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Local crews ready for heavy rains

By **ERIC WALKER**
Editor

Calloway County Road Supervisor Jodie Brooks doesn't want to see any more rain, but he's sure glad it isn't snow or ice.

"It's been a strange winter," said Brooks, who is usually concerned more with white weather during this time of year as opposed to wet weather.

Still, he and his county road crews, along with several other agencies, were preparing for a weekend when the forecast calls for rain, rain and more rain.

Since 6 last night, western Kentucky has been under a flood watch that is forecast to last late into Sunday evening, thanks to near 100 percent chances of rain and even an additional 50 percent chance Monday morning.

This rain comes on the heels of some heavy rains the area has already seen, which has

accounted for saturated ground and increased the potential for flash flooding. As a result, local crews and rescue personnel are on alert and ready to roll at a moment's notice.

Murray-Calloway County DES Rescue Squad Chief Ronnie Burkeen and his volunteer crew have been preparing since Thursday night, gassing up vehicles and watercraft and gathering necessary equipment such as flashlights and life jackets needed in the event of a water rescue emergency.

As a matter of fact, Burkeen recalled two incidents of flooding from 2006 that utilized the new amphibious ARGO vehicle on just its first day with the DES squad, and another when DES was called to help in Mayfield which experienced heavy flooding and needed to evacuate people from

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A TURN OF EVENTS: Andrew Leonard uses a hand crank Friday to start a 1935 McCormick Deering Fairway 12 tractor owned by Terry and Sandra Leonard of Boaz. Leonard was setting up tractors at the Bill Cherry Agricultural Exposition Center in preparation for today's Purchase Area Antique Tractor Club's Winter Show 2007. Antique tractors of all shapes and sizes will be on display beginning at 8 a.m. At noon there will be a kiddy tractor pull and at 12:30 p.m. there will be a slow race and pull featuring garden tractors. The big tractor games will be held at 1:30 p.m. Admission to the event is \$3.

Communities feeling financial pinch from less landline phones

By **TOM BERRY**
Staff Writer

Many people may think that switching from landline telephone service to cell phone seems logical, less expensive and even safer in the event of a crisis, but Calloway 911 Coordinator Ed Pavlick advises against it.

He says cell phone service is one of the first communications resources lost in time of a man-made or natural disaster and the loss of revenue from disconnection of landline telephones is hurting emergency communications across the state and here at home in Murray-Calloway County.

"We're losing about nine percent a year of our landline fees

because of people going strictly to cell," Pavlick said. They don't realize that cell phone communication is one of the first things lost in a disaster and it's a danger. If you want to have communications you would have a far better chance with landlines than you would cell phones."

According to an Associated Press report, lower cell phone fees are causing emergency dispatch centers in Kentucky to feel a financial pinch as people are dropping landline phones from which 911 dispatch centers get a significant amount of funding. The loss reportedly is causing emergency dispatch services to struggle to fund operations and

technology upgrades.

Pavlick says he taught 911 procedures to students in both Murray Independent and Calloway County school districts last year. He surveyed both groups and found there is a local trend toward disconnecting landline phones and switching to cell.

"I described what a landline looks like versus a cell phone and a lot of them said the parents just had cell phones," he said. "I tried to get across to them that, in the event of a disaster and our disasters locally would be predominately be an earthquake or a tornado, that the

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Black history events planned on campus

Special to the Ledger

Murray State University will be hosting a series of events sponsored by the African-American Student Services and Ethnic Programs in celebration of African-American history in January and February.

The events will be kicked off with the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day keynote address and Community March on Monday. Hosted by the Zeta Omicron chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, the event will begin at 5 p.m. in the Curris Center Ballroom. Shekima Turner Underwood will give the keynote address.

The third annual Multicultural Student Leadership and Retention Summit and African American Honors Day will be held Jan. 26-27. AASSEP and school relations sponsor the summit and honors day.

AASSEP and the Emerging Scholars Institute will host the African-American Celebration Kick-Off Diversity Luncheon at Winslow Dining Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Jan. 31.

In February, the National Panhellenic Council will host a Reflections Breakfast at Winslow Dining Hall from 8:30 to 10 a.m.

The 18th annual National African-American Read-In will be held at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 5 at the Calloway County Public Library. Those interested in the event can contact Doris Saunders at 809-5374.

On Feb. 8, the NPHC and AASSEP will hold their community service project at the Main Street Youth Center at 3:30 p.m.

AASSEP, Black Student Council and Food

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Beth Ross (second from left) was crowned Homecoming Queen Friday night at Calloway County High School between the boys' and girls' doubleheader with Murray High at Jeffrey Gymnasium. Also on the court were, from left, Keela Evans, Ross, Julie Gingles, Kayla Simmons, Alley Hendon and Haley White.

Kiplinger's ranks Murray again

Special to the Ledger

Murray State University is ranked once again as one of the top 100 best values in higher education in America, according to a 2007 Kiplinger's Personal Finance study just reported online.

Murray is the only Kentucky school to be included in the rankings. This is the second consecutive year for MSU to be recognized.

Kiplinger officials announced the 100 Best Values in Public Colleges ranking this week, based on data from more than 500 public four-year colleges and universities provided to Peterson's, a Nelnet company.

Compared to universities across the nation, Murray is ranked 76th for in-state value and 66th for out-of-state value.

Kiplinger reported the list of 500 was narrowed to 120 schools based on several measures of academic qual-

ity. The criteria included percentage of freshmen scoring 600 or greater on the verbal and math components of the SAT (or 24 or higher on the ACT); admission rates; freshmen retention rates; student-faculty ratios; and four- and six-year graduation rates.

"Then we ranked each school on cost and financial aid," Kiplinger wrote, "comparing total cost for in-state students, average cost for a student with need after subtracting grants, average cost for a student without need after subtracting non-need-based grants, average percentage of need met by aid, and average debt a student accumulates before graduation."

To determine out-of-state rankings, Kiplinger officials ran the academic quality numbers again using total out-of-state costs and average costs after aid.

The rating system rewarded schools that were academically strong as well as affordable.

"In our scoring, academic quality carries more weight than costs (almost two-thirds of the total). We used academic-quality scores and average debt at graduation to break ties," the officials wrote.

The competition focused on traditional four-year public universities with broad-based curriculums and on-campus housing. The "100 Best Values" in higher education are listed on the Kiplinger Web site.

Murray State University has gained Kiplinger honors in the past, along with special recognition from Kaplan's college guide, Barron's Profiles of American Colleges, The Princeton Review, Money Guide, the

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Ranks ...

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Crime at College safety book, the Kentucky Council on Post-secondary Education survey, and the American Association of State Colleges and Universities "Student Success" study.

MSU is most noted for its continued high ranking by U.S. News & World Report, called "the heavyweight of college ranking services" by the Wall Street Journal. Murray State has received top honors by U.S. News for 16 consecutive years

Events ...

From Front

Services will host the African-American history movie series at Winslow on Feb. 8, 13, 20 and 27 at 9 each night.

The Murray Human Rights Commission will present the annual Dr. Marvin D. Mills Human Rights Community Breakfast in the Curris Center Ballroom at 8:30 a.m. Feb. 18. Dr. C.O. Atkins Sr., pastor of First Baptist Church Bracktown in Lexington, will speak at the event, hosted by the Eta Beta chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi fra-

ternity. Tickets to the event cost \$10. Contact Doris Clark-Parham at 809-5429 for more information. On Feb. 20, the Student Organizations Office will host "How to Handle Stress" in the Curris Center Barkley Room at 5 p.m.

The inaugural African-American Heritage Ball will be held in the Curris Center Ballroom at 7 p.m. on Feb. 24. Tickets to the event will be sold for \$15 to the general public and \$7.50 to students. The ball will be sponsored by

the Campus Activities Board Multicultural Awareness co-chair and AASSEP. Contact Jessica Stone at 809-6936 for more information.

"Body Shape," an event sponsored by the Women's Center, will be held at the Curris Center Dance Lounge at 5 p.m. Feb. 28.

For more information on any of the events and for updates to this calendar of events, visit www.murraystate.edu/secsv/covpage.htm or call African-American Student Services and Ethnic Programs at 809-6836.

Town Crier

NOTICE

The Calloway County chapter of the American Red Cross will meet at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Murray-Calloway County Hospital's Center for Health and Wellness in the classroom.

Murray Planning Commission will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday at city hall. The agenda includes the installation of the new commissioner; reviews of the final plat for Campus Suites, plat for Hutson Business, and minor subdivision plat for 506 S. Ninth St.; and a public hearing for proposed text amendments.

Murray Board of Zoning Adjustments will meet at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday at city hall. The agenda includes two reviews of conditional use permits at Gray's Flea Market and Orschlen Farm and Home Store; a public hearing to allow two non-related people to live at 1105 Poplar St.; and two variance requests for Primary Care Medical Facility and 1808A Monroe Ave.

Calloway County Fiscal Court will meet at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Weaks Community Center. The agenda includes proposed recommendations concerning rural and secondary roads, the purchase of county road department equipment, a Judicial Building maintenance agreement and a resolution authorizing action on a new state House bill concerning local projects.

The Murray-Calloway County Park Board will meet at 6 p.m. Jan. 22 in the Chamber of Commerce conference room.

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

Suspects in Tenn. couple's fatal carjacking talk to police

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A young woman abducted with her boyfriend during a violent carjacking might have been killed soon after him, according to court papers filed Friday that suggest at least two of the four suspects have given statements to police.

The victims, Christopher Newsom, 23, and Channon Christian, a 21-year-old University of Tennessee student, were last seen Saturday night while on a date.

The two had been at a friend's apartment and had left to get something to eat, with the plan of then going to another friend's home to watch movies. They never arrived.

Newsom's body was found the next day along a rail line. It had been set on fire, Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal Rich Knighten said. He "suffered multiple gunshot wounds," according to court papers. Christian's Toyota 4-Runner was found nearby.

Christian's body was found two days later in a house rented by one of the suspects, Lemaricus Davidson, 25, who was charged with carjacking and related counts Friday. His fingerprints allegedly were found in Christian's car.

Knighten told The Associated Press in an interview from Kentucky, where two of the suspects were caught Thursday, that Christian was held "for a couple of days and brutally raped and sexually assaulted. Then they killed her and dumped her body."

However, suspect Eric DeWayne Boyd, 34, gave police a statement after his arrest Thursday night that suggested Christian may already have been dead by Sunday. Court papers say Boyd claims he visit-

ed Davidson's home that day and Davidson already was planning to flee.

"Davidson indicated to Boyd that Davidson was in some sort of trouble, and needed to get out of the area because things were too hot," according to an affidavit by Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Special Agent Rebecca Bobich.

Boyd, who was charged with being an accessory after the fact to a carjacking, said he helped Davidson slip out of the house. They eventually broke into a vacant house and hid there.

Sometime Thursday, Boyd claims Davidson told him the details of the crimes, "specifically that originally the plan was to do a carjacking," Bobich's affidavit said.

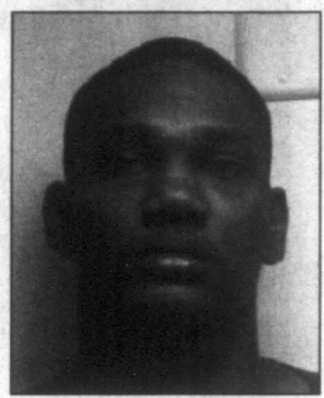
"Davidson advised that one of the carjackers walked up to Ms. Christian's vehicle with a gun, forcibly abducted Christian and Newsom and took them and their car," the court papers said. The victims were taken to Davidson's house.

The ATF agent's affidavit said Boyd described the couple's treatment and murders as told by Davidson. Authorities have yet to say how the woman died.

An M-1 rifle was found in Davidson's home with the woman's body. A .22-caliber revolver was found in the house where he was arrested.

Authorities used the victims' stolen cell phones and the suspects' phones to help locate the suspects, court papers said.

George Geovanni Thomas, 27, and Davidson's brother, Letalvis Cobbins, 24, were caught Thursday at a home in Lebanon, Ky.,



AP This is a Marion County (Ky.) Detention Center photograph of George Thomas, 27, who was arrested Thursday in Lebanon, Ky., in connection with a carjacking and murder of a young couple in Knoxville, Tenn.

about 180 miles north of Knoxville. Thomas had a friend there. Court papers said Cobbins' fingerprints were found on a firearm magazine containing two rounds of 9mm ammunition discovered at Davidson's home with Christian's body.

The affidavits also said Cobbins admitted participating in the carjacking, and that Thomas provided a full statement implicating Cobbins and Davidson in the fatal heist.

All four appeared before federal magistrates on Friday on charges associated with the carjacking. Preliminary hearings are next week. None of the suspects have yet entered pleas and all were appointed attorneys by the court.

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Murray Police Department

Marlon Towns, 29, and William Spann, 29, both of Murray, were arrested for possession of marijuana after a traffic stop at 2:59 p.m. Wednesday at 16th Street and Lowe's Drive. Towns also was served with a contempt of court warrant.

James E. Bynum Jr., 21, of Murray, was arrested at 5:29 p.m. Wednesday on a warrant charging him with 27 counts of theft by deception, two counts possession of a controlled substance (cocaine), and one count each of probation violation, no insurance and expired registration. He then was charged with 10 counts each of second-degree forgery and theft by deception less than \$300 on Thursday following an on-going investigation.

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

Ready ...

From Front

their homes. "As far as I'm concerned, that's some of the best money we've ever spent," he said of the ARGO.

Burkeen said the vehicle's advantages are that stranded motorists or residents can be reached quickly, as opposed to by boat where a deep area of water is first needed. Still, the squad is equipped with additional boats and even personal watercraft if those are needed, as well.

DES can be contacted through 911 or directly at 753-9142. Burkeen said that during the flooding threat, volunteers will be at the DES headquarters to field calls.

Also on alert are Brooks and Murray Street Superintendent Thomas Clendenen and their respective departments. Both men said their crews were out as soon as the forecast called for heavy rains to check and clean areas prone to flooding, due to clogged culverts and such.

Clendenen said his crews were out by Wednesday clearing drain covers, ditches, creek areas and more than 800 "drop box" drains at intersections around Murray to hopefully alleviate water backups.

He said the early weather forecast helped in their preparation work.

"This was one of the most advance notices we've gotten

and we heeded it," he said Friday afternoon.

City street crews were also prepared with high water signs to place on flooded roadways, according to Clendenen. "We'll have men on call and we'll be on top of it," he added.

Brooks said roadways in the county that can flood, such as Brandon Road, Gibbs Store Road, Martin's Chapel Road and Tobacco Road, are also posted with signs to alert motorists.

A release from the Kentucky Department of Highways said motorists should be alert for ponding of water on road surfaces and for debris that may be washed onto the driving surface by overflowing ditches and streams, and to adjust their driving speed to meet changing road conditions.

Motorists are also advised to avoid driving through floodwaters since as little as a foot of running water can sweep a person off his or her feet and/or float a vehicle off the roadway.

If floodwaters are over the road surface, seek an alternate route or find a safe place to wait for waters to recede.

Driving may continue to be tricky even after the rain has moved out of the area Monday night.

Then, temperatures are expected to plunge from the 40s and 50s the region has recently experienced to more chilly temperatures of 30s, 20s and teens.

Landlines ...

From Front

first thing to go is the power and you would lose your cell phone capability a lot quicker than you would a land line."

Although some of the funds lost from landline service fees is recovered from a 70-cent fee paid monthly by cell phone users, Pavlick said the reimbursement is not enough to match what is lost to cell phone companies and the state under Federal Communications Commission guidelines.

"That money goes to what is called a CMRS board in Frankfort," he said. "In the past, a majority of that has been used to help the cell phone companies comply with the requirement for automatic location of cell phone callers and this is a requirement of the FCC. So we are estimating that only about 20 to 25 percent of those fees comes through to help us versus about 95 percent on a land line."

Pavlick said Calloway County and Murray 911 systems participate in a regional, five-county cooperative arrangement and the problem is the same for everyone.

Having a cell phone in a time of personal emergency is advantageous because you can quickly call for help from just about anywhere. But the amount of information and the efficiency in which the signal can be located is limited and much of the funds collected from cell phone users is provided to cell telecommunications companies to improve technology needed to locate cell phone calls.

Dispatch centers presently have some cell-user identification, but it primarily includes only the name of the provider as well as the name and address of the caller, but little else.

"We don't know where they are calling from unless they can tell us and to find out where they are calling from is where the majority of the money collected from cell phones had gone to," Pavlick said.

However there is some hope that more of the funds collected from cell users will make its way to emergency

dispatch providers in the future.

"The CMRS board has now told cell phone providers that enough is enough. We are not going to give you as much money," Pavlick said. "So we are being told now that as much as about 80 percent would be passed through to the boards. So it is going to go up some, but it's still not going to make up completely what we lost."

According to the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security, the state collected an estimated \$17 million from the fee levied on cell phone users in Kentucky in 2006. The funds were distributed in the following manner:

- \$1.7 million to local governments to upgrade 911 systems

- \$425,000 to the Office of the 911 Coordinator in the Kentucky Office of Homeland Security.

- \$255,000 to the cell phone carriers for administrative costs of billing.

- \$11,696,000 to local dispatch centers throughout the state.

- \$2,924,000 to cell phone companies that collect the surcharge.

According to Kentucky State Police Post 1 officials in Mayfield, a total of 21,587 emergency dispatch calls originating from cell phones were reported in 2006 with contacts originating in Calloway County far surpassing those from other counties. A breakdown of calls to Post 1 from counties inside and outside the Purchase area: Calloway, 6,053; Graves, 3,868; Lyon, 2,941; Livingston, 1,727; Fulton, 1,669; Hickman, 1,302; Ballard, 1,190; Marshall, 1,174; Carlisle, 1,003; McCracken, 544; miscellaneous, 82; and Trigg, 34.

Pavlick said he is not asking people to give up their cell phones, he just wants everyone to know the importance of landline communications in an emergency.

"I just want to urge people to consider that, when they take their landline out, they may be putting themselves in more danger because they could lose that cell phone capability," he said.

Closures, schedule changes noted for holiday Monday

Special to the Ledger

Several agencies, offices and services will be off Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

The Murray Sanitation Department will be closed on Monday for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

All Monday customers are asked to have their containers out for pickup on Tuesday morning. All other customers should set their containers out on their regularly scheduled day, though some routes may run late in some areas.

The City of Murray Transfer Station will also be closed on Monday.

For any questions, call 762-0380.

Also, Calloway County and Murray schools will be closed in observance of the national holiday. However, Calloway County Schools will be in session on both Feb. 19 and March 19 to make up the school days cancelled last November during the mercury clean up at Calloway County Middle School, according to David Dowdy, Calloway public relations coordinator.

And the Calloway County Courthouse will be closed for the holiday, and the Murray-Calloway County Parks Board has rescheduled its planned meeting Monday to Jan. 22.

Whitfield continues his service on House oversight committee

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield announced Friday his committee assignment for the 110th Congress.

He will continue to serve on the House committee on energy and commerce and will serve as the ranking Republican member on the oversight and investigations subcommittee. Whitfield chaired the subcommittee in the 109th Congress.

In addition, he will serve on the energy and air quality, and commerce, trade, and consumer protection subcommittees.

"Having the only remaining uranium enrichment facility in the United States in my District, my seat on the House energy and commerce committee allows me to help ensure

the management and operations of the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant continue to operate in a safe and resourceful way," Whitfield said.

The committee on energy and commerce is the oldest standing committee in the House and presides over a wide spectrum of issues. The committee maintains primary responsibility for legislative oversight relating to telecommunications, consumer protection, food and drug safety, public health, air quality and environmental health, the supply and delivery of energy, and interstate and foreign commerce.

As the top Republican on the oversight and investigations subcommittee, Whitfield will play a crucial role in overseeing five cabinet-level departments and seven independent agencies including the departments of Energy, Health and Human Services, Transportation, the Federal Trade Commission, the Food and Drug Administration, and the Federal Communications Commission.

The subcommittee on energy and air quality oversees national energy policy as well as utility issues and regulation of nuclear facilities.

The subcommittee on commerce, trade, and consumer protection is responsible for matters relating to interstate and foreign commerce, regulation of commercial practices and the regulation of travel and tourism.

"I look forward to working with my colleagues in Congress on behalf of the people of the First Congressional District," Whitfield said.

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Obituaries

Laura Curd Holland

Laura Curd Holland, 86, U.S. 641 South, Murray, died Thursday, Jan. 11, 2007, at 7:35 p.m. at Spring Creek Health Care. A member of Green Plain Church of Christ, she was a retired receptionist for Dr. J. Lacy Hopson and Dr. Dan Miller. Born July 29, 1920, in Henry County, Tenn., she was the daughter of the late Hardy Curd and Mollie Carr Curd. Four brothers, Gardner Curd, John Hardy Curd, Sid Curd and T.G. Curd, and three sisters, Jewell Malcolm, Thelma Salmon and an infant sister, preceded her in death.

Survivors include her husband, George Wilton Holland, and one sister-in-law, Myrtilen Towery, and husband, Frank, all of Murray.

The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home. Ewing Stubblefield and Danny Herndon will officiate. Burial will follow at Green Plain Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. today (Saturday) at the funeral home.

Ernest D. 'Ernie' Romero

Ernest D. "Ernie" Romero, 55, Paducah, died Thursday, Jan. 11, 2007, at 2:30 a.m. at his residence.

Born in Douglas, Ariz., he was a private consultant for Hispanic language services and a teacher at Murray State University. He earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Ouachita Baptist University, Arkadelphia, Ark. He also was a former teacher and coach at Paducah Tilghman and Reidland high schools.

He was a volunteer at Grace Clinic in Mayfield; former Hispanic culture specialist for Purchase AHEC at Murray State; a member of Rosary Chapel Catholic Church, where he served as lector, Eucharistic minister, parish council member and Bible study leader and assisted with social activities; a member of Teens Encounter Christ; and a member of Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary Council 1055, where he served as faithful navigator for Father Jon Fallon, Assembly 312.

His father, Antonio F. Romero, and one brother, Robert Anthony Romero, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife Marianna L. Schadler Romero, to whom he was married for 15 years; two daughters, Olivia Rose Romero and Karina Antonette Romero; his mother, Natividad Segovia Romero, Sikeston, Mo.; one sister, Virginia Ybarra, 29 Palms, Calif.; several nieces, nephews, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, aunts, uncles and cousins.

The funeral service will be at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at Rosary Chapel Catholic Church with Rev. Carl McCarthy and Rev. Larry McBride officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Carmel Cemetery.

Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. today (Saturday) at the church with prayers said at 6 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ernie Romero Memorial Fund established for his young daughters, Olivia and Karina Romero, at Paducah Bank & Trust Co., 555 Jefferson St., Paducah, Ky., 42001, or brought to any Paducah Bank branch.

Elizabeth Earleen Stom Thurmond

Elizabeth Earleen Stom Thurmond, 80, Spring Creek Health Care, died there Friday, Jan. 12, 2007, at 11:10 a.m.

She was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church and worked as a LPN for Dr. Charles Clark. She attended Hazel High School.

Her parents, Earl Stom and Mabel Jones Stom, and one son-in-law, William Wilson, preceded her in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Aleta Grogan, Murray, and Donna Wilson, Almo; one son, Earl Grogan, Murray; two sisters, Henryetta Camp and Leola Lafser and husband, Ray, all of Murray; two brothers, Donald Stom and wife, Sue, Murray, and Mitchell Stom and wife, Carolyn, Kirksby; two step-sons, Timothy Thurmond, and wife, Sue, and Tony Thurmond and wife, Janice, all of Murray; eight grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren.

The funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Sunday at Imes-Miller Funeral Home. Rev. Jimmy Stom will officiate. Burial will follow at New Providence Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Todd Fuqua, Brandon Ferguson, Seth Grogan, Jared Adams, Clinton Adams and Wade Adams.

Visitation will be after noon Sunday at the funeral home.

Richards considers governor's race

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — House Speaker Jody Richards said he will announce whether he'll run for governor next week and has confirmed that he's in talks with former Secretary of State John Y. Brown III about forming a slate. "I do feel that the discussions with him have been positive," Richards, a Democrat from Bowling Green, told the Lexington Herald-Leader. "I have talked with him recently and seriously and we will make some sort of an announcement next week."

Richards, who narrowly finished second to Ben Chandler in the 2003 Democratic primary, said he has been in talks with "some other" prospective

running mates. He did not say whether Brown is his first choice.

Brown, who served as Secretary of State from 1995 to 2003, also confirmed the talks with Richards.

Brown is the son of former Gov. John Y. Brown Jr., who served in the governor's office from 1979 to 1983.

State Treasurer Jonathan Miller, former Lt. Gov. Steve Beshear, and Otis Hensley of Harlan are seeking the Democratic nomination. Former Lt. Gov. Steve Henry is also expected to make an announcement next week.

The deadline for candidates to enter the governor's race is Jan. 30.

Some SMU faculty don't want Bush's presidential library there

DALLAS (AP) — Negotiations to build George W. Bush's presidential library at Southern Methodist University have divided the campus, pitting the administration and some alumni against liberal-leaning faculty members who say the project would be an embarrassment to the school.

Some professors have complained that the combined library, museum and think tank would celebrate a presidency that unnecessarily took the country into a war.

The fear is that the library "will continue to espouse the philosophy and practice of the Bush administration, which has seriously divided our nation and has brought the ire of other countries," said William McElvaney, a retired professor at SMU's theology school and co-author a November opinion piece in the campus newspaper titled "The George W. Bush Library: Asset or Albatross?"

SMU emerged as the front-runner in the competition last month when the library site selection committee said it was entering further discussions with the 11,000-student, private university in one of Dallas's wealthiest neighborhoods. The project will be financed with a private fund drive aimed at raising at least \$200 million.

Bush connections to SMU run deep. First lady Laura Bush is a graduate and is on the board of trustees. Vice President Dick Cheney previously served on the board. Presidential adviser Karen Hughes and former White House counsel Harriet Miers are both graduates.

SMU officials said the project is unlikely to be derailed by the faculty opposition, and said the professors opposed to it are in the minority.

Brad Cheves, vice president for external affairs and development, said the library could help recruit students, attract visitors and increase giving. "It raises the profile of SMU no matter how people feel about President Bush," he said.

White House spokeswoman



Demolition of an apartment housing area is seen near the SMU campus in Dallas on Thursday. The area is reported to be part of the proposed location for the George W. Bush Presidential Library.

Dana Perino declined to comment. And a spokesman for former Bush administration Commerce Secretary Don Evans, chairman of the library search committee, would not comment on whether the objections from some of the 600 faculty members would affect the panel's final decision, expected in a few months.

Other faculty say they would welcome the library.

"This takes us to a whole new level," said Rita Kirk, a politics professor who has done research at other presidential libraries.

As for the students, Luis Arango, a 21-year-old junior and political science major, said on campus Friday: "This school has a very conservative vibe, and most of the students like Bush. The only people who don't seem to be the faculty. I know for a fact that some are real liberal and I don't think should be teaching here."

As for the alumni, many of them are wealthy and conservative. And Mike Boone, who is

on SMU's board of trustees and earned undergraduate and law school degrees from SMU, said an overwhelming majority of alumni support the Bush library project.

"It's prestigious and brings a lot of value to a university," said Boone, a Dallas lawyer who has known Bush since he was Texas governor.

The other finalists are Baylor University in Waco, near the Bushes' Crawford ranch, and the University of Dallas.

McElvaney warned that not only could the library hurt SMU's reputation, it could also become a target for terrorists or others who want to strike back at Bush, McElvaney said.

"Dallas is already known as the city in which President Kennedy was assassinated, so does Dallas want a Bush library that could become a prime terrorist target?" McElvaney asked.

The library of the president's father is on the Texas A&M University campus in College Station.

Universities often compete to host presidential libraries. But this is not the first time that the political passions of the day have stirred resistance to such a project.

In 1981, Duke University faculty members, by one vote, voted against continuing discussions to build Richard Nixon's library there. Nixon graduated from Duke Law School in North Carolina. Duke's trustees voted to build the library anyway, but negotiations with Nixon officials eventually broke down. The Nixon library was eventually built in Yorba Linda, in his native California.

Native Texan Lyndon B. Johnson's library was built on the University of Texas campus in Austin during the Vietnam area. During the 1971 opening ceremony, hundreds of protesters chanted anti-war slogans and released black balloons. Demonstrators also marched around campus, throwing bottles, cans and rocks at police, and dozens were arrested.

Small jet crashes in L.A.; 2 bodies found in debris

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A small business jet crashed while taking off from Van Nuys Airport on Friday, killing two people, officials said. A witness said the door of a nose compartment on the plane was open as it took off.

The plane had been carrying only its two crew members when it went down around 11 a.m., said Joe Miller, a dispatcher with Sun Quest Executive Air Charter, which operated the plane. Two people aboard were confirmed dead, said Assistant Fire Chief Tim Manning.

National Transportation Safety Board investigator Howard Plagens said the names of the victims would be released once they were identified by the coroner's office.

The plane's left-hand nose baggage door was "wide open" as it took off, and the jet was veering side-to-side at a low speed, said witness Steve Purwin, a corporate jet pilot with 25 years experience.

Little remained of twin-engine Cessna Citation but

smoldering debris in a field near the San Fernando Valley airport. No nearby structures appeared to be damaged.

The plane had been leaving the airport in the Los Angeles suburbs, Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Ian Gregor said. It was headed to Long Beach, about 25 miles south of Los Angeles.

Shortly after takeoff, the pilot radioed the tower with a request to return. The tower controller noticed the plane "wobble" and cleared it to land on any runway, Plagens said.

The jet never got above 200 feet, he said.

Depending on the model, a Citation can hold four to eight passengers, plus two pilots.

The weather was clear with visibility at 10 miles and a 7-8 mph wind, according to the National Weather Service's Web site.



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Blast the plan, embrace the troops

By DAVID ESPO
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Majority Democrats face a delicate mission in their first foreign policy clash with President Bush, determined to force an end to the Iraq war but eager to support the troops who are doing the fighting.

No strangers to political combat, Republicans don't intend to make it easy on them.

"What they really want is to cut off funding for the troops," Senate GOP Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky said Thursday.

It was a claim that Democrats rebutted in advance.

"The Congress and the American people will continue to support them and provide them with every resource they need," the top four Democrats in Congress pledged Wednesday night as they attacked President Bush's plans to increase an additional 21,500 troops.

"Our military forces deserve a policy commensurate with the sacrifices they have been asked to make. Regrettably, the president has not provided that tonight," added House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, as well as Reps. Steny Hoyer of Maryland and Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois.

For the first time since the war began, Democrats have public opinion on their side — and know it for sure.

The midterm elections that swept Republicans from power in both the House and Senate demonstrated that, and comments by one-time Republican supporters of the president's war policy confirm it daily.

Sen. Gordon Smith, an Oregon Republican who faces the voters in 2008, checked out in December. He called the war effort absurd and said he would never have voted to authorize combat if he had known that prewar intelligence was wrong.

Other Republicans are following.

Eight members of the House rank-and-file wrote Bush on Jan. 4, urging him "to reject any recommendation for either a short or long term increase in the number of U.S. troops. We are persuaded by all available evidence that an escalation of U.S. troop levels is not the way forward in Iraq."

Bush was persuaded otherwise, and suffered further political erosion within hours.

"At this late stage, interjecting more young American troops into the crossfire of

an Iraqi civil war is simply not the right approach," Republican Rep. Ric Keller said on the morning after the president's speech.

Across the Capitol complex, Republican Sen. George Voinovich of Ohio addressed Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice: "I've gone along with the president on this and I've bought into his dream, and at this stage of the game I just don't think it's going to happen."

Both Pelosi and Reid intend to hold votes in Congress within a few weeks on Bush's revised Iraq policy. It would be the equivalent of a congressional referendum, advisory in nature, and give Democrats a way to show their opposition and force Republicans to make a choice.

Many Democrats in both houses prefer a stronger approach. — Sen. Edward M. Kennedy pre-empted Reid this week by unveiling a bill to block the use of funds for Bush's plans to increase the size of the force in the war zone.

In private sessions, House Democrats have prodded Pelosi to be more forceful, and Democratic presidential contenders are likely to compete for the support of anti-war voters, as well. As a result, it seems inevitable that there will be efforts to limit funding for the war later in the year.

For now, though, according to several officials, the leadership in both houses would prefer a more cautious approach when it comes to legislation.

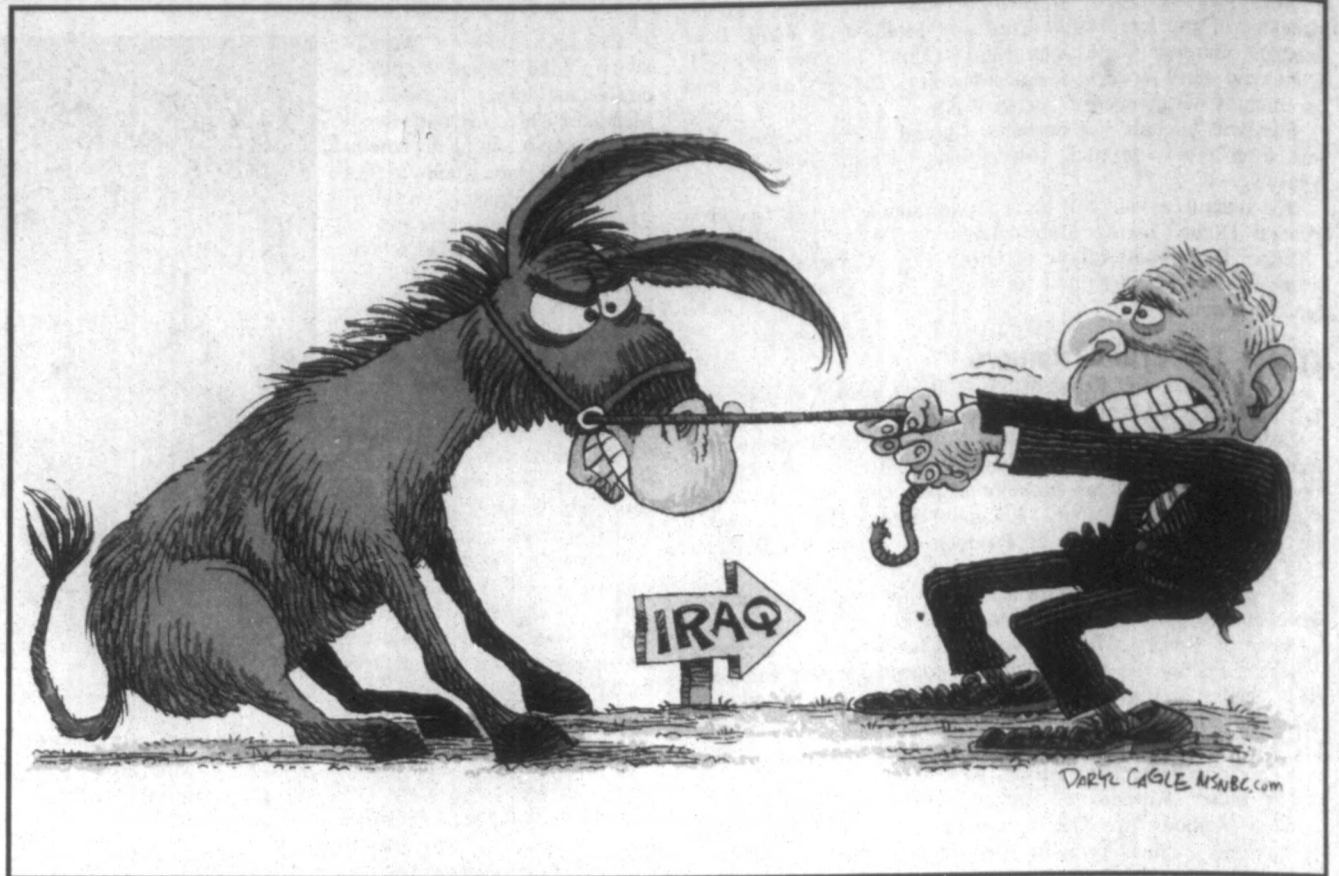
"As a first step, we should focus on the one issue which may be able to produce the most votes against the president's policies and that is whether we should add additional troops to Iraq," said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., chairman of the Armed Services Committee.

Levin is one of several committee chairmen who intend to hold hearings on the war, an additional attempt to build pressure against the president's policy.

Their hope is that will leave the public focus on Bush as steward of a war that has claimed the lives of more than 3,000 U.S. troops and eroded his standing with the electorate.

Reid, in particular, has said he favors a bipartisan repudiation of Bush's new policy. "The president's going to have to take note of that. I think that's the beginning of the end, as far as I'm concerned," he said.

David Espo is chief congressional correspondent for The Associated Press.



The thrill of the chase

Fifty years ago, Walt Disney Studios produced "The Great Locomotive Chase," about the 1862 capturing by undercover Yankees of the General, a Confederate locomotive on the Western and Atlantic Railroad north of Atlanta, and its breakneck escape. The film had faces familiar to old movie fans: Fess Parker, Jeffrey Hunter, Claude Jarman, Jr., Harry Carey, Jr., and Slim Pickens among them. Six years later, in the Civil War Centennial, the General made news again, touring the nation. William Faulkner earlier had described the chase in The Unvanquished.



Southern Seen
By Larry McGehee
Syndicated Columnist

Memorable as the movie was, it and a number of written accounts of the chase had some myths and errors. Coca Cola lawyer Russell S. Bonds corrects the record in his book, *Stealing the General: The Great Locomotive Chase and the First Medal of Honor* (Westholme Publishing, 2007, 444 pp.), a selection for the Book-of-the-Month Club, the History Book Club, and Military Book Club.

Bonds was diligent and meticulous in assembling his facts — newspaper accounts and military reports from the time, biographies of almost all the 22 raiders and of some of the key behind-the-scenes generals and political figures, and subsequent published accounts by some of the chasers and some of the raiders. Carefully and objectively assembled, they make reading more spellbinding than we recall the movie being.

Ormsby MacKnight Mitchel, a Kentuckian in the West Point Class of 1829 (along with Lee and Joe Johnston), headed the Union's Third Division in the Army of the Ohio, under General Don Carlos Buell, the slow-moving western officer best known for barely getting to Shiloh in time to help Grant and Sherman and for refusing to invade and liberate East Tennessee as Lincoln (and McClellan) repeatedly ordered him to do. Mitchel chafed

under Buell's conservative control, and finally got permission to move his Third Division somewhat independently south into northern Alabama where he could seize Huntsville, control the Memphis and Charleston Railroad both east and west, and be in a position to move on Chattanooga, then weakly garrisoned by the rebels.

James J. Andrews, a Virginia-born wanderer claiming Flemingsburg, Ky., as home, was a shadowy civilian who worked both sides of the war, getting morphine and other medical supplies in Kentucky and selling them to southern forces and carrying back military intelligence to northern forces. Andrews got an audience with Mitchel and persuaded him that a small force of disguised Union soldiers could seize a train north of Atlanta and disrupt rebel use of the Western & Atlantic railroad while Mitchel moved on and captured Chattanooga. Mitchel liked the idea and worked out arrangements with Andrews.

Twenty soldiers and one civilian passing as a soldier were recruited from the Ohio 2nd, 21st, and 33rd regiments. The Andrews-led raiding party numbered 22 men in all. They worked their way in small groups or independently southward, passing as Kentuckians on their way to enlist in the southern cause. In Marietta, Ga., 20 of them (two overslept and missed the train) boarded a north-bound train pulled by the General. When it stopped for a half-hour breakfast, they seized the engine, cut loose passenger and mail cars, and started their escape pulling three empty freight cars.

Delays plagued them — as they stopped to cut telegraph lines, to refuel with wood and water, to load crossties they would use to block tracks behind them or to use for kindling to burn bridges, to let at least five tardy south-bound trains pass them on the single track, and, most importantly of all, to elude the unanticipated pursuit by rail-rovers led first on foot, then on handcart, and then on requisitioned trains, especially the engine Texas.

Determined southerners led by conductor William A. Fuller and foreman Anthony Murphy worked miracles, espe-

cially after commandeering the Texas, a twin engine to the General. It steadily closed the gap, preventing the raiders from stopping and destroying tracks and trestles. Some 89 miles up the line, the General ran out of wood and stopped just past Ringgold. Andrews ordered his men to disperse.

All 22 were captured and imprisoned, and the second half of Bonds's narrative traces their fates. After a valiant escape effort from prison, Andrews was tried and hanged, and then seven other raiders were hanged. Several escape efforts were made from their several jails, and in one of them, eight of the men succeeded in getting back to their Third Division ranks. The remainder were exchanged, and taken to Washington, where they met Secretary of War Stanton and President Lincoln, and received promotions. All but two of the raiders were awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, the first men ever to receive the medal approved by Congress in July 1862.

Over the years, the actual facts of the raid were distorted by the popular press and by participants themselves, particularly raider William Pittenger and pursuer Fuller, prone to embroider their own roles in the drama.

Raiders and pursuer Fuller reassembled several times after the war (1888 and 1906). The hanged raiders were reinterred in later years, monuments were raised to raiders and to the General, and the General made headlines again and again by appearing at the Chicago Exposition in 1893, the Atlanta Exposition in 1895, the Tennessee Centennial Exposition in 1897, the Chicago Railroad Fair and the New York World's Fair in 1939, and its 1962-64 national tour and appearance at the New York's World Fair in 1964. The Texas has rested in the basement lobby of Atlanta's Cyclorama since 1927.

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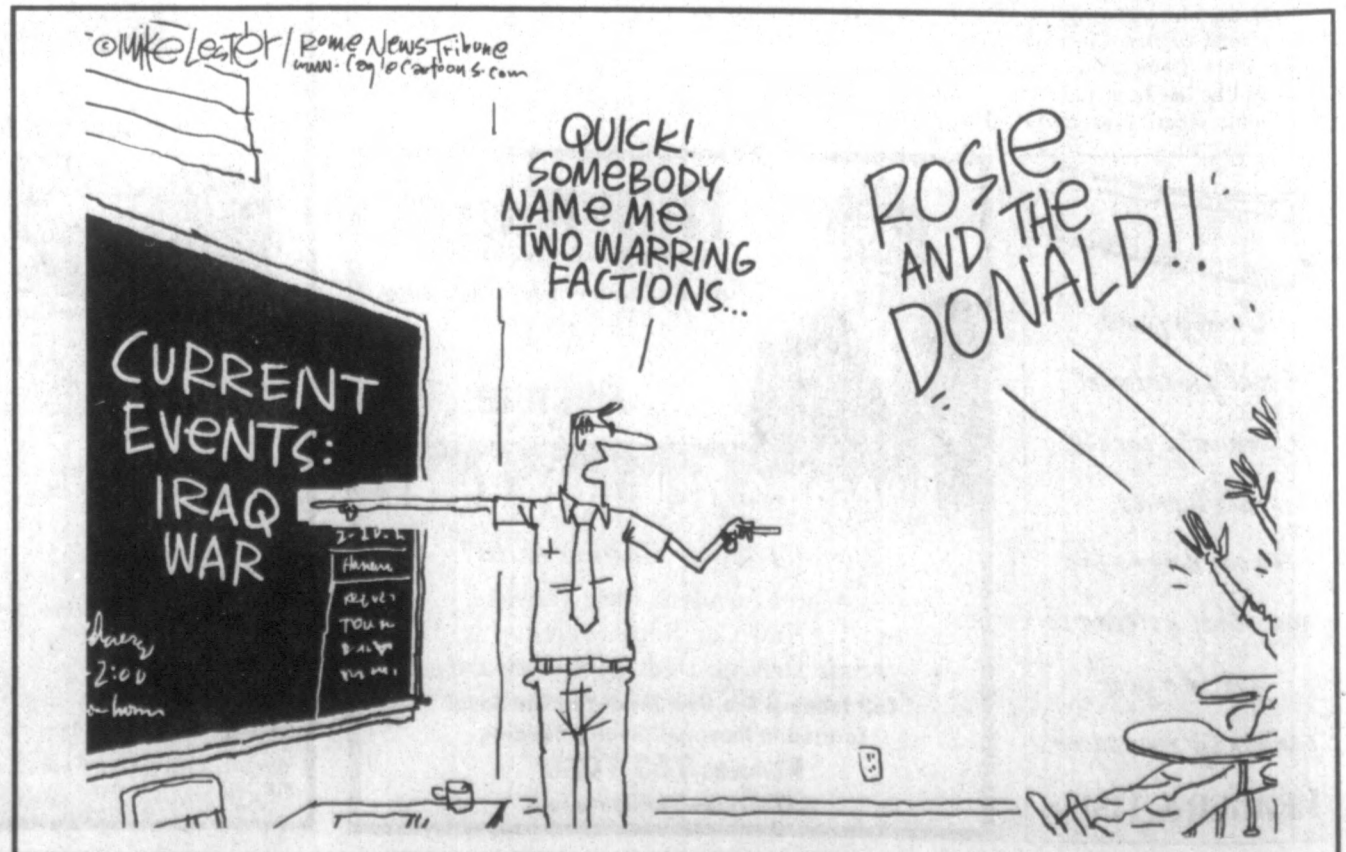
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By Lisa Satterwhite
Murray/Calloway County Chamber of Commerce

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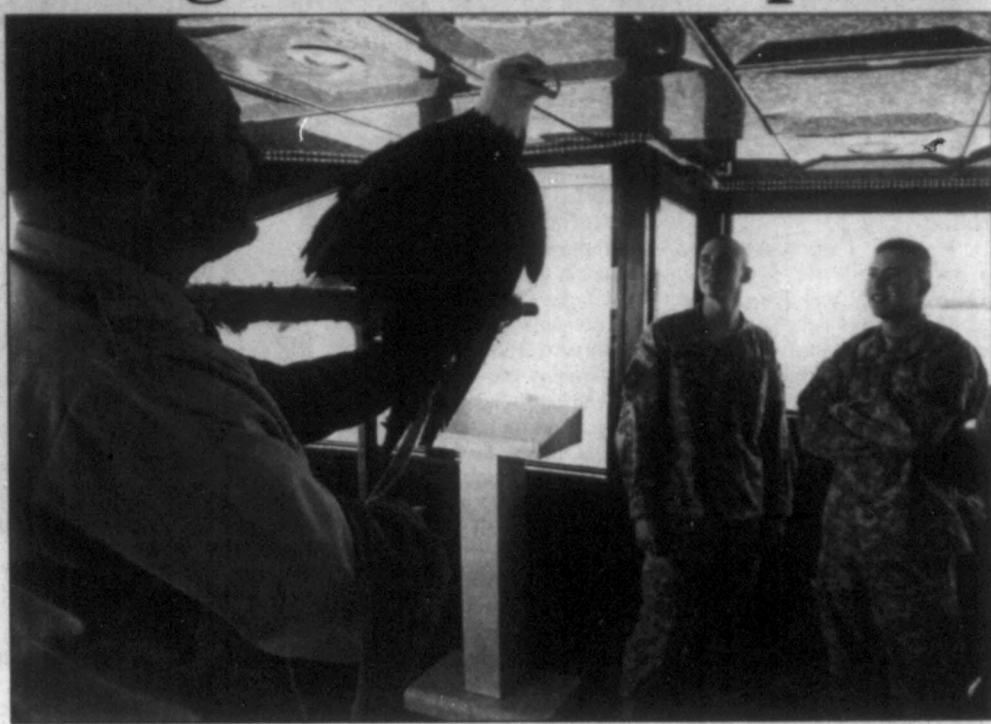


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A close up view of 'Bly' the bald eagle was available on the Kentucky State Parks eagle excursion cruise. Many other mature eagles were viewed along the banks of Kentucky Lake during this special yacht ride as were their nests and younger eagles which had not gotten their white feathers. Cruises are narrated. Contact 1-800-325-0143 to schedule a viewing cruise through Feb. 4.

15, 2007. Call 502-695-1102 or visit www.leadershipky.org for more information.

Welcome New Chamber Members:

My Reality Tattoos, tattoos/body piercings, 707 C South 12th St., Murray, KY, 42071, 270-759-5600.

Business After Hours/ Ribbon Cuttings/ Groundbreakings:

My Reality Tattoos, 707 C South 12th St., Jan. 18, 1:30 a.m. (new member).

Murray Laser Center, 1625 Hwy. 121 North, Jan. 25, 10 a.m. (ribbon cutting/new business).

Hampton Inn, Hwy. 121 Bypass between Ryan's and Lowe's, Jan. 26, 3 p.m. (ground-breaking).

Murray-Calloway County

Hospital Women's Pavilion, Feb. 1, 4:30 p.m., (ribbon cutting); 4 - 6 p.m., (business after hours).

For more information on becoming a member of the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce or hosting a Chamber event contact Tab Brockman or Lisa Satterwhite at 753-5171.

Three Kentucky power companies turn down TVA offer

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Three of six breakaway distributors declined to accept the Tennessee Valley Authority's offer to rescind cancellation notices at no additional cost and remain with the TVA system, the federal agency said Thursday.

The three Kentucky distributors planning to leave in search of cheaper rates failed to respond by a midnight Wednesday deadline to TVA's 60-day offer to let them stay.

That means even if they decide before their contracts expire to continue receiving TVA wholesale electricity, they will have to pay huge "reintegration" fees.

The utilities are 22,586-customer Paducah (Ky.) Power System, nearly 4,000-customer Princeton (Ky.) Electric Plant Board and 3,500-customer Monticello (Ky.) Electric Plant Board.

Monticello's contract expires in 2008, Paducah's in 2009 and Princeton's in 2010.

While TVA faces losing those distributors, three others earlier accepted the offer to stay with the 158-distributor system — Shelbyville, Tenn.; Glasgow, Ky., and Bowling Green, Ky.

In addition, 16,000-customer Bristol Virginia Utilities is set to rejoin TVA next Jan. 1 after severing ties nearly a decade ago.

TVA, the country's largest public utility, made the offer to let the six distributors remain in the fold as it prepares a new strategic plan examining future power needs.

Paducah and Princeton said earlier it was doubtful they would remain with TVA after agreeing to join a group of Midwest utilities investing in a coal-fired power plant near Carbondale, Ill.

Ken Breeden, TVA executive vice president of customer resources, said the agency was grateful for the three distributors who decided to remain with the system, which provides electricity to about 8.6 million consumers in Tennessee, Alabama, Mississippi, Kentucky, Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia.

In a related development, U.S. Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., and U.S. Rep. Bud Cramer, D-Ala., were elected Thursday as co-chairmen of the TVA congressional caucus.

Alexander said he wants to help TVA "provide ratepayers in the Tennessee Valley with reliable, low-cost, clean electric power for years to come."

"I look forward to working with the leadership at TVA to ensure our area's economic vitality," Cramer said.

InBusiness

Penniston and Furches accept partnerships

ST. LOUIS, MO. — Eric Penniston, the Edward Jones investment representative in Murray, and senior branch office administrator Leigh Furches have accepted limited partnership offerings in The Jones Financial Cos., the holding company for the St. Louis-based financial-services firm.

Penniston and Furches both accepted an invitation to increase their current limited partnership holdings.

Edward Jones currently employs more than 30,000 associates in all 50 states and through its affiliates in Canada and the United Kingdom. Under the current partnership

offering, 12,000 associates received initial limited partnership offerings or were invited to increase their existing ownership in the firm.

"I am very pleased to be given an opportunity to increase my ownership in the firm. Knowing that I share ownership of the company I work for is tremendously rewarding," Penniston said. "I'm also very pleased that Leigh was invited to accept additional limited partnership, as well. Leigh does a super job, and if anyone deserves this opportunity, she does."

Penniston, a native of Kansas City, Mo., joined Edward Jones

in 1986 and has served investors in Murray for the past 16 years. In addition, he is active in several local groups, including the Murray Rotary Club.

Furches, a native of Murray, joined Edward Jones in 1993. "I'm honored to be offered this limited partnership," she said. "I've always enjoyed my job — it's both challenging and rewarding — but being invited to become an owner in the company is really exciting."

James D. Weddle, the firm's managing partner, added, "Edward Jones is owned entirely by its associates. We believe one of the best ways to reward

outstanding associates is to offer them an opportunity to share in the ownership of the company they help build. I'm pleased to say that Eric and Leigh have definitely earned their limited partnership offerings."

Edward Jones provides financial services for individual investors in the United States and, through its affiliates, in Canada and the United Kingdom. Every aspect of the firm's business, from the types of investment options offered to the location of branch offices, is designed to cater to individual investors in the communities in which they live and work.

Cornelison joins Kopperud Realty firm



Gale Broach Cornelison

Gale Broach Cornelison recently joined Kopperud Realty for services in residential, farm and commercial property.

Cornelison is a graduate of Calloway County High School and Murray State University. She has served as director of social work services at Mur-

ray-Calloway County Hospital, as owner/director of Wee Care Child Development Center, and currently as family services specialist with Murray Head Start.

She has been involved in community services as a mem-

ber of the board of directors for the Murray-Calloway County Chamber of Commerce, United Way, YMCA, and First United Methodist Church.

Cornelison can be reached at Kopperud Realty at 753-1222 or 293-9333.

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Senior Activities

By **TERI COBB**
Activities director

Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens Center is located at 607 Poplar St., Murray. Our phone number is 753-0929. Lunch is served daily at 11:30 a.m. for a suggested donation of \$1.50. Beverages are lowfat milk, ice tea and coffee.

We offer transportation on a daily basis from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you live in the city limits and need a ride to our center, the doctor, grocery store, bank or pharmacy, please call at least one day ahead of time to schedule your ride.

Our exercise room is open each week, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Those who are 60 and older are invited to exercise at no cost, as well as take advantage of other activities and services we have to offer. Contact the center at 753-0929 for more information.

Activities and menus for the week of Jan. 15-19 have been released as follows:

Monday events include Armchair Aerobics at 8 a.m. or 9 a.m., Health Express here from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., Stride with Pride Walkers meet at 10 a.m. for indoor walking, Fitness Aerobics Class at 10 a.m., Bingo at 12:30 p.m. and Line Dance at 2 p.m. roasted turkey breast, baked sweet potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, margarine, fresh fruit salad and cinnamon graham crackers will be on the lunch menu.

Tuesday events include Strength and Stretch class at

8 a.m., Devotion at 10 a.m., organizational meeting for men's basketball at 10 a.m. in the gym, Women's Issues at 10:30 a.m. in the education room, Ping Pong at 12:30 p.m. and monthly birthday and anniversary celebration at 12:30 p.m. On the lunch menu will be chili, carrot raisin salad, crackers and vanilla wafers.

Wednesday events include Armchair Aerobics at 8 a.m. or 9 a.m., Stride with Pride Walkers will meet at 10 a.m. for indoor walking, Powder Puff Pool play from 10 to 11:30 a.m., Bridge Class at 10 a.m. in education room and Pinochle Club at noon. Swedish meatballs, fluffy noodles, stewed tomatoes, whole wheat bread and fruit cocktail will be on the lunch menu.

Thursday events will be Strength and Stretch Class at 8 a.m., Shuffleboard League at 9:30 a.m. and Red Hatters meet for lunch at Dumplin's at 11:15 a.m. On the lunch menu will be shredded BBQ pork on bun, whole kernel corn, spinach, frozen strawberries and angel food cake.

Friday events include Armchair Aerobics at 8 or 9 a.m., Open Bridge at 10 a.m., Blood Pressure checks from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and ROMEO'S will head to Dover, Tenn., at 10:30 a.m. to eat lunch at Cindy's. Lemon baked fish, baked potatoes, sour cream, Brussels sprouts, whole wheat roll and tapioca pudding will be on the menu.

Murray-Calloway Senior Citizens Center is a United Way agency.



Photo provided

Presenting the program at a meeting of the Music Department of the Murray Woman's Club were, from left, seated, Roger Miller and James Vaughn Edwards, standing, Rebecca Landolt, Kay Ray and Pat Miller.

Keynotes present program for the Music Department

A special program by The Keynotes was presented at the last meeting of the Music Department of the Murray Woman's Club at the club house.

Members of The Keynotes are Roger Miller, guitarist, and James Vaughn Edwards, pianist. They were assisted on one song by Rebecca Landolt, Kay Ray and Pat Miller.

Hostesses were Neva Grey Allbritten, Shirley Wall, Kathy

Mowery, Sally DuFord, Virginia Randolph and Janet Caldwell.

The department will meet Tuesday at 6 p.m. and will include a potato bar for supper. There is no charge, but contributions to Relay for Life will be appreciated. Contact Gale Vinson at 753-5452 to reserve your potato.

Presenting the program will be the Scott Erickson family.

Hostesses will be members of the Relay for Life team.

Red Cross offering safety classes

Special to the Ledger

The Calloway County Chapter American Red Cross will offer a CPR/FA/AED Instructor Trainer Course during the month of February to those interested in becoming an American Red Cross certified instructor in CPR, first aid and AED.

In this course participants will receive training that will allow them to become a Red Cross Instructor, which enables them to teach Red Cross courses

in the workplace, and to individuals in the community under the new 2006 Program Guidelines.

The layresponder training will allow participants to teach first aid, CPR for the adult, child and infant, and AED for the adult and child. Participants will also be able to teach bloodborne pathogens and ergonomics (slips, trips and falls).

The professional rescuer training is optional training that would allow participants to

teach layresponder, but also the training required for health care providers and anyone interested in the medical field. Nurses, EMT, firefighters and life-guards are examples of individuals needing this training. This training is based on a higher level of training than that of the layresponder.

Requirements needed to participate in the instructor training course are as follows:

— For the layresponder: Must possess current certification in first aid and CPR for adult, child and infant; current American Heart Association "BLS" and first aid certification is accepted.

Other requirements are that individuals participate in the full course, be able to demonstrate and pass all skills, and pass a written exam.

The training is a full week of classes during the evenings that includes "Fundamentals of Instructor Training," videos, course work, and presentations. The cost of the layresponder course is \$150 and the cost for the professional rescuer course is \$180 and includes materials and certification.

All classes will be held at the George Weaks Conference Room located at 607 Poplar St. and the class schedule is as follows: Monday, Feb. 19, 5 to 10 p.m.; Tuesday, Feb. 20, 6 to 10 p.m.; Wednesday, Feb. 21, 6 to 10 p.m.; Thursday, Feb. 22, 6 to 10 p.m.; Friday, Feb. 23, 6 to 10 p.m.

Those interested in becoming an instructor in another area such as water safety, are required to have the Fundamentals of Instructor Training and can participate in the Monday night class only at a cost of \$25.

Once certified as an instructor trainer, participants will be able to certify others in American Red Cross CPR and first aid. Class space is limited and pre-registration is required.

Interested participants are asked to pre-register at the Red Cross office 607 Poplar St. prior to the class. Call Executive Director Tory Daugherty at 753-1421 or e-mail her at callowayredcross@murray-ky.net for more information.

Murray Masonic Lodge will have Third Degree ceremony



Jo's

Datebook

By Jo Burkeen
Community
Editor

Murray Lodge # 105 of Free and Accepted Masons will have a Third Degree ceremony Monday at 6 p.m. at the Masonic hall on Ky. Hwy. 121 North at Roberston Road South.

A meal with the lodge furnishing the meat, bread and drinks will follow the ceremony.

Bobby Hale, master of the lodge for 2007, urges all Masonic lodge members to attend.

THEOS group will meet

THEOS (They Help Each Other Spiritually) Group, a bereavement support group for persons who have lost their spouses to death, will meet Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the community room of Calloway Public Library. Opal Howard will present the program on "Making A New Life for Myself." The group will go later to eat at Sirloin Stockade. For more information call Lillian Steele at 753-2875, Opal Howard at 753-1998, or Karen Isaacs at 753-2411.

Republicans to meet Tuesday

Calloway County Republicans will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Weaks Center. This meeting was changed from the regular time.

Pritchett event is today

Luke Pritchett will be presented his Eagle Badge, highest honor in Boy Scouting, at a Court of Honor ceremony by Boy Scout Troop today at 2 p.m. at Dexter Baptist Church. The wrong day was listed Thursday. All relatives and friends are invited.

Kelly reception will be Sunday

A reception in honor of Betta Kelly for her 25 years of service as minister to preschool & children at First Baptist Church will be Sunday at 6:45 p.m. in the Welcome Center of the church. The public is invited.

Theta Department will meet

Theta Department of Murray Woman's Club will meet Monday at 2 p.m. at the club house.

Murray Singles will meet

Murray Singles (SOS) will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Calloway Public Library. For information call Pat at 809-3809.

Al-Anon meeting Tuesday

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

TOPS will meet Tuesday

Murray Chapter of TOPS, #616 will meet Tuesday from 9 to 10 a.m. at University Church of Christ, near Wal-Mart. Persons are to enter on the side of the church where the carport is located. Visitors are welcome. For more information call Joyce at 753-9080 or Amy at 435-4054.

Hospital retirees will meet Tuesday

Retirees and former employees of Murray-Calloway County Hospital will meet Tuesday at 11 a.m. at The Big Apple. For more information call Nancy McClure at 492-8640.

Clothes Closet not open Thursday

The Clothes Closet at Dexter Baptist Church on Thursday has been closed. For information call 437-4890.

Housing Authority plans classes

The Housing Authority of Murray will host two computer classes on Wednesday in the main office at 716 Nash Dr. The first class, "Creating an E-mail Account" to teach participants the basics to creating their own e-mail account will be from 1 to 3 p.m. and the second class on "Introduction to E-mail" to teach participants to e-mail as well as other e-mail basics will be from 4 to 6 p.m. The classes are free to all Housing Authority residents as well as community members who are 62 and older. Others who wish to participate may do so by paying a \$10 fee. For more information or to register, contact Jamie Jones at 753-5000, ext. 307.

Men's basketball program planned

An organizational meeting for all men 60 and older who are interested in forming a men's basketball program will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at the Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens Center, 607 Poplar St. The type of play, such as "H-O-R-S-E" or "Around the World", will be discussed. If enough men are interested, a 3-on-3 group will be formed also. If you are looking for a low-impact style basketball program with men of similar age and abilities, this is for you. Assisting in organizing this new program will be Brownie Jones. For more information, contact Teri Cobb at 753-0929.

Transit authority board will meet

Murray Calloway Transit Authority will have its monthly board meeting Monday at 11 a.m. at the Weaks Community Center.

Murray Electric to close Monday

Murray Electric System will be closed Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

CCHS football banquet tonight

The banquet to honor the 2006 football team of Calloway County High School will be tonight at 6 on the third floor of the Murray State University Curris Center.

Russell Chapel plans promotion

Russell Chapel United Methodist Church will have a rebate day today at Breaktime Billiards, 2938 Ky. 94 East, Murray. Customers are asked to tell your waiter or waitress to label your order as "Russell Chapel."

Athletic banquet planned

The Murray State University Athletic Hall of Fame banquet will be Friday, Jan. 19. The reservation deadline is Monday. Being inducted this year are Dennis Jackson, football and track (1960-1964); Gary Stephens, rifle (1984-1988); Tony Wretlund, men's tennis (1985, 1987-1989); Jill Doty, women's track & volleyball (1988-1993); Ronald (Poppey) Jones, men's basketball (1989-1992); and Jessica Widman, women's golf (1996-2000). For reservations contact Crystal Morrow, administrative assistant, department of athletics, MSU, at 809-3746.

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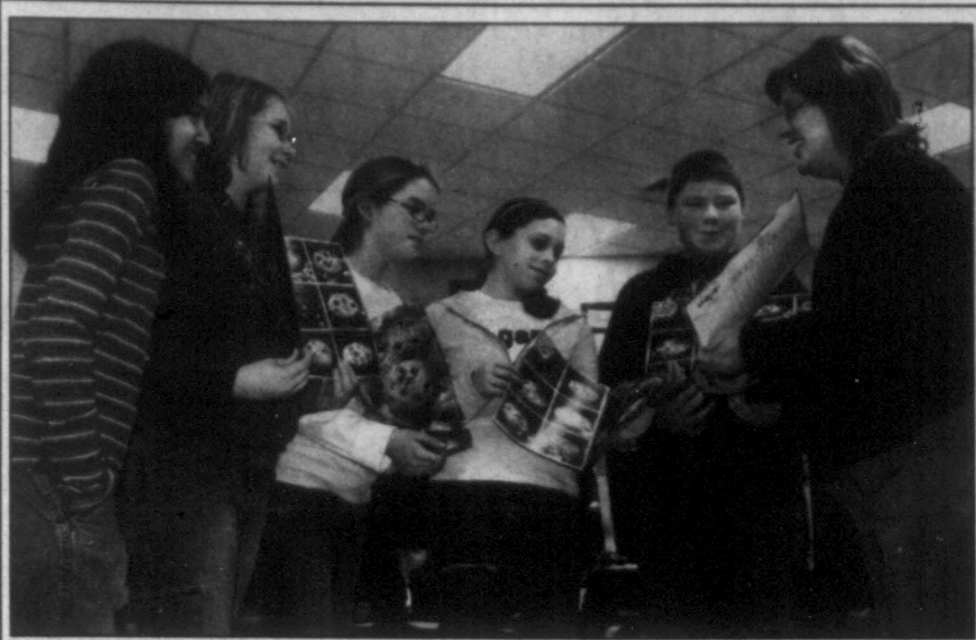
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COOKIE DOUGH SALES: Murray Middle School Band Director Beth Stribling, right, goes over information with members of the band recently about their current "Cookie Dough Sales" fund raiser. The cookie dough can be purchased now through January 16 from any member of the band or by contacting the middle school at 753-5125. Funds raised from the sale will go toward music, equipment, instruments, repairs and transportation, it was reported. Pictured above, from left, are: Dheepa Loganathan; Brianna Ohnemus; Paige Drew; Sarah Whitworth; Logan English; and Stribling.

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WINTER MUSIC PROGRAM: North Calloway Elementary Kindergarten and 1st grade students recently presented their winter music program. "The First Day of Winter" by Denise Fleming was the inspiration for the musical play on December 7th. The students built a snowman, one day at a time, including music and dance. Tracy Leslie, music teacher, coordinated the music and dance selections to correspond with the story. The snowman was played by Roger McIntosh, a 5th grade student.

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WATCH clients Phillip, Joey and Rhonda join Peggy Williams, executive director, in collecting aluminum cans for the center's on-going fund raiser. Cans may be taken to the center during regular hours, or persons may drive through the driveway on the west side of the center and place them in the cotton wagon anytime of the day or night.

WATCH continues need of aluminum cans to raise funds for daily activities

Staff Report

Murray's local WATCH center at 702 Main Street continues its need of aluminum cans for an on-going fund-raising project, according to Peggy Williams, executive director. "Cans may be taken to the center during regular hours, or persons may drive through the driveway on the west side of the center and place them in the cotton wagon anytime of the day or night. They can also be donated at the annual Make A Difference Day," she said.

WATCH, Inc., is an organization that assists people with disabilities to become fully integrated into the community. She said the local board operates a program designed to provide vocational and community opportunities for developmentally-disabled adults over 21 years of age. The individuals attend each weekday.

Williams said the goal of WATCH is to provide the most normal lifestyle possible for each individual and his/her family by offering new opportunities and experiences which broaden the client's array of choices. This includes providing training and support to prepare individuals for maximum sufficiency in self-help/personal care, functional academics, communications, motor skills, independent living, community and pre-vocational skills based upon agency and self-assessments and to provide the choice for vocational and community integration opportunities with support as needed.

Williams recently reported that 2006 was filled with construction and renovation of the center's newly-acquired WATCH annex property, located at 105 N. 7th Street. The addition increased WATCH's workspace to almost 13,000 square feet and helped to secure contracts with local businesses.

She said that in 2006, the center also saw the construction of a new 15' x 50' wooden deck to connect the Main Street buildings with the North 7th Street Annex. The interior walls and floors were painted,

light fixtures were added and a new ceiling was installed.

Williams said the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels also helped with a grant to replace a leaking roof. Other grants were also secured to cover the costs of the deck, covered walkways, sidewalks, two overhead doors and booths for the cafeteria area, she said.

Williams said that in addition to aluminum cans, other items on the WATCH wish list are film (compact flash cards for digital cameras, 35mm and Polaroid 600), photo paper, cleaning supplies, tissue paper, VCR tapes, CDR disks, DVD movies, puzzles and computer games.

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HospitalMenus

"Heart Smart" is the program for the menus in the cafeteria of Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

Anne Newberry, dietitian, said the menus are designed to help those restricting saturated fats and sodium in their diets.

Menus, subject to occasional changes, for the week of Jan. 15-21 have been released as follows:

Monday - *baked chicken w/mango chutney, raised beef tips, *rice pilaf, *broccoli spears w/cheese sauce, *field peas w/snaps, fried okra, chicken tortilla soup.

Tuesday - ham and cheese quiche, *grilled chicken, breaded chicken tenders, Caesar salad, *seasoned green beans, corn nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, *cooked cabbage, Wisconsin cheese soup.

Wednesday - lemon pepper chicken, *crumb topped fish file, chopped steak w/peppers and onions, *baby lima beans, *Scandinavian vegetables, baked potato, onion rings, taco soup.

Thursday - pork cutlets

w/gravy, *roast turkey w/giblet gravy, fish file sandwich, *seasoned green beans, *baby carrots, candied sweet potatoes, cornbread dressing, fried zucchini, potato and bacon soup.

Friday - lasagna, *vegetable lasagna, prime sea strips, *Italian green beans, breaded cheese sticks, *green bean/carrot blend, squash casserole, *vegetable beef and barley soup, *garlic bread sticks.

Saturday - *crumb top fish' oven fried chicken, *seasoned green beans, mashed potatoes w/gravy, *baby carrots, soup of the day.

Sunday - pot roast, chicken strips, *mesquite grilled

chicken, *oven roasted potatoes, fried okra, *crowder peas, soup of the day.



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Columnist fishes in sloppy conditions

On a Friday morning at about 5 o'clock, the rainfall had begun to slack off from torrential to steady. Soon after, I was on my way to meet with David and Nickolus Rozzell in Cypress Creek.

I had fished with David before, but this was the first time I had met the 14-year-old Nickolus. The creeks and rivers were flooded and the muddy waters were along most of the shorelines. But before we left the safety of the bay, I wanted to see what the wind was going to do.

We cast several places along ledges and banks, where we could see good concentrations of fish holding. But they didn't respond to our lures. The rain quit, so we headed north and east to find some waters that were not so muddy.

Always mindful of the changes the winds can make, we were very cautious about running great distances. Cove by cove, we tried casting out roadrunner jigs over areas of sunken brush and old creek channels in order to locate the crappie.

One problem was that we couldn't go very far back into the coves because of the muddy waters caused by the mini-flood. The changing waters as the hillsides drained the fields and emptied the mud and debris into the bays did not help us any.

We continued to travel and fish every bit of available struc-



Nick Taute, John Malachowski and Michael Surma recently went on a fishing outing with Ledger & Times Outdoors columnist Jerry Maupin.

ture — picking up a crappie here, a big bluegill there, some decent yellow stripers mixed in to help keep us fired up didn't hurt. No doubt about the current on the main lake. TVA was trying to release as much water as could be released without any major problems.

This caused us some problems, because some of our open areas on the ledges do not hold crappie in a current. The crappie either get behind a ledge, or just go deep and wait it out! It was just a day where we had to fish in spots!

We did locate decent schools of crappie and caught some good ones on the first three or four casts. After that, it seemed as if the school moved, or just developed lockjaw.

Now, we did catch some undersized ones, but it was very slow. At each stop, there would be some big fish to compensate for the crappie — and they were big drum!

I don't care what any angler has to say about these big fish, as far as them being food fish. They are some of the best fun an angler can have, especially on a 7-foot, light-action rod

and spinning reel that is equipped with 8-pound test line.

Many of these drum weigh over 20 pounds. That is a battle for anyone! If you don't eat them, please release them alive! They prey on the smalls and mussels along the bottom, so please release them alive! We need these fish to keep a balance on the eco system.

Nickolus Rozzell is 14-years-old, and he's going on 25. He had a blast catching these big fish. Some he had will weigh 20 pounds. I think they were a couple over that, but they all gave a great performance while trying to escape.

It was a good fish to hook when the crappie were slow. We managed to keep enough crappie, big bluegill and yellow stripers in order to feed the Rozzell family that night!

Saturday dawned cold but calm, so we headed north again to stay out of the muddy waters. I didn't go shallow at first, but we found some deep crappie ready to eat. They were thumping our roadrunners pretty hard, and our livewell was looking good. There would be another fish fry that night!

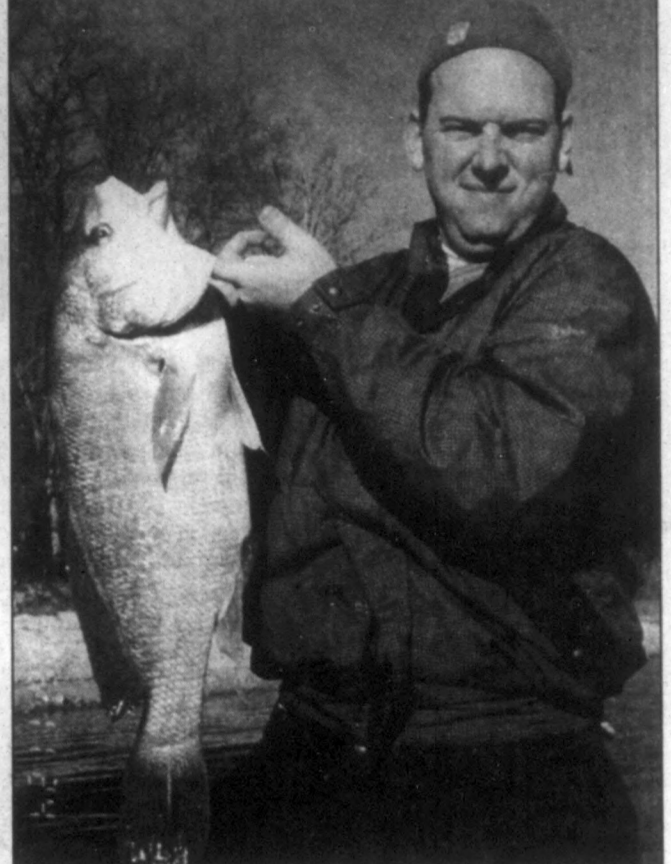
Back and forth, we worked the ledges to get the strikes as the currents were a little bit stronger than on Friday. David and Nickolus were working hard, and that's what worked for us!

If you just sit there without moving the gigs around, don't always expect the fish to be on the aggressive hunt for food. There was the current to deal with, and the winds had switched to the north. That caused the waves to build into something serious.

We continued to cover the ledges methodically, and we caught fish in almost every location. The drum seemed to know when we were about to give up, because we would catch another of the big brutes to cheer everyone up!

It was a strange front that moved in on us. We could tell a difference in the strikes. They were less in numbers and in intensity, so I packed up and headed south. We only had 20 miles to go!

We had to make one more stop so Nickolus could catch his big crappie of the day. And he did just that! It was a beau-



Nick Taute caught this 25-pound drum on a roadrunner jig with an 8-pound test line. Taute was fishing with guide Jerry Maupin.

ty! Both David and I were scrambling for the dipnet. We were successful, and the fish was caught!

That fired us up again! We caught a couple more of the smaller ones, but it was time for us to go.

The winds had increased and the main lake waves were an easy 6 feet high. I have no fear about crossing because that is the easy part.

Just get in the trough of a big wave and run across to the other side!

You need to change troughs as you travel. Always take the

one on your left. It is easier. You will have mastered the wave at that point!

Once across to the islands, the waves were only half as tall since the water was more shallow. Keep that in mind and you may save a life at some time.

Be sure to come to the Regional Special Events Center this weekend for the boat show. There will be some great buys for you, and hopefully some good fishing information, as well. See you there!

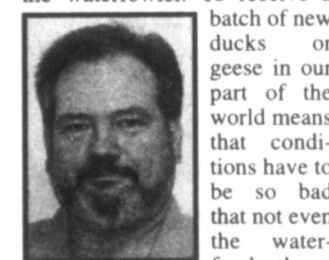
Happy Fishing!

Waterfowlers experience good days in duck blind

There is absolutely nothing easy about waterfowl hunting. That's why we do our best to have a house-sized blind with easy chairs, heaters and some semblance of a kitchen.

If there are any creature comforts at all that go with duck hunting, we have to make them ourselves.

When waterfowl hunting gets good, it is especially hard on the waterfowler. To receive a



In The Field

By Kenny Darnell
Outdoors Columnist

batch of new ducks or geese in our part of the world means that conditions have to be so bad that not even the waterfowl themselves can stand it.

That's because we catch the feathery, waterproof fowl on their way to summer vacation on the Gulf Coast.

So here's the great "catch 22" — if the weather is warm and dry so that the duck hunter is comfortable, then the ducks he so fervently seeks are lounging around in the Dakotas sipping root beer through a straw.

But if the weather is such that every duck and goose in Canada is stopping by Kentucky for cigarettes and lottery tickets while winging their way to sub-tropical paradise, then the misery index for the waterfowl hunter goes off the scale.

Last Sunday was one of those latter-type days. No, it was-

n't cold, the water in the duck hole wasn't freezing and there was no hint of snow or freezing rain. But the plain old rain was bad enough.

Rain is OK for hunting when you are in a dry vehicle, hunting cabin, shooting house or duck blind. But rain isn't worth a seat on the city council if a person has to be standing under it for any length of time.

So the concern that Dr. Young and I shared was that the incessant rain would do us no good during the three-mile ride down the levee, and during the brief boat-ride to the blind. Our concern was well founded.

Thank goodness for modern, space-age fabrics that look and feel like regular fabric but shed water like a duck in a Whirlpool. Unfortunately, everything exposed the deluge becomes saturated to the point of dripping so that everything you touch after removing the rain gear also becomes saturated to the point of dripping.

The ambient temperature was warm, however, so that in our soggy state we managed to yet again stave-off the prospects of pneumonia. But although the day was miserable, weather-wise, it was not as miserable as one might have wanted for a good duck hunt.

The day was heavy with overcast, rainy, foggy, soggy, but warm. We would have in all likelihood been in that blind come sunshine or blizzard because it is after all, duck season — which is about as deeply as a duck hunter can reason.

Somewhat to our surprise, the ducks were moving in the rain and fog that day in spite



LeDawn Hale shows off the 5-point, 130-pound buck she harvested while on a recent outing with her husband, Shawn. Pictured with Hale is her 5-year-old son, Jackson.

of the balmy conditions. Flock after flock poured over our heads only to succumb to the allure of the cornfield next door where they were greeted with a hail of someone else's gunfire.

The moments were never dull, though. There were ducks constantly in the air around us — some even trying to land among their plastic brethren. But therein was the rub — the ducks would circle and look, circle and look, then make one final low swoop over the blocks before heading to the cornfield or to parts unknown.

This didn't happen a time or two, either. We watched ducks execute this tease all day. Frustrated, we tried soft calling, loud calling, lots of calling, no calling. We tried with the robo ducks, sans robo ducks — we even tried a remote-controlled swimming duck.

Regardless of our efforts, the results were nearly always the same.

Extreme situations call for extreme measures. Our first extreme measure was to light the gas burners under a breakfast of sausage, bacon, fried eggs, and toast.

In all our time in the duck blind, initiating the cooking sequence produces ducks that insist on landing among the decoys with amazing regularity. Sure enough, the simple act of cooking breakfast once again produced ducks.

The downside of the affair was that we had to keep cooking until a duck finally landed or we ran out of food — and we had a lot of food for two people.

The second sure-fire extreme method was initiated following the marathon breakfast, when Dr. Young cleared the

bench in the rear of the blind and stretched out for a nap. Again, it has been our experience that such action always produces ducks in front of the blind.

Of course, proper duck hunting etiquette requires timely notification of the slumbering member before shots are fired — it has more to do with missing out on the best shots of the day than being startled awake by the blast from a shotgun.

Yes, even that sure-fire method produced ducks, so much so that Dr. Young was up and down like a yo-yo. But yet again, the wily quackers would make one low pass then wave their tails at us. All in all, we managed to scratch out four ducks that day out of the hundreds that dropped by for a brief look-see.

My search for answers to our weekend dilemma underscored the difficulties faced by the average (or below average) waterfowler.

The combination of rain and rough weather to the north had brought a few ducks down, but the unseasonable warm weather had them more in the mood to lounge around in a quiet place rather than to frantically seek out every field or timber hole on their route.

Additionally, the overcast sky removed shadows and the sharp contrasts that hide hunters from the ducks.

Instead of trying to look from sunlight into the darkness of the blind, the ducks could see through the camouflage netting well enough to count the eggs frying in our pan.

Instead of having to battle the glare of the sun off the ripples on the water, the ducks had only make one pass at a safe distance from our guns to read the serial numbers on their plastic brethren.

Now, had the day been bitterly cold with blowing snow and ice weighing on the branches, we're absolutely sure that the ducks would have fallen from the sky desperate for a place to rest, feed or congregate. But it's during such times that fingers grow numb, guns freeze up and every activity becomes more difficult to the power of 10 — all of which would be negated by the number of ducks lighting in front of the blind, mind you.

But then the water begins to freeze and the ducks head farther south, where they can find a warm day to torment other duck hunters sitting in a balmy duck blind frying sausage and eggs. That's the nature of the sport.

A really good duck hunt requires the precise alignment of certain stars and planets. A number of variables have to achieve unity — sun, wind, rain, snow, temperature — to have "one of those days."

Some have mused that if every day of duck hunting was that good, we'd soon grow weary and seek other challenges. I wouldn't know about any of that.

The universe comes together to provide a day that is "that good" just often enough to make me think that the next day will always be "that day." And that in itself is sufficient to make every day in the duck blind a "good day," as far as I'm concerned.

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WILDCAT HOOPS

UK christens new practice facility

WILDCATS UNVEIL \$30 MILLION VENUE

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — More lights. Fewer cameras. Same action.

Kentucky's basketball teams have moved into a new \$30 million practice facility, and the men's players were touting the brighter lighting and increased privacy Friday as the biggest improvements from the old haunts at Memorial Coliseum.

"The bad thing about it is we can't play our games in here," center Randolph Morris said.

The facility was funded in part by alumnus Joe Craft Jr., whose \$6 million gift for the naming rights was the largest in the history of the school's athletic department.

The 100,000 square-foot building, adjacent to Memorial, includes separate practice gyms for the men and women, state-of-the-art locker rooms and weight rooms and offices for coaches and department personnel. Coach Tubby Smith's office overlooks the men's practice gym.

"It's going to be beneficial in recruiting," Smith said. "I think in this day and time it was necessary."

Not just from a basketball standpoint, but also from an administrative standpoint."

The lighting in the gym is far more reminiscent of Rupp Arena, where the men's Wildcats play their games, than Memorial — their former home where much of the Kentucky hoops history was written. Smith joked that he didn't miss a jumpshot Thursday during the team's first practice in the new facility.

Scheduling was often tight at Memorial because the women's team plays most of its games there, and the facility is also sometimes used for concerts and for volleyball and gymnastics. That occasionally meant the men had to practice at odd times.

Guard Ramel Bradley said the new center means a lot more court time.

"We can practice at 3 o'clock in the morning now if we need to," Bradley said. "You can get shots up, you can watch movies, you can play video games. Everything is right here."

The men's practice gym is adorned with seven banners commemorating Kentucky's national titles — and plenty of space to add another one. But while Memorial has numerous entrances and public seating, so it's difficult to keep passersby out of the closed practices, the new gym is far more iso-

■ See PRACTICE, 10A



UK ATHLETICS

Members of the Kentucky basketball team take part in their first practice at the school's brand-new \$30 million practice facility on Thursday.

WILDCAT FOOTBALL

Burton bypassing NFL, returning to UK

KENTUCKY RECEIVER SAID HE WILL COME BACK TO SCHOOL

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Kentucky wide receiver Keenan Burton said Friday he would put off his National Football League ambitions to return to the Wildcats next season, keeping intact all the key components of the bowl-winning offense.

Burton announced his intentions at a news conference, attended by his family members who drove to Lexington earlier in the day. He said he didn't make up his mind — or tell them — until shortly before the announcement.

"Mentally I was ready, but I could be more ready," he said of the NFL.

NFL analysts said Burton graded out as a 3rd-round pick. That made the decision difficult, Burton said. Early third-round picks can expect a guaranteed contract of about \$900,000, he said.

With the 6-foot-2, 195-pound receiver's return, Kentucky has back all of the key offensive playmakers on the team that beat Clemson last month in the Music City Bowl — the Wildcats' first bowl victory since 1984.

Earlier this week, junior running back Rafael Little — the team's top rusher the last two seasons — announced he would return.



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Kentucky wide receiver Keenan Burton, shown here during the Wildcats' Music City Bowl win over Clemson, announced Friday that he would bypass entering the NFL Draft to return to UK for his senior season.

LAKERS 54, TIGERS 49

All Knotted Up

MILLER'S FREE THROWS IN CLOSING SECONDS HELP LAKERS TIE RIVALRY SERIES AT 50

By MICHAEL DANN
Sports Writer

When the going gets tough, the tough get going. And when the free throw shooting gets tough for Calloway, there's Josh Miller.

Miller, the 5-foot-9 senior who is the Lakers' leading free throw shooter at 80 percent this season, calmly sank two foul shots with 13.3 seconds to play to lift homestanding CCHS to a key 54-49 Fourth District victory over Murray High at The Jeff on Friday night.

On a night when Calloway was 16-of-29 from the line, including 9-of-16 in the final eight minutes, Miller was 4-of-5 — and he made them when they counted most.

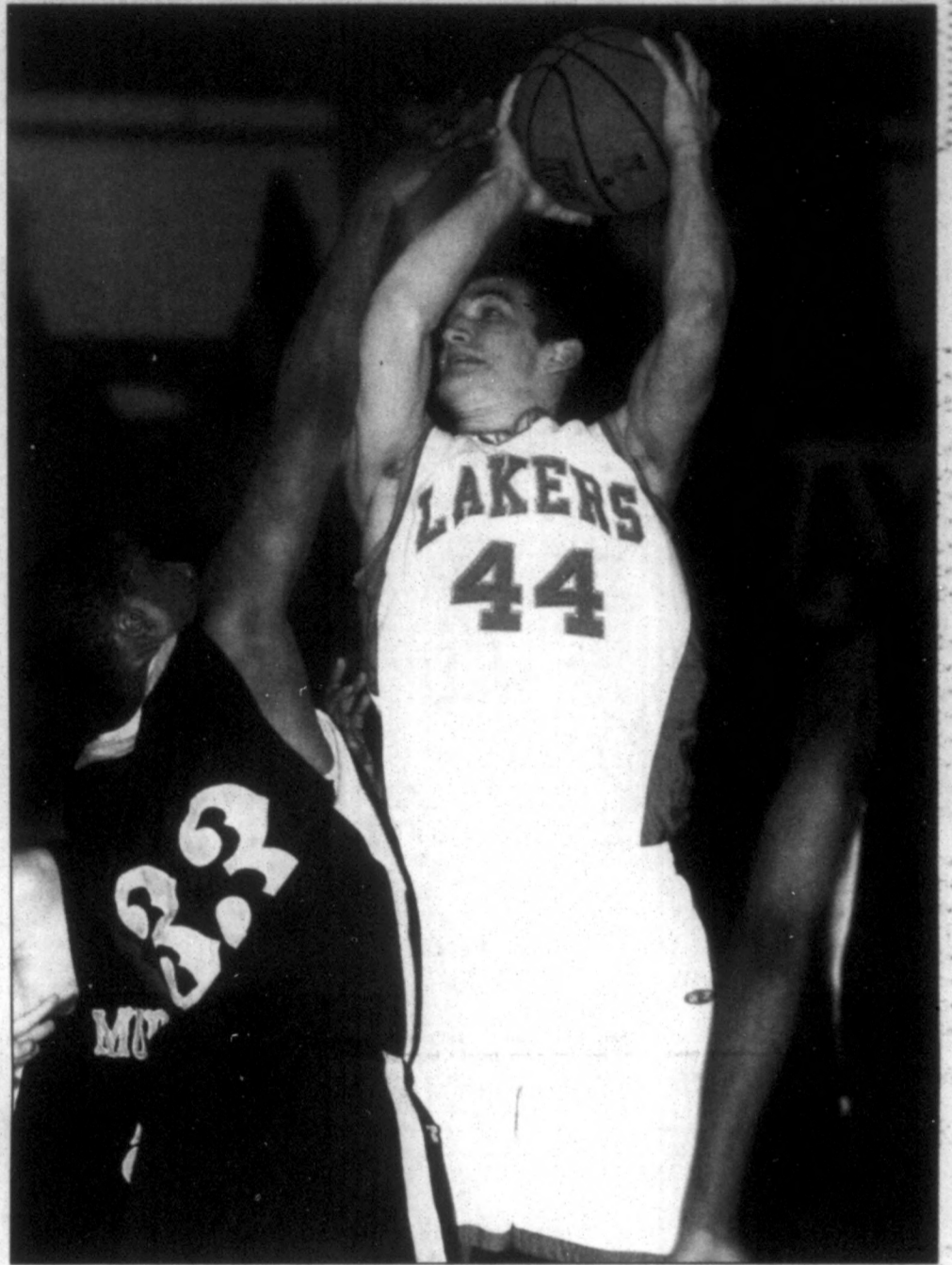
"We challenged Josh to go get the basketball," head coach Terry Birdsong said. "He finally went and got it and got the foul. He missed one, but he made some big ones down the stretch."

Miller finished with 11 points, as did Wes Adams. But Wes Perry led all scorers with a game-high 16 points while adding seven rebounds.

The Tigers were paced by four players in double digits. Kenneth Trice, Chess Volp, Aaron Jones and Blake McCuiston all had 10 in the losing effort.

In their 100th meeting, the win tied the all-time series between the crosstown rivals at 50. For Calloway, it's the Lakers' 10th in a row over Murray. Since 1995, the Lakers have won 22 out of the last 27 against the Tigers.

■ See RIVAL, 10A



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Calloway's Jamey Gream (44) puts up this shot over Murray High defender Aaron Jones in the second half Friday night at Jeffrey Gymnasium. Gream finished with 11 points and Jones had 10 for the Tigers in Fourth District action.

LADY LAKERS 65, LADY TIGERS 29

Veteran's Day

CALLOWAY'S EXPERIENCE TOO

MUCH FOR MURRAY HIGH'S YOUTH

By SCOTT NANNEY
Sports Editor

The physical disparity between crosstown rivals Calloway County and Murray High was evident on Friday night. And it showed on the scoreboard: Lady Lakers 65, Lady Tigers 29.

A veteran Calloway squad — bigger and more physical than its young and inexperienced counterparts — took it to the overmatched Lady Tigers in Fourth District action at Jeffrey Gymnasium.

The CCHS frontcourt duo of 6-foot-2 sophomore Kayla Cunningham and 6-1 junior Rachel Adams had their way with a smaller Murray unit, which boasts just one player — 6-foot junior center Maria James — taller than 5-9.

"No matter who plays us, it's going to be a hard matchup because of our two 6-foot girls," said Lady Laker head coach Scott Sivills, who got a game-high 18 points on a perfect 7-of-7 shooting from Cunningham while getting 10 more on a 5-of-7 effort from Adams. "I thought Kayla did an excellent job of reading the defense, taking the outside shot and also driving to the basket."

"It's good for Rachel to not turn and look at the score. Sometimes she will rush herself a little bit. But I thought (Friday) she was poised in the middle," he added.

Murray head coach Rechelle Turner also understood the disadvantage her ballclub was under.

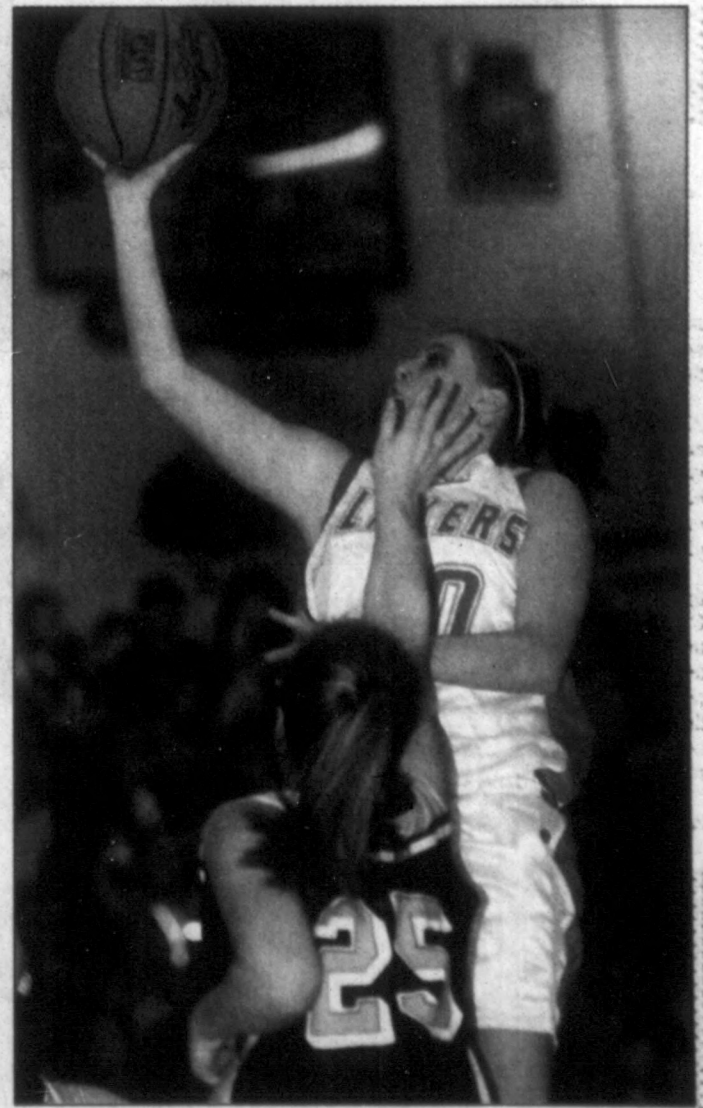
"Sometimes you're just outmatched. I'm not too proud to admit that," Turner claimed. "They're a better basketball team. They have more experienced players, and they have the inside-outside game that we don't have."

It didn't take long for Calloway to establish its dominance, getting five quick points from Cunningham and Adams before opening the offense up to the perimeter, where both guards Sam Butts and Shelby Webb canned 3-pointers in helping the Lady Lakers to a commanding 24-4 advantage after one quarter of play.

Meanwhile, the Lady Tigers (5-10) were having all kinds of problems just getting into their offensive sets, committing 16 of their 26 turnovers in the first half.

A jumper from Emily Benson at the 6:36 mark tied the score at 2-2. But Murray High wouldn't score again until

■ See CCHS, 10A



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Calloway's Beth Ross goes up for this shot in the first half, while Murray High's Megan Pember comes in to defend during Fourth District action Friday at Jeffrey Gymnasium.

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Rival

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But numbers or statistics didn't matter to David Fields and his Tigers. Instead, the second-year head coach was more worried with his squad earning some respect — something at game's end he certainly felt was the case.

"We proved to ourselves that we belong in the Fourth District, and that's all that matters. It doesn't matter what other people think," Fields said. "But my kids know and they believe, and I told them before the game that this was going to be a statement game. It was going to be big. I felt like we played big tonight. We just came up a little shy."

Calloway built its biggest lead of the game, going up by 10 with 2:31 to play in the third quarter, thanks to a basket by Wes Adams.

Murray chipped away at that lead, getting it down to as few as five with 5:58 to play in the fourth, when Jones went 1-of-3 from the foul line. But the Lakers were able to extend that advantage back to nine after a bucket by Jamey Gream (seven points) and two free throws by Perry with 4:23 left in the game.

The Tigers went on a mini-run, scoring five straight points — four from McCuiston and a free throw by Volp — to pull to within two, 49-47, with only 1:46 left. Then, Calloway went back up by four after a bucket by Eric Berberich (three points). Yet the senior guard missed his two free throws with nearly a minute left in the game.

Trice then answered with two straight free throws to get Murray back to within two, 51-49, with 39.1 seconds left. In an attempt to force a steal or come away with a quick bucket, the Tigers let 25.8 seconds tick off the clock before finally fouling Miller, allowing him to push the lead back to four. Perry added one more free throw with 5.9 left for the game's final point.

Still, it was a moment of déjà vu for Birdsong. The coach remembered his Lakers letting a 10-point lead slip away last Saturday at Marshall County because of porous free throw shooting.

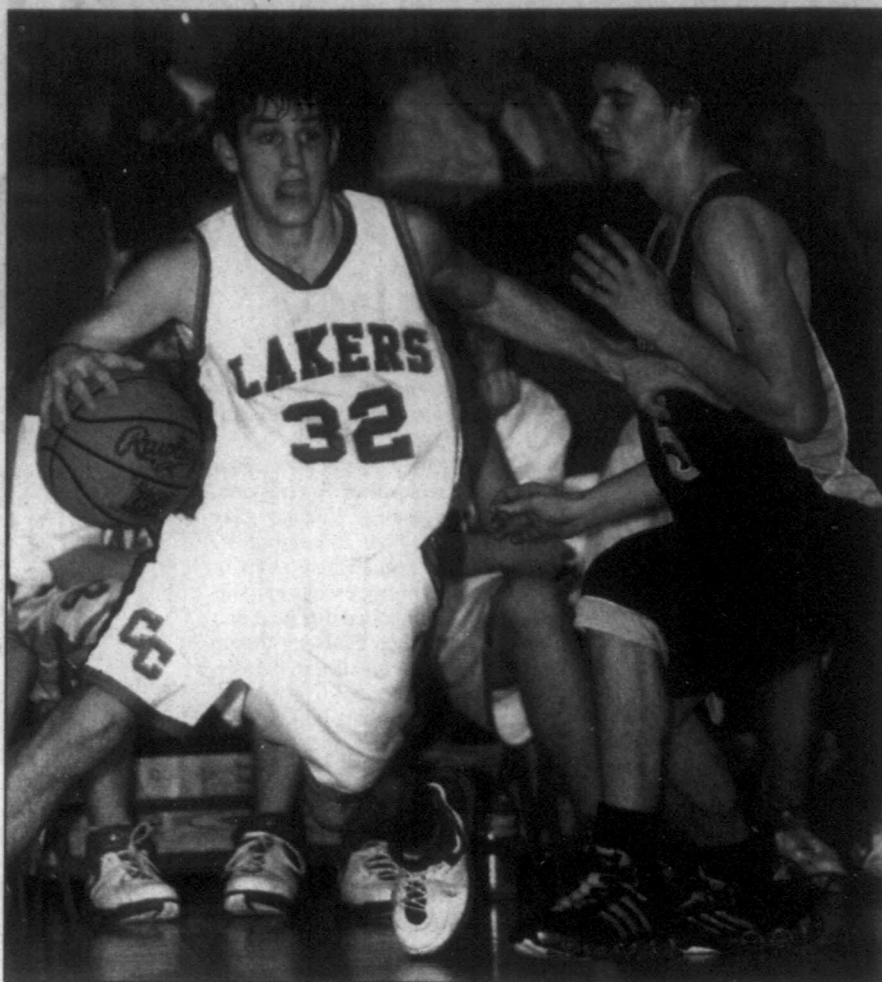
After the game, Birdsong admitted that the thought of losing another heated rivalry game was going to slip through his fingers.

"It entered my mind, but they were missing some on their end," Birdsong said of the Tigers.

Missed free throws weren't the Lakers' only weakness.

"We left guys open we knew not to leave open. That's something we're going to be prepared for next time," Birdsong said.

At the line, Murray shot 15-of-25 (60 percent) on the night, including 7-of-10 in



MICHAEL DANN / Ledger & Times
Calloway's Wes Perry makes an attempt at driving baseline as Murray's Cole Hurt defends on the play in the second half Friday in Fourth District action.

Murray	10	14	10	15	— 49
Calloway Co.	12	15	12	15	— 54
Murray (8-8)	Trice 10, Volp 10, Jones 10, McCuiston 10, Mohler 5, Hurt 4, Gibson, Parker-Bell, FG: 15-34, 3-point FG: 4-17 (McCuiston 2, Trice, Mohler), FT: 15-25, Rebounds: 15, Fouls: 20				
Calloway Co. (12-6)	Perry 16, Miller 11, Adams 11, Gream 7, Lockhart 6, Berberich 3, Garner, Tindell, FG: 17-38, 3-point FG: 4-10 (Perry 3, Miller), FT: 16-29, Rebounds: 27, Fouls: 18				

left to go, let's go for a steal. If we don't get a steal, then we'll foul with 15 seconds," Fields explained. "Our kids played it exactly how we wanted them to. Hats off to Calloway for making the free throws when it counted."

Birdsong went on to add that he credited the home crowd with giving his team a big boost. Knowing that his team has been in tough situations all year, he said having that home-court advantage helped.

"I didn't think we were real sharp tonight, give Murray credit for that. They beat us to every loose ball, and we were complacent on the offensive end. We didn't attack," Birdsong said. "But when they made that run on us in the second half, we got to where we were attacking. We got to the rim; we got to the foul line. If we can get to the foul line 20-plus times, our success rate has been pretty good."

Practice

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lated. Despite the upgrade in facilities, Morris said leaving Memorial is somewhat bitter-sweet.

"There's definitely a lot of memories, definitely a lot of basketball history in there going back to the (Adolph) Rupp era," he said. "It's a great feeling that we're going to be the first ones to ... christen this gym."

CCHS

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3:17 was left in the opening period. A Stacey McClure bucket in the lane made the score 13-4 CCHS.

The Lady Lakers (11-7) would go on to outscore MHS 10-6 in the second quarter to take a commanding 34-10 advantage into the halftime break.

"They shot the ball extremely well," Turner said of Calloway. "I thought they came out and really knocked down some big shots to begin (the game). That's what good teams do."

Even though the score got out of hand quickly, the game still took on a level of importance for Sivills and the Lady Lakers, who entered Friday's play having lost four games in a row, including last Saturday's controversial ending at rival Marshall County.

"We were on a four-game losing streak, so we had to find a way to stop the bleeding from our previous four games," Sivills said. "We've played some very tough teams in previous games, so this was a big district game for us. ... It was one of those games where you had to play hard from start to finish. You can't relax."

"I have that much respect for Coach Turner and her program. They have a lot of good, young kids coming up."

They Lady Tigers got very little out of their offense, hitting only 10-of-29 shots from the floor. McClure paced the Murray attack with eight points, while seventh grader Haley Armstrong and freshman Sarah Crouch tossed in six each.

On the other end of the floor, MHS allowed Calloway to hit 26-of-43 attempts from the field, including a 4-of-9 effort from 3-point range.

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The escalator moves pretty quickly in the Big East.

Too often over the last year-plus, Louisville has been on the one heading down.

But with four of their next five games at home — begin-

ning Saturday against much-improved Providence — the Cardinals have a chance to gain some momentum heading into the teeth of their Big East schedule.

"One weekend changes (everything)," Pitino said. "You

go from the middle to the top or from the middle to the bottom. That's just the way it is."

It's been awhile since the Cardinals (11-5, 1-1 Big East) have been able to look down at one of the nation's most competitive conferences. Injuries have forced the Cardinals to use 10 different starting lineups so far this season, but Pitino may have found one that worked in a win over South Florida on Wednesday.

With forward Juan Palacios and guard Andre McGee injured and forward Derrick Character back in Louisville for "lethargic" play, Pitino went small against the Bulls and it worked. Moving small forward Terrence Williams down to power forward and playing with three guards, the Cardinals made 13 3-pointers, forced 19 turnovers and pressed more effectively than they have all season.

Perhaps just as importantly, the Cardinals played with energy, a missing commodity during a frustrating first half of the sea-

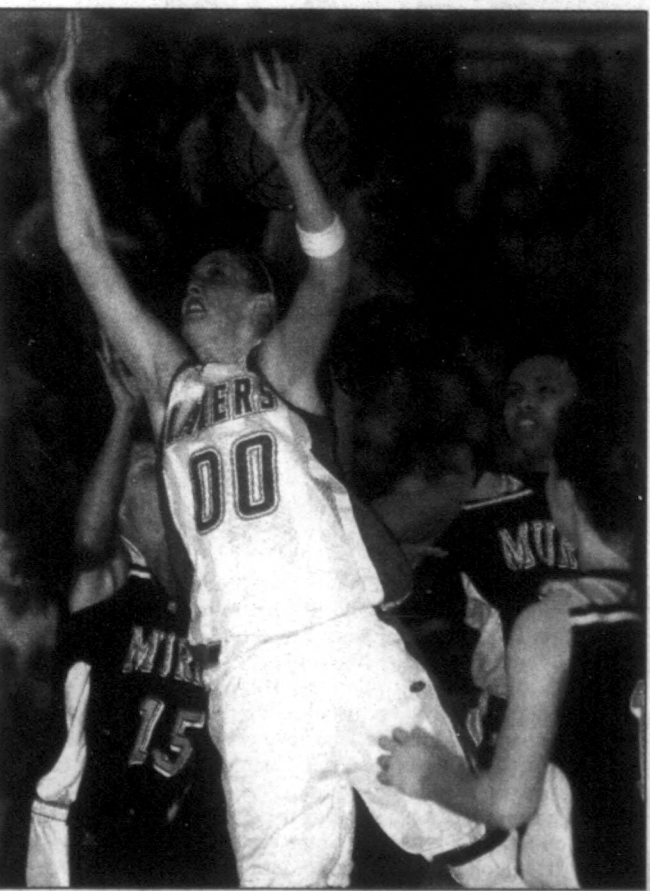
son that featured plenty of sluggish basketball.

"We were trying to play up-and-down and play fast, and I think we did a good job of us dictating the pace and not letting them try to slow it down," said center David Padgett. "That was a game we needed, and I think we can use that to hopefully get on a little roll."

The Friars (12-3, 2-0), like the Cardinals, are looking for some consistency. Though Providence has put together impressive wins over Marquette and Boston College, the Friars also lost to Brown and were blown out by similarly uneven Florida State.

Pitino, who coached the Friars to the Final Four in 1987, said Providence's maturity makes them one of the Big East's most dangerous teams.

"They really don't have a weakness," Pitino said. "They have guys that shoot. They are unbelievable in transition. They're a big-time team that is only going to get better."



MICHAEL DANN / Ledger & Times
Calloway's Kayla Cunningham loses possession of this ball around Murray High defenders Megan Pember, Stacey McClure and Haley Armstrong in the first half Friday night during Fourth District action.

However, the Lady Tigers continued to battle, which pleased Turner.

"Our kids fought hard and didn't quit," she said. "Games like this are easy to put your head down."

"We've had a tough road to hoe this year, but we just keep talking about character and perseverance and the fact that these kids continue to play hard night in and night out, regardless of our record or the final score."

Murray	04	06	10	09	— 29
Calloway	24	10	25	06	— 65
Murray (5-10)	McClure 8, Armstrong 6, Crouch 6, Dieleman 3, Benson 2, Linzy 2, Pember 2, FG: 10-29, 3-point FG: 1-3 (Armstrong), FT: 4-9, Rebounds: N/A, Fouls: N/A				
Calloway (11-7)	Cunningham 18, Webb 13, Adams 10, Butts 10, Ross 4, McCuiston 3, Fox 2, K. Jones 2, W. Jones 2, Goven 1, FG: 26-43, 3-point FG: 4-9 (Webb 3, Butts 1), FT: 9-15, Rebounds: N/A, Fouls: N/A				

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Study offers guides for homesickness

DETROIT (AP) — Janise Stone spent her first semester in college dreaming of home — literally. Stone, 18, would get up in the morning and grudgingly attend classes at Paine College in Augusta, Ga. But the minute she returned to her dormitory, she curled up and thought of family in Indianapolis as she slept the day away. "I was so depressed," Stone said while at home for holidays. "I just kept thinking that if I slept through it, I'd eventually get back home." She isn't alone. Almost everyone experiences occasional homesickness, but many young people suffer from a particularly intense form that interferes with normal activities, according to a new study by the American Academy of Pediatrics. The report in the January issue of the journal Pediatrics offers tips to physicians for recognizing risk factors among patients who are leaving home for the first time. "Leaving home is a universal developmental milestone," said Dr. Edward Walton, co-author of

the report and an assistant professor of pediatrics and emergency medicine at the University of Michigan. "Our goal is for them not to lose time and experience in the adjusting," he said. Walton co-wrote the study with Christopher Thurber, staff psychologist at Phillips Exeter Academy, a boarding school in New Hampshire. About 95 percent of young people say they miss something about home the first time they are away, Thurber said. Most of them simply miss their Xbox or their mother's cooking. But a smaller percentage — about 1 in 14 — suffer from what Thurber calls "intense homesickness." "They're not eating or sleeping right, not playing with others," said Thurber. "Or they have an intense preoccupation with home, they're not thinking about anything else." Those behaviors and attitudes can "seriously impair" experiences while away at camp, boarding school, college or the hospital, he said. Stone's first college experience could not be going worse.

Not only is she having trouble sleeping at school, but the once straight-A student isn't eating right and is failing many of her honors classes. According to Thurber and Walton's research, physicians could have predicted her reaction. Stone had never spent a night away from home, not even at a relative's house. Thurber said that's the first red flag. Other warning signs include having low expectations for the new environment and little control over the situation. The study outlines how to ease children into their first separation, including giving them practice time away from home; never offering to pick them up before the separation is scheduled to end; and involving them in every aspect of the decision. Richard Gallagher, director of the Parenting Institute at New York University's Child Study Center, said the study provides a "sound plan." "Parents and physicians want to have good guidelines for this sort of thing," said Gallagher. "This could give them ideas about coping strategies."



N.J. rock came from outer space!

FREEHOLD TOWNSHIP, N.J. (AP) — A hole in the roof, a bathroom full of debris and a strange, silvery rock near the toilet — the Nageswaran family soon realized they needed an astronomer, not a contractor, to fully explain what damaged their house. Scientists determined it was a meteorite that crashed through the roof of their central New Jersey home more than a week ago. While extraterrestrial rocks fall to the Earth with some regularity, it is rare for them to strike homes. "The fact that something from outer space hit our house ... it's overwhelming," Shankari Nageswaran said in an interview. On the night of Jan. 2, husband Srinivasan Nageswaran walked into his bathroom and spotted a hole in the ceiling and small chunks of drywall and insulation littering the room. His mother, who has been staying with the family, recalled that she had heard a loud boom a few hours earlier and thought it was a post-New Year's fireworks explosion. But that didn't explain the mess. Near the back of the toilet, she found a metallic rock, about the same size and shape as the hole in the ceiling. The sparkly rock was the size of a golf ball but heavier at 13 ounces, or about as heavy as a can of soup. Her husband shined a flashlight through the hole in the ceiling, then stuck a long stick in, and realized there was another hole in the roof.



MATCHING GRANTS: The Murray Wal-Mart store recently issued matching grant checks to several organizations within the community. Recipients and Wal-Mart representatives pictured above, from left, are: Mark Dycus, Calloway County High School Choral Department; Venita Loranger, West Kentucky Allied Services; Hal Perry, Calloway County High School Backboard Club; Roger Moredock, Liberty Cumberland Presbyterian Church; Mike Phillips, Wal-Mart co-manager; and Jason Olroyd, Wal-Mart assistant manager.

Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Jan. 15, 2007:
 You might not reveal a lot of what happens this year. You are in a period of intense inner changes in which you might toss certain elements of your life's structure away. Next year you will enter a new life cycle; this type of passage would not be inappropriate. Your finances will reflect your internal transformation. If you are single, you might meet someone you cannot or will not share with others. The two of you might have an element of a secretive romance about you. If you are attached, schedule some romantic retreats and before you know it, you will be acting like a newly married couple. **SAGITTARIUS** can be your best friend or your worst enemy.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 Opportunity will strike if you communicate and reach out for other ideas. You also might opt to take a course to increase your expertise in your chosen field. As you are extending your mental boundaries, you also

might opt to travel. Insight gained might not be easily forgotten. Tonight: Treat your mind to a great book or movie.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 Whether you are dealing with work, friendship or your personal life, you might be a touch surprised at a reversal. You could moan and groan — don't. As a result, you will discover just how significant a key person is to your life. Tonight: Dinner for two.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 Others prove to be distracting, and though you might have work to do, your social life kicks in and overwhelms you. You simply might not want to say "no" to all the opportunities that head in your direction. Tonight: Certainly not alone.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 Though you might find news a bit stunning, you'll find ways of bypassing any hassle right now. Your diversity and support from others should not be underestimated, as you will see. You have all the energy you need. Tonight: Do what you want, as late as you want.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 Someone whom you feel is instrumental might let you down. A money matter might also set you back — for a little while. Your creativity comes forward and makes mincemeat out of these seemingly big problems.

Tonight: Plug your ingenuity into your plans.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 Someone might upset your apple cart. Remember, not everything can be the way you would like it to be. Regroup and decide what is important — the relationship or having control of events — then proceed. Tonight: Happy at home.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 You seek out solutions while someone in your immediate milieu could be vested in creating uproar. Let him. You cannot stop this person anyway. Communication develops a new nuance and strength as a result. Tonight: Get the scoop from a friend.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 Money matters can be iffy at this time of year, especially if you indulge in a risk. Walking the conservative course will solve the problem. You also will find a way of increasing your income. When was your last pay raise? Tonight: Take a stern look at the budget.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 Despite someone creating uproar at home, you are on cruise control and find it hard to stop yourself. Who says you need to slow down? Your energy and dynamic ideas draw others. Tonight: What would you like to do? It's your call.

by Jacqueline Bigar

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 Others look to you for leadership, but right now you might bow out. You are not being irresponsible; you might need time to think and reflect. Your inner life might be very active. Share ideas with a trusted adviser. Tonight: Vanish into your thoughts.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 You get what you want, but at what cost? You can probably achieve the same goal with far less spending. Decide to take that particular path. Meetings, people and friends illuminate your path. Listen and share. Tonight: Where the crowds are.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 You might be overwhelmed. As a result, your actions might be not be reflective of what you feel. Take responsibility and do only what you must. You really have added a lot to your plate lately. Don't you think so? Tonight: A must appearance.

BORN TODAY
 Actor Chad Lowe (1968), actor Lloyd Bridges (1913), civil-rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (1929)

 Jacqueline Bigar is on the Internet at <http://www.jacquelinebigar.com>.
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Looking Back

10 years ago
Published is a picture of former Calloway County Circuit Court Judge David Buckingham recently appointed to Kentucky Court of Appeals being administered the oath of office by Superior Court Justice J.W. Graves.

Murray State University Racers won 85-78 over Austin Peay Governors with Vincent Rainey as high scorer for Murray.

20 years ago
Published is a picture of Rob McCallon, co-owner of Growers Loose Leaf Floor with Dan Miller, auctioneer, at today's fire-cured tobacco sale.

Births reported include a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Wallace, Dec. 23; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Slocum, Dec. 24; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. John F. Poore and a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams, Dec. 26; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. R.R. Herman and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Workman, Dec. 27; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. James D. Outland, Dec. 28; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hodges, Dec. 29; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Langston O'Brien and a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Moyer, Dec. 31; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Onis Roberts and a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Williams, Jan. 1; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Everett Jones and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Guthrie Osbron, Jan. 3; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Otis Dunaway, Jan. 4; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Knight and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. B.N. Galloway, Jan. 5.

30 years ago
Published is a picture of a bay on the main channel of Kentucky Lake, just south of Blood River, lined with huge chunks of ice that had broken off near the deeper waters of the lake channel yesterday.

40 years ago
The Murray City Council approved the purchase of a drag line for use by the Murray Water & Sewer Systems and also over \$12,000 worth of valves and fittings for the system.

50 years ago
Army Pvt. Lubie W. Treas of Kirksay recently participated with the 8th Infantry in "War Hawk," a two-week field training exercise in Germany.

60 years ago
The highest price of dark fired

tobacco sales at the opening day of sales was \$39 per hundred weight going to Lassiter Hill, Ralph Edwards and Iverson Owen, according to Cecil Thurmond, market secretary. This was on the five Murray floors, Doran's, Farris, Growers, Outland and Planters.

In high school basketball games Almo Warriors won 50-28 over Symsonia with high scorers being Brandon for Almo and Reid for Symsonia; Murray Tigers won 35-20 over Benton Indians with high scorers being Slaughter for Murray and Cole for Benton.

Marriages announced include Eupal Erwin to Brooks Underwood and Sue Underwood to Gene Henze, Dec. 21; Madge Sledd Patterson to Joseph William Parker, Dec. 27; Avonell Farmer to Max Carlisle, Dec. 28.

This friend in need finds some good friends indeed

DEAR ABBY: I have read your column for years; now it's my turn with a question. Two years ago, some friends of mine saw I was in a real bind, caught in a vicious circle I couldn't get out of on my own. They invited me to move into their spare room until I could meet some goals and was able to move on. I decided to accept their offer.

The time I have spent with them has literally changed my life. I have grown tremendously in the last year and a half -- emotionally, spiritually and mentally. I have even improved physically. From day one, they made me a member of their family, and I have come to love them as such. They have been my supporters, my advisers, my friends, and I count myself lucky to have been part of their household.

Now that I have met most of my goals, I am getting ready to move out, and I am not sure how to repay them. They have literally set my life in a new direction. Any successes I have from this point on will be success that they have had a hand in.

How do I thank this couple and their family for all

they have done for me in the last 18 months? -- GRATEFUL WOMAN IN THE MIDWEST

DEAR GRATEFUL: I doubt that anything you could buy for these angels on Earth would mean as much to them as a handwritten letter from you expressing the feelings you have confided to me. I am sure it would be something they would treasure for the rest of their lives.

Of course, it goes without saying that being able to move out and live a full, successful and happy life will also show them that their efforts were not wasted. I cannot imagine a better tribute to their generosity.

DEAR ABBY: About a year ago, my brother, "Ronny," stopped speaking to our parents. He said they did something "unforgivable" to him during his childhood. I know Ronny wasn't neglected or physically or sexually abused. From what my parents have told me about e-mails they have received from him, he is angry about basic mistakes parents make.

Recently he mentioned that he just wants them to "respect" him. I have seen Ronny become overly sensitive about any sort of teasing that comes his way, and I guess that he's referring to this. I have asked him not to tell me his reason, for fear of being too angry about why he made this decision. This mess has caused a lot of tension in our whole family.

My brother is coming to visit me and my family in a few weeks, but won't be visiting our parents. How do I handle their questions and probing about his visit, and what do I say when they get angry about his not visiting them? -- RONNY'S SISTER IN IOWA

DEAR SISTER: I think you should ask your brother about his reasons and withhold judgment. I'm glad that he wasn't beaten or sexually abused as a child. However, someone should have told your parents that "teasing" can be like acid, eating away at a person's self-worth.

While it may seem to you that Ronny is overly sensitive, I find it interesting that you didn't mention what he was teased about that was so hurtful he's avoiding "the folks." Was the teasing two-way, or was it aimed only in one direction? And was it persistent?

Do not allow your parents to put you in the middle. This isn't your squabble; you have nothing to do with it. When they ask how the visit went, tell them it was "nice" -- if it was. Do not go into chapter and verse. And if they become angry that Ronny did not visit them, face it -- the problem is theirs, and it's up to them to resolve it, not you.

No cure for claudication

DEAR DR. GOTT: In a recent column, you indicated claudication relief could be effected by either medication or surgery. I suffer from claudication and kidney disease. I am 85 years old.



Dr. Gott
By
Dr. Peter Gott

My primary-care doctor is both an internist and renal specialist. He has ruled out surgery for the claudication because of the particular dye requirement. I have queried him a number of times regarding any medicinal relief. His reply has only been negative. His response is, "A particular advertised medication indicating it can relieve the problem is (typically) used for a different problem and therefore would not be safely effective because of the renal problem."

My question then is, what is or are the medication(s) you indicated that could provide claudication relief?

DEAR READER: I'm having trouble translating your doctor's response. What exactly is he saying?

Claudication is muscle cramps that are usually worsened by exercise and are the result of significant arterial blockages in the blood vessels supplying the lower extremities. The pain can be severe.

I am not aware of any medical cure for claudication, although anticlot drugs and medicine to lower your cholesterol level (if it is high) may slow the progression of your periph-

eral vascular disease and help prevent complications from it.

In my experience, surgery is the suitable therapy when the blockages are advanced or less aggressive treatment has not improved the situation.

But first you need to know where the blockages are and how extensive they are. I believe that you could obtain this vital information by having an MRI of the arteries to your legs. Then, armed with this information, you will be better able to make a reasonable decision about having surgery.

DEAR DR. GOTT: After 29 years of a good marriage, which included a healthy and satisfying sex life, in 2002 I had a complete hysterectomy. (I had fibroid tumors that were very painful and were causing excessive bleeding each month.) Since the surgery, my desire for sex has been steadily waning to where it is now almost nonexistent. My husband is reacting with anger, which hurts me deeply. Have you any suggestions?

DEAR READER: You are not to blame for your loss of libido. This development is probably secondary to your surgery.

Your husband's attitude and anger are shameful. Right when you need love and understanding, he has chosen to present an infantile tantrum. I am certain that were he to accept your concerns, you would be much more willing to explore alternative sexual practices that could turn this acrimony into a positive experience.

With respect to the loss of libido, you need to discuss this issue with your gynecologist. I am certain that he or she could help you with medication (hormones and so forth).

Today in History

By The Associated Press
Today is Saturday, Jan. 13, the 13th day of 2007. There are 352 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 13, 1794, President Washington approved a measure adding two stars and two stripes to the American flag, following the admission of Vermont and Kentucky to the union. (The number of stripes was later reduced to the original 13.)

In 1864, composer Stephen Foster died in New York.

In 1898, Emile Zola's famous defense of Capt. Alfred Dreyfus, "J'accuse," was published in Paris.

In 1941, novelist and poet James Joyce died in Zurich, Switzerland.

In 1962, comedian Ernie Kovacs died in a car crash in west Los Angeles.

In 1966, Robert C. Weaver became the first black Cabinet member as he was appointed Secretary of Housing and Urban Development by President Johnson.

In 1976, Sarah Caldwell became the first woman to conduct at New York's Metropolitan Opera House as she led a performance of "La Traviata."

In 1978, former Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey died in Waverly, Minn., at age 66.

In 1982, an Air Florida 737 crashed into Washington's 14th Street Bridge after takeoff and fell into the Potomac River, killing 78 people.

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Contract Bridge

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
743
Q875
A87
A109
WEST
A1052
J9
QJ62
Q43
EAST
QJ96
4
K953
J752
SOUTH
K8
AK10632
104
K86

The bidding:
North East South West
Pass Pass 1 Pass
3 Pass 4 Pass
Opening lead -- queen of diamonds.

Some deals have a lot more to offer to both student and teacher than at first meets the eye. Take this innocent-looking specimen from the 1995 North American Open Pairs.

At first blush, it might appear that making four hearts depends strictly on finding the ace of spades in the East hand. Since West holds that card, it would seem that four hearts is doomed. But it was nowhere near as simple as that.

At one table, the play proceeded in the most straightforward manner. South won the queen-of-diamonds lead with the ace, drew trumps ending in dummy and led a spade to the

king. West took the ace, and South eventually lost another spade, a diamond and a club for down one.

At the next table, South ducked the queen of diamonds at trick one and won West's diamond continuation. Declarer drew trumps, ruffed a diamond in his hand and then cashed the K-A of clubs.

After this start, West had to be on his toes when the second club was cashed. Had he retained the queen, he would have been thrown on lead with it on the next trick and forced to lead from the ace of spades or yield a ruff-and-discard, handing South the contract. But West alertly deposited the queen under the king, allowing East to win the next club and return a spade to do South in.

At a third table, declarer improved significantly on the previous line of play by ducking the first diamond, winning the second and then cashing the K-A of clubs before either ruffing a diamond or drawing trumps. Here, West knew much less about the hand when the clubs were played, and when he failed to get rid of the queen under the king or ace, he was put on lead with it after trumps were drawn and a diamond was ruffed. Plus 620 for North-South.

At still another table, the defense gave declarer no chance. South ducked the first diamond as before, but East alertly overtook the queen with the king and returned the queen of spades, making short work of any hopes declarer had for the contract.

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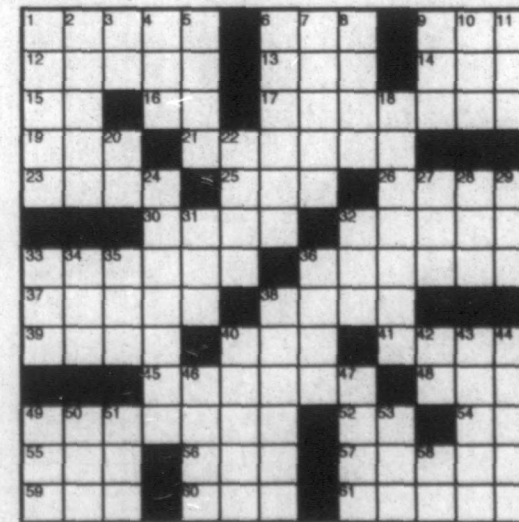
Crosswords

- ACROSS
1 Embezzle
6 Kind of system
9 Candelid goody
12 Punctuation mark
13 San Francisco hill
14 Huntsville loc.
15 "..., shucks!"
16 Movie rating
17 Hidden
19 Drops on the grass
21 Frightened a fly
23 Give a high-five
25 Say incorrectly
26 In debt
30 Entice
32 Opera cheer
33 Gather
36 Surrounded
37 Finnish bath
38 Agree with
39 Hong --
40 Electrical unit
41 Foolish
45 Moderated
48 "That's obvious!" in teen talk
49 More boisterous
52 Juneau's st.
54 Not him or her
55 Open-wide word
56 Lemon or clunker
57 Tropical fruits
59 Golf instructor
60 No matter which
61 Liszt opus
DOWN
1 Oodles
2 Bath item
3 Dorothy's aunt
4 Roadie gear
5 Fail; to keep up
6 Audience's cry
7 Tint
8 Orchestra member
9 Tie up the phone
10 Ginger --
11 Magazine featuring Alfred E. Neuman
18 Made lovelier
20 Puget Sound st.
22 With us now
24 Took a dive
27 Witty one
28 Night before
29 Instant lawn
31 Ms. Thurman
32 Price offered
33 Say please
34 -- Paulo, Brazil
35 Bask
36 Coating of frost
38 Amber-colored wine
40 Barracuda habitat
42 -- hoc committee
43 Sulked angrily
44 Not those
46 Flaky mineral
47 Broad valley
49 Knock sharply
50 Thole filler
51 Reporter's question
53 Baby beaver
58 Greek "M"

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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UND TAE AYE
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