting over the breakup with his fiancée two years ago.

Chesney had wanted to record Springsteen's sober "One Step Up" years ago but feared he wouldn't be taken seriously.

"I'm so glad I didn't do it on one of the earlier albums, because there's a lot of lessons in that, relationship-wise," he said. "And I've learned those lessons firsthand in my own life the past three years."

"I felt like I was finally mature enough ... to sell it, my own way."

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Nurse leaders recognize Davenport



Davenport

Sally Davenport, vice president of Patient Care Services at Murray-Calloway County Hospital, will be recognized for her service to the Kentucky Organization of Nurse Leaders (KONL) at the Kentucky Nurses Day Banquet on Friday.

On May 10, Davenport is being recognized for serving as a board member and president of the organization. To receive this recognition, Davenport had to demonstrate excellence in her field and in her organization.

As a member of KONL, Davenport has led efforts to standardize and expand the role of nurse externs in Kentucky by working with the Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN). She has helped to increase the membership of KONL by

improving communication with members through newsletters, attending district meetings and starting a column in the KHA's "Nurse Connections." She represents KONL on KBN's Initial Nurse Competency Task Force and has coordinated KONL annual programs for four years. Davenport is certified in "Nursing Administration, Advanced" and has been a nurse executive in Kentucky since 1994 and in Kansas and Ohio since 1986.

Davenport received her LPN license from Central Technical Community College in 1974, returning to receive her RN and BS degrees at Kearney State College. She received her MS degree from Creighton University. She is involved with KONL, American Organization of Nurse Executives, Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Honorary Society, and was a United Way of Murray-Calloway County Board Member for five years. She has been at MCCH since Aug. 1, 1994.

Each year, the Kentucky Nurse Day Committee hosts a special celebration to honor Kentucky nurses during National Nurses Week. This year, the banquet will be held at the Hurstbourne Hotel in Jeffersontown including dinner, a guest speaker and an awards presentation.

First black females graduate from Citadel

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — The Citadel passes another milestone this week with the graduation of its first black female cadets six years after the state military college opened its gates to women.

"Coming into school, we weren't thinking about coming in as African Americans? We were more concerned about being females," said Natasha Mitchell of Dyersburg, Tenn.

Seven black women are among 298 cadets — 20 of them female — expected to receive diplomas Saturday.

"Without Shannon Faulkner we would not have been here today," said Jamey McCloud of Wadmalaw Island.

Faulkner waged a protracted fight in federal court to become a Citadel cadet. She enrolled as the college's first female cadet under a judge's order in 1995 but dropped out after less than a week citing the stress of the court fight and her isolation in the state military college's all-male corps of cadets.

The next year, after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled the all-male admissions policy at Virginia Military Institute was unconstitutional, the Citadel opened to women.

Nancy Mace, who graduated in 1999, was the first female cadet to graduate from the Citadel.

Renee Hypolite of Philadelphia said she used the challenges faced by Faulkner as motivation.

"It actually encouraged me to come," said Hypolite, who is black. "I felt like the first female who came didn't have success but I can. I can show them I can."

Fourth, eighth graders improve on test

WASHINGTON (AP) — During World War I, the Army used a red-white-and-blue-framed poster of Uncle Sam, stars on his top hat, his finger pointing at the viewer. The caption said: "I Want YOU for U.S. Army — nearest recruiting station."

The poster appealed to people's (a) homesickness, (b) religious beliefs, (c) patriotism, (d) need for money.

When faced with that question last year, only 45 percent of U.S. fourth-graders answered (c).

But among all fourth-graders who took the National Assessment of Educational Progress, or NAEP, in 2001, 67 percent had at least a basic understanding of U.S. history. That was 3 percent more than in 1994, the last time the test was given.

Eighth-graders also did slightly better, with 64 percent showing at least a basic grasp of history, also 3 percent more than in 1994.

Twelfth-graders didn't improve, with only 43 percent at or above basic.

The scores were released Thursday by Education Secretary Rod Paige.

The 2001 test was given to about 29,600 students, 87 percent of whom attend public schools. The randomly selected test-takers answered multiple-choice, short-answer and essay questions.

According to the National Assessment Governing Board, the independent group that develops the NAEP for the Education Department, "basic" shows partial mastery for grade-level work. A higher level, "proficient," shows solid academic performance and the ability to apply knowledge to actual situations.

Only 17 percent of fourth-graders were at or above proficient; 18 percent of eighth-graders were at or above proficient; and 11 percent of 12th-graders were at or above proficient.

To be sure, the questions were tough, especially those asked of older students.

State agency says it can't discuss missing girl case

MIAMI (AP) — Leaders of a state agency criticized for losing track of a 5-year-old girl declined on Wednesday to offer specifics to a panel formed to investigate the department's work. They cited confidentiality laws and the criminal investigation.

Department of Children & Families chief Kathleen Kearney said members of the panel would have to examine records about young Rilya Wilson in private because of the sensitive nature of the case and requests from police not to interfere with the investigation.

"I would like nothing better than

to have the records open to the media but I am also incredibly mindful of the confidentiality and that we have a missing child," Kearney said.

Kearney defended the agency during the first meeting of a blue-ribbon panel created by Gov. Jeb Bush to focus on the adequacy of agency oversight and accountability.

The Department of Children & Families reported Rilya missing April 25 long after losing contact with the girl. She was born to a homeless cocaine addict and placed in state custody in 1996.

Kearney said members of the task force would have to sign a confidentiality agreement to view the case file. Officials with the agency said lawyers with the governor's office and the state attorney general were trying to work out a way for the group to discuss the case without violating the state's sunshine laws.

Panelists said they hoped to review the case file promptly. The governor has asked the group to issue a final report by June 3.

"Through this process, somehow at the end of it we need to give the public confidence that they understand what this is about, whether it is isolated or not," said David

Lawrence Jr., a former publisher of The Miami Herald and the panel's chairman.

Kearney told the panel that the department has undergone extensive changes since she took the helm in 1999 but she has worked to improve its services.

"We will never, ever be perfect," Kearney said. "I accept full responsibility. God did not bless me personally with children but he did bless me with the thousands of children in the state of Florida."

Meanwhile, Democratic gubernatorial hopeful Janet Reno called for an independent monitor and a new head for the child welfare agency, saying Bush's response to the disappearance of the girl has been inadequate.

In her sharpest attack on Bush's handling of the case, the former U.S. attorney general said the governor's appointment of the panel falls short of what is needed and Kearney should resign.

"She should step aside," Reno said.

The case has become a hot-button issue for Bush, who is campaigning for re-election four years after taking office on a promise to fix the child welfare system.

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Horoscope

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, May 10, 2002.

Read between the lines in the first half of your birthday year. Listen carefully to feedback that heads your way this year, as others mean well. You're unusually attractive and have no problem lassoing in others. If single, you could be entering one of those memorable years where you will meet someone quite special. You can count on good communication and high magnetism no matter what your status is. If attached, take off and spend more quality time together. Your possessive side emerges when dealing with loved ones. A new car or abode could be more than likely this year. You could also get both. Be open to family, real estate and investments. TAURUS understands you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

**** You "rock and roll" into work this morning. You can reverse trends out of the blue. Others step back. New beginnings become possible through a special overture. Remember what is positive in your life. Do something special. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** Use the morning to finish off an important matter that impacts a boss or someone you respect a great deal. You understand what is happening with someone. You're personality-plus. Your efforts make a big difference to others this afternoon. Tonight: Make an over-

ture. What you do counts.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** You shine this morning with innovative and dynamic thinking. Listen well to another's sharing. The unexpected occurs, as long as you are willing to step off the beaten path. Take your time this afternoon as you think through a decision. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** You have reason to be pleased with yourself. Another's surprising reaction could take you in a totally new direction. Trust what is happening between you, and someone else. Afternoon meetings bring only success. Keep focused, even if it is Friday. Tonight: Where the gang is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** News heads in from a distance. Your abilities take you to a new level. A discussion proves to be most lively if you stay open this morning. Again, someone surprises you. Take charge in the evening if you want to accomplish your long-term desires. Tonight: In the limelight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Listen to a key person in your life. The feedback you receive could be unusually significant. Take a step into unknown territory. Do something very different. Walk through a new door. Though being adventuresome could be scary, it is also worthwhile. Tonight: Try something different.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Others surprise you with their desires. Remain sure of yourself anyway. The truth is that you are quite delighted by recent developments. Deal with others on a one-on-one level later on. Think about what someone wants.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

**** Dig into your work. Success follows as a natural result. Stay on top of others' requests. Schedule, network and socialize in the afternoon. Others might not be in the mood to work. Be careful with monetary promises — given or received. Tonight: Out.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** Allow your creativity and playfulness to emerge. Good news comes out of the blue. Excitement becomes your middle name, so much so that you could become bored if life becomes too calm in the later afternoon. Tonight: Relax. Don't take on any new projects.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

**** Your mind floats to a personal matter. Why not handle this issue early on? Otherwise you might not be comfortable at work. Allow your imagination and creativity to emerge in the afternoon when dealing with a child or loved one. Tonight: Your time to roam.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

**** How you speak your mind makes a big difference in how your message is received. You could beat a new trail in the morning as you try to clear out remaining work. If you can, head home early, even if it means bringing additional work home. Tonight: Invite someone home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** Deal with finances carefully. Instincts could help you find a mistake before it becomes costly. Use the afternoon to return messages, and remain more positive about your options. Ask for what you want. Don't hem and haw. Tonight: Keep on asking.

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DR. GOTT

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Surely, there must be some treatment available for the "thin" skin, which occurs as one ages. Is there a vitamin or food regimen that can be used to prevent the unsightly blotches and wrinkling? I'm not ready to give in yet.

DEAR READER: Alas, the skin changes of "mature adulthood" are as inevitable as thinning hair and receding gums. As we age, the characteristics of our skin alter: loss of subcutaneous fat, disruption of cellular collagen, less elasticity and actual thinning of the skin itself. These inevitable changes lead to wrinkling, sagging, dryness and easy bruising (because the tiny capillary blood vessels in aging skin are not protected). Paralleling these transformations, the walls of blood vessels also become thinner and less elastic, leading to prominent veins (in the hands) and unsightly bruises from the most trivial trauma.

To date, no medicine, vitamin, cream, gel or collagen injection can correct age-related skin changes (which, incidentally, are substantially worsened by repeated and/or prolonged exposure to sun). Some therapy may achieve longed-for results that are, unhappily, temporary; the aging process continues unabated.

Nonetheless, in certain cases, blood-vessel fragility is accentuated by vitamin deficiency — notably vitamin C — in older folks whose diets may not be nutritionally balanced. In such cases, a vitamin supplement, such as Centrum Silver or others, might help.

I have been impressed, as I'm sure you also have, by the invasion of TV ads that promote various skin creams to "retard aging." Most of these products are effective because they contain compounds that force the skin to retain moisture. Consequently, as the skin "swells," wrinkles disappear; the skin appears to become thicker and more resistant when, in fact, all that is



PETER GOTT, M.D.

happening is that it is more water logged. Although this therapy is harmless, its effects are temporary (unless, as the manufacturers hope, people will continue to use the products). I am not aware of studies showing that these creams produce long-term benefits.

I should add one caveat: Spontaneous bruising (without a history of any trauma whatsoever) may reflect a disturbance in blood clotting. This can be primary (from defective blood cells, such as leukemia) or secondary (from the effect of many medicines, especially aspirin and related drugs). If you experience spontaneous bruising, regardless of your age, you should check with your doctor for an examination and blood tests to determine the efficiency of your blood coagulation.

A NOTE TO READERS: For an updated and revised Health Report on "Losing Weight" (formerly "Winning the Battle of the Bulge") that includes my No Flour, No Sugar diet, send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title. Also, be on the lookout for more updated Health Reports.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My daughter and granddaughter have recurring pink eye problems. They sleep on a waterbed with feather pillows. Every morning, they awaken with red eyes and lids that are glued shut with mucus. Should we dispose of the pillows?

DEAR READER: I think so. Feather pillows are frequently the source of allergies that can cause eye irritation, asthma and upper respiratory complaints. While the children may eventually require a visit to an allergist, a preliminary and cheaper alternative would be to discard the pillows and purchase hypoallergenic products. If, after sleeping on such non-allergen pillows for a week or two, the ladies are free of symptoms, you've solved the problem. If not, attention from medical personnel would be appropriate.

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DEAR ABBY

DEAR ABBY: My mother is being married again this summer. This is her fifth marriage, and I fear she is doing it for all the wrong reasons.

It all started 30 years ago when, as a teen-ager, she married my father. She married him to get away from her family. My father abused her, she divorced him, then remarried him again. They stayed together 10 more miserable years before divorcing. Within three months she met and married another man. He was addicted to "the chase." Mother was his fifth wife. (He is currently on No. 8.) She divorced him and married husband No. 3, even though he was obviously drug-addicted. It eventually caused their divorce.

For the past few months, my mother has been looking for love on the Internet and through personal newspaper ads. Within two weeks, she found a man she claimed to love. They picked a wedding date. He was a drug addict and dealer who ended up taking everything from Mom's house. Fortunately, they did not marry.

Mom has recently met another man on the Internet — a recovering alcoholic, active in meetings and social functions. Of all the men she has brought home, he is definitely the best prospect for marriage. She confided that she is not in love with him, but they have set a summer wedding date. She feels love will come later, and she "likes" him enough to marry him.

I should mention that Mother is a successful professional woman with a great job. She owns a beautiful home and is financially secure. However, she is very lonely, has no friends, rarely speaks to her 10 siblings — and hardly ever visits me and my daughter, even though we live only 20 minutes away.

We have had a strained relationship for years. I feel that she abandons me whenever a new man enters the picture. I want what's best for her, but I don't believe she has the self-confidence or insight to pick a man who doesn't come with a lot of "baggage."

Can you think of anything I can say or do to make my mother reconsider this marriage and start getting some therapy?

DAUGHTER OF A MARRYING MOM

DEAR DAUGHTER: I'm not sure there is anything you can do now to "save" your mother. Wait to see if marriage No. 5

"takes." If it doesn't work out, then will be the time your mother will be most receptive to getting professional help.

DEAR ABBY: My fiancé and I are being married in Wilmington, N.C. The pastor who will perform the ceremony lives two hours away in Raleigh. He will have to arrive in Wilmington on Friday afternoon in order to supervise the rehearsal that night — and stay in town overnight, as our wedding is the following afternoon.

Are we required to pay for a hotel room on Friday night for the pastor and his wife? If he stays Saturday night after the wedding, should we also pay for that?

We're also unsure if we should tip him in addition to the officiant fee. None of our friends or family has ever dealt with this dilemma, so we are hoping you can set us straight, Abby. We want to do the right thing.

ALMOST NEWLYWEDS

DEAR ALMOST NEWLYWEDS: Since the pastor will be in town officiating at your wedding, the gracious thing would be to see that the hotel bill is taken care of. If he and his wife are staying on Saturday to attend your wedding reception, the room should be included. However, after compensating him for the ceremony, I see no reason to add a gratuity.

Pauline Phillips and her daughter, Jeanne Phillips, share the pseudonym Abigail Van Buren. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

LOOKING BACK

10 years ago

The United Way of Murray-Calloway County met May 8 in their general board meeting to discuss the status of the search for hiring an executive director and consider funding for Rape Victim Services.

A dispute between a local church and its former minister has landed in Calloway County Circuit Court. Dr. Thomas Lynn Mayall resigned last Sunday following the morning service at Eastwood Baptist Church. At a meeting later that day, the congregation and trustees of Eastwood voted to terminate Mayall's employment immediately.

Murray High School soccer players David Gressler, Roman Shapla and Greg Miller have been selected to the 1992 State Olympic Development pools at the state tryouts in Louisville.

Murray State University's Board of Regents will meet today, May 9, to approve the 1992-93 budget, which raises students fees from \$55 to \$130 while reducing staff and faculty salaries by two percent next year.

20 years ago
Dr. Melvin Henley was named as Citizen of the Year at the 55th annual banquet of Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce.

The Mason Medical Arts Building named for Dr. William Herbert Mason, Dr. Ora Mosen and Dr. Robert Macon Mason and the Hugh L. Hodston Long Term Care Unit were dedicated May 9 to kick off local observances of National Hospital Week.

The Murray High School chorus,

directed by Joan Bowker, won third place honors in Class B competition at the Seventh Annual Opryland American Music Festival, April 29 to May 1, in Nashville, Tenn.

M.C. Garrett featured Mrs. J.L. "Eulalah Jane" Green of Kirksey as his nomination for Mother of the Year in his column, "Garrett's Gallery."

30 years ago
Jackie Cooper, Murray Fire Department chief, was elected president of Western Kentucky Fireman's School for 1973 at a meeting held in Greenville.

Installed as new officers of Murray High School's Student Council were Larry Lockhart, Beth Wilson, Anne Erwin and Sarah Sams.

Ernie W. William, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Williams, has been accepted by Harvard University Law School. He also was accepted by Vanderbilt University and the University of Kentucky.

40 years ago
Sandy Lilly is valedictorian and Richard Workman is salutatorian of Murray High School's graduating class of 1962.

50 years ago
Plans have been completed for observance of National Hospital Day in Murray on May 12. This is in line with National Hospital Day, sponsored by hospitals throughout the country.

Installed as new officers of Murray Woman's Club were Mrs. Clara Griffin, Mrs. Myrtle Wall, Mrs. O.C. Wells, Mrs. Kay Williams, Mrs. James R. Allbritten and Mrs. R.H. Thurman.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, May 9, the 129th day of 2002. There are 236 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Five hundred years ago, on May 9, 1502, Christopher Columbus left Cadiz, Spain, on his fourth and final trip to the Western Hemisphere.

On this date: In 1913, the 17th amendment to the Constitution, providing for the election of U.S. senators by popular vote rather than selection by state legislatures, was ratified.

In 1961, Federal Communications Commission chairman Newton N. Minow condemned television programming as a "vast wasteland" in a speech.

In 1980, 35 motorists were killed when a Liberian freighter rammed the Sunshine Skyway Bridge over Tampa Bay in Florida, causing a 1,400-foot section to collapse.

In 1994, South Africa's newly elected parliament chose Nelson Mandela to be the country's first black president.

Ten years ago: President George H.W. Bush, back in Washington after a visit to riot-torn Los Angeles, promised in a radio speech that he would work with the Democrat-controlled Congress on proposals to help American cities.

One year ago: China sought U.S. understanding for its refusal to allow a damaged U.S. Navy spy plane to fly home, saying public sentiment would be outraged if the aircraft flew again over Chinese territory. A stampede at a soccer match in Ghana killed 126 people.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

All You Have to Do Is Pray

South dealer. East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ A 9 5 2
♥ A 8 7 4
♦ Q 6 5
♣ K 8

EAST
♠ J 10 6 4
♥ 10
♦ A K J 3
♣ 9 5 4 2

SOUTH
♠ K 8 3
♥ K 6 5 3 2
♦ 10 2
♣ A Q J

The bidding:
South West North East
1♥ Pass 3♥ Pass
4♥

Opening lead — nine of diamonds.

Declarer starts the play of many hands without knowing whether or not he'll make the contract. The outcome might depend strictly on how the defenders' cards are divided, or on how skillfully he or the opponents play their cards.

Take this case where West leads a diamond against four hearts. East wins the diamond with the jack and continues with the A-K, declarer ruffing the king.

At this point, South does not know how he will fare. If the missing trumps are divided 2-2, he is sure to make the contract. But if the trumps break 3-1, the contract must apparently go down one, since South will then have a trump loser as well as a spade loser.

At trick four, declarer leads a heart to the ace and returns a heart to the king. When East shows out on the second heart, the contract appears doomed.

But if South comes from the school that does not concede defeat easily, he tries to picture a distribution of the opposing cards that would allow him to make the contract despite the disappointing trump division. And, if he thinks hard enough, he finds there is still a reasonable chance to get home safely.

Accordingly, he cashes the K-A-Q of clubs, discarding a spade from dummy. He then cashes the K-A of spades and exits with a trump, praying that West will not have a spade to return.

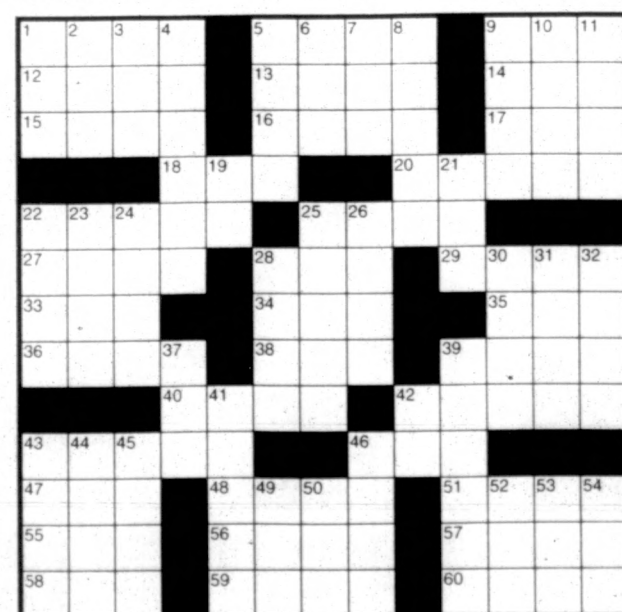
On this occasion, declarer's prayers are answered. West takes the trump but is forced to return a diamond or a club, allowing South to ruff in dummy and discard a spade from his hand, and the contract is home.

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- ACROSS**
- Kind of helmet
 - Dinghy or dory
 - Chatter
 - Hydrox rival
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 - Pub brew
 - Stovetop items
 - Variable star
 - Heartache
 - A Kennedy
 - Does a fall chore
 - Blues singer
 - Washington
 - Side of bacon
 - Mournful cry
 - Spreadsheet pro
 - Rice wine
 - Arm opposite
 - Orbit part
 - Cuttlefish defense
 - Latin I verb
 - Sunbeam
 - Swiss painter
 - Mongol dwelling
 - Cleared the dishes
 - Regions
 - Take home a trophy
 - Kind of trip
 - Till
 - Congeals
 - Hirt and Gore
 - Bring up a child
 - Hero's deed
 - Civil War general
 - Await judgment
 - Egg on
- DOWN**
- Burst
 - Retiree's kitty
 - Decimal base
 - Shade-loving plants
 - Orchestra
 - Lennon's wife
 - Off-road vehicle
 - Diadem
 - Stare stupidly
 - Hand-cream ingredient
 - Pollen distributors
 - Short query
 - Stomach muscles
 - Wide valley
 - Henri's islands
 - Pesters
 - No-fat Jack
 - Delicate
 - John Dickson
 - Has a fever
 - Trouser part
 - out (made do with)
 - Potato bud
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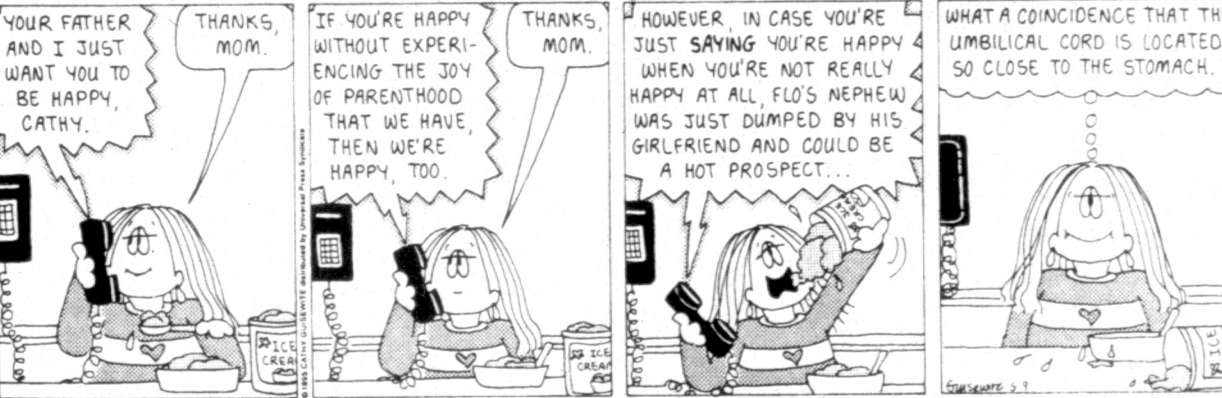
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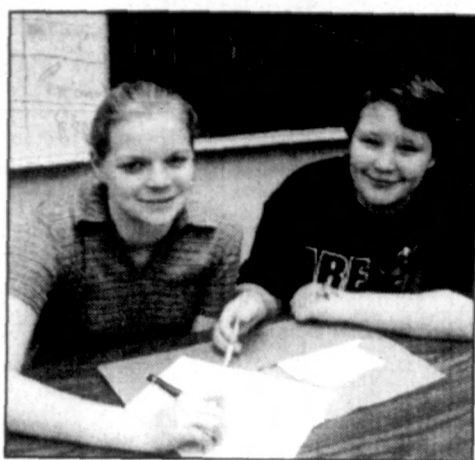
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MURRAY MIDDLE SCHOOL PAW PRINTS



Brittany Allen and Jasmine Crosier work on plans for Tiger Week.

Tiger Week activities encourage students to respect each other

By Kate Brownson

What does it mean to be an Murray Middle School tiger?

According to seventh grade students Jasmine Crosier and Brittany Allen, those initial letters mean that you "(T) talk positively, (I) initiate good, (G) goodness prevails, (E) encourage one another, and (R) respect yourself and others."

The two students started T-I-G-E-R Week because they wanted people to stop being rude and disrespectful and they wanted to do something positive to encourage that.

With the help of Ms. Debbie Bell, the student council sponsor, they decided on a whole week of activities.

Tiger Week was held right before Spring Break. Preparations consisted of a writing contest for all grades, a "Good Citizen of the Day" award, a special teacher award, and an assembly for the whole school.

Students and teachers were encouraged to wear a "T-I-G-E-R" ribbon all week long.

"The ribbons are to remind people to respect each other," said Jasmine.

At the Tiger Week assembly, MHS students Jaleelah Al-Alou and Shelly Martinez talked about the importance of character and showing other people respect. Vice principal Ms. Murdock also spoke to the assembly. She told a story about Elvis Presley and a special teacher who encouraged him to sing.

"I think it's really great to have a program like this," said seventh grade student Maggie Lollar, "and it's really great that the students started it themselves."

Jazz band performances liven up spring evenings

By Wesley Bolin



The quick paced tones of "Jungle Boogie" waft down the stairwell and through the open door, enticing the ears of the people passing by in the warm spring night.

This year the Jazz Band is one of the biggest ever, with 27 members in all, both seventh and eighth graders.

According to band director Ms. Beth Stribling, in past years, girls usually outnumbered boys in the Jazz Band by a considerable amount. This year, however, there are only six girls.

"I joined Jazz Band because of the opportunities to play new music and to perform for more audiences," said Josh Hyatt, a seventh grade saxophone player.

The Jazz Band's first performance of the year was at the band's Winter Concert. While getting ready to perform in the winter concert, all 21 male Jazz Band

members were crammed into the boys' locker room in the gym, and with instruments everywhere there was much elbow room. However, elbow room in a gym locker room has very little effect on the performance of a piece, and the concert proceeded nicely.

Since the winter concert, more and more pieces have been readied for performance and now the band has a total of 15 ready to perform.

Performance opportunities include the school's Arts & Humanities Showcase on May 6; the Spring concert on May 21; and

the annual Jazz in the Park on May 18. Jazz in the Park is a full day's worth of activities, with several other bands scheduled to play.

Jazz Band is different than the regular band. For one thing, it's optional. Jazz Band members get to play a wider selection of music than the rest of the band. The Jazz Band set up includes the regular band instruments plus bass guitar, keyboard, bass keyboard, and a variety of percussion instruments, which are played by students alternating from their original instruments.

Reported by Frankie Leslie and Timmy Hutchens

Students experience shark, frog dissection

By Colleen McCoy



Can you imagine going home from school to tell your mom that you dissected Barbie in science class?

This Barbie was a shark—a dead shark, one of

four dissected by the seventh grade students to learn more about anatomy. Students whose names were drawn got to dissect a shark; the others had to work on frogs.

"I was very excited to be drawn for the shark," said Sarah Kuykendall. "It was more interesting than the frog because it was larger and you could see the organs better."

Before the actual dissection took place, Mr. Mike Epperson, the science teacher, lectured on animal adaptations and body parts. The frog dissectors had to take a test identifying the major organs in a frog and explain three adaptations.

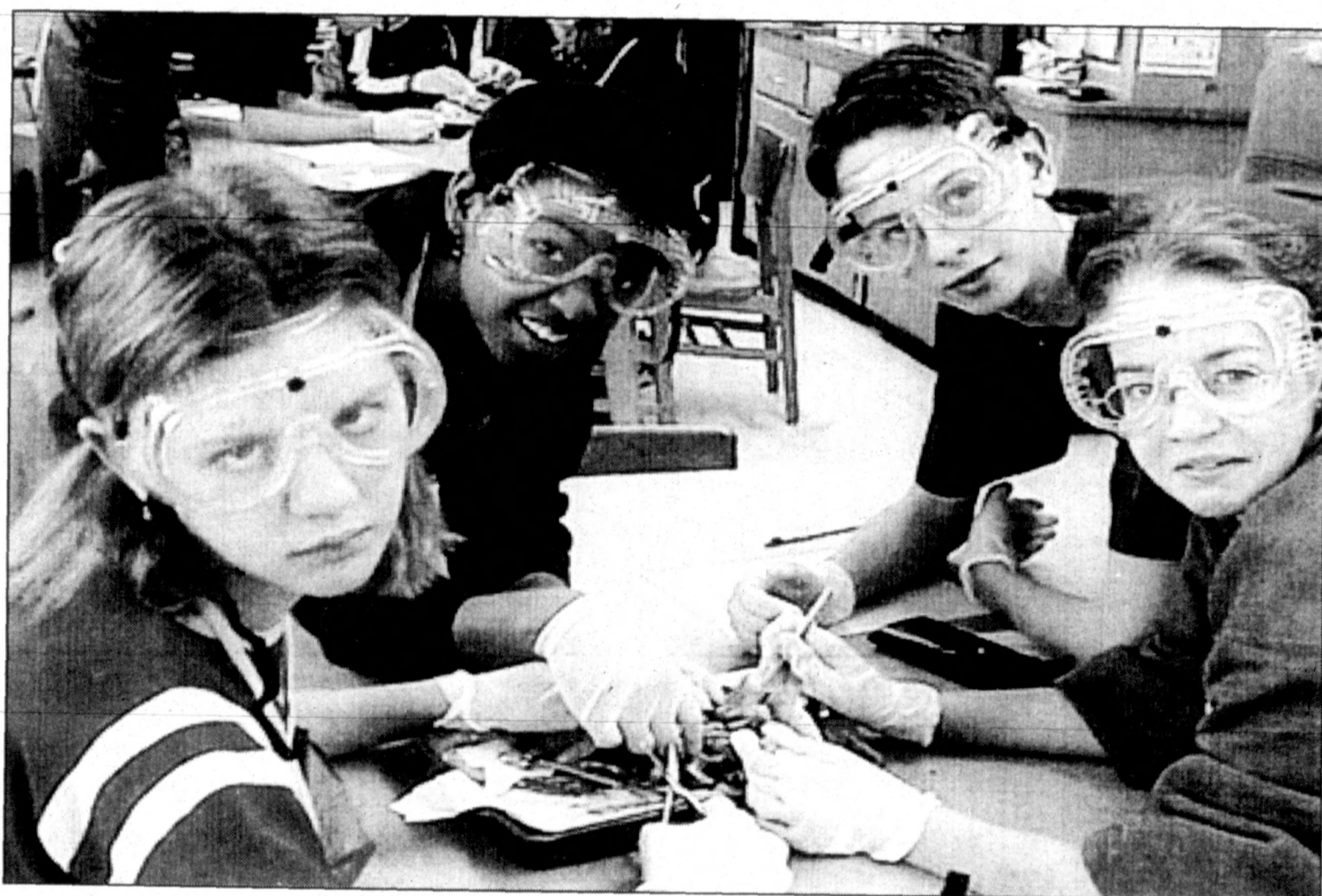
"I felt if I didn't have a test, the students wouldn't take the dissection seriously," said Mr. Epperson.

Students were required to bring back a signed permission form from their parents before they could take part in the dissecting.

All the necessary safety precautions were taken. Goggles, aprons, and disposable rubber gloves were worn. Tables were disinfected after every class, and the aprons were cleaned at the end of the week as well.

Although some student were totally grossed out by the dead animals, others were intrigued.

"I thought at first it would be gross, but



Nikki Pierceal, Jaleesa Tharpe, Josh Hyatt, and Sarah Doran begin dissecting their frogs with various degrees of enthusiasm.

in the end I enjoyed the experience," said Darlene Kippbut, a frog dissector.

However, if a student was uncomfortable with being a part of the dissection, there was an alternate assignment.

"I chose not to require anyone to dissect in case they didn't want to, for either personal or religious beliefs," said Mr. Epperson.

Out of 25 students, 19 said they would

definitely want to have another experience in dissection.

"I would definitely do it again, because I thought it was fun. It's not something you do every day," said Sarah Kuykendall.

Computer techies perform important services for teachers, students

By Luke Welch



Several students roam the halls freely during eighth period and nobody seems to care—not even Mr. Toth, the school safety officers, who checks to make sure everyone has a hall pass.

These students are actually working for the school, installing new software, fixing computers, and doing what teachers want.

"It's fun, but can be stressful when you're dealing with people who need something right away," said Klaatu McNutt.

Computer techies take their own time to do many things in one period of the day that Mr. Greg Gierhart couldn't do in one whole day.

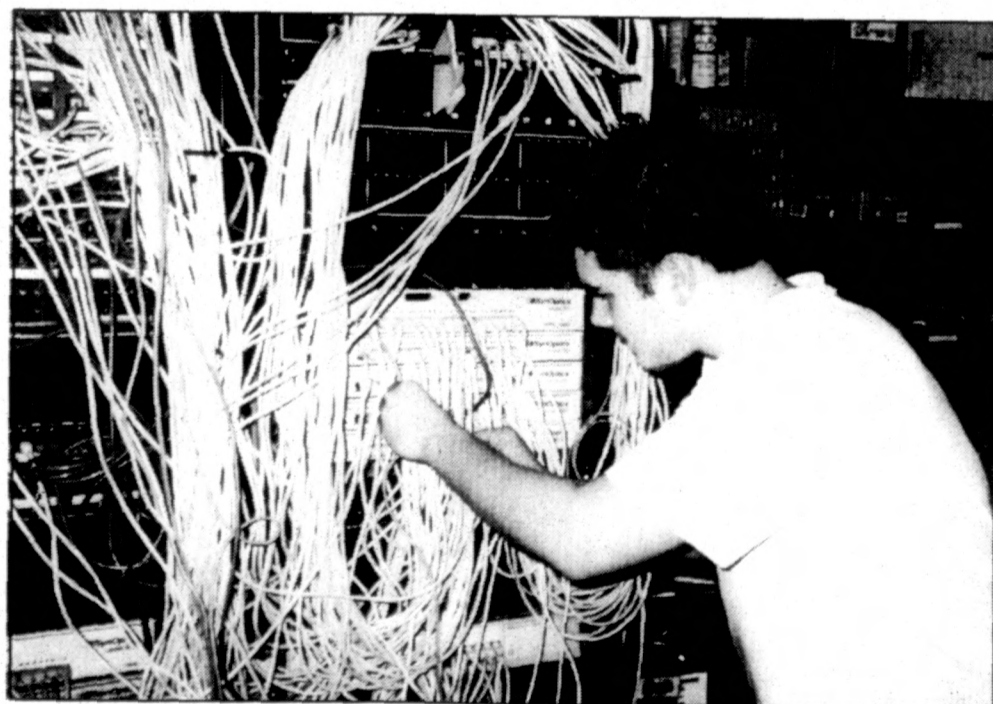
Mr. Gierhart is the technology coordinator for Murray Middle School as well as an algebra and math teacher. As the technology coordinator, he takes care of all computer problems, installs new machines, and trains teachers how to use their machines.

Mr. Gierhart's techies usually meet with him eighth period. They change every nine weeks. Only Klaatu McNutt and Brent White have been techies all year long.

Techies have to be computer literate and enjoy working with computers. They also have to be very responsible people.

"If I didn't have the computer techies, I'd absolutely go crazy," said Mr. Gierhart.

The techies fix hard drives, take apart computers, deal with disk failures, upgrade



Computer techie Klaatu McNutt checks to make sure the connections are tight in the server room.

software programs, install Internet connections, and more. They're also the ones that have to change IP numbers and get rid of the computer viruses.

From time to time hard drives will fail. A hard drive is the place in the computer where all the information is stored. Sometimes it's possible to retrieve the information if something goes wrong with the harddrive.

The wires inside the computer are like telephone or cable wires. They send information through the computer.

"It's important to know how to take the

computer apart and put it back together. If you connect the wrong wires, you could lose valuable information," said Klaatu.

Sometimes techies have to miss classes so that they can help teachers fix computer problems. Then they have to do the class work as homework.

Earlier this year, for example, the techies had to work several hours change the IP numbers on every computer in the school twice to organize them better.

Another major job was to upgrade all the operating systems on the PCs from Windows 95 to Windows 98.

Chess players have fun while winning tournaments

By Blake McCuiston

Why would anybody want to join the Chess Team? The players are so serious and never have any fun, right?

Wrong!

While it has been proven that chess is a game for thinking and strategy, that's not always how it is.

The players have a lot of fun preparing for and competing in tournaments. It's also fun when they win—and they tend to win a lot.

"Chess is a great way to meet new friends from other schools and states," said Craig Arnold, a chess parent.

In chess, each player is responsible for their own actions. There is not a referee to call the game.

There is a set of rules that all players must follow in tournament play. Each piece has a particular way to move and capture.

This makes it interesting because so many different things can happen. You can plan an attack on your opponent, or arrange the pieces defensively where he may have a hard time capturing your pieces without sacrificing his own.

The Murray Middle Chess Team travels to different cities to compete in local, state, and national competitions.

Recently the chess team participated in the High School Nationals in Louis-



ville, Kentucky. Over 2,000 chess players competed in the event.

Doug Crafton, the middle school chess coach, said that he was pleased with the results of the tournament.

"Overall, we

won more games than I expected to win," said Mr. Crafton. "The players worked real hard to get ready."

The students prepared for the tournament by staying after school once a week to improve their chess skills.

One of the players from Murray, Justin Arnold, won first place competing in the under 1400 category of the open section. He received a trophy for his accomplishment.

"It's a lot of fun. Of course, it's what we practice so long for," said Justin.

After a player sees certain positions on the board and how to counter them, it becomes easy to overpower an opponent with the correct move. A series of moves can then take power away from an opponent, resulting in his defeat.

"Chess has taught my son patience as well as mental stamina," said Mr. Arnold.

Earlier this year, the MMS Chess Team placed second at the Kentucky State Chess Tournament.

The next tournament for the Chess Team is the National Junior High Tournament in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.