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Murray State University is Engagement hosting an Conference, a summit for the higher education community, Feb. 28-29.

The conference, held in 2006 and 2007 at the University of Kentucky, uses research and service to engage faculty and students in their fields of interest and to promote thoughtful, responsible citizenship locally and globally.

The keynote speaker of the conference will be Robert F. Kennedy Jr., who will be speak-ing as part of the Murray State Presidential Lecture Series. Sponsored by the Student Government Association, the MSU Foundation and MSU President Randy J. Dunn, the lecture is titled Crimes Against Nature.

Kennedy was named one of Time magazine's "Heroes for the Planet." He serves as chief prosecuting attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper, a membersupported, nonprofit environmental organization dedicated to defending the Hudson River and New York City's water supply. He also serves as president of Waterkeeper Alliance and is a clinical professor and supervising attorney at Pace University School of Law's Environmental Litigation Clinic. He co-hosts Ring of Fire on Air America Radio and has published several books, including New York Times bestseller Crimes Against Nature (2004), St. Francis of Assisi: A Life of Joy (2005) and The Riverkeepers (1997),

A graduate of Harvard University, Kennedy studied at School London of the Economics and received his law degree from the University of Virginia Law School. Following

attended Pace University School of Law, where he earned a master's degree in environmental law.

Kennedy speak at will p.m. on 7:30 Kennedy Thursday, Feb.

28, in Lovett Auditorium. The lecture is free and open to the public

Also on Feb. 28 will be the first of three plenary presenta-tions. Richard Hersh, co-director of the Collegiate Learning Assessment Project, will be speaking on "A Well-Rounded Education for a Flat World" at 1:15 p.m. in the Freed Curd Auditorium, located in the Industrial Technology Building.

Hersh has served as president of Hobart and William Smith Colleges and Trinity College (Hartford). He held top positions at many universities and was director of Harvard's Center for Moral Education. A member of the Association of College and "Greater American Universities Expectations" panel, Hersh is the co-author of Promoting Moral Growth, which is used on many college campuses, and

Many conege campuses, and Declining by Degrees. The second plenary will be at 8:15 a.m. on Feb. 29 in the Curris Center Theater. Nancy Hensel will lead the presentation, which is on "Engaging All Undergraduates in Research." Hensel will be joined by Greg Young, vice provost for undergraduate education at Montana State University; Nicole

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MOVING ON UP: Murray State University's Public Safety Department and Police Department will soon be moving up the street to a new facility at the corner of Chestnut and 16th streets. According to David DeVoss, director of public safety and chief of police at MSU, the new facility has an estimated date of completion of November/December 2008. He said other law enforcement departments have expressed an interest in seeing how the new facility will be structured. Pictured above, crews began site preparations this week near MSU's Martha Layne Collins Center for Industry and Technology.

# **Red Cross kicks off Heroes campaign**

#### By TOM BERRY Staff Writer

The Calloway County Chapter of the American Red Cross kicked off its annual Heroes For the American Red Cross campaign this week and are inviting supporters to help raise \$15,000 to fund vital relief services right here at home.

Heather Bosse, an administrative assistant and spokesman with the chapter, said Red Cross teams made up of community volunteers have pledged to raise \$1,000 each by sponsoring a variety of fun and unique fundraising events.

Although the campaign officially kicked off Monday, an inaugural bowling tournament at Corvette Lanes in Murray last Saturday raised \$300.

As important as Red Cross activities are across the nation and around the world, there's one very important reason why everyone should donate to the Heroes campaign.

"All the money raised stays right here in Calloway County,' Bosse said. "It all stays here to help people that have been hit with fire, flood, tornado - anything.

Heroes of the American Red Cross is a grassroots fundraiser in which local businesses, residents, school groups, church groups, civic clubs and individuals pledge to raise funds through special efforts. The campaign will continue for about a month to March 14, but will officially end March 31 with a victory celebration.

The funds pay for disaster relief, assistance for fire victims, emergency military communications between soldiers and their families, first aid and CPR training and dissemination of disaster preparedness information to everyone in the community so they can be better prepare their families to deal with a crisis.

Rebate nights at local restaurants, bake sales, pet contests and other methods will be used to raise the funds. Canisters for the collection of donations have already been posted in local

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### state pension proposal

Gov. Beshear outlines

#### By JOE BIESK

#### Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) - Gov. Steve Beshear outlined a plan Thursday to overhaul the state pension system aimed at keeping it from one day going bust.

Beshear said Thursday he wants to take actions now aimed at shoring up retirement benefits for future public school teachers and state and county government employees. Otherwise, Beshear said, the system that handles public employee retirement benefits for hundreds of thousands of people faces bankruptcy

"This is a system that under its current structure cannot sustain itself," Beshear said at a press conference. "Unless we act it will down the road run out of money."

Beshear

Kentucky's pension system has loomed as a financial problem for the state that has grown into a more than \$26 million unfunded liability. If left unchecked, some lawmakers have warned, the pension system could one day consume enormous por-

tions of the state's yearly budget. Kentucky is already facing a \$900 million budget shortfall over the next two fiscal years beginning July 1.

The system covers more than 445,000 people in the state, including state and county employees, public school teachers and workers.

Kentucky's unfunded pension liability has fluctuated, but it currently stands at \$26.6 billion, Beshear said Thursday. Years of inadequate returns on investments, rising health care costs and about \$1.5 billion in underfunding from the state led to the problem, Beshear said.

Beshear's plan calls for small changes to existing employee benefits, but it mostly affects future state workers.

It calls for, among other things, making employees work longer before being eligible for retirement. State employees, except teach-

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Photo by Jacque Day

Dr. Arthur Pallone, left, explains the progression of the eclipse to MSU students and area residents while the moon hangs high in the sky overhead.

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#### Special to the Ledger

Stargazing aficionados ranging from Murray State University students and staff to elementary school students to a visitor all the way from Connecticut braved belowfreezing weather Wednesday night to observe the lunar eclipse.

Led by Dr. Arthur Pallone, assistant professor in the Department of Engineering and Physics and an instructor of astronomy at MSU, the gathering took place at the parking lot of Murray State's Industrial and Technology Center building.

Among the MSU student turnouts were physics major Nicole Newton; molecular biology major Michelle Overby; and international affairs major Charles Crutchfield. MSU staff member Susie Adams, coordinator of the NASA Educator Resource Center located in the Waterfield Library, also attended.

Nine-year-old Nicole McGee was one of the most diligent eclipse observers of the evening. A student of Southwest Calloway Elementary, McGee and her father, Rick, were among the first to arrive. The young

stargazer talked with Dr. Pallone, watched the slow transformation of the moon through binoculars, and took notes for a school paper.

Throughout the event, Pallone explained progression of the eclipse, answered questions and passed out visual aids. Adams also provided literature from NASA.

Pallone held this event in his capacity as a Solar System Ambassador for NASA. One of only seven ambassadors chosen by NASA to represent Kentucky, he is also the faculty sponsor of MSU's Astronomy Club.



#### Sheriffs'PoliceLogs

**Calloway County Sheriff's Department** 

A theft was reported on Thrush Lane Saturday at 7:50 a.m. A traffic accident with injuries was reported on Pottertown Road at 10:42 p.m.

Theft of medication was reported on Bailey Road Sunday at 12:34 p.m.

-A fire was reported on Calloway Street behind a residence in a field Tuesday at 6:18 p.m.

A theft of siding from a mobile home was reported on Center Ridge Road Wednesday at 1:35 p.m. Marshall County Sheriff's Department

-A traffic accident with injuries was reported Thursday at 12:25 p.m. on Kirksey Highway at the intersection of Brewers Highway (Ky. 402). According to Deputy Don Tidwell, Thomas M. Sheppard, 37, of Hickory, was west on Ky 402 when Screna R. Delk, 26, of Sedalia pulled from Kirksey Highway into the path of Sheppard. Delk reported injury but declined medical treatment. Sheppard reported injury and was transported by private vehicle for medical treatment. A passenger in the Delk vehicle was transported by Marshall County EMS to Marshall County Hospital for treatment.

Aaron D. Bennett, 18, of Hardin was pulled over for speeding by Deputy Steven Oakley Monday. Oakley discovered marijuana, a pipe and other drug paraphernalia. Bennett was charged with speeding, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. He is due to appear in Marshall District Court on March 12.

#### **Murray Police Department**

-Criminal mischief was reported to the police department last Friday at 8:52 a.m.

-A theft was reported at 400 S. 9th St. at 11:25 a.m.

-A gas drive-off was reported at Speedway at 12:14 p.m.

-A warrant was served to Robert Saucier, 51, of Murray, for possession of marijuana.

-Criminal mischief to a vehicle was reported at 209 S. 15th St. Saturday at 12:18 a.m.

-Victoria Garland, 20, of Murray, was cited for theft by unlawful taking under \$300

-A structure fire was reported at Riviera Courts Sunday at 1:53 a.m.

-A theft was reported at 409 N. 5th St. at 1:43 p.m. -A gas drive-off was reported at Kroger Fuel Tuesday at 5:49 a.m

-Forgery was reported to the police department at 2:26 p.m.

-A hit and run was reported in the Lowes parking lot at 4 p.m.

-A stolen dog was reported at 1726 D Brooklyn Dr. at 7:10 p.m. - Information is obtained from reports,

logs and citations from various agencies.

## Pension plan ...

#### From Front

ers, would have to work 30 years and until at least age 55 to be ehgible for full retirement, under the plan.

Employees would also have to pay an extra 1 percent in their employee contribution, which would go toward health care, according to the plan.

It also reduces the annual cost of living increases for state employees' retirement benefits down to 1.5 percent.

The practice known as "double-dipping." in which a retired state employee collects two pensions, would be curbed.

These measures will put us on a path to assure that all benefits are adequately provided for both now and in the future," Beshear said

Sharron Oxendine, president of the Kentucky Education Association, said the group was "not pleased" about the change in cost of living increases that school employees who are not teachers are facing under the plan. Changing the retirement age also was problematic, and could force some people to not retire until their 70s, Oxendine said.

'In essence, what you're doing is you're penalizing those folks who can afford it the least," Oxendine said.

A Senate proposal last year called for the state to sell more than \$800 million in pension bonds to give a cash infusion to the retire-

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ment systems for public employees and a separate one that handles public school teachers. It would have also altered benefits for future employees by shifting their retirement plans to include investing in the stock market.

Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville, has said previously that benefit changes for future employees are necessary to fix the overall problem.

Williams said Thursday he thought there were some pretty serious problems" with Beshear's Williams bill as it was proposed.

SCRAPING TO GET BY: "I'm used to this, I'm from Cleveland," Justin Lipscomb said while scraping the layer of ice off his car's side window Thursday at the Owensboro Family YMCA parking lot in Owensboro, Ky. "This weather is crazy. It was up

### to 70 degrees and now this." Rising temperatures have helped melt icy roadways, as warmer air provided relief a day after ice and sleet blanketed most of Kentucky. Rain was still falling today, creating little more than a small nuisance for drivers.

# MSU hosting ...

#### **From Front**

Vaugeois, professor at Malaspina University-College; and Gordon Wilson, philosophy professor at the University of North Carolina-Asheville.

Hensel is the national executive officer for the Council on Undergraduate Research (CUR). Prior to joining CUR, she was the sixth president of the University of Maine at Presque Isle. She previously served as provost and vice president for academic affairs at the University of Maine at Farmington, where she also served as dean of the college of education. Hensel holds a doctorate in early childhood education from the University of Georgia, masters' degrees in theater and early childhood education from San Francisco State University, and a bachelor of arts degree in theater, also from San Francisco State

The final plenary speaker is Raichelle Glover, senior vice president of Global Business and Financial Services for Bank of America. Glover will be presenting "Engagement with Integrity" at 1:45 p.m. on Feb. "Engagement with 29 in the Curris Center Theater.

Heroes campaign ...

Since serving as a frontline manager with the Bank of America at the beginning of her twodecade career, Glover has risen to the bank's top lev-

els of leader-Glover ship. Her responsibilities as senior vice

president include strategic outreach, brand positioning, charitable investments, sponsorship activities, media relations and executive outreach. In other executive roles with the bank, she has led its Southeast Regional Foundation team, provided strategic direction for a nationwide corporate diversity effort, managed corporate human resource functions and overseen merger and transition operation.

Glover is a recipient of the 2005 Maya Angelou Women Who Lead Award and the 2004 Pride Magazine Excellence in Business Award, as well as various other honors. She has served on the boards of several civic organizations, including

the North Carolina Business Committee for Education, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Public Schools Education Foundation and the Apollo Theater in New York. She also served on the North Carolina State Board of Community Colleges.

During lunch on Feb. 29 in the Curris Center Large Ballroom, George Mehaffy will present "Developing Informed and Engaged Citizens-The Higher Imperative for Higher Education." Mehaffy serves as for the vice president for academic leadership and change at the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. His division is responsible for a number of special programs and projects for AASCU presidents and chief academic officers in the areas of leadership and organizational change in higher education, focusing on issues such as technology, teacher education, international education and civic engagement. In 2003, he launched a new civic engagement initiative, the American Democracy Project, a partner-ship with The New York Times and 221 AASCU colleges and universities, representing more than 1.7 million students.

Various professionals will make 30 additional presentations during the two-day conference. Representatives from Murray State, Morehead State University, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Northern Kentucky University, University, University of University of Wisconsin at Eau Claire, Washington University in St. Louis, Montana State University, Malaspina University-College, University of North Carolina at Asheville, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, State University, Missouri Illinois Wesleyan University, University Missouriof Columbia, University of Kentucky, University of South Florida, Goshen College, University of Southern Indiana, Union University and Southern University Illinois Edwardsville. Other organizations will also be represented.

A full schedule and description of the presentations are available at www.murray state.edu/EngagementConferen ce. For more information, contact Robin Taffler, coordinator for service learning and civic engagement, at 809-3080. Registration is required.



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"If the governor and the House are committed to not doing any more than this for the retirement situation, for the pension situation, it's going to be difficult for us to do the things that need to be done,' Williams said.

businesses. On March 8 and March 9, the chapter will sponsor canister donation days at local grocery stores with Heroes volunteers taking collections personally.

From Front

Some of the special teams involved in raising the funds include Calloway County Red Cross office volunteers. Campbell Realty, Murray State University's Red Cross Club.

Murray-Calloway County Board of Realtors, MSU's Alpha Delta Pi sorority, the Calloway County High School Speech and Debate Team and Heritage Bank among others.

Some of the upcoming events scheduled include Campbell Realty's Wine Tasting event Saturday. Tickets for the contest will cost a donation of \$50 and may be purchased at the office on N. 12th Street. Also, The Big

rebate night Wednesday while a Cutest Pet Contest will take place March 3-7 at Murray State University's Curris Center.

MSU's Rotaract Club, the Apple restaurant will sponsor a success last year, but is truly

A Dine In/Dine Out Night is planned for March 7-8 with participating restaurants to be announced and the Murray-Calloway County Board of Realtors will sponsor a Shrub Sale fundraiser March 22. Other events remain to be announced.

needed again this year," said Tory Daughrity, former director of the chapter, in a news release. "It is a fun and wonderful way to support the community."

For more information about Heroes fundraising events or to make a donations to the campaign, come by the Red Cross office on the second floor of the Weaks Community Center or call 753-1421.



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#### Friday, February 22, 2008 · 3A.

#### Obituaries

#### **Mrs. Laverne Doores Elkins**

Mrs. Laverne Doores Elkins, 85, Kirksey Road, Kirksey, died Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2008, at 12:45 p.m. at Western Baptist Hospital, Paducah.

A retired postmaster of Kirksey Post Office, she was a long-time member of Kirksey Church of Christ. Preceding her in death were her first husband, Howell Doores, one sister, Lavelle Edwards, and one brother, Rudy Edwards. Born March 8, 1922, in Kirksey, she was the daughter of the late Ezra B. Edwards and Vaudie Alexander Edwards.

Survivors include her husband, Bill Elkins; one son, Lynn Doores and wife, Rhonda, Lynnville; two sisters, Mebble Mix, Mayfield, and Reda Adams, Murray; two grandchildren, Inger Penney and husband, Daniel, Wingo, and Guerta Doores, Lynnville; two greatgrandchildren, Paul and Jacob Penney.

The funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of J.H. Churchill Funeral Home. Max Morris will officiate. Burial will follow in the Tucker Cemetery. Visitation will be at the funeral home from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday.

#### Mrs. Imogene Grayal Pittman Dworswki

Mrs. Imogene Grayal Pittman Dworswki, 88, Murray, died Thursday, Feb. 21, 2008, at 7:38 a.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital. She was a member of Glendale Road Church of Christ.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Nicholas Dworski who died in June 1999, and one sister, Lora Edwards. Born June 27, 1919, in Calloway County, she was the daughter of the late Eugene Pittman and Ethel Sills Pittman.

Survivors include one sister, Ruby Bray, Murray; one niece, Sandra Shade, one great-nephew, Jimmy Giles, and one great-greatniece, Mitzi Giles, all of Memphis, Tenn.

The funeral will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Murray Memorial Gardens. John Dale will officiate. Burial will follow in the Gardens.

Visitation will be at J.H. Churchill Funeral Home from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday.

#### Mrs. Margaret Vera Bunch

A private family service for Mrs. Margaret Vera Bunch was held at the Puryear Baptist Church, Puryear, Tenn. Blalock-Coleman & York Funeral Home, Murray, was in charge of arrangements. Online condolences may be made to www.yorkfuneralhome.com

Mrs. Bunch, 84, Puryear, Tenn., died Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2008, at 5:15 p.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and a musician for the Puryear Baptist Church. Born Aug. 25, 1923, she was the daughter of the late Francis and Tobiathy Jennings Roberts.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond T. Bunch Sr., to whom she had been married for 62 years; two sons, Phillip Lee Bunch and wife, Colburn, Havana, Cuba, and Raymond Troy Bunch Jr., and wife, Rosella, Murray; two granddaughters, Rachel and Jessica Bunch.

#### Mrs. Clara Lucy DeCorte

The funeral for Mrs. Clara Lucy DeCorte will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in the chapel of Filbeck-Cann & King Funeral Home, Benton. Rev. Ricky Cunningham will officiate. Burial will follow in the Wadesboro Cemetery.

Visitation will be at the funeral home after 5 p.m. today (Friday). Mrs. DeCorte, 89, Benton, died Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2008, at

9:15 a.m. at Britthaven of Benton. She was a member of Hardin Baptist Church.

Preceding her in death were her first husband, Wilford Thompson, her second husband, George DeCorte, one daughter, Jackie DeCorte, two sons, Loren and Jimmy Thompson, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker, and several brothers and sisters.

Survivors include one daughter, Diana Hon and husband, Doug, Hardin; one sister, Ruby McGraw, Birmingham, Ala.; one brother J.T. Walker, Desert Springs, Calif.; six grandchildren, Lynn Green, Debra Grizzle, Kimberly Pakavioch, Gerald Ray Hon, and James and Dennis Raftery; eight great-grandchildren; three great-greatgrandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

#### Mrs. Shelton Bowen

A memorial service for Mrs. Shelton Bowen will be Saturday at 4 p.m. at Riverside Church of Christ, 111 Camellia Blvd., Lafayette, La

Mrs. Bowen, 75, Lafayette, the former Martha Jean Stagner of Murray, died Friday, Feb. 15, 2008, at 7:22 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center. A native of Murray, she was the daughter of the late B.J. and Wilma Obera Edwards Stagner. She taught first grade and third grade and later began the Gifted Education Program for Trigg County, Ky. Schools, introducing them to Odyssey of the

#### **Paid Obituaries**

#### Mrs. Clara M. Jankos

A graveside service for Mrs. Clara M. Jankos will be Saturday at 2 p.m. at Williams Cemetery in Calloway County. Fr. Mike Williams will officiate. Pallbearers will be John, Charles, Tim, Bradley and Tyler Cathey and Jeff Richardson.

Visitation will be at Blalock-Coleman & York Funeral Home from noon to 1:30 p.m. Saturday. Online condolences may be made to www.yorkfuneralhome.com

Mrs. Jankos, 94, Murray, died Friday, Feb. 15, 2008, at 8:25 p.m. at Spring Creek Health Care. She was a member of St. Leo Catholic Church.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Rudolph Jankos who died Nov. 15, 1977; two sons, Albert and Joseph Newton, and three brothers. Born March 25, 1913, in Inkster, Mich., she was the daughter of the late Michael and Anna

Stomske Survivors include one son, Walter Newton and wife, Janice, Hazel; seven grandchildren, John Cathey and wife, Paula, Timothy Cathey, Charles Cathey, Lydia Cathey, Amanda Richardson and husband, Jeff, and Annette and Michael Newton; several great-grand-

#### **Mrs. Charleen Ford**

A graveside service for Mrs. Charleen Ford will be Saturday at Jones Cemetery, Flat Rock, Ill. Rev. Charles

Anderson will officiate. Visitation will be Saturday from noon to 1:30 p.m. at Goodwine Funeral Home, Flat Rock. J.H. Churchill Funeral Home of Murray was in charge of local arrangements. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Susie Wesley Memorial Library, P.O. Box 185, Flat

Rock, IL 62427. Mrs. Ford, 86, Murray, formerly of Flat Rock,

Ill., died Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2008, at 7:05 a.m. at Spring Creek Health Care. A retired school secretary at Flat Rock, she was

a member of Flat Rock Missionary Baptist Church.

Born Feb. 20, 1922, in Scott County, Mo., she was the daughter of the late Charles and Nora Chumbley Jordon. Also preceding her in death were her husband, John Price Ford, and one sister, Virginia Karmann.

Survivors include one son, J.C. Ford, Murray; sister-in-law, Frances Mullins, and one niece, Jo Becker, both of Kennewick, Wash.

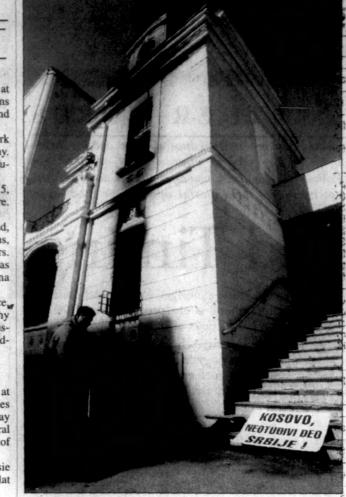


Bill Whitlock, with the National Weather Service Storm Team surveys the damage Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2008, after a tornado ripped through eastern Allen County, Ky., killing at least four people.

# **Disaster declarations** in nine Ky. counties

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) - President Bush has issued a major disaster declaration for parts of Kentucky hit by severe storms earlier this month.

The White House says today that the declaration covers nine counties. Some of the areas were struck by deadly tornadoes that killed seven people. Weather officials said at least a dozen tornadoes touched down during the hard-charging storms.



A sign reading "Kosovo is a part of Serbia that cannot be taken away", which was placed on the steps by a passing man, lies on the ground as a local worker clears the entrance of the U.S. embassy in Belgrade, Serbia, today.

## **US diplomats on alert across Balkans after embassy attack**

WASHINGTON (AP) - The U.S. Ambassador to Serbia has asked the State Department to evacuate some diplomats from the embassy in Belgrade following an attack on the compound.

The envoy, Cameron Munter, has asked for the department to implement an "ordered departure" of all nonessential personnel and the families of all American staff at the embassy, a senior State Department official said. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because the department has not yet approved the request.

The step comes as U.S. diplomats around the Balkans are on alert, girding for more anti-American violence after Serb rioters stormed and torched the U.S. Embassy in Belgrade.

Protests over the declaration of independence by the former Serbian province of Kosovo have increased tensions across the region. And new mass demonstrations are expected following recognition of Kosovo by the United States and other Western countries."

American embassies in at least four former Yugoslav republics stepped up security, ordering diplomats to stay home or limit their movements and warning Americans to use extreme caution outside.

A day after the fiery attack on the Belgrade embassy compound in which at least one protester was killed -- the mission was closed and U.S. diplomats in the Serbian capital were told not to leave their houses.

"U.S. Embassy officials have been advised to stand fast in their residences and avoid movement," the embassy said in a notice to American citizens in Serbia. "American citizens are urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations and to exercise extreme caution."

Several other embassies in Belgrade as well as a McDonald's restaurant were attacked by mobs on Thursday after a massive protest against Kosovo independence, and the warning noted that private businesses and organizations affiliated with the United States might also become targets for protesters.

"U.S. citizens are urged to avoid large crowds, maintain a low profile and review their personal protective measures," the embassy said, adding that it would also be closed on Monday.

In Podgorica, the capital of neighboring Montenegro, which was once joined with Serbia, the U.S. Embassy and international school



Jankos

children.

Survivors include her husband, Shelton Bowen; one daughter, Dr. Karen Bowen Roden and husband, Russell, Lafayette; one son, John Shelton Bowen and wife, Kim, Richardson, Texas; three grandsons, Thomas Shelton Bowen, Alexander Steven Bowen and John Clifton Roden; one granddaughter, Hallie Elizabeth Roden.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America or the Blind Ministry at Riverside Church of Christ. David Funeral Home of Lafayette is in charge of arrangements

The deaths were in Allen and Muhlenberg counties.

The President's declaration allows residents in those counties to apply for federal funding, including grants for temporary housing and home repairs.

The counties are: Allen, Christian, Fayette, Hardin, Hart, Meade, Mercer, Monroe, and Muhlenberg.

shut down ahead of a mass protest that is feared could lead to violence, and it warned of vandalism against U.S. citizens and their property.

"Demonstrators may arrive in large numbers from other parts of Montenegro or Serbia by all modes of transportation throughout the day," the embassy said in a notice. "American citizens are urged to exercise extreme caution."

"The U.S. Embassy in Podgorica is now aware of at least two cases of vandalism directed at a vehicle with U.S.-license plates and a vehicle with license plates from the municipality of Ulcinj, an area with a majority Albanian population," it said. "American citizens are encouraged to exercise caution when driving their vehicles."

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#### Judge fines Amish men over lights on horse-drawn buggies buggies with religious beliefs

MAYFIELD, Ky. (AP) -Three Amish men from western Kentucky were found guilty and fined Thursday for failing to display lights and a slow-moving

vehicle symbol on their horsedrawn buggies.

When announced last year, the case started a conflict between religious freedom and



Amish horses and buggies are parked a block from the Graves County Courthouse Thursday in Mayfield. Three Amish men were found guilty by Grave County District Judge Deborah Crooks for not using an orange reflective slow vehicle triangle on the back of their buggies. Crooks fined each of the men \$20 plus court costs.

state law with the Amish arguing that flashing lights and the orange triangular symbol on their buggies would violate their religious beliefs.

Jacob Gingerich, Levi Zook and Emanuel Yoder were each fined \$20, plus \$128 in court costs. Graves County District Judge Deborah Crooks said she would allow adequate time for the men to pay the fines.

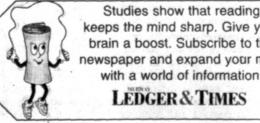
During the trial, testimony and arguments boiled down to how to balance Kentucky's law requiring safety symbols on all

that prohibit possessions that are too worldly. Kentucky statutes have required symbols on slow-moving vehicles since 1971. The

requirements for lights and flashers were added in 2005. "I have trust in God, not in a symbol," Gingerich said during the trial. "I have concern for my family. I have concern for safety on the highway. I stay to the right as much as I can and let cars pass. But I put my trust in God.

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## IN OTHER WORDS

The following is an editorial from another newspaper in Kentucky to offer a point of view from another area in the Commonwealth. It does not necessarily reflect the editorial opinions or thoughts of this newspaper:

# Bad Timing

Gov. Steve Beshear's budget recommends a 58 percent cut for school safety programs, and the news couldn't have come at a worse time.

There have been five school shootings in the past two weeks, most recently at Northern Illinois University, where a former grad student went off his medication, killed five students and then himself.

Statistics say schools are, provably, among the safest places for kids to be, but those figures provide no justification for major reductions in school safety programs.

Jon Akers, director of the Kentucky Center for School Safety, is legitimately concerned about the suggested hatcheting of his budget. "We'll have a very difficult time just making payroll and paying mileage for travel," he explained.

Mileage money is especially important, since the center's representatives must fan out across Kentucky to assess school safety and emergency policies in every district. They have conducted 3,400 such visits since the General Assembly created the agency in 1998.

Training is at risk, too, in these budget cutbacks. Principals and teachers will get less of it, if the Governor's proposed funding levels are approved.

This is exactly what parents don't want to hear especially those who have the financial wherewithal to choose something other than the public schools

And remember, school-safety is just one of many places where the blade will fall, if the Governor and legislature fail to face the ultimate budgetary truth, which is that state government cannot be financed adequately with its current revenue base. The real danger is a broad slide backward, from mediocrity to something worse

> - The Courier-Journal Louisville, Ky.

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# Adios, In-Fidel

The Left's favorite dictator, Fidel Castro, is "resigning" as Cuba's president of the Council of State. Sen. Mel Martinez (R-FL), who was born in Cuba and, at the age of 15, along with his brother, was evacuated from Cuba during Operation Pedro Pan, observed: ".Castro has resigned from a position he was never elected to in the first place."

The Hollywood Left, including Steven Spielberg, Jack Nicholson, Naomi Campbell, Chevy Chase, Danny Glover and Oliver Stone, among others, has treated Castro as a reformer. Various idiocies have poured from their lips, praising Castro for supposed excellence in health care and education. According to Chase, "Socialism works . Cuba might prove that." Says Campbell, Castro is "a source of inspiration to the world." Nicholson declared Castro "a

genius." These are the leftists then, Castro was already radwho denounce their own country for alleged human rights abuses at Guantanamo and elsewhere, but travel to communist Cuba and return gushing praise and sounding as if they had just returned from the healing waters at

not the result of the love and support he received from those Cubans unable to escape, but rather a consequence of his ruthlessness in imprisoning or killing anyone who opposed him. As the Soviet Union began to sink, Mikhail Gorbachev issued the equivalent of a "save yourself" warning to Castro, urging him to follow Gorbachev's lead and adopt perestroika and glasnost. Castro would have none of it. He

responded: "openness and reform are dangerous and represent a threat to fundamental socialist principles." The United States had a hand in creating Castro because of its support for

his predecessor, Fulgencio Batista. When Batista seized power in 1952, the United States mostly turned away. Six years later, America ceased arms sales to Batista when his brutality became too obvious to ignore. By



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within and outside Cuba, probably none equals the supposed "excellent" healthcare system on the island. It is true that some good health care is available, but only for the elite who can pay for it with hard cash and for the communist hierarchy and military commanders. Everyone else is forced to take what little he or she can get.

Liberals blame the American economic blockade of Cuba for its economic woes

cally and authoritatively state that our people's poor health care situation results from a dysfunctional and inhumane economic and political system, exacerbated by the regime to divert scarce resources to meet the needs of the regime's elite and foreign patients who bring hard currency." Castro's brother, Raoul,

has been handed the reins

(or in this case chains) of

power, so little is likely to

change in the near future.

However, if President Bush

is right about all people

wanting freedom, then the

ultimate collapse of commu-

Europe. The question is what

United States learn from its

previous mistakes in dealing

with Cuba, or will it repeat

them, causing further damage

nism in Cuba is as certain

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While human rights advocates rot in Cuban jails, or are executed, leftists around the world perform the political equivalent of dancing on their graves. Castro's nearly 50-year tenure in power is

icalized and plotting his armed overthrow of Batista's regime.

The Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962, when Castro allowed Soviet missiles to be established in Cuba, has been well documented. The United States nearly went to nuclear war with the Soviet Union before Premier Nikita Khrushchev backed down from his showdown with President Kennedy and withdrew the missiles. Castro followed with revolution on the

and substandard health care for ordinary Cubans. The Cuban American National Foundation interviewed a group of Cuban doctors who had managed to get out of Cuba and come to the United States. They told the organization they were "mystified" by claims in a report from the American Association for World Health blaming the U.S. embargo for Cuba's health care struggles. According to the Cuban doctors, "we . . . can categoriAmerica? One hopes history will not repeat.

to U.S. interests in Latin

The best thing that could happen in Cuba is for the regime to collapse. Then, properly restored, Cuba could become an engine for democracy that, instead of fueling revolution throughout Latin America, would be part - ~ of what President Kennedy called an Alliance for Progress that would promote economic growth and human freedom throughout the region

#### OUR READERS WRITE

#### To the Editor.

Lourdes.

In August of 1909, what is now the Glendale Road Church of Christ was organized in a tent revival meeting held on the courthouse lawn in Murray. A Centennial Research Committee is already at work in anticipation of the observance of this historic event which is scheduled for August of next year.

Available church records are being gathered and organized and the entire current membership of the church has already been asked to search for materials pertinent to this project.

In order to cast a wider net for historical materials, the committee is asking the general public for assistance in locating any kind of material relating to the history of the church which, from 1909-50, was known as the Water Street Church of Christ, and from 1950-89, was known as the 7th and Poplar Streets Church of Christ.

Anything produced either by or about the church is relevant and all former members or relatives of former members are asked to search for items and either bring them to the church for placing in the archives or lend them to the church for copying and scanning. Desired items include, but are not lim-

ited to, the following: old bulletins, newsletters and directories, especially from the 1950s, clippings and news articles, photos of buildings, events, groups or individuals, advertising materials, etc.

Current members of the Centennial Research Committee include Sue Adams, Ernie Bailey, Marge Cloys, Ruth Cole, Carol D'Elia, Barbara McCuiston, Jim Nix, Vicki Ragsdale, Joanna Wilder and Dortha Winchester.

Any members of this committee may be contacted for additional information.

> Sincerely, Ernie Bailey Мигтау

#### To the Editor.

When you consider that Kentucky is facing a budget shortfall this year, an increase in the tobacco tax seems like a no-brainer. I think this tax increase is worthy of serious consideration by our leaders in Frankfort.

There are a couple of things we could do with the revenue generated by this tax. First, we should fund smoking cessation services offered by Kentucky's Medicaid program. Our state Medicaid

program spends \$487 million a year treating smoking-related illness. Using tobacco tax dollars to help people kick the habit seems a logical solution.

Second, use revenue generated beyond the \$1.5 million needed to fund smoking cessation services to shore up the budget shortfall. On the one hand, it's true that a tobacco tax increase is meant to make tobacco products more difficult to afford, thereby reducing the number of users. Research has shown when the cost of tobacco increases our youth are less likely to initiate this negative behavior as adolescents.

Nearly 90 percent of all smokers start at or before the age of 18. Raising the tax by 75 cents would mean a 15 percent lower youth smoking rate and a 5 percent lower adult smoking rate.

A tobacco tax increase would be a good thing for Kentucky. I urge our legislators to approve this measure. We need to remember tobacco is the leading cause of preventable death, killing 8,000 Kentuckians each year.

> Teresa DeLancey Benton, Ky.

#### POLITICS

#### Friday, February 22, 2008 • 5A

# **Clinton accuses Obama of plagiarism**

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) Hillary Rodham Clinton presidential rival Barack Obama of political plagiarism Thursday night, but drew boos from a Democratic debate audience when she ridiculed him

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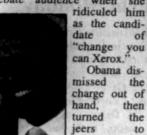
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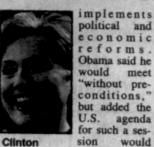
"What we shouldn't be doing is tearing each other down, we should be lifting the country up."

The exchange marked an unusually pointed moment in an otherwise civil encounter in the days before March 4 primaries in Texas and Ohio - contests that even some of Clinton's supporters say she must win to sustain her campaign for the White House.

The former first lady has lost 11 straight primaries and caucuses, and trails her rival in convention delegates. Obama has won a pair of big union endorsements in the past two days.

In a university auditorium in the heart of Texas, the two rivals agreed that high-tech surveillance measures are preferable to construction of a fence to curtail illegal immigration.

They disagreed on the proper response to a change in government in Cuba in the wake of Fidel Castro's resignation. Clinton said she would refuse to sit down with incoming President Raul Castro until he



include human rights in the Communist island nation.

They also sparred frequently about health care, a core issue of

the campaign. Clinton said repeatedly that Obama's plan would leave 15 million Americans uncovered.

But he, in turn, accused the former first lady of mishandling the issue by working in secrecy when her husband was in the White House.

"I'm going to do things differently," he said. "We can have great plans, but if we don't change how the politics is working in Washington, then neither of our plans are going to happen.

Clinton was combative and complimentary by turns, and reflected on her well-known personal struggles in the debate's final moments.

"Everyone here knows I've lived through some crises and some challenging moments in my life," she said — a thinly veiled but clear reference to her husband's affair with Monica Lewinsky and subsequent impeachment. But she added that nothing she had been through matched the everyday struggles of voters.

Then, offering unprompted praise to her rival, the one-time front-runner said, "No matter

implements what happens in this contest, I am hone pred to be here with Barack Obama.

Both candidates were plainly popular with the debate audi-ence. During one break someone in the crowd shouted "Si, se puede," Spanish for Obama's trademark phrase, "Yes we can."

Clinton largely sidestepped a question about so-called superdelegates, members of Congress, governors and party leaders who were not picked in primaries and caucuses. She said the issue would sort itself out, and "we'll have a united Democratic party" for the fall campaign.

But Obama, who has won more primaries and caucuses said the contests must "count for something ... that the will of the voters ... is what ultimately will determine who our next nomi-nee is going to be."

Clinton went into the debate needing a change in the course of the campaign, and waited patiently for an opening to try to diminish her rival, seated inches away on the stage. "I think you can tell from the first 45 minutes Senator Obama and I have a lot in common," she said.

Barely pausing for breath, she went on to say there were differences.

First, she said she had seen a supporter of Obama interviewed television recently, and on unable to name a single accomplishment the Illinois senator had on his record.

Words are important and words matter but actions speak louder than words," she said.

Obama agreed with that, then noted that Clinton lately had been urging voters to turn against him by saying, "let's get

# Analysis: Lobbyist story threatens McCain

tal impropriety — though reject-ed by both McCain and his wife

Even the suggestion of mari-

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By LIZ SIDOTI Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) — John McCain sought to mini-mize damage to his man-of-

character image and his presi-dential hopes Thursday, vig-orously denying and denouncing a newspaper report suggesting an improper relationship with a female lobbyist. "It's not

ly Republican nominee said of

the report that implied a roman-

tic link with telecommunica-

"At no time have I ever done

anything that would betray the public trust," said McCain, a

described the lobbyist as a

ing together at a news confer-

ence, said they were disappoint-ed that The New York Times ran

its page one article, and his cam-

paign referred to a "smear cam-

paign" and "gutter politics" in the midst of the presidential

race. The allegations in the

Thursday report in the Times ---

and a story in The Washington

Post -- contradict core themes

of McCain's campaign — that he would bring honor and integrity to the White House as

well as a record of changing

business-as-usual Washington

by Jacqueline Bigar

McCain and his wife, stand-

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were early signs that the brouha-

damaging his acrimonious rela-tionship with the social conservatives whose support he des-perately needs in the general election campaign against a fired-up Democratic Party. In a twist, however, there

ha might actually help McCain solidify the GOP base. Conservative pundits who are some of McCain's harshest

issue to question the strength of McCain's family values. Instead, they went after the Times.

By Thursday afternoon, the Arizona senator had begun a fundraising appeal based on the

story. "The New York Times ... has shown once again that it cannot exercise good journalistic judgment when it comes to dealing with a conservative Republican," campaign managconservative er Rick Davis wrote in an e-mail to supporters.



Menus for the various lunchrooms of the Murray City Schools and Calloway County Schools have been released by Bridget Jaszenko and Pat Lane, food service directors respectively, for the week of Feb. 25-29.

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

#### CALLOWAY COUNTY

Snacks for Preschool and Elementaries - Monday - cereal, animal crackers, milk; Tuesday - muffin, milk; Wednesday - banana, milk; Thursday - cereal, graham crackers, milk; Friday - poptart, milk.

Preschool - Breakfast (milk, toast, cereal and juice available daily) Monday - muffin; Tuesday - biscuit w/sausage gravy; Wednesday - muffin; Thursday - green eggs and ham, tater tots; Friday - muffin. Lunch (assorted vegetables, chef salad, fruits and milk served daily) Monday - chicken nuggets, green peas, applesauce, roll; Tuesday - teriyaki chicken and rice, stir-fry vegetables, pineapple, roll; Wednesday - cheese pizza, green peas, pineapple, jello; Thursday - green eggs and ham, tater tots, wheat toast; Friday - corn dog, tater tots, banana.

Elementaries - Breakfast (cereal, assorted toast, yogurt, fruit juice, fresh fruit and milk served daily) Monday - chick-en biscuit; Tuesday - pancake and sausage on stick w/syrup; Wednesday - biscuit w/sausage gravy; Thursday - breakfast pizza; Friday - green eggs and ham w/toast. Lunch (assorted vegetables, fruit, chef salads, milk served daily) - Monday oven fried chicken 2/roll, corn dog. grilled cheese sandwich; luesdav - pizza, fish sandwich, peanut butter and jelly sand wich; Wednesday - chicken nuggets, roll, pimento cheese sandwich, yogurt and animal crackers; Thursday - super nachos, grilled chicken sandwich, grilled cheese sandwich; Friday - hot dog, ham and cheese sandwich, peanut butter and elly sandwich. Middle - Breakfast (fruits, fruit juice, toast, cereal and milk served daily) Monday - chicken biscuit; Tuesday - breakfast pizza; Wednesday - sausage biscuit; Thursday - cinnamon raisin biscuit; Friday - muffin, poptart, cereal. Lunch (assorted vegetables, chef salad, fruits and milk served daily) Monday - chicken nuggets w/roll, fish sandwich, turkey and cheese sandwich; Tuesday - vegetable soup w/grilled cheese, corn dog, submarine sandwich; Wednesday - Chuckwagon w/gravy and roll, cheeseburger, turkey and cheese sandwich; Thursday - chili w/crackers, breaded chicken sandwich, ham and cheese sandwich; Friday - hot dog, turkey and cheese sandwich, Domino's pizza. High - Breakfast (cereal, toast, cinnamon toast, Poptarts, fresh fruit and milk served daily) Monday - sausage biscuit; Tuesday - pancakes w/syrup; Wednesday - breakfast pizza; Thursday - biscuit w/sausage gravy; Friday - oatmeal, Poptart. Lunch (chef salads, fresh fruits, vegetables, deli sandwiches, hamburgers and milk served daily) Monday - chili cheese crispito, grilled chicken sandwich; Tuesday - lasagna w/Texas toast, hot ham and cheese sandwich; Wednesday chicken taco, bar-b-q ribette sandwich; Thursday - footlong chili dog, submarine sandwich; Friday - pizza, fish sandwich. MURRAY CITY

#### Horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Feb. 23, 2008:

This year you might opt for a lower profile. At the same time, you will experience unusual success as you try to make your dreams a reality. You naturally gain friends' and associates' support. You will enjoy hanging with your friends even more if you pull back and take some much-needed private time. You will feel much more vital and dynamic than in the past. If you are single, ask yourself if you are ready to give up that status. Certainly you will meet many people this year. A friendship acts as the key to romance. If you are attached, as a couple you will want to socialize more. Together you are a force to be dealt with. LIBRA knows how to bring you in.

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)

\*\*\*\* Others make demands that you might not want to meet. The ramifications of saying no might need to be weighed. If you would like to have a better and easier relationship, make decisions accordingly. Tonight: Say

you will have to create it. Taking time for yourself will help you recharge your batter-ies. Invite a special, relaxing friend along. Why not? Tonight: Understand that you don't need to blab about everything, everywhere. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\*\* Surround yourself with friends. You could feel that you might not be able to do everything you want to because of finances. Make that OK. A conversation not only clears the air but also proves to be enlightening. Tonight: Your treat. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

\*\*\*\* If you want a job done a certain way, then you need to do it yourself. You might find that many people expect a lot. Perhaps you need to say no a little more often. You don't need to accept every responsibility. Tonight: A must show.

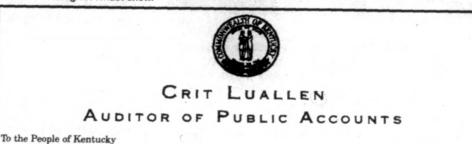
#### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\* Go past your normal limits if need be. You might want to understand an uncomfortable situation. Detach and try to walk in another's shoes. You will understand much

more and will be able to make that difference. Tonight: Be adventuresome PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

son. Nothing needs to happen. You don't need to make plans. Do make yourself comfortable with a friend. Be ready to reveal more of yourself than in the past. Tonight: One on one.

#### BORN TODAY

Guitarist Johnny Winters (1944), actor Peter



ways.

\*\*\* Slow down and relate to a special per-

Fonda (1940), historian William L. Shirer (1904)

real." \*\*\* If you want more downtime or privacy,

yes to a partner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\* Complete rather than begin. You will feel so much better once you can look toward relaxation and not worry. Communication soars. Caring beams in. Indulge others as you would like to be indulged. Tonight: Make it casual. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\*\* Your creativity peaks, especially if a partner or friend says the word "impossible." Generally not a rebellious sign, you play with this situation because it piques your interest. Recognize a child or loved one. Tonight: Your job is to have a good

#### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

\*\*\*\* Plan on spending time with family and those you care about. Invite some friends over for an easy get-together. Express your caring in ways that mean a lot to each person. A relationship could be warming up. Tonight: Ever playful.

#### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\* Speak your mind, though someone will find a reason for controversy. You might need to detach some and not get so upset. Different opinions can help create a stronger plan. Visit with friends over a yummy meal. Tonight: Let others see that big personality your sign is known for. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

#### \*\*\*\* The instinct to indulge comes forward, and taming this desire might be difficult. You understand ramifications and options. Perhaps a little excess with a loved one could ease recent tension. Tonight: Treating can happen in many different form

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Spontaneity is always fun, especially if positive results occur. You might be able to express the depth of your feelings more easily. Recognize limits. You are all smiles because of a child or loved one. If you are single, a romance warms up. Tonight: Just wish upon a star. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

November 19, 2007

athan Miller, Secretary **Finance and Administration Cabinet** Honorable Larry Elkins, Calloway County Judge/Executive

Honorable Steven L. Beshear, Governor

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

We have audited the former Calloway County Sheriff's Settlement - 2006 Taxes for the period April 25, 2006 through December 31, 2006. This tax settlement is the responsibility of the former Calloway County Sheriff. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Audit Guide for Sheriff's Tax Settlements issued by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Commonwealth of Kentucky. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the Sheriff's office prepares the financial statement on a prescribed basis of accounting that demonstrates compliance with the modified cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the former Calloway County Sheriff's taxes charged, credited, and paid for the period April 25, 2006 through December 31, 2006, in conformity with the modified cash basis of accounting.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated November 19, 2007 on our consideration of the former Sheriff's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Based on the results of our audit, we present the accompanying comment and recommendation, included herein, which discusses the following report comment.

The Former Sheriff's Office Lacked Adequate Segregation Of Duties Over Receipts And Disbursements.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elementary - Breakfast (toast, cereal, juice and milk available daily) Monday - toaster pastry; Tuesday - breakfast bagel; Wednesday - French toast sticks; Thursday - sausage and biscuit; Friday - blueberry muffin. Lunch (canned or fresh vegetables, canned or fresh fruit and lowfat milk available daily) Monday - mini corn dogs, turkey wrap; Tuesday - taco salad, BBQ chicken on bun; Wednesday - chicken w/biscuit and gray, tuna salad w/crackers; Thursday - open face pizza, sub sandwich; Friday - hot dog w/bun, peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Middle - Breakfast (toast, cereal, juice and milk available daily) Monday - toaster pastry; Tuesday - breakfast bagel; Wednesday - French toast sticks; Thursday - sausage and biscuit; Friday - blueberry muffin. Lunch (cooked and fresh vegetables, canned or fresh fruit and lowfat milk available daily) Monday - mini corn dogs; Tuesday - taco salad, BBQ chicken w/bun; Wednesday - chicken w/biscuit and gravy, tuna salad w/crackers; Thursday - open face pizza, sub sandwich; Friday - hot dog w/bun, hamburger.

High - Breakfast (toast, cereal, juice and milk available daily) Monday - breakfast pizza; Tuesday - biscuit and gravy; Wednesday - scrambled egg breakfast wrap; Thursday sausage biscuit; Friday - Honey bun. Lunch (hamburger, cheeseburger, pizza, cooked and fresh vegetables, canned and fresh fruit and lowfat milk available daily) Monday Chuckwagon sandwich, turkey wrap; Tuesday - taco salad, Mexican pizza; Wednesday - Salisbury steak w/gravy, chick-en salad plate; Thursday - chicken and mac combo, chef salad w/dressing, crackers; Friday - oven fried chicken, fish sandwich.

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# COMMUNITY

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# Birth Announcements

#### Josiah Todd Miller



Mr. and Mrs. Greg Miller of Grovetown, Ga., are the parents of a son, Josiah Todd Miller, born on Thursday, Jan. 17, 2008, at The Medical College of Georgia in Augusta, Gal ocal

The baby weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces and measured 21 inches

Maternal grandparents are Dave and Paula Todd of Aurora, Colo. Paternal grandparens are John and Debbie Miller of Murray.

Great-grandparents are Mrs. Laurine Belau and Mrs. Zeta Todd of Aurora, Col., and Rudolph and LaNita Smith and Hardiman Miller, all of Mur-

# Lynn speaker at meeting of New Beginnings

"Even in the midst of our self-made messes, God is the restorer. If things aren't done right the first time, there is still hope, and God can bring beauty out of ashes," was the message proclaimed by New Beginnings Support Group, and Jennifer Lynn.

A recent speaker from Hope Harbor Church, Lynn talked about this in her three sessions titled: Singles 101. Her nine points of training and discussion were: Spiritual Maturity, Godly Character, Accountability. Emotional Health. Financial Stability, Vocational Training. Parent Training, Household Training, and Commitment Lynn said, "As we look to God and the support of others around us we all can make a better life for ourselves and those we love

The next session of New Beginnings Support Group will be Saturday, March 1. at 6:30, p.m. at Westside Baptist Church These sessions are free and open to the public and especially focused for people who have faced issues with incarceration Everyone 15 invited to come bring a dish for the potluck meal and a Bible More information may be obtained by calling Ron and Linda Wright at 753-0156.

#### Jennifer Lynn

The speaker for the March l session will be Jan Roberson, a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor, who works privately and with the Paducah Public School System as a school psychologist. Her special focus will be vocational. educational and rehabilitation opportunities, as well as decision making. Roberson has her own support group which meets at the Calloway Public Library on the third Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. For more information call (270) 227-0521.

## GED practice test will be March 1 at local center

for for Calloway County Adult

June Vander Molen, instruc- improving those skills.

Anica Smith, coordinator of the center, said "many people over the age of 25 do not possess a high school diploma or GED, according to the latest census date. We know that people need the opportunity to take their GED so the center is offering this as a quick way. to determine whether or not a person is ready to set up an opportunity for the actual test." Each one must be at least 16 years of age and not enrolled in a school system to be eligible for the test. Also, if you are under 19, you must have been withdrawn from school for at least 90 days. The official practice tests are free and are required by Kentucky before anyone can take the GED test. For more information and to reserve your place as seating is limited call the center at 759-5525

# Renovation work to keep Main Street's history



ew place of Murray Lodge No. 105 F.&A.M.

The current renovation of the old Wallis Drug Store and Masonic Lodge building on the North side of the court square in Murray will preserve an important part of Murray-Calloway county history.

The building was construct-ed in 1866-1867. The construction was a joint effort between A. H. Wear, E. H. Covington (business men of the day) and Murray Lodge No. 105 of Free and Accepted Masons

Murray Lodge started in Wadesboro in August of 1844 and was moved to Murray in December of 1844. The total cost of the building was \$5,094.35. The first Masonic meeting in the second floor of this building was in January 1867. Murray Lodge met in this building until 1974 when the new lodge was finished on

Ky. 121 North. During the more than 160 years of existence, Murray Lodge has prospered under the leadership of many of the Murray community leaders. William Zelna Carter was elected to lead the Masonic Order in the State of Kentucky.

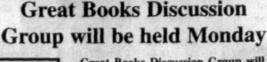
The list of leaders from the professional community is numerous. Equally important is the skilled craftsmen who make up the membership. Recently a number of mem-

bers decided to erect a new sign to enhance the appearance of the facility and display the presence in the community. Max Weatherford, metal craftsman, skilled designed and made a permanent outdoor sign for the new lodge building. Masonry craftsmen, Elmo Thornton and Don Maupin, did the brick work.



SPECIAL PROGRAM: Lion Lee Furst, Director Leslie Steely of Kidztown Academy, and Lion Rowina Wilburn are pictured with several of the youngsters that participated in the Lions Club KidSight Screening Program on Feb. 4. The program attempts to detect Amblyopia (Lazy Eye) which affects two or three of every 100 people and early detection means early correction

#### HonorRoll



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Great Books Discussion Group will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in the meeting room of the Calloway County Public Library.

The group has chosen for 2008 a series suggested by The Great Books Foundation and called "Great Conversations." The current selection, "A Defense of Poetry" by Percy Byusshe Shelley, is the same as that planned for the January meting which was canceled. Donald True will be the leader and all who have read the selection are welcome to join the conversation.

For more information or copies of the selection, call Julia Cullom at 753-8036 or: Emily Wolfson at 753-1867.

#### **Quad State Band to perform**

Murray State University will host the Quad State Band performances on Saturday in the Lovett auditorium. The concert will begin at 1:30 p.m. This is composed of all students who qualified to participate in the Quad State Band event.

#### MSU Rodeo team plans event

Murray State University Rodeo Team will sponsor a "Barrel Racing and Team Roping" at the MSU Exposition Center with barrell racing from 6 to 9 tonight and 8 a.m. to noon. on Saturday. Team Roping will start 12 p.m. Saturday.

#### 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 Grandpa's Legacy and Kevin Crawford. For more information call Joe Lawrence at 753-5643, Renee Taylor at 753-8124 or Patrick: Lea at 761-2666 or e-mail glory-bound@hotmail.com

#### Angel Alert issued

An Angel Alert for an electric heater, standard size small, is needed for a family. Anyone having one to donate is asked; to call the Calloway County Family Resource Center at 762-7333

#### Ellis Homemakers plan chili supper

Ellis Center Homemakers will have a chili supper serving. chili, crackers or corn bread, dessert, lemonade, coffee and tea today from 5 to 7. A small fee will be charged.

#### Mother to Mother Group to meet

Mother to Mother, a support group for breastfeeding moms, is scheduled to meet Saturday at 10:45 a.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church. Featured will be refreshments and door prizes. Pregnant moms, dads and older children are welcome. For more information call Heather Duffy at 436-5657.

#### Shriners Bingo tonight

Murray Shriners announced that Bingo will be held tonight at 6:30 at the Shrine Club facility, Ky. 121 North, Murray. Proceeds help support many local and Shrine charitable activ-

#### **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.

#### **Blood drive today**

Red Cross Blood Drive will be today from 2 to 7 at the Weaks Community Center, 607 Poplar St., Murray



By Jo Burkeen

Community Editor

and Family Education, said "If you want a chance to get your GED, here is the opportunity to see if you are ready for the challenge.

The center will offer a free 'try-it" day on Saturday. March-1, from 8 a.m. to noon. Each one will have an opportunity take all five sections of the official practice test, and if you pass, they will help you get set up to take the actual GED Also if you need some brush-upon skills, the instructor will work with you on setting up a time to work on



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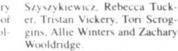


Elementary Southwest School has released the honor roll for the past term as follows

#### FOURTH GRADE All As

Alex Arnett, Maddie Balmer, Lavken Beard, James Boone, Sydney Daniel, Lauren Eastwood, Meredith Enoch, Leah Feldhaus, Calle Hill, Kaleb Morgan, Alyx Olinde, Kaci Paschall, Hannah Ray, Brianna Willett and Alex Workman. All As and Bs

Alex Burch, Cheriah Burks, Ashley Collins, Josie Cothran, Jack Curry, Brady Doan, Rachel Elkins, Kayla Fish, Morgan Fish, Savana Fish, Emma Gallimore, Noah Hopkins, Coleton Jennings, Katlyn Jones, Kati Madden, Cole McCoy, Nicole McGee, Will Oliver, Darington Prescott, Hallie Ray, Madison Roe, Marcus Smith. Thomas Snodgrass, Emily



#### FIFTH GRADE All As

Trace Brandon, Madison Contri, Christopher Gomes, Alicia Grady, Stephanie McClain, Erin Orr, Clay Smotherman, Koby Springer and Matthew Winder.

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George Bowling, Brooklyn Braden, Wade Carter, Jessie Cline, Ely Coles, Tyler Covington. Riecher Denmark. Kelsey Douglas, Travis Dwyer, Logan Fox, Ryan Grace, Andrew Green, Audree Harper, Sarah Humphreys, Elwood Junior, Logan Mitchell, Bryce Orr. Matt Parrish, Caleb Paschall, Jon Paschall, KK Presnell, Chase Rogers, Hannah Ryan, Hunter Smith and Nick Walls.

#### Lenten fish fry is today

St. Leo Catholic Church will have its annual Lenten fish fry today from 4:30 to 6:30 in the Parish Hall of the church. Served will be catfish, fries or baked potato, cole slaw, white beans, hushpuppies, dessert and drink. These will continue each Friday until March 14. The public is invited. For more information call 753-3876.

#### Youth registration scheduled

Youth Sports Association will have T-Ball, Baseball and Softball registration at www.tcsportzevents through March 21; register at Walmart on March 6 from 4 to p.m., March from 4 to 9 p.m. and March 8 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; final way to register is at Trophy Case on March 10 to 15 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and March 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Free tax help by AARP

Free tax help from AARP tax counselors is available for low and middle income, with special attention to those ages 60 and older at the Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens Center, 607 Poplar St., Murray, each Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. through April 2. Services are provided on a first come, first served basis. Each one should bring the current year's tax forms, W-2 forms, SSA-1099, Social Security cards and any other pertinent information. For information call Teri Cobb at the center at 753-0929.

#### MHS Class of 1988 plans reunion

The Murray High School class of 1988 is currently making plans for a 20-year reunion. All class members should e-mail their contact information to David McDowell at david.mcdowell@murray.kyschools.us or by visiting the alumni-reunion section of the Murray City Schools web page.



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# **DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES**

#### ADVENTISTS

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST Sat. 9:00 a.m Worship Sabbath School Sat. 10:15 a.m.

ANGLICAN ST. MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH 1214 Mayfield Highway, Bent 270-527-8002 nton, KY 42028 10:00 a.m Servic

Feast Day Services contact the Rector 252-3389

APOSTOLIC APOSTOLIC HOME FELLOWSHIP

10:00 a.m. Sunday 6:45 p.m. Thursday 6:45 p.m

**ASSEMBLIES OF GOD** 

**HOPE HARBOR CHURCH** 

#### Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m BAPTIST **BLOOD RIVER** Morning Worship 11:00 a.m Evening Worship 6:00 p.m. CHERRY CORNER Sunday School "10 a.m Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. **COLDWATER BAPTIST CHURCH** Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Morning Service 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. **Evening Services** DEXTER BAPTIST CHURCH Wednesday Service 6:30 p.m Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night 6:00 p.m ELM GROVE BAPTIST Sunday School 9:00 a.m 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Worship **Discipleship** Training 5:00 p.m EMMANUEL MISSIONARY Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship 11:00 a.m Afternoon Worship 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study & Youth 7:00 p.m FAITH BAPTIST Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. **Evening Worship** 6:00 p.m FERGUSON SPRINGS BAPTIST Sunday School 10:00 a.m Worship 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. FIRST BAPTIST Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Worship 8:30 & 10:55 a.m. & 6 p.m. FLINT BAPTIST Sunday School 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship **Evening Worship** 6:45 p.m. GREATER HOPE MISSIONARY 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship GRACE BAPTIST 9:30 a.m Sunday School 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship EASTWOOD BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School 10 a.m 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Morning Worship Wednesday 7 p.m. HARDIN BAPTIST Worship 8:00, 9:15 & 10:30 a.m Sun. Schools 8:00, 9:15 & 10:30 a.m.

Evening Worship 6:00 p.m Wednesday Worship 7 p.m. HAZEL BAPTIST 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m Worship Church Training 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Worship 7:00 p.m. HILLTOP BAPTIST 10:00 a.m Sunday School

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 Worship Service
 10:45 a.m.

 Evening Worship
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 Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.
 Prayer & Fasting for Spiritual Awakening Sat. 6 p.m.-10 p.m. SINKING SPRING

10 a.m Sunday School 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Worship Wednesday 7 p.m SOUTH MARSHALL Sunday School 10 a.m 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Worship

Wednesday 7 p.m. SPRING CREEK Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Services 10 a.m **Discipleship** Training 6 p.m.

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#### Wednesday 7 p.m

#### CATHOLIC

ST. HENRY CATHOLIC CHURCH Saturday Mass 4:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass ST. LEO CATHOLIC CHURCH Saturday Mass 6:00 p.m 8 a.m. & 11 a.m. Sunday Masses

#### CHRISTIAN

AURORA CHRISTIAN Worship Bible Study Sunday 11 a.m. & 6 p.m 10 a.m Bible Study Wednesday 7 p.m FIRST CHRISTIAN

It's Never Too Late



It is never too late to return to God. In the parable of the prodigal son (Luke 15:11-32), we are told of a young man returning home after leading a dissolute life in a foreign land. He is welcomed home with open arms by his father, as we are by God. In another parable, Jesus speaks of laborers who are hired at different times of the day, and all are given a full day's pay (Matthew 20:1-16). This parable

illustrates that God wants to reward us, regardless of when we have decided to follow Him. Finally, in the parable of the lost sheep (Matthew 18:12-14), we are told that the good shepherd will leave all of his sheep in search of the one that is lost, which indicates how much God loves and cares for each of us. In each case, we see that God's justice is not the same as man's. The brother of the prodigal son feels betrayed by his father's loving acceptance of his brother, and the laborers who worked all day feel they should be given more than those who only worked for a few hours. Is it not foolish to leave the flock to search for the one that is lost? The point of all these parables is simple: God loves us unconditionally and wants us to return to Him, no matter what we may have done or when we make the decision to live a godly life.

It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.

COLDWATER CHURC	H OF CHRIST
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:15 a.m.
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.
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Morning Service	10:45 a.m
Evening Worship	6:00 p.m
Wednesday Worship	7:00 p.m
HAZEL CHURCH	OF CHRIST
Bible Study	9:00 a.m
Morning Worship	9:50 a.m.
<b>Evening Worship</b>	6:00 p.m
Mid-Week Worship	7:00 p.m.
HICKORY GROVE CHUR	CH OF CHRIST
Sunday Bible Class	9:00 a.m.
Morning Worship	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Night	7:00 p.m.
KIRKSEY CHURCH	OF CHRIST
Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
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6:00 p.m day

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#### **EPISCOPAL**

Worship Sunday School

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Tuesdays Bible Study	7 p.m.
Saturdays Spiritual Th	raining 6 p.m.
Saturdays Celebration	Service 7 p.m.
SHILOH FULL GOSP	EL ASSEMBLY
Thursday Night	7:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening	7:00 p.m.
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11:00 a.m SADDLE CREEK CHURCH unday Morning Vednesday Evening 11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m.

#### JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

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

#### LUTHERAN

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

#### METHODIST

BETHEL UNITED Morning Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m 6:00 p.m. BROOK'S CHAPEL UNITED 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m COLDWATER 10:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.

8:50 a.m Sunday School 9:50 a.m. DEXTER-HARDIN UNITED **Contemporary** Service 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. **Regular** Worship 11:00 a.m.

Worship 8:45 & 11 a.m. Sunday School 9:50 a.m. GOOD SHEPHERD UNITED Sunday School 10:00 a.m 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School Morning Worship

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Worship

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Sunday Sch 11:00 a.m. MT. HEBRON Worship 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. PALESTINE UNITED Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m. **RUSSELL CHAPEL UNITED** 9:30 a.m. Worship 11:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

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

**TEMPLE HILL UNITED** Sunday School 9:00 a.m 10:00 a.m. Preaching

WAYMEN CHAPEL AME CHURCH Sunday School 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Morning Service

#### NAZARENE

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

#### PENTECOSTAL

BETHEL FELLOWSHIP CHURCH OF GOD School 10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Church sday 7:00 p.m.

BETHEL APOSTOLIC PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Sunday School Worship Service 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night 5:00 p.m. sday Night 7:00 p.m.

CALVARY TEMPLE Sunday School 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Worship Wed. Evening & Youth Service 7:00 p.m.

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JENNY Russes Saturday Evening 0.00 p.m. 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. MURRAY FIRST UNITED

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH Sunday School & Worship 10 a 10 a.m. **Evening Worship** 6 p.m. Wednesday

NEW CONCORD . 10 a.m. Sunday Worship & Service Worship Sun. 6 p.m. & Wed. 7 p.m.

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UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH-NEW CONCORD Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Worship Service 11:00-7:30 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m. LIBERTY CUMBERLAND

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Worship

**Evening Worship** Morni

7:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS Sunday Priesthood Sunday School

Sunday School Worship

Worship Service

**Bible Study** 

FIRST UNITED METHODIST

Worship Service

GOSHEN METHODIST 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m 9:45 a.m.

Sunday School Morning Worship

10:00 a.m

2nd & 4th Sun. Night Sunday School Morning Worship 1st & 3rd Sun. Night COLE'S CAMPGROUND





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# How can God expect us to love our enemies? By Richard Youngblood, Minister at **University Church of Christ**

Question: I know Jesus said to love our enemies, but I can't imagine loving the man who attacked and raped my daughter. Do you really think it is possible to love our enemies?

Answer: Even the command to "love your neighbor as yourself' sounds idealistic in this fallen world, but the concept of loving an enemy really does seem impossible. However, things impossible with men are possible with God.

The bitterness and resentment we feel toward enemies make it difficult for us to imagine that even God could love them Yet, the Bible demonstrates that God loved us when we were still his enemies (Romans 5:6-9) and that Jesus prayed for those who crucified him (Luke 23:34). Jesus has not asked something of us that he was unwilling to do himself

The place to begin learning to love one another and our enemies is by understanding that the love of which Jesus spoke is more than a warm feeling toward those we like. The love of which Jesus spoke is an intentional decision to act towards others in ways we want them to act toward us

I see no evidence that Jesus demanded that we feel good about the life and actions of our enemies, but he was calling for us to break the cycle of fratred and violence by acting in loving ways toward our enemies. Instead, feelings tend to follow behavior. By making the decision to love an enemy, we can change the way we see that person. Sometimes such loving actions toward an enemy can over time change an enemy into a friend.

Also, we must realize that it is impossible for us to love our enemies apart from the power that comes from Jesus. We must first receive love in order to give love. The apostle of love wrote, "We love because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19).

For example, a sinful woman once entered the house where Jesus was, wet his feet



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with her tears and wiped them with her hair. Upon seeing the critical attitude of his host toward this woman, Jesus told a parable of two men, one who owed 500 denarii and the other 50. Since neither of them had the money to repay him, the moneylender canceled both debts. Then Jesus asked, "Now which of them will love him more?" He then affirmed that the correct answer was the one who was forgiven the most.

Of the sinful woman, Jesus said, "Her many sins have been forgiven - for she loved much. But he who has been forgiven little loves little" (Luke 7:47).

Therefore, learning to love our enemies begins with learning what it means to be loved by God in our sinfulness and unworthiness. Only when we are humble enough to admit the seriousness of our sins against God - sins so great that only the death of God's Son could atone for them - can we begin to learn what it means to receive God's forgiving love. Because of this experience of receiving unconditional love from God, we can find the power to turn and extend love and forgiveness toward our enemies, too

Finally, the alternative to loving our enemies brings tragedy. We can reject the forgiving love of God toward us and deny ourselves the hope of eternal life with God. We can live in bitterness and hatred toward our enemies, but this only creates an overwhelming unhappiness all of our years. We will never escape the horror of hatred. To love an enemy may be the most difficult command to obey, but the rewards are eter-

Loving an enemy is hard to do; but by the power of God, anyone can do it.

Send questions or comments to University Church of Christ, 801 N. 12th, Murray, KY 42071 or phone 270-753-1881. This article is reproduced on the web: www.nchrist.org

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#### **ChurchBulletins**

Various churches have released information concerning their worship services for coming weekend as follows: University Church of

#### Christ: Charley Bazzell, minister, will speak about "The Discipline of Silence and Solitude" with scripture from Psalm 13:1-2 at the 10 a.m. worship service and Roy Hawkins and University Youth will speak about "Winterfest" at the 5 p.m. worship service. Assisting will be Brian Overbey, Bobby Martin and Don Futrell. Danny Claiborne is worship leader and Bible classes will be at 9 a.m.

South Pleasant Grove United Methodist: Rev. Robert Jetton, pastor, will speak about "How Can We Get Living Water" with scripture from John 4:10, 13, 14, 7:38-39, Isaiah 55:1-2 and Psalm 63:11 at the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Sunday School will be at 9:45 a.m. and worship at 6 p.m. Bible Study will be from Titus Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

First Presbyterian: Andi Denney and Rev. David Montgomery, co-pastor, will speak about "How Can This Be So" with scripture from John 4:5-42 at the 10:45 a.m. worship service. Todd E. Hill is choir director with Lee Kem as pianist. Anne Adams will be liturgist. The anthem will be "He Keeps Me Singing." Assisting will be Whitey and Joan Adams and Ken and Deanna Wolf, ushers. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m., "Adopt-A-Student Potluck" at noon and

Korean Worship at 4 p.m. Hardin Baptist: Bro. Ricky Cunningham, pastor, will speak about "Loved and Called By God" at the worship services at 8, 9:15 and 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday school will be held during all three morning worship times.

First United Methodist: Dr. Rick Dye will speak about "What Are You Drinking?" with scripture from John 4:4-14 at the Early Light service at 8:45 a.m. and the traditional worship service at 11 a.m. Dr. Pamela Wurgler is director of music with Joan Bowker as organist. Joan Bowker, Karen O'Daniel and Tracy Leslie will play a violin duet, "You Raise Me Up" at the first service and the chancel choir will sing "Go Not Far From Me, O God" at the second service. Kristen Shepard will give the children's message at both servics. Acolytes will be Josh Betts

the sanctuary.

Glendale Road Church of Christ: John Dale, minister, will speak about "By This They Will Know" with scripture from John 13:334-35 at the 9 a.m. worship service and Corey Underhill will speak about "Addicted to Approval" with scripture from Galatians 1:10 at the 6 p.m. worship service. Leading the song service will be Todd Walker, associate minister, at the morning hour and T.J. Hargrove at the evening hour. Also assisting will be Garry Evans, involvement minister, Nick Hutchens, youth minister, Tim Stark, Kerry Hoover, Randy Young, Steve Spiceland, Philip Brown, Justin Hendrick, Billy Joe Hendon, Josh Bybee and Blake Hoover. A short worship service will be at 5 a.m. and Bible classes at 10:15 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. Jeff Prater is minister of music and Misty Williams and Kathy Thweatt are accompanists. Assisting will be Danny McGrew, deacon of the week, and Ron James for Sunday School report. Sunday School will be at 9:40 a.m.

North Pleasant Grove Cumberland Presbyterian: Rev. Charles Westfall, pastor, will speak about "Unity" with scripture from John 4:5-42 at the 11 a.m. worship service. Camme Cain will be song leader with Margaret Nell Boyd as pianist. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m.

Westside Baptist: Clark Terry and Ron Hall from Country Bible Church, Kaufman, Texas, will speak a the 10:30 a.m. worship service and Rev. Glynn M. Orr, pastor, will speak about "How to Study the Bible" at the 6 p.m. worship service. Tommy Scott is minister of music. The choir will sing "Through the Fire" with Stacy Wortham as soloist and special music by Clark Terry at the morning hour and the group, For Heaven's Sake at the evening hour. Deacons of the week will be Mark Morgan and Danny Cunningham. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m.

First Christian: Dr. Charles L. Rolen, senior minister, will speak about "Where is our Watering Hole?" with scripture from John 4:5-15 at the 10:15 a.m. worship service. The chancel choir will sing "Here I Am Lord." Assisting will be Keena Miller. worsnip leader; Doug Henry and Amy Roos, elders. Grace Baptist: Bro. Sammy Cunningham, pastor, will speak at the 10:45 a.m. and the 6 p.m. worship services. Henry Nance is minister of music with Oneida White, Sherry Fortner and Kathy Garrison as accompanists. Teddy Futrell will sing at the morning service and Kailey Stone at the evening service. Eddie Morris will give the children's sermon. Ryan Stanger is interim youth leader. Assisting will be Walter Bell, Junior Garrison, Charles Craig and Willie Dick. Sunday School will be at 9:30 a.m. Mason's Chapel United Methodist: Rev. Alan Trull, pastor, will speak about "Worth Remembering" with scripture from Joshua 4:1-7 at the 11 a.m. worship service. Alyssa Jones, youth director, will present the Youth Moments. The

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choir will sing "Jesus, Name Above All Names" with Karen Coles and Sharon Myatt, accompanists. Assisting will be Frank Coles, worship leader, Jimmy Myatt, lay leader, and Larry Chrisman and Johnny Underwood, ushers. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m. and a fourth Sunday meal will follow. Jeanine Cauthen will conduct a Beth Moore Bible Study each Wednesday at 7 p.m. Hazel United Methodist

Rev. Alan Trull, pastor, with speak about "Worth Rement bering" with scripture from Joshua 4:1-7 at the 9:45 a.m. worship service. Johnna Nance will be in charge of Children's Church. Toni Jones is accompanist and J.W. Jones is work ship leader. Sunday School will be at 11 a.m.

Poplar Spring Baptist Church: Dennis Norvell, pas-tor, will speak about "How To have a Happy Life" with scripture from Matthew 5:1-12 at the 8:45 and 11 a.m. worship services. The youth will share services. The youth will share about their recent winter trip at the 6 p.m. worship service. Dee and Kathy Lipford will lead the worship service with Hazel Brandon, Susan Reynolds, Dee Lipford and Carol Kelly as accompanists Sunday School for all ages will be at 10 a m be at 10 a.m.

Martin's Chapel United Martin's Chaper Onlice Methodist: Rev. Gene Bur-keen, pastor, will speak about "The Ark, The Blood, and The Cross" with scripture from Genesis 6:1-8 at the 9 a.m. wor-ship service. Musicians will be Ricky Cunningham and Glenn Hill. Sunday School will be at 10:30 a.m. Coffee Break and Discussion Type Bible Study is each Thursday at 10 a.m. with a meal following during the Lenten season.

Good Shepherd United Methodist: Rev. Gene Burkeen, pastor, will speak about The Ark, The Blood, and The Cross" with scripture from Genesis 6:1-8 at the 11 a.m. worship service. Judy Lamb will be pianist with Denise Schuttler as choir director. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m.

Locust Grove Baptist: Bro. Ryker Wilson, pastor, will speak about "Written in Red," part 1 of 3 with scripture from Romans 8 5:25 at the 11 a.m. worship service and about "Bring It Own" at the 6 p.m. worship service. Barry Thomas will be in charge of Kid's Corner. Sunday School will be at 10 a.m. A family movie night

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and Preston Ross with Teresa Betts as acolyte parent. Kim Black, Steve Kroehler and Roger Reichmuth will be worship leaders for both services.

Goshen United Methodist: Rev. Mark Earheart, pastor, will speak about "God on His Knees" with scripture from John 13:1-17 at the 9 a.m. worship service with Tom Villaflor as the pastor's assistant. Marlene Beach and Linda Palmer will be greeters. Serving as acolytes will be Nicholas Brunn and Teela Etheridge. Children's church will be directed by Bette Tucker. April Arnold will direct the choir with Pat Brunn, Renee Doyle and Carla Halkias as accompanists. Sunday School with Tim Chaney as superintendent will be at 10:15 a.m. The youth and adults of both Goshen and Kirksey churches will meet at Goshen at 6 p.m. with youth in the family fellowship center and adults in

will be at the church tonight (Friday) at 6:30 with door prizes and the public is invited

First Baptist: Dr. Karl Babb of the Kentucky Baptist Convention will speak about "When We Don't Agree" with scripture from Ephesians 4:22-32 at the 8:30 and 10:55 worship services and Rev. Calvin Wilkins will speak at the 6 p.m. worship service. Kent Jackson is interim music director with Lucretia Jackson and Margaret Wilkins as accompanists.-Rhonda Roberts will sing a solo, "Jesus, Lord to Me" at both morning services and the sanctuary choir will sing "Still," at the second service. Assisting will be Boyd Smith, associate pastor of students, Herb Edminster and Roy Weaver, deacons, and Bert Siebold, Al Chapman and Darrel McFerron. Sunday School will be at 9:45 a.m., AWANA at 5 p.m. and the Net worship at 8 p.m.

# Major churches report member decline

NEW YORK (AP) - Most of the United States' 25 largest church bodies either lost members or experienced no growth in the past year, according to a 2008 yearbook produced by the National Council of Churches.

The Episcopal Church, locked in a conflict over the Bible and homosexuality, suffered the steepest decline, reporting a more than 4 percent drop to slightly fewer than 2.2 million members. Another mainline Protestant group, the 3 million-member Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), facing similar divisions, suffered a 2.4 percent membership decrease.

The figures are outlined in the 2008 Yearbook of American and Canadian Churches, which tracks membership and other trends from 224 national church bodies. The yearbook's editor, the Rev. Eileen W. Lindner, said many

churches' said many people in their 20s and 30s attend and support local congregations but resist becoming members.

Of the churches that reported growth, the Jehovah's Witnesses said their group had a 2.25 percent increase to 1 million members, while The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints said it grew 1.56 percent to 5.8 million members in the U.S. The Roman Catholic Church, Southern Baptist Convention, Assemblies of God and African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church also reported membership gains under 1 percent each.

A dozen churches said membership remained steady, while seven reported declines. The yearbook also reported a 4 percent increase in per capita giving from the 65 churches that reported contribution trends. 315

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MICHAEL DANN / Ledger & Times Murray High School head girls' basketball coach Rechelle Turner will take her Lady Tigers into the Fourth District Tournament next week with a winless record in district action this season. Still, with a Turner-based team, it's hard to think MHS will go down without a fight.

# LAD TIGERS LOOK TO PLAY SPOILER, WHILE LADY LAKERS ARE HUNTED By TOMMY DILLARD Marshals are 11-2. Both of those losses

Sports Writer

Rechelle Turner sometimes gets a little frustrated by the First Region's district alignments.

Who can blame the Murray head coach, after all? If her Lady Tigers played out of the 1st District, they'd be the No. 1 seed heading into next week's district tournaments. Murray has beaten each of the four teams in the 1st District, including No. 1 seed Fulton County - twice.

But in reality, the Lady Tigers will will take an 0-7 district mark into an openinground matchup with a Calloway County team garnering votes in the statewide AP poll.

Such is life in the 4th District.

Marshals are 11-2. Both of those losses came against Calloway. "At this point, Calloway and Marshall

are so dominant over other teams in the region," Turner said. "Some people say, 'hey, let's just play a Marshall-Calloway one-game and call them the region champs. Barring a major catastrophe, I totally expect it to be them two in the finals again this year."

That may be, but the Lady Lakers and Lady Marshals must first dispatch district foes Murray and Community Christian and play each other in the district finals before the region tournament begins on March 3.

Top-seeded Calloway faces Murray Monday night and the homestanding Lady Marshals will battle three-seed CCA

MARSHALL COUNTY ad coach: Ho cord: 20-9 (4-2)

Key components: Jessica Holder (24.7 ppg, 10.9 rpg), Hannah Ellis (7.7 rpg), Ashley Smith (6.5 rpg, 3.0 apg), Margaret Thomas (4.8 apg). Outlook: Jessica Holder can take the Lady Marshals Outlook: Jessica Holder can take the Lady Marshals far, but if they hope to score a victory over Calloway, it's going to take a complete game from all Marshall's components. For the first time in a long time, it appears Calloway is just the better team out of the two rivals. But don't count the Lady Marshals out, the orange and blue are likely all that stand between Calloway and another Sweet Sixteen berth.

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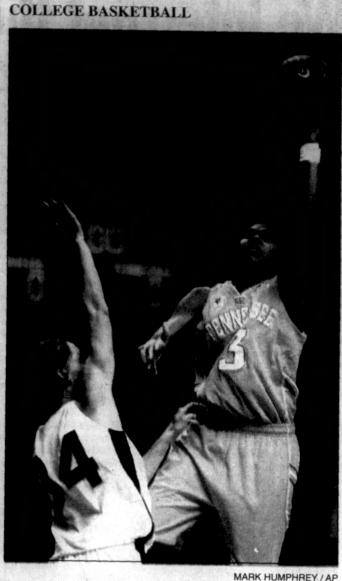
tead coach: Scott Sivills Record: 23-5 (6-0) Cey components: Rachel Adams (15.0 ppg, 7.9 pg), Kayla Cunningham (13.4 ppg, 7.1 rpg), Averee Fields (10.9 ppg), Sam Butts (4.4 apg). Dutlook: Undefeated in district play, the Lady Lakers ire the team to beat. Calloway has all the pieces in value for another run at a region title — three versa-lie six-footers, a capable point guard and a pair of whooters who have found the hot hand as of late. It vill take a perfect game from an opponent to knock

will take a perfect game from an opponent to kn off Calloway at this point.

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Tennessee's All-American forward Candace Parker (3) shoots over the reach of Vanderbilt's Christina Wirth (34) in the first half

of a college basketball game in Nashville, Tenn., in this Feb. 17, 2008 file photo. Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said Thursday Feb. 21, 2008 the junior will graduate at the end of this season and wants to play in the Beijing Olympics and pursue a pro career.

# On to bigger & better

#### **ALL-AMERICAN CANDACE PARKER TO** SKIP SENIOR SEASON AT TENNESSEE

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) --Candace Parker, the All-American forward who made dunking in women's basketball almost commonplace, has ended all the speculation.

Parker, the first woman to win a national slam dunk contest, is skipping her final season at Tennessee for the chance to play professionally.

her another year." Summitt said. "Who wouldn't?"

The 6-foot-4 Naperville, Ill., native leads the team in scoring with 20.6 points per game and rebounds with 8.8 per game and is one of six women to have dunked in the college game.

Sacramento Monarchs guard and former Lady Vol' Kara Lawson said Parker's experience at Tennessee has prepared her to play at the professional level. "Playing for coach Summitt, the opportunity to play with the players they have there, the tough non-conference schedule all gets you ready," she said. "You look at the success of the players who have gone there and what they've done at the next level."

"When I signed onto this job 12 years ago, I knew very well what district I'd be said Turner, whose team faces in.' Calloway Monday night. "In my opinion, one of the top five teams in the region is left out of the region tournament almost every year from our district. I don't think that's necessarily the case this year, but you just have to play the hand you're dealt."

"For Turner's Lady Tigers, that hand looks something like this. Barring a major upset, Murray will be staying home for the upcoming First Region Tournament. If the field was determined based on overall records, the Lady Tigers would own a mark of 4-2 against First Region tourney participants outside of the 4th District.

The region's Sweet Sixteen representative has come out of the 4th District for the past two seasons, and all signs point to a three-peat for the region's easternmost district. No team in the region has shown it has the ability to match Calloway or Marshall County - the Lady Lakers own a 13-0 record in region play while the Lady

Tuesday night in first-round district tournament play at Marshall County's Reed-Conder Gymnasium.

For the Lady Lakers' part, it might be tempting to look ahead to a third meeting with Marshall this season, but head coach Scott Sivills knows his team can't afford to take anything for granted.

"I'm the kind of coach that really hates looking ahead," Sivills said. "I've seen too many teams look ahead and get snakebitten because they weren't prepared. We have to take it one game at a time.'

The Lady Lakers have blown out Murray in both regular season meetings this year, but the Lady Tigers showed marks of improvement on defense in the second meeting, holding Calloway below its average point total for the season at 59.

Marshall also owns a 2-0 mark over CCA, but the Lady Warriors proved they can hang around with the Lady Marshals in a 13-point loss in Paducah on Jan. 12.

Marshall will take on somewhat of a dif-See DISTRICT, 3B

## COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN

Head coch: Mary Lee Evers Record: 18-6 (3-4) Key components: Carl McMullen (11.4 ppg, 6.3 rpg). Maggie Fort (8.9 rpg). Outlook: CCA has one advantage over Murray that

makes it more competitive against the bigger schools — its height. The Lady Warriors have battled in games against both Marshall and Calloway this sea-son, but the bigger schools' depth has proven to be too much, bolstering them to double-digit wins in

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components: Haley Annaverse in the soundly man (11.7 ppg). pole: The Lady Tigers have been beaten soundly be palloway and Marshall this season, but they be red signs of improvement in the second go-nd against both squads. Murray simply doesn't the height and athleticism to match up with the p Lakers, but a strong showing would give the ng team momentum for next season. Lady Lak

"This was the most difficult decision I've ever had to make, but my family and I think this is the best choice for me," said Parker. "I've been blessed with great coaches and teammates, an outstanding education and the best women's basketball crowd support in the country. I will miss Tennessee, but I am eager to take this next step in my career.'

The redshirt junior will graduate at the end of this season and plans to participate in the summer Olympics and pursue a professional career, Tennessee coach Pat Summitt said. Parker redshirted her freshman season to recover from surgeries to repair a torn knee ligament.

Parker will be honored as part of the third-ranked Lady Volunteers' senior night activities before the Feb. 28 game against Florida.

"Obviously we'd love to have

In 2004 Parker beat five male competitors to win the slam dunk contest as part of the McDonald's High School All-American Game.

Since then she has dunked seven times, becoming the first women's player to go above the rim twice during a game and in a NCAA tournament game.

After leading the Lady Volunteers to their seventh national championship last season, Parker played with the U.S. national team during her summer break as the team earned its 2008 Olympic bid.

#### ACCENTURE MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP



ROSS D. FRANKLIN / AP Tiger Woods watches his tee shot on No. 14 during the second round of the Accenture Match Play Golf Championship tournament at The Gallery Golf Club at Dove Mountain, in Marana, Ariz., Thursday.

# Woods, Stricker only top seeds left MICKELSON SENT PACKING AFTER DAY 1 OF MATCH PLAY

MARANA, Ariz. (AP) - Jonathan Byrd has played only 27 holes in his two rounds at the Accenture Match Play Championship. Defending champion Henrik Stenson played almost that many in one day.

Paul Casey had to make nine birdies in the opening round to win on the 18th hole. He followed that by making only two birdies and didn't even have to play the 18th hole.

No one ever said match play was fair. Just ask Phil Mickelson.

"Unfortunately, I just didn't shoot low enough," Mickelson said after playing the second-best round among 32 players Thursday at Dove Mountain. Trouble was, he was playing Stuart Appleby, who had the best round. Appleby made his ninth birdie

on the 17th hole for a 2-and-1 victory that sent Mickelson packing.

When the dust settled in the high desert, Tiger Woods and Steve Stricker were the only ones left among the top eight seeds in his wacky, wonderful tournament.

Woods was on the ropes in the opening round until a birdie-birdie-eagle stretch late in the day allowed him to escape. He had no such worries against Arron Oberholser, building a quick lead and disposing of him in a 3-and-2 victory.

"Match play is an animal that's all about the moment," Woods said. "It's not about building toward Sunday. If you don't play well, you're going home.'

Only 16 players were remaining going

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into the third round Friday, some of them lucky to still be around.

K.J. Choi played 19 holes in even par, Against anyone else on a sunny, breezy day north of Tucson, he would have lost. Just his luck he was playing Ian Poulter, who said recently that when he lived up to his potential, he would be the only one capable of challenging Woods. Poulter apparently is not there yet.

Stricker feels fortunate, too.

True, he has not fallen behind on a single hole through two matches, but both matches went 20 holes. His was the most exciting of the second round against Hunter Mahan, a partner in the Presidents Cup when they won two of three matches.

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# We interrupt this program ...

#### COACHES NOT THRILLED ABOUT BRACKETBUSTER INFRINGING ON CONFERENCE SLATE

#### By MICHAEL DANN Sports Editor

Murray State is in the thick of a tightly contested Ohio Valley Conference race with just two games remaining on their regular season schedule.

Indiana Sate, meanwhile, sits in sixth place in an always competitive Missouri Valley Conference schedule with just as many games left on the docket as the Racers.

Still, the two will take a back seat to conference play Saturday when they play each other in the ESPN BracketBuster at the Regional Special Events Center around 6 p.m.

The decision isn't one that sits well with either coach, especially first-year Sycamore coach Kevin McKenna who says the interruption impedes on what's really more important: competing for a conference title.

However, there are five teams from the MVC playing in the BracketBuster and all will be televised, with the exception of MSU and ISU.

Still, that in itself is enough promotion for McKenna to buy into the ideology of playing in the event.

"As far as interruption in the conference schedule, yeah, I think it's a distraction in that regard to a degree, but it's basketball and you're playing against motivated kids and it's another game that you get to play on your schedule," he said.

Kennedy follows the same form of logic as McKenna, saying the BracketBuster game throws a curve ball into scheduling because a team has to block off three days to play the game.

What bothers the second year Racer coach the most, is how much it gives other teams in the OVC, namely one of MSU's upcoming opponents, UT Martin, time to prepare for them when they play in the regular season finale.

"It's interesting that we play Indiana State and I think. Tennessee Martin plays a Bracket Buster game this weekend and then they get two weeks to prepare for us. I'm not excited about that," Kennedy added.

"I think that's an advantage for them. I don't think in our conference schedule there was anywhere where we would have two weeks to prepare for someone. I don't know how fair it is. I haven't really looked at anyone else's schedule, but when I saw that last weekend, I said Tennessee Martin, they don't play another conference game until they play us in two weeks. Again, that could be a negative for them. I hope it is. It's different."

The Trees are led by Gabe Moore, a 6foot-1, 190-pound senior guard out of Little Rock, Ark.

Moore is 15th in the Missouri Valley Conference in scoring with 11.7 points per game in 25 games thus far.

Moore has connected on 92-of-193 shots for a .477 field goal shooting percentage, which ranks him ninth in the MVC and he's 27-of-63 from behind the arc for a .420 3point field goal percentage.

He's also third in the valley in terms of assists with 116 this season, good enough for 4.64 a game.

At the free throw line, Moore is 81-of-100 (81 percent) and leads the league in steals with 55 this season and picks the pocket of opponents about 2.20 per game.

As for the Sycamores, who are currently 8-8 in the Valley and 13-13 overall, they sit in sixth place, behind league-leading Drake, which is followed by Illinois State, Southern Illinois, Creighton and Bradley.

After Indiana State, Northern Iowa, Missouri State, Wichita State and Evansville round out the bottom four.

ISU is the sixth best scoring team in the Valley, averaging 64.4 a game. Meanwhile they are the MVC's eighth-best defensive team, giving up 65.6 a game.

Percentage-wise, Indiana State ranks close to the bottom in both field goal percentage (ninth, .418 percent), 3-point field goal percentage (ninth, .334) and field goal percentage defense (ninth, .454).

They are ninth in the league in terms of offensive rebounding and rank ninth in terms of defensive rebounding.

What stands out the most for the Sycamores is the fact that away from their own friendly confines of the Hullman Center in Terre Haute, Ind., the team is 1-12 on the road.

Murray State is currently 11-1 at the RSEC this season with the only loss coming Dec. 5 to Eastern Kentucky. The Racers have won eight straight non-conference games at home dating back to their loss to Southern Illinois on Dec. 28, 2005. Kennedy is 6-0.

The Racers trail the all-time series with Indiana State 6-2, but won their last meeting in 2002 by a 85-39 count at the RSEC.

Indiana State enters Saturday's affair fresh off an impressive overtime win Wednesday, 83-73, over Wichita State in a



TOM STRATTMAN / AP Indiana State's Todd McCoy (34) dribbles around Drake's Jonathon Cox (31) during the first half earlier in the month in Terre Haute, Ind.

contest that saw the Trees trail by as many as 21 points in the second half.

It's building that winner's mentality that still has McKenna trying to breed a competitive team in his first season guiding the Sycamores.

"We are strong at the guard position and we are a defensive guard orientated team," he said. "We're a little bit of a streaky shooting team. We've got some young kids that are coming along but it's still a process. We just haven't had a whole lot of success around here lately. It's a mindset change that we have to go through. We're fighting through some of that right now."

McKenna claims he saw "bits and pieces" of Murray State's game with Eastern Kentucky on ESPNU, but hasn't paid much attention to the Racers with his team playing a game every second or third day.



Busting Out Saturday night's tilt marks the fourth time the Racers (3-0) have participated in the ESPN event. Murray State has wins over Rice (2005), Illinois-Chicago

(2006) and Rider (2007). The Ohio Valley Conference is 9-16 all-time in BracketBuster games and are 5-6 at home, while going 4-10 on the road.

Austin Peay has competed in the most events (4), while Murray State (3-0) and UT Martin (2-0) have the best record in the event. This year's 28 ESPN BracketBuster

This year's 28 ESPN BracketBuster teams represent 11 conferences. The BracketBuster concept developed because of the success of teams from these conferences in NCAA Tournament play over the past years, providing participating programs with an opportunity to play a top non-conference opponent approximately three weeks prior to Selection Sunday. Each conference selected their participating teams prior to the season and the matchups for the event were determined by ESPN in conjunction with the conferences.

#### Looking for 20

The Racers are within shouting distance of another 20-win campaign. MSU has won 20 or more in 11 of the last 19 seasons. Billy Kennedy has two in his previous nine seasons as a head coach.

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**MURRAY STATE** 

He's had five in 22 seasons in college basketball.

Kevin McKenna remains the only person in league history to win an MVC regular season title, MVC Tournament St

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son title, MVC Tournament title, NBA Championship and CBA crown. McKenna ended his col-

McKenna legiate career at Creighton with exactly 1,500 points and was drafted in the fourth round of the 1981 draft by the Los Angeles Lakers. He was a member of the Lakers' 1982 NBA championship team, playing alongside Magic Johnson, Kareem Abdul Jabar and James Worthy among others.

McKenna also played for Indiana, New Jersey and Washington during a sixyear NBA career.

Following his NBA career, McKenna helped the La Crosse Catbirds to the 1989-90 CBA Championship as a player and assistant coach. He then served as the head coach and director of basketball operations for the CBA's Sioux Falls Skyforce from 1990-93. He spent time as a regional scout for the Washington Bullets in 1993-94 before returning to Creighton as an assistant to Dana Altman in 1994.

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# Back in the saddle

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#### Staff Report

Murray State University's Intercollegiate Horse Show Association Stock Team recently finished the Region 1 Zone 5 regular season competition on top. Murray State won the region after leading all season long.

The season consists of eight shows with teams from Tennessee, Mississippi, and western Kentucky. Murray State was led by open rider Morgan Roberts, who was the region high point rider and automatically qualifies for Nationals in Burbank, Calif.

The MSU equestrian team will compete in Canyon, Texas, at the semifinals March 29 and try for a team spot at Nationals. Murray State also qualified 12 individuals for the regional competition to be held at Middle Tennessee State University in March.



Members of the MSU Equestrian team pose after winning the Region 1 Zone 5 regular season championship.



courtesy of Samantha Erwin Murray State equestrian rider Morgan Roberts rides at a recent event. Roberts has led the MSU squad to a Zone 5 regular season championship. She was the high point rider in Region 1, consisting of the Southeastern United States, and automatically qualified as an individual for Nationals in Burbank, Calif. The MSU team will compete for a team berth to Nationals at the semifinals in Canyon, Texas on March 29.

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# Indiana mum on Sampson's fate

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Indiana coach Kelvin Sampson may already know his fate.

The college basketball world is still waiting for a clear answer.

University officials met repeatedly throughout the day and debated late into the night what to do about the major allegations surrounding Sampson and the Indiana program. The Hoosiers have not been guilty of a major NCAA infraction since 1960.

Even players weren't immune to the process.

Following a scheduled 3 p.m. team meeting to discuss compliance issues Thursday, Hoosiers left without comment. They met later with athletic director Rick Greenspan and left as a group without saying a word about 7:45 p.m. Greenspan remained holed up in his office late into the night, and his family brought him a pillow.

The question was whether

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ferent role in this season's district tournament. Usually the hunted, the Lady Marshals will take on the role of underdog to Calloway's established supremacy.

"I think Calloway has the edge," Turner said. "Their inside-out game is exceptional, Sampson will still be coaching No. 15 Indiana when the team faces Northwestern on Saturday night, and even the university's board of trustees was unaware of a decision.

"I don't believe the athletic director has even given the recommendation to the president yet," trustee Patrick Shoulders said.

Sampson is accused of making improper phone calls, then providing false and misleading information to investigators from both the university and the NCAA.

University spokesman Larry MacIntyre and trustees denied reports all day that Indiana had already decided Sampson's fate and would make assistant coach Dan Dakich the interim head coach.

Another trustee, Philip Eskew Jr., told The Associated Press he had been notified by e-mail Indiana would have an announcement on Sampson's status Friday but did not have details.

especially with Shelby and Meagan shooting the ball as well as they've shot it recently. And you've got their big three (Kayla Cunningham, Rachel Adams and Averee Fields) to take care of everything else. Definitely at this point, you have to give them the nod."

# Arkansas in solid shape, but no lock yet for NCAAs

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) Butch Pierre was quick to compliment Arkansas after the Razorbacks drubbed his team by 26 points. The LSU coach said the Hogs could advance deep into the NCAA tournament.

defended its home court with ease again Wednesday night, routing LSU 87-61. The Razorbacks have won their last four home games by an average of 18 points, and there's probably not a team in the country that

Away from home, Arkansas has been ordinary at best. That's why nobody should take an NCAA berth for granted.

Last season, the situation was even more dire. The Razorbacks needed a late run to the SEC tour-



Arkansas coach John Pelphrey was almost speechless when he heard about Pierre's comments.

"We aspire for those things to happen," Pelphrey said. "But we've played 25 games. We've got to focus on 26."

The Razorbacks are in better shape than they were last year at this time, but with five games remaining in the regular season, bey haven't locked up an NCAA ad just yet. The next couple of reeks should go a long way ward determining whether arkansas becomes an obvious hoice for the field of 65 or a ream on the bubble for the secred straight season.

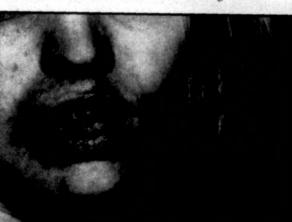
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#### LookingBack

#### 10 years ago

Published is a picture of Kory Cunningham practicing her lines as Laura Holt listens and waits her turn during the Calloway County Middle School Roman Festival rehearsals at the school. The photo was by Staff Photographer Bernard Kane

Births reported include a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Terry Alan Odom, Feb. 8; a girl to Dara and Richey Gills, Feb. 18.

Murray State University Racers won 86-78 and Lady Racers won 68-60 over Austin Peay Governors in basketball games. High scorers for Murray were Detri Mayes and Danelle Watts.

#### 20 years ago

Published is a picture of Tracy Banks, senior, being crowned as Calloway County High School Homecoming Basketball Queen prior to Lakers game who won 48-41 over Heath Pirates with Chad Stubblefield as high scorer for the Lakers. Attendants to the queen were Lisa Glassco, DeAnn McCuiston, Angela Woods, Melinda Butterworth and Jennifer Geurin.

Births reported include a boy to Angela and David Norville and a girl to Linda and Phillip Rich, Feb. 15; a girl to Michelle and Randal Bowden and a girl to Deborah and Dale Adams, Feb. 16. 30 years ago

Published is a picture of Lowell Palmer of Calloway County being presented a special service award in recognition of his completing a two-year term as a member of the Kentucky Extension Advisory Council at a meeting in Lexington

Births reported include a girl to Mr and Mrs. Alan Thomas Camp, Feb. 6.

In high school basketball games. Murray Tigers won 63-62 over

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Symsonia Rough Riders with Frank Gilliam high scorer for Murray; Calloway Lakers won 55-53 and Lady Lakers lost 43-41 with Fulton County with Laker high scorers being Olive and Ross.

#### 40 years ago Army Specialist Four Larry D.

Nimmo received the Good Conduct Medal in January while assigned to 36th Artillery near Wietheim, Germany. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi T. Nimmo.

In high school basketball games. Calloway County Lakers won 58-52 over Heath Pirates with Stan Key high scorer for the Lakers; Murray Tigers lost 72-71 to Lone Oak Purple Flash with Allan Beane high scorer for the Tigers.

The Murray High School Symphonic Band will present a concert tonight at 7 p.m. at the school with Phil Shelton as director. 50 years ago

Jack Bryan, superintendent of the Murray Natural Gas System, reported that the system now as 632 customers with 1,000 expected by next year at the meeting of the Murray City Council.

Elected as officers of the Murray State College Industrial Arts Club were Willie Jackson of Almo, president; Richard Grogan of New Concord, vice president; Paul Wise of Nortonville, secretary; and Holmes Ellis Jr. of Murray, publicity chairman.

#### 60 years ago

The Murray Rotary Club will plant a white oak tree in the courtyard in Murray tomorrow in honor of Paul Harris, founder of Rotary Club committee members are S.V Foy, C.O. Bondurant and A. Car man, assisted by Mason Ross and Hall McCuiston. Ann Elizabeth Randolph and

Samuel G. Whitaker were married Feb 21

## **COMICS / FEATURES**

## Fiancee feels she can't ever measure up to man's late wife

DEAR ABBY: I have been engaged to a widower I'll call "Grant" for about a year. Grant's wife, "Lilly," has been gone for 15 years. He talks about her frequently, which is OK with me. Lilly was an important part of his life for a long time

My problem is, I feel I can never quite measure . up to When her. we're out in public, he frequently **Dear Abby** refers to "his

late wife," which By Abigail makes me a Van Buren

bit uncomfortable. Recently he told me in conversation, "Do I wish I had never met you and Lilly was still alive? Absolutely!" It came out of the blue and hit me like a lead balloon.

I understand that Grant wishes his late wife were still alive. but did he have to say, "Do I wish I had never met you?" He is also critical of me and puts me down rather often. When I became upset about his comment, he acted like I Ato ask other people to join the was overreacting and overly sensitive

I feel so hurt. I don't even know if I want to be with Grant anymore. Please give me some advice. My selfesteem is at an all-time low, and I am very depressed. --UNDERVALUED IN PANA- MA CITY, FLA. DEAR UNDERVALUED: Is it possible that your fiance's comment was in response to something you said to him? (Example: "Grant, you bring up Lilly so often it makes me feel like you wish you had never met me ...")

It appears your fiance isn't particularly sensitive to your feelings and isn't likely to change. However, what troubles me more about your letter than the fact that Grant lacks tact and often refers to his late wife -- with whom he obviously had a lot of history -- is the fact that he puts you down and then blames you for reacting. If this is what you would tolerate in a husband, then you're a glutton for punishment.

DEAR ABBY: We recently invited friends to join us at a special event plus dinner. As plans are coming together, I find that their adult children and spouses have been invited to join us.

Am I wrong in thinking when you invite your friends to a special event, dinner, etc., that it's inconsiderate for them party? If I had wanted to spend the evening with their children -- or anybody else -- I'd have included them, but I didn't. I wanted to spend the evening with the people with whom I initiated the plans.

I'm hoping my letter will be published and those folks will recognize themselves. I still plan to go and will grin and bear it, but it's frustrating. What is your advice? -- REAL-ANNOYED, ALBU-LY QUERQUE, N.M.

DEAR REALLY ANNOYED: Please do not rely too heavily on the people you mentioned reading your letter and recognizing themselves. Dear Abby readers are considerate, and the majority of them abide by the rules of etiquette -- at least the major-

ity of the time. What your guests did was extremely presumptuous. Perhaps they don't recognize that their "children" are individuals and not simply extensions of themselves. You are a good sport to go along with their co-opting your evening, but the next time you invite them out, state plainly that you want it to be "just the four of you." No need to be nasty -- just clarify

••• Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mo

Stent implant leaves

# reader breathless

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many

When I

2006, I had a stent implanted in my heart. Since that time, I have had shortness of breath. I also occasionally have to stop and take one or several deep

down stairs and more

Dr. Gott

visited my By heart special-Dr. Peter Gott ist following my surgery and told him about the situation, he would only say it was anxiety. He continued to ignore my list of incidences and maintained it was anxiety. I have had anxiety before on various occasions, such as when my car was totaled, but I never had to stop and take deep breaths. I explained that this only began after my stent surgery and that I thought it was something other than anxiety.

Should I ask for a second opinion, or is this normal after receiving a stent? Do I just have to live with it?

I have had a chemical thallium chloride stress test. To quote from my family doctor's report, it said "No definite evidence for ischemia on today's examination." I hope this helps you to help me.

DEAR READER: Shortness

#### **ContractBridge**

1. You are declarer with the West hand at Four Hearts. North leads the A-K-Q of diamonds, South follow-ing suit, and shifts to the ten of clubs. You cover with the queen and win South's king with the ace. How would you continue?

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leads a trump. South takes the ace and returns a trump. North following suit. How would you continue? West East

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1. If you were to draw trumps now, the outcome would depend entirely upon winning four spade tricks instead of the three that are in plain view. The probability of finding the spades divided 3-3, or either opponent with the singleton or doubleton jack, is only slightly better than 50 percent.

You can greatly enhance your chances by first cashing the A-Q of hearts. If both opponents follow suit, you next cash the K-A of spades,

of breath can be a sign of ineffective contractions of the heart muscle, known as congestive heart failure. It can also reflect anemia and lung problems such as blood clots, emphysema and other disorders. Although your heart workup was normal, you need further testing, and I agree that a second opinion is in order. Ask your family doctor to refer you to an internal-medicine specialist.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Coronary Artery Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, stamped No. 10 envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, PO Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I consider Vicks VapoRub a wonder drug because I have used it successfully in many ways. However, I have found that storebrand versions work just as well. I use Wal-Mart's Equate medicated chest rub instead of Vicks VapoRub. It costs less and works just as well.

I have used it for nail fungus, athlete's foot, jock itch and various insect bites and stings. No medicine cabinet is complete without it. Thanks for recommending it in the first place.

DEAR READER: If the store brands work as well as Vicks, so much the better. Thank you for the tip.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Compelling Home Remedies."

then ruff a low spade with a high trump. Now a heart to the king allows you to discard two clubs on the Q-10 of spades, making the contract whether the opposing spades are divided 3-3 or 4-2. Of course, if the trumps turn out to

be divided 4-1 or 5-0, you should fin-ish drawing them at once and stake the outcome on a favorable spade division.

2. This is one of those cases where making the contract is certain regardless of how the opponents' cards are divided. All you need to do is to prepare for the possibility that North might have the king and queen of spades, and that one opponent might have four or more hearts headed by the gueen.

You start by cashing the A-K of clubs and K-A of hearts. Next you lead a spade from dummy, planning to play the ten if South follows low (If South produces the queen or king of spades instead, your worries are over, since you can win with the ace and concede a spade trick.)

Let's assume the ten of spades loses to the king or queen. In that case, North would hand you the contract if he returned either a spade or a club. If he leads a heart instead, he cannot do so without establishing at least one heart trick in dummy on which you can deposit your other spade loser.

#### By The Associated Press Today is Friday, Feb. 22, the 53rd day of 2008. There are 313

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 22, 1732, the first president of the United States, George Washington, was born at his parents' plantation in the Virginia Colony The state

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In 1892, "Lady Windermere's Fan" by Oscar Wilde was first performed, at London's St. James

Theater In 1924, President Coolidge delivered the first radio broadcast from the White House as he

In 1865, Tennessee adopted a new constitution that included the

addressed the country over 42 stations In 1935, it became illegal for

airplanes to fly over the White In 1967, more than 25,000 U.S. and South Vietnamese troops launched Operation Junction City, aimed at smashing a Vietcong stronghold near the Cambodian

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In 1973, the United States and China agreed to establish liaison offices

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