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# Cheney: Another attack 'almost a certainty'

By The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - Vice President Dick Cheney says it is difficult for the United States to respond to the latest intelligence hints that al-Qaida may be planning another attack because no specific information is available.

But he said they must be taken seriously.

"I think that the prospects of a future attack on the U.S. are almost a certainty," Cheney said on "Fox News Sunday." "It could happen

tomorrow, it could happen next week, it could happen next year, but they will keep trying. And we have to be prepared."

Cheney said he believes the United States has had success in disrupting Osama bin Laden's terrorist network, but it is impossible to prepare a perfect defense. So few people are told of plans that it is difficult to get details, he said.

"You try to read the tea leaves. We look for pieces of information and evidence, but you never get the complete picture," Cheney said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., chair-Committee, said the latest intelli- on a higher state of alert. gence was similar to what has been seen over the past year.

"It was nonspecific, didn't lead general increase in our level of sensitivity to possible terrorist activities," Graham said on CBS' "Face embassies in Kenya and Tanzania.

President Bush, returning to the White House from Camp David, Md., did not respond Sunday when man of the Senate Intelligence asked whether the nation should be

Meanwhile, Newsweek magazine reported that from the summer of 2000 into 2001, the FBI was to you a particular course of action forced to shut down 10 to 20 wirethat you could take, other than a taps of al-Qaida-related suspects connected to the investigation of the 1998 bombings of the U.S.

The action came after U.S.

District Judge Royce C. Lamberth complained to Attorney General John Ashcroft that an FBI official had misrepresented petitions for taps on terror suspects, Newsweek said.

Cheney's comments followed disclosures that Bush had been told in an Aug. 6 intelligence briefing that al-Qaida might attempt a hijacking aimed at Americans. The administration has said the informa-

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# Little Boy Green ...



ERIC WALKER/Ledger & Times photo COME BLOW YOUR HORN ... Band members from Murray Middle School were all "jazzed up," like this young man who was painted green and playing his french horn during Saturday's MMS Jazz in the Park.

# Ga. growers hit by tobacco virus

ENIGMA, Ga. (AP) - Tim thrips. They become infected by McMillan strides across his tobacco field, stopping to point at a sickly plant marred by brownish splotches. The leaves are curled and their network of veins — the ductwork that carries life-sustaining nutrients are brown instead of green.

"This plant has bit the dust," McMillan said. "It's sick. It's just like a human with a bad virus.'

McMillan and other Southern flue-cured tobacco growers have been hit by the worst outbreak of tomato spotted wilt virus in years. The disease is likely to reduce growers' yields and the quality of their tobacco in a year when prices and demand are already low. Scientists don't know why the disease is worse some years and not others, and there

"It's a helpless feeling because there's absolutely nothing we can do," McMillan said. "One field is eaten up, another is not. One farm is a disaster, another is not."

Tomato spotted wilt virus is spread by tiny insects known as

feeding on infected plants — even weeds around fields. Then they pass it on to tobacco plants when they scrape the leaves to feed on the

Although infected plants can't be cured, some chemicals show promise in preventing plants from developing the full-blown disease.

The virus also attacks other important Southern crops, such as cotton, peanuts and tomatoes.

Spotted wilt damage could easily run into the millions of dollars in Georgia tobacco alone this summer, according to J. Michael Moore, a tobacco specialist with the University of Georgia Extension

Moore said his counterparts in North and South Carolina also are reporting a higher incidence of the

"Right now, 15 percent of the plants throughout the state are infected and are either dying or dead as a result of this disease," said

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# NYFD station sees MSU students' work as 9-11 Memorial unveiled



Special to the Ledger

NEW YORK Murray State University's 9-11 Memorial Design Project class traveled to New York City this past weekend and unveiled its model of a memorial to the victims of terrorist acts that took place Sept. 11 last year.

The class also presented a bust and oil painting of Father Mychal Judge to Engine 1, Ladder 24 fire company of the New York Fire Department. Judge was the NYFD chaplain who died in the World

Trade Center collapse as he was administering last rites.

The unveiling was held Sunday as gifts to Engine 1, Ladder 24. The proposed memorial design, that includes model and architectural drawing, will be left on display with the fire company.

According to Ed Breathitt, sculptor, artist-in-residence and project director, Murray State University represents the only student group he was aware of that was working on a memorial proposal for

the redevelopment of the lower Manhattan district, a release from MSU

The project was also unveiled before Kentucky Gov. Paul Patton and legislators earlier this month in Frankfort.

Twelve students were involved in the design project.

NYFD Firefighter Brian Thomas visited MSU in early April where he saw the portrait and bust of Father Judge, and also discussed the events of Sept. 11.

# Dateline: Cyberspace

By KRISTY HOPPER Staff Writer

After placing first for their work as CyberReporters at the Region 1 Student Teaching and Learning Conference in December at Murray State University, two eighth-grade Calloway County Middle School students were invited to compete regionally at the Kentucky Teaching and Learning Conference in Louisville in

As a bonus, they were also asked to participate as CyberReporters at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in Louisville earlier this month.

Neither Will Sampson nor Chaz Robinson, both students of CCMS teacher Vicki Ragsdale, have an answer to why they are technically inclined, but both have commented that they have always had an interest in technology.

"There's really no answer, STLP Student Teaching and Learning Program) helps a lot and I think a lot of it comes naturally," Robinson said.

While Robinson says a lot of his knowledge has come naturally, Sampson said, "I owe a lot to Mrs. Ragsdale, and I've learned a lot just from watching Chaz.

"Before seventh-grade, I'd never even been on the Internet," he said.

While at the Intel fair, Sampson had the opportunity to speak with four Nobel Prize winners while Robinson had the chance to speak with the "Rocket Boys," who were depicted in the movie, "October Sky.

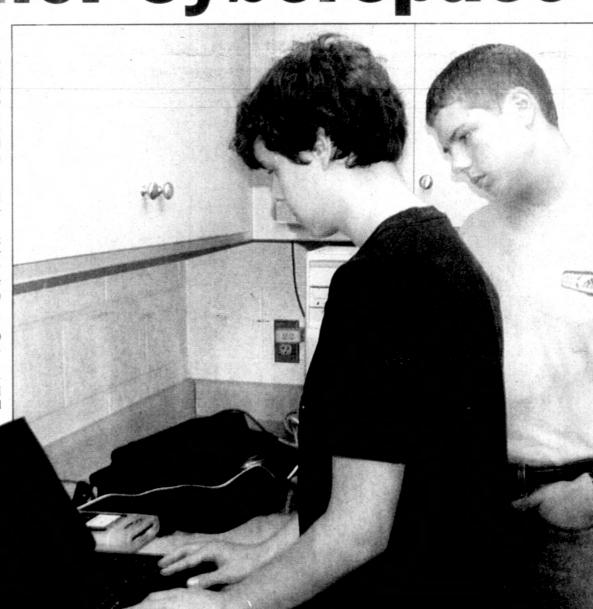
"It was quite an experience with that many geniuses in one room, Sampson commented.

At the Intel fair, Sampson interviewed a man who won a Nobel for his work on the discovery of split gene sequences, another who won for his discovery on singling out particular molecule interactions, and another who won the Draper Award for his contributions to the

"There were quite a lot of neat things there," he said.

Besides interviewing the "Rocket Boys," Robinson said he also got to speak with Scott Newman, who devised the project, "Catching Liars - An Innovative Study in Infrared Lie

"It (project) was very interesting. He had six



KRISTY HOPPER/Ledger & Times photo

PLUGGED IN ... Will Sampson, left, and Chaz Robinson log onto the Web. Both were CyberReporters at an international science fair in Louisville, where they met some science giants.

different subjects and asked them questions and could tell if they were telling the truth or lying through a series of graphs and photographs, Robinson said.

Although neither said they saw themselves in the future filling the shoes of the people they met at the Intel fair, both did say they planned to pursue degrees in some aspect of technology once they get to college.

be specific," Sampson said.

According www.intelisef2002.org., the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair is the world's only international science fair representing all sciences for students in grades 9-12. Over 1,200 students from more than 40 countries around the world compete for honors in 14 scientific categories and a team project category.

"I'll probably do something in networking, to

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# More suicide bombing strikes FireLog

Palestinian militant detonated explosives at a busy intersection today as he was approached by police - killing himself, but causing no other injuries in the second suicide bombing in northern Israel in two days

On Sunday, three Israelis and a bomber were killed in a blast in an outdoor market in the coastal city of Netanya. The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, or PFLP, a radical PLO faction, claimed responsibility for Sunday's attack.

The PFLP is headed by Ahmed Saadat, who is detained in a Palestinian jail in the West Bank town of Jericho under British and U.S. supervision, along with a

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pected of weapons smuggling and four PFLP members convicted of killing an Israeli Cabinet minister.

Israeli government An spokesman, Danny Shek, said Israel has information that Saadat "might have been instrumental in commanding and masterminding the bombing." Shek said the circumstances of Saadat's detention should be looked at. However, Deputy Defense Minister Dalia Rabin Pelossof said Monday there was no conclusive proof that Saadat ordered the Netanya attack.

Saadat has given a phone interview from detention, and Israeli media reports said he had access to phones and has received visits from PFLP activists.

British diplomats supervising Saadat's detention had no comment.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for today's attack at the Taanakhim Junction, a few miles west of the West Bank. Police said a local driver notified authorities when a man waiting at the junction's bus stop aroused his suspicion. When the patrol asked the man for identification, he detonated explosives he was carrying, said police spokesman Gil Kleiman.

In Sunday's attack in Netanya,

Moore, who has traveled Georgia

examining infected fields. "This is a

progressive disease. We expect to

see larger numbers of plants contin-

Moore said he has seen fields

Because of the disease and the

where 30 to 67 percent of the plants

continuing effects of the drought, 14

percent of Georgia's tobacco crop is

currently rated poor or very poor.

and another 42 percent only fair.

Some farmers have had to plow

their crop under and replant, but

McMillan said his losses have not

reached that magnitude. "I'm not

starting over," he said. "The majori-

ty of my crop is still too good and

ranges from 20 to 50 percent.

depending on the field, McMillan

crop, then we started seeing tomato

spotted wilt," he said. "I probably

won't make my pounds (production limit), but it's not devastating.

Really, there's nothing I can do

The infection rate at their farm

"We started with an excellent

too far along to back up now."

Thirty-nine percent is good.

Virus ...

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ue to die.

were infected.



BOMB SITE ... Police inspect the area of an explosion in Netanya, Israel Sunday. Shortly after a warning of a suicide attack, a Palestinian bomber disguised in an army uniform slipped into a fruit and vegetable market and detonated his explosive, killing two Israelis. The overall number of injured was put at between 28 and 50, according to Israeli authorities.

three Israelis were killed and about 50 wounded. Among those killed was Arkady Wieselman, 39, a hotel

March 27 bombing at the Park Hotel in Netanya, in which 29 diners were killed in the deadliest bombing since chef who had narrowly escaped the attacks began several years ago.

# Thousands of foreigners use fake documents to get Social

WASHINGTON (AP) - As many as one in 12 foreigners obtaining new Social Security numbers many ways, including using false illegally use fake documents to get documents in applications to the the cards, a recently issued report

James Huse Jr., the inspector general of the Social Security Administration, said that a preliminary investigation found that about 8 percent, or more than 100,000 of the 1.2 million original Social Security numbers assigned to noncitizens in the year 2000, may have been obtained with invalid immigra-

Security numbers are often the first step in identity theft, obtaining loans or bank accounts illegally and other

Huse said that fake Social Security numbers can be gotten in SSA, stealing another person's number, using the number of someone who has died, or simply making up a number.

terrorist investigation, even a legally obtained SSN can be used to facilitate an unlawful act," he said in the

the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks had illegally obtained Social Security numbers and used them to get credit cards and open bank accounts.

In his report, Huse said the because of problems of coordinating six months or more away.

eastern Afghanistan near the cities of Khost and Gardez. British Royal Marines continued to search the area Monday, Hilferty said.

Information gathered from reports,

logs and citations from respective agencies

**Murray Fire Department** 

· An alarm was unintentionally activated by welders in Hester Hall

· An oven emitting too much heat activated an alarm at Carmen

· One truck responded to a traffic accident Friday evening at the inter-

· MFD responded to an individual trapped in an elevator in Faculty

· Assisted ambulance personnel with an accident victim at 765 Elm

**U.S.** special forces

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A months in the mountainous area of

soldier killed in

Afghan skirmish

Pavillion Friday evening. Crews used an exhaust fan to ventilate the

· MFD responded to a rescue call Friday at 113 North 7th St.

room and the alarm was reset.

Grove Rd. Saturday evening.

U.S. Special Forces soldier was

killed in eastern Afghanistan during

a skirmish with forces believed

linked to al-Qaida and the deposed

Taliban militia, military officials

said today. At least one opponent

died and an Afghan fighting with the

American forces was injured in the

was killed Sunday afternoon when

his unit came under heavy fire, said

Capt. Steven O'Connor, a U.S. mili-

tary spokesman at Bagram air base

north of Kabul. Vance was a 10-year

veteran of the West Virginia

National Guard and had been sta-

tioned in the Middle East for five

The firefight started when sus-

pected al-Qaida or Taliban fighters

in a mountainous area fired on U.S.

forces at about 5 p.m. local time

Sunday, said Maj. Bryan Hilferty, a

enemy," Hilferty said at a briefing

Monday in Bagram, the main coali-

tion base in Afghanistan. He did not

"One casualty does not deter us,"

Hilferty said. "It certainly makes us

realize and understand mortality

more, but we're determined to see

The U.S.-led coalition believes

Taliban and al-Qaida fighters trying

"We returned fire, killing one

months, the military said.

U.S. military spokesman.

say how Vance was killed.

this mission out to the end."

Sgt. Gene Arden Vance Jr., 38,

section of Highway 94 W and Robertson Road.

Vance, of Morgantown, W.Va., was in the 19th Special Forces Unit of the West Virginia National Guard, said spokesman Maj. Mike Cadle. He is survived by his wife and daughter, Cadle said. His body will be sent back to the United States this week, Hilferty said.

Small teams of U.S. special forces and other coalition soldiers are operating throughout eastern Afghanistan, searching for Taliban and al-Qaida members.

Some 1,000 British-led troops launched the sweep through mountains near Khost on Friday, saying they believed a "significant number" of fighters were there after an Australian patrol was attacked the day before. The U.S. military said about 100 enemy fighters were in

The Australians came under heavy fire there for five hours and called in strikes by American A130 gunships, which killed 10 people who the coalition said were Taliban and al-Qaida fighters.

Lt. Col. Ben Curry, a British military spokesman, said Sunday that coalition troops had searched half the area targeted by the sweep, named Operation Condor, but to regroup have been hiding out for encountered no opposition fighters.

# Security cards, report states

tion documents.

Fake or illegally obtained Social

Law enforcers also say the phony documents can be used to get credit cards or to help land jobs that efforts with the Immigration and require security clearance at airports and other sensitive locations.

Attack ...

tion was not specific enough for it to

take concrete action to thwart the

Sept. 11 attacks — an explanation

similar to Cheney's about the diffi-

culty of responding to the latest

briefing memo and saw nothing that

should have prompted immediate

Cheney said he reviewed the

He said terrorists have been

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intelligence reports.

action.

intelligence.

"As we have learned through the

report dated May 9. Some of the hijackers involved in

administration is looking at ways to better verify the information it receives from applicants, but Naturalization Service a fix is still

memo by an FBI agent in Phoenix

warning of a large number of Arabs

training in U.S. flight schools, and

the arrest in August of Zacarias

Moussaoui while training at a

Minnesota flight school. He has

been charged as a conspirator in the

were failures." Cheney said. He

cited a lack of coordination between

domestic law enforcement and intel-

"There's no question that there

Many of those problems are

Among the others were a July hit the Trade Center, the Pentagon, et cetera," Cheney said.

> Some lawmakers want an independent commission to investigate the attacks. Cheney said the administration is cooperating with a joint investigation by the House and Senate intelligence committees.

> He said he opposes an independent inquiry because it would tie up too many officials involved in fighting terrorism and could lead to release of classified information.

Similarly, he opposes any attempt by Congress to see the Aug. 6 briefing "because it comes from the most sensitive sources and methods that we have as a government." But, he said, the Phoenix memo is "fair game" for the intelligence committees, although he opposes its

public release.

The vice president denounced the "feeding frenzy" of criticism that followed disclosures of the Aug. 6 briefing. He said he has "a deep sense of anger that anyone would suggest that the president of the United States had advance knowledge that he failed to act on."

Republicans have criticized House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., for his Watergatestyle questions asking what the president knew and when he knew it.

Gephardt told Fox that those questions were in the interest of improving anti-terrorism efforts.

"I never ever, ever thought that anybody, including the president, did anything up to September 11 other than their best," he said.



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hijacking planes for 30 years and ligence agencies, and problems in that the warning was based on old analyzing information Democrats and being addressed, he said. Republicans have cited the Aug. 6 briefing as one of several warning signs that, together, might have prevented the attacks.

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# KentuckyBriefs

### West Kentucky youth representing **Commonwealth in Geoography Bee**

PADUCAH, Ky. (AP) - Lone Oak Middle School sixth-grader Zia Choudhury, 11, will represent Kentucky in the National Geographic Bee preliminaries Tuesday in Washington, D.C., competing for his chance at a \$25,000 college scholarship.

"I've been studying almost every night," he said.

Zia won the state geography bee as a first-time competitor in April by looking at a photo of the Elburz Mountains and guessing that the nearby capital is Tehran. He now will compete against 55 fifth- through eighthgraders culled from nearly 5 million school-level competitors.

After the preliminary round, 10 students will win \$500 and advance to the finals Wednesday, moderated by "Jeopardy!" host Alex Trebek. The grand prize features a \$25,000 scholarship and a lifetime subscription to National Geographic magazine. Second and third prizes are college scholarships of \$15,000 and \$10,000.

Zia said he enjoys studying southern Asia because his father was born in Bangladesh — he's been to visit the country twice.

#### Minton exploring Republican nomination for Kentucky governor

SOMERSET, Ky. (AP) - Former Pulaski County school superintendent Bert Minton announced Saturday that he is running an exploratory campaign for next year's Republican nomination for governor.

Minton, 57, of West Somerset, registered his campaign committee Friday. He said in an interview that he has never sought elective office, but thinks he can be elected "because I will face the issues that the state needs

First among those, he said, is education reform. Minton said teachers and administrators need support and money in certain areas.

Other Republicans who have registered exploratory committees are Jefferson County Judge-Executive Rebecca Jackson, state Sen. Virgil Moore of Leitchfield and state Rep. Steve Nunn of Glasgow. U.S. Rep. Ernie Fletcher of Lexington is considering a bid for the GOP nomination.

Minton retired in 2000 after 12 years as superintendent in Pulaski County. He spent six years as assistant superintendent and 10 as a classroom

# InTennessee

#### Report: Catholic diocese didn't keep priest from children

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Catholic Diocese of Nashville paid off Edward McKeown to leave the priesthood, but officials didn't warn appropriate officials that he was a pedophile and didn't keep him from working with children at a church, a newspaper reported Sunday.

The Tennessean reported that summaries of testimony and evidence in a legal brief unsealed by the state Court of Appeals showed that McKeown's doctors instructed diocesan officials to keep him away from children.

Diocese officials had assured parishioners in July 1999 that McKeown had been removed from contact with youth after the first complaint in 1986 and that they knew of only three incidents. But testimony included in the brief shows the new priest was not told McKeown was a pedophile even as McKeown ushered and taught children at St. Ignatius Catholic Church after accepting a deal in 1989 that left him a priest without any post.

The brief shows McKeown also was allowed to hear children's confessions, according to testimony from the priest in charge of the parish at that time. McKeown told police he later molested at least four children he met

It was not clear when McKeown quit hearing children's confessions and teaching classes

The brief was filed by lawyers for two boys appealing the June 2001 dismissal of their lawsuit against the diocese. That lawsuit had charged the diocese was liable for their molestation by McKeown





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# Few minorities hired through Bucks for Brains

minority researchers - and no African-Americans — were hired by state universities in the first three years of the Bucks for Brains pro-

University reports submitted to the Council on Postsecondary Education say 108 of the first 123 researchers funded under the program were white. Of the remaining 15, 14 were Asian and one was

The figures go through June 30, 2001, and also show that 106 of the researchers were men. Since that date, the University of Kentucky has hired two black professors.

The Bucks for Brains program

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Few matches private funds raised by the this month, Neal unsuccessfully state's eight public universities to hire top scholars.

Since 1998, Kentucky has made \$230 million available under the program. Most of the money -\$133.3 million — is slated for the University of Kentucky, \$66.7 million is to go to the University of Louisville, and the remaining \$30 million is to be divided among the six regional universities.

"It's not acceptable," said state Sen. Gerald Neal, D-Louisville, a member of the Senate Education Committee that has backed the pro-

During the special General Assembly session that adjourned the overall percentage of minorities

sought to add a budget amendment that would require universities to develop plans to achieve "reasonable diversity" in Bucks for Brains

The statistics also concern members of the postsecondary-education council, which was scheduled to review the universities' reports

"We are disappointed in not having more diversity among the recipients," said Angie Martin, the council's vice president for finance.

The overall percentage of minority hires under Bucks for Brains —

teaching in faculty positions in the United States.

to the According Department of Education, minorities made up 14.4 percent of the 590,937 full-time faculty members on college campuses in the fall of 1999, the latest available data. Nationally, Asians made up 5.8 percent of faculty members, blacks 4.9 percent, and Hispanics 2.8 percent. American Indians, resident aliens and people of unknown race comprised the remainder of the 14.4 percent.

The federal data also show that 37.2 percent of U.S. faculty members are women - much higher 12 percent — is slightly lower than than the 14 percent hired in Kentucky under Bucks for Brains.

# **Authorities targeting** motorists for week prior to Memorial Day

than 11,000 law enforcement agencies from all 50 states are combining forces before the Memorial Day weekend to go after people who break traffic laws.

The police will conduct child passenger safety, seat belt and drunk driving checkpoints and other special enforcement activities. The campaign was beginning today and lasting through Memorial Day on summer travel season.

campaign is in its sixth year. This year it will focus on getting teen-age drivers to wear seat belts.

According to federal statistics, 4,437 motorists age 16 to 19 died in ets we want to give people a reason traffic crashes in 2000. The death rate for teen-agers is twice that of older drivers, and their risk of crashing is four times that of older driv-sponsoring the campaign. "The cer-

"Our teens and young adults are will do just that."

WASHINGTON (AP) — More dying at far higher rates in crashes because they are caught in a lethal intersection of inexperience, risk taking and low seat belt use," said Transportation Secretary Norman Y.

'We can save lives because these tragedies are predictable, and therefore preventable with proven techniques like high visibility enforcement mobilizations."

The campaign is supported by May 27, the traditional start of the more than \$10 million in federal funds for advertising that targets The semiannual enforcement teen-agers and young adults. One ad airing on MTV and TNN features a teen-ager touting seat belts while rock music plays in the background.

> "We do not want to give out tickto buckle-up," said Chuck Hurley, executive director of the Air Bag & Seat Belt Safety Campaign, which is tainty of a ticket and costly fines

### **Better Late Than Never**



SHINING STAR ... Glen Dale French, 76, of Pilot Oak, Ky., displays his Bronze Star that he was presented Saturday after a ceremony at Graves County Middle School in Mayfield, Ky. French earned the medal 57 years ago for actions he took on a beachhead in the south of France during World War II. He single handedly took out a German pill box, a type of undergound machine gun turret, using a bazooka. Language Arts teacher Debbie Smith, left, wrote the Department of the Army after he told her class he earned the medal but did not receive it. French also has the Purple Heart that he was given at the age of 18 for injuries sustained during his service in Europe.

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# Different perspectives

When Gov. Paul Patton was staking his administration on reforming higher education back in 1997, he often spoke about how the system had become Balkanized. The eight uni-



Capitol Ideas By Mark Chellgren AP Writer

campuses into concrete jungles, fighting over scraps from the General Assembly and among themselves. The system had become mediocre - at best - and far less interested in serving the state than the individ-

energy

ual components. Discipline was needed and, since it was clear that the universities could not do it on their own, some new force was needed, Patton said. The Council on Postsecondary Education would wield the stick.

"Each institution must remain as independent as possible but it must be assigned a specific role and be given specific incentives to achieve its mission. Each institution must understand that it is part of an overall system seeking to move all of Kentucky ahead, economically, socially and politically," Patton said in a speech on Kentucky Educational Television before he called the May 1997 special session. "To this end, each institution must understand that it is to receive its guidance from the council, which receives its guidance from the political leadership of the state."

It seemed to work well for a time. to concentrate more on academics to do so

Freed from the yoke of UK, the community college system was merged with the formerly orphan technical schools and has enrolled tens of thousands of additional stu-

Of the six other state universities, many of them have remained, as they used to be called, regional in their perspective and activity.

The council waved money at the schools to persuade them to concentrate on areas of expertise, enroll and retain more students, improve public

But when the money ran out, so did the discipline. The 2002 General Assembly reverted to a free-for-all among the universities, seeking their own projects. Among the casualties was Gordon Davies, who was hired as the first president of the Council on Postsecondary Education.

Patton said Davies failed in his responsibility to present a united front for higher education, in effect allowing the system to start to disin-

"There's no question great damage has been done to that part of reform. I think the question is who does the blame belong to," Patton said in an interview last week. "His job was to bring the universities to the legislature, with the governor's support, in a unified way. Because of mistakes that were made by his staff or him, that didn't happen in either

Davies lays the blame at the foot of some of the universities — and what he calls their "legislative patrons" — that are simply not interested in cooperation.

"More than they want change and improvement, they want to bring home the bacon," Davies said in his treatise on the state of reform released last week. "It's not every university or every legislator. It's a few, mostly in leadership or holding chairs of powerful committees. A group of comprehensive universities and their patrons do not want to change behavior. In the end, more than getting better, they want certainty about their appropriations. As a result, they are likely to remain stuck in the mediocrity that has characterized Kentucky postsecondary education for generations."

Davies makes the case that one of the reasons for the lack of discipline among the institutions is a governance system that essentially allows them all to be free agents.

He suggested an unprecedented board to oversee all of education, from preschool to postgraduate. Alternatively, Davies said Kentucky could merge postsecondary education and the Office of the New Economy, which has been charged with helping take Kentucky out of new leadership, the University of 'would by its nature have to focus on Kentucky and University of more than just the well-being of the Louisville blossomed. They began universities and colleges but "about what happens in the small towns and and cooperated without being forced large cities of Kentucky and whether children, women and men are able to have better lives as a result of what colleges and universities are doing.

> Patton said the General Assembly rejected an idea of a single board overseeing all of higher education.

"To put the council with the New Economy Commission, that's way out of left field. I see no value in that," Patton said. "The council has money is more plentiful we will be able to fund the incentive funds. The first thing that we're going to have academy together. And Gordon wasn't that leader.

Patton said one simple political fact must be taken into account.

"Ultimately the legislature is going to make the decision. There's nothing anybody in this state is going to do to change that."

Mark R. Chellgren is the Frankfort, Ky., correspondent for The Associated Press.

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# Waste not, want not

- Lexington Herald-Leader Hawaii is set to become the first

With more clearly defined roles and the 20th century. One organization state in 16 years to impose a container deposit fee. Its state legislature easily approved a refundable 5-cent deposit on a wide range of beverage containers, and the governor is expected to sign it.

> The legislation, which sets up redemption centers for containers, looks a lot like the bottle bill effort Kentucky lawmakers have run from the last several years.

Hawaii lawmakers decided that got a valid role. Hopefully, when having a littered state was bad for

If lawmakers in Hawaii, a vacation to have is a leader that can bring the dream land for many, can see that trash-filled roadways reflect badly on the state, it's hard to see how Kentucky legislators could be so cavalier about it.

> General Assembly members could also take a lesson from the way Hawaii officials handled the beverage industry. They heard all the whining about a deposit being a tax and an unfair burden on the industry. So, the lawmakers put the ball in the industry's court. They told the complainers to come up with a better idea.

They didn't. And this time the massive lobbying and advertising campaign with recycled objections fell mostly on deaf ears.

Hawaii lawmakers stepped up to their responsibility to do something that would help the entire state, instead of a few industries. ...

A refundable container deposit makes consumers think twice before tossing bottles and cans along roadways and provides an incentive for others to pick up stray containers.

Right now, Kentucky lawmakers are only willing to tell people not to litter and, every so often, have big cleanup campaigns to pick up the tons of trash.

It makes little sense to continue to ignore a strategy as simple, popular

deposit. Good news

and relatively painless as a container

# for some

— Daily News, Bowling Green Recent announcements by Tyco International brought a sigh of relief International brought a sigh of relief to hundreds of workers in south-central Kentucky.

First, the company decided not to sell off its plastics division, which would have caused the status of nearly 1,000 workers at the company's adhesives plant in Franklin to be in question. Selling off the adhesives division was part of an original plan that included splitting the company into four parts, which likely would have cast doubt on the situations of most Tyco workers.

According to its spokesman, the company decided to hold on to its plastics division, which had been put up for sale, because of the cash flow it has been generating lately. Holding on to a cash-generating division in a company that lost \$1.9 billion in the three months ending March 31 in contrast to a \$1.1 billion profit a year ago is a smart move.

The second major announcement was that Tyco's plans to close 24 factories and eliminate 7,100 jobs did not affect either one of Franklin's plants.

Company spokesman J. Brad McGee said that while the telecommunications and personal computer parts of the business have been sluggish, the 300-plus workers at the Franklin plant were spared because "the one area of electronics that's doing well is automotive."

Once again, the importance — and ripple effect — of the automotive industry is felt in south-central Kentucky.

Demands by car buyers for more electronics on their cars is good news for the state, where automotive manufacturing and supply has been the fastest-growing major industry during the past decade.

It also shows the importance of increased collaboration between the electronics and automotive industries that, at times, has been discounted at best, strained at worst. This was indicated by presentations at the recent Global Automotive Conference held in Bowling Green.

The absence of Tyco Electronics

from the list of the company's plant closings and job cuts indicate that the strength of the automotive industry and Kentucky's connection with it are probably why the state has not suffered as much as some others in the most recent economic downturn.

# Pickin' & not too

— Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer At first glance, the recent decision by the International Bluegrass Music Association to move its headquarters to Nashville looks like a shot in the gut to Owensboro.

It's hard not to be a little stung by the comments of Dan Hays, the IBMA's executive director.

"Certainly the move isn't without some handwringing on our part," Hays said. "But we need to be on Main Street, not off somewhere else."

So after years as being touted as the future epicenter for bluegrass a proclamation made by many people and groups, including the IBMA Owensboro is now just "off somewhere else," at least in the IBMA's

The people of Owensboro and those who have put their hearts into the bluegrass movement have every right to look at the IBMA as a bunch of ingrates.

The work of Owensboro native Terry Woodward, a founding member and the IBMA's first chairman, was instrumental in the group's start. And it's almost certain that the agency wouldn't have lasted beyond its early days without local support.

Along with unwavering support from local officials, the IBMA received \$20,000 a year, office space and staff, from the Owensboro-Daviess County Tourist Commission.

The IBMA repaid this loyalty by continually turning its back on Owensboro. Five years ago, the IBMA moved its convention, trade show and awards show and Fan Fest to Louisville, a move that cost the local economy an estimated \$2.5 mil-

But at the end of the day, Owensboro will be just fine. We'll still be what we've always been — a city in the heart of bluegrass country that has a chance to capitalize on the music's tradition and growing popu-

# Attention Washington!

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# **Deaths**

#### Mr. Reuben Dale Parker

Mr. Reuben Dale Parker, 83, Cairo, Ill., formerly of Calloway County, died Thursday, May 16, at 4 a.m. at Day Star Care Center in Cairo.

A retired school teacher, he received his master's degree from Murray State University and his doctorate from the University of New Mexico. He taught school at Crown Point, New Mexico; Bunker, Mo.; Cairo, Ill.; Kuttawa and New Concord. He was also a member of Elm Grove Baptist Church and a retired Lt. Colonel of the U.S. Army.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Romie and Delma McCage

Mr. Parker is survived by his wife, Francoise Teberian Parker, Cairo; sister, Mary Kathryn Snell and husband Ray, Frisco, Texas; two nephews, John Parker Snell and wife Cherie, Frisco, and Charles Dale Snell and wife Karla, Berkley, Mich.; one niece, Jennifer Snell Gray and husband John. Plano, Texas; four great-nephews and two great-nieces.

Funeral services were Sunday, May 19, 2002, at 3 p.m. at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home. Rev. David Brasher and Rev. Larry Potts officiated. Burial followed at Elm Grove Cemetery.

Visitation was from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, May 18, at the funeral

#### Mrs. Luvena May Hudson

Mrs. Luvena May Hudson, 88, Murray, died Sunday, May 19, 2002, at 5:07 a.m. at her home.

Born Jan. 26, 1914, in Calloway County, she was a member of First United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hobart D. Hudson; son, James Lunn, and parents, Frank and Bettie Outland Henry.

Mrs. Hudson is survived by three granddaughters, Betty Sledd and husband John, Benton; Kelly Lunn, Teresa, N.Y., and Jennifer Baltzell and husband Dan, Mammassas, Va.; one grandson, James Lunn and wife Vicky, Palms Springs, Fla., and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, May 22, 2002, at 1 p.m. at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home. Rev. Larry Daniel will officiate and burial is to follow at Hicks Cemetery.

Visitation is after 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, at the funeral home.

#### Mrs. Hattie Osbron

Mrs. Hattie Osbron, 87, New Concord, died Saturday, May 18, 2002, at 5 a.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

Born March 7, 1915, in Calloway County, she was a homemaker and a member of New Mount Carmel Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Lewis and Ellen McCuiston Moore and husband, Wavel Osbron.

Mrs. Osbron is survived by four daughters, Dora Corey and husband Dana, New Concord, Brenda Stubblefield and husband Glenn, New Concord, Loretta Meador and husband Bobby, New Concord, and Marsha McClure and husband Don, Murray; seven grandchildren, Ricky Knott, Judy Williams, Roger Stubblefield, Lisa Wurth, Robyn Ridgley, Jeff McClure and Jason McClure; seven great-grandchildren and four great-

Funeral services were Sunday, May 19, 2002, at 1:30 p.m. at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home. Rev. Sammy Cunningham officiated and burial followed at McCuiston Cemetery.

Visitation was after 5:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of donations to New Mt. Carmel Bus Ministry, 610 Dunbar Road, New Concord, 42076.

#### Mrs. Edith M. Story

Mrs. Edith M. Story, 89, Puryear, died Monday, May 20, 2002, at 1:40 a.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

Arrangements are incomplete at Imes-Miller Funeral Home in Hazel.

# Lawmakers praise Labor, blast DOE for claim handling

praising the Department of Labor, but continue to be frustrated by the Department of Energy's handling of claims from the nation's nuclear workers suffering from job-related illnesses and

Congress ordered the Energy Department to help workers file claims under state worker compensation systems. The agency also was supposed to instruct its contractors not to fight the claims, reversing a decades-old practice.

But a DOE proposal allows contractors to contest the findings of medical panels tasked with determining whether workers got sick from on-the-job exposures.

The situation has meant that Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant workers who were sickened by hazardous chemicals are waiting to hear about their claims, while workers with cancer linked to radiation exposure are receiving compensation.

Radiation exposure claims are handled by the Department of Labor. Hazardous chemical claims go to the Department of Energy. "It's frustrating," said U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield,

a Republican whose 1st District includes the Paducah plant.

A group of House members wrote May 9 to Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham to complain that under the agency's proposal, "workers will never receive the justice that Congress - on a bipartisan basis — had intended for diseases and disability incurred while working at DOE facili-

A separate letter from seven senators including Kentucky Republicans Mitch ties.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Lawmakers are McConnell and Jim Bunning - also went to Abraham warning that the department's plan would "shortchange injured workers who deserve full compensation."

"I don't know how else to put it: I have seen no change in the DOE from one administration to the next," Bunning said.

Energy officials have not sent a formal response to the lawmakers.

Richard Miller, a policy analyst for the Government Accountability Project, a Washington watchdog group, said the Energy Department has 11,000 unanswered requests for

Miller, formerly an analyst with the energy workers' union, helped write the compensation program that Congress authorized in October

Under the program, the Department of Labor has been making payments for radiation-related illnesses since mid-2001. Among the largest number of claims being paid are those from Paducah. As of May 13, 254 claims had been paid to Paducah workers or their families out of

"The Department of Labor is doing a great job with its handling of its portion of the program," Bunning said.

Miller said the difference between the Labor Department's effort and the Energy Department's inaction is striking.

"It's all about money," he said. "The DOE doesn't want to spend it on sick workers" whose illnesses came from exposure at Energy facili-

The Labor Department, he said, "doesn't have that kind of conflict."

In Paducah, those who have been helped by the Labor Department with their cancer claims also give the agency good marks.

James Wilkerson, 71, of South Fulton, Tenn., worked as a cascade operator at the Paducah plant from 1953 to 1994, with a four-year break. His lung cancer was discovered last August by a medical screening program set up by Congress for former uranium workers.

"I shudder to think where I'd be today if I hadn't availed myself of that," said Wilkerson, who had a third of his right lung removed.

He said he knew his job exposed him to hazardous substances, but he said he also was a smoker until 1995. The Labor Department knew that and paid him anyway.

"I'm sure there are other cancers out there like mine in people who didn't smoke. In fact, I know a fellow in the same situation with lung cancer, and he didn't smoke," Wilkerson said.

Barry Craig Jr., 78, of Mayfield, is waiting to see if he'll be paid for his colon cancer, which he developed in 1996. Craig was personnel manager for one of the companies that built the Paducah plant. It was a job that required him to go to all parts of the facility.

"As far as being exposed — oh yes, I don't

have any doubt," he said. Craig praised the help he received from Labor

Department workers, calling them "fine people." "I'd be an idiot if I said I didn't hope something materialized," he said. "If not, nothing from nothing is nothing.'

# Nursing home aides could receive background checks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Citing the growing problem of abuse of the elderly, the Senate Aging Committee chairman wants criminal background checks for nursing home workers and expanded powers for the government.

"We have an obligation to protect the fastest-growing segment of the population," Sen. John Breaux, D-La., said before proposing his legislation Monday at a hearing on financial exploitation of older peo-

Breaux's panel was hearing stories of a man who fell prey to a young woman who feigned a romantic interest to obtain his home and money; a woman victimized by home-improvement con ities to immediately report susmen and an elderly man whose pected crimes to law enforcement, new male friend drained his bank

Breaux's bill is the product of an expansive investigation that found increasing and widespread abuse of the elderly and concluded that as many as four out of five such crimes have gone unreported.

Recent surveys indicate that ell over a half-million abuse cases a year are reported to state

adult protection agencies. State and abandoning residents. officials are the primary protectors

that role under the legislation. Breaux said part of the problem is that there is no federal worker whose full-time job is to protect seniors from abuse. "We found out no one really is in charge of this area," he said.

His plan would:

-Create new offices in the Justice and Health and Human Services departments that would help conduct the background checks, coordinate government programs, issue reports and aid in training law enforcement.

-Require long-term care facilwith fines for noncompliance ranging up to \$100,000.

-Mandate criminal background checks for all staff members in long-term care facilities. -Make facilities receiving fed-

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eral payments give a 45-day notice to regulators before shutting down

-Seek training of bank personamiss in an elderly person's

-Create a federal information center on elder abuse, with a Web site to educate the public.

Carl Fiosche, 79, of Tacoma, Wash., described in an interview how a young woman who befriended him in a bank parking lot began to visit regularly, said she wanted a romantic relationship and started asking for money.

"I wasn't thinking clearly," said Fiosche, a retired state real estate investigator and lifelong bachelor. "She said she would take care of me the rest of my life."

He gave the woman about \$70,000 and signed over the deed to his house, which he is now trying to recover in a civil lawsuit. Fiosche moved to an assisted-living facility.

Bill Blevins of Fairfax, Va., elder abuse after learning that a

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cousin, 72-year-old Vaughn Blevins, turned over his life savof the elderly, and still would have nel to recognize when something is ings to a man who hung around places where senior citizens gathered to pass the time.

> "He somehow gained his confidence and access to his bank account," Bill Blevins said. "He talked my cousin into giving him a series of loans for his business. He then began forging some of the checks. He began to dominate this person and controlled every aspect of his life.'

Blevins said he tracked down payments worth \$270,000 to the

Gertrude Gingerich, 72, of Hartly, Del., answered her door to men offering to fix her leaky roof. One of them, an elderly man, identified himself as the father of one of the workers, and convinced Ms. Gingerich they were reliable.

The workmen charged \$4,850, said Gingerich's niece, Catherine Boyle, who later found the workbecame a self-taught expert in ers simply sprayed driveway tar on the roof:

# Four killed in crash on Pennyrile

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky. (AP) — An Indiana man and three teenagers are dead after their vehicles struck each other head on.

Alycia Smith, 19, of Richmond, was driving a GEO Tracker south on the Pennyrile Parkway when she lost control of the vehicle, striking a Honda Accord traveling north, police said.

The crash occurred at 4:45 p.m. CDT Friday about eight miles from cle, Zachary Diel, 23, of Hopkinsville.

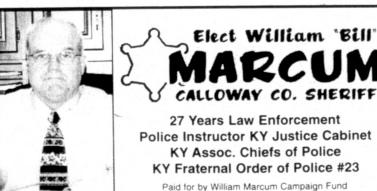
Smith and a passenger, Jesse Williams, 19, of Nixa, Mo., were pronounced dead at the Jennie

Stuart Medical Center in her vehicle because of water on the Hopkinsville immediately after the crash, according to Christian County coroner Dorris Lamb.

One other passenger, 19-yearold Cassandra Hodge of Hopkinsville, died shortly after 5 p.m. Friday while in the intensive care unit at the hospital, state

The driver of the second vehi-Evansville, Ind., was pronounced dead at the hospital after the crash,

Smith apparently lost control of



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# Web chat on mental health parity planned

quality, effective mental health care and overcome the obstacles of stigma, the Bush Administration recently announced the formation of the New Freedom Commission on Mental Health - charged to study the problems and gaps in our current system of mental health treatment and make concrete recommendations for immediate improvements to be implemented at the federal, state and community level as well as public and private health care

SAMHSA Administrator Charles G. Curie will host and online discussion to discuss mental health parity and the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health.

Issues to be addressed include identifying needs of patients, examining barriers to care and investigating community-based care models that have success in coordinating and providing mental health services. The webchat is being held in tion. recognition of May as National Mental Health Month.

The stigma of mental illness often discourages patients from seeking care despite the existence of

In an effort to improve access to new drugs and therapies that have vastly improved the chances for effective treatment and recovery. Without access to necessary and effective quality care, far too many Americans will live with untreated mental illness that too often can lead to homelessness, drug and alcohol addition or incarceration.

> Curie was appointed by President George W. Bush in November 2001 as Administrator of SAMHSA, the lead federal agency for improving the quality and availability of substance abuse prevention, addiction treatment and mental health services in the United States.

He has more than 20 years of professional experience in the mental health and substance arena. His core commitment to ensuring that people with addictive and mental disorders have the opportunity to realize the dream of equal access to full participation in American society has earned him national recogni-

The web chat on mental health parity will take place May 23, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. at www.mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/newsroom/webc



Photo provided A COMPETITION OF WITS ... Academic Team winners from East Elementary School that participated in the District Governor's Cut hosted by East were, from left, Toree Rogers, first place in math; Nathaniel Beam, first in language arts; Kaleigh Stamer, fifth in composition; and Tara Jakaub, second in language arts. Jakaub went on to win second place in math at the Regional Competition. The student's teachers are Sheila Cooper and Janay McKee.



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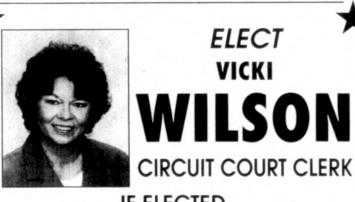
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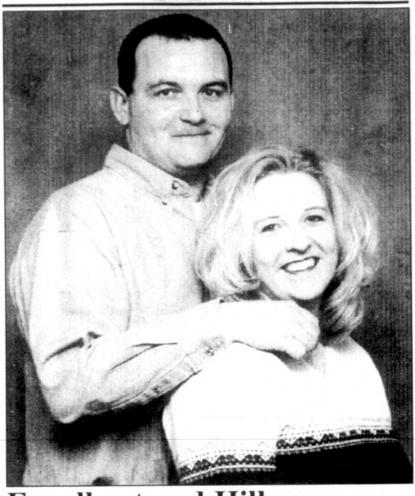
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## **Engelhart and Hill**

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Engelhart of Nokomis, Ill., announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Bridget Sue Engelhart to Joseph David Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hill of Dexter and the late

Miss Engelhart is the granddaughter of Carl and Avo McMillen of Pana, Ill., the late Lorene McMillen, Alice Engelhart of Vienna, N.J. and the late Harvey Engelhart.

She is employed by Hutson's Ag Equipment, Inc., in Murray. Mr. Hill is the grandson of Louise Hill of Almo, the late J.W. Hill and the

late Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Rhodes. He is self-employed in Almo. Wedding vows will be exchanged at 5 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 2002, at First United Methodist Church in Nokomis, Ill. A reception will be held following the ceremony at the Nokomis Community Park House.

# Ladies of Murray Country Club plan annual tournament

On Wednesday, May 22, ladies Trawick, Betty Lowry, Ann Brown, of the Murray Country Club will Diane Villanova; Tee 10- Rebecca have their annual Lamb Memorial Londalt, Patty Vetter, Toni Hopson.

will be as follows: Tee 1a- Betty Jo Purdom, Jerelene Sullivan, Vee Severns, Inus Orr: Tee 1b- Ann was held on Wednesday, May 15, Stanley, Beth Belote, Beverly Reuter, Louise Lamb; Tee 3- Linda Burgess, Cyndi Cohoon, Sue Outland, Betty Stewart.

Jones, Peggy Shoemaker, Freda Steely: Tee 8- Barbara Gray, Marilyn Adkins, Norma Frank. Carolyn Sanning: Tee 9- Nancy Putts - Betty Stewart.

Lunch will be served after game The line-up for the tournament play is finished for \$5 a player.

Winners from ladies day, which were: Championship - Jerelene Sullivan, first, and Ve Severns, second: First Flight - Nancy Trawick, first, and Evelyn Jones, second; Tee 5- Venela Ward, Evelyn Second Flight - Barbara Gray, first, and Peggy Shoemaker, second; Third Flight - Beverly Reuter, first, and Carolyn Sanning, second; Low

# Ladies of the Oaks hold golf scramble, tournament

Club held their Spring Tournament on Saturday, May 11.

Winners of the tournament were: First Flight - Rowena Sanders and Mary Houston, first; Sue Stone and Shelba Barnett, second; Helen Tucker and Delana McCuiston, third; Linda Pate and Shirley Wade, fourth; Second Flight - Laura Parker and Sue Wells, first; Dot Finch and

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The Ladies of the Oaks Country Irene Woods, second; Mary Alice Garner and Mary Alice Smith, third. The ladies also held their regular golf outing on Wednesday, May 15.

Winners of the scramble were: First - Linda Pate and Mary Alice Garner; Second - Shirley Wade and Shelba Barnett; Third - Martha Broach and Wanda Lawson.

The ladies next golf date will be Wednesday, May 22, at 9:30 a.m. Pairings will be made at the clubhouse and Laura Parker and Burleen Brewer will be hostesses.

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### Rape Crisis Center seeks volunteers

The Rape Crisis Center is looking for volunteers for its hospital advocacy program and 24-hour Crisis Line in McCracken, Calloway, Marshall and Graves Counties. Those interested must submit to a criminal background check and attend an intensive 40-hour training course, required by the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Training sessions will be conducted from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Murray from June 17 through June 20. Once training is completed, volunteers may choose a work schedule that best fits their life, but all on call hours will be between 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. the next day.

For more information about the volunteer program, or any of its services, contact Kelly Hicks at (270) 534-4422. Individuals fluent in Spanish or American Sign Language are urged to consider this volunteer opportunity. The Rape Crisis Center is a United Way agency.

Quilter's satellite group to meet

A New Satellite Group of the Western Kentucky-Tennessee Stitcher's Chapter of the Embroider's Guild of America will meet Tuesday, May 21, at 6 p.m. at Quilter's Alley, 417 N. Third Street in Paducah. For more information, call Mary at (270) 436-5824 or Pat (270) 443-1256.

Health Express schedules stop

Health Express will be at Cheri Theatres on Tuesday, May 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Blood pressure and pulse checks will be offered in addition to glaucoma screenings.

Hospital retirees to meet

Hospital retirees will be meeting for lunch on Tuesday, May 21, at 11 a.m. at the Big Apple Cafe.

Kirksey WOW to meet

Woodmen of the World Lodge 170 in Kirksey will meet Tuesday, May 21, at 6 p.m. at Boulder's Restaurant. All lodge members are encouraged to attend. For further information, call 489-6251.

**Quilt lovers meeting set** 

The next Quilt Lovers of Murray meeting will be Tuesday, May 21, beginning at 6 p.m. in the community room of the Calloway County Public Library. Lois Ruiz will be presenting a program on "How Does Your Garden Grow - Paper Piercing." For more information, contact Margie Vander Luitgaren at (731) 232-8240.

Kappa department to meet

There will be a general meeting of the Murray Woman's Club Thursday, May 23, at 6:30 p.m. at the clubhouse. This will be a salad supper. Attendance at the general meeting is encouraged. Martha Crafton will be leader of the memorial service, the music department chorus will provide the music and Barbara Brandon will instal new officers for the coming year.

#### Mother to Mother to meet

Mother to Mother, Murray's play group for breastfeeding moms, will be sponsoring a Baby Yoga demonstration by Dani Hobsgood on Thursday, May 23, at 10:30 a.m. in the annex of the Calloway County Public Library. If the weather is nice, the group will meet in the park behind the library. For more information, contact Allison at 753-0975, Michele at 437-3110 or Kim at 759-4746.

Relay cookout planned

Marshall County will be holding a Relay for Life cookout on Friday, May 24, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Marshall County Courthouse lawn on Main Street. There will also be a yard sale beginning at 8 a.m. that day. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

Alpha Department to meet

The Alpha Department of the Murray Woman's Club will meet Saturday, May 25, at 9:30 a.m. in the annex of First United Methodist Church. Chuck Shuffet will provide the program "Famous and Infamous Happenings in Calloway County History" and Susan O'Neill will give the inspirational

#### Cemetery sets aside time for questions

Someone will be on hand at Green Plains Cemetery to answer questions about upkeep on Monday, May 27, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, contact Buddy L. White at (270) 492-8419.

Alzheimer's group discussion planned

There will be an Alzheimer's Disease Support Group-Group Discussion on Tuesday, May 28, at 4:30 p.m. in the board room of Murray-Calloway County Hospital. For more information, contact Cindy Ragsdale at 762-

**Health Express schedules stop** 

Health Express will be at First United Methodist Church on Wednesday, May 29, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Blood pressure and pulse checks will be offered in addition to glaucoma screen-

MHS baseball banquet set

The annual Murray High School Tiger Baseball Banquet will be held on Saturday, June 1, at 6 p.m. in the third floor banquet room of Murray State University's Curris Center. The Diamond Club will be hosting the event and all players, coaches and Diamond Girls will be guests. Parents, grandparents and friends may purchase tickets at the high school office for \$10 each until May 24.

AA meetings scheduled

Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) will meet at 8 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, and 4 p.m. on Sunday at the American Legion Hall, Maple and South Sixth Streets, Murray. The only requirement for attendance is a desire to stop drinking. For information call 436-5073 or 436-5675.

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A PICTURESQUE MEETING ... The Creative Arts Department of the Murray Woman's Club ended their year with a brunch at the home of member Lillie Fugua, who lives in a log home on the lake with a wrap-around porch. Officers, right photo, from left, Lillie Fuqua, Kay Ray, Vicky Holton, Janet Wallis and Ve Severns served as hostesses at the brunch. Members also viewed artwork by their Annette Schmidt Art Scholarship recipient, Michele Moode, photo at left, who was also invited to the brunch.



WINNERS LINE...Members of the Calloway County, 4-H Horse Junior Judging Team coached by Robin Sprague, Murray State University agriculture student, recently placed in an area competition and will be traveling to state competition in Hippology and Horse Bowl. Members of the junior team are Molly Anderson, Will Blackford, Layla Choate, Courtney Fuqua, Rachel Talent, Ben Tidwell and Blakely Young.



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### **Kenlake Ladies** hold games

Twenty-four of the Kenlake Ladies took part in their weekly games at Kenlake State Park.

The points game was won by Dotty Elliott. There was a four-way tie for second place between Hazel Hill, Priscilla Holt, Daisy Durham and Delana McCuiston.

Mary Madajczyk came in with a low score of 40 for the nine holes. "Chip-Ins" were made by Anita Thomas on number one, Priscilla Holt on number one and Evelyn Blivin on number seven.

"Birdies" were made by Anita Thomas on number one, Mary Madajczyk on number five and Betty Cardwell on number eight.

Evelyn Blivin made her goal when she shot a par on number four. Cathy Thompson has low putts of 13.

Other ladies present were: Bobbe Manning, Gloria Theis, Susan Thetford, Louise Parker, Jamie Mullins, Helen Hubbs, Armstrong, JoAnn Marge Wardynski, Fran Picha, Betty Judah, Brenda Baker, Janice Curd Helen Roberts and Freda Elkins.

#### **Birth**

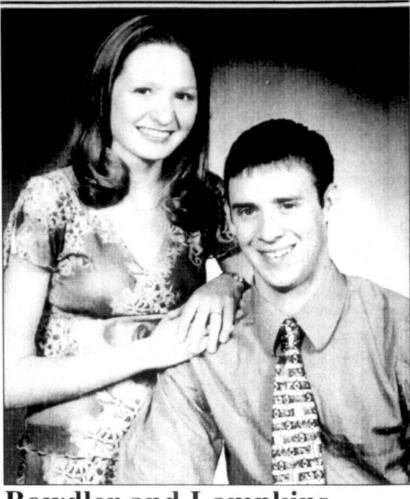
#### **Madison Louise** Adams

April and Scott Adams are the parents of a girl, Madison Louise Adams, born April 16, 2002, at 4:49 p.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

The baby weighed eight pounds, two ounces and measured 19 inches. The mother is the former April

Grandparents are Herman and Rita Carrol, Almo; Kenneth and Shiela Adams, Mayfield; Helen Carrol, Murray; James and Francis Adams, Farmington; Carlos and Virginia Blalock, Mayfield; and Gracie Whitt, Farmington.

# **Engagement**



### **Bowdler and Lampkins**

Dale and Tonya Mick of Mt. Vernon, Ill., and Rick Bowdler and Jeanne Prange of Radom, Ill., announce the engagement of their daughter, Brandi Gwen Bowdler, to Scott Wesley Lampkins, son of David and Teri Lampkins

The bride-elect recently completed her Master's degree in organizational communication from Murray State University and her position as a graduate teaching assistant for courses in public speaking and interpersonal communication. In May 2002, she received her undergraduate degree in

The groom-elect is a 2001 graduate of Murray State University with his undergraduate degree in agricultural business. He is currently employed with Embrex, Inc., a biotechnical company based out of North Carolina.

A September 7 wedding in being planned at Rend Lake Resort in Illinois. The couple plans to reside in Kentucky.

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# Sports

Monday, May 20, 2002

# 'Breds fourth seed for tourney Taylor

Staff Report

Murray Ledger & Times

CHARLESTON, Ill. — Even a doubleheader sweep at the hands of Eastern Illinois wasn't enough to Murray Thoroughbreds from earning the No. 4 seed in this week's Ohio Valley Conference Baseball Tournament.

The 'Breds — who finished the regular season with a 19-31 overall record and a 10-11 mark in OVC play after Saturday's 14-9 and 12-4 losses - open tournament play on Wednesday at 7 p.m. against No. 3 seed Austin Peay State (29-25, 12-9

In other first-round action on Wednesday at Paducah's Brooks Stadium, No. 2 seed Eastern Illinois will take on No. 5 seed Tennessee

Tech at 11 a.m. That contest will be followed by top seed Southeast Missouri State's opener against No. 6 seed Morehead State at approximately 3 p.m.

The tournament, a double-elimination format, runs through Saturday at Brooks Stadium. The first three days of the tournament will include three games each day. Saturday's championship contest is scheduled for 1 p.m. If a second title tilt is needed, it would start at approximately 4 p.m.

Murray clinched its berth in the league's showcase event with Friday's 12-2 rout of the Panthers. However, EIU (23-24, 12-8) exacted revenge in Saturday's twinbill, overcoming a 7-0 'Breds lead in Game'1 and then managed two five-run. innings to rout MSU in the nightcap.

**OVC Baseball** Final Standings Overall Souheast Missouri 32-17 23-24 12-9

Eastern Illinois\* Austin Peav\* Murray State<sup>4</sup> Tennessee Tech\* 26-25 Morehead State\* 29-25 Tennessee-Martin 18-33 \* Qualified for this v

> **OVC Tournament Schedule** Wednesday

G1 — Eastern III vs. Tenn. Tech, 11 a.m. G2 - SEMO vs. Morehead St. 3 p.m. G3 — Austin Peay vs. Murray St., 7 p.m. G4 - G1 loser vs. G2-loser, 11 a.m. G5 - G1 winner vs G3 loser, 3 p.m.

G6 - G2 winner vs G3 winner, 7 p.m.

Junior second baseman Ronnie Seets got the 'Breds started in Game I with a three-run home run in the lead

The MSU advantage was stretched to seven in the top of the second. But the Panthers got two homers each from Pete Pirman and Ben Duke while the trio of Brian Nickell, Nolan Cork and Ryan Kohl also left the yard.

round-trippers in the comeback

Third baseman John David Thicke led the 'Breds offensively with a 2-for-4 performance at the plate, including a double and two Satterfield also went 2-for-4 with an RBI and two runs scored.

Senior right-hander Mike Noonan (2-3) took the loss in relief, allowing five runs on five hits, strik-

first inning to help Murray to a 4-0 ing out two and walking two in 1 2-3 innings.

In Game 2, the 'Breds again scored first with a first-inning run. But EIU retaliated with five runs in the bottom of the third inning and five more in the fifth to take control of the contest.

Panther batters hit four home In all, EIU batters hit eight runs in the game, including grand slams by Pirman and Kohl.

MSU shortstop Mike Voyles hit his fifth home run of the spring — a two-run shot in the fifth — to bring the 'Breds to within 5-4. But Kohl hit his grand slam in the bottom half runs scored. Left fielder Todd of the frame to keep EIU ahead for

> Craig Ringwald (4-3) took the loss, allowing five runs on four hits, striking out one and walking one in two-plus innings.

# Cubs end nine-game skid 5-4

By The Associated Press

The Chicago Cubs were playing so poorly, they had no problem waiting a couple of extra innings for a

Rookie Bobby Hill hustled home for a run in the ninth, then scored on Corey Patterson's sacrifice fly in the 11th to lift the Cubs over the Milwaukee Brewers 5-4.

The Cubs stopped a nine-game losing streak, rallying from a 3-0 deficit entering the eighth.

"A lot of little things finally turned our way. That wasn't happening during the losing streak," manager Don Baylor said.

"When we got down in the ball game, I think everybody started thinking. 'Here we go again." he said. "But we got a couple big hits and plays.

The Cubs, off to a 14-27 start, are hoping more good things are on the way. On Wednesday, prized pitcher Mark Prior is supposed to be promoted to make his first major league start, at Wrigley Field against Pittsburgh.

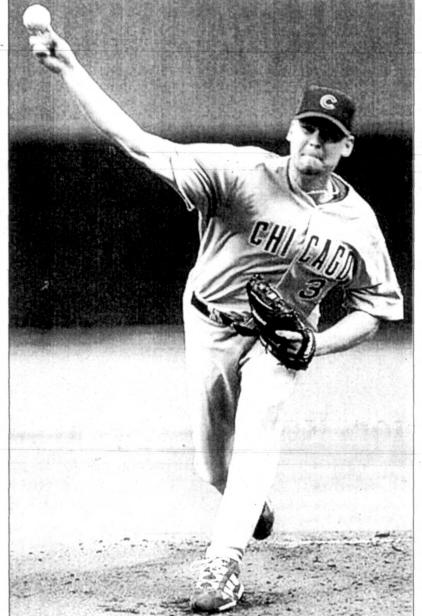
In other NL games, Pittsburgh beat Houston 5-3; Florida stopped San Francisco 4-2; Los Angeles routed Montreal 10-1; Philadelphia topped Arizona 4-3; Atlanta downed Colorado 2-1, St. Louis dropped Cincinnati 10-1; and San Diego defeated New York 4-3.

Fred McGriff's two-run homer gave the Cubs a 3-all tie in the eighth.

In the ninth, Hill tagged up and scored when shortstop Luis Lopez caught Bill Mueller's soft fly to shallow left and was not in position to throw home

After Geoff Jenkins' homer made it 4-all in the bottom of the ninth at Miller Park, the Cubs won it in the

Hill drew a leadoff walk, moved up on a wild pitch, was sacrificed to third and scored easily on Patterson's fly.



STREAK BUSTER...Kerry Wood allowed just three runs and three hits while striking out six in seven innings as the Cubs broke a nine-game losing streak with Sunday's 5-4 victory.

In the bottom of the 11th, Hill caught Lenny Harris' line drive and base to end the game

Dodgers 10, Expos 1

Pitcher Andy Ashby connected for his first major league home run in his 473rd at-bat and Los Angeles

routed Montreal at Dodger Stadium. Los Angeles scored in each of the first six innings and tied season highs for runs and hits (15). Eric Karros and Chad Kreuter hit tworun homers and Paul Lo Duca went

#### Braves 2, Rockies 1

Julio Franco homered in the doubled up Eric Young at second eighth inning for his first RBI of the season as Atlanta won another lowscoring game at Coors Field.

Franco, who got into the game as part of a double switch in the seventh, began the day batting .183 with one extra-base hit in 71 at-bats.

Marlins 4, Giants 2

Josh Beckett pitched one-hit ball for seven innings and Preston Wilson hit a three-run homer as Florida won at rainy Pacific Bell

# Nets take first game of Eastern finals 104-97

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Maybe Byron Scott is right. The New Jersey Nets aren't going to get much respect until they make it to the NBA Finals.

The Nets beat Boston 104-97 Sunday in the opener of the Eastern ence semifinal. Conference finals. That didn't stop the Celtics from becoming the latest opponent to discredit the Nets.

'This ain't nothing, no sense worrying about this," said point guard Kenny Anderson, acknowledging the Celtics were lax in their first conference final appearance

"Right now, this is over with," he added. "I have been around my team long enough that I know we are one else on a consistent level, espegoing to come all out Tuesday. This cially on defense. was just a practice run, like to see what they threw at us."

eltics was an un-tempo transition game that Boston had better find a way to defend in Game 2 at New Jersey on Tuesday night. If they don't, this could be a quick best-of-

Sacramento on Monday night, with paint.

the Lakers ahead 1-0.

New Jersey got one easy basket after another in embarrassing a Celtics defense that had limited Detroit to an average of 75 points in the final four games of the confer-

Jason Kidd again led the way, recording his first triple double of this postseason with 18 points, 13 rebounds and 11 assists. Seven Nets finished in double figures in scoring with Kerry Kittles, Keith Van Horn and Todd MacCulloch all adding 14 Boston got 27 points apiece from

its one-two punch of Paul Pierce and Antoine Walker, but little from any-"We didn't even play a lick of

defense all night," said Pierce, who What the Nets tossed at the averaged 37 points against the Nets in the regular season

Twenty of the Nets' 30 baskets in the first three quarters came on layups, dunks or shots within 10

New Jersey shot 49 percent and In the West, Los Angeles plays at outscored the Celtics 48-20 in the

# Rockets get top pick

SECAUCUS, N.J. (AP) — The first member of the Houston Rockets to know the team won the NBA draft lottery wasn't coach Rudy Tomjanovich or general manager Carroll Dawson.

It wasn't even star point guard Steve Francis, who was decked out in a lavender suit and matching sunglasses to represent the team at the official unveiling of the draft order in an NBA Entertainment TV studio.

Nope, it was Nelson Luis, Houston's director of communications since September.

That's because Luis sat in on the actual pingpong selection process Sunday with 11 other team reps (the Bucks chose not to have anyone there), a handful of NBA types, an accountant and four reporters. All were sequestered for two hours in a conference room two floors above the studio and ordered not to tell anyone what happened until the NBA announced the results at halftime of the Nets-Celtics game.

# earns state berth

Staff Report Murray Ledger & Times

PADUCAH. Calloway County's Kelly Taylor became the first Lady Laker tennis player to qualify for the state tournament Saturday since CCHS' 1987 girls' squad gave Lone Oak its only loss in First Region Tournament history.

Top seed Liz Conyer of Lone Oak won the girls' singles tournament at the Lone Oak Tennis Center by defeating Taylor 6-0, 6-0 in the final. Conver did not drop a game in her five tourna-

ment matches. But Taylor, the region's No. 2 seed, earned a spot in the state meet May 30-June 1 at the University of Kentucky in Lexington by defeating fifthseeded Joanna Paxton of St. Mary 6-2, 6-2 in Saturday's semifinal round.

"This is a great opportunity for the program and for Kelly because she's only a freshman," said Calloway head coach Peter O'Rourke, who will learn of Taylor's draw at Tuesday's state pairing meeting in Lexington.

"Conyer has been waiting in the wings for two years, so I told Kelly to take advantage of playing Liz. You only get better by playing better people.'

Taylor did not lose a set until the final and yielded just 10 games in her four matches prior to meeting Conyer.

Lone Oak won the girls' team title with 20 points, while St. Mary took second with 13 and Paducah Tilghman and Mayfield tied for third with eight, two points ahead of CCHS in fifth.

Murray High finished in a tie for eighth with four points with Heath, one point behind University Heights Academy.

Tilghman took the boys' team title with 17 points while Lone Oak finished second with 13 and Murray tied Mayfield for third with 6.

MHS had three entries in the quarterfinals with fifth-seeded Boone Lane and unseeded James Ouertermous in singles and the No. 6 doubles team of Chase Lambert and Josh Dunn, which fell 6-0, 6-0 to the eventual runners-up Ches Gibson and Chad Little of Tilghman.

Calloway's boys tied Ballard Memorial, Caldwell County, Graves County and Lyon County for ninth in the tournament with one point.

# **Baffert gets another Triple Crown shot**

Baffert never heard of War Emblem gears and goes like the tank's never six weeks ago. In 19 days, he and his newfound friend will attempt to do what hasn't been done in 24 years - win the Triple Crown.

"There's not a 3-year-old out there that can beat him," said Baffert, who twice before came agonizingly close to training Triple Crown winners.

This time, he thinks War Emblem has what it takes to get the job done.

empty." he said of his latest Kentucky Derby-Preakness winner. "There's nobody faster than him. He just goes.

Baffert first set eyes on the jetblack colt April 6. The white-haired trainer was in the paddock at Santa Anita Park, watching the Illinois Derby on TV.

"I never heard of that horse until he won," Baffert said Sunday morn-

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"This guy keeps throwing it into ing. about 14 hours after War Emblem won the Preakness Stakes by three-quarters of a length over long shot Magic Weisner.

"I thought, 'Wow!' We were

watching Repent and that horse just kicked and I said, 'Man!' And Repent ran a hell of a race.' Five days after War Emblem won

the race by 6 1/4 lengths, the colt landed in Baffert's barn thanks to good friend Saudi Prince Ahmed bin Salman, who shelled out \$900,000 for a 90 percent interest.

War Emblem proceeded to duplicate the win with another gate-towire victory, this time in the Kentucky Derby

Then, he rated off the lead and won the Preakness, proving he's not a one-dimensional horse. In the Belmont Stakes in New

York on June 8, he'll try to become the 12th Triple Crown winner and first since Affirmed in 1978. Baffert is confident, and came

close to a guarantee of victory. "I don't want to jinx myself," he said, "but I'd start getting my room

reservations and everything. Can War Emblem cover the 1 1/2 miles, longer than any, 3-year-old has ever run?

"Piece of cake," Baffert said.

So this is the winner, right? "You all have been waiting for

that super horse," he said. "You've got him.

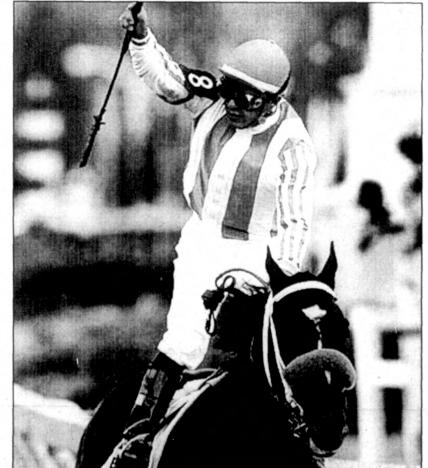
Baffert is well-versed in Triple tries — with Silver Charm in 1997 and Real Quiet in 1998. Both won the Derby and Preakness but lost the Belmont — Silver Charm by threequarters of a length to Touch Gold and Real Quiet by a nose to Victory

War Emblem is different. Unlike Silver Charm and Real Quiet, he loves to run in front, and he wasn't pooped after the Preakness like Silver Charm and Real Quiet.

"As long as I keep him healthy and at this level, then I'll probably feel stronger about this Triple Crown then I've ever felt about the other two," Baffert said. "The only reason it will be tough is if between now and then he were to go backwards on me.'

Now that trainer Nick Zito's duo is out of the Belmont - Straight Gin sustained a career-ending injury in the race and Crimson Hero was seventh, he'll be rooting for a Triple Crown.

He said War Emblem has everything in his favor, but anything can happen.



WIN NO. 2. War Emblem and jockey Victor Espinoza cross the finish line victorious in last Saturday's Preakness Stakes, giving the horse wins in the first two legs of racing's Triple Crown.

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# Lakers wait for Kings to prove themselves worthy

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) - Rick Fox is waiting for the Sacramento Kings to prove they pose a true threat to the Los Angeles Lakers' drive for a third championship.

Until the Kings turn the Western Conference finals into a challenge for the Lakers, Fox will continue to do what he does best: play tough on the court, and talk tough in the locker room.

"They've got to show that they can take us on," Fox said Sunday. "We won Game 1, and we didn't have to do anything spectacular. We just played good, solid basketball. I don't know what else they can do to us, but I hope they've got something."

The Lakers took early control of yet another playoff series Saturday, beating the Kings 106-99. Game 2 in the best-of-seven series is Monday night at Arco Arena.

While the Lakers and Kings worked out Sunday, New Jersey beat Boston 104-97 in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference finals. Game 2 is at New Jersey on Tuesday night.

In the first all-California conference final in 29 years, the Kings was recover after the calm, nearly dispassionate, victory by the two-time champions in the opener.

"Everybody has to try to knock off the best, but they know they're the best," Chris Webber said. ""It's tough having them in your conference, in your division, but what can you do about it?"

Only Fox, the Lakers' designated enforcer and trash talker, even bothered to needle Sacramento, which hasn't been this deep in the playoffs since 1981.



Chris Webber

calls the Lakers' "armor of champions." The unstoppable. team led by Shaquille O'Neal and Kobe Bryant has won 24 of its last 26 playoff

Sacramento could take solace in a recent playoff pattern. The Kings have held home-The Kings regrouped Sunday, hoping to court advantage in four series over the last dent what Sacramento coach Rick Adelman two seasons, and they lost one of the first

win all three previous series.

'We've talked a lot to our team about playing our game and not getting caught up in the excitement of being in the conference finals," Adelman said. "We let it get to us in the first quarter. We came back hard in three quarters, but against the Lakers, you're still going to have a hard time winning."

O'Neal said the Lakers played one of their most complete games of the season in Game 1. They raced to a big first-quarter lead and never let it slip below five points, even as Bobby Jackson led a fourth-quarter rally while Los Angeles made nine late turnovers.

O'Neal has been hobbled by injuries but led the way on defense. Running the court more aggressively than he did at any other point in the playoffs, O'Neal turned away several Sacramento fast breaks simply by his

"All of our guys made the effort to play tough defense," O'Neal said. "We had to slow them down, and we did it."

Coach Phil Jackson wasn't surprised the Lakers responded to a hostile arena with their best quarter of the postseason. Fox, Derek Fisher and Robert Horry all hit key first-quarter baskets to back O'Neal and Bryant - and with such options, the Lakers were

"It's one thing when Shaq and Kobe are beating you, but when Robert Horry starts making shots, sometimes you've just got to forget it," Sacramento's Scot Pollard said. "If Horry and Fox and those guys played every night the way they did in the first half, they'd lose about two times a year."

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# Stephenson, Cards rip Reds

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A rough start didn't ruin Garrett Stephen-

Stephenson shook off a leadoff homer to Barry Larkin and three walks in the first two innings, helping the St. Louis Cardinals beat the Cincinnati Reds 10-1 on Sunday. He won for the first time since September 2000.

"I wasn't working very fast the first two innings," Stephenson said.

Mud Dogs

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tourney

Murray Ledger & Times

ANNA, III. - The Murray Mud

Dogs outscored their opponents

43-8 on the way to their first

tournament win of the year, capped

by a 6-3 triumph over the rival

Paducah Storm in the finals of

the Kapaha Bank/A-J USSSA Invi-

ing from starter Chess Volp (4-1)

and a three-inning save from Josh

Reynolds as the pair scattered seven

Paducah hits in the championship

10 walks, aggressive baserunning and solid defense, in the form of

two double plays, was the for-

mula the 'Dogs used in the cham-

pionship as they evened their sea-

son series with the Storm at 2-2

and snapped Paducah's 18-game

with three in the fifth inning

ing staff back to full strength, and that really helped this weekend," said 'Dogs coach Kevin Lamb.

up and down the lineup this week-

ed a 12-4 win over the West Paducah Pirates behind six innings

from Burks (1-0) in his first extend-

ed start of the year after shoul-

The Mud Dogs rolled into Sun-

pool-play wins, beating the Vien-

na (III.) Cardinals 15-0 and the Tri-County (III.) Travelers 10-1.

Cole Hurt (4-2) and Casey

Brockman combined to one-hit

Vienna. Bradley Cobb's one-hitter

against the Travelers included 10

led by Burks and Matt Vinson

with four hits each. Cobb, McClure

and Hurt each had three hits. Brock-

man also had three hits, including the 'Dogs' only tourney homer, an inside-the-park job against Tri-

The Mud Dogs will travel to

Mayfield this weekend to battle

11 other clubs in the RC Cola USSSA Memorial Day Tournament.

For the weekend, Murray was

strikeouts in five innings.

County

up with seventh-inning relief.

In the semifinals, Murray post-

against Paducah (29-6).

end. It was a team win.'

Murray broke open a 3-2 game

"We're just getting our pitch-

win streak

Two timely knocks coupled with

Murray (15-6) got strong pitch-

Staff Report

tational tournament.

"The faster I work, the better I do, that's just how it's always been."

Three-run home runs by Eli Marrero and Tino Martinez powmade it eight victories in 10 games. They're 5-1 so far on a 10-game homestand.

Pirates on Sept. 11, 2000. He missed was his fifth start of the season, all of last season after undergoing and only the second he lasted long reconstructive elbow surgery.

Larkin's homer was the only ered a 10-hit attack against four damage in five innings against Reds pitchers as the Cardinals Stephenson, who struck out five Acevedo (4-2). Jim Edmonds startand walked three.

Stephenson has made two starts since coming off the disabled list enough to qualify for a victory.

Marrero's second homer capped a four-run fourth against Jose ed the inning with a single, Martinez was hit by a pitch and Edgar Renteria singled to load the bases and Kerry Robinson beat out the

#### A 16-game winner in 2000, from a lower back strain. The back Stephenson waited 20 months for is not a factor, but he's still both-relay to first on a double play his next victory since beating the ered by a sore left hamstring. This ball for the first run.

As soon as Greg Vaughn remembered how to hit home runs, the Tampa Bay slugger hasn't stopped hitting them.

Vaughn enjoyed his second consecutive twohomer game following a 9 1/2-month drought, leading the Devil Rays to a 4-0 victory over the Baltimore Orioles on Sunday.

"If I could explain it I would have hit them a long time ago," Vaughn said. "It's funny, you know. You take good swings and you don't get any results, and then you go on a little run. So I'm

Vaughn, who snapped a homerless drought spanning 222 at-bats with a pair of shots Saturday night, hit his third and fourth homers of the season. He now has 348 career home runs, and four in his last eight at-bats.

Vaughn is hitting a major league-worst .129, but became the first player in Tampa Bay history to

have consecutive two-homer games. It was the first time he's had back-to-back multihomer games.

mind I'm saying, 'Let's keep it going," Vaughn said. "That was the biggest challenge for me today - let's get back out there and keep your swing and confidence."

nesota 0; Boston 3, Seattle 2; Anaheim 6, Chicago 1; Toronto 11, Oakland 0; Kansas City 5, Cleveland 4; and Detroit 2, Texas 1.

At Camden Yards, Vaughn hammered a 1-1 pitch from Orioles starter Scott Erickson (3-4) into leftcenter for a 2-0 lead in the fourth.

After Jason Tyner's RBI single in the fifth made it 3-0, Vaughn hit the first pitch he saw from reliever Willis Roberts for a solo blast in the eighth.

"It certainly seems like we got Greg Vaughn hot, which was just a matter of time for him,"

# Vaughn homers twice for Rays

#### By The Associated Press

just going to try to enjoy the run."

"Last night was good, but in the back of my

In other AL games, it was: New York 3, Min-

Orioles manager Mike Hargrove said.

#### Serena ROME (AP) — Serena Williams rankings, her highest yet and one

is moving up in the rankings right behind her sister - and looking like a real threat for the French

She beat Belgium's Justin Henin 7-6 (6), 6-4 on Sunday to win the Italian Open, her third title of the year and the first of her career

spot behind her older sister. Venus like to be." Williams withdrew from this French Open tuneup because of a wrist

"This year I have very specific goals of where I want to be at the end of the year," said Serena Williams, when asked if her aim was to overtake her sister in the She advanced to No. 3 in the rankings. "I have no other choice,

Her title comes just more than a week before the May 27 start of the French Open, the only Grand Slam event played on clay.

"A lot of people insist I'm not a clay-court player, although I am," Williams said. "So it makes me feel really good, especially going into Roland Garros.

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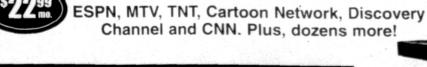




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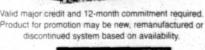
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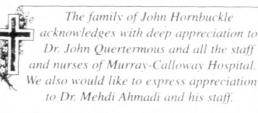
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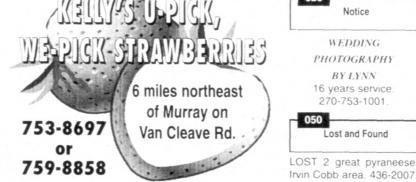


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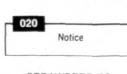
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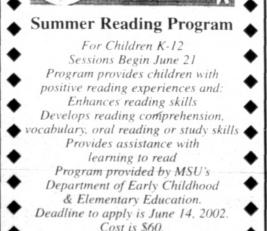
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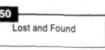




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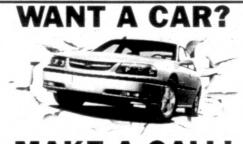
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DR. DOBSON: The wonderful thing about the way human beings are designed is their marvelous variability and complexity. We are all different and unique.

My previous discussions of aggressive, risk-



Focus on the Family By Dr. James

resent an effort to characterize young males. showing what is ypical and how hey are different from their However, they also differ from

taking boys rep-

one another on a thousand traits. Dobson I remember President taking my 10year-old son and his friend on a skiing trip one day. As we rode the

gondola to the top of the mountain.

I prepared to take a picture of the

two boys with the beautiful land-

scape visible behind them. Ryan, my son, was smiling and clowning for the camera, while Ricky was just sitting quietly. Ryan then asked Ricky to wave and goof off like he was doing. Ricky replied solemnly, "I'm not that kind of per-

It was true. The two boys were at opposite ends of the continuum in their personalities. I still have that picture of the two kids — one going crazy and the other appearing bored half to death. Each of them was "all boy."

Your son is certainly not alone in his characteristic shyness. According to the New York Longitudinal Study, approximately 15 percent of babies are somewhat quiet and passive in the nursery. That feature of their temperaments tends to be persistent throughout childhood and beyond.

They may be very spontaneous or funny when they are comfortable at home. When they are with strangers, however, their tongues are thrust into their cheeks and they don't know what to say.

Some kids are like this because they have been hurt or rejected in the past. The more likely explanation is that they were born that way.

Some parents are embarrassed by the introversion of their children and try to change them. It is a fool's errand. No amount of goading or pushing by their parents will make them outgoing, flamboyant and confident.

My advice to you is to go with the flow. Accept your child just the way he is made. Then look for those special qualities that give your boy individuality and potential. Nurture him. Cultivate him. And then give him time to develop into his own unique personality like no other human being on Earth.

OUESTION: Our pediatrician told us he believes our son may have attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD). Can you tell us what is known about this prob-

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These children have a pattern of behavior that sets them up for failure in school and conflict with their parents. They have difficulty finishfocusing on a book or assignment, or even remaining seated for more than a few minutes.

Some appear to be driven from within as they race wildly from one thing to another. They are often very bright and creative, yet they're seen as lazy, disruptive and terribly disorganized. ADD and ADHD children often

suffer from low self-esteem because they have been berated as goof-offs and anarchists who refuse to follow the rules. They sometimes have few friends because they can drive everyone crazy — even those their own age.

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movie took in \$116.3 million in its first four days and became the second-fastest film — behind only

"Spider-Man" — to top \$100 million. After grossing \$30.1 million on opening day Thursday, "Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones" collected \$86.15 million Friday to Sunday, the third-highest debut ever for a three-day weekend, behind "Spider-Man" and "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone.

"Attack of the Clones" did not approach boxoffice records set two weeks ago by "Spider-Man," which debuted with \$114.8 million in three days. But "Episode II" had a faster start than its 1999 predecessor, "Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace," which opened on a Wednesday and took five days to reach \$105 million.

"We're delighted with this performance," said Bruce Snyder, head of distribution for 20th Century Fox, which releases the "Star Wars" movies. "'Star Wars' opened with 'Spider-Man' in the marketplace, something that's extraordinarily popular. It's another 800-pound gorilla, and we still opened to spectacular numbers.

Playing in 3,161 theaters, "Attack of the Clones" averaged a whopping \$27,254. The film opened in about 450 fewer theaters than "Spider-Man" because "Star Wars" creator George Lucas was choosy about locations, insisting on top-of-theline cinemas with digital sound.

It's the same strategy applied to "Phantom Menace," which did not break opening-weekend records but had more staying power than most blockbusters, climbing to \$431 million, No. 4 on the all-time list.

"No apologies need to be made for an opening this big," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations. "This is the fifth installment of 'Star Wars,' and for this film to do so well these many years later and still be this relevant, it's a testament to the power of Lucas' vision and the allure it has for audiences.

Only one major movie opened against "Attack of the Clones," the Hugh Grant romance "About a Boy," which came in at No. 4 with \$8.4 million in 1,207 theaters for a healthy \$6,959 average.

'Spider-Man" slipped to No. 2 in its third weekend but held up well with \$46 million, bringing its total to \$286.5 million in 17 days. The film already ranks 14th on the all-time domestic box-office chart, just behind "The Empire Strikes Back."

By next weekend, "Spider-Man" should be pushing the top five on its way to \$400 million and

"I think we're in both a sprint and a marathon," said Jeff Blake, head of distribution and marketing for Sony, which released "Spider-Man." "We're breaking records very quickly, but we also seem to be running a long way, as well."

The latest record for "Spider-Man" was hitting

'Clones' hits \$100 million mark in four days \$250 million on Friday, its 15th day. "The Phantom Menace" had been the fastest film to cross that

mark, in 19 days.

Powered by "Star Wars" and "Spider-Man," the top 12 films grossed \$170 million, up 77 percent from the same weekend a year ago.

With those two movies likely to remain strong and a solid crop of newcomers arriving Friday, Hollywood is likely to beat the Memorial Day boxoffice record of \$185.3 million set last year, Dergarabedian said.

Big films opening next weekend are the animated tale "Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron" and thrillers starring Al Pacino and Robin Williams ("Insomnia") and Jennifer Lopez ("Enough").

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at North American theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures will be released Monday.

1. "Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones," \$86.15 million.

2. "Spider-Man," \$46 million. 3. "Unfaithful," \$10.3 million.

4. "About a Boy," \$8.4 million.

"The New Guy," \$6.5 million. 6. "Changing Lanes," \$3.1 million.

7. "The Scorpion King," \$2.7 million. 8. "The Rookie," \$2 million.

9. "Murder by Numbers," \$1.7 million. 10. "My Big Fat Greek Wedding," \$1.2 million.



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

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Call upon your financial creativity. Deal with another directly. You want. Tonight: Take in a movie. could be upset by an expense. Stop a pattern and make a new beginning. Schedule a lunch with a favorite person and then buckle down and do some work. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\* \* Don't get angry, just use your discomfort to straighten out a problem. Remember, you might have been dealing with this far longer than you needed to. Your creativity revitalizes a project. You could be delighted by what you accomplish. Tonight: Your smile proves to be a

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\* \* \* \* Handle a personal matter. Curb your temper. You might have a tendency to overdo and overexplain right now. Extremes mark communication. Someone simply cannot get enough of you. Enjoy what is happening. Tonight: Mosey on home. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\* \* \* Expenses push you to take charge. Be careful when dealing with another who might aggravate you beyond your limits. Note a tendency to be a little touchy or overly sensitive. Detach and aim for a more intellectual approach. OK? Tonight: Have a longoverdue discussion. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

you're very happy, you could inadvertently push another's buttons. Be ready to calm others down, as nervous energy could be high. Extremes mark your mood. Deal with a money matter headon. Tonight: Pay bills.

\*\* \* You're full of energy. Though

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★ ★ ★ Slow down, especially in the face of a challenge. Your temper easily could

wear you down. A boss or loved one, or maybe both, put you on a pedestal. Be on top of your work. Keep your own counsel. Listen more and speak less. Tonight: Be spontaneous

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

\*\* Use the moment to clear out as much as you can. Focus on your must become irritated with others. Carefully list. Remain determined, especially if consider your options surrounding an you hit a money snafu. Stay on top of a problem rather than letting it drag you down. Don't forget to touch base with an important person at a distance. Tonight: Do for yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\* Pressure builds at work, and tension occurs on the home front. Ask a loved one or trusted associate for help, if need be. You can count on this person. He or she comes through for you more times than not. In your mind, start thinking about an appropriate thank you. Tonight: Do something you love. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\* Another simply cannot get enough of you. Clear out work as soon as possible. Think in terms of gain and change when dealing with someone at a distance. Learn to incorporate different perspectives and concepts. Focus on work, even if others distract you. Tonight: Nice and even works. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\* \* \* Dealing with someone could be challenging. Use your nurturing instincts with a partner or associate. As a result, you will get a lot more done. A situation could demand unusual creativity and diversity. Realize more of what you PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Your amusement and delight with someone comes out, even in your most serious moments. Express your feelings about a matter that is close to your heart. Your family and home life demand your attention, despite a need to deal with work. Tonight: Follow anoth-

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take more time, they clearly offer attrac-

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experts warn that lasers are not without

be employed only by professionals

familiar with their use. Clearly, scien-

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GOTT, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What is a laser? How has it affected the medical profes-

DEAR READER: Originators of science-fiction comic strips in the 1940s could not have predicted that lasers, popularized as "death rays" in the "Buck Rogers" strip, would achieve such universal acceptance in the 1990s. Today's ble light that is absorbed by water. lasers are used to benefit mankind, not Since skin consists of about 85 percent as weapons of mass destruction.

The word "laser" is an acronym for Light Amplification by Stimulated Emission of Radiation. The concept was first defined by Albert Einstein in 1917, but functional lasers were not built until the 1960s.

A laser is fundamentally a tube containing a substance — such as carbon dioxide, precious stones or crystallized metals - that can be energized by electric power. In an electrical field, the molecules of the substance become agitated and vibrate between mirrors at both ends of the tube. This produces an extraordinarily bright light that is released in a beam through the end of the tube. Once this beam strikes a surface, the light is converted into heat. enormous heat — up to 10 million times hotter than the sun.

Laser beams have three special features. They are coherent, meaning that each wave of light closely matches every other. They are monochromatic: Unlike most artificial light, which is composed of a spectrum of many colors, laser light consists of a single wavelength that provides a pure, uniform color. Finally, laser light is collimated: The waves are parallel, and, therefore, form a precise beam that can be focused to a pinpoint.

Most people are familiar with the common commercial uses of lasers, including compact disc players, barcode scanners, military weapons guidance systems and "light shows" for entertaining large audiences. Lasers can also clean works of art (without disturbing the paint) and are used to obtain fingerprints from material such as silk and Styrofoam.

Medical lasers provide extraordinary new ways of treating diseases. For example, lasers are increasingly used by dermatologists to cure various skin disorders. At present, there are primarily six types of lasers.

Ruby is the oldest. It emits a red light that is readily absorbed by dark pigments, such as blue and black, making it

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DEAR ABBY: A few days ago, while walking down our stairs holding my infant son, "Carl," in one arm and a cordless phone in my other hand, I tripped over our cat and fell down 14 hardwood stairs. I dropped the phone and cradled my baby close to my body.

I ended up with a black eye, six stitches, a fat lip, a broken hand, and more bumps and bruises than you can imagine. Miraculously, Carl is fine.

Since that day, my mind has been filled with "what ifs," especially regarding my son. I am haunted by all the horrible possibilities.

It's embarrassing to have fallen down the stairs, Abby, but I know many busy mothers are distracted every day. I'm writing because I hope my experience will help others avoid such an accident.

BLACK-AND-BLUE MOM

DEAR MOM: You learned a painful lesson. There is an old saying, "You can't do two things at once." Although many people can safely multitask, when one is carrying a baby or small child, the safest course of action is to remember you are carrying precious cargo and give it your full attention.

DEAR ABBY: A year ago, my husband and I moved into a lovely neighborhood. We became acquainted with our neighbors across the street, and they seemed like nice people. The problem is they now assume they are our best friends.

We have introduced them to a few of our old friends, and now they think they are part of our "group. They have even followed us when we have been invited to our friends' homes and have shown up uninvited. We don't tell them where we are going - they drive around until they spot our car.

This is very embarrassing. We are afraid our old friends will stop inviting us knowing that these neighbors will show up too.

How do we handle this without hurting their feelings? We have never had a problem like this before.

ANNA IN ATLANTA

**DEAR ANNA: Your neighbors** probably have no friends because they are so needy and

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you and intruding on others' get-togethers is rude. Their unacceptable behavior will not stop until someone (how about you?) explains to them that guests who drop in uninvited

DEAR ABBY: My 21-year-old daughter has been dating a 28-yearold man since last summer. I feel strongly that he's too old for her and

This guy is very good to my daughter and seems to care a great deal for her. Frankly, the only thing I can fault him for is the fact that he's a little too opinionated. Other than that, he's great. However, I still have a problem with the age difference. What do you think, Abby? **WORRIED MOM** 

DEAR MOM: Unless your daughter is extremely immature for her years, a seven-year age difference should not present a problem. Of greater concern to me is your comment about him being "too opinionated." You wrote, "It's the only

Perhaps the problem is you don't agree with his opinions. As long as he respects yours and you respect his, there

Time will tell whether or not this man has any character flaws, but keep in mind that few people (male or female) are eager to be placed under a microscope. For everyone's sake, please lighten up.

LOOKING BACK

Ten years ago In the second of a series of artion May 30. cles on the upcoming May 26 primary elections, First District State Sen. Jeff Green said if he is reelected, he plans to spend the majority of hs first full term seeking

Murray businesses will get a break from temporary signs from the planning commission. The commission voted May 19 to revise the stringent requirements by increasing the number of days, signs and times-per-year businesses may erect special signs for sales events.

increased funding for Kentucky's

state universities.

Marine Capt. G.G. Garfield, son of Gene J. and Roberta M. Garfield of Murray, recently reported for duty with the Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 251 at the Marine Corps Air Station, located in Beaufort,

Twenty years ago

Murray City Planner Steve Zea said work is beginning on revising and amending the city zoning ordinances passing in 1974.

Diplomas were presented to 203 seniors during graduation exercises of Calloway County High School held at Jeffrey Gym on May 18.

Murray High School won several honors at a Foreign Language Festival Competition held at the University of Kentucky.

Recent births reported include at boy to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Waggoner on May 6.

Thirty years ago

Calloway County High School will have graduation exercises for 156 seniors on May 26.

also recognized that West's lead of

an unnecessarily high heart was a

suit-preference signal, asking for

the return of the higher-ranking of

Accordingly, Huang returned

the deuce of diamonds, transmit-

ting a suit-preference signal of his

own. West ruffed the diamond and,

obeying East's signal, returned the

seven of clubs! West's second

underlead of an ace was likewise

successful. East won with the queen

and led another diamond, and West

ruffed to put the contract down one.

by the Taiwanese East-West pair

was more than offset by what oc-

curred at the second table, where

the U.S. East-West pair wound up

playing at five hearts doubled. Or-

dinarily, West would have gone

down one, losing three spade tricks.

But luckily for declarer, North's

singleton spade was the ace, which

he led, and that was the only trick

So the outcome was that the

American East-West pair at the

second table made five hearts

doubled with an overtrick for a

score of 1,050 points. This was 950

points more than the Taiwanese

pair at the first table had scored

with their extraordinary defense,

providing ample proof that brillian-

cies are not always adequately re-

**Answer to Previous Puzzle** 

ATTAR BOB DRACO ERA

scored by the defenders.

But, alas, this brilliant defense

the two remaining side suits.

Murray High School will have graduation exercises for 140 seniors

PAGE 13

Murray High School beat South Marshall for the championship of the Fourth District Baseball Tourna-

Mrs. Lucille Ross, Calloway County school nurse, presided at a meeting of Kentucky School Nurses

Association held at Frankfort. Forty years ago

Eddie N. Wells, senior physics and math major at Murray State College, has been awarded a \$4,000 research assistantship for Radio Physics and Space Research at Cornell University.

Murray City Council purchased a deluge nozzle at a cost of \$519.90 for Murray Fire Department.

First Lt. George C. Johnson III is participating in Exercise Mesa Drive, May 7-20, at Yakimia Firing Center in Washington.

Fifty years ago

Anna Beth Roberts, Patsy Ann Kingins, Jeanetta Paschall, Marilyn Walker, Ada Sue Ross, Jo Ellis, Aleta Cunningham, Bobbie Stubblefield, O.J. Jennings, Gene Ray and Rudy G. Hall were named as winners of the Calloway County 4-H Club Rally.

Dr. Cathryn P. Handleman of the University of Louisville's Medical Staff spoke at the Mother-Daughter Banquet of Business and Professional Women's Club held at the Murray Woman's Clubhouse.

Otis D. Cohoon is commander of Chapter 50 of Disabled American Veterans of Murray and Calloway

#### TODAY IN HISTORY

**By The Associated Press** 

Today is Monday, May 20, the 140th day of 2002. There are 225 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: One hundred years ago, on May 20, 1902, the United States ended its three-year military presence in Cuba as the Republic of Cuba was established under its first elected

On this date:

In 1506, Christopher Columbus died in poverty in Spain. In 1861, North Carolina voted to

president, Tomas Estrada Palma.

secede from the Union.

In 1861, the capital of the Confederacy was moved from Montgomery, Ala., to Richmond, Va.

In 1927, Charles Lindbergh took off from Roosevelt Field in Long Island, N.Y., aboard the Spirit of St. Louis on his historic solo flight to

In 1932, Amelia Earhart took off from Newfoundland for Ireland to become the first woman to fly solo

across the Atlantic. In 1939, regular transatlantic air service began as a Pan American Airways plane, the Yankee Clipper,

took off from Port Washington, N.Y., bound for Europe. One year ago: President Bush, in

an address to graduating Notre Dame students, urged a new generation of American voters to "revive the spirit of citizenship" and carry on the work of two Democratic presidents: Lyndon Johnson's war on poverty and welfare reforms under Bill Clinton. The Italian film. "The Son's Room" won the Palme d'Or at the Cannes Film Festival.

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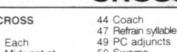
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at the first table got to four spades doubled as shown, and West, Che-Hung Kuo, made the remarkable opening lead of the nine of hearts! After East, Patrick Huang, won the trick with the queen, he recognized that the purpose of his partner's underlead of the ace of

the 1979 World Team Champion-

Tomorrow: That number 13 again.

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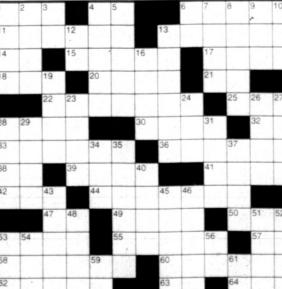
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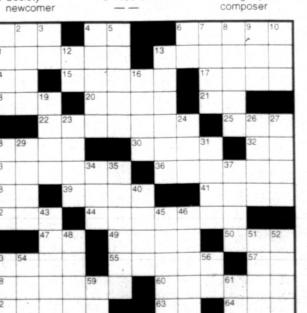
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# Farm

Monday, May 20, 2002

# **Scientists** search for low-allergy peanut

By PHILIP BRASHER AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - Could foods one day be made safe for allergy sufferers?

It won't happen anytime soon, but government scientists are making progress in taking some of the allergy-inducing compounds out of peanuts, the food that triggers the most dangerous reactions

Agriculture Department researchers are scouring the government's vast seed banks for unused varieties of peanuts that are free of the allergy-inducing proteins. By crossing those varieties with popular commercial types, they hope to remove much of the allergenicity.

The scientists have found one variety that has 80 percent less of one of three complex proteins that are blamed for causing allergic reactions.

Removing all of the dangerous proteins may prove impossible, but even removing some could help: Children would be less likely to develop allergies to peanuts in the first place, and people already allergic would be less likely to have a fatal reaction, experts say.

"It would mean infants would be somewhat less likely to become sensitized in the first place," said Steve Taylor, a University of Nebraska expert on food allergies.

Up to 7 million Americans suffer from food allergies; that number is believed to be growing.

About 1.5 million are believed to be allergic to peanuts. They are among eight foods, including soy, eggs, fish and wheat, that account for 90 percent of allergic reactions.

Reactions to peanuts, or even traces of peanuts, can be fatal.

Mildly allergic people may only get hives. Those highly allergic can go rapidly into anaphylactic shock and must always carry shots of epinephrine to treat that life-threatening condition.

Several dozen sufferers are estimated to die each year.

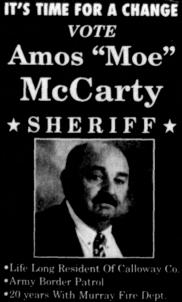
Peanut allergies have become major headache for the food industry because of the potential liability. The Food and Drug Administration has stepped up inspections of manufacturing plants to make sure no peanuts are getting into products that are not supposed to have them.

"Research that in some way, shape or form can reduce the allergenicity of a peanut ... is of great benefit," said Rhona Applebaum, an executive vice president of the National Food Processors Association:

Agriculture Department scientists in New Orleans have developed three antibodies for identifying the allergy-inducing peanuts proteins, known as Ara h 1, Ara h 2, and Ara h 3. So far, the scientists have studied 100 of 4,700 different varieties that the government has in its seed

The scientists are focusing on about 800 of the varieties that the department has in storage. Additional varieties are held by universities and other sources. The researchers also are looking at ways of processing peanuts to make them less allergenic.

The belief is that if there if some processing methods that increase the allergenic properties of peanuts, which roasting seems to do, there will also be a way to reduce them.



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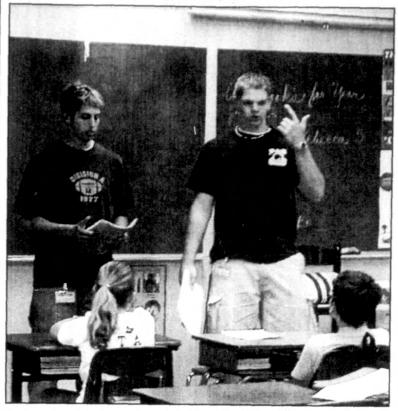


Photo provided by Tammy Wade CLASSROOM TALK ... Calloway County High School FFA members Brandon Steele and Greg Ryan are pictured talking to Mrs. Pittman's fifth grade class concerning our resources, such as soil and water.

#### Pets of the Week





UP FOR ADOPTION... Murray-Calloway County Animal Shelter, located on Shelter Lane, has listed these eight-weekold male and female kittens, left, as well as this female chow mix, among the many animals available for adoption. Shelter officials urge persons to call the shelter if they have lost or found an animal. Hours of the shelter are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday (closed Sunday). For further information, call

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# **FarmNotes**

### **Annual land** certification reports needed here

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Those who have not made this annual certification need to sign in order to be eligible to receive their annual rental payments in October.

Persons who have Power of Attorney for the landowner may make this report. Persons are requested to take care of the matter as soon as possible so there will be no delay in payments in the fall.

#### State's new ag product logo 'Kentucky Fresh' unveiled

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Agriculture Commissioner Billy Ray Smith and the Kentucky Department of Agriculture marketing staff announce "Kentucky Fresh," the new unified logo representing all Kentucky agricultural products.



KDA staff realized the need for consujner identification of agriculture products in the market-

place in our effort to assist Kentucky companies and pro ducers with increased sales. The KDA currently supports a logo program offering different logos for Christmas trees, horticulture, greenhouses, and other Kentucky commodities.

In 2001, Commissioner Smith appointed the "Buy Kentucky" Consumer Advisory Committee to assist in the development of a new unified logo. A survey of 100,000 Kentucky consumers were asked why and how they purchase products, and what was the most important factor in their purchasing decision.

Several activities are planned in the next few weeks in conjunction with a statewide promotional campaign beginning in mid-June, promoting the fruit and vegetable industry at Wal-Mart and Kroger retail outlets statewide

The development of the logo program will be conducted in phases. Kentucky companies that are currently participating in a KDA logo program will be offered the opportunity to participate in the new program offering additional benefits.

### **KDA** distributing **Bio-Security signs for Kentucky farms**

FRANKFORT, Ky. - World events have made livestock health a top priority in Kentucky and the United States in the past year. The Kentucky Department of Agriculture has produced a sign that reminds farmers of steps they can take to reduce the risk of disease and agro-terrorism.

"The realities of the modern world demand that our farmers control access to their farms and take other measures to ensure the health of their livestock," Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Billy Ray Smith said.

KDA employees are taking the bio-security signs to county Extension offices, stockyards and farm supply businesses throughout the state to be distributed to Kentucky farmers. The plastic signs are designed to withstand the elements so they can be posted at strategic locations on the farm. The signs are printed in English on one side and Spanish on the other.

State agriculture and animal health authorities developed the security steps on the sign with input from experts who devised Kentucky's Agricultural Emergency Management Plan after last year's outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Europe. Since Sept. 11, anti-terrorism measures have been added to the plan. Some recommendations on the new sign include:

- · Restrict vehicular traffic on the farm, and direct
- · Schedule and accompany all farm visitors. Limit areas to be visited.
- · Be aware of all wildlife and pet movements, when
- · Report all suspicious activities and events to local

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