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County to look at issue of property risks, safety

By TOM BERRY
Staff Writer

Calloway County Fiscal Court will soon consider a property safety ordinance that will deal with dangerous conditions around abandoned homes and trailers while possibly revising regulations regarding the burning of trash and other refuse.

Calloway County Sheriff Bill Marcum, who proposed the ordinance during a fiscal court meeting in January, said regulation "with some teeth in it" would allow sheriff's deputies, county magistrates and even Calloway County Fire-Rescue personnel to act when public safety is threatened by property conditions or illegal burning.

Calloway County Judge-Executive Larry Elkins has appointed Marcum to chair a committee to look into the issue that includes Second District Magistrate Connie Morgan and County Attorney David Harrington.

Harrington, who is writing the proposal, said Thursday that the ordinance still needs a little work but will likely be presented to magistrates during a regularly-scheduled meeting May 15.

"I've got several different ordinances from other jurisdictions and I'm working on combining what I want and deleting what I don't want right now," he said.

Harrington pointed out that the proposal will be carefully crafted to deal with public safety issues without going too far into other areas.

"It's a situation where we can't get as specific as they do in the city in some of the requirements, because we don't want to get into things like plumbing. The health department already does that with respect to septic tanks and sewage and things like that," he said.

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BBBS campaign may exceed goal

By TOM BERRY
Staff Writer

Thanks to a lot of effort by dedicated volunteers and a community that loves a good cause, Big Brothers Big Sisters Campus-Community Buddy Campaign officials announced victory this week in collecting the \$25,000 they need to keep the program going another year.

Individuals, businesses, civic organizations, schools, students, sororities, fraternities, churches; all top a list of donors to the cause that matches hundreds of Murray-Calloway County youngsters with adult mentors in school and at home to provide fun, friendship and guidance.

Dr. Roger Weis, one of the four co-chairs of the campaign, said Thursday that, although some of the fundraisers got a late start, there is now more than \$20,000 in hand and more dollars from pledges expected soon.

His crystal ball and a good educated guess is telling him that the campaign will not only reach the goal, but exceed it.

"It was really, really hard, but believe it or not, we did it," he said. "With dollars and pledges from the teams, we have exceeded our \$25,000 goal."

Weis thanked campaign honorary chairs Dr. Gary Brockway and Sally Hopkins as well as fellow co-chairs Dottie Kraemer, Dr. Neil Weber, and Robert Billington, Jr. for a job well done.

A particular thanks goes out to the team captains that worked hard to make the campaign a success.

"Thanks to all of our team captains for putting their passion and

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CHOCOLATE EVERYWHERE!



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Five-year-old Alaina Davis, pictured above, and her mother, Susan, enjoyed tasting the seemingly endless assortment of treats at Thursday's "Evening of Chocolate Delight" at the Murray Woman's Club. Sponsored by the club's Kappa Department, the fifth annual event is a fund raiser for the local CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) of Calloway County. Several hundred residents of all ages attended this year's event.

Democrats focus primary debate against Iraq war

By The Associated Press

ORANGEBURG, S.C. (AP)—Democratic presidential hopefuls flashed their anti-war credentials Thursday night, heaping criticism on President Bush's Iraq policy in the first debate of the 2008 campaign.

"The first day I would get us out of Iraq by diplomacy," said New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, one of eight rivals on the debate stage.

"If this president does not get us out of Iraq, when I am president, I will," pledged Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton of New York.

But Clinton found herself on the receiving end of criticism moments later when former North Carolina Sen. John

Edwards said she or anyone else who voted to authorize the war should "search their conscience."

Edwards, in the Senate at the time, also cast his vote for the invasion, but he has since apologized for it.

Of the eight foes participating in the debate at South Carolina State University, four voted earlier in the day to support legislation that cleared Congress and requires the beginning of a troop withdrawal by Oct. 1. The legislation sets a goal of a complete withdrawal by April 1, 2008.

"We are one signature away from ending this war," said Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill. He said if Bush won't change his mind about vetoing the bill,

Democrats need to work on rounding up enough Republican votes to override him.

In addition to Obama and Clinton, Sens. Joe Biden of Delaware and Chris Dodd of Connecticut also cast votes in favor of the legislation.

Former Alaska Sen. Mike Gravel and Rep. Dennis Kucinich of Ohio also participated in the debate, lesser-funded contenders who seemed most eager to challenge their rivals.

Bush is barred by the Constitution from running for re-election next fall, and the result is an extraordinarily early start to the campaign to succeed him.

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Democratic presidential hopefuls gather on the stage prior to the first Democratic presidential primary debate of the 2008 election hosted by the South Carolina State University in Orangeburg, S.C., Thursday.

MPD looks to get new lights for cars

By KRISTIN TAYLOR
Staff Writer

City residents will see police cruisers more easily once the vehicles are topped with new light bars.

The Murray City Council unanimously approved Thursday amending the 2006-07 budget ordinance to allow Murray Police Chief Ken Claud to spend the \$6,300 originally allocated for barcode scanners to buy and install three light bars for officers' patrol cars.

Councilman Jason Pittman was absent.

The council has to approve the amendment on a second reading at its May 10 meeting to make the change official. This first approval comes on the heels of the council's finance committee recommending the amendment during its meeting Tuesday night.

Chief Claud told the council that he secured a homeland security grant that paid for the barcode scanners that allow officers to scan people's drivers licenses from their vehicles. So the same amount of money budgeted for the scanners will also pay for three light bars, which are made with LED technology, making them brighter and easier to be seen.

Additional light bars are part of Claud's request for the 2007-08 budget.

Later in the meeting, councilman Butch Sargent asked about the two-hour parking restriction downtown. Claud said his officers give out 10 to 15 violations for overtime parking each week. A \$10 fine goes with each violation.

A patrolman marks tires every two hours during weekdays to ensure vehicles don't stay in a parking place too long. There is not an increased fee for subsequent violations.

Claud said he and City Clerk Harla McClure were discussing the possibility of raising the \$10 fee before the council meeting.

"If someone is going to be habitual, something needs to be done about it," councilman Robert Billington Jr. said.

Councilwoman Jane Brandon, who owned a store on the courthouse square for 17 years, said business employees often occupy the parking places downtown, which has three other parking lots nearby.

"If you have a solution, some of the merchants would love to hear it," Brandon said.

In other business, the council:

—Heard from councilman Bill Wells about the Make A Difference Day planned from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 19. This recycling effort also will allow residents to dispose of mercury, thanks to a grant Calloway County solid waste coordinator Rita Burton secured.

The mercury disposal area will be in the far southern part of the Stewart Stadium parking lot.

—Heard Dr. Dan Miller, who

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Dean who crusaded against admissions pressures bolstered her own credentials

By JUSTIN POPE
AP Education Writer

To stressed-out parents and students, MIT admissions dean Marilee Jones was a rare voice of reason in the high-pressure world of college admissions. With colleges demanding kids who play sports, run student government and take the heaviest course load they can, Jones shouted back the opposite: daydream, stay healthy, and don't worry so much about building a resume just to impress an elite college.

Yet it turns out that Jones was susceptible to pressure herself. She falsely bolstered her credentials to get a job with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and over the course of her career claimed to have earned degrees from three schools. MIT officials say now they have no evidence she ever graduated from college at all.

The school announced Thursday that Jones had resigned after acknowledging she had misrepresented her education when she started working at the university 28 years ago, and declined to correct multiple incorrect claims since then.

A senior MIT official said that by claiming degrees she had never earned, Jones could no longer lead an admissions office that occasionally rescinds the acceptance letters sent to applicants who are untruthful about their own accomplishments. "We have to uphold the integrity of the institution, because that's what we've been trying to sell and she's our chief spokesperson on that,"

MIT Chancellor Phil Clay said. It's "regrettable, ironic, sad, but that's where we are."

Jones had become one of the most public voices urging parents, students and especially colleges themselves to "lower the flame" surrounding college admissions. She made the cause her own after growing alarmed at the increase in stress-related health problems among young people and has become a much-in-demand speaker at admissions events.

Last year, she co-authored a book: "Less Stress, More Success: A New Approach to Guiding Your Teen Through College Admissions and Beyond."

"We're raising a generation of kids trained to please adults," Jones told The Associated Press in an extensive interview last year. "Every day kids should have time when they're doing something where they're not being judged. That's the big difference with this generation. They're being judged and graded and analyzed and assessed at every turn. It's too much pressure for them."

On Thursday, MIT released a short statement from Jones in which she said she was "deeply sorry for this and for disappointing so many in the MIT community and beyond who supported me, believed in me, and who have given me extraordinary opportunities."

Clay said MIT was alerted to questions about Jones' credentials in a phone call, from someone he declined to identify, to another dean. An inquiry determined Jones had at various points claimed degrees from Union College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and the Albany Medical College, all in New York, but in fact had no degrees from any of those institutions.



Jones

Threatening note found at college

PADUCAH, Ky. (AP) — Police were investigating a threat left on the bathroom wall at a western Kentucky community college that referred to the shootings at Virginia Tech, although officials said they suspect the note was a prank.

Paducah Police Chief Randy Bratton said officials are erring on the side of caution, but don't believe the threat was real.

Bratton would not disclose the contents of the message, but did say it referred to May 8, which falls during final exams.

A maintenance worker at West Kentucky Community and Technical College found the message Wednesday and reported it to school officials.

College President Barbara Veazey said the school has implemented its crisis management plan.

The killing of 32 people at Virginia Tech by student Seung-Hui Cho on April 16 has triggered similar notes and threats at colleges around the country, Bratton said.

"There have been several reports of attention-getting behavior, and that's how this appears to be at this time. But we won't know until we locate the individual and see what their motivation is," Bratton said.

Sheriff Police Logs

Calloway County Sheriff's Department

- A purse was reported stolen from a vehicle on Clayshire Drive at 3:59 p.m. Tuesday.
- A pole saw was reported stolen from a Sandlick Road location at 4:52 p.m. Tuesday.
- Someone came to the department at 4:13 p.m. Thursday to report vandalism to a John Deere. A criminal mischief case was opened.
- A caller from Cherokee Trail reported at 7:38 p.m. Thursday items stolen by an unknown subject. A theft case was opened.
- An injury crash was reported at 9:04 p.m. Thursday on Phillips Drive. The subject involved sustained minor injuries.

Murray Police Department

- Criminal mischief was reported at 1:10 p.m. Monday at 1708 Wells Extended.
- Someone came into the station at 4:10 p.m. Monday to report the theft of a credit card.
- Vandalism was reported at the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity house at 12:36 a.m. Tuesday.
- A theft from a vehicle at 716 Fairlane was reported at 8:41 a.m. Tuesday.
- A soap box derby car was taken from a location at Poplar and L.P. Miller streets at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday.
- An injury crash was reported at 1400 N. 16th St. at 4:52 p.m. Tuesday.
- A theft was reported at 1405 Garland Court at 8:17 p.m. Tuesday.
- A lawn ornament from 204 S. 11th St. was reported stolen at 1:10 p.m. Wednesday.
- A theft was reported at Rita's Neat Repeats at 605 S. 12th St. at 1:14 p.m. Wednesday.
- Mail was reported stolen from 818 Coldwater Road at 2:32 p.m. Wednesday.
- Someone came into the station at 5:47 p.m. Wednesday to report a theft.
- A gas drive-off was reported at Speedway at 6:13 p.m. Wednesday.

Murray State University Police Department

- Naomi Arnall, of Murray, was arrested for first-degree criminal abuse after a caller reported at 8:43 p.m. Wednesday a child in the Curris Center third-floor women's bathroom being abused by an adult. Social services was contacted. EMS transported the child to Murray-Calloway County Hospital emergency room.

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



TOM BERRY/Ledger & Times

HAZEL SURVEY: Jeremy Buchanan, right, and Kim DeRenard, center, officials with the Purchase Area Development District, stand by as 641 Water District officer Sheila James knocks on a Hazel resident's door Thursday afternoon. The trio are conducting interviews for a survey that will determine whether the city is eligible for state and federal grants sought to upgrade the city's sewage system. Seventeen more interviews are needed to complete the survey, but have been difficult to obtain, according to Buchanan.

Murray man sentenced on federal charges

PADUCAH, Ky. — A Murray man was sentenced to more than 16 years in prison on federal drug trafficking and firearm charges.

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced this week that Michael Yandal, 34, was sentenced to 16 years and 3 months.

Judge Thomas B. Russell, United States District Court in Paducah, also sentenced Yandal to 5 years supervised release following incarceration.

There is no parole in the federal judicial system.

Previously, a jury convicted Yandal of possessing with intent to distribute crack cocaine and marijuana and possessing a firearm during a drug trafficking crime.

The investigation of this case was conducted by the Mayfield Police Department in conjunction with the Tri-County Drug

Task Force, the Graves County Sheriff's Department, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

According to information from the U.S. attorney's office, detectives with the Tri-County Drug Task Force stopped Yandal's vehicle on June 23, 2005, near Lynnville in Graves County. When a detective approached the vehicle to ask for license and registration, he smelled marijuana coming from inside the vehicle. A drug canine was deployed around the vehicle and alerted to the presence of drugs in the vehicle.

Yandal eventually admitted he had drugs inside the vehicle and surrendered 63.5 grams of crack cocaine and approximately eight ounces of marijuana.

Further search of Yandal's person and vehicle revealed a loaded .40 caliber Glock handgun, two sets of digital scales, and \$2,150 in U.S. currency.

Skull found was from a woman

KEVIL, Ky. (AP) — A skull found in western Kentucky belonged to a woman, but state officials were still trying to determine her identity.

The skull had been along a roadside near a creek bank for several years, said state police spokesman Barry Meadows. It was found Wednesday by a man taking a walk.

State forensic anthropologist Emily Craig told police that the skull belonged to a woman who had lost all of her teeth. Craig said further tests would be needed to reveal more information about the woman.

No other bones were discovered, Meadows said.

Property risks ...

From Front

The ordinance will focus only on property conditions that pose a risk of injury. "Open cisterns and things of that nature or homes that are near collapse," Harrington said. "I think that's what Bill (Marcum) was most concerned about."

However Marcum said the ordinance would not cover unkempt property; a continuing issue between county residents concerning unsightly conditions around homes such as junked cars, furniture, trash and other refuse.

"We're not going to get into all that, but we do need to do something in the form of a county property safety ordinance," Marcum said.

Harrington said public input would be welcomed and sought in the final draft of the ordinance.

"I would like to get some citizen input because we don't want people saying 'They're trying to control us and what we can do with our property,'" he said. "We don't want to do that."

Marcum proposed the ordinance after hearing complaints about potentially dangerous abandoned properties across the county as well as risky violations of burning laws. He pointed out that dilapidating homes and trailers present a threat to youngsters that may get into them. Some even contain abandoned refrigerators and other content that could lead to a dangerous situation.

The new regulations, if adopted by the court, would also place safety restrictions on county burning; possibly beyond those now in affect which restrict all burning to between the hours of 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Under existing law, all county burning must also be supervised until the fire is extinguished and must take place a safe distance away from a wooded area.

Marcum said he thinks burning in the county should require a permit. He suggested that state and federal Environmental Protection Agency guidelines be considered in drafting that section of the ordinance.

MPD ...

From Front

chairs the transportation committee, ask his fellow council members and general city residents for street project ideas, alluding to past projects such as turn lanes onto Chestnut Street from 10th Street, realigning Olive Street and straightening the intersection of 15th Street at Main Street.

Anyone with ideas to help traffic better flow throughout the city should pass suggestions onto council members or city administrators.

Town Crier

NOTICE

■ The Murray City Council finance committee will meet at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday at city hall to continue hearing requests for the 2007-08 budget. The city's Public Works departments and Murray-Calloway Transit Authority will make requests.

■ A Solid Waste Committee meeting has been scheduled for 9 a.m. on Thursday, May 3, in the conference room at the Calloway County Courthouse. On the agenda for the meeting is discussion of a May 19 mercury collection, five-year plan information, a tire amnesty update, a dead animal removal grant and a white goods (electronics) collections grant.

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DRIVER ORIENTATION: Excitement mounts as June 1-2 Rotary Soapbox Derby nears. Tyler Bates, Hayes Finklea and Andrew Bates are reviewing the "ins and outs" of a stock division car at the Driver Orientation held Tuesday evening at the Historic Post Office building downtown. The session was for the purpose of orienting returning and new drivers about the rules and regulations of this year's derby. It is not too late to register as driver clinics will be held on May 5, 12 and 19. For information or interest in sponsorships, call 759-9474.

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Debate in treasurer's race gets testy

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Democratic candidates for state treasurer exchanged verbal swings over Kentucky's prepaid tuition program and the state's pension plan for public employees during a testy debate Thursday night.

Four candidates participated in the live exchange on Kentucky Educational Television. But it was the discourse between former state Rep. Mike Weaver and Jack Wood, a one-time Republican and former district judge, that grew relatively heated.

Wood, of Valley Station, challenged Weaver's record as a member of the state House and said his past votes contributed to jeopardizing funding for the tuition program and left the pension system in financial trouble.

"The legislature is the one who took the money, Mr. Weaver. You were in agreement with them," Wood said. "You spent it on golf courses, boat docks, marinas and things of that nature."

Weaver said that as a state lawmaker, like many other legislators, he voted for the entire budget rather than risk a government shut-down. Weaver, of Elizabethtown, later questioned Wood's motives for switching parties.

"Why aren't you running as a Republican this time? Did you think you had a better chance of running as a Democrat?" Weaver said. "Jack, you just haven't made up your mind who you actually are."

UK breaks \$1 billion fundraising threshold

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — University of Kentucky officials have raised \$1.022 billion, a first for a Kentucky college or university. The UK Development Council said Thursday that it had surpassed the \$1 billion goal several months ahead of the nine-year campaign's scheduled conclusion Dec. 31.

The milestone puts UK among a select group of universities nationwide. According to the Chronicle of Higher Education, 31 universities had completed campaigns of \$1 billion or more as of 2006; 22 others were still conducting billion-dollar drives, the Lexington Herald-Leader reported.

The achievement is noteworthy because UK has been seriously raising private money for only 40 years or so, less than half the time of numerous top-ranked universities and colleges.

UK President Lee Todd said the \$1 billion-plus gives UK a big push toward becoming a Top 20 public research university, as mandated by the General Assembly in its higher education reforms of 1997.

Man and wife found dead at home were victims of double homicide

SADIEVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The deaths of north-central Kentucky couple were determined to be the result of a double homicide, according to Scott County Coroner John Goble. The bodies of James Gray, 63, and his wife Vivian, 55, were discovered Thursday morning by someone who went to check on them, Goble said.

The couple lived on Cincinnati Pike, which is also US 25, some 2 1/2 miles south of the Grant-Scott County line. The coroner would not comment on the type of weapon used to kill the couple.

Democrats focus ...

From Front

The debate — nine months before the kickoff Iowa caucuses — was 90 minutes long without opening or closing statements from the candidates. A similar format awaits GOP candidate next Thursday.

A ground rule limiting answers to 60 seconds made for a rapid-fire debate but prevented follow-up questions when any of the eight sidestepped — as when Clinton and Biden avoided saying whether they agreed with Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid's assessment that the Iraq war is lost.

Republicans rebutted from a distance.

"On every issue, from the war on terror to keeping our taxes low and our economy strong, Democrats like Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama, John Edwards, and others are out of touch with the values of the people of South Carolina and all of America," GOP chairman Robert Duncan said in a statement issued moments after the debate ended.

While Iraq dominated the debate's early moments, Edwards was asked about having paid for a \$400 haircut from campaign donations rather than from his own wallet.

"That was a mistake, which we remedied," he said. A wealthy former trial lawyer, he recalled once having gone to dinner at a restaurant as a young child and having to leave because his father could not afford the prices.

"I've not forgotten where I came from," he said.

Five of the eight — Gravel, Biden, Dodd, Kucinich and Richardson — raised their hands when moderator Brian Williams of NBC News asked whether they had ever had a gun in their home.

Asked about a recent Supreme Court ruling that upheld a ban on so-called partial birth abortions, several of the contenders replied they would not impose a litmus test on their own nominees to the high court.

At the same time, they stressed their support for abortion rights, and said their appointees to the bench would reflect that. "Any of my appointments to the high court would necessarily reflect my thinking," said Kucinich, who did not mention that he opposed abortion rights until switching positions before he ran for the White

House in 2004.

There were moments of levity, as when Williams referred to Biden's reputation for "verbosity" and asked whether he had the discipline to be a player on the world stage.

"Yes," the Delaware lawmaker replied with uncharacteristic brevity.

Perhaps because the campaign is still in its early stages, there was little cross-stage criticism.

Kucinich challenged Obama at one point for once having said all options were on the table with respect to Iran. "You're setting the stage for another war," the Ohio lawmaker said.

"I think it would be a profound mistake for us to initiate a war with Iran," Obama replied. "But have no doubt, Iran possessing nuclear weapons will be a major threat to us and to the region."

The debate was about 40 minutes old when Clinton made the first mention of her husband, the former president. Responding to a question about the recent shooting spree at Virginia Tech, she began by saying, "I remember very well when I accompanied Bill to Columbine" — the Colorado high school that was the scene of another shooting spree a decade ago.

On another issue, several of the contenders talked of the need to expand health care coverage, and Obama sketched a few details of a plan that critics have said is light on specifics.

He said he would allow the uninsured to buy into a plan like federal employees have, improve technology to cut costs, and provide government-funded catastrophic insurance.

Not surprisingly, Bush's Iraq war policy found no supporters on the debate stage.

"I am proud that I opposed this war from the start," said Obama — a jab at those on the stage who voted to authorize the invasion.

"The president has a fundamentally flawed policy," said Biden. "The president should start off by not vetoing the legislation he says he will veto."

Dodd said Bush was pursuing a "failed policy." Kucinich jabbed at the senators on stage, saying it made no sense to oppose the war and then turn around and vote for more money as they did. The Ohio lawmaker voted against the legislation that cleared Congress earlier.



GREG TRAVIS/Ledger & Times

MSU HEALTH FAIR: The semi-annual Murray State University Health Fair was held Thursday at the Carr Health Building on the MSU campus. Faculty, staff, administrators and others were treated to a wide assortment of free health screenings. Pictured above, Dr. Pam Rice with the College of Health Sciences at MSU performs a blood pressure check on John T. Phillips, a retired employee of the MSU public safety department.

Board hands out child sexual abuse prevention grants

Special to the Ledger

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Attorney General Greg Stumbo announced recently the Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Prevention (CSAEP) Board, for which he serves as chair, is awarding its annual child sexual abuse prevention grants to several non-profit agencies across the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

"This is a very fitting time to make this announcement, because April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month," Stumbo said in a release. "What better way to help our children than by providing public education targeting the prevention of this terrible crime."

Murray attorney Chip Adams also is on the child abuse prevention board.

The CSAEP Board administers the Child Victims' Trust Fund, which subsidizes three separate child sexual abuse prevention programs. One is an annual grant that funds child sexual abuse prevention education programs in local schools and communities throughout Kentucky; the second provides financial assistance for child sexual abuse medical examinations; and the third supports the creation and implementation of statewide child sexual abuse prevention education programs.

Madisonville's Family Advocacy Center and the Women's Crisis Center in Covington are recipients of the Child Victims' Trust Fund 2007 Prevention Program Education Grants.

Meanwhile, the following

agencies are recipients of the Child Victims' Trust Fund 2007 Child Sexual Abuse Medical Examination Reimbursement Program Awards: Advocacy and Support Center in Elizabethtown; Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Center (Judi's Place for Kids) in Pikeville; Buffalo Trace Children's Advocacy Center in Maysville; Children's Advocacy Center of the Bluegrass in Lexington; Family & Children First Child Advocacy Center in Louisville; Gateway Children's Advocacy Center in Morehead; Hope's Place in Ashland; Kentucky River Children's Advocacy Center (The Care Cottage) in Hazard; and Northern Kentucky Children's Advocacy Center in Bellevue.

The Child Victims' Trust

Fund has provided funding for child sexual abuse prevention programs since 1985. From June 2005 to July 2006, grantees of the 2006 Child Victims' Trust Fund Prevention Program Grant provided child sexual abuse prevention education to approximately 45,000 children and disseminated educational materials at community meetings and events to countless adults all over Kentucky.

In 2006 alone, the Child Victims' Trust Fund provided reimbursements on more than 1,760 child sexual abuse medical exams for Kentucky children.

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Math, science really are vital

As a child, my parents encouraged me to do better in my math and science classes in school. I'll admit they weren't my best subjects. I just couldn't see — as a kid — how math and science would be that important to me in the future.



Guest Voice
By U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell R-Ky.

As a senator, however, I've come to see how imperative it is for today's students to master math and science, so America can retain its competitive edge in the global economy of the 21st

strengthening educational opportunities in science, technology, engineering and math at all educational levels, and encouraging young people to pursue careers in those fields.

This fall, the Academy of Mathematics and Science in Kentucky at Western Kentucky University, in Bowling Green, will open. It will bring together talented high-school students from all over the Commonwealth to study advanced math and science year-round for college credit.

The America COMPETES Act would provide federal support to advanced academies like the Kentucky Academy throughout the nation. It would also allow Kentucky to provide scholarships for students pursuing careers as math or science teachers, and hold summer academies for math and science teachers across the state to help them inspire their students.

At all the major centers for learning across our state, the faculty and administrators understand the importance of emphasizing math, science and engineering to keep Kentucky competitive with the rest of the country and the world.

The America COMPETES Act will help them do that by devoting more federal funding to research and development efforts at universities, creating hundreds of new opportunities for young scientists. These investments will eventually generate new discoveries, new high-tech companies, and new jobs.

America has led the world in innovation for over a century. From the light bulb to the airplane to the integrated circuit, we have given the world the tools to live happier, easier, and more productive lives.

But now countries like China and India are seeing the benefits of brainpower and what it can do to remake their economies. America's failure to value the importance of a scientific education has put us behind, and Congress can take the lead in beginning to solve it.

The America COMPETES Act is the best way to keep more of the jobs of the 21st Century right here in America, and in Kentucky. With it, we can ensure that our children have the skills to keep America at the forefront of innovation and discovery.

Sen. Mitch McConnell is the Senate Republican leader and only the second Kentuckian to lead his party in the U.S. Senate.

century. America currently has the greatest scientific and technological enterprise in the world. We have the finest system of colleges and universities anywhere. But in many ways we have become complacent, while other countries are catching up.

They see that by investing in science and technology, and in the education of their citizens, they can attract jobs and create wealth. We must make the same investment in our future if we are to maintain our leadership through this century and beyond in the global marketplace.

A few years ago, realizing that America was falling behind, a group of Senators approached the National Academy of Sciences, a venerable organization bringing together the country's leading scientific minds.

We asked them a simple question: "What are the top 10 actions that policymakers in Washington could take to keep America in the lead in science and technology for the 21st Century?"

The Academy turned to its members — leaders of business, government, and academia — and came up with an answer. And the good news is that boosting the number of rocket scientists — along with mathematicians, engineers and computer designers — is not rocket science.

Many of the Academy's recommendations now form an important bill that the Senate is currently considering, the America COMPETES Act. It will help maintain and improve the United States' competitive edge over the next century by increasing our investment in basic research,



Distressing American sensibility

I will be 45 this week and it's official: I have turned into my father.

The world makes less sense to me every day. My fellow man puzzles me more every day.

I cite exhibit A: crappy stone walls. I know a woman who paid \$10,000 to have a small stone retaining wall built along her driveway.

Now I used to be a stonemason — I rebuilt close to 200 such walls during my high school and college years — and I was shocked to learn that hers was a new wall. It was buckling and full of gaps. Not one stone was properly cut or faced.

It's the latest craze, she told me — walls that have an old, authentic look. This is because people suddenly want the "outside" of their homes to look as "distressed" as the inside.

"Distressed furniture" is the latest trend in interior design. People are buying brand-new tables and dressers, bringing them into their garages, kicking and scratching them, then covering them in a lumpy, flaky paint.

I called my sister, an interior designer, to learn more about this peculiar trend. She said people want the antique look, but because real antiques are hard to come by, the next best thing is to buy something new and make it look scuffed and tired and worn.

This causes my father to rise up in me as I say, "What the ..."

But nothing is more puzzling than our next item of distress: distressed jeans. That's right, there is actually a product the fashionistas refer to as



What's So Funny?
By Tom Purcell
Syndicated Columnist

"distressed jeans."

These are jeans with tears and gaping holes that, according to *The New York Times*, sell for upwards of \$600 a pair.

Even in Pittsburgh, land of common-sense people, a lousy pair of trendy jeans runs upwards of \$200. I talked with the owner of an upscale jeans store and she told me the jeans with holes in them aren't as popular as the ones with paint

splattered all over them.

"Jeans splattered with paint?"

"Yes, they're all the rage."

"But they have paint on them!"

"Yes!"

Just as I was ready to concede that the American experiment is spent and all will soon be lost, she told me about another jeans trend: dirt-washed jeans. That's right, the jean manufacturer washes them in dirt. They have pebbles and clumps of clay in the pockets. And Americans, many of them educated and from good homes, willingly exchange their hard-earned dough for them.

The dirt-washed jeans are almost as popular as the grease-smearing jeans, she continued (and I'm not making this up). The jean manufacturers actually smear grease all over the jeans, so that people who buy them can be as fash-

ionable as the guy in the pit at the Jiffy Lube.

I asked the jeans-shop owner to help me understand why people are buying such products. She said that manufacturers are always trying to be hip. When something hits — when the trendy crowd just has to have it — the manufacturer can charge huge markups.

Well, I understand that, I told her. But why? Why are people dumb enough to buy these things? Why are Americans spending so much money for items that sensible Americans used to donate to Goodwill or toss in the garbage?

She had no answer. Let me take a stab at it.

As we work exhausting hours in gray cubicles doing bland service work — as we move into cookie-cutter houses in the thick of suburban sprawl — and as fewer of us know any sense of craftsmanship or what it is like to sweat or work with our hands, we long for anything authentic — even if it's fake.

But what do I know. At 45, I have effectively become my father. Puzzled as I am by the latest trends, my thoughts have shifted to more practical matters.

Such as finding a couple of suckers willing to pay me 200 bucks for my greasy, paint-stained jeans.

Tom Purcell is a humor columnist nationally syndicated exclusively by Cagle Cartoons. E-mail him at Purcell@caglecartoons.com.

Catholic candidates clash politically

By GLEN JOHNSON
Associated Press Writer

BOSTON (AP) — Presidential contenders Chris Dodd and Sam Brownback — one Democrat, one Republican — demonstrated Monday how their political differences are rooted in their varying interpretations of their shared Catholic faith.

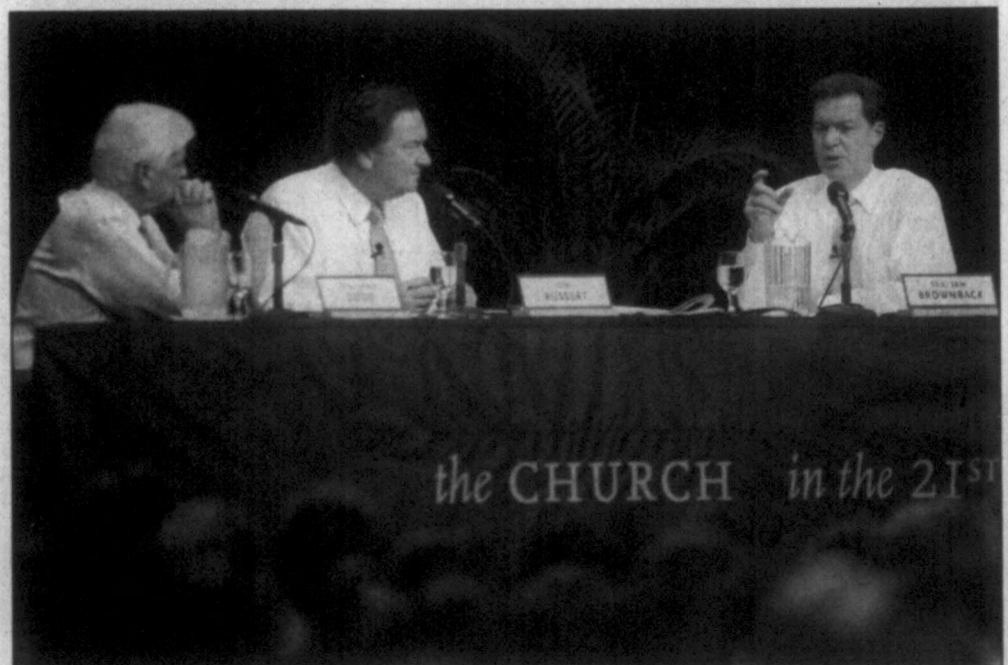
The two senators, appearing jointly at a Boston College forum on faith and politics, differed on abortion rights, civil unions for gay couples and embryonic stem cell research. Nonetheless, they used modest tones to suggest that Democrats and Republicans could bridge such gaps with more tolerance for their opponents' positions.

While the two Catholics agreed that marriage should be reserved for a man and a woman — not gay couples — they differed in talking about their views on homosexuality.

Dodd, the father of two young girls, said, "I think it's a good question to ask how you would like your children treated."

Brownback, however, called homosexual acts immoral — as has the Catholic church — and said sanctioning them threatens the stability of traditional marriage.

"When you take away



AP Photo
Presidential hopeful U.S. Sen. Chris Dodd, D-Conn., left, and broadcast journalist Tim Russert, center, listen, as fellow presidential candidate U.S. Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kansas, right, speaks at Boston College on Monday.

the sacredness or the uniqueness of marriage and you start redefining it, a lot of people just say, 'Well, the institution doesn't have the meaning to me,'" Brownback said.

In a moment of agreement, Dodd, D-Conn., and Brownback, R-Kan., urged President Bush to work with Congress to devise a solution for Iraq.

Brownback said he told Vice President Dick Cheney

and National Security Adviser Stephen Hadley last week that the administration should consider a "three-state, one-country" solution in which Kurds, Shiites and Sunnis live independently but under the banner of a federal city in Baghdad.

Neither Cheney nor Hadley reacted to the proposal, Brownback said.

"I'm frustrated that both parties have gotten to more in the way of fighting than

trying to figure out what we can do," he said afterward during an interview with *The Associated Press*.

Dodd, who voted in 2002 to authorize military action in Iraq, said he now felt the war was wrong and called the Bush administration's justifications "fabricated."

Brownback said, "I don't think it's fair to the troops on the ground to second-guess it four years later."

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Obituaries

James T. Morgan

James T. Morgan, 71, Murray, died Thursday, April 26, 2007, at 4:45 p.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.
Born April 26, 1936, he was the son of the late James Blaine (PG) Morgan and Roberta Cahoon Morgan.

Survivors include one son, Blaine Morgan and wife, Jodie, Peach Tree, Ga.; two daughters, Mrs. Dana Gaither and husband, Jeff, and Mrs. Joannette Moseley, all of Colliersville, Tenn.; seven grandchildren. No services are scheduled. Churchill-Imes Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Mary Sue Kimbell Whyne

Mrs. Mary Sue Kimbell Whyne, 73, Clinton, died Thursday, April 26, 2007, at 1:58 a.m. at Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah.
A homemaker, she volunteered for environmental issues and was a member of Clinton First United Methodist Church. She was the daughter of the late Wess Kimbell and LaVerne Pickard Kimbell.

Survivors include her husband, Robert E. Whyne; one daughter, Mrs. Barbara Sue Ringo, and two grandchildren, Ben Ringo and Kate Ringo, all of South Hill, Va.; one son, R. Kirk Whyne, Clinton; two sisters, Mrs. Juanita K. Larsen, Rockville, Md., and Mrs. Margaret K. Hurd, Murray; two nieces, Rita H. Winslow, Louisville, and Lynn K. Larsen, Lamy, N.M.; one nephew, Jeff Larsen, Chesapeake Beach, Md.

A memorial service will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Brown Funeral Home, Clinton. Rev. Tommy Hoskins will officiate. Visitation will be at the funeral home at the service time.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Corinne Whitehead, Coalition for Health Concerns, 1091 U.S. 641 North, Benton, Ky., 42025, and Kentucky Resources Council, P.O. Box 1070, Frankfort, Ky., 40602.

Mrs. Frieda N. Cox

The funeral for Mrs. Frieda N. Cox was today (Friday) at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Churchill-Imes Family Home. Bro. Darrell Young officiated.

Pallbearers were Billy Cox, Matthew Cox, Adam Joseph Cox, Clayton Cox, Jeremy Perrin and Tim Leonard. Burial was in the Salem Cemetery, Lynn Grove.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to any Relay for Life organization.

Mrs. Cox, 74, Lynn Grove community, died Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. at Spring Creek Health Care.

She was a graduate of the Lima, Ohio, campus of Ohio State University. A PLA leader for Kentucky District Pentecostal Church of God, she was a member of Calvary Temple Pentecostal Church of God, where she served as a longtime children's Sunday school teacher.

Born Feb. 3, 1933, she was the daughter of the late Sam and Mary Jones. Also preceding her in death were two sisters, Thelma McCallon and Ruby Jones Byrum.

Survivors include her husband, Rev. William D. Cox, to whom she was married June 23, 1952; two sons, Kenneth M. Cox and wife, Christine, Monroe City, Ind., and Tim (T.R.) Cox and wife, Linda, Hardin; one brother, Huel (Wimpy) Jones, Murray; five grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren.

Jerry David Humphrey

The funeral for Jerry David Humphrey will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Collier Funeral Home, Benton. Hollis Miller and Max Morris will officiate. Burial will follow in the Stewart Cemetery, Almo.

Visitation will be at the funeral home after 5 p.m. today (Friday). Expressions of sympathy may be made to Lourdes Hospice Program, 2855 Jackson St., Paducah, Ky., 42003.

Mr. Humphrey, 61, Brewers Highway, Benton, died Tuesday, April 24, 2007, at 10:37 a.m. at his home.

A construction worker for Ecotone Services, he was a member of Kirksey Church of Christ.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Rex Humphrey and Ruby Rule Humphrey, and two brothers, Kenny Humphrey and Joe Neal Humphrey.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Linda K. Holden Humphrey; one daughter, Mrs. Tracie Bullock and husband, Kevin, and two grandchildren, Amberlee Bullock and Jered Bullock, all of Benton; two sisters, Mrs. Diane Butler, Paducah, and Mrs. Donna Thurmond, Murray; four brothers, Ronald (Ronnie) Humphrey, Rexie Humphrey and Carlis Humphrey, all of Benton, and Michael Lee Humphrey, New Concord.

Vincent (Slick) Mansfield

The funeral for Vincent (Slick) Mansfield was Thursday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Bowlin Funeral Home, Dresden, Tenn. Bro. Jim Barnhouse officiated.

Pallbearers were Loy Mansfield, Danny Holland, Ricky Gills, Lennie Gills, Frank Trevathan and Richard Trevathan. Burial was in the Sunset Cemetery, Dresden.

Mr. Mansfield, 86, Dresden, Tenn., died Tuesday, April 24, 2007, at his home.

A retired business owner, he was a member of Mack's Grove Baptist Church, American Legion Post 94, chapter of Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Elks Lodge 2373, Dresden.

A native of Dresden, he was the son of the late Rubbin Hershel Mansfield and Cora Mai Workman Mansfield. Also preceding him in death were two sisters, Edna Breeding and Ruth McClure, and two brothers, Dan Mansfield and Gaylon Mansfield.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Margie Faye Mansfield; one daughter, Mrs. Faye Nance and husband, Bob, Murray, Ky.; two sons, Joey Mansfield, Dresden, and Ronnie Mansfield and wife, Tammy, Hendersonville, Tenn.; three sisters, Mrs. Pat Betts, Lansing, Mich., Mrs. Betty Gills, Lynnville, Ky., and Mrs. Brenda Trevathan, Dresden, Tenn.; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Betty Downing Hottell

A memorial service for Mrs. Betty Downing Hottell will be held at a later date. Cremation arrangements were by Cason Funeral Service, Foley, Ala.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to a scholarship fund that will be established at Murray State University, Murray, Ky.

Mrs. Hottell, 60, Loxley, Ala., died Monday, April 23, 2007, at her home after an illness of bone cancer for three years.

She had earned her bachelor's degree from Murray State University and her MBA from University of Louisville. She was a certified internal auditor as well as a CPA and retired as internal auditor for BellSouth.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Lonie Downing and Earline Smith Downing, and one brother, James Downing.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Hottell; one stepdaughter and son-in-law, Jennifer Hottell and Michael Voyles, Bloomington, Ind.

Senate passes bill to pull troops out of Iraq, paving way for veto showdown

WASHINGTON (AP) — Call it mission accomplished for the new Democratic-controlled Congress after 113 days in power.

In a bold wartime challenge to President Bush, Congress cleared legislation Thursday to begin withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq by Oct. 1 with a goal of a complete pullout six months later.

The White House dismissed the legislation as "dead before arrival."

The 51-46 Senate vote was largely along party lines, and like House passage a day earlier it underscored that the war's congressional opponents are far short of the two-thirds majority needed to override a Bush veto.

Democrats marked Thursday's final passage with a news conference during which they repeatedly urged Bush to reconsider his veto threat. "This bill for the first time gives the president of the United States an exit strategy" from Iraq, said Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin.

The legislation is "in keeping with what the American people want," added Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada.

The White House was unmoved. "The president's determined to win in Iraq. I think the bill that they sent us today is mission defeated," said deputy press secretary Dana Perino. "This bill is dead before arrival."

Given that standoff, Republicans and Democrats alike already were maneuvering for position on a follow-up bill.

Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell dismissed the just-passed legislation as "political posturing" by Democrats that deserves the veto it will receive. "The solution is simple: Take out the surrender date, take out the pork and get the funds to our troops," he said.

The bill would provide \$124.2 billion, more than \$90 billion of which would go for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Democrats added billions more for domestic programs, and while most of the debate focused on the troop withdrawal issue, some of the extra spending also has drawn Bush's criticism.

The day's developments amounted to a landmark of sorts.

The vote occurred nearly four years after Bush stood on the deck of an aircraft carrier before a banner that read "Mission Accomplished" — and 113 days after Democrats took power in Congress and vowed to change course in a war that has cost the lives of more than 3,300 U.S. troops.

During Vietnam, a longer and far deadlier war for U.S. forces, Congress went years before it was able to agree on legislation significantly challenging presidential war policy.

In the current case, any veto override attempt would occur in the House, and even Democrats concede they lack the votes to prevail.

With House Speaker Nancy



House Speaker Nancy Pelosi of Calif., left, speaks during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington, Thursday to urge President Bush to sign the war funding bill just passed by Congress. From left are, Pelosi, Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nev.

Pelosi at his side, Reid said Democrats hoped to have a follow-up war-funding bill ready for the president's signature by June 1. Despite administration claims to the contrary, he said that was soon enough to prevent serious disruption in military operations.

Several Democratic officials have said they expect the next measure will jettison the withdrawal timetable, a concession to Bush. At the same time, they say they hope to include standards for the Iraqi government to meet on issues such as expanding democratic participation and allocating oil resources.

Bush and congressional Republicans, eager to signal the public that they do not support an open-ended commitment to Iraq, have both embraced these so-called benchmarks. Unlike Democrats, they generally oppose using benchmarks to require specific actions, such as troop withdrawals.

Rep. John Boehner of Ohio, the House Republican leader, said at a news conference that the purpose of benchmarks should be to "see how the Iraqi government is doing," rather than to establish deadlines for a troop withdrawal.

Opinion on the issue covered a wide spectrum. "The only good measure that exists in Iraq now is body counts, and that's not a very good measure," said Sen. Mark Pryor of Arkansas, a moderate Democrat.

Congress acted as the top U.S. military commander in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus, said at a Pentagon news conference that the U.S. mission "may get harder before it gets easier."

Less than three months after Bush announced an increase in

troop strength and a shift in tactics, Petraeus said improvements were evident in both Baghdad and the Anbar Province in western Iraq. At the same time, he said the accomplishments "have not come without sacrifice" and that greater American losses have resulted from increased car bombings and suicide attacks, plus the greater concentration of U.S. troops among the Iraqi population.

There were no surprises in the Senate vote, in which 48

Democrats and one independent joined Republicans Gordon Smith of Oregon and Chuck Hagel of Nebraska in supporting the bill. Sen. Joseph Lieberman, a Connecticut independent who typically votes with the Democrats, sided with 45 Republicans in opposition.

In a clear warning to the White House, Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, opposed the legislation but issued a statement saying her patience with the war was limited.

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Event Reminders

The following are reminders of events planned for the coming week that were recently published in the Murray Ledger & Times:

C.D. and June Higgins are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary today, Friday, April 27, 2007. A family celebration is planned.

Lynn Marie Stanley, daughter of Jerry and Ann Stanley of Murray, and **James Thomas Walker**, son of Thomas L. and Marilyn Wilson Walker of Murray, will be married Saturday, April 28, 2007, at 2 p.m. at Hardin Baptist Church, Hardin. All relatives and friends are invited.

Jennifer DeLancey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gregory DeLancey of Murray, and **Michael Bryan Parker**, son of Ms. Mindy Parker of Murray, will be married Saturday, April 28, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. at University Church of Christ, Murray. All relatives and friends are invited.

Rev. and Mrs. David Paul Cunningham Sr. of New Concord will be honored at a reception, hosted by their children, in celebration of their 40th wedding anniversary on Saturday, April 28, 2007, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the George Weaks Community Center, Murray. All relatives and friends are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Royce Allen of Farmington-Golo community will be honored at a reception in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary on Saturday, April 28, 2007, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Margie Black, 7440 St. Rt. 464, Mayfield. All relatives and friends are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Grogan of Murray will be honored at a reception in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, April 29, 2007, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Glendale Road Church of Christ, Murray. All relatives and friends are invited. The couple requests that guests not bring gifts.



PAPERS COLLECTED: Pictured, from left, are Woodmen of the World Field Representative Nancy Buchanan, and Lodge 138 members Ann Spann and Toni Jones collecting papers for Make A Difference Day.

Murray Woman's Club plans centennial event on Sunday

The Murray Woman's Club will be celebrating its 100th year anniversary with a "Centennial Celebration" on Sunday. The club will hold an open House from 2 to 4 p.m. at the club house on Vine Street.

A number of past presidents and dignitaries will be present so you can catch up with old friends.

At 2:30 p.m., the MWC Chorus from the Music Department will present a program of music through the decades.

One song from each decade of the club's existence (1907-2007) will be performed, beginning with 1904's "The Entertainers" by Scott Joplin/Joyce Merman.

Pressbooks from each decade (beginning with the 1940s) will be on display. Cake and punch will be served throughout the afternoon.

Tracey Bernard Wortham, president, urges the public to drop by the club house and join us in celebrating our 100th! on Sunday afternoon.



Pictured are MMS students named as Students of the Month.

MMS students selected as Students of the Month

Murray Middle School students were recently selected by their teachers as the April Students of the Month.

The students chosen illustrate "perseverance" characteristics. Perseverance is the chosen MMS word of the month that identifies children who "con-

tinue on despite difficulty and obstacles."

Named were the following: Brett Watson, Steven Manners, Hunter Carter, Hunter Lowe, Brendan Parker, Dylan Boone, Chelsey Church, Tony Foriest, Tahmia Hardin, Lindsey Lambert, Sarah Whitworth,

Sydney Carver, Quantice Washington, Adam Clark, Isaac Hansen, Kathryn Pariato, Lauren Cole, Sang Wook Ha, Shuntara Washington, Ian Holmes, Marte Foster, Mackenzie Webster, Heatherly Paschall and Jared Benningfield.



Pictured are Steve Welter, right, with his Technology competition team.

CCMS students attend Technology Challenge

Calloway County Middle School recently sent a group of students to compete in the West Kentucky Technology Challenge at Murray State University.

Steve Welter, technology teacher at CCMS, sponsored the students and coached them through the competition.

At the end of the event, seven Calloway Middle students were recognized for their achievement in nine categories.

They were: Roger Graves, third place flight challenge; Jay Green, first place engineering design and third place dragster design; Clint Craig, first

place engineering design; Taylor Nesbitt, first place engineering design and first place dragster design; Russell Garland, second place engineering design; Hanalore Clause, second place engineering design; Sarah Wade, second place engineering design.

Approximately 120 students from 15 different schools participated in the event.

'Dr. Trey' and 'Dr. Vee' will give performance here



Jo's Datebook
By Jo Burkeen
Community Editor

Robert Valentine as "Dr. Trey" and Robert McGaughey as "Dr. Vee" will give a performance Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Stables of Murray State University Curris Center.

These two local men did their first show together in 1981 and have appeared at many special occasions in the area.

Admission is free, but donations will be received for the MSU Elizabeth College Relay for Life team.

The public is urged to attend this special program on Monday.

Bands plan promotion

Calloway Laker Bands will have their annual Car Wash-a-thon Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Arby's, Office Depot and Sirloin Stockade. Proceeds will go toward expenses for the High School Band to perform in the Kentucky Derby Parade at Louisville and the Middle School Band to perform at the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival Parade at Humboldt, Tenn.

Tractor Pull for Hospital Saturday

Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity at Murray State University will have a Charity Tractor Pull supporting St. Jude's Children's Hospital on Saturday starting at 7 p.m. at the Murray-Calloway County Fairgrounds on Ky. 121 North. Admission is \$10 adults, \$5 children, \$8 students and a pit pass to see behind the scene and meet the pullers will be an additional \$20. Tickets will be available at the door.

Hip Hop Workshop planned

Jackson Purchase Dance Company will hold a hip hop workshop for middle and high school ages from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday at Calloway County Middle cafeteria with former JPDC dancer, Laurie Parker, as instructor. Parker is currently talking a Hip Hop class at Vanderbilt University and will teach a routine to Janet Jackson which was choreographed by a Nashville Predators dance team member. Each participant should bring a scarf for the routine and the fee is \$15 to JPDC.

Federation of Blind plans event

The National Federation of the Blind, NFB Murray Chapter will have its annual fundraiser auction Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Kentucky National Guard Armory building, Ky. 121 North. Proceeds will be used for the chapter members to travel to Atlanta, Ga., for the national convention in July. For more information call Danny Perry, president, at 753-0911.

Kiwanis Club plans breakfast

Kiwanis Club of Murray will have its annual pancake breakfast on Saturday from 6 to 10 a.m. in the Murray High School cafeteria. Also blueberry pancakes will be served. Tickets at \$4 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under, will be available at the door. Proceeds will benefit children in the community.

Volleyball tryouts Saturday

Calloway County High School Volleyball team will host two open gyms for girls interested in trying out for next year's team on Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon and again on May 10 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at the Calloway County Middle School gym. This is for girls going in to the seventh grade through high school. For more information call Coach Cassidy Palmer at 489-2371 or e-mail at cassidy.palmer@murraystate.edu.

Good Shepherd plans promotion

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, intersection of Ky. 121 South and Cherry Corner Road, will have its annual spring sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. This will include all kinds of clothing, crafts, etc. For information.

Neighborhood Watch will meet

New Concord Neighborhood Watch will meet Monday at 7 p.m. at New Concord Church of Christ. Speakers will be Calloway County Attorney David Harrington and a representative from the office of Calloway County Sheriff Bill Marcum. All area residents are urged to attend.

MHS Class of 1997 plans reunion

Murray High School Class of 1997 is planning its 10-year reunion, scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 18, from 7 p.m. to midnight at J. Edwards, Murray. To RSVP either e-mail mhcreunion1997@gmail.com or call Angie Colson Kmbro at 759-0554.

Glory Bound entertainment tonight

Glory Bound Christian Entertainment Ministry will be tonight from 7 to 9 in the fellowship hall of Goshen United Methodist Church, 4726 Ky. 121 North at Stella. Featured will be For Heaven's Sake and The Grants. There is no admission charge, but items for Need Line will be accepted. For more information call Joe Lawrence at 753-5643, Renee Taylor at 753-8124 or Patrick Lea at 761-2666.

Shriners sponsor Bingo

Murray Shriners sponsor Bingo each Friday starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Shrine Club facility, Ky. 121 North, Murray. Proceeds help support many local and shrine charitable activities.

Reformers Unanimous to meet

Reformers Unanimous, a Christ-centered addictions program, meets each Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Eastwood Baptist Church. For information or for a ride call 753-1834.

Need Line lists special needs

Need Line has issued a lists of items needed to replenish the pantry for the clients. They are instant potatoes, spinach oats, spaghetti sauce, beef stew, chili, Jiffy Corn muffin mix, Complete pancake mix, and pancake syrup for the pantry; dish liquid, laundry detergent, diapers size 4 and 5, and bath tissue for personal hygiene and cleaning supplies; and large brown paper bags. These items may be taken to the Need Line building at 638 South Fourth St., Murray, between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. For information call 753-6333.

Scholarship available to CCHS seniors

The Alumni and Associates of Calloway County schools will offer a scholarship to seniors who have at least a 3.0 GPA and an ACT score of at least 18. Also, at least one parent/guardian or grandparent must be a member of the Alumni and Associates of Calloway County Schools. Applications are available in the guidance office and are due by April 30.

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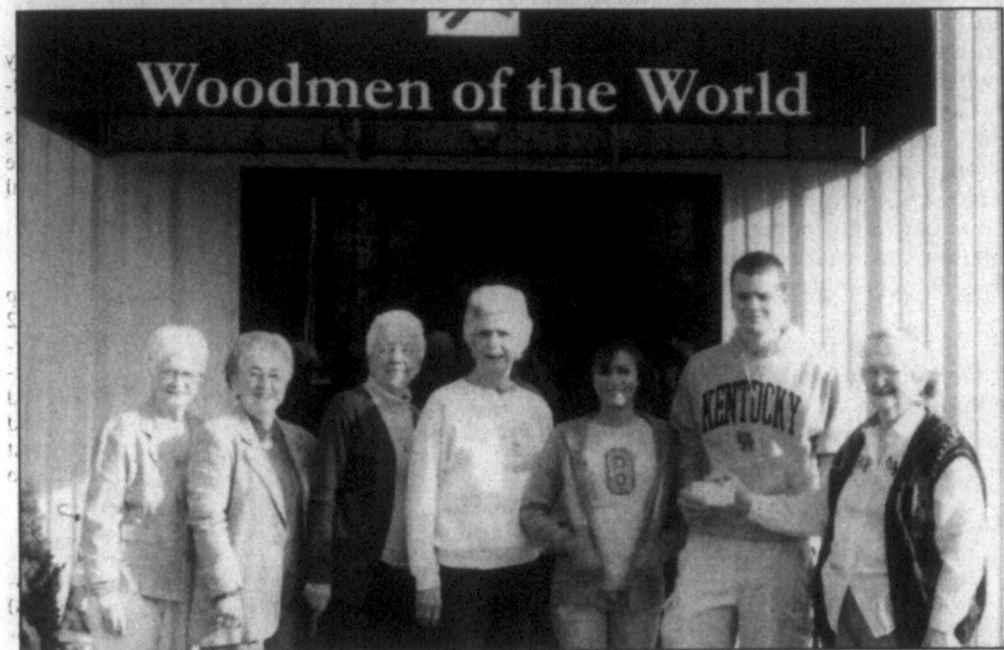
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Project Graduation



DONATION MADE: Scott Brown, left, and Jason Crowell, right, Wal-Mart assistants, presented a \$1,000 matching grant to Scott Brown, second left, and Wesley Perry, second right, seniors at Calloway County High School, for the Project Graduation.

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CHECK PRESENTED: Woodmen of the World Lodge 728 presented a check to Murray High School for Project Graduation. Pictured, from left, are Iuta Hutson, Dot McNabb, Dorothy Hargrove, lodge members, Amy Futrell and Joey Mohler, MHS seniors, and Brooks Rose, lodge president.

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DONATION GIVEN: Woodmen of the World Lodge 728 presented a check for Calloway County High School Project Graduation to Kim Phillips, project representative, second left. Making the presentation were lodge members, from left, Dot McNabb, Dot Bazzell, Dorothy Hargrove, Iuta Hutson and Brooks Rose, lodge president.

Photo provided

CCHS will offer summer school

Summer School will be offered at Calloway County High School for Calloway County High School students. The dates will be May 30 through June 14.

Sign up started on April 16. Students need to pick up information and sign up for summer school in room 407 of the high school.

Any student choosing to make up a class from the fall of 2006 must sign up by the end of April.

For more information, call 762-7374 ext. 407 and speak with Glenn Leckie or call the front office of the high school at 762-7374 ext. 0.

Purchase area chapter will hear Griffin speak

PADUCAH, Ky. — The Purchase Area Chapter of Kentucky Public Retirees will meet Thursday at 10:30 a.m. at Pizza Inn, 1001 Joe Clifton Dr. for a combined luncheon and business meeting.

The speaker will be Lonnie Griffin speaking about "Senior Medicare Patrol."

All retirees of the Kentucky Retirement System, the Ballard, Calloway, Carlisle, Fulton, Hickman, Graves, Marshall and McCracken County Retirement Systems and Kentucky State Police Retirement System are encouraged to attend.

For more information call 1-270-898-7289 or 1-270-444-7335.

Birth Announcement

Dominike Sophia Hall

Mr. and Mrs. Ethan Hall of Lawson Road, Murray, are the parents of a daughter, Dominike Sophia Hall, born on Thursday, April 19, 2007, at 1:02 p.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

The baby weighed 8 pounds 13 ounces and measured 20 1/2 inches. The mother is the former Amber Kimbro. A brother is Spincer Wyatt Hall, born May 19, 2006.

Grandparents are Felesia Kimbro, Nathan and Samantha Hall, and Roger Kimbro, all of Murray.

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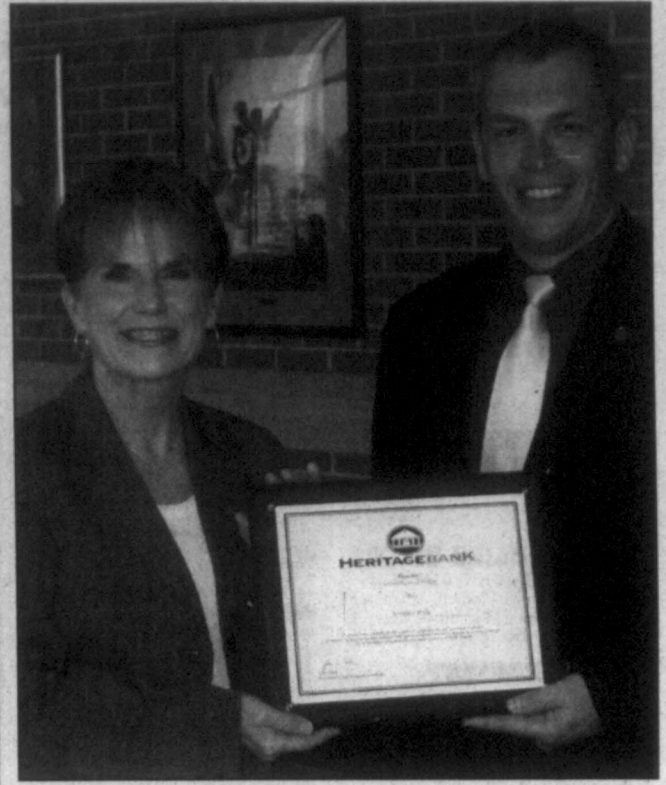


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Pictured are, from left, Yvette Pyle and Doug Lawson.

Heritage Bank announces high school scholarship in honor of Yvette Pyle

Heritage Bank is pleased to announce the awarding of a scholarship in honor of Yvette Pyle from the 2007 Heritage Bank Scholarship Fund. Over the past four years Heritage Bank has committed over \$45,000 dollars in scholarship funds to 91 senior high school students planning to attend a higher education institution. This unprecedented effort is the largest of its kind, touching more than 9 school systems across Western Kentucky and Middle Tennessee. Every senior student enrolled in a high school in each of the bank's market communities has the opportunity to apply for one of the scholarship awards.

Ms. Pyle is currently the principal at Calloway County High School. "I am truly honored and humbled that Heritage Bank has elected to present a Calloway County Scholarship in recognition of my commitment to education. Heritage Bank has always made the success of area young people a priority, and is truly committed to excellence in education," commented Pyle.

"We are very excited to play a vital role in the success of students in the neighborhoods we serve," commented John Peck, president and CEO of Heritage Bank. Peck continued, "We feel strongly that every student should be able to pursue his or her dreams of a college degree and it is extremely rewarding to give scholarships to each high school in our market areas."

In honor of the students receiving the scholarship award, Heritage Bank hosted a banquet at the Holiday Inn in Hopkinsville on April 26. Heritage Bank applauds the hard work necessary to receive a high school diploma and wishes each student the best of luck in their future education endeavors.

Heritage Bank conducts neighborhood banking operations in the Kentucky cities of Hopkinsville, Elkton, Cadiz, Murray, Benton, Calvert City, Fulton and Pleasant View, Ashland City, Kingston Springs, Erin and Clarksville in Tennessee. Heritage Bank records assets of more than \$759 million.

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	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30
WKRN-ABC	Grey's Anatomy	Wife Swap (In Stereo)	20/20	News	Sex & Extra	News	News	News	News	News	News	News
WSIL-ABC	Grey's Anatomy	Wife Swap (In Stereo)	20/20	News	Nightline	Seinfeld	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Seinfeld				
WSMV-NBC	Identity (In Stereo)	Raines "Closure"	Law & Order (N)	News	Tonight Show	Late Night	Last Call					
WTVF-CBS	Ghost Whisperer	Close to Home (N)	NUMB3RS (In Stereo)	News	Late Show	Holly-	Late Late Show					
WPSD-NBC	Identity (In Stereo)	Raines "Closure"	Law & Order (N)	News	Tonight Show	Late Night	Last Call					
WBBJ-ABC	Grey's Anatomy	Wife Swap (In Stereo)	20/20	News	Nightline	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Frasier	Poker				
WNPT-PBS	NY Public Library	Bill Moyers' Journal	Wash Wk	NOW	News	Tony Bennett Duets Classic	Wash Wk	NOW				
KBSH-Fox	House "Honeymoon"	Bones (In Stereo)	News	Friends	Simp-	Frasier	King	Becker	Scrubs	Paid		
WQTV-CW	WWE Friday Night SmackDown!	(In Stereo)	News	Raymond	Oprah Winfrey	Chrysler	Date	Date	Cheaters			
KFVS-CBS	Ghost Whisperer	Close to Home (N)	NUMB3RS (In Stereo)	News	Late Show	Late Late Show	Paid					
WGN	MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals.	(In Stereo Live)	News	Scrubs	Scrubs	Becker	Home Videos					
INSP	Brithrgh	Sekulow	Today	Life Tod	Your Day	Gospel	Jewish	Fellow-	Various	Feed	Paid	Cross
WKMU-PBS	Comment	Group	Wash Wk	NOW	Bill Moyers' Journal	News	Ky Life	Woodsongs	Charlie Rose (N)			
WKMA-MNT	Movie: **1/2 "101 Dalmatians" (1996)		Judge J.	Judge J.	Rose-	Rose-	Will	Sex &	Sex &	Paid	Paid	
ESPN	NBA Basketball: First Round Game 3 - Teams TBA.		NBA Basketball: First Round Game 3 - Teams TBA.		SportsCenter (Live)							
ESPN2	NBA Basketball: First Round	Boxing: Friday Night Fights.	(Live)		SportsCenter (Live)	Baseball Tonight	Basket-					
MTV	Chal-	Chal-	Pimp	Pimp	Holly-	Holly-	Movie: ** "Next Friday" (2000)	Ice Cube.	Cannon	Cannon		
TNT	Movie: **1/2 "Cheaper by the Dozen" (2003)		Movie: **1/2 "Cheaper by the Dozen" (2003)		Movie: *** "Something's Gotta Give" (2003)							
TLC	Little People	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	Little People	What Not to Wear						
LIFE	Reba	Reba	Movie: "When Innocence Is Lost" (1997)		Housewives	Frasier	Frasier	Golden	Strong			
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Monk		House (In Stereo)	Movie: **1/2 "Unbreakable" (2000)						
AMC	Movie: *** "Saturday Night Fever" (1977), Drama	PG	Movie: *** "Carrie" (1976)	Sissy Spacek.	Movie: *** "Psycho II" (1983)							
A&E	CSI: Miami	CSI: Miami	Intervention (N)	Intervention "Kim"	CSI: Miami	CSI: Miami						
FAM	Movie: *** "Under the Tuscan Sun" (2003)		Whose?	Whose?	The 700 Club	Videos	Videos	Paid	Paid			
NCK	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Nicktoon	Full Hse.	Full Hse.	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Cosby	Cosby	GroPains	Rose-
HGTV	To Sell	Buy Me	24 Hour	Curb	House	House	Parents	FreeStyle	To Sell	Buy Me	24 Hour	Curb
SPKE	CSI: Crime Scn	CSI: Crime Scn	UFC's Ultimate Fight Night (In Stereo)		Sports	Most	Game	Wild				
WBTV	Raymond	Raymond	MLB Baseball: Atlanta Braves at Colorado Rockies.	(Live)								
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COURT	Video	Video	Forensic	Forensic	The Wrong Man? (N)	Power-Justice	Video	Video	Forensic	Forensic		
BET	Movie: ** "Soul Plane" (2004)	Kevin Hart.	Bailers		Jamie F.	Jamie F.	College	Run	BET After Dark			
CMTV	Coyote Ugly	Comedy	Comedy	Movie: *** "Urban Cowboy" (1980), Drama	John Travolta.							
HBO	Jerry Seinfeld	DeLa-	DeLa-	Entou-	Entou-	Real Time	Bad Boys	Real Sports	"Freejack"			
MAX	Movie: *** "Silver" (2006)	Nathan Fillion.	Movie: ** "Fantastic Four" (2005)	PG-13	Movie: ** "The Hitcher" (1986)							
SHOW	Am. Life	Am. Life	The Tudors		Penn	Penn	"Awesome, I F...in' Shot That!" (F)	Movie: ** "The Halfway House"				
DISN	Movie: **1/2 "High School Musical" (2006)		Montana	Montana	Suite Life	So Raven	Montana	Kim	Proud	Sister		
FLX	Movie: "The Hitcher" (1986)	F	Movie: ***1/2 "Short Cuts" (1993), Comedy-Drama	Andie MacDowell, F								
HBO2	The Sopranos	Movie: ***1/2 "Prime" (2005)	Fracture	Boxing (In Stereo)	Boxing	Cathouse	Real Time					



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NEW BEGINNINGS: Theresa Perkins, left, and David Blivins were speakers at the recent meeting of the New Beginnings Support Group. The group will meet Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church with music by Caitlin Sevens and Roy Yaokem, director of Reaching Out 2 You, as speaker. A potluck meal will be served and for information call 753-0156.

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 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
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 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:45 a.m.

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 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
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Understanding Our Problems



It is very difficult, if not impossible, to understand how God responds to various situations. God is love, and we know that He wants us to always do good and be the best that we can be. However, it is so difficult at times to understand why we are burdened with problems. Although we know that God answers prayer, sometimes we pray diligently for something that doesn't turn out like we think it should. During such times, we have to remember that

God's ways are not always our ways, and that God's ways are always to perfection. "Thy will be done" is for our edification, and when we accept and understand that God always does what is best for His people, we can have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Without problems, we surely wouldn't fully appreciate our blessings, and for those who trust and believe in our Lord, their blessings far outnumber their problems. In the Bible, our Lord tells us that in this world we will have tribulation; but we should be of good cheer; because He has overcome the world (John 16:33).

Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.

K.J.V. Psalm 34:19

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 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
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 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m.

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 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 9:50 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Mid-Week Worship 7:00 p.m.

HICKORY GROVE CHURCH OF CHRIST
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 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
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 Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
 Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
 (Sunday & Wednesdays)

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 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

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 Worship 9:50 a.m. & 6 p.m.
 Bible Classes 9 a.m.
 Wednesday 7 p.m.

NEW PROVIDENCE
 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

PLEASANT VALLEY
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

SECOND STREET
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

GLENDALE ROAD CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Worship 5 a.m., 9 a.m. & 6 p.m.
 Bible Study 10:15 a.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.

UNION GROVE
 Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

UNIVERSITY
 Bible Classes 9:00 a.m.
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 Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

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 Morning 9:00 a.m.
 Evening 6:00 p.m.
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 Sunday 3 p.m.
 Wednesday 7 p.m.

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 Worship 11:30 a.m. & 7 p.m.
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 Sundays 10:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

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 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
 Worship 11:00 a.m.

SADDLE CREEK CHURCH
 Sunday Morning 11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday Evening 6:30 p.m.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
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 Public Talk 9:30 a.m.
 Watchtower Study 10:30 a.m.

LUTHERAN
IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:30 a.m.

METHODIST
BETHEL UNITED
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 2nd & 4th Sun. Night 6:00 p.m.

BROOK'S CHAPEL UNITED
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 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
 1st & 3rd Sun. Night 6:00 p.m.

COLDWATER
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship 11:00 a.m.

COLE'S CAMPGROUND
 Worship Service 8:50 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:50 a.m.

DEXTER-HARDIN UNITED
 Contemporary Service 9:00 a.m.
 Bible Study 10:00 a.m.
 Regular Worship 11:00 a.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST
 Worship 8:45 & 11 a.m.
 Sunday School 9:50 a.m.

GOOD SHEPHERD UNITED
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

GOSHEN METHODIST
 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

HAZEL UNITED METHODIST
 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Worship 11:00 a.m.
 Wednesday Worship 7:05 p.m.

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 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

KIRKSEY UNITED
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

LYNN GROVE
 Worship Service 9:30 a.m.
 Church School 10:45 a.m.

MARTIN'S CHAPEL UNITED
 Worship Service 9:00 a.m.
 Sunday School 10:30 a.m.

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 Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

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 Worship 11:00 a.m.

RUSSELL CHAPEL UNITED
 Worship 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday School 11:00 a.m.

SOUTH PLEASANT GROVE
 Morning Worship 9:45 a.m.
 10:45 a.m.

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 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Preaching 10:00 a.m.

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 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Morning Service 11:00 a.m.

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 Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
 Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
 Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
 Wednesday Worship 6:30 p.m.

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 Worship 10:50 a.m. & 6 p.m.
 Wednesday Worship 7 p.m.

UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH-NEW CONCORD
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00-7:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
 Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
 Worship 10:45 a.m.

LIBERTY CUMBERLAND
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

NORTH PLEASANT GROVE
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Church Bulletins

Various churches have released information concerning their worship services for the coming weekend as follows:

Calvary Temple Pentecostal Church: Rev. Darrell Young, pastor, will continue a series of messages on "The Atonement" at the 11 a.m. and 6:30 a.m. worship services. Wesley Young will be in charge of praise and worship with Bud and Ruby Stewart as greeters. Sunday School classes for all ages will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday Bible study and youth service will begin at 7 p.m.

North Pleasant Grove Cumberland Presbyterian: Bro. Charles Westfall, pastor, will speak about "Who Am I?" with scripture from *John 10:22-30* at the 11 a.m. worship service. Cammie Cain is song leader with Margaret Nell Boyd as pianist. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m.

Coldwater Church of Christ: Richard Guill, minister, will speak about "May The Church Support Orphan Homes?" with scripture from *James 1:27* at the 10:15 a.m. worship service and "Worship in Song" will be at the 6 p.m. worship service. Song leaders will be men of the congregation, followed by fellowship and finger food.

Westside Baptist: Rev. Glynn Orr, pastor, will speak about "Shaped to Serve" with scripture from *Psalms 139:13-24* and *Ephesians 2:8-10* at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Tommy Scott is minister of music. The choir will sing "Beatitude" and Bill Ticknor will have special music. Mark Whitt and Mary Grace Choukalas will give testimonies of the BCM New Orleans Mission Trip and Stacy Wortham will have special music at

the 6 p.m. service. Deacons of the week will be Larry Dickerson and John Yezerksi. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m.

Immanuel Lutheran: Rev. Dr. Chad Foster, pastor, will speak about "The Lamb...Will Be Their Shepherd" with scripture from *Revelation 7:17* at the 10:30 a.m. Fourth Sunday after Easter worship service. Sunday School and Adult Bible Class will be at 9 a.m.

Memorial Baptist: Bro. Martin Severns, pastor, will speak at the 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship services. J.T. Lee is acting music director with Misty Williams and Kathy Thweatt as accompanists. Assisting will be David Ferguson, deacon of the week, and Ron James, Sunday School director. Sunday School will be at 9:40 a.m.

First Presbyterian: Rev. David M. Montgomery, co-pastor, will speak about "The Open Door" with scripture from *Acts 11:1-18* at the 10:45 a.m. worship service now being held in Wrather Museum auditorium. Todd E. Hill is choir director with Lee Kem as pianist. The choir will sing "Christ Beside Me." Assisting will be Elizabeth Wall as liturgist and Donald Fleming and Gordon Loberger, ushers. Sunday School and a special called session meeting will be at 9:30 a.m.

Glendale Road Church of Christ: John Dale, minister, will speak about "Jesus Prayed for Unity" with scripture from *John 17:20-21* at the 9 a.m. worship service. Aaron Armstrong and George Garner will speak about "Seek the Kingdom First" with scripture from *Matthew 6:25-33* at the 6 p.m. worship service. Todd

Walker, associate minister, will lead the singing. Also assisting will be Garry Evans, involvement minister, Nick Hutchens, youth minister, Jay Stark, Gary Page, Grundy Falwell, Jimmy Ragsdale, Roman Kelly, Josh Stewart, Charlie Rogers, Ryan Kelly and Zachary Underhill. A short worship service will be at 5 a.m. and Bible classes at 10:15 a.m.

First Christian: Dr. Charles Rolan, senior pastor, will speak about "The Shepherd's Embrace" with scripture from *John 10:22-30* at the 10:15 a.m. worship service. Mark Dycus is minister of music with Julie Warner, Donnie Hendrix and Judith Hill as accompanists. The chancel choir will sing "No Longer Strangers." Erin Murphy is children's director. Assisting will be Steve Parker, worship leader, Helen Campbell and Doug Vander Molen, elders, and Jean Bennett, Tory Daughtry, Teresa Nixon, Fred Wells and Don Wilson, diaconate.

Grace Baptist: Bro. Sammy Cunningham, pastor, will speak at the 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. worship services. Henry Nance is minister of music with Oneida White, Sherry Fortner and Kathy Garrison as accompanists. Marion Hale will sing at the morning hour. Eddie Morris will give the children's sermon. Brian Steward is minister of youth. The ordnance of The Lord's Supper will be observed at the evening service. Assisting will be Dwain McClard, deacon of the week, and Walter Bell, Greg Fortner, Mike Davis and B.J. Koennecke, ushers. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m. and prayer meetings at 5:30 p.m.

Goshen United Methodist: Rev. Mark Earheart, pastor, will speak

about "Be the Difference" with scripture from *Acts 8:58-60, 8:1, 9:1-22* at the 9 a.m. worship service with Tim Chaney as the pastor's assistant. Emily Brewer and Teela Etheridge will serve as acolytes. Children's church will be directed by Pat Brunn. Tina Sexton will direct the choir with Renee Doyle, Pat Brunn and Carla Halkias as accompanists. Betty Lawrence and Becky Miller will serve as greeters. A fellowship period and fellowship will be after the worship service. Sunday School with Bob West as superintendent will be at 10:15 a.m. in the family fellowship center. The Sunday Night Bible study and the combined youth groups of both Goshen and Kirksey churches will be at 6 p.m. at Goshen.

Poplar Spring Baptist: Bro. Dennis Norvell, pastor, will speak about "Who Do You Say Jesus Is?" with scripture from *Matthew 16:13-17* at the 8:45 and 11 a.m. worship services. The "Peacemakers" will be in concert at the 6 p.m. worship service with a potluck meal to follow. Dee and Kathy Lipford will lead the worship services with Hazel Brandon, Susan Reynolds, Dee Lipford and Carol Kelly as accompanists. Sunday School for all ages will be at 10 a.m.

Locust Grove Baptist: Pastor W. Ryker Wilson will continue a series of sermons on "Walking in a Giant World" with scripture from *1 Samuel 17* at the 11 a.m. worship service. Barry Thomas will give the children's sermon. Robert Houston is song leader with Sharon Pierceall as music director/organist and Jennifer Wilson as pianist. The choir will sing "How Great Is Our God." A Fifth Sunday

Gospel Singing will be at 6 p.m. with a finger food fellowship to follow. Sunday school will be at 10 a.m. Shiloh for Youth and Bible Study/Prayer meeting for adults will be at 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

University Church of Christ: Roy Hawkins, youth and family minister, will speak about "Living Like I'm Worthy" with scripture from *Ephesians 4:1-7* at the 10 a.m. worship service and Richard Youngblood, minister, will speak about "Refusing to Believe" with scripture from *John 7* at the 6 p.m. worship service. Assisting will be Paul Randolph, Scott Owens and Wayne Horton. Danny Claiborne is worship leader. Bible classes will begin at 9 a.m.

Hardin Baptist: Bro. Ricky Cunningham will speak about "God's Discipline: It's Profitable. Not Pleasurable" with scripture from *Hebrews 12:5-11* at the 8, 9:15 and 10:30 a.m. worship services.

First United Methodist: Youth Sunday will be observed at the 8:45 a.m. Early Light service and the 11 a.m. traditional service with Danielle Schwettman as director of youth. Acolytes will be Nick and Josh Betts. Participating in the services will be Brandon Story, Hannah Riley, Blake Lencki, Louder Than Words Team, Taylor Pierce, Allison Crawford, Madeline Wrye, Mariel Jackson, Jamie Revell, Will Blackford, Alex Bloodworth, Abby Dowdy, Haley Haverstock, Colleen McCoy, One Voice Choir, Sarah Doran, Brad Black, Travis Garland and Rev. Richard Smith, pastor. The previous week's service will be televised on NewWave Channel 19 at 11 a.m. and on Murray Electric Channel 15 at 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

In our CHURCHES Mission board senior director to speak

Jim Burton, senior director of Partnership Mobilization of the North American Mission Board, will be the guest speaker at the 8:30 and 10:55 a.m.



Burton

worship services Sunday at First Baptist Church. He served as director of Volunteer Mobilization since NAMB's formation in June 1997.

Burton, a native of Kentucky, is a graduate of Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, and earned a master of divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

Having earned a degree in photojournalism at Western, Burton worked for four daily newspapers before entering vocational ministry in 1986 at the former Brotherhood Commission in Memphis, Tenn. He served first as Baptist Men's editor before later becoming the director of Men's Ministries. The focus of his 19 years of vocational ministry has been the mobilization of the laity.

Burton and his wife, Kimberly Ann, live in Cumming, Ga. They have two sons, Jim, a student at North Greenville

College, and Jacob, a student at South Forsyth High School.

The North American Mission Board, located near Atlanta, Ga., is the Southern Baptist convention mission agency which, in cooperation with the Acts 1:8 partners, assists SBC churches in reaching the United States, Canada, and their territories with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Change Your World" will be the topic of Burton's sermon with scripture from *Ephesians 4:17-24*.

Mike Crook, associate pastor of music, will direct the music with Margaret Wilkins and Lisa Ray as accompanists, assisted by the Praise Team. The Tapestry Group will sing "In Christ Alone" at the first service. Dr. Wendell Ray, pastor, and Boyd Smith, associate pastor of students, will assist at the services. Joetta Kelly, minister to preschool and children, and Daniel White will give the children's sermon at both services.

Also assisting will be Rick Melton and Fred Stalls, deacons, Tim Greer and Bert Siebold.

Sunday School will be at 10:45 a.m. and the AWANA Recognition service will be at 6 p.m. A contemporary praise and worship service for college students will be at 8 p.m. at the NET building.

Bethany Baptists will hear Guess

Bethany Baptist Church will have a revival starting Sunday and continuing through Friday.

Bro. Roy Guess of Cadiz will be the speaker at services at 7:30 p.m. each evening.

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Why does God allow evil to happen in the world? By Richard Youngblood, Minister at University Church of Christ

Question: Most people are appalled at the evil demonstrated by the Virginia Tech shootings. Why does God not do something about the evil like this in our world?

Answer: God is doing something. He has established his Kingdom, his reign in our world, and that kingdom is moving toward the final defeat of all evil and toward the reign of God over all heaven and earth. The tragic events at Virginia Tech are but another sign of the fierce resistance of the Kingdom of Satan to the Kingdom of God. Allow me to explain more fully.

In the beginning, God created a perfect world in which he shared a very close and personal relationship with those who were created in his own image. But Satan, the source of all evil, seduced the man and woman into disobeying God's clear instructions. As a result, the relationship with God was severed and Adam and Eve were driven from the paradise first made for them. Since then, Satan, also known as the devil, has seduced human hearts into accomplishing his evil purposes while God has worked to return humanity to the original relationship with himself (*Genesis 1-3*).

To overcome the power of Satan's evil, God sent his son, Jesus Christ, into our world as one of us.

Throughout his earthly life, Jesus demonstrated that God's power is greater than Satan's evil by casting out and destroying demons. Satan's invisible servants in this world. When accused of driving out demons by the power of Beelzebub, the prince of demons, Jesus responded, "But if I drive out demons by the finger of

God, then the kingdom of God has come to you" (*Luke 11:20*). While Jesus declared that God's Kingdom has come, he also taught that the Kingdom of God is still in the process of coming into the entire world. He taught his disciples to pray, "Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven" (*Matthew 6:10*). Wherever God's reign has conquered hearts and lives, God's will is done on earth as it is in the presence of God in heaven.

At the same time, the devil continues to prowls around looking for someone to devour (*1 Peter 5:8*). Because Satan is a liar, murderer and deceiver, he seeks to gain control of lives and to incite them to work his evil purposes against the will and purposes of God (*John 8:44; 2 Corinthians 11:14; 1 Chronicles 21:1*). Thus, I would suggest that at Vir-

ginia Tech a sick, confused and bitter young man fell under the power of Satan to do Satan's deed. By saying this, I am not making any excuses for the young man because Satan can control only those who place themselves within the reach of his power.

When God's Son came into our world, he resisted Satan's temptations, tore down his stronghold, cast out Satan's demons and placed limitations on his work (*Matthew 4:1ff; 12:28-29*). Then, Jesus overcame Satan's power by dying and being raised to life again (*Hebrews 2:14*). After his resurrection, Jesus ascended to heaven and sat upon his throne at the right side of God where he will reign until all his enemies have been put under his feet (*Ephesians 1:20; Acts 2:32-35*). When the last enemy, death, has been destroyed, Satan will be cast

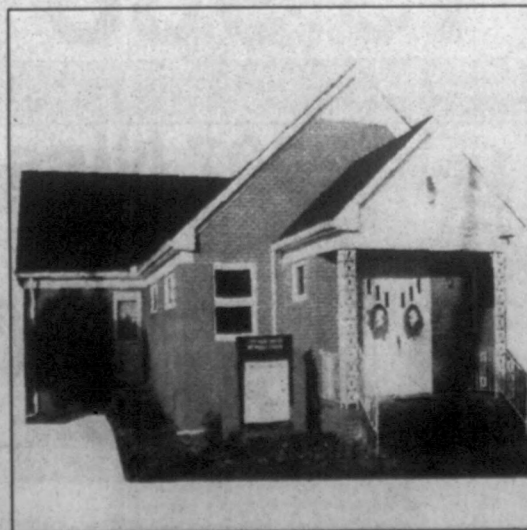
into the pit and sealed over. Then, the kingdom will be delivered over to the Father (*1 Corinthians 15:24-25; Revelation 20*).

As long as evil remains in our world, the battle between the Kingdom of Satan and the Kingdom of God will continue. But already the victory is assured by the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Even now Satan cannot overpower apart from one's submission to him. All who live in submission to the reign of God are deeply saddened by the devastating evil of Satan's forces in our world, yet they march forward in confidence that God's Kingdom is greater and will ultimately overcome and rule all creation. The most important question for each of us is, "Am I living under the banner of Satan's Kingdom or the Kingdom of God?"

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Catholic mass honors Blue Angel pilot

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Lt. Cmdr. Kevin Davis died doing what he loved and what he did best — flying high above the Earth with his fellow U.S. Navy Blue Angels, a Catholic priest told mourners in a community prayer service Thursday.

Although many at the service did not know the 32-year-old Pittsfield, Mass., native, all were touched by the Blue Angels, said Monsignor James Flaherty of the Pensacola's Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

"The Blue Angels are intimately connected with the fabric of our community and the fabric of this church," said Flaherty, who noted that the team's practices often coincide with the church's funeral masses and provided comfort for mourners.

"They give us solace during those moments and we are here to give them solace tonight," he said.

About 300 people attended the community service at the church, which sits just outside the gates of Pensacola Naval Air Station — The Blue Angels home base.

Davis died Saturday when his No. 6 Blue Angel F/A-18A Hornet went down during the final minutes of a performance at Marine Corps Air Station Beaufort in Beaufort, S.C.

Ashley Seward, 12, came to the memorial service in a Blue Angels T-shirt and wearing a necklace adorned with plastic Blue Angels planes.

Seward lives near the bases and watches the team fly over her home during their weekly practices.

"I try to wave at them, but I guess I'm too little for them to see me," she said.

Missionaries take medical gift from woman's clinic to Africa

The Murray Woman's Clinic has extended a helping hand to the Volunteers In Mission (VIM), as well as to the children of Sierra Leone, Africa.

On Jan. 1, VIM members from western Kentucky and west Tennessee boarded a plane to Bo and Tiama, Sierra Leone. Along with their giving spirits, they carried with them a large parcel of pediatric vitamins. These vitamins were donated by Murray Woman's Clinic to be delivered to the residents of Sierra Leone.

The vitamins were used by local practitioners to treat children recovering from disease and dehydration — a major cause of infant mortality. The dehydration is brought on by drinking tainted water, and rehydration is difficult because of reinfection. The youngest and weakest of children tend to suffer a loss of body functions due to electrolyte deficiencies.

The VIM group installed water treatment equipment on their last trip in 2005. However, recovery for children requires a rapid replacement of vital nutrients, and the donated vitamins could save the lives of many, many young children in Sierra Leone.

"I wish you could have seen the look on their faces when we opened two suitcases of vitamins for the children. The staff (in Tiama) were stunned, and then very pleased," said Vicki Stevens-Valentine of Paris, Tenn., who helped arrange the gift. "We can't thank (Murray Woman's Clinic) enough."

After the group returned on January 14, Valentine visited the



Practice manager Gary Houck and Dr. Thomas Green of Murray Woman's Clinic examine photos of the Volunteers In Mission trip to Sierra Leone with Vicki Stevens-Valentine. Murray Woman's Clinic donated pediatric vitamins to the Mission's efforts in Sierra Leone, one of the very poorest countries in Africa.

offices of Murray Woman's Clinic with photos and small remembrances of the trip for the Clinic officials. She also presented a token of thanks to Gary Houck, practice manager, and to Dr. Thomas Greene of the Clinic's medical staff.

"We take for granted all the resources we have here in America, and sometimes we might forget how vital even the most

basic medical care can be in other countries," said Houck. We were pleased to be asked to help, and we're glad we could," he said.

A second mission trip, including people from the Paris and Murray areas, left for Sierra Leone on April 14 for a three-week trip. The group will focus on medical care and infant nutrition.

Our Churches ...

From 9A

Bro. David Cunningham, pastor, invites the public to attend.
For transportation call 436-5243.

Clendenen will speak at New Life Church

Rev. Rick Clendenen, executive director of World Missions and Evangelism, Inc., will be ministering at New Life Church Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Having traveled to more than 35 countries, Rev. Clendenen said he believes "now is the time for the church to arise, to take its proper place in providing mentors to equip the next generation to be sons and daughters of God and operate in their identity, authority and destiny."

"Mentoring from the Mountaintop," his new book, is a culmination of the experience he has gained establishing a net work of training and support that is spreading the gospel of Jesus to millions of people around the world including Indonesia, India and south Africa.

Pastors Mark and Karen Welch said "we welcome our long-time friend and mentor to teach Kingdom principles in a practical and effective manner."

The church is now meeting in the new facility, The Maple Center, at Third and Maple Streets. The public is invited. For more information call 753-1640 or e-mail newlife@murray-ky.net.

Greater Hope Baptist Church plans singing

Greater Hope Missionary Baptist Church will sponsor a gospel singing for the building fund on Sunday at 5 p.m. at the church, located at 711 River Rd., off South Fourth Street, Murray.

Featured guest will be "The Keys of Harmony" from Clarksville, Tenn. Rev. Henry Greer, interim pastor, invites the public to attend.

Methodist Men will sponsor breakfast

The annual Methodist Men's breakfast will be Saturday from 6 to 10 a.m. at Olive United Methodist Church, located at the junction of Highways 962 and 1897 in the Olive community. Also participating are the men's groups from Palestine and Russell Chapel United Methodist Churches in Calloway County.

All proceeds will go to help people who are in need. There is no charge, but donations will be appreciated.

Oak Grove Baptists will hear Cooper speak

Oak Grove Baptist Church of Puryear, Tenn., will have revival services starting Monday and continuing through Tuesday. Bro. Russ Cooper will be the speaker for services at 7 p.m. For more information call 492-8608.

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Students in Dr. Roger Weis' American Humanities class at Murray State University, standing, applaud the effort of students in Gina Winchester's youth and non-profit class, sitting, for raising about \$1,700 for Big Brothers Big Sisters recently during Bowl for Kids' Sake. About 30 student, business and other bowling teams paid \$60 to participate in the event.

BBBS campaign ...

From Front

love into a campaign that was

very challenging," Weis said. "We owe a great deal of thanks to each and every one of these individuals as well as to the hundreds of individuals in Murray and Calloway County who made personal contributions to BBBS. Hundreds and hundreds of children in our area will benefit tremendously from their dedication."

The team captains include Gina Winchester, Sid Easley, Stuart Alexander, Bill Adams, Rev. Richard Smith, Jay Morgan, Steve Hoskins, Betty Blodgett, Lisa Clinton, Nancy Mieure, Robin Taffler, Dick Weaver, Bob Rogers, Trice Sargent, Jeanne Carroll, John Crofton, Brooke Fugate, Judy Brookhiser, David Balthrop, Glyn Mangold, Tracey Wortham and Billy Kennedy, as well as Weis, Kraemer, Weber and Billington.

Providing a big assist to the team captains collecting the funds were students in Winchester's MSU Youth and Non-Profit class. The class raised about \$1,700 during Bowl For Kids Sake event at Corvett Lanes. Each of 31 participating teams paid \$60 to take part in the fun while dressed in team colors and outfits such as an "Hawaiian" team wearing leis as well as "bikers," "construction crews" and "wrestlers." Most teams were made up of college organizations, but some business teams such as Briggs & Stratton participated as well.

Winchester said more than 150 individuals supported the event and several area business

donated money and prizes that were used to off-set the cost of the event and create a fun atmosphere.

"The goals for the class were to raise awareness and secure \$1,500 dollars for the community organization," Winchester said. "Much time, effort and hard-work went into this class project on behalf of the students, and as a result they not only learned the importance of planning, organization and teamwork, they received the benefit of working with a non-profit organization and experiencing how it feels to significantly impact the life of another."

Fugate and her team brought in \$1,080.

"(Brooke) took BBBS Buddy Brigade buckets to about 12 establishments in Murray and collected donations weekly," Weis said. "She also sent letters out to her sorority sister's families. Brooke is the American Humanities Youth-Nonprofit 'Senior of the Year' and it's no wonder; she has a huge heart and the intellect and will to match it. She is going to make a difference in the lives of so many people."

A lot of credit for behind the scenes work goes to Suzy Crook, satellite director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Calloway County.

"Volunteer mentors trained by Suzy Crook of BBBS make a world of difference in the lives of children in Murray and Calloway County and we pledge our guarantee to keep them on the job," he said.

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Bone marrow drive to benefit Smiths

Chris and Kelly Smith, Calvert City, need the support of the Murray State University, Murray and Calloway County communities. Chris, who was diagnosed with chronic lymphocytic leukemia in July of 2006, is in need of a bone marrow transplant to treat, and possibly cure, his disease.

In honor of Chris, a bone marrow drive will take place May 3, from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. in the Dance Lounge on the second floor of the MSU Curris Center. The event is sponsored by the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and MSU alumni affairs.

Registering and testing is free. Each volunteer will be anonymously placed on the National Marrow Program (NMDP) registry. In order to join the NMDP as a potential donor, volunteers must be between the ages of 18 and 60 and in good general health, and have no history of heart disease, cancer, autoimmune disease or insulin-dependent diabetes.

After completing a consent form and health questionnaire, the volunteer uses a cotton-tip swab to give a sample of cheek cells. From the sample of cheek cells, a volunteer's genetic "tissue type" is obtained. This "type" is entered into the NMDP Registry and is available for patients around the world as they search for a match.

Kim Griffo, coordinator for advancement services at MSU, is collaborating with MSU students and the Smith family to make this event a success. "This is an opportunity for all of us to help others, and by taking the test, it sends a message of hope and care to someone's life," says Griffo.

Each year, an estimated 35,000 adults and children in the U.S. are diagnosed with life-threatening diseases such as leukemia and aplastic anemia. Many of these diseases are treatable with a bone marrow or blood stem cell transplant - if a matched donor can be found.

If asked to donate, donors travel to a regional facility and



The Chris Smith family includes, clockwise, Kelly, Chris' wife; Chris; daughter, Katherine; the family dog; and son, Frankie.

all medical expenses are covered by the bone marrow recipients' health insurance. With more than six million people on the national registry, on average, only one percent of all those who submit a cheek swab are called upon to donate.

There are now two possible procedures used in donating blood stem cells. One is surgical, where a donor receives anesthesia and doctors use a needle and special syringe to withdraw marrow from the back of the pelvic bones. Donors experience some soreness in their lower back for a few days or longer. Most donors are back to their normal routine in a few days.

The second procedure of blood stem cell donation is called PBSC, and involves giving the donor a drug called filgrastim for several days before

donation and then collecting the blood stem cells in the blood stream. The donor's blood is removed through a sterile needle in one arm and passed through a machine that separates out the blood stem cells. The remaining blood is returned to the donor through the other arm.

Jackie Taylor Smith, a 1987 MSU graduate, former Miss Murray State University and sister-in-law of Chris, says, "There is hope. Last year at Western Kentucky University, over 3,700 people participated in a bone marrow drive and 12 matches were found with people all over the U.S. We anticipate Murray State's drive to be even bigger."

Corey Westerfield, a 1993 and 2002 MSU alumnus, was one of the success stories from a MSU bone marrow drive in the early 90s. In 1994, Westerfield's tissue was matched, and he

donated bone marrow to a man in Boston. In 1998, he was again matched and donated to a man in Washington.

Westerfield says, "I firmly believe that people should take the opportunity to be tested and try to help. You may not match the person the drive is for, but you might match somebody else. It is a great thing to do, and you will feel blessed if you are called to donate."

Pre-registration is not required, and all those planning to attend are encouraged to contact Jessica Bybee at MSU alumni affairs at 809-3738 or at jessica.bybee@murraystate.edu with any questions.

For more information on Chris Smith and the National Marrow Donation Program, visit www.chrissmithdrive.com and www.marrow.org.

AGR charity tractor pull is Saturday night

Brothers of Murray State University's Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity will host a charity tractor pull at the Calloway County Fairgrounds on Saturday at 7 p.m. The event is sanctioned by the Mid South Pullers Association through the National Tractor Pullers Association. Over 60 pullers from across the nation have expressed interest and are expected to be in Murray to participate.

Joel Perkins, public relations coordinator for the event, said this event will feature some of the best pullers in the nation. All proceeds will benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Perkins said this is the first time that the local AGR chapter has hosted a tractor pull since the 1980s.

"We are so excited to be working with the Mid South Pullers Association to bring this popular event to the Murray area and raise funds for St. Jude Children's Hospital," Perkins said. "The local fair association has been great to work with and the tremendous support received from sponsors throughout the region will allow us to donate all of the proceeds for children's medical research."

Tickets will be sold at the gate. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and \$5 for children. Spectators will also be able to purchase a special pit pass for \$20 that will take them behind the scenes to meet pullers and get an up close look at their equipment.



Photo provided
PORTFOLIO READING: Murray Middle School students in Michele Handegan's fourth grade language arts class scheduled a reading of a work from their portfolio to share with family members. Pictured are Jill Adams, mother; Callie Adams, fourth grade student; and John Miller, grandfather.

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Pierce signs scholarship with Campbellsville



DAVID DOWDY / Calloway County Schools

Calloway County senior Evan Pierce (center) signed scholarship papers earlier this week to continue his soccer career at Campbellsville University. Pictured with Pierce are his parents, Vicki and Roger Pierce, his brother, Keaton, CCHS principal Eynette Pyle, CCHS assistant principal Brian Wilmurth, CCHS athletics director Bill Cowan and Campbellsville soccer coach Adam Preston.

CCHS SOCCER PLAY INKS PAPERS WITH STATE UNIVERSITY

By **SCOTT NANNEY**
Sports Editor

Evan Pierce's freshman season at Campbellsville University will be a new start for the Calloway County High School senior.

That shouldn't be a problem, though, for Pierce, who started his soccer career over once before when he transferred to CCHS from Marshall County for his high school years after spending several years in the Marshall County school system.

On Wednesday, Pierce made the next move in his soccer career when he agreed to sign scholarship papers to play for Campbellsville's Tigers for the next four years.

With the decision, Pierce joins fellow Laker standout Seth Asher and CCHS volleyball player Abby Kelly as the three newest recruits to the Baptist school, located in Campbellsville, Ky.

"Campbellsville has a nice campus ... and it's a Baptist school," said Pierce, who also consid-

ered Murray State and Saint Catherine College before deciding on the NAIA school.

It also didn't hurt that his friend, Asher, and former Marshall County teammate, Bryan Walton, had also picked Campbellsville as their college of choice.

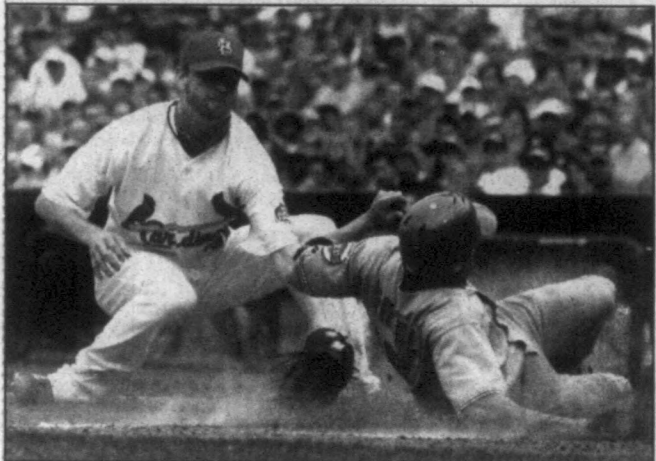
"Whenever Seth and Bryan decided to go there, I was really excited about it," Pierce claimed. "(Bryan) decided to go there first. That's when I made my decision to go there. It's going to be a lot of fun to be able to play with two people I've played with all of my life."

Getting used to the Calloway County program was a big adjustment for Pierce, who found himself playing at different spots on the field while also playing for three different head coaches — Mark Kennedy (2003), Daniel Smith (2004 & 2005) and Seth Cronch (2006).

During his four-year career at CCHS, the Lakers finished with a 31-31-8 overall record,

■ See **PIERCE**, 1B

ST. LOUIS 7, CINCINNATI 5



JEFF ROBERSON / AP

Cincinnati's Ryan Freely, right, scores on a wild pitch by Cardinal pitcher Ryan Franklin, left, during the eighth inning Thursday in St. Louis.

Schumaker makes most of rare start

ST. LOUIS RALLIES TO BEAT REDS

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Chris Duncan was stuck in traffic about 15 minutes before game-time after getting about a dozen stitches for a cut on his head. That's when Skip Schumaker found out he was getting a rare start.

Schumaker responded with a career-best three hits and two RBIs, helping the St. Louis Cardinals rally from an early four-run deficit to beat the Cincinnati Reds 7-5 Thursday.

"When you don't get too many starts, you want to do something," Schumaker said. "Maybe I had less time to think about it, and maybe it helped me out a little bit. Three hits, you can't really beat that for me."

Adam Kennedy's second

■ See **CARDS**, 1B

YSA's Bash tournament starts today

22 LOCAL REC TEAMS TO PARTICIPATE THIS WEEKEND

Staff Report

The Murray Youth Sports Association (YSA) will kick off the local recreational summer league with its Pre-season Bash tournament that runs today through Sunday.

The regular season for youth baseball will begin on Monday, and the girls' fast-pitch softball regular season will also begin in May.

The Pinto (8-under machine pitch), Mustang (10-under), Bronco (12-under) and Pony (15-under) baseball divisions will all play in this weekend's tournament.

"This has become a real fun event for the kids, and it's a very important fundraiser for our league," said YSA president Alan Lollar. "All of the money raised at this tournament goes back into operating expenses for YSA."

"This event, coupled with our concession stand revenue throughout the summer, and our sponsorship fees, are what allows us to keep our participation fees at current rates."

"We're glad we can keep our league fees affordable, and this event helps us do that. We invite fans to come out and see the kids play throughout the weekend. This is also a great tune-up for our kids to get ready for the start of the regular season," Lollar added.

All 22 local rec baseball teams will participate in this weekend's event. The first pitch for all tournament games was scheduled for 6 p.m. today in all divisions at the Central Park main complex on Arcadia Circle.

The action will resume on Saturday at noon. Champions will be crowned on Sunday afternoon, with semifinal and championship game action that starts at 1 p.m.

Admission is \$5 for a weekend pass. Kids 5-under will be admitted free of charge. All schedules for this weekend's YSA Pre-season Bash can be downloaded from the YSA website at www.eteamz.com/ysa. The tournament hotline is 293-9371.

RACER HOOPS

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BARTON COUNTY TRANSFER LED TEAM IN SCORING, REBOUNDING

By **SCOTT NANNEY**
Sports Editor

The Murray State basketball team has added a third member to its 2007 recruiting class, as Racer head coach Billy Kennedy announced on Thursday the signing of junior-college forward Ivan Evans.

The 6-foot-4, 200-pound Evans, who played last season at Barton County Community College in Great Bend, Kan., joins Jewaun Long of Liberty Tech High School in Jackson, Tenn., and Caldwell County standout Matt Fralix in the Racers' current class.

Kennedy described Evans as a great fit for his program.

"Ivan has started more than 50 games over the last two years," the coach said in an MSU athletics department release. "His strength and athleticism allows him to play three positions."

As a sophomore last season at Barton County, Evans led the Cougars in both scoring (15.0 ppg.) and rebounding (9.0 rpg.) while averaging 30 minutes of floor time per game as Barton finished 27-7, according to information obtained from MSU. His accomplishments garnered him honorable mention status in the Jayhawk Conference.

During his freshman season of 2005-06, Evans earned runner-up Freshman of the Year honors in the Jayhawk Conference. He was also an All-Public League selection from Germantown High School in Philadelphia, Pa., during his senior prep season of 2003-04. Evans did not play during the 2004-05 campaign.

"Ivan has a chance to do some great things at the next level," said Barton County head coach Craig Fletchall. "I think in a structured program like Murray State, he's going to improve even more."

Before receiving Evans'



MSU Media Relations

Junior-college transfer Ivan Evans joins the Murray State basketball program after averaging team bests in points and rebounds in leading Barton County to a 27-7 record in 2006-07 season.

signed scholarship papers, Kennedy told the Ledger on Thursday morning that he expected to add two junior-college transfers to his 2007 class.

With Evans taking one of those spots, that leaves the Racers with one scholarship to offer this spring.

"We expect to sign a couple of junior-college forwards," Kennedy explained. "It's good to get (recruiting) over with by May 1."

"What we wanted to do was

add some physicalness and aggressiveness around the basket, and we think we're going to help ourselves. But only time will tell."

May Leaving: Kennedy also confirmed yesterday that assistant coach Dusty May has left the program to take a similar position at Alabama-Birmingham.

The departure of May now leaves the Racers with two openings on their coaching staff. Chad Dollar also left the pro-

gram earlier this month to join the coaching staff at Georgia State.

At UAB, May will be reunited with Blazers' head coach Mike Davis, who he previously worked for on the coaching staff at his alma mater, Indiana, before joining Kennedy at MSU.

May replaces Kerry Rupp on the UAB staff after Rupp recently accepted the head coaching vacancy at Louisiana Tech.

The departures of Dollar and

■ See **MAY**, 1B

LIVINGSTON CENTRAL 2, MURRAY 1

Lady Tigers edged out

LIVINGSTON USES TWO-RUN THIRD TO BEAT MHS

Staff Report

SMITHLAND, Ky. — A two-run third inning was all the offense that Livingston Central pitcher Mariah Owen needed in helping the Cardinals edge visiting Murray High 2-1 in prep softball action on Thursday.

Owen struck out 13 Lady Tiger hitters and walked just two while allowing seven hits in a complete-game effort.

The Livingston hurler also did her part in helping the Cardinals (14-4) plate the decisive runs in the third, scoring the tying run on a single by Danielle Joiner. Joiner later scored the eventual winning run off a double by Jordan Kirkham.

Leslie Stroup led all Murray hitters at the plate with two hits in three at-bats, including a triple and a single. Meagan Pember had the Lady Tigers' only other extra-base hit, adding a triple in her four plate appearances.

Emily Benson, Amanda Winchester, Leah Dieleman and Sarah Crouch each had a single to round out the MHS offense.

Chelcie Winchester suffered the pitching loss for Murray (9-8), allowing two runs on six hits while striking out three and walking one in seven innings of work.

The Lady Tigers are scheduled to return to the field tonight, when they travel to St. Mary's at 4:30 p.m.

■ Pierce

From Page 1B

with their best season coming during a 13-3-1 finish in 2005. Calloway finished its most recent season last fall with a 9-9-1 mark, ending its season with a 2-1 loss to crosstown rival Murray High in the Second District Tournament.

Along the way, Pierce wound up moving from wing-midfield to center-midfield, and finally to stopper, by the end of his senior season.

"I've had to play with a whole new group of guys, and get used to parts of the game that I wasn't used to before," noted Pierce, who thinks the constant adjustments will prove beneficial in his transition to Campbellsville. "Obviously, going through all the coaching changes, we've had a new style of play every year. So that's given me a good feel for things. I think it will help prepare me for the next level."

Pierce will join a Campbellsville program that is coming off a solid 11-7-1 record under head coach Adam Preston in 2006 after compiling just a 3-8-3 mark in 2005.

"I'm not (interested) in going to another level after Campbellsville," said Pierce, who plans on majoring in sports medicine. "I didn't want to go to a big school. I wanted to go somewhere small to play and have a good time."

■ May

From Page 1B

May leave Kennedy with only one staff member — Steve Prohm. Graduate assistant-manager Amir Abdur-Rahim has stepped in to help fill the voids.

According to Kennedy, the short-handed staff has managed the recruiting season quite well.

"Dusty did a tremendous job for us," Kennedy said. "He finished his job here and allowed us to get through with recruiting. ... We knew (May's departure) was coming. It's a great opportunity for him both professionally and financially to go back and work for Mike Davis."

■ Cards

From Page 1B

double of the game snapped a sixth-inning tie for the Cardinals, who won consecutive home games for the first time this season. St. Louis is 3-7 overall at Busch Stadium, where it wrapped up its first World Series title in 24 years last fall.

The Cardinals trailed 4-0 in the third before getting to Kyle Lohse (1-1) for one in the third, ending his streak of 20 consecutive innings without allowing an earned run. They added three more in the fifth and one in the sixth against Lohse, who gave up 11 hits in six innings.

Manager Jerry Narron thought Lohse's changeup was not up to his usual standards. Lohse included the rest of his repertoire in that assessment.

"I don't think anything really was as good as normal," Lohse said. "It was one of those games where I was still getting ahead in the count but they weren't chasing at all."

"They just did a good job of being patient."

Brandon Phillips homered, doubled and drove in three runs for the Reds, who are 3-7 in their last 10.

Tiger track takes first at Big Rivers Invitational

Staff Report

The Murray High girls' track and field team earned first place in the Big Rivers Invitational, held last Friday in Ballard County.

The Lady Tigers won the meet with a team score of 109 to outdistance second-place Lyon County, which tallied 96 points. Fulton County was third with 74, while Ballard claimed fourth with 73. Mayfield (70), Lone Oak (62), Heath (41) and Caldwell County (2) rounded out the field.

On the boys' side, Murray High finished third behind Ballard and Lone Oak, tallying 92 points. Ballard won the meet with 116, while Lone Oak finished with 95. Mayfield (81), Lyon County (62), Caldwell County (33) and Heath (23) rounded out the field.

The following is a recap of how MHS athletes fared in the Big Rivers meet.

Girls

Long jump — Camie Bolin, third place, 13 feet, 10 1/2 inches; Amanda McDonald, fifth place, 12 feet, 6 inches.

Triple jump — Addie Rigsby & Catherine Claywell, fourth place, 29 feet, 9 inches.

High jump — Catherine Claywell, first place, 5 feet; Casey Dowty, fifth place, 4 feet, 4 inches.

Shot put — Ashanti Wilson, fourth place, 27 feet, 9 inches; Jessica Lee, sixth place, 25 feet.

Discus — Ashanti Wilson, fourth place, 70 feet, 7 inches; Jessica Lee, fifth place 66 feet, 10 inches.

4x800 relay — Selina Lajaret, Casey Dowty, Kim Jones, Cammie Bolin, second place, 11:15.39.

100 hurdles — Ania Phillips, first place, 17.90.

4x200 — Hannah Boone, Hannah McAllister, Lauren Owens, Addie Rigsby, third place, 2:01.76.

1600 — Heatherly Paschall, fifth place, 6:35.91.

4x100 — Carly Mathis, Addie Rigsby, Lauren Owens, Hanna McAllister, second place.

400 — Selina Lajaret, fourth place; 1:09.40; Cammie Bolin, sixth place, 1:11.99.

300 hurdles — Hanna McAllister, first place, 53.54.

800 — Casey Dowty, first place, 2:41.08.

3200 — Alex Nance, fourth, 14:16.11.

4x400 — Selina Lajaret, Amanda McDonald, Hannah Boone, Cammie Bolin, 4:40.49.

Boys

4x800 — Michael Orr, Paul Gong, Chase Darnell, Ryan Miller, third place, 9:48.67.

110 hurdles — Stephen Foriest, second place, 18.74.

100 — Jon Jon Wilson, first place, 11.18.

1600 — Chase Darnell, third place, 5:16.83.

4x100 — Will Pitman, Jon Jon Wilson, Blake McCuiston, C.J. Darcus, third place, 47.87.

300 hurdles — Aaron Jones, second place, 47.49; Stephen Foriest, fourth place, 50.24.

800 — Paul Gongg, third place, 2:22.4.

200 — Jon Jon Wilson, first place, 23.49.

3200 — Michael Orr, fifth place, 11:58.02.

4x400 — William Murrell, Alex Stephens, Paul Gong, Stephen Foriest, sixth place, 4:26.95.

NCAA passes text messaging ban

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — College coaches will have to recruit the old-fashioned way next year.

The NCAA's board of directors approved a ban Thursday to eliminate all text messages from coaches to recruits beginning in August, then left open the possibility of revisiting that legislation as early as 2008.

"One of the abuses that was described to us were text messages from a coach to a player saying 'Call me,'" Division I vice president David Berst said on a conference call.

As a result, coaches will no longer be allowed to send text messages to recruits.

High-school athletes face far fewer restrictions. A recruit, for instance, could still message a college coach although the coach could not respond under the new rule.

The move comes a week after the NCAA's management council recommended passage of the ban, which also eliminates communications through other electronic means such as video phones, video conferencing and message boards on social networking web sites.

E-mails and faxes would still be permissible and subject to current NCAA guidelines, which include some time periods that prohibit coaches from contacting recruits in any form.

What it means to coaches is fewer opportunities to attract players through today's high-tech tools, and rely more on the post office, e-mails and phone calls.

Scott County's Gray, Lex. Christian coach honored

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Coach Jason Seamands and Lexington Christian Academy's girls basketball team had to do the impossible on their way to winning the state championship this season. It had been impossible for every team in the state for the past two years.

The Lady Eagles would have to beat mighty Lexington Catholic in the playoffs. Twice.

The Lady Knights had won three of the last six state championships, including the last two.

But Lexington Christian did the impossible, and Seamands was named Friday as girls high school coach of the year by The Associated Press.

Also Friday, Rebecca Gray of Scott County, a 5-foot-10 senior guard, was named AP player of the year.

Seamands' teams hadn't beaten the Lady Knights in years and years.

After losing to Catholic twice earlier in the season, by six points each time, the Lady Eagles beat them in the 43rd District Championship, then again in the 11th Region

Championship.

"It was huge," he said. "I think probably the key game for us was in the district final. I think that game got us over the hump mentally."

After their second loss to Lexington Catholic, the Lady Eagles won 23 games in row, including their state championship win over Louisville Iroquois. Lexington Christian finished the season 34-3.

Seamands knows the expectations and competition will be more intense but his team will always be 2006-07 state champs. That's why he doesn't care for the phrase "defending state champions."

"Nobody can take away what we did," Seamands said. "We don't have to defend anything."

Meanwhile, Scott County's girls basketball team had the misfortune of competing in the 11th Region, with Lexington Catholic and Lexington Christian.

Gray averaged 26 points and six rebounds per game, leading the Cardinals to a record of 25-4.

Pettigrew is AP player of year; Riley honored as coach

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Elizabethtown High School's Steffphon Pettigrew just wants to play basketball.

The availability of playing time is one of the biggest factors he's considering as he wraps up the process of selecting a college. His desire is also one of the things college suitors like about him, he said.

"They like my strength and my heart to go out there and play, because I got the passion for the game and I don't like to lose," Pettigrew said. "They like winners and people that want to go out there and win."

Pettigrew's passion is also one of the factors that led to his selection Thursday as The Associated Press Kentucky boys high school player of the year.

Warren Central's Tim Riley, whose team made it to the semifinals of the state tournament, was selected as Coach of the Year.

Pettigrew, according to his coach, James Haire, has narrowed his college options to Western Kentucky, Georgia and Xavier. The 6-foot-5 senior forward won the AP honor although wins didn't come easy for him and the Panthers this past season.

Nine seniors were gone from the previous year and two senior teammates were injured at the beginning of this season. They finished this year with a record of 17-11. It would have been easy for Pettigrew to get down.

"All of a sudden every team can focus on defending Steffphon," Haire said. "And he still averaged 30 points per game. He never wavered any."

Instead Pettigrew turned it up, averaging 33 points and 13 rebounds per game.

It's taken a lot of work for Pettigrew to become the player he is, Haire said. It's common, when school's out, for Pettigrew to spend the night working out in a local 24-hour gym, the coach said.

"There might be better players than him," Haire said. "There probably are. But nobody works harder than him."

It's also been a journey for the coach of the year.

Riley's Warren Central teams have won six regional championships in a row, and won the state championship in 2004.

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Colorado	9	13.409	4						

Thursday's Games	
Pittsburgh 5, Houston 3	St. Louis 7, Cincinnati 5
Washington 4, Philadelphia 2	Arizona 7, San Diego 4
San Francisco 5, L.A. Dodgers 4	
Friday's Games	
Cincinnati (Milton 0-3) at Pittsburgh (Snell 1-1), 6:05 p.m.	N.Y. Mets (O.Perez 2-1) at Washington (Chico 1-2), 6:05 p.m.
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Chicago Cubs (Marquis 2-1) at St. Louis (Reyes 0-3), 7:10 p.m.	Atlanta (James 2-2) at Colorado (Francis 1-2), 8:05 p.m.
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Sunday's Games	
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 12:35 p.m.	N.Y. Mets at Washington, 12:35 p.m.
Florida at Philadelphia, 12:35 p.m.	Milwaukee at Houston, 1:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Colorado, 2:05 p.m.	L.A. Dodgers at San Diego, 3:05 p.m.
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Thursday's Games	
Detroit at Chicago White Sox, ppd.	Cleveland 9, Texas 4
Minnesota 1, Kansas City 0, 11 innings	Seattle 4, Oakland 2
L.A. Angels 11, Tampa Bay 3	Toronto 6, N.Y. Yankees 0
Boston 5, Baltimore 2	
Friday's Games	
Minnesota (Ortiz 3-1) at Detroit (Robertson 2-1), 6:05 p.m.	Boston (Matsuzaka 2-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Petitte 1-0), 6:05 p.m.
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PREP TENNIS Lakers sweep Community Christian

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Boys
Lakers 8, CCA 1
Singles — Scotty Adams (C) def. Ben Millman 8-4; Josh Price (C) won by default; Ryne Sheridan (C) won by default; Matt McReynolds (C) won by default; Seth Fortenbery (C) won by default; Zach Tutor def. Chris Conner (C) 8-4.
Doubles — Price-Sheridan (C) def. Millman-Tutor 8-2; Fortenbery-McReynolds (C) won by default; Adams-Conner (C) won by default.

Thursday's Matches
Calloway Co. vs. Community Christian at Calloway Co. High School
Girls
Lady Lakers 8, CCA 1
Singles — Tricia Taylor (C) def. Rebecca Jones 8-2; Jennifer Vincent (C) def. Katie Evans 8-6; Shelby Webb (C) won by default; Amy Winkler (C) won by default; Clara Franklin (C) won by default; Jessica Tutor def. Megan Colson (C) 9-7.
Doubles — Webb-Vincent (C) def. Evans-Jones 8-1; Colson-Taylor (C) won by default; Franklin-Winkler (C)

Lakers, Pistons, Jazz all win

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kobe Bryant said it was simply a matter of effort.

The Phoenix Suns agreed. Bryant scored 15 of his 45 points in the fourth quarter, Kwame Brown added a career playoff-high 19 points, and the Lakers rallied to beat the Suns 95-89 Thursday night, cutting Phoenix's lead to 2-1 in the best-of-seven series.

Pistons 93, Magic 77
Tayshaun Prince scored 23 points and Chauncey Billups added 21 to help visiting Detroit a 3-0 series lead. The victory ended a postseason trend for the Pistons — they had lost their last six Game 3s when leading 2-0 — and left them one victory from advancing to the second round.

Jazz 81, Rockets 67
At Salt Lake City, Carlos Boozer had 22 points and 12 rebounds, and Utah held Houston without a field goal for 10 minutes in the second half.

Matt Harpring scored 13 points and Deron Williams added 11 points and eight assists for the Jazz.

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bicycles, girls half size clothes, doll houses, lots of misc

YARD SALE
Sat. 4/28 7:00-11:00a.m. 2300 College Farm Rd
Furniture, lamps, kitchen/bath items, infant furniture & equipment, kids toys, bike, Barbie stuff, luggage, vacuum & more.

YARD SALE
405 Vine St., off S. 4th Saturday 8AM
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Murray State University's American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) Student Section and the Murray Fire Department teamed up this semester for an important mission . . . to teach every third grader in Calloway County some basic rules in fire safety and instill the importance of having a fire escape plan in their homes.

After visiting every third grade classroom in the Murray Independent and Calloway County School systems, the program concluded recently with visits to both fire stations of the Murray Fire Department.

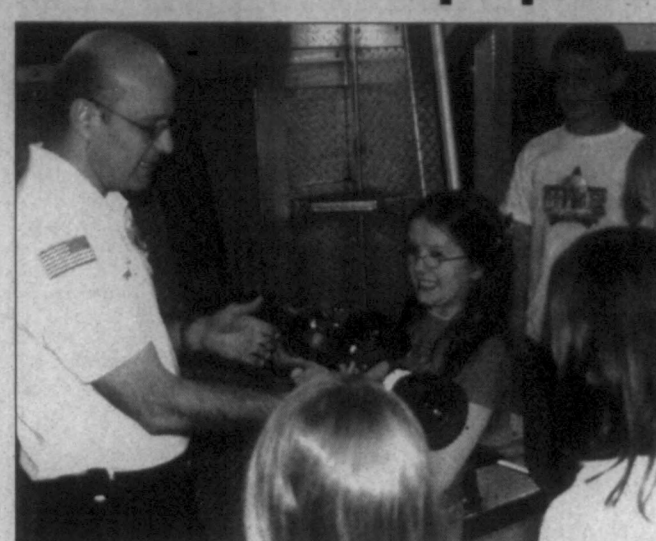
Third graders were chosen as the target group of 241 students in 10 classes at East, North and Southwest elementary schools in the Calloway County School System and 144 students in six classes at Murray Elementary. A representative of the Murray Fire Department and an ASSE student section member visited each class and talked with students about how dangerous fires can be in the home and showed them an example of a fire escape plan.

Following the presentations, students were asked to work with their parents and draw a fire escape plan for their home. Specifics of the plan included knowing the telephone number to the fire department, drawing a floor plan of their home, identifying where each smoke detector is located in the home, identifying two ways out of every room and establishing an outside meeting place for all members of the family.

Murray ASSE officers and members of the fire department judged the plans. A grand prizewinner and two honorable mentions from each class were selected. Contest winners were treated to lunch with the firemen and a tour of the firehouse.

Dr. David Fender, associate professor in the department of occupational safety and health, said they could not have pulled off a project of this magnitude without the willing cooperation of the Murray Fire Department and personnel at each school.

"When the idea was presented they were all very interested in the project and cooperative," he said.



SARA BYNUM/Photo
Students pictured with Murray Fire Marshal Dickie Walls are from East, North and Southwest Calloway Elementary schools.

"Selecting the winning escape plans was not easy," said Janelle DeCoursey, ASSE student section president.

She said working with the third graders was a joy for the Murray State students. "We hope that explaining the basics of home fire escape planning resulted in families talking about what to do in case of a fire and may even save someone's life in a threatening situation."

City-Wide Yard Sale is May 5

Families, churches and businesses are invited to clean house and host a yard sale in conjunction with the spring City-Wide Yard Sale on May 5 from 7 a.m.-3 p.m.

This semi-annual event is a fundraiser for Freedom Fest, Murray's own Independence Day celebration. Participants are featured in the official yard sale map packet, which includes a city map with site locations and descriptive inserts about available items on sale. Yard sales may be at individual residences or in Central Park off Arcadia Circle.

Enthusiasts can visit over 80 sites to find new treasures. The official map guides can be purchased at the Murray Tourism Commission, located in the Chamber of Commerce building, for \$2 on May 4-5. Early bird maps are available Thurs., May 3 for \$4.

To be listed in the City-Wide Yard Sale map please send an application with a \$10 donation to Freedom Fest P.O. Box 321, Murray, KY 42071 by Wednesday, May 2.

For more information call the Murray Tourism Commission at 759-2199 or to download an application visit www.tourmurray.com.

Horoscope by Jacqueline Bigar

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, April 28, 2007:
You have style, energy and appeal this year. Others might find it difficult to say no to you under any circumstances; your appeal is that universal. Focus on creativity, and add to the quality of your life. Think in terms of growth and developing a stronger sense of direction. If you are single, you might discover that suddenly someone very special enters your life this fall. Could this person be "the one"? If you are attached, the two of you have different goals. You will continue to, until a decision is made that makes your bond more concrete. Don't fight the inevitable. LIBRA helps you with projects and errands.

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)
★★★★ Flex and be able to switch gears. You will get a lot done, yet at the same time, clear your schedule for some good times. Many people are seeking you out. Your energy could express itself as anger if you aren't careful. Tonight: Sort through options.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Your creativity and energy come forward, helping you make this a more enjoyable day than anticipated. Don't be surprised if you wear yourself thin and don't have enough energy to end the day with the same vivacity. Tonight: Slow down.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Take your time, knowing that you cannot do everything all at once. You might be way too tired. Take that needed nap or rest. Later, others might see you as a tornado that cannot stop. Let your energy ebb and flow. Tonight: Finally, fun and games.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You might question what someone really thinks. This person's actions might not reflect who he or she really is. Though you see the disparity, others might not. Simplify, if possible. You have a way with words. Others respond. Tonight: Entertain from home.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Deal with expenses first, then think in terms of gains and growth. Many options appear, but use wisdom in your choices. You are full of energy and follow-through. Curb a tendency to be a touch careless. Listen to others. Tonight: With favorite people.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Use the early part of the day for what you feel is most important. An indulgent, lazy side enters your afternoon. Let go, and go with the flow. You don't always need to be in high gear. You might want to rethink a decision more carefully. Tonight: Treat yourself and someone else to a good time.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Though you might be slow to get started, once you do, you'll see life from a different perspective. Others discover how much you have to offer. Your energy could be off or a touch explosive. You need physical exercise. Tonight: What makes you happy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Aim for more of what you want. Understanding will take you in a new direction if you are willing to absorb other points of view. Take some time off in the afternoon. You could be delighted by what you discover. Tonight: Vanish.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Step up to the plate and remain responsive to someone you really care about. Know when to say "enough." You, too, have a need to relax and let your hair down. It's also your weekend! Tonight: Find your pals.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Take an overview. Some of you might need some help. Take a day trip or choose some other mind-relaxing activity. You might be surprised by how different a problem could seem. Express your feelings as diplomatically as possible. Tonight: Talk up a storm.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ A partner or dear friend certainly wants his or her way with you. Make it your pleasure. Do be careful about a risk, especially if it could impact you financially. Think positively about your options. Reach beyond the norm. Tonight: Take in new vistas.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others dominate your plans. If you discover that someone is quickly backing away, you might need to rethink your attitude or word choice. You might like sturm and drang, but others will not tolerate that type of behavior. Tonight: Say "yes" to a partner.

BORN TODAY
TV host Jay Leno (1950), actress Penelope Cruz (1974), mathematician Kurt Godel (1906)

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Menus for the various lunchrooms of the Murray City and Calloway County Schools have been released by Bridget Jaszenko and Pat Lane, food service directors respectively, for the week of April 30-May 4.

Menus, subject to occasional changes based on availability of food, are as follows:

MURRAY CITY
Elementary - Breakfast (toast, cereal, juice and milk served daily) **Monday** - breakfast pizza; **Tuesday** - breakfast burrito/salsa; **Wednesday** - sausage biscuit; **Thursday** - biscuit and gravy; **Friday** - waffle sticks w/sugar free syrup. **Lunch** (fresh and canned fruits, vegetables and milk served daily) **Monday** - hamburger on bun, grilled cheese sandwich; **Tuesday** - spaghetti w/meat sauce, Chuckwagon on bun; **Wednesday** - corn dogs, turkey and cheese wrap; **Thursday** - chicken nuggets w/dip, peanut butter and jelly sandwich; **Friday** - stuff crust pepperoni pizza, fish and cheese sandwich.

Middle - Breakfast (toast, cereal, juice and milk served daily) **Monday** - French toast sticks w/sugar free syrup; **Tuesday** - chicken biscuit; **Wednesday** - toaster pastries; **Thursday** - pancake on a stick w/sugar free syrup; **Friday** - biscuit and gravy. **Lunch** (fresh and canned fruits and vegetables and milk served daily) **Monday** - hot n' spicy chicken, grilled ham and cheese sandwich; **Tuesday** - ravioli w/dinner roll, chicken patty on bun, chef salad w/dressing and crackers; **Wednesday** - spaghetti w/meat sauce, Chuckwagon sandwich; **Thursday** - pepperoni pizza, ribette, chef salad w/dressing and crackers; **Friday** - cheeseburger on bun, chicken noodle casserole, burrito w/salsa.

High - Breakfast (toast, cereal, juice and milk served daily) **Monday** - breakfast bar; **Tuesday** - biscuit and gravy; **Wednesday** - assorted muffins; **Thursday** - sausage and biscuit; **Friday** - ham, egg, cheese bar. **Lunch** (pizza, cheeseburgers, hamburgers, fresh and canned fruits and vegetables, and milk served daily) **Monday** - chicken nuggets and dip, grilled cheese sandwich; **Tuesday** - taco salad bar, chef salad w/dressing and crackers; **Wednesday** - beef fingers, tuna salad plate; **Thursday** - chicken fajitas, chef salad w/dressing and crackers; **Friday** - fish and cheese sandwich, hot dog on bun.

CALLOWAY COUNTY
Snacks for Preschool and Elementaries - Monday - muffin, milk; **Tuesday** - muffin, milk; **Wednesday** - grapes, Teddy Grahams; **Thursday** - Pop tart, milk; **Friday** - cereal, scooby snacks, milk.

Preschool and Harbour - Breakfast (milk, toast, cereal and juice available daily) **Monday** - pancakes w/syrup, peaches; **Tuesday** - pancake and sausage on a stick w/syrup, peaches; **Wednesday** - cinnamon rolls; **Thursday** - biscuit w/sausage gravy; **Friday** - Poptart, cereal. **Lunch** (milk served daily) - **Monday** - chicken & dumplings, roll, green peas, mixed fruit; **Tuesday** - taco salad, lettuce tomato, cheese, pinto beans, wheat bread; **Wednesday** - sweet & sour chicken, rice, stir fry veggies, pineapple; **Thursday** - oven fried chicken, roll, scalloped potatoes, peaches; **Friday** - tuna salad sandwich, lettuce, tomato, tater tots.

Elementaries - Breakfast (fruits, fruit juice, toast, cereal and milk served daily) **Monday** - sausage biscuit; **Tuesday** - oatmeal, toast; **Wednesday** - waffle sticks w/syrup; **Thursday** - breakfast pizza; **Friday** - cinnamon roll. **Lunch** (assorted vegetables, chef salad, fruits and milk served daily) **Monday** - hot dog, ham and cheese sandwich, peanut butter and jelly sandwich; **Tuesday** - chicken nuggets, roll, pimento cheese sandwich, peanut butter and jelly sandwich; **Wednesday** - pizza, fish sandwich, grilled cheese sandwich; **Thursday** - sausage, egg and biscuit, breaded chicken, peanut butter and jelly sandwich; **Friday** - super nachos, hot dog, grilled cheese sandwich.

Middle - Breakfast (cereal, assorted toast, yogurt, fruit juice, fresh fruit and milk served daily) **Monday** - blueberry muffin; **Tuesday** - pancake and sausage on a stick w/syrup; **Wednesday** - blueberry muffin; **Thursday** - breakfast bagel w/cheese; **Friday** - biscuit w/sausage gravy. **Lunch** (assorted vegetables, chef salad, fruits and milk served daily) **Monday** - hot dog, ham and cheese sandwich, Domino's pizza; **Tuesday** - oven baked chicken, Chuckwagon sandwich, turkey and cheese sandwich, pizza; **Wednesday** - foot long chili dog, chicken salad sandwich, ham and turkey sub, Domino's pizza; **Thursday** - BBQ ribette, roll, hamburger, club wrap; **Friday** - chicken nuggets, roll, fish sandwich, turkey and cheese sandwich, pizza.

High - Breakfast (cereal, toast, cinnamon toast, Pop tarts, fresh fruit and milk served daily) **Monday** - breakfast pizza; **Tuesday** - sausage biscuit; **Wednesday** - French toast sticks w/syrup; **Thursday** - biscuit w/sausage gravy; **Friday** - yogurt, toast. **Lunch** (chef salads, fresh fruits, vegetables, deli sandwiches, hamburgers and milk served daily) **Monday** - fish sandwich, Domino's pizza; **Tuesday** - chicken patty w/gravy, roll, corn dog; **Wednesday** - steak nuggets, roll, grilled chicken sandwich; **Thursday** - Super Nachos, turkey club; **Friday** - stromboli, turkey sandwich.

LookingBack

10 years ago Spanish students of Murray High School won the sweepstakes award at the Regional Foreign Language Festival held at Murray State University.

Published is a picture of Lois Stammel, Brazilian international exchange student, with Emily Thomas and Shane Burkeen, students of Calloway County High School, while on a water quality testing project near Martin's Chapel Road in Calloway County. The photo was by Staff Photographer Bernard Kane.

Births reported include a girl to Elizabeth and Jeffrey Scarborough and a boy to Bonnie and Brian Mosley, April 23.

Winners of the First Points Fishing Tournament held by the Murray Bass Club were Bob Varis, first, Gary Marquardt, second, and Wendall Pointer, third.

20 years ago Published is a picture of Bill Kopperud of Murray, outgoing president of Murray State University Alumni Association, presenting the gavel to the incoming president, Fred Schultz Jr. of Frankfort, at the annual banquet of the association. Also pictured is Dr. Ray Mofield, professor in department of journalism and radio-television, accepting the 1987 Distinguished Professor of the Year award from Dr. Howell Clark, retired chemistry professor and the 1986 recipient of the award at the alumni banquet.

Births reported include a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Crandall Woodson, April 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hoffman will be married for 60 years May 2.

30 years ago Kevin A. Bowen, senior at Calloway County High School, has been named to receive a college-

sponsored four-year Merit Scholarship by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. He has received a four-year scholarship and will attend Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

New officers of the Murray Chamber of Commerce are Leonard Vaughn, president; Jimmy Ford, vice president; Deborah Haley, secretary; A.W. Simmons Jr., treasurer. James L. Johnson is executive secretary and David King is secretary to the board.

Births reported include a girl to Michael Venoy Clayton, April 1.

40 years ago Debbie Dibble of Murray was crowned as "Miss Kentucky" at the Mayfield Lions Club Pageant held at Mayfield. She will be eligible to enter the "Miss USA" pageant May 12 at Miami, Fla.

The Murray Woman's Club received the Shell Oil Award of \$500 for winning first place at the meeting of the Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs held at Louisville.

The Murray City Council has accepted the bid of Earl Nanny, contractor, for the construction of a new building at the Murray City Park.

50 years ago Marjorie Shroat Huie, assistant cashier of Bank of Murray, is attending the Southern Regional Conference of National Association of Bank Women being held in Birmingham, Ala.

Lt. James G. Jordan, son of Mr. and Mrs. M.O. Jordan of Browns Grove community, is now stationed with the United States Army in Manheim, Germany.

Mrs. G.B. Jones presented a lesson on "Fitting Slipcovers" at a meeting of the Eastside Homemakers Club held at the home of Mrs. Ed Thurmond.

Mama's change of heart provokes family dispute

DEAR ABBY: When I heard that my 83-year-old mother was on life support, I caught the first plane to California to be with her. I am listed as the executor of her estate, and last year she had told me where I would find all the necessary papers I would need when the "time comes." Upon my arrival at the hospital, the doctor told my sister and me that Mama had a very slim chance of survival.

When I left the hospital to spend the night at Mama's house, I located the papers, figuring I'd need them after her impending death. I opened the box and found a handwritten letter on top of the stack of papers. It had been written by Mama exactly two months before. It was her last wishes for her funeral.

Unknown to anyone, she had changed her mind and decided she wanted no memorial at a church, only a graveside service. Shocked to read her last wishes, I felt it would be better to inform the family before she died rather than wait until we'd be even more distraught.

Well, the doctor was wrong. Mama survived a heart valve

replacement and is doing well. My sister feels I was wrong to share that information while Mama was still alive. Should I have waited? -- SECOND-GUESSED IN OHIO

DEAR ABBY: I just got out of college and have a part-time job in my field. The hours are horrible, but my job has been pretty easy and laid-back, so I had no problems.

Well, my job just got "upgraded," which means more responsibilities but no pay raise, and I am now being assigned more tasks than I can handle that early in the morning. I keep nodding off because no matter how much sleep I get, I just can't function that early.

There are other shifts that are open later in the day, and I have been thinking about asking my boss if he could put me on those, but my parents say it would be a huge mistake, and it will get me fired.

I want to keep my job, but I am just not a morning person (for the record, I tried doing the extra-caffeine thing for a while, and it literally made me sick and bedridden for two days). Any advice? - TOO TIRED IN PARKVILLE, MO.

DEAR TOO TIRED: When it comes to biorhythms, not everyone is created alike. Some people are "larks" who spring out of bed fully alert in the morning, and that's the part of the day they are at their best. Others are "robins" who function best during the afternoon and evening. The rest are "owls." A lot of people in the entertainment business and those who work swing shifts fall into this latter category. Because you are obviously not a lark, it seems you have two choices. The first is to approach your boss and explain that you could do a far more efficient and effective job if you were assigned to a later shift. The alternative would be to change jobs or find another field of endeavor entirely.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeane Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

Nonsurgical treatment for spurs

DEAR DR. GOTT: Thirty years ago, I had a spur removed from my neck, which affected my whole right arm. The operation was a success, and, after the nerve pressure was released, I played golf again



Dr. Gott

for many years. I also have sciatica occasionally (lower back and leg). Now the spur is back and the pain is returning. However, I am now 81 years old and am on Coumadin and Toprol for my heart. I played golf a few times this year and am pretty agile. No one would ever know to look at me that I have this problem. I would like to know how this is treated now, without the surgery to get rid of the spur.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am writing to you for some advice. My oldest son, 59, has a terrible time with his hands. At the ends of his fingers, the skin splits like a cut, and they bleed. He has been to many skin doctors and has tons of salve and medications, and nothing seems to help. His hands are very sore, and he wears gloves when they open up in case of infection. I have never seen anything like it. Otherwise, he is in good health. Can you help?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am practicing physician and the author of the new book "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet," available at most chain and independent bookstores.

ContractBridge

You are the dealer, both sides vulnerable, and have opened One Club. Partner responds One Diamond. What would you bid now with each of the following five hands?

- 1. ♠K93 ♥AQ ♦J865 ♣KJ94
2. ♠AQ ♥AJ ♦Q43 ♣KQJ862
3. ♠5 ♥AQ93 ♦KJ7 ♣AKQ73
4. ♠AJ62 ♥♦A84 ♣KQ9752
5. ♠10 ♥A ♦AKJ92 ♣KQ8643

1. One notrump. Though it is normal to raise partner whenever you have four trumps -- and it might therefore be contended that the proper rebid is two diamonds -- there are good reasons for preferring one notrump. First, the hand is well-suited for notrump play, which is best expressed by a rebid of one notrump. A raise in diamonds would tend to imply more in the way of distributional values, such as a singleton or a couple of doubletons, which is not the case here. Also, the opponents' silence makes it more likely that partner has a good hand and is headed for game. If this hope materializes, a nine-trick notrump game seems far more promising than an 11-trick diamond game. Furthermore, if the best contract is notrump, your tenace positions in the majors suggest that the hand will play better from your side of the table.

found a new use for castor oil. I used it two or three times daily on my thin fingernails. They are now thicker and stronger, and there is a lot less breakage.

DEAR READER: Good for you. I am sure my readers with brittle fingernails would welcome a good over-the-counter remedy.

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DEAR READER: I cannot diagnose your son's skin problem without seeing him and -- I suspect -- certainly could not out-guess his dermatologists, anyway.

Having confessed my inadequacies, I suggest Bag Balm as a cheap, useful and safe therapy for dry skin that splits and bleeds. If your son finds that the Bag Balm doesn't work, he should try Vicks VapoRub. He may have a fungal infection that is causing the dryness and splitting.

Please let me know how this works out.

Doctor Gott is a practicing physician and the author of the new book "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet," available at most chain and independent bookstores.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have

TodayInHistory

By The Associated Press Today is Friday, April 27, the 117th day of 2007. There are 248 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On April 27, 1805, during the First Barbary War, an American-led force of Marines and mercenaries captured the city of Derna, on the shores of Tripoli.

On this date: In 1509, Pope Julius II excommunicated the republic of Venice. (The pope lifted the ban in February 1510.)

In 1521, Portuguese explorer Ferdinand Magellan was killed by natives in the Philippines.

In 1570, Pope Pius V excommunicated Queen Elizabeth I.

In 1822, the 18th president of the United States, Ulysses S. Grant, was born in Point Pleasant, Ohio.

In 1932, American poet Hart Crane, 32, drowned after jumping from a steamer into the Gulf of Mexico while en route to New York.

In 1947, it was "Babe Ruth Day" at Yankee Stadium as baseball fans, not just in New York, but across the country as well, honored the ailing star.

In 1967, Expo '67 was officially opened in Montreal by Canadian Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson.

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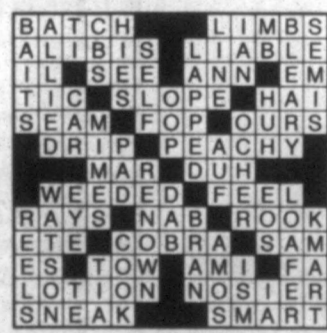
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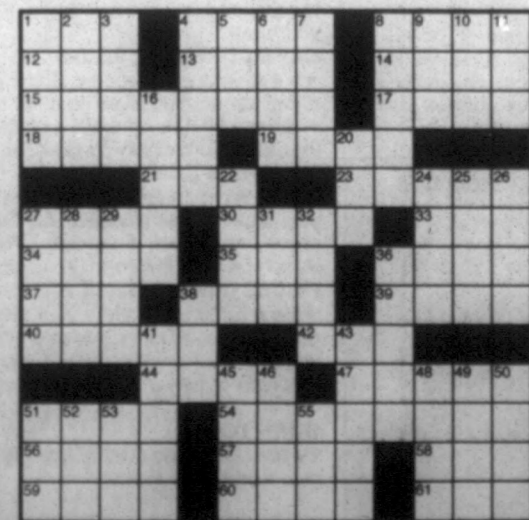
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Tips for landscape lighting around your house

By **TOM BERRY**
Staff Writer

If you are looking to add, replace or improve landscape lighting around your home this spring Howard Smith, operations manager for Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse in Murray has some suggestions.

Smith recommends low voltage and Solar brand exterior lighting because it requires no electrical hook-up or batteries making it one of the latest national trends. The decorative light fixtures are powered by the sun and can be placed just about anywhere outside the home.

"Solar is very basic and convenient with no wiring required," he said. "You can move them anywhere; even where you don't have power so you can take them and set them up where ever you want them like down your driveway or around the house."

Solar powered, low voltage lighting is also safe, according to Smith.

"The low voltage is shockless and good for being around pets and children," he said.

Lowe's in Murray has an extensive collection of landscape lighting by Solar, Malibu and other brand names that offer

modern and antique styling.

"They can also do into Lowe's Web site and it will elaborate more on what we have to offer and what it'll do," Smith said.

The Lowe's Web site at www.lowes.com offers hundreds of designs available including those that resemble palm trees, tiki torches, antique lanterns, three-head French light poles or modern spotlight designs in several colors and material workmanship including pewter, stainless steel, polished copper or brass as well as durable plastic - even bamboo.

The solar collection panel absorbs energy from sunlight and converts it into electrical power that is stored in rechargeable batteries. As the sun sets, the solar lights turn on. In ideal situations where there is lots of sunlight during the day, fully charged solar lights remain on for up to 15 hours, according to the Web site.

Low voltage outdoor lighting systems are inexpensive to operate, easy to install, safe and movable. Installation is truly a do-it-yourself project.

Outdoor lighting around the home can

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Termite activity high in this region of country

By **TOM BERRY**
Staff Writer

Pest control experts in Murray have some advice for homeowners concerned about termite infestations; get your home under contract to prevent or deal with the little buggers and keep it active.

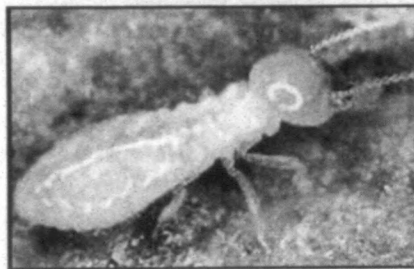
Rick McGee, owner manager of McGee's Pest Control, and Chad Parks, owner manager of Servall Termite and Pest Control Co., both say termites are a particularly common problem in the Southeast part of the country and threaten about 80 percent or more of all homes.

Parks says a termite infestation in the home is practically guaranteed eventually and the best way to deal with the situation is to get your house under a warranty.

"Living here in the Southeast United States it's not a matter of if you are going to get termites it's when," he said. "My best advice is to get it under a termite contract and keep it under a termite contract."

McGee agrees.

"In this part of the country you have a high presence of termite activity in



Termites are problem in Southeast and threaten more than 80 percent of homes.

"The ground...everywhere," McGee said. "Eight out of 10 homes in the course of their lives will encounter a termite infestation at some point if it is not properly treated and maintained."

McGee says homeowners need to have their home inspected on a regular basis.

"Of course if there is a problem with termites in or around the home then they need to get the home treated," he said. "A warranty and yearly inspections as well as maintenance need to be done on that home to prevent further infestation."

Parks says there is really nothing a home-owner can do because any chem-

icals that are going to be effective against termites can be used only by licensed specialists. He also says any quality chemical would have a lifetime from about eight to fifteen years.

"Now they can go out here and buy some of these cheap chemicals but nothing they can buy compares to anything we have," he said.

Termites do hundreds of millions of dollars in damage to homes across the nation each year.

"I know that it's more than fire and tornado damage put together," McGee said. "So it's a real significant problem."

There are a few things to look for in determining whether or not termites are a threat. The first is flying termites looking to start a new nest.

"In the spring of the year homeowners will call us and complain about what they call swarming termites," McGee said. "These are the reproductive members of the termite colony that are actually going out to find a place to make new termites. They in themselves do not do any damage. They're not capable of eating or ingesting wood."

However the soldier and worker termites won't be far away.

"But their room mates, so to speak, down in your walls or down in the ground are the ones that do the damage," McGee said. "When the swarms appear this will let you know that you have an active termite colony in or around your property."

Swarmers are about a quarter-inch long and black in color with four silvery wings and fly around in swarms by the thousands to tens of thousands. Termites can cause thousands of dollars in damage.

McGee said there is currently two major ways to deal with termites. The first is forming a chemical barrier that keeps them out of the home or actually baiting and then killing the colony.

"Our main treatment is a liquid barrier," McGee said. It's a product called 'Termidor' which is very, very effective long-term control."

An option; however can be found in a baiting system called "Citricon."

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"Both the Termidor and the Citricon systems are viable ways to control termites," McGee said. "With the Citricon system you actually feed the termites a bait and they carry it back to their nest and kill out the colony."

Parks also suggests not using mulch in landscaping, but to use lavarock, pea gravel and other materials.

"Mulch is termite food," he said. "Not only is it termite food it's harvest for ants, roaches...all kinds of insects because that mulch retains moisture and all insects love moisture."

He pointed out that the use of chemicals on mulch or any other kind of landscaping woodwork will not last long.

"I've been doing this for 11 years and I get calls from people saying, 'I bought treated mulch and now I've got termites,'" Parks said. "There is no treated mulch."

According to officials at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the relatively high cost of termite treatment can be mitigated.

"It is obvious that the cost estimate is one important factor when selecting a

pest control company to treat your home," says Dr. Barb Ogg and Dennis Ferraro, extension educators for UNL in their article "Termites 'Bite' into Pocketbook."

on the university's Web site at <http://lan-caster.unl.edu>. "But, other factors should be taken into consideration. The following guidelines may be useful in selecting a pest control company."

The suggestions include:

— Do not rush - termites work very slowly. Spending two to three weeks gathering information is time well spent.

— Arrange to have 4-5 professional pest companies inspect the structure and estimate the cost of the termite treatment. Request that all bids be put in writing.

— Ask each company to describe in detail the precise procedures that will be taken to treat the structure. These details should be the basis for making an objective evaluation regarding the quality of treatment by each company.

Questions to ask include "Where will the chemical be applied," "How and where will holes be drilled to incorporate the chemical," "What special techniques will be used in areas where floor covering is present," "How will inaccessible areas and/or voids be treated," and "How will the injection points (holes) be sealed."

— Finding out what chemical will be used. Ask for a copy of the chemical label(s). If you have questions or concerns, talk to a physician or call the National Pesticide Telecommunications Network (1-800-858-7378). There are no special or secret chemicals available to only select pest control companies. All companies can use any of the registered termiticides.

— What application methods will be practiced to insure a safe treatment for your family?

— Ask what rate and amount of chemical solution will be used. Current research

has determined a slow rate of application (< 25 psi) is best. The key to an effective treatment is the formation of a complete continuous barrier between the soil and all parts of the structure.

— Request to be furnished with a list of recent references in your area. Then, call the references and ask them to comment on their termite treatment. Check with the Better Business Bureau to see if there are any unresolved complaints against each company.

— Find out what type of insurance the company has, such as liability and complete operations policies.

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A lawn-to-garden conversion can mean less work, less water, more visual interest

NEW MARKET, Va. (AP) — There can be splendor in the grass of a well-managed yard. Pride and prestige, too, for the exacting property owners. Turf-covered lawns promote cooling through evaporation, reduce erosion and absorb carbon dioxide, one of the greenhouse gases blamed for climate change.

But grassy yards also can account for half of the typical household's summertime water use. They mature into carpet-like monocultures barren of birds and butterflies; need doses of herbicide and insecticide to look their best; and require regular grooming using noisy, smoky, fossil-fueled machines.

That's why some people are saying "enough," and converting their yards in whole or part from grass into gardens that require less work and are more interesting visually.

It can be a pricey path to take, however, and one strewn with obstacles, not least of which are getting the necessary clearances from city hall and the support and understanding of neighbors.

Town ordinances may prohibit planting tall ornamental grasses, for example, which can provide cover for a variety of unsavory critters and create traffic hazards by obscuring views. There also may be bans on hosting certain weeds, which are quick to colonize patches of disturbed earth, replacing native plants in the process.

As for neighbors?

"I know of one case where a homeowner let her lawn go over to peren-

A little planning and a trip to your local gardening center can open up a whole new world for those becoming frustrated with their yards.

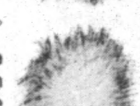
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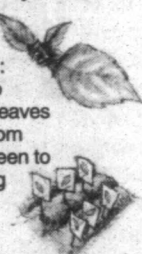


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nials and wildflowers. It was lovely, but the neighbors didn't like it," said Ellen Kirby, director of Brooklyn GreenBridge, a community horticulture program sponsored by the Brooklyn Botanic Garden.

"The problem was that there was just one person doing it. If more people went from lawn to garden, they (neighbors) probably would enjoy the variety. Otherwise, that kind of yard sticks out like a sore thumb. You have to look at neighborhoods as integrated units and try to get others involved."

People in many urban settings are displaying a surprising willingness to adopt front yards and commons areas, Kirby said.

"Some people are elderly or simply not interested in gardening, and their neighbors

ask if they can take care of it. You also can get attractive plantings going in the strips along sidewalks and in other places like (curbside and driveway) medians."

Many flowers do well when mixed with edible plants, giving growers the best of both worlds: beauty and a feast.

"One of my friends gave over her backyard lawn space to vegetables primarily so she could have a children's (education) program there," Kirby said. "To have community garden space or develop social connections is a great idea."

Plan thoroughly, though, before peeling back any sod. Put your personality into the project so the makeover reflects your color and blending preferences, your sense of texture and scale.

And do things incrementally, over several seasons or more. That takes smaller bites out of your budget and lets you incorporate design changes more easily.

Building "rooms" into your yard is an easy way to proceed, said Phyllis Fitzgerald, environmental coordinator for Lawn Care for Cleaner Air, a program of the Louisville (Ky.) Metro Air Pollution Control District that promotes the minimal use of gas-powered grooming equipment.

"We recommend that people start small with an island, border, under a tree or a flower bed, then enlarge it a little at a time," Fitzgerald said. "That way, neighbors get used to the concept a little at a time."

Another technique is going exclusively with an evergreen perennial groundcover.

"Lots of folks use ivy, vinca and euonymus — terribly invasive plants," Fitzgerald said. In her area, however, "a couple of landscapers use a variety of liriope, and this makes for a grass-like yard that is quite pleasing and only needs mowing once a year."

Other lawn-to-garden options:

— Take your grass off life support and let the yard go natural. The thinking is that by eliminating fertilizing and watering, your lawn eventually will morph into a meadow-like cover capable of withstanding drought and tough conditions. The problem, Fitzgerald said, is that a few soaking rains can keep neglected turf growing. In the meantime, species like dandelions and chicory could pop up en masse, and they aren't yet considered desirable wildflowers in this country.

— Contact your nearest university exten-

sion service office for a list of native plants and suggestions on where to find them. Some landscapers also specialize in native plants, which can be easier to grow and may have sentimental value, too.

— Water fixtures are good showstoppers for passers-by: fountains, pump-driven streams or ponds with goldfish swimming about.

— Multiple containers. Pots can be as attractive as the plants they hold, and are easily moved to display their blooms or catch more sun.

— Turn your front yard into a tidy community garden. Neighbors can help ensure your vegetables and fruits make it safely to the kitchen, and the harvest can be shared.

— Use border plants for defining the driveway or entries.

— Build natural buffers: Hedgerows of different shrubs can absorb traffic noise and provide some privacy.

"I much prefer to garden in space you can see from the street because more people can enjoy it," Kirby said. "Passers-by often stop to ask questions. There are stress reduction and health benefits there; not only for the person doing it but also the person walking by."

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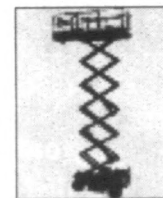
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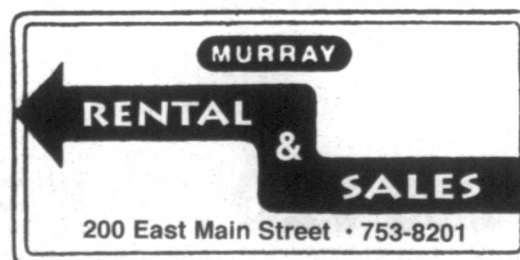
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Outdoor toys considered more durable, affordable than ever; choices are many

By **MELISSA RAYWORTH**
For The Associated Press

Like many parents in her suburban Long Island neighborhood, Patty Tilkin is a veteran buyer of backyard toys. She's shopped for climbers and slides, seesaws and wagons, child-sized castles and plastic log cabins.

"We've had a million things," she says, "even one of those little railroad tracks with the train that's battery-powered."

And yet Tilkin has spent surprisingly little money transforming her yard into a play space for her 6-year-old daughter and 3-year-old son. With so many affordable, durable products now on the market, the challenge for parents isn't tracking down the right toy. It's deciding which among many to buy.

The molded plastic pieces made by companies such as Little Tikes and The Step2 Company are easy to assemble and require little or no maintenance. Forget the cumbersome metal swingsets of your childhood, the ones that came with six dozen nuts and bolts for your father

to assemble and that were rusty within a year.

Today's plastic climbers snap together easily and begin at about \$100. Slides and teeter-totters run as little as \$39.99. And for parents who consider brightly colored outdoor toys an eyesore, these products are available in shades such as tan and dark green too.

As a result, sales of outdoor toys are growing, says Dotti Foltz, director of marketing communications for Step2. "Parents, if they have the luxury of having a backyard, really like the idea of making it a kid-friendly area," she says.

Even the highest-end retailers have begun offering more affordable choices.

The luxury Web site PoshTots.com sells wooden playhouses in the \$30,000-\$50,000 price range (think cedar shingles, interior lighting and optional cable TV hookup). But they've recently added the much less expensive "Topsy Turvy" playhouse (\$2,649) to their roster.

"For families with a home full of toys

and gadgets, this is the next step, and gives 'go outside and play' a whole new meaning," says PoshTots spokeswoman Christy Allen.

While new products are increasingly affordable, some parents save even more by buying items secondhand.

Denise Harris of Centerport, N.Y., bought a Little Tikes log cabin for her son at a neighbor's yard sale for about \$40. It looked brand-new. After four years of use, she recently sold it for the same price she'd paid.

"They're unbelievably durable," Harris says. "You can sell it at any garage sale. You put Little Tikes on your garage sale list and everyone comes."

Reselling can be a great way to keep kid entertained. Tilkin offers her children new outdoor toys each summer by selling older pieces on eBay and purchasing new ones with the profits. "It's good," she says, "because if they don't use it that much, I don't feel like I paid a lot for it."

Popular as these products have become, some parents are resisting the urge to turn their yard into a sea of toys.

Lisa Terrell, a mother of two from Minnetonka, Minn., recently bought a tire swing for her daughters. But she has no plans to invest in a plastic playhouse. She believes kids play more creatively without the ready-made entertainment of backyard toys.

"Sometimes you have to let them be frustrated for a little bit and you have to be OK with that," she says. "We have a tree stump and that's our kitchen. And I didn't create that; that was their idea."

Terrell frequently takes her daughters to public playgrounds, something experts say remains important for social and physical development.

"You really want to promote movement, and improve the kids' ability to move and manage their bodies well," says Betsy Keller, professor of exercise

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and sport sciences at Ithaca College, in Ithaca, N.Y. "Activities that promote movement and also are social are more likely to be fun and inviting for kids."

By having friends over for playdates, parents can simulate some aspects of playground interaction at home. But unless they invite a large crowd, it's hard to match the stimulation of a busy playground.

"Developmentally, they see older kids doing that next skill and they try it," says Dee Acklie, associate professor of education at the College of Saint Mary in Omaha, Neb. "In the old one-room schools, kids were all doing things together and they could see the older kids demonstrating the next skill. It's the same thing at parks."

Playground interaction also stimulates language development in small children, says Acklie.

Even outdoor-toy retailers acknowledge the importance of playground visits.

"There's the social aspect to the playgrounds that is great," says Ron Boire, U.S. president of Toys-R-Us. "But there's also the safety aspect, which sometimes is not. Mothers are balancing the social time at the playground with building a nice, safe environment in the backyard and having a couple of friends over ... It's about making sure the kids are at your house and not someone else's."



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Survive your kitchen remodel in style

By SHEILA M. ELDRED
For The Associated Press

When my husband and I recently remodeled our 1905 home, we knew that going without a kitchen for four months would be disruptive. Friends even warned that home renovation was a leading cause of divorce.

But we figured we had two advantages: We live in a neighborhood with lots of tempting take-out options, and it was summer in Minnesota. No problem, I thought, envisioning sushi and Thai on the porch.

Problem. After breaking the umpteenth plastic fork, not to mention adding the cost of three restaurant meals a day to the ever-increasing remodel tab, even our favorite to-go orders lost their appeal.

We did survive, marriage intact, and today our kitchen is the most-used room in our home. But with a little hindsight, it's clear the process could have been much more appetizing. Here are some expert tips on how to keep body and spirit going strong during a kitchen makeover:

Getting Organized

Eventually, we set up a makeshift kitchen in the dining room, complete with a new refrigerator (bought early for that purpose), small appliances and real cutlery. Since it was summer, we also made good use of the grill and outdoor water supply.

In addition to basic pots, pans and utensils, Lynne Rossetto Kasper, host of American Public Radio's "The Splendid Table," recommends a toaster oven, slow cooker, hot plate and microwave for a temporary kitchen. Other useful items include a basement sink, sandwich grill and blender.

To my surprise, our toaster oven did more than brown bread. It can bake quick breads, for example, or Kasper's mac and cheese recipe.

Use the microwave, she suggests, as an aid: It can cook rice or melt chocolate, for example. We discovered it can also cook pasta.

Gabriel Keller, an associate at Domain Architecture & Design in Minneapolis, offers more advice:

— Have your contractor seal off the

kitchen renovation with plastic walls, ideally with zipper openings. That keeps the mess away from the rest of the house, and off your food.

— Move old appliances to the basement or utility room, or buy new ones early and temporarily install them there. Many dishwashers can easily be converted to drain into a basement utility sink.

— Buy a convection microwave oven, which can do everything from popping popcorn to roasting chicken.

— If your temporary kitchen has concrete flooring, lay down a section of Marmoleum or vinyl flooring (available in a roll). If the ceiling is unfinished, install gypsum board, plywood or fabric to keep dirt from falling.

— Discover the pleasures of grilling more than just hamburgers (even bread can be baked on a grill). And don't worry about the weather: In Minnesota, we are known to fire up the grill even when it is 20 degrees below zero.

— Remember that construction always takes longer than you or the contractor think it will, so plan for an

additional two to four weeks beyond the schedule.

Eating Out

No matter how functional your temporary kitchen, you'll occasionally need a break.

"If you're going to eat out with more frequency, it's extra important to be diligent" about choosing healthy foods, said Dawn Jackson Blatner of Chicago, a registered dietitian and spokesperson for the American Dietetic Association who recently went through a kitchen remodel herself.

Find three healthy away-from-home options, Blatner suggests.

"Find a salad or soup bar, a healthy fast-food option, and a sit-down restaurant where you can order double the veggies and sauces and dressings on the side."

At a sit-down restaurant, split your entrée or have the server box up half of it before it gets to your plate.

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These strategies worked for Blatner. She survived the remodel with no weight gain.

"It might not be the perfect time to start a weight loss program, however," she said.

Cooking

Here's where I wish I'd had Kasper's ingenuity.

"This is a time when you really start thinking about the basics of cooking," she said. "If you know how to make a soup, the same technique can apply even if you change the ingredients absolutely radically."

Start with something hearty. She suggests a barley bean vegetable soup, perked up with interesting spices like tamarind and wine in the slow cooker. Cook it all day, she recommends, until the ingredients become tender and the flavors combine. The aroma may make you forget that your kitchen is covered in sawdust.

Mix things up to create different flavor combinations. Start with cut-up

chicken, for example, chopped fresh ginger, garlic, onion and a splash of Thai fish sauce.

"If you have to do this for months on end, you're not going to be cross-eyed with boredom," Kasper said.

Then consider what you can do with leftovers. The previous night's coconut rice, for example, can be rolled with egg, onion and scallions in bread crumbs, and pan fried into rice cakes.

"The idea is to cook once, and eat three to four times," Kasper said.

Don't forget to take advantage of fresh foods that can be eaten raw, such as simple salads and fruit desserts.

Finally, make sure you're eating food that fills your soul as well as your stomach.

"It doesn't need to be rich, but make sure you're cooking something that's going to give you a lot of satisfaction," Kasper says. "I think you need that kind of thing when you're going through something like that."

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Outdoor showers range from basic to luxurious

By ANNE W. ALLEN
For The Associated Press

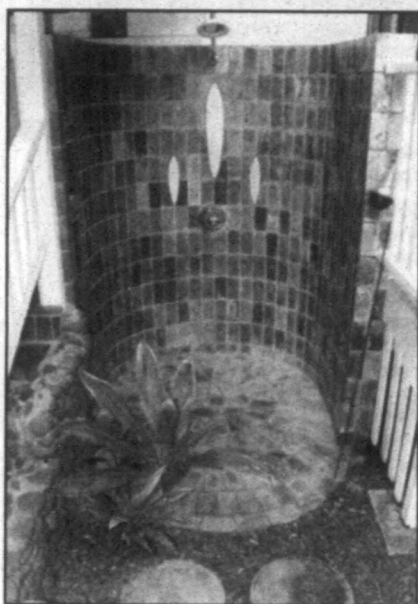
As an energy consultant to farmers, Mike Raker works outside, unfettered by a desk and office walls. He chose a shower with the same principle in mind: one that frees him from a claustrophobic cubicle and lets him bathe under the stars.

"You just can't beat standing outdoors and looking up at the sky," said Raker, 48, whose whole family prefers the shower that was installed a few years ago outside their Plainfield, Vt., home to the one indoors. "I'm looking up at the stars, feeling the cool air ... it's a wonderful experience."

Outdoor showers for rinsing off by the pool, beach or hot tub are nothing new. They're often spartan affairs, with a shower riser, metal or plastic fittings, faucets and a basic drain.

But there are luxurious outdoor showers too. Architect Koray Duman designed one on a Manhattan rooftop for a client who wanted to be able to feel the air when he bathed. Because the pipes might freeze in the winter, Duman's client — like Raker — has to turn the shower off for part of the year.

But for the rest of the time, "it's a



Some outdoor showers can be extremely elegant.

great experience; it's very different from being inside," said Duman.

Showers are fairly simple things. Boise, Idaho, contractor Rory Hammersmark installs them all the time. To keep pipes

better insulated, he prefers putting a shower on the side of a house rather than in a separate structure. And it should generally be turned off in the winter, he said.

But "if it's plumbed properly, so that water is not left in pipes that are exposed to the elements, they can be used year-round," Hammersmark said.

Outdoor showers are easy to buy; the outdoor gear store Orvis has a wooden one that hooks up to the garden hose spigot for \$249, and another is made from PVC pipe with a sand-filled base for \$49.

On the other end of the spectrum is the stainless steel-and-teak outdoor shower sold by Jane Hamley Wells, a Chicago outdoor furniture company, for \$3,300. The water cascades gracefully off a seven-foot platform overhead.

Jane Humzy, who owns the company, said she gets a lot of orders from Florida and California for the outdoor showers. "On all of the coasts and in the drier areas, people use their outdoor entertaining areas as extensively as they can," said Humzy.

"People are really focusing on their outdoor living environment much more

than they had previously," she said.

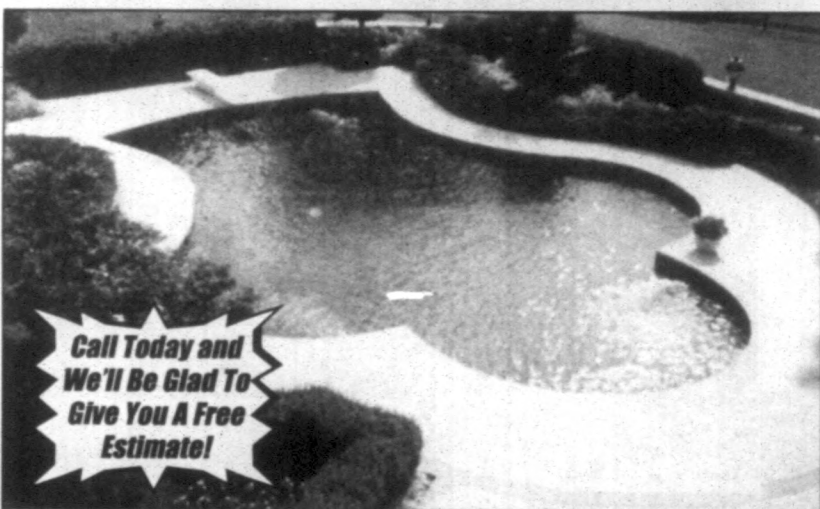
Statistics on outdoor showers are hard to come by; neither the American Home Furnishings Alliance — which had outdoor showers introduced at its home show in September — nor the Hearth, Patio and Barbecue Association, which keeps track of things like outdoor grills and outdoor dishwashers (introduced this year), had any data on whether outdoor showers were becoming more popular.

But Ethan Fierro, author of "The Outdoor Shower: Creative Ideas for Backyard Living from the Functional to the Fantastic" (Storey Publishing, 2006), thinks they're becoming more common because people who spend a lot of time with computers are looking for ways to get closer to nature.

Fierro, who lives in Maui, Hawaii, toured the United States photographing outdoor showers — showers with glass block walls, showers on cliffs with the ocean as a backdrop, showers at Tantric retreat centers.

One, on the island of Martha's Vineyard in Massachusetts, was wooden, with marine lights built into its deck. "At night it lights up like a big lantern," said Fierro.

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The hardest goodbye: clearing out books

By ANN LEVIN

Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — When Sandra Wilde decided it was time to downsize, she had no trouble giving away jewelry, linen and clothing. It was parting with her books that proved to be painful, if not impossible.

"I think for a lot of people, books are just really different from anything else," the Portland, Ore., education professor said. "They're really hard to let go of."

Sometimes, though, you just have to let go: when your shelves are overflowing, when you're making room for a new baby, when you're moving from a house to an apartment, or when a family member has died.

The question is whether the books that have sentimental value for you, and that you have schlepped around the country for years, are worth anything to anyone else.

"I say put it in the garbage and people get very offended," said Fred Bass, who, as owner of the Strand bookstore in Manhattan, makes house calls to evaluate large collections.

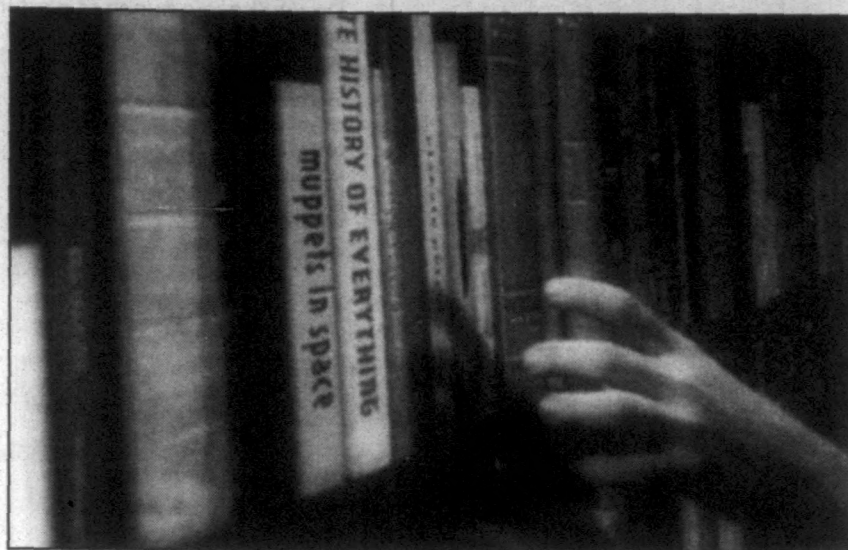
"A lot of people want their books recycled. They want other people to read them. They want to get them into a good home."

And if they can do so and still make a little money, all the better.

The easiest way to find out whether your books are worth anything is to check prices at online book-selling sites like Alibris, Abebooks, Amazon or Half.com, which is owned by eBay.

Or you could put them out on a table at a yard sale, or take them to a used bookstore. You might discover, though, that the book for which you paid \$25 will fetch just \$2.

"Half the people are disappointed they're



Getting rid of books can be a difficult decision some make in order to clear away extra clutter in their homes.

not getting more money," said Sara Theriault, founder and manager of Lorem Ipsum Books, a used bookstore in Cambridge, Mass. "The other half are genuinely happy to get them back in circulation."

Bear in mind that secondhand dealers only want books in good condition, which generally means no texts that have been underlined, highlighted, annotated or damaged.

An alternative to selling the books you no longer want is to give them to a library or charity-based thrift shop where, if the donation is large enough, you might be able to claim a tax deduction.

But your donation is of no benefit at tax time unless you itemize your deductions, and most people don't. If you do, keep good records of what you give away. The more you claim in value, the greater the documentation that's required.

If you care about neither the resale

value nor the deduction, then your options for giving are limited only by your imagination. Some people simply leave their treasures in the basement of their apartment building. Others abandon them on park benches, in airports or in coffee shops. Others swap with other book lovers online.

At Bookcrossing.com, you can register your favorite books and then "release" them into the world, tracking their progress as others find them and log onto the site.

If you do decide to haul your loot to a library or thrift shop, be prepared for the distinct possibility that some of them will end up in the trash.

"Please don't bring us your mildewed, smelly books," said Leslie Burger, president of the American Library Association and director of the Princeton Public Library, which raises \$40,000 a year reselling books donated by residents in

the book-loving town in New Jersey.

"If it's something you don't want to read, chances are no one else wants to read it either. It's OK to throw away a book."

Some people find the idea of destroying a book unthinkable. If you're one of them, then look around you and "give them to places where they'll be used," said Theresa Tobin, head librarian of the humanities library at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. She suggested prison libraries, nursing homes, hospitals and organizations that ship books to the developing world.

Tobin works with scholars and serious collectors whose books and research materials are sought by research libraries. But very few people are likely to have such collections.

Far greater numbers simply want to know whether anyone is interested in their 2003 National Geographic collection, their summer reading for the past six years or their old textbooks.

The answer is yes — and no.

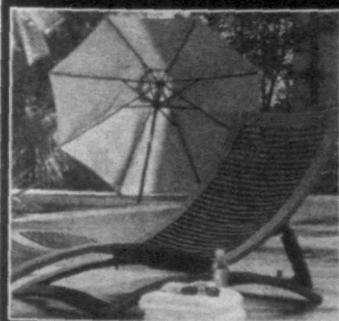
Current-edition textbooks and specialized nonfiction such as a field guide to mushrooms will likely sell online at Better World Books, an Internet-based bookseller whose 2-million-book inventory in a warehouse in Indiana is comprised of donations from college book drives, public libraries and thrift shops.

But founder Xavier Helgesen notes there's little commercial value in such things as encyclopedias, which become outdated quickly and are available online; condensed editions; and bestsellers like "Jurassic Park," because there are so many copies in print.

What doesn't sell online might still be useful to institutions in poor countries, particularly textbooks published in the last 10 years.

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Consumers should review insurance policies, evaluate flood protection need

Special to the Ledger

As the commonwealth enters severe weather season, Kentucky families are reminded to review emergency plans and safety procedures. This is also a good time to review and evaluate insurance policies.

Floods are among the most frequent and costly disasters, but many consumers do not realize that flooding is not covered under a homeowner's policy.

"Unfortunately, many people do not realize that flooding is not covered until it is too late," said Julie Mix McPeak, executive director of the Kentucky Office of Insurance. "Flood insurance is affordable and if your community participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, we encourage consumers to consider buying it."

The National Flood Insurance Program is under federal jurisdiction but many insurance agents in Kentucky can assist consumers. Information is available at www.floodsmart.gov or by calling 888-379-9531.

This is also a good time to review homeowner and auto insurance policies to see if coverage is adequate.

"It's never a bad idea to sit down with your agent and review your policies," McPeak said. "This gives consumers the opportunity to ask questions and be certain the coverage levels are appropriate. Sometimes people make new

purchases or remodel their homes and forget to let their insurance agents know."

This is also a good time to photograph and record your household possessions. The Office of Insurance provides a publication, Household Inventory, to get you started. Keep the completed document in a safe place, away from your home, such as in a bank safe-deposit box.

If a natural disaster does occur, members of the Office of Insurance Emergency Response Team will be on site to assist consumers.

"Our trained investigators provide valuable assistance to consumers during a natural disaster," McPeak said. "They can quickly assess the situation and determine if additional insurance adjusters are needed. In addition, they can answer questions and assist with the complaint process, if necessary."

Consumers interested in tips on preparing for a disaster, reviewing insurance coverage and other storm-related information may go to the Office of Insurance Web site at <http://doi.ppr.ky.gov/kentucky/> and click on Free Publications, located on the Consumer Protection and Education bar on the left.

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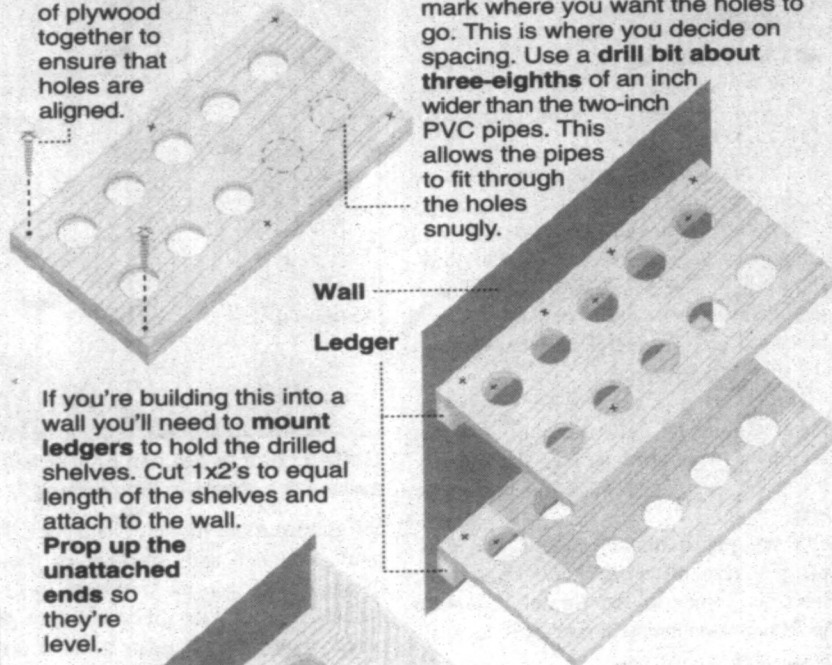
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With the plywood screwed together, mark where you want the holes to go. This is where you decide on spacing. Use a drill bit about **three-eighths** of an inch wider than the two-inch PVC pipes. This allows the pipes to fit through the holes snugly.



If you're building this into a wall you'll need to **mount ledgers** to hold the drilled shelves. Cut 1x2's to equal length of the shelves and attach to the wall. **Prop up the unattached ends** so they're level.

Next step is to add the **side pieces**. Cut two pieces of plywood to equal depth of the shelves and **attach ledgers to the inner sides** of the shelves at the same height as the ones in the wall.

If you didn't pre-cut the PVC pipes you'll need to do it now. Cut to a desired length. Afterwards, **insert the PVC pipes** through the holes. As a finishing touch you can add pipe drain escusions (trim rings) to cover up drilling imperfections.

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Ordinary lights may communicate, boost health

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have been taking a closer look at the lighting in our homes, offices and vehicles, and they're seeing potential for a way to improve health and a new means of electronic communication.

None of this will happen tomorrow. But if you want a glimpse of where the field might be heading, listen to some experts at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y., an academic home for lighting research.

Start with engineer E. Fred Schubert, talking about a new era of "smart" light sources.

"We are looking at lighting systems that provide more than lighting," he says.

He's talking about light-emitting diodes, or LEDs. Most people know them as being quite small, like the lights that form numbers on digital clocks or blink on answering machines. But recent technological advances have made them much more powerful, able to illuminate swimming pools and serve as traffic signals, for example.

LEDs offer energy savings when compared to standard lighting, but Schubert is more excited about some other properties.

One is that LEDs can be made to blink so fast that a person doesn't notice, but a receiving device can. And that, Schubert says, opens the door to using lights for electronic communication as well as illumination.

Of course, fiberoptic cables already transmit lots of data with light signals. But Schubert is talking about things like:

-brake lights that tell a closely following car to stop, even if the driver doesn't notice.

-headlights that tell a red stop light to turn green, if it's safe.

-road signs that communicate warnings to specific cars.

-room lights that link your computer to the Internet, avoiding Wi-Fi signals that can be pirated.

-room lights that transmit messages to devices worn by only certain people, like particular doctors or nurses in a hospital, rather than speakers that spew announcements for everybody to hear.

Schubert said such uses depend on overcoming some basic technical barriers, like making LEDs more powerful and energy-efficient. "I think we're looking at maybe a timeframe of the next five to 20 years," he

said.

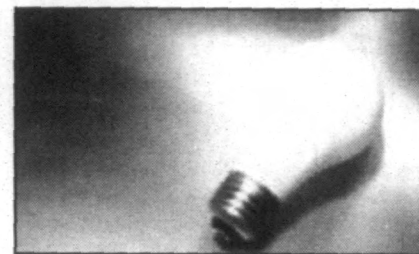
Meanwhile, his Rensselaer colleague Mariana Figueiro believes that lighting in offices and schools could be improved to help people stay healthy and productive, by acting on their internal body clocks.

"Light isn't just for vision any more," says Figueiro, program director at Rensselaer's Lighting Research Center and head of a committee on light and human health for the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America.

The 24-hour internal body clock is best known for governing cycles of alertness and sleep, and for producing jet lag when people travel across time zones. Light cues, especially blue light, help keep the clock on its daily cycle. "We're pretty much blue-sky detectors" whose clocks count on bright days and dark nights, said Figueiro.

But that's not necessarily what modern life delivers. During the winter in the north-east, for example, a person can commute roundtrip in the dark and sit all day in electric light that's fine for vision, but may be too dim to stimulate the body clock. That's called biological darkness.

"We don't have this sharp signal of a



Some lights tout health benefits.

bright light during the day and a dark night," Figueiro said.

How that affects people has been hard to document in the general population, she said, but studies suggest such possibilities as seasonal depression, fatigue, sleep disturbances and maybe even cancer, especially breast cancer. Some studies suggest reduced productivity on the job.

To counter that, architects and lighting engineers might someday take body clocks into account when they design lighting schemes, she said. They may be encouraged to take steps like providing plenty of natural light through windows and skylights, and installing bright blue LEDs near computer screens to give a dose of clock-adjusting light, she said.

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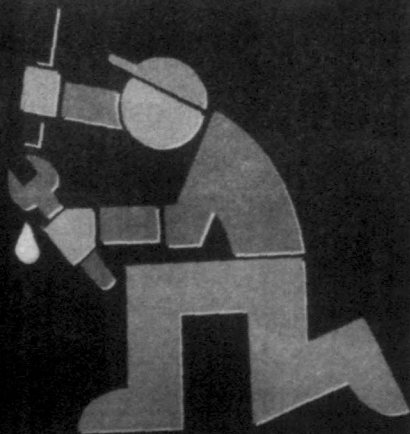
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Spring best time to purchase air conditioner

By Ronda Addy
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The temperature is rising outside and it's only a matter of time before you'll need to turn on the air conditioner. There's just one small problem—your air conditioner gave out right at the end of the season last year and you thought you'd wait until later to get a new one. Well, guess what, later is here. Buying an air conditioner is not as easy as it sounds. You want one that will keep you cool but will not turn you into an ice block. Here are some tips that will take the bite out of buying an air conditioner.

If at all possible, the best time to buy an air conditioner is during the spring when manufacturers are offering rebates. During the summer months, the number of units to choose from can be very slim and the units can be costly. During the fall, the length of warranty will be decreased.

There are four types of air conditioners: window, through the wall, portable and central. Window air conditioners come in three types: double-hung win-

dow, sliding window and casement window. Most of these can be installed easily by do-it-yourselfers. Through-the-wall units as well as central air units require professional installation, adding to the cost.

The cooling capacity of an air conditioner is measured in BTUs (British Thermal Units), which refers to the amount of heat an air conditioner can remove from a room. The higher the number, the more powerful the unit will be. You want a unit with the right number of BTUs for your room. Too small of a unit will not be able to cool off the room, while too large of a unit will cool off the room too much, leave excessive moisture in the air and cost more to operate.

To get a rough idea as to how many BTUs you need, calculate the square footage of the room. For each 100 to 300 square feet, you will need an air conditioner with 5,000 to 6,000 BTUs. Other factors that may influence your decision include the size and number of windows in the room, the available shade in the room, how well the room is insu-

lated, the direction the room faces, what other appliances are in the room and how many people use the room. The average-size air conditioner can cool one to two rooms.

Another number to consider when buying an air conditioner is the Energy Efficiency Ratio (EER). The higher the number, the more efficient the unit will be and the less it will cost to run it. A unit with a rating of nine to 10 is a good one and any unit with a rating of 10 and over will save you money.

After you have decided on the correct BTUs and efficiency rating, there are other features to consider. Features that you definitely will want on the unit include an adjustable thermostat, two fan speeds, at least two cooling speeds and an energy-efficient setting, which will stop the fan when the unit isn't cooling. You will also want a unit with a filter that is accessible for easy removal and cleaning as well as an exhaust vent so outside air can be brought in and an adjustable vent for aiming the cool air. The unit should have a five-year war-

ranty and one year's full replacement. Features that you may or may not want on the unit include electronic controls or digital temperature readouts, a remote control, a slide-out chassis if a window unit and a timer. With a timer, you can set the unit to come on before you come home and switch off at night while you're asleep.

When shopping for an air conditioner, remember bigger is not better but will be more expensive. All in all, it's better to get an air conditioner that is slightly smaller than needed than one that is too large. Go shopping armed with the knowledge of the BTUs and EER you are looking for and you will be fine.

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