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Saturday, May 15, 2004

Underhill case to go to grand jury

By KRISTIN TAYLOR Staff Writer

The grand jury will hear the case involving a Hardin man who is charged with attempted murder because three law enforcement officers were exposed to anhydrous ammonia during a recent drug

Charles Lloyd Underhill is charged with two counts of

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der of a police

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ed manufacture of methamphetamine and possession of anhydrous ammonia Underhill with the intent to manufacture methamphetamine. He was arrested April 30 after a brief foot pursuit by

police. Calloway District Judge Jeanné Carroll heard testimony from County Sheriff's Detective Chris Vaden and Marshall County Sheriff's Chief Deputy David Maddox during Underhill's preliminary hearing Friday morning.

Tri-County Area Drug Task Force officers were attempting to serve a Marshall County arrest warrant to Underhill for methamphetaminerelated offenses at a Riveria Courts residence in Calloway County, Vaden said. The warrant charges him with possession of methamphetamine pre cursor, first-degree possession of a controlled substance (meth) and possession of drug para- See Page 2A

According to Vaden, when officers from the task force - including Calloway and Marshall sheriff's departments and Murray and Benton police department - approached the residence, they noticed an odor of ether, which is consistent with methamphetamine manufacturing. Officers knocked on the door multiple times, but no one answered.

Vaden said officers also saw meth-related paraphernalia in the back of a 1971 Ford pick-up truck, which they later discovered was recently sold to the co-defendent in the case, Ronnie Sharp Jr. Another vehicle at the mobile home, Vaden said, belonged to Underhill's girlfriend, whose father owns the residence and had given his daughter and Underhill permission to stay there for the past couple of months.

Maddox and fellow deputy Dan Melone entered the residence after obtaining a search warrant for the property. "There was no doubt who was entering the residence," Maddox said. "We announced 'sheriff's department, search warrant, drug task force' when we came in."

The two deputies and deputy Russ Kegel, who was entering the door while the others were already inside, were exposed to anhydrous ammonia when Underhill and Sharp allegedly opened a tank of the meth ingredient, the officers testified

"I saw a flash of movement and a cloud came toward my face.'

Sheep-ish Look

A Mission of Remembrance

By JOHN WRIGHT

Staff Writer

In the early 1940s, young men and women from Kentucky were thrust into a war that had the whole world's future at stake.

In May of 2004, some of those people took one more mission related to what came to be known a, simply, the Big One- World War II. Only this time, there was no enemy awaiting them on the beaches of Normandy or on islands in the South Pacific.

No, this mission was purely about recognition and seeing a memorial in Washington, D.C., dedicated to each and every one of

"It was just a beautiful sight. I'd recommend anybody to make that trip," said Murray's Mancil Vinson, 78, who served with the United States Army Air Corps in the war and was one of five Calloway County veterans to be part of a 17bus Bluegrass entourage that visited the National World War II Memorial last week at a time it still is not open to the public. More than 500 Kentucky veterans attended.

"I had a good time with the guys. While I would be on the bus, though, I'd read a book, 'Pogue's War,' by Forrest Pogue (an alum of Murray State College, who documented the travails of such Allied leaders as Gen. George Marshall and Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower). I've got to tell you, reading that while traveling made me appreciate those boys more...they had such a difficult time."

The path for this journey even happening was not easy, either. The brainchild of Ballard County resident Sandy Hart, the trip to D.C. required more than just a lot of money...more than \$400,000 to be exact. It took the efforts of residents and businesses from throughout the Bluegrass, as well as her own fortitude to even make the trip; a few days before it started, her doctor wanted her hospitalized because of

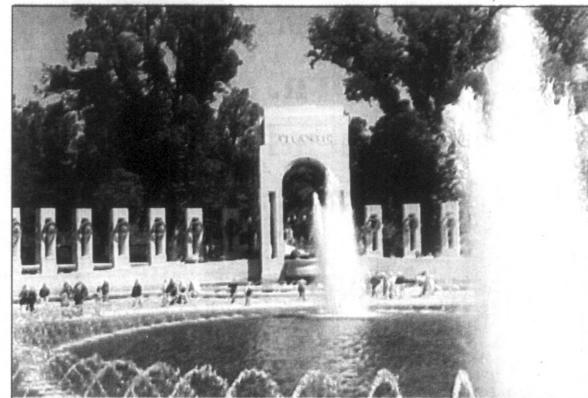


Photo courtesy of Jim Armbruste The fountains of the National World War II Memorial made for a striking sight for the large group of Kentucky veterans that paid a visit to the Washington landmark last

Photo Courtesy of Mancil Vinson Murray's Randolph Story, left, and Mancil Vinson, middle, stand with Murray native Joe Morton, now of Dukedom, below the Kentucky monument of the National World War fl Memorial in Washington last week

a heart condition that had sent her blood pressure dangerously high. She got a prescription.

"So many people pulled together. It was just overwhelming," Hart said Tuesday afternoon from her



home, where she is still recovering from a journey that presented many twists and turns. "Nobody, though, was more pleased than I with how it

turned out." There was, however, one thing

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The following are events which may be of interest to the

community ■ The South 641 Water District will flush hydrants Sunday. Customers are advised not to wash clothes until water runs

The Murray-Calloway County Park Board will be Monday at 6 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce. A committee report on construction and planning is noted on the agenda, among other items

■ The Calloway County Fiscal Court will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Weaks Center. Items include presentations from the Rape Crisis Center, Playhouse in the Park, the Murray-Calloway County Park, Murray Art Guild, Murray Electric Systems, as well as an executive session.

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East Calloway Elementary School kindergartner Dewey Thompson gets an up-close encounter with fresh sheep's fur during a station stop at the Calloway County 4-H Farm Day that was held Friday morning at the West Kentucky Expo Center.

Brown vs. Board of Education

Landmark case still impacts lives

By KRISTIN TAYLOR Staff Writer

State University Murray President Dr. F. King Alexander knows he has benefited from diversity in public schools — both as a student growing up in Florida and as an educator. But he's not alone because the landmark Brown vs. Board of Education decision impacted more than the black-andwhite controversy in the classroom.

"I am a beneficiary of this ruling," Alexander said. "I never stepped foot into a classroom that wasn't desegregated when I was growing up.

Oliver L. Brown et. al. vs. The Board of Education of Topeka (Kan.) began more five decades ago when parents and children wanted equal opportunity for public education. Today education struggles with a different type of segregation, Joseph De Laine Jr. told-an audience of mostly teachers, superintendents, college professors and other educators at Murray State University.

De Laine said public education has made progress in integrating races in classrooms, but other

dividers have since surfaced Sometimes division is between the "haves and have nots," he said. Other times poor white students do not have the same opportunities as children from wealthier families.

"You have wealthy school districts that aren't suffering like poor school districts. That goes for blacks and whites," De Laine said. "...That's something our society leaves out. We need to look at every facet of our society and address the

Fifty years ago this spring — on May 17, 1954 — the federal court issued a unanimous decision that said separating public school children based on race violated the 14th Amendment. The university has celebrated that ruling this semester and concluded its' recognition of the case's continued importance with its Sparks Lecture on Friday afternoon in Alexander Hall.

De Laine is on the President George W. Bush-appointed 50th Anniversary Commission and is the son of a minister and former educa-

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mostly clear with lows in the 50s. Sunday will be partly cloudy with highs in the apper 70s

> Monday will be partly cloudy

Sheriff'sLog

Calloway County Sheriff's Department

A helmet was reported stolen at 5:33 p.m. Thursday from Almo Road

 A caller from Cohoon Road reported windows busted out of trailer and shed at 6:56 p.m. Thursday. An incident report was filed.

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

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Jury ...

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Maddox said. "Having some experience in meth manufacturing, I assumed it was anhydrous ammonia, so I held my breath."

A Benton police officer took Maddox to Marshall County Hospital emergency room, where he was treated and released later that day. An ambulance transported Kegel to Murray-Calloway County Hospital, where he was treated and also released. Melone did not seek medical attention. Vaden said this incident of exposure to anhydrous ammonia did not cause any lasting effects, but in general the chemical can burn the lining of someone's throat if inhaled or even be fatal.

"I had difficulty seeing," said Maddox, who added he was probably exposed to the ammonia for no more than five seconds before he left the residence. "My eyes were scratchy for a couple of days. I lost my sense of smell for a couple of

Underhill and Sharp escaped the residence, police said. Kegel apprehended Underhill not far from the mobile home, but Sharp evaded law enforcement agencies until he was arrested May 8 in Grenada County,

Judge Carroll said at the hearing that Sharp and Underhill should have no contact once Sharp is extradited to Kentucky. Underhill remains in the Calloway County jail on a \$100,000 cash bond for the Calloway charges and a \$10,000 cash bond for the Marshall County

Corn, soybean ahead of schedule

By IRA DREYFUSS Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The nation's soybean supply could bounce back from current scant stocks if this year's harvest lives up to expectations, Agriculture Department said Wednesday

The department projected production to rise 23 percent to almost 3 billion bushels.

The result may be a record supply of soybeans, a turnaround from the lowest beginning stocks since 1977, USDA said.

Poor rainfall and attacks by aphids last year cut into the crop, and combined with strong demand to push down supplies.

The department forecast soybean prices at \$5.85 to \$6.85 per bushel, compared with \$7.65 per bushel from the last growing season. The department said, however, that the forecasts are "highly tentative" because they come early in the season.

Soybean planting is ahead of schedule, the USDA report said. As of the end of April, 12 percent of the crop had been planted, compared with 9 percent for last year, it said.

Taking advantage of good planting weather, corn farmers also were ahead of schedule in getting their crops in the ground, the department said.

The department said 63 percent of the corn crop had been planted by May 2, 16 percentage points ahead of last year and 23 points ahead of normal.

"Adequate soil moisture from March rains combined with warm, dry conditions in early April to create nearly ideal planting conditions," the crop report

The department projected a record corn crop of 10.4 billion bushels, up 3 percent from last year's record.

The USDA also anticipated increased export demand and domestic use. It forecast corn prices between \$2.55 and \$2.95, up 10 cents a bushel on the low end and 40 cents a bushel on the high end.

The department predicted a "significant decline" in wheat production, down 11 percent from the previous season, to 2 billion bushels.

The report said fewer acres were planted in wheat, and yields were down. The projected price range for wheat is \$3.25 to \$3.85 per bushel, compared with an estimated \$3.40 for the previous

MHS Honors



JOHN WRIGHT/Ledger & Times Photo

Friday afternoon saw more than 40 students receive recognition for their academic achievements at Murray High School. The event honored the staffs of the yearbook and newspaper, many of whom were inducted into Quill & Scroll. In addition, new members were inducted into the MHS Student Council, Beta Club and National Honors Society. Shown are many of Friday's honorees.

Case ...

From Front

tor who led Clarendon County, S.C., parents in their pursuit for equality. Harry Briggs Jr. vs. R.W. Elliott was the first of five cases that were consolidated into what become known as Brown vs. Board.

Briggs was one of 20 parents who bought the suit against Elliott, the president of the Clarendon County school board, because they wanted bus transporation for their black children like the white students had.

The suit began with a transportation request but eventually became the foundation for challenging segregation itself, De Laine said.

Other cases that became part of Brown included lawsuits in Delaware, Washington, D.C.

While the landmark decision carries the name from the Kansas case, De Laine said the political atmosphere demanded the issue take shape so it didn't seem to be a solely Southern problem. He said regardless of the name, the bulk of the facts discussed in the Supreme Court case came from his native South Carolina.

"At the time when the Briggs case came along, there was a rethinking of the strategy" De

Laine said. "The rethinking was to not file as one plantiff but as a group of plantiffs."

Filed in 1952, Briggs vs. Elliott changed Clarendon County, a poor, agrarian community. And it changed De Laine and his family, especially his father, the late Rev. Joseph A. De Laine.

This week's Newsweek magazine features a picture of De Laine, then 17 years old, and his · family at the site of his childhood home, which was burned down in 1951 as retaliation for his father's involvement in the controversial lawsuit. People magazine also discusses the case and the De Laine family in its current issue.

His father's church was vandalized. His father was threatened, including a letter that arrived Oct. 1, 1955, saying he had 10 days to leave town or die. Seven days later, an arsonist destroyed the church. There was a fatal shoot out the following day, and to this day De Laine isn't sure of the details.

From 1955 to 1971, the elder De Laine lived in New York, where state and federal courts refused to execute a South Carolina arrest warrant for himrelated to the shooting. De Laine said the warrant was finally lifted in 2000 — 26 years after his father died in 1974.

the gory details, De Laine says, but children were abused when they went to integrated schools. People were evicted from homes because of segregation-related issues.

"I feel that community paid the highest price of all the five involved in Brown vs. Board," De Laine said of his native town. "Nobody wants to address the negatives. They say, 'Tell me something nice.' We need to understand the costs and hardships that got us where we are."

While some schools struggle for adequate resources, conditions have improved since 1954. While public schools are integrated, the South has its share of private, predominately white schools. There are public schools that barely meet state standards.

"You have situations where you have kids who are not getting what they should," De Laine said.

With racial integration of schools, other advancements came among people. Women were given more equality in the workforce and disabled people have more access to services.

"I think it impacts all our lives. We've all received some benefits," he said. "...At least we are more sensitive to the people

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Community, technical college tuition rising

MAYSVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The board that oversees the state's community and technical colleges voted Friday to raise tuition by 16.5 percent for next year. The two-year institutions thus

joined in a trend. All the state's fouryear universities except Murray State had already raised tuition and fees

for the 2004-05 year. In-state tuition at the two-year schools, including fees, would increase to \$92 per credit hour, up from \$79. Out-of-state students who live in counties contiguous to Kentucky would pay \$110 per credit hour, up from \$95. The rate for other nonresidents would be \$276 per credit hour, up from \$237.

There is no credit-hour cap on tuition except at Lexington Community College, where tuition is capped at the 12-hour levels. However, its students also pay \$281 per semester in registration fees set by the University of Kentucky.

The board of regents cited a widening gap between costs and state funding as enrollment continues to increase.

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The funeral for Robert Edmond Swann will be Sunday at 4 p.m. in the chapel of J.H. Churchill Funeral Home. Dr. Wendell Ray and the Rev. George Gray will officiate. Richard Jones will be organist.

Active pallbearers will be J.B. Burkeen, John Parker, Ervin Arant, Danny Terhune, Sam Spiceland and Joe Pat Ward. An honorary group will be members of the Baraca and Fellowship Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church. Burial will follow in the Murray City

Visitation will be at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Swann Sunday.

Mr. Swann, 97, Murray, died Thursday, May 13, 2004, at 5:45 p.m. at West View Nursing Home, Murray.

He was co-owner of Swann's Food Market on South Fourth Street,

According to an interview given for the 1998 issue of Recollections, a publication of Calloway County High School, he indicated the Swann family gave 46 years of continuous service to the community through the grocery business. A total of 57 years was at various locations in West Murray and the Murray courtsquare. The last location of Swann's Food Market was in a building his father built at 208-210 S. Fourth St., at which his brother, Roy Hoffman Swann, joined them as co-owners. It is now the fellowship hall of First Baptist Church.

A veteran of World War II, he served in the Hospital Unit of the Army in Rome, Italy. He was a member of First Baptist · Church and of the Baraca Sunday School Class of the church. He had served on the Benevolent Committee at the church, a former member of Murray Chamber of Commerce and a member of Veterans of

Foreign Wars. Born Oct. 12, 1906, in Hugo, Okla., he was the son of the late Robert Swann and Adella Cook Swann. Also preceding him in death were three sisters, Ruby S. Pierre, Susan Lorene Swann and Mary E. Swann, and two brothers, Roy Hoffman Swann and William James Swann.

Survivors include one sister, Miss Louise Swann, and one sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Lou Swann, both of Murray; three nieces, Betty Herman, Ridgefield, Wash., Mrs. Evelyn Scott, Kelso, Wash., and Mrs. Dorothy Swann Jones, Murray; one nephew, Fred R. Swann, Cadiz; three greatnieces, Beth Boyle, Rebecca Wilson and Allison Swann; four greatnephews, Robert Scott, Kenneth Scott, Sterling Fry Jr. and Paul Herman; also several great-great nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Deborah Collier



Mrs. Deborah Collier, 35, Decatur, Ill., died Tuesday, May 11, 2004. She had fought an eight-year battle of pulmonary hypertension.

Born June 19, 1968, in Robinson County, N.C., she was adopted by Ken and Linda Hopkins and lived in Kentucky, Texas and Illinois. One brother, Brian Hopkins, and both of her grandfathers preceded her in death. She was a two-time president of South Shores PTA,

was an active member of Junior Welfare and Morningside Chapel Church of Christ, Decatur. She was a team captain for Relay for Life, active in Junior Achievement in Abilene, Texas, and was in the baking industry before

becoming ill. She volunteered and was a supporter of organ donation. Survivors include her husband, Calvin Collier, one daughter, Caleigh, one son, Chris, her adopted mother, Linda Davis, and adopted stepfather, Dennis Davis, all of Decatur; her adopted father, Ken Hopkins, Diamondhead, Miss.; her birth mother, Kathy Smestad, Clifton Forge, Va.; her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Lou Paschall, Paducah; her paternal grandmother, Mrs. Edison Hopkins, Coldwater community of Calloway County; many aunts, uncles and cousins.

Visitation will be today (Saturday) from noon to 2 p.m. at Morningside Chapel of Christ. The funeral will follow at 3 p.m. Tanzyus-Logan Funeral Service, Inc., Decatur, is in charge of arrangements there.

Graveside rites will be Tuesday at a cemetery in Abilene, Texas, with Elliott-Hamilton Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Jury convicts woman in antifreeze poisoning death

PERRY, Ga. (AP) - A jury convicted a former 911 operator Friday of murder in the antifreeze poisoning death of her police officer husband in March 1995

Lynn Turner, 35, was immediately sentenced to life in prison.

Turner, also a former judge's laide, sheriff's assistant and district attorney's secretary, was found guilty of killing Cobb County officer Glenn Turner, 31.

The three-week trial hinged in large part on Lynn Turner's alleged involvement in the 2001 antifreeze poisoning death of her boyfriend, Forsyth County firefighter Randy Thompson, 32.

Though not charged in that case, prosecutors won a judge's approval to draw on similarities between the two men's deaths at the trial over Glenn Turner's murder.

Lynn Turner did not take the stand in her own defense. As the ver-

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dict was read, Turner, who has been free on bail during the trial, showed no visible emotion, though she occasionally glanced at the judge and each juror. Victims' relatives cried. Sheriff's deputies then took Turner into custody. She could be eligible for parole after about 20 years under Georgia's current guidelines.

The defense has 30 days to

The conclusion does not end Turner's legal troubles. A Forsyth County grand jury will be asked next month to charge Turner with Thompson's death, a crime prosecutor Jack Mallard said could bring the death penalty.

Mission ...

From Front

Hart and the rest of the group really wish would not have happened. It came in the trip's first 24 hours when word was received that Kuttawa's James Henson had passed away from a stroke at a Lexington hospital. He had taken a fall at the Georgetown hotel where the tour stopped for the first night.

Murray's Bertha Griffin, a home health nurse traveling with her Navy veteran father Frank Knight, was among the first people to reach Henson's side.

"He wanted to go on. That's what he wanted to do so much," remembered Griffin, whose examination revealed a large contusion on Henson's thigh, along with a big hole in the wall from where his head had struck it. "He just kept saying, 'I'm alright. I'm OK,' but I told him that we really needed to go to the emergency room. He seemed fine,

The stroke apparently developed after Henson arrived at the hospital.

"He could've been home when this happened," Griffin said, noting that Henson's fight-on attitude is not unusual. "I saw the other day that 1,056, or something like that, World War II veterans are passing away a day, so they realize they don't have a whole lot longer. They're going to try to do what they feel like doing."

In the end, Henson, 83, did not get to see the nation's gift to what some call America's greatest generation. For the others, though, the memorial itself was not the only big memory on the mission.

year, the group's visit to the Holocaust Museum was quite strik-

"Some of the boys I talked to had been POWs, so that was something that caught my attention," Knight said, noting one of his more vivid memories from that tour. "There was this boxcar like you have on a train, but this one was smaller than usual. They called it a mini boxcar, and they said (the German Nazis) stuffed 80 people into those things and would move them from concentration camp to concentration camp. Heck, you can't even fit 40 people into a big one, much less 80.

"That was one of the things I'd been looking forward to, because I just wanted to see for myself if what we had heard was real. Well, I found

Hart said one thing she will never forget was the visit to Arlington National Cemetery the day before the visit to the memorial, where it is believed history was made by the Kentucky delegation. Five members of the group were allowed to participate in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; four is the usual maximum.

There, the idea of veterans helping veterans also was displayed. _

"It was raining that afternoon, and the guy I was rooming with, well, all he had was a sweater," said Murray's Randolph Story, 79, an Army vet. 'And it wasn't warm (Hart, in fact, feared a rash of pneumonia), so I had a poncho and a hat with me and I loaned him that. It was the least I could do."

Story's kindness was demonstrated less than 24 hours after the group For Knight, who turns 80 this had experienced more selflessness,

In one of the most poignant moments of the journey, a group of Kentucky World War II veterans helped place a wreath near the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery near Washington.

courtesy of a Veterans of Foreign Wars post in Westover, W.Va. There, the entire 800-plus person contingent was treated to dinner by people that did not even know them, but knew of their mission.

'We were treated like royalty. Somehow, they managed to feed everybody, and they made enough that some people were going through the line again. And it was good food, too," said Murray's Al Cutini, 77,

who was a corpsman in the Navy. For many of the veterans, this proved to be their first-ever visit to

the nation's capital. That was not

exactly true of Murray's Jim Armbruster, though,

"I'd passed through Washington once...in 1943, on the way to Miami Beach," såid the 80-year-old, remembering a train ride that took him to his base for basic training with the Air Corps. "This time, I was able to actually see it.

"This was kind of the same thing, though These were the kind of fellows I was with on the troop train then. Everybody had the same goal then. We all had the same goal this time, too. I enjoyed every minute of

New general assumes Fort Campbell duty

By KIMBERLY HEFLING AP Military Writer

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) -A two-star general who recently commanded the Army Southern European Task Force in Italy assumed command Friday of the storied 101st Airborne Division.

Maj. Gen. Tom Turner, 51, replaces Maj. Gen. David Petraeus, who will leave for Iraq to serve as chief of the Office of Security Transition.

Turner takes command at a time when the 101st is recovering from a year of fighting in the Iraq war and is reconfiguring. Sixty-one soldiers from Fort Campbell, 50 miles north of Nashville, Tenn., died in the Iraq

Turner, born in Ridley Park, Pa., told soldiers at the change of comnd ceremony that the stakes for the U.S. military have never been higher as it battles terrorists in a war "fought in shadows."

He vowed the 101st would be prepared for its next fight, just as it was when it parachuted on the beaches of Normandy in World War II for its first mission. When it was activated in 1942, the 101st's commander, Maj. Gen. William Lee, observed, "the 101st ... has no history, but it has a rendezvous with des-

"Over the past 60 years, the 101st and always risen," Turner said. "We will be ready when called again for our next 'rendezvous with destiny."

Turner said the division now would be focused on allowing soldiers to recover from war, spend time with family and repair equipment. He would not provide a timeline for when he expected elements of the division to be prepared to deploy again.

"If we went tomorrow, our equipment might not be ready, but we can

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go tomorrow and do whatever our country ask us to," Turner said.

The 101st is transforming to have four infantry brigade-size "units of action" instead of the traditional three. Other Army divisions are undergoing similar realignments.

Under Turner's command, the Vicenza, Italy-based 173rd Airborne Brigade executed its first combat parachute drop since Vietnam in northern Iraq on March 24 during major combat.

Turner, who fought in Panama as part of the 75th Ranger Regiment, also served in 2001 as the deputy U.S. military representative to the NATO military committee in

Brussels, Belgium, and in various leadership capacities at Fort Bragg,

Petraeus, who has known Turner for more than 30 years, praised him Friday as a great leader, trainer and

"I have absolute confidence that the Screaming Eagles will soar to even higher levels at his time at the helm," Petraeus said.

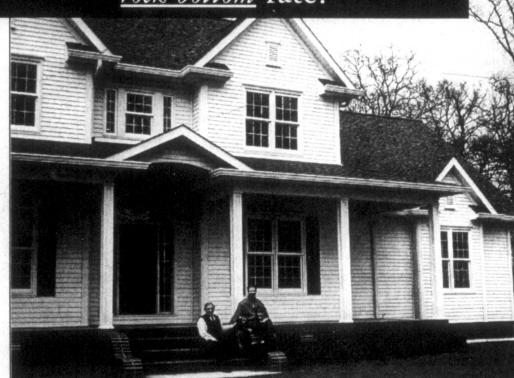
Petraeus, of Cornwall-on-Hudson, N.Y., arrived at Fort Campbell in July 2002 when the division's 3rd Brigade was in the process of returning from Afghanistan. It fought in Vietnam and the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

In February 2003, the entire division starting deploying to Kuwait for the Iraq war. The next month, it crossed into Iraq and took the central Iraq cities of Najaf, Hillah and Karbala before occupying southern Baghdad.

It later moved into northern Iraq where it worked to rebuild the region. The last planeload of 101st soldiers returned home in March.

The 101st is a rapid-deployment division trained to go anywhere in the world in 36 hours. Fort Campbell is also home to the 5th Special Forces Group and the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment.





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End of the Yellow-Brick Road, Grads

Dear Class of 2004 College Graduate.

Is it possible that four years have passed since your folks bundled you up and sent you off to college?

We hope you'll take a minute to look back while you're getting dressed up to step up, on, and out on graduation day. What were

Southern Seen By Larry McGeehee Syndicated Columnist

those four college years for? What your parents wanted them to be for you was "inbetween time", with the right

mix of just enough independence and yet just enough security to ease your way from high school into the real world. They wanted you to have the luxury of enough time to fall in love with learning and to make it habit-forming at the same time you were learning some marketable skills for making a living to support your learning habits. And they wanted you to have some fun and to form new and enduring friendships, too.

If you had gotten too old for were still too young for them to throw out into the world, and your college has served you and them well as a half-way house.

Maybe you'll look back on college, as Yalies do, as "bright college years". You'll rarely meet alumni who dislike their college memories. Maybe that's why they call colleges "Alma Maters"-"our mothers" Colleges are maternal surrogates.

But the analogy we like better than Alma Mater for the college experience is Oz.

Think about that story for a minute, while you are struggling with your weighty and unfamiliar black gown (under which you probably are wearing jeans or cut-offs and sandals).

Like Dorothy, you lived in the black-and-white world of Americana until a whirlwind of college recruiters came after you, swept you away in a tornado of promises, and set you down in a Technicolor campus. Dorothy paid her tuition by working her way through Oz, and her acceptance letter was the gift of the red shoes. Lots of other students were around, too, called Munchkins. During Orientation, they explained that the way out was to follow the yellowbrick road — which you would call curriculum requirements, course after course - brick after brick. They also warned to watch out for witches and goblins, which you would call taking the wrong classes or flunking or getting booted. Fortunately, Dorothy got some good help from a cowardly lion, a rusty tin woodsman, and a mindless scarecrow, such as you had from some kindly professors and administrators.

And now you're at the end of the road. It ends on a commencement stage. (The end is the beginning, a commencing.)

Pretty soon you'll be seeing that Wizard that's been behind the curtain, your college's president who tries to keep the college running, and he'll be handing you a diploma just like what happened to Dorothy's friends. If he's humble, as we think he is, he'll probably admit that you could have left Oz anytime you chose and have made it on your own without the college.

Probably so. Half your high school classmates did. But you would have missed the flowers along the road. You would have missed the yellow in the bricks. You would have missed that eccentric love from bumbling, but bright, scarecrows. You would have missed the Munchkins and the witches, the Wizard and the castles. Most of all, you would have missed the Technicolor, which now you can spend-and are duty-bound to spendthe rest of your life trying to bring to any corner of the black and white-and gray-world you are enter-

Commencement over, likely you will drive off in your used SUV rather than sailing away in a hot air balloon. Reality will set in rapidly, the first time you have to stop and find gasoline prices have doubled in the four years you have been in college and that there are no scholarships at the gas pumps.

Back in 1980, Caro! Jin Evans wrote a poem about her new college degree. Now that she had it, she asked, "What am I going to do with it?"

Well, I thought perhaps I'd put it in a cage

to see if it multiplies or does tricks or something

so I could enter it in a circus and realize a sound dollar-for-

dollar return on my investment.

Then, too, I am exploring the possibility of

whipping it out like a folding chair

at V.F.W. parades and Kiwanis

picnics. I might have it shipped and drive

it through Italy. Or sand it down and sail it. What am I going to do with it?

I'm going to sneak it away from my family gathered for my commencement

and roam the high desert making love to it.

Graduate of 2004, take your idealism and your inquiring mind into the thickets of the real life. Clear away the brambles we have let grow there. Plant colorful flowers, clear the dammed creeks, and give us a better world.

We have been awaiting your coming. Take our world, make it your world, and run with it.

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Pictures Driving Public Opinion Like Never Before Text by David Bauder/AP Television Writer **Photos by The Associated Press**

NEW YORK (AP) - Until stomach-churning pictures emerged of naked Iraqi prisoners stacked like firewood or held at the end of a leash by their American captors, wartime prison abuse was a virtual non-story.

Similarly, the death of American Nick Berg in Iraq may have been little more than a footnote until video was posted

there are so many more potential sources for images, and technology - digital cameras, the Web, live television cameras - can make them available almost instantaneously, said Jay Rosen, a journalism professor at New York

That's coupled with a deeply

photos, Fager said. University. divided

tigation not after hearing abuse reports, but after hearing there were

Army private Lynndie England was shown in one picture smiling and pointing to the genitals of a prisoner. England, who said she was following orders, has become

there were pictures, said editor Karla Garrett Harshaw. "When you see those images, it

just has a different feel," Harshaw said. "It eyokes more emotion because you see it. (You think) my goodness, how could they do that?"

The Associated Press reported in detail last fall about former Iraqi prisoners complaining of abuse, including attacks by dogs and peo ple being tied up and punished by spending hours in the sun.

Similarly, CNN reported on a military investigation into alleged abuses on Jan. 16. The report mentioned the possibility of photos, although CNN didn't get the pic-

Rumsfeld, during his May 7 testimony to Congress, mentioned those reports: "Everyone knew it," he said. "CNN was there, asking questions."

Even after the "60 Minutes II" report, there was an odd public pause before the impact sunk in. ABC's "World News Tonight" didn't know how to respond and waited two nights to do its first story on the controversy, its chief producer said.

It seemed to hit the news more quickly in Europe, CBS' Fager said.

"I was surprised," he said. "I thought it would get a much bigger initial reaction than it did."

CNN Pentagon reporter Barbara Starr, who reported on the alleged abuse at least four times before the pictures came out, said they illustrated a breakdown in military discipline that hadn't been seen in generations. The U.S. military was cast in the unfamiliar public role of



Tuesday showing an executioner cutting off the man's head with a knife.

To most of the world, Iraq is a war of images. Pictures can drive public opinion and policy: the statue of Saddam Hussein toppling in Baghdad, President Bush standing on an aircraft carrier in front of a "mission accomplished" sign, the charred bodies of four contractors who had driven into disaster.

"It doesn't become real for a lot of people until they see it," said Edward Trayes, a photojournalism professor at Temple University. "It's truth in a way that even words don't describe.'

Past wars have produced similar iconic images. The soldiers raising the American flag on Iwo Jima in World War II became a symbol of determination and triumph, while a naked girl running away from a napalm attack spoke to Vietnam's inhumanity.

Historians don't discount the cumulative impact of nightly news reports on American deaths in turning many Americans against the Vietnam War.

A ban on media coverage of coffins arriving from Iraq also shows the government's awareness of the potency of images. What makes Iraq different is

eager to seize on images that prove

their political points, he said. Berg's body was found last Saturday. The first media reports of the discovery were filed Tuesday, only hours before existence of the video became known. Few, if any, media outlets showed the beheading, although some depicted a knife held to Berg's head. The ominous, hooded assailants and Berg's obvious terror told the story visually.

In the two weeks since CBS' "60 Minutes II" first broadcast pictures of American soldiers allegedly mistreating Iraqi prisoners, there's been a congressional probe, calls for the . ouster of Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld and worldwide expressions of revulsion.

Yet the military had known about the allegations for months. Newspapers and television didn't ignore the story, but it was generally off the public radar.

"What would have happened to this story if there weren't pictures?" asked Jeff Fager, executive producer of "60 Minutes II. "I bet you not much would have come of it."

"60 Minutes II" began its inves-



A poll released Wednesday by

The Pew poll indicates they've

survey respondents

the Pew Research enter found that

76 percent of Americans had seen

had an impact. After the pictures

were released, a majority of Pew

the pictures.

first time that the war in Iraq was not going well.

Like many newspapers, the News-Sun in Springfield, Ohio wrote little about the charges until

episode should be a lesson for the news media, Starr said. "It's very clear that potentially terrible abuses were taking place," she

said, "and it didn't become a big story until people could see these virtually pornographic

Community

Saturday, May 15, 2004

'A Sunday Serenade' will be presented here Sunday



Jo's **Datebook** By Jo Burkeen Community

The Music Department of the Murray Woman's Club will present a music scholarship fundraiser, "A Sunday Serenade," on Sunday at 2 p.m. in the performing arts hall of Doyle fine arts center, Murray State University.

Performing will be the Music Department Chorus, members of MSU music faculty and a special community group.

Proceeds from the event will fund the MSU music scholarships and the monetary prizes for the middle and high school music contests held each year. Tickets will be available at the door.

CCHS Council will meet Monday

Calloway County High School Site-based Decision Making Council will meet Monday, May 17, at 7:30 a.m. in the principal's office. This is open to the public.

Celebration meeting will be Monday

A meeting to make plans for the annual Hazel Day Celebration will be Monday, May 17, at 5 p.m. at the Hazel City Hall. The celebration is scheduled for the first week of October. All persons interested in helping in the planning and preparing for this annual event are urged to attend the meeting Monday. For more information call Hillis Farris at 492-6303.

Transit Authority board will meet

Murray-Calloway Transit Authority will have its monthly board meeting Monday, May 17, at 11 a.m. at the Weaks Community Center, according to Bjarne Hansen, executive director.

Caregiver Support meeting Monday

Caregiver Support Group will meet Monday, May 17, at 12:30 p.m. at the Weaks Community Center.

West Kentucky Playwrights will meet

West Kentucky Playwrights will meet Monday, May 17, at 7 p.m. at Playhouse in the Park. This is open to all ages who are interested in the development of new works for the theatre. For information call 753-9279.

Hospital retirees will meet

Retirees and former employees of Murray-Calloway County Hospital will meet Tuesday, May 18, at 11 a.m. at The Big Apple, Murray. For more information call Nancy McClure at 492-8640.

Missing Hills Watch will meet

Missing Hills Neighborhood Watch will meet Tuesday, May 18, at 6:30 p.m. at 1410 Kline Trail, New Concord. All old and new residents of the area are welcome.

MES Council and Board will meet

Murray Elementary School Site-based Decision Making Council will meet Tuesday, May 18, at 4 p.m. in the school conference room. The PTA Board will meet Tuesday to vote on the 2004-2005 proposal of disbursements prior to the council meeting. All parents of MES students are invited.

Parent Support Group will meet

Parent Support Group, formerly called Parents Anonymous, will meet Monday, May 17, from 6 to 8 p.m. For information call 753-

Masonic Lodge to meet Monday

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Murray Lodge No. 105 Free and Accepted Masons will meet Monday, May 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Highway 121 North and Robertson Road North.

Preschool Co-op taking applications

Murray Preschool Co-op is now accepting applications for the fall 2004-2003 school year. Children must be 3 or 4 years of age by August. For information call 759-5960, 753-7575 or 753-5815.

Liberty benefit singing Sunday

A benefit gospel singing will be Sunday, May 16, at 2 p.m. at Liberty Cumberland Presbyterian Church. This will be for the church pastor, Bro. Don Faulkner, who is now undergoing treatment for cancer. If unable to attend, donations may be mailed to Liberty Church, c/o Don Wells, 510 Richardson St., Murray, KY 42071.

Noteables will present program at Goshen

The Noteables, a trio composed of Joe Pat James, James V. Edwards and Kevin Crawford, will present a program on Sunday, May 16, at 6 p.m. at Goshen United Methodist Church. The public is urged to attend

Al-Anon meeting is Tuesday

Al-Anon will meet Tuesday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. Please enter from the southside rear door located near the playground. The only requirement is that there be a problem of alcoholism or addiction in a relative or friend.

Soccer coaches' reception on Monday

All Calloway County High School Soccer fans, players and parents will welcome the new 2004 Laker coaches on Monday, May 17, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. A general membership meeting of the soccer boosters will be at 6 p.m. in the media center, prior to the coaches' reception. The public is urged to attend this special reception.

Wright music recital to be Sunday

Music students of Linda Wright will present a recital on Sunday, May 16, at 2 p.m. at Westside Baptist Church. The public is invit-

Four Rivers group will meet Sunday

Four Rivers Music Friends are scheduled to meet Sunday, May 16, at 2 p.m. in the annex of Calloway Public Library. This is open to all musicians and listeners. For information call Velvaleen at 753-

CCHS election will be Monday

The election for Parent representatives for the Calloway County High School Site-based Decision Making Council will be Monday, May 17, from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the gym lobby. Candidates are Dawn Burkeen, Karen Johnson, Tab Brockman and David Rogers. Parents of students enrolled for the 2004-2005 school year at CCHS are eligible to vote.

Birthday celebration held



Mrs. Bernice Smith celebrated her 92nd birthday on April 20 at a celebration held at the home of a daughter, Phyllis Lusk of Murray. Another daughter is Jean Jacobs of Palm Beach Garden, Fla. Her husband, Claude Emory Smith, died in 1949. She is a patient at Long Term Care Unit of Murray-Calloway County Hospital. Mrs. Smith is pictured with her daughter, and some of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Camp Bear Creek has camp summer session openings

Lake still has openings for girls in middle and high school for 7 to 10 day sessions starting mid-June through early August.

The camp welcomes non-Girl Scouts and Girl Scouts alike. It is owned and operated by the Girl Scouts of Kentuckiana and is approved by the American Camping Association.

Girls going into grades 6-7, 7-8, 8-9 or 9-12 can take advantage of one of the best sailing lakes in America and earn to sail, sailboard, kayak and swim.

In addition, girls going into grades 9-12 can register for a 10day adventure of mountain biking, backpacking, kayaking and camping.

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Camp Bear Creek on Kentucky 1-888-771-5170 at ext. 207, or www.kyanags.org<http://www.kyan

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Activities director

Murray-Calloway County Senior Citizens are now in our new facility at the George Weaks Community Center, 607 Poplar St., Murray. We invite you to check our new facility and the many services offered. Our telephone number is

We invite you to come and join us for lunch which will be served Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m. for a donation of \$1.50. Lowfat milk, coffee and ice tea are our daily choices of beverages. Meals are also sent to private homes.

The center offers transportation on a daily basis from 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. If you live in the city limits and need a ride to our center, the doctor, grocery store, bank or pharmacy, call at least one day ahead of time to schedule your ride.

Our exercise room is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Those who are 60 and older are invited to exercise at no cost. We also have two indoor Shuffleboard Courts available. Our basketball court is also open for a variety of games and times. Times are also set aside for women only. Contact the center for morè details.

Activities and menus for the week of May 17-21 have been released as follows:

Monday events include Armchair Aerobics at 9:30 a.m., Stride with Pride Walkers at 10 a.m. to go walk at the MSU Regional Special Events Center, Bingo at 12:30

p.m., Caregivers Support Group at 12:30 p.m. and Line Dancing at 2 p.m. in the gym. On the lunch menu will be meat balls with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, brussel sprouts, roll, margarine and ice

Tuesday events include Strength and Stretch Class from 8 to 9 a.m. in the gym, but Healthy Lifestyles Class will not meet. The monthly birthday and anniversary celebration will be at 12:30 p.m. and all those with May birthdays and anniversaries are invited to be our special guests. Chicken fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, Harvard beets, biscuit, margarine and pineapple will be on the lunch

Wednesday events include Armchair Aerobics at 9:30 a.m., Stride with Pride Walkers at 10 a.m. to go walk at RSEC and Pinochle Club at noon. On the lunch menu will be ham and cabbage, carrots, corn bread, margarine and cherry cake with white frosting.

Thursday events Strength and Stretch Class at 8 a.m. and Shuffleboard League will begin play at 9:30 a.m. in the gym. Stuffed green peppers, corn, roll, margarine and lime gelatin with fruit cocktail will be on the lunch menu.

Friday events will be Armchair Aerobics at 9:30 a.m., Stride with Pride Walkers at 10 a.m., Men's basketball from 9 to 11 a.m. in the gym and Open Bridge play at noon, but come early to form your table. On the lunch menu will be bacon and cheese stuffed baked potato, broccoli, roll, margarine and cheesecake with strawberry sauce.

Murray-Calloway Senior Citizens is a United Way agency.

HospitalMenus

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

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

Menus, subject to occasional change, for the week of May 17-23 have been released as follows:

Monday - "Chinese Day" - *spicy szechwan chicken, beef pepper steak, *crispy baked chicken, sweet and sour pork, *fluffy white rice, *baked potato fried rice *stir fry vegetables, egg roll, broccoli cheese

Tuesday - *turkey divan with broccoli and cheese, prime rib sandwich on homemade bun, breaded pork cutlet with gravy, tator *turnip greens, *northern tots. beans, *capri vegetable blend, Idaho potato soup.

Wednesday - Caesar salad, roast beef with gravy, *baked salmon patty, steakhouse chicken strips, *whipped potatoes with gravy, cream style corn, fried okra, *field peas with snaps, taco soup.

Thursday - "Build Your Own deli Sandwich Bar" - *southwest grilled chicken also served with bacon and cheese, beef tips in mushroom gravy, spicy french fries, *seasoned rice pilaf, *green beans

almondine, *baby carrots, beef and barley vegetable soup.

Friday - prime sea strips, cheese and ham quiche, *sliced pork loin, *California vegetables, fried potatoes, *green peas with onions, corn fritters, *chicken gumbo.

Saturday - fried chicken, Italian roast beef on bun, *baked fish filet, potato cheese casserole, *tender spinach, fried cauliflower, *Francois blend vegetable, Wisconsin cheese soup.

Sunday - spiral baked ham, *sliced turkey breast; crab cakes corn bread dressing, candied sweet potatoes, proccoli casserole, "gree

beans, *garden vegetable soup. (*denotes heart-smart selection)

by Jacqueline Bigar

Horoscopes

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, May

Expect a dynamic but unpredictable year. You might become overly me-oriented, as your creativity and magnetism spin out, nearly overwhelming you. Few will want to say "no" to you. You will be in a period of transformation where what is right for you now might not be right for you by your next birthday. Your are your greatest critic. You might consider changing some characteristics, and you will. You have unusually high energy, coming forth with unusual success. You can have what you want this year, but the path might not be the one you anticipated. Bosses have great expectations. Make sure you have the same ones. If you are single, romance will sizzle through the fall. TAURUS can be a real challenge for you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Givens get tossed to the wayside, at least for now. Take a good look at what is happening and what you have taken for granted. Remember, you don't have to take action; in fact, in a sense it would be preferable if you didn't. Tonight: Indulge.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -Though you are in one of your power days, your ruler, Venus, going retrograde today could make a big difference in how you feel. Through the

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end of June, hold back on making any major life decisions. Evaluate, analyze and think. Tonight: Do what you want

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) - Think before you do anything today. People might act strangely or slightly off-kilter. Don't worry. Give others the space you need to move and handle what is going on. Avoid making decisions in this "hot" planetary climate. Tonight: Turn on the answering machine CANCER (June 21-July 22) - Be

especially careful with friends, financial agreements and work. Hang in there and follow through. Your high energy could be directed toward investigating opportunities. Expect a blast from the past. Tonight: Find your friends. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) - Others act

in extraordinary ways, but not necessarily positive ones. You can try to clear out and not stumble into others' messes. You might see a partner in a different light in the next few months. Tonight: A must appear-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Be careful with details around work. You might decide to take the high road rather than get caught up in a problem. Know that what occurs today

could take a while to sort through. Your understanding is your greatest gift. Tonight: Rent a movie. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - You

could easily feel out of sorts, and the main issue involves money and a partnership. Avoid high risks. In fact, if you can be a voyeur and watch what goes down, that might be the strongest position. Observe more in the next few days and weeks. Tonight: Play out a fantasy. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -

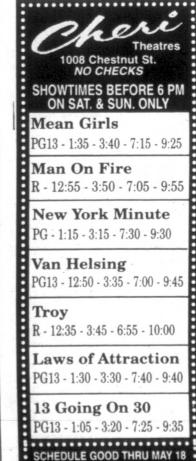
Though you might not be directly involved with what goes on, you could find yourself affected by others in particular, associates and family. In the next few weeks, a skeleton could come out of your closet. Tonight: Be easygoing -- someone has to be SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You have to work with a lack of clarity. Perhaps you are hearing what people really mean to say and not their actual words. Friends and coworkers could be strange in the next few weeks. Accept what is happening, as you cannot change it. Tonight: Work late.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -Bosses and loved ones prove to be unpredictable, which just reminds you that you cannot put anyone in a box. People change. Use your creativity to solve problems, if possible Be tight with money for the next few weeks. Tonight: Do something you

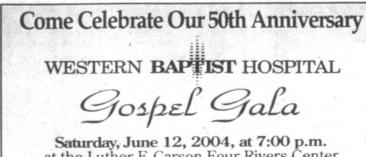
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You might do a total reversal in the next few months. Take your time making decisions right now. You could have a radical change of mind in the near future, be it about your home or a trip. Don't lock yourself into any position. Tonight: Take some time for yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) - You could feel less than up to snuff. If you want to take a day off, do just that. Communication could be off, and associates could act strangely in the next few weeks. Consider what your role in these situations might be. Tonight: Nibbles with a favorite per-



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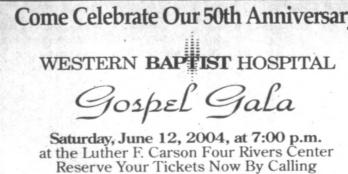
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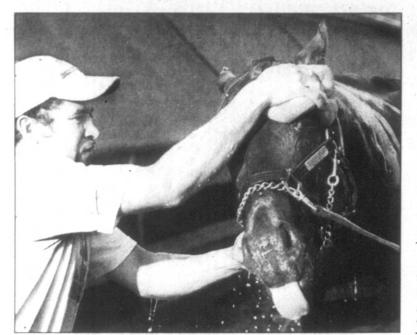
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Smarty Jones primed for 'toughest race'

BALTIMORE (AP) - Smarty Jones' bold jaunt through the slopin the Kentucky Derby was a frolic compared to the challenge he faces as the overwhelming favorite in the Preakness.

The withdrawal of The Cliff's Edge on Friday left nine horses to compete Saturday against Smarty Jones, who will seek to keep alive his bid to become the first Triple Crown winner since Affirmed

Kentucky Derby winner Smarty Jones is washed by groom Mario Arriaga outside the barn at Pimlico on Friday in Baltimore, Md.

Smarty Jones has won all seven of his races, highlighted by a victory at Churchill Downs on May 1. Now, in his first performance as Kentucky Derby champion, comes his most difficult test.

"I think this is the toughest race he's had," Smarty Jones trainer John Servis said. "To come out of the biggest race of his life and run in just two weeks against the same horses is difficult enough. Then you throw in the three or four fresh horses and kind of put the bull's-eye on our back, I think he's going to have to step his game up.

Virtually everything went right for Smarty Jones in Kentucky, including a steady rain that made

"Not to take anything away from the Derby horses, but we got a sloppy track which, I don't know if it helped, but it certainly didn't hurt us," Servis said.

Smarty Jones probably won't get a similar dose of luck Satur- the horse comes first." day - the weather forecast in Baltimore calls for temperatures in the upper 80s with a 40 percent chance of rain in the late afternoon.

Still, Smarty Jones will have fewer horses to beat this time. Eighteen ran in the Derby, and the Preakness field dwindled to 10 when trainer Nick Zito scratched The Cliff's Edge with a foot injury.

The stone bruise in the horse's

front right foot probably occurred when he lost both front shoes in the slop at the Derby, Zito said.

"I'm just hoping that now that we've pulled his shoes, he gets through all this," Zito said. "Sure it's hard. You want to win. But

Zito's hope of winning a second Preakness rests on Sir Shackleton, who comes in with a threerace winning streak after capturing the Derby Trial on April 24.

The other newcomers are Little Matth Man, Eddington, Rock Hard Ten and Water Cannon. Lion Heart, Borrego, Song of the Sword and Imperalism will take another crack at Smarty Jones after coming up short in the Derby.

Nets outlast Detroit in triple OT in Game 5

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. *AP) A grueling game that took four hours to play and three overtimes to decide could not slow down

Richard Jefferson. He scored 18 of his 31 points after regulation Friday night to lead the New Jersey Nets to a 127-120 victory over Detroit and a 3-2 lead in their Eastern Conference semifinal.

Detroit's Chauncey Billups, who scored 31 points, forced the first overtime when he stepped just over halfcourt and hoisted a shot that went off the backboard and in at the buzzer.

Reserve forward Brian Scalabrine had a career-high 17 points and went 4-for-4 from 3-point range for the Nets, including one that gave New Jersey a 122-118 lead with about 40 seconds left in the third overtime.

"I'm not surprised, basketball players always believe in themselves," Scalabrine said. "It was great to be a part of an unbe lievable game like this. Every time we went to another OT, and it seemed like there were six of them, I thought 'Great! I get to play five more minutes.

It was the fourth playoff game to go three or more overtimes, and the first since Phoenix beat Chicago 129-121 in Game 3 of the 1993 Finals.

Game 6 is Sunday in New Jersey and if necessary, Game 7 will be Thursday back in suburban

History is on the Nets' side. Out of 115 best-of-seven series that have been tied at 2, the winner of Game 5 has advanced 96 times (83 percent).

If the two-time defending Eastern Conference champion Nets win one of the next two games, they will join just seven other teams to win a best-of-seven series after trailing 0-2.

The game was close, unlike the

first four. The Pistons won Games 1 and 122-118 lead.



New Jersey's Kerry Kittles (30) pushes the ball up court on a steal against the Detroit Pistons' Ben Wallace, rear, during the first quarter of Friday's game in Auburn Hills,

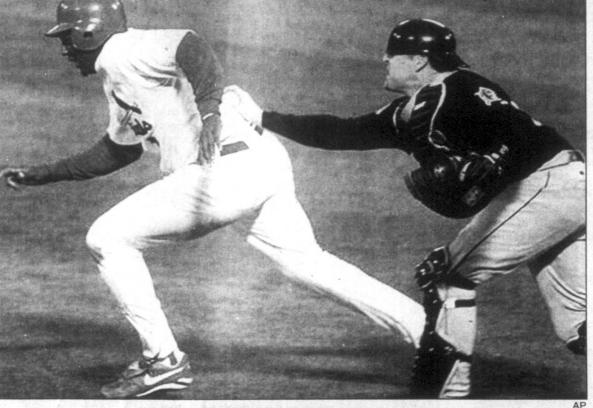
2 by a combined 37 points and New Jersey won the next two by a total of 33. For just the third time in a best-of-seven series, the first four games decided by 15 points or more.

With four players on each team having fouled out, Scalabrine, a relative unknown, came through for the Nets.

Scalabrine scored a total of six points in the first four games of the series, and no more than 16 in his three NBA seasons.

After Jefferson's three-point play gave New Jersey a six-point lead in the third overtime, the Pistons pulled within one with 1:06 left.

Then Scalabrine made his fourth 3-pointer to give New Jersey the



Florida catcher Mike Redmond, right, chases and tags out the Cardinals' Hector Luna in the second inning during their game Friday night at Busch Stadium in St. Louis.

Cards rip Beckett

ST. LOUIS (AP) - The St. Louis Cardinals roughed up World Series MVP Josh Beckett on Friday night and got dominant pitching from Jason Marquis in a 6-3

victory over the Florida Marlins.

Ray Lankford homered, Hector Luna had two RBI singles and Edmonds Jim doubled twice,

drove in a run and scored twice to help the Cardinals win for the fourth time in five games.

Beckett, who shut out the Yankees in Game 6 to clinch the World Series title, gave up six runs on nine hits in six innings. He had allowed only two earned runs in 14 innings in his previous two starts.

The loss dropped Beckett to .500 this season (3-3) and for his career (20-20).

Marquis (2-3) allowed two runs on five hits in 7 2-3 innings with two strikeouts and two walks. He

retired 13 of 14 batters between the second and sixth innings and the Marlins didn't strand a runner until leaving two on in the sev-

Marquis had been 0-2 in his previous four starts despite a 2.73 ERA in that span.

Lankford hit his fourth homer, and first in 61 at-bats since April

21. with one out in the first. Florida tied it in the second when Miguel Cabrera hit a leadoff double and scored from third on a delayed double play that

ended the inning. But the Cardinals took the lead for good in the bottom half with two runs on four straight inning-

opening hits. Luna, who started at shortstop in place of injured Edgar Renteria, and Mike Matheny each had

RBI singles in the inning. The Cardinals also started fast in a three-run sixth with a walk and two hits, including an RBI double by Edmonds. Marlon Ander-

son added a sacrifice fly and Luna

had his second run-scoring single to make it 6-1.

After pinch-hitter Wil Cordero's RBI single off the base of the left-field wall left runners on first and third with two outs in the eighth, Jason Isringhausen relieved and got the last four outs, but gave up a run in the ninth, for his seventh save in eight chances.

Notes: Cardinals farmhand Brad Thompson tied a Southern League record with 43 1-3 consecutive scoreless innings; throwing six shutout innings for the Double-A Tennessee Smokies on Friday. The previous record was 43 innings. He has 52 straight scoreless innings dating to last season, two shy of the minor league record by Urban Shocker in 1916. ... Lankford is the career homer leader at Busch Stadium with 122. He's in his 14th season - 11 with the Cardinals - and his first three homers this season came on the road. ... Matheny's RBI single in the second was his first with a hit since

UK player's indicted father living it

TULSA, Okla. (AP) - A University of Kentucky basketball player's father, who is indicted on 18 federal counts of fraud, has deposited hundreds of thousands of dollars while being represented by public defenders, according to court filings.

Kenneth Azubuike is also living a lavish lifestyle in Lexington, Ky., owning an expensive home, three sport utility vehicles and sending two children to exclusive private schools, another filing says.

All the while, Azubuike "benefits from court-appointed counsel and government-sponsored medical care," probation officer Thomas E. Mattingly Jr. says in

his filing. federal prosecutors Tulsa charged Azubuike - whose son, Kelenna Azubuike, just finished his sophomore season with the Wildcats — in February 2003 with interstate transportation of stolen property, wire fraud, bank fraud and bankruptcy fraud. He has pleaded innocent and is free on \$50,000

bond. The indictment alleges Azubuike, a native of Nigeria, fraudulently induced investors to provide money to various busi-

ness ventures dating to 1996. He has claimed in court documents that he is unemployed.

Federal Public Defender Paul Brunton, whose office had been representing Azubuike, filed a motion Friday to withdraw from the case. A hearing Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Tulsa will address the matter.

"There's no reason in the world why we should be representing him," Brunton said. "We've got no business representing people who have money. That's not our function."

Azubuike "has deposited hundreds of thousands of dollars into various accounts" since being arraigned March 12, 2003, according to a document signed by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kevin Leitch.

MSU student-athletes make Dean's List

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Some 63 Murray State studentathletes - earned Dean's List honors for the Spring 2004 semester with grade-point averages of 3.5 or better

- 48 percent of MSU's 303 stu- 2001. dent-athletes - had a GPA of 3.0

Nineteen student-athletes had perfect 4.0 GPAs, including Jenny Bowden and Kelly Shelton of women's basketball; Josh Catlett and Garrett Middleton of football; Ashley Kelbough of women's golf; Alex Culbertson and Beth House of rifle; Nicole Brandt and Rachel Hopper of women's rowing; Lindsay Andre, Kristin Becker and Lauren McAdams of women's soccer; Christina Hall, Anna Lask, Jaclyn Leeper, Tami McQueen and Melissa Spencer of women's tennis; and Jamie Nurnberger and Emily Rader of women's track.

Murray State student-athletes

had an average GPA of 2.80, the third-best semester average since records began in Spring 1991 and the best since the Spring 2002 GPA of 2.84, the best average on

The average semester GPA has-In addition, 146 student-athletes n't gone below 2.77 since Fall

"This is a testament to the dedication our student-athletes and our department have to academics," said MSU director of athletics E.W. Dennison.

"We are extremely proud of the effort given and achievements earned by our student-athletes."

Those named to the Spring 2004 Dean's List were: Baseball: Josh Foreman, Chad

Fogle, Jake Ociesa, Ed Baust, Tyler Men's Basketball: Andi Hornig. Women's Basketball: Jenn Bowden, Kelly Shelton, Rebecca

Remington, Jill Fulkerson. Football: Josh Catlett, Garrett Middleton, James Gaither, Heath Wilson, Dustin Hughes, William Rasinen.

Landrum. Women's Golf: Ashley Kelbough, Camilla Loeveid, Lauren

Men's Golf: James Frazier, Kyle

Hughes, Christina Baron. Rifle: Alex Culbertson, Beth House.

Women's Rowing: Nicole Brandt, Rachel Hopper, Natalie Wendt, Myriah Conaughty, Steffany Sholar, Laurie LeCompte, Lori Bright, Laura Graham, Kristin Slater, Elaine Schaad.

Women's Soccer: Lindsay Andre, Kristin Becker, Lauren McAdams, Katherine Sevi, Shauna Kline, Lauren Rosa Bazzell, Kristin Robertson, Abby Baden, Michelle Fedor, Theresa Reedy, Blessinger, Stephanie Lauren Falatko.

Men's Tennis: Jeff Lester, Bryan Meurer, Adam Maskill.

Women's Tennis: Christina Hall, Anna Lask, Jaclyn Leeper,

Tami McQueen, Melissa Spencer, Casady Pruitt. Men's Track & Field: Garrett

Middleton, Tim Bradley. Women's Track & Field: Jamie

Nurnberger, Emily Rader, Lauren Wilson, Mary Fowlkes, Stacy Quashie. Women's Volleyball: Allie

Hunt, Paige Sun.

Among the teams, women's tennis had an outstanding team gradepoint average of 3.83, with five of its eight players with perfect GPAs of 4.0 this spring.

Women's golf was second at 3.31, women's soccer and women's rowing tied for third at 3.21, rifle was fifth at 3.19 and women's volleyball was sixth at 3.15.

For the 2003-04 school year, women's tennis had a team GPA of 3.76, followed by women's soccer at 3.29, women's golf at 3.28, rifle at 3.26, women's volleyball at 3.13, women's rowing at 3.10, men's golf at 3.04 and men's tennis at 3.01.



JOHN WRIGHT/Ledger & Times Photo Long-time Murray High School baseball coach Cary Miller, right, is greeted by students Lauren Peal, left, and Kyle Erwin Friday afternoon after being told this year's MHS yearbook will be dedicated in his honor. This will be the first time the honor has been bestowed upon Miller, whose professional career at MHS began in 1975.



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Dakland (Mulder 3-2) at Kansas City

The Murray Thunder U12 USSSA competition baseball team scored their fourth championship of the season April 30-May 2 at the North Tennessee Classic in Clarksville, Tenn.

The tournament was rescheduled from April 23-25 due to rain. The Thunder began tournament play on May against the Smyrna (Tenn.) Bulldogs.

Murray's bats were hot against Smyrna in a 12-3 victory. The Thunder later disposed of the Grassland (Tenn.) Copperheads 7-2 in a contest that afternoon. The evening contest was against the Middle Tennessee Bandits.

However, heavy rains cause a stoppage of play in the third inning of that game. Due to tournament rules, the contest was not an official game. Each team had played at least two full games, so the scoring went to records, head-tohead results, runs allowed and run differential.

The Thunder dominated the six team field, which also included the Clarksville (Tenn.) Renegades and the Lawrenceburg Thunder. The Murray squad went undefeated in head-to-head play, allowing five runs while scoring 19 to claim the tournament title.

Several Thunder players also participated in a home run derby competition. The derby title went Murray's Aron Sweeney

The Thunder, which is ranked No. 1 in Kentucky AA play and in the Top 20 in the nation, consists of 11 and 12-year-old boys form the Murray area. The team is coached by Cary Redden, Jeff Downey and Aaron Swain.

Murray Thunder team members are Aron Sweeney, Ben Hudson, Ryan Kelly, Austin Hargrove, Carson Wheeler, Brock Downey, Coty Galusha, Austin Lilly, Tanner Richerson, Cody Redden, Reid

McDaniel and Logan Burks. The Murray team was scheduled to play this weekend in the Fire Ant Shoot-Out in Jackson,

SCOREBOARD Fisher, LA. in good st

the signing of Gary Payton last summer, Derek Fisher went from starter to role player for the Los Angeles Lakers.

Now, he's being looked upon as their savior.

"I definitely had no thought it would be myself in that position," a smiling Fisher said Friday of his game-winning 18-foot jumper in San Antonio a night earlier that gave the Lakers a 74-73 victory and 3-2 lead the Western Conference semifinals.

"The play was not designed for

It didn't figure to be, what with Kobe Bryant, Shaquille O'Neal, Karl Malone and Payton - future Hall of Famers all - on the floor with the 6-foot-1 Fisher.

But with less than a half-second remaining, the Spurs made sure Bryant and O'Neal were covered, and Payton was passing the ball in from out of bounds.

Malone set a screen for Fish-

LOS ANGELES (AP) - With er, who popped free to beat the clock and the Spurs.

"I just wanted to make sure I was turning as I was catching the ball," said the left-handed Fisher, who was moving to his left as he received Payton's pass and shot in one motion despite Manu Ginobili's tight defense.

Thus, the Lakers can eliminate the defending NBA champion Spurs on Saturday night in Game 6 at Staples Center, where San Antonio did the same to them in the conference semifinals last May.

"I'm still numb - I think part of me is still holding on to the fact that we still have a lot to do," Fisher said. "I'm ecstatic. At the same time, I don't think it's appropriate for me to feel the joy I would feel if this was in the Finals. It won't mean the same if we don't go ahead and finish what we started."

The 29-year-old Fisher is finishing his eighth season with the Lakers, having joined them in 1996

U.S. District Judge William R.

Wilson Jr. is withholding judg-

ment on that objection until he hears

all the evidence relating to Nutt

received a \$1.8 million base salary

offer from Cornhuskers athletic

director Steve Pederson through

an agent. Nutt's base salary at

Arkansas is now \$1,039,000, plus

incentives and money put into a

deferred compensation account. His

new contract, which has not been

completed, calls for a \$1 million

deposit into that account this year.

Richardson's suit claims his free-

dom of speech was infringed upon

when he was fired for saying: "If

they go ahead and pay me my

money, they can take the job tomorrow." Richardson made the

statement in a news conference after

a loss at Kentucky on Feb. 23,

He was fired six days later

after declining to resign or retire.

Aside from discrimination,

Nutt said Thursday that he

and Nebraska

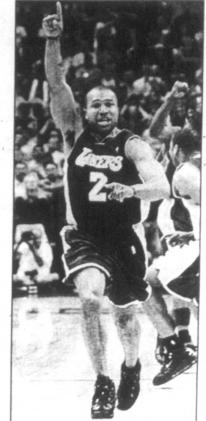
after playing at Arkansas-Little Rock.

O'Neal and Bryant joined the Lakers at the same time.

"It couldn't happen to a better dude - I'm just so happy for Fish," Bryant said. "Ever since he's been here, he's always been a professional - works hard, practices hard.

"It seems like he's had to prove himself over and over. Normally he doesn't get the recognition he deserves."

He is now. Fisher's game-winning shot is arguably one of the most significant in Lakers history, ranking with Jerry West's 60-footer to send Game 3 of the 1970 NBA Finals against the New York Knicks into overtime; Magic Johnson's baby hook shot that beat the Boston Celtics in Game 4 of the 1987 NBA Finals, and Robert Horry's 3-pointer as time expired in a two-point victory over Sacramento in Game 4 of the 2002 conference finals.



Derek Fisher

Foundation laid for Richardson's discrimination suit

LITTLE ROCK (AP) - Attorneys for Nolan Richardson spent the first seven days of the trial of his discrimination lawsuit building a foundation of testimony intended to show that the former basketball coach worked in a racially intolerant climate.

Meanwhile, lawyers for the school and the Razorback Foundation, the private fund-raising entity for the Arkansas athletic department, have countered with the notion that the school granted Richardson a healthy environment and made him one of the highest paid coaches in the nation.

Arkansas fired Richardson March 1, 2002, after the longtime basketball coach said the university could buy out his \$1.03 million-a-year contract for half its remaining value. The school said Richardson showed a lack of confidence in the program; Richardson says the school fired him because he is black and outspo-

Richardson attorney John Walker has bounced from topic to topic with 10 witnesses and he plans to call 13 more, including Richard

Walker is trying to show that the university's leaders have racist tendencies - with witnesses recalling occasions when they heard those leaders utter racial slurs - and that athletic director Frank Broyles favored white football coach Houston Nutt.

Walker said that favoritism extends to Nutt's recent contract negotiations that kept him in Arkansas when Nebraska courted him in January. University lawyers have objected to the Nutt-Nebraska situation being considered because it occurred two years after Richardson was fired.

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■ American Legion Post 236 will hold an open meeting on Sunday. May 16 at 3 p.m. at the Joe Creason Building in Benton's H.H. Lovett Park. The meeting is open to those interested in playing American Legion baseball. For more information, contact Coye McCurry at 527-5397.

■ The 2004 Lady Tiger Recitionall Camp will be held June 7-11 at Murray High School. The Just of the camp is \$35. Registration for the first session of the anp will be held at 8 a.m. on June 7, while second session registration will be held on the same day at 11:30 a.m. The first session will run from 9 to 11 a.m. each day, while the second session is slated for noon to 2 p.m. each day. Camp participants will receive a t-shirt, and awards will be given. For more information, contact Rechelle Turner at high school (753-5202) or at home (767-0358).

■ The West Kentucky Co-ed and Women's Softball Round-up slow pitch tournament will be held on Saturday, May 29 at the Stewart Nelson fields in Paducah. The entry fee for the tournament is \$125. The reqistration deadline is May 26.

Teams will hit their own 44 or 47 core softballs. If members of a tournament team also play co-ed softball, games will be alternated so they can play in both divisions. Anyone interested in participating in the tour nament should call (573) 471-5347 for further details

■ Calloway County High School soccer players, parents and fans are encouraged to attend a meeting on Monday. The meeting, which will be held at 7 p.m. in the school's cafeteria, is designed to introduce the new Laker coaches for the 2004 season. A general membership meeting of soccer boosters will precede the reception for the new coaches at 6 p.m. in the school's media center.

■ The Murray Youth Swim Team (MYST) will be holding tryouts for its summer team the week of May 24-28 at the Murray-Calloway County Hospital Wellness Center on Popular Street. Tryouts will be held daily on those dates from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. The tryouts are open to both girls and boys, ages 5 to 18. MYST will be practicing this summer at the Woodmen of the World pool on Highway 641 on Monday through Friday from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. and 5:45 to 6:45, depending on the swimmer's

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Sosa ties Schmidt on

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Sammy Sosa homered to tie Mike Schmidt for ninth place on the career list at 548, and Greg Maddux pitched eight strong innings to lead the Chicago Cubs over the San Diego Padres

6-1 Friday night. Cubs leadoff batter Jose Macias hit a bases-loaded triple into the left-field corner with one out in the ninth. He also tripled in the eighth and scored.

San Diego's Ismael Valdez couldn't have served up a fatter pitch for Sosa, hanging a chest-high curveball opening the fourth that the slugger drove an estimated 417 feet into the first row of seats in center field, where it hit off a fan's glove and fell back onto the field. It was Sosa's ninth and gave the Cubs a 2-1 lead.

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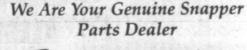
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Chamber Chat By Lisa Satterwhite Assistant Director Murray/Calloway County Chamber of Commerce

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Coming Up Around Town Martin Chapel Methodist

Church Homecoming, May 16, 11 A Sunday Serenade, per-

formed by the Murray Woman's Club, Performing Arts Hall, May 16, reg. deadline June 4.

■ Marshall County Lakers Red Hat Society free luncheon, Wild Raspberry, May 19, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Any society interested in Wild Raspberry hosting a luncheon contact 753-0859.

Leadership Agriculture Day, May 19

■ Glory Bound presents Gospel Echos, Weaks Center, May 20, 7 - 9 p.m., donations taken for Needline. Pygmalion, Playhouse in the

Park, May 20 - 29. Calloway County High graduation, RSEC, MSU, May 21, 6:30

■ MCC Public Pool opens, MCC Park, May 22 ■ Murray Trade Day, MCC Park,

May 24, 7 a.m. - noon ■ CUBS meeting, Glendale

Church of Christ, May 26, noon Murray High graduation, Lovett Auditorium, MSU, May 30, 2

■ 4-H Camp, West KY Expo

Center, June 4 - 6 "Cool Fun in the

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LISA SATTERWHITE/Chamber photo Scott Underwood and family, Belinda, Lilly Belle and Annie recently opened The UPS Store here. The UPS Store not only has shipping services but also mailbox, packaging, freight, printing and notary services along with office and moving supplies. Hours are Monday through Friday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call Scott or his employees at 762-9103 or stop by 632 North 12th Street in Shoppes of Murray.

Summertime," Murray Art Guild, June 14 - 18, Grades 1 - 3, 10 a.m. -

■ NBL Sanctioned BMX a.m. Bicycle Racing, MCC Park, every Saturday through Oct. 30, call 759-

Highlights from the

Commerce Centre include ■ The Chamber of Commerce and Murray State University are proud to announce the third annual 'Drums Between the Rivers" scheduled for July 29 at Roy Stewart Stadium. Five of the top 12 Drum Corps from the 2003 DCI finals will be part of the eight competitors in this event. Corps attending will be Southwind, Colts, Seattle Cascades, Magic of Orlando, Spirit from JSU, Crossmen, Boston Crusaders and Santa Clara Vanguard. Until June 15. tickets are \$15 for Premium, \$20 for VIP chair seats and \$10 per person in groups of 15 or more. After June 15, tickets are \$18, \$25 \$15 each respectively. Children's rates and family plans are also available. Call Heather at the Chamber at 753-5171 to reserve your seating.

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some 60 industries who rate others in their industry on

eight key attributes, Northwestern Mutual was voted

first in the industry in: Quality of management, quality

of products and services, long-term investment value,

financial soundness, employee talent, social responsibil-

Cuttings/Open Houses

Sylvan Learning Center, June noon and Grades 5 - 8, 1 - 4 p.m., 4, Grand opening and luncheon 11 a.m. - I p.m., Ribbon cutting, 11:30

> On A Personal Note, June 8, Open house and luncheon 11:30 a.m. 1 p.m., Ribbon cutting, 11:30 a.m.

Country Hearth Inns & Suites, June 16, Grand opening and luncheon 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Ribbon cutting,

Welcome New Chamber Members

■ Discount Christian Bookstore, Tom & Tandy Mercer, discount books, 605 South 12th, Murray, 762-0572.

Rebecca Dublin Landolt, Century 21, realtor, 301 North 12th, Murray, 753-1492.

■ Whitlow, Roberts, Houston & Straub PLLC, Chris Hutson, law firm, P.O. Box 995, Paducah, KY, 42002, 270-443-4516.

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

Renee Wynn has received the professional GRI (Graduate Realtors Institute) designation. The GRI is nationally recognized as the foremost real estate designation for professionals. The GRI is earned by completing a national program of specialized and advanced education for the licensed Realtor. The program involves intense study covering in depth aspects of real estate, such as, but not limited to, residential marketing, cost basis, appreciation, methods of investment real estate, construction, real estate tax concepts, exchanges, capitol gains and various types of mortgage programs. All of this study better prepares the graduate to help her clients with their individual property needs

Wynn has been a licensed Realtor since 1985 and practiced real estate for 12 years. She has been elected to the Murray Calloway County Realtors Board of Directors and served on it for the last six years. A designated multi-million dollar producer for the past five number is 753-1651.



years, she has been recognized for these achievements by being elected to the Sterling Society of Coldwell Banker. A native of St. Louis, Mo., Wynn

operate Pagliai's Pizza and was in the restaurant business for 15 years. She has one daughter, Nanette Wynn Jenkins, and one grandson, Jonathan Jenkins. An active member of the Garden Department of the Murray Woman's Club and the Murray

came to Murray in 1972 to own and

Country Club, she has served on a variety of committees and participated in community fund-raisers.

Wynn is affiliated with Coldwell Banker 1st Realty Group, 414 South 12th Street in Murray. The telephone

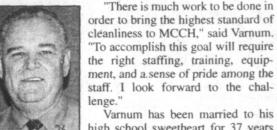
Varnum appointed as MCCH director of environmental services

Murray-Calloway County Hospital is pleased to announce Norm Varnum as the new Director of Environmental Services. Varnum joins MCCH with over 25 years of experience in healthcare environmental serv-

Varnum, originally from Orlando, Florida, recently served as manager of Environmental Services at Florida Hospital Waterman, located in Tavares, Florida. During his 25 years, Varnum has served as manager and director of various environmental services departments as well as plant operations and maintenance departments. Eighteen of those years were spent with

ServiceMaster, Co., which provides management services for hospitals and nursing homes.

Varnum relocated to Paris Landing, TN in December 2003 to enjoy his outdoor activities which including golfing, hunting, and fishing. When the job at MCCH became available, Varnum felt the opportunity was very desirable.



Varnum has been married to his high school sweetheart for 37 years and has one son and three grandchil-Varnum dren. Two of the grandchildren are twin girls. They also plan to relocate

to this area this summer. 'We are fortunate to find someone with Norm's experience who relocated to this area," said Mark Thompson, Vice President of Professional Services. "We are lucky to



Melvin's Tire LLC, located at 401 North 4th St. Murray is under new ownership. Pictured is Michael Camp, one of three new owners and managers. Not pictured are Richard Price and Herbie Tabers, also owners. Melvin's Tire is open six days a week, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Melvin's Tire will continue to offer the same brands and most all sizes of new and used tires



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'Hee Haw' VHS, DVD brings back pickin', grinnin'

By JOE EDWARDS

Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) -"Hee Haw," with its pickin', grin-nin' and hayseed humor, was an American television institution, on the air somewhere almost continuously from 1969 to 1997.

The hourlong program started on CBS for two years, then went into syndication until 1993 and finally wound up on cable's old Nashville

Now the straw hats and the braying cartoon donkey are coming back
— thanks to the big-city operation
Time-Life, which is releasing full
"Hee Haw" shows for the first time on VHS and DVD on Tuesday, the 35th anniversary of the show's first

"'Hee Haw' won't go away," said Roy Clark, host or co-host of the show for its entire run. "It brings a smile to too many faces.

The program's format was folksy comic skits interspersed with performances by country music stars like Vince Gill, Garth Brooks, Willie Nelson and Alan Jackson.

There were no serious issues debated, no cliffhangers, no drama and no wardrobe malfunctions iust down-home silliness accompanied by grins and guitars.

"Everywhere I go, people talk about it," Clark said.

The show's most memorable prop was the cornfield where guests and the show's regulars told jokes. Example:

Grandpa Jones to Junior Samples: "I saw you riding on a mule and your wife was walking behind you. Why was that?"

Samples: "My wife ain't GOT no

There were 24 years' worth of original "Hee Haw" shows — 14 years more than "Friends" and 15 more than "Seinfeld." All the shows



Archie Campbell, left, and Junior Samples return from the cornfield with 'Hee Haw' VHS and DVD releases.

country music and the Grand Ole Critics mostly hated the show

because of its Dogpatch look, sim-ple humor and twangy country music. And sometimes the show still gets criticized for perpetuating stereotypes.

There was a bevy of curvy Southern belles such as Barbi Benton, Gunilla Hutton (who played Nurse Good Body) and Misty Rowe. The men were most often harmless rubes in straw hats and overalls.

But TV viewers embraced it, and even non-country stars such as

were taped in Nashville, home of Sammy Davis Jr. and Regis Philbin were among the celebrities eager to appear on the show.

"They just wanted to be part of the fun," Clark said.

Clark, who played the hapless clerk at the show's Empty Arms Hotel, was joined by singer Buck Owens who was co-host for 17. the seasons. There were about 600 original episodes.

"It was like a family reunion." Clark said. "We became a part of the family.

The show, one of the longest running in TV history, even had an impact on the national lexicon. The phrase "pickin' and grinnin' became popular after a segment with Clark and Owens playing gui-tar while smiling and telling jokes.

A video based on the show has been on the home market for 10 years, but it featured just parts of the program and no music. The new product, costing \$14.95, has full "Hee Haw" shows including music performances. There will be at least four one-hour programs.

"The viewers were sort of part-owners of the show," Clark said They identified with these clowns, and we had good music.

"All the guests wanted to jump out of the cornfield.



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Trail of Tears flowed through Hopkinsville

For The Associated Press HOPKINSVILLE, Ky. (AP) -

Chief Whitepath and the Cherokees helped Gen. Andrew Jackson beat the Creek Indians in battle.

"We don't know if Whitepath was sorry about that later," said Midge Durbin, a Hopkinsville history enthusiast. When Jackson became president, he made the Cherokees and other eastern tribes move to Oklahoma.

Buried in Hopkinsville, Whitepath was one of about 4,000 Cherokees who perished on the notorious Trail of Tears in 1838-1839. He was 77.

The graves of Whitepath; Fly Smith, another tribal leader; and two unknown Cherokees are preserved at the Trail of Tears Park. "We still have the original four limestone markers," said Durbin, a park volunteer. "We also have headstones and life-size bronze statues of Whitepath and Smith."

Backed by Jackson and approved by Congress, the Indian Removal Act of 1830 forced tribes who lived east of the Mississippi River to move to Western lands. Jackson's successor. President Martin Van Buren, finished the "Indian removal.

The Cherokees were the last American Indians to go to

Oklahoma, then the Indian Territory. They named their grueling 800-mile trek the "Trail of Tears."

Hopkinsville was a Kentucky stop for the Cherokees, who were driven from their homelands in Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina and Georgia. Guarded by soldiers, more than 16,000 Cherokees traveled the trail on foot, astride horses or in wagons.

Many were shoeless. Food, shelter, blankets and warm clothing were in short supply. Indians died almost daily; they were buried along the trail where they succumbed, mostly to exposure, exhaustion or illness.

Two dozen years before, Whitepath, who lived in Georgia, and the Cherokees were Jackson's allies against the Creeks, who were feared warriors. "You've heard the expression, I'll be there if the Creeks don't rise? That's where it came from," Durbin said.

Jackson's white and Cherokee troops decisively whipped the Creeks at the battle of Horseshoe Bend, Ala., in 1814. Before Jackson attacked, Whitepath and Chief John Ross reportedly swam across the Tallapoosa River and stole the Creeks' canoes, preventing the enemy's escape.

Grouped in bands of about 1,200, Cherokees arrived in

Hopkinsville in the fall of 1838. The park is at the old Cherokee campsite on Little River, a tiny stream that meanders through the Christian County seat.

"The Indians were a source of great curiosity and interest to the citizens," Charles Mayfield Meacham wrote in his 1930 History of Christian County from Oxcart to Airplane. Smith, who had served on the Cherokee council, "was very old, broken in spirit, and travel worn," Meacham wrote. Whitepath, too, was "old and feeble and much exhausted by travel."

The Trail of Tears Park, which includes a 160-year-old restored log cabin with Cherokee history exhibits, also is host to an intertribal gathering every September. Many Cherokees attend. Some of their came through ancestors Hopkinsville on the Trail of Tears, Durbin said.

Historians say the Trail of Tears was like a death march for the American Indians. "The suffering of the Cherokees was beyond description," one white eyewitness wrote. Another said, "Even aged females, apparently nearly ready to drop into the grave, were traveling with heavy burdens attached to their backs, sometimes on frozen ground, and sometimes in muddy streets with no covering on their feet."

NBC shoots pilot for 'Hillbillies'-style show

By ROGER ALFORD

Associated Press Writer

PIKEVILLE, Ky. (AP) - After months of Appalachian outrage over CBS' planned "Beverly Hillbillies" reality series, NBC has managed to cast and begin shooting its own rural-to-riches show without attracting widespread attention.

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Balltrip said an outcry across the region kept CBS' "The Real Beverly Hillbillies" from ever getting off the ground, and he's stunned another network has decided to move forward with an almost identical show aimed at ridiculing mountain peo-

Political leaders, including members of Congress from Kentucky to Texas, had urged CBS to reconsider its hillbilly idea. And coal miners from Kentucky and West Virginia protested last May outside a shareholders' meeting at the New York headquarters of CBS's parent company, Viacom.

That makes the NBC proposal all the more troubling to Jim Webb, program director at WMMT-FM, a Whitesburg radio station that bills itself as "The Voice of the Hillbilly Nation.'

"They did this while CBS took all the flak," he said. "The majority of the people I know are just irate."

NBC spokespeople refused to answer any other questions about the show or how it was produced.

Dee Davis, director of the Whitesburg-based Center for Rural Strategies, which took out newspaper ads attacking the planned CBS show, said companies should be unwilling to advertise on television shows that mock rural Americans.

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varies from barely being felt to soiling my underwear. This usually accompanied by intense itching. Please guide

DEAR

Dr. Gott

READER: Fecal inconti-Dr. Peter Gott nence is a trou-

blesome and embarrassing problem that you should address with your family physician. Although you could be leaking pus from your anus (indicating infection), you are more likely to be expelling tiny quantities of liquid stool that irritates the sensitive skin around your anus.

Such an event can result from poor sphincter control, hemorrhoids, an unwillingness to move your bowels when appropriate, or simple distractions we all experience from time to time when we pass gas or focus on other priorities. For example, when distracted, elderly adults may not pay enough attention to rectal stimulation, resulting in tiny amounts of rectal

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AGE 4:

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orectal specialist who will perform certain tests to identify the cause of your incontinence.

You are not a 90-year-old patient with dementia who soils himself involuntarily. At your age, you need answers and treatment to prevent embarrassing "lapses." Check with your doctor.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a woman, 74, whose knees tend to go out of joint. I've had the problem for about five years and it's getting worse, especially when I walk up stairs. Now my shoulders are also involved. I don't want surgery. What can I do to correct the prob-

DEAR READER: Your first stop should be the office of an orthopedic surgeon, a specialist in bone and joint disorders. If, as you claim, your knee joints - and now your shoulders - are dislocating, the situation may well worsen in the future if untreated. This could have profound effects on your quality of

The orthopedist will examine you, and probably order imaging studies to pinpoint the problem. Then, with additional information in hand, he can advise you about treatment that should not, at this stage, include surgery.

Unless I miss my guess, he will urge you to undergo an intensive program of physical therapy, which may well solve the problem by strengthening your leg and shoulder muscles, at the same time maintaining a full range of joint motion. Ask your primary care physician to authorize a referral to the specialist.

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If readers would like to contact Dr. Gott, they may send mail directly to Dr. Gott c/o United Media, 200 Madison Ave., 4th fl., New York, NY 10016.

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AGE 6:

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THEN IT OCCURRED TO ME

THAT I DIDN'T HAVE ONE!

I'VE BEEN TO YOUR

THERE'S NO HURRY

KNOW WHEN I CAN

HAVE YOUR SUPPER

DISH ...

I GUESS, BUT LET ME

STUDIO. I'VE TALKED TO YOUR ASSISTANT ...

DID SHE TELL

YOU?

CARLEEN? WHAT

Man's lies about his past put couple's futures in doubt

DEAR ABBY: I recently became engaged to a man I thought was the salt of the earth. Then I moved in with him. Well, he's not the man I thought he was.

I now know that almost everything he has told me is a lie. He's 12 years older than he said. He never went to college

Dear Abby

country.

discovered he By Abigail has four chil-Van Buren dren. He pays child support for two of them who are very young, so he'll be obligated for a long time. His parents are both living -- not dead like he told me -and he's not an only child; he has two brothers who live across the

like he claimed.

He told me he

was sterile, but I

the best, or listen to my gut and end --SECOND engagment? THOUGHTS

DEAR SECOND THOUGHTS: Listen to your gut. Your fiance either has a lot to hide or he's a compulsive liar. Solid relationships are built on a foundation of trust, and your fiance has proven to you many times over that you can't believe a word he says.

DEAR ABBY: My dream is to go to college and major in either English literature or child psychology. However, I'm wondering if I should, because no one in my family has gone to college and I'm the third youngest. I don't want to look too ambitious or put a damper on my older sisters' and brothers' lives. I'm afraid they might say to themselves, "I am worthless. I didn't go to college.

Should I aim for college or not? I'm only in ninth grade and would appreciate some good advice. --DEPRESSED ABOUT THE FUTURE, WENATCHEE, WASH.

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REMEMBER

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WANT TO GET OUT OF BED

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PICK UP THE

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AACK!! I LOOK

LIKE A BRIDE !!!

SO I DIDN'T

WEAR IT!

GO NOW

THAT WHEN YOU'RE

HAD YOUR HEART

TIMES

BROKEN MANY

DEPRESSED, YOU EAT A LOT THAT YOU'VE

DEAR DEPRESSED: Since your dream is to complete your education, then you should go for it. Do not let the fear of what your siblings 'might" think stop you. They have chosen the paths they have taken. I'm sure your family will be proud that you were the first to get a college degree. And who knows? If you complete your education, it may

DEAR ABBY: My sister is in eighth grade. We ride the same bus. She has been coming home very upset because she's getting picked on while on the school bus. There are many kids doing it, and it happens every day. She has done nothing to cause this.

inspire some of them to do the same.

My parents say I should stick up for her because I'm her older brother. I went and sat with her. When I defended her, they started harassing

One kid wanted to fight me, but I Should I stick it out and hope for am bigger than all of them, and I don't want to get kicked off the bus. Also, I can't do this for her every day. If we tell the bus driver, it will only get worse. Please help, Abby! -BIG BROTHER, STANWOOD,

DEAR BIG BROTHER: Do not stay silent and protect the guilty. By ignoring what's going on, the bus driver is as guilty as your sister's tormentors. Report it to the principal of the school. If it isn't stopped, your parents should report the harassment to the school board -- and if that doesn't do the trick, a lawyer should be brought in.

LookingBack

10 years ago

Army Pvt. Chad P. Jenkins has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal at Scholfield Barracks, Oahu, Hawaii. He is the son of Charles and Candice Jenkins. 20 years ago

Murray Middle School Academic team won the sweepstakes award at the annual Calloway County Middle School Scholastic Tournament. MMS team sponsors are Joan Wilson and Faye Beyer.

30 years ago

Calloway County Board of Education has named David King as coach and Clayton Hargrove as assistant coach of the Calloway County High School Basketball Team.

40 years ago

Outstanding seniors of the three local high schools, Nore Winter, Murray College, Sheila Cooper, Calloway. County, and Johnny Rose, Murray High, were presented with plaques by the Murray Rotary Club. 50 years ago

Armed Forces Day is being observed here today. Fatigue clad soldiers of the 11th Airborne Division from Fort Campbell were on hand by 6 a.m. to set up their exhibits on the west side of the court square. Murray ROTC Units are also participating.

60 years ago

Mrs. H.H. Boggess is the only mother in Calloway County who has five sons serving with the Armed Forces in World War II, according to a survey by this newspaper. She is given the title of "Calloway County's Mother for Mother's Day. Her sons are T-Sgt. Cary Boggess, M-Sgt. Ben Boggess, Pfc. Richard

and failed to cash in on it. Granted

that West was much more likely to

have the king of spades for his spade

overcall than East, South should not

have relied solely on that probability.

four, declarer should cash the A-K of

trumps and A-K of clubs, discarding

two spades from dummy. He then

runs all his remaining trumps, pro-

ducing this position as the last trump

East

North

South

West's last three cards consist of the

jack of diamonds and two spades.

which might or might not include the

king. When the heart eight is led,

West is forced to discard a spade,

When South next leads the spade

three and West produces the jack, it

becomes folly to attempt a finesse,

because West's last card is known to

be the jack of diamonds. Declarer

therefore goes up with the ace,

catches East's king and so makes the

whereupon South discards dummy's

nine of diamonds

After winning the club at trick

A. Boggess, Recruit Leslie Boggess and \$2-c Lexie Boggess.

Four Star Mothers of Calloway County are Mrs. Lilburn Huie, Mrs. Hubert Raspberry, Mrs. T.F. Hughes, Mrs. Rudy Allbritten, Mrs. Terry Guier, Mrs. George Colburn, Mrs. Galon Myers, Mrs. Joe B. McCuiston, Mrs. Grace Wilson. Mrs. Q.T. Guier and Mrs. Harry Shekel.

Births reported include a boy to Mr. and Mrs.. Jesse Russell, April 6: a boy to S-Sgt. Harley Barnett, April 7; a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Codie Lee Caldwell, April 9; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Youngerman, May 9.

Commencement exercises for seven members of the William Mason Memorial Hospital School of Nursing were held May 7.

70 years ago

Calloway County Board of Education has named the teachers for Calloway County High Schools. The high school teachers were named with the condition that the state provide the funds; otherwise there will be no high schools this fall, according to M.O. Wrather. superintendent. High school principals are Homer Lassiter, Almo, Guy Billington, Faxon, Kenneth Grogan, Hazel, T.C. Arnett, Lynn Grove, and Oury Lassiter, New Concord. Kirksey principal has not been named. Teachers for the 55 grade schools were also named.

Dr. H.H. Boggess has been named as county veterinarian by the Calloway, County Fiscal Court.

Births reported include a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Ellis and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Barnes W. Burkeen. April 27; a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Redden, May 2.

TodayInHistory

By The Associated Press

Today is Saturday, May 15, the 136th day of 2004. There are 230 days left in the year. This is Armed Forces Day.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 15, 1911, the Supreme

Court ordered the dissolution of Standard Oil Company, ruling it was in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

On this date:

In 1602, Cape Cod was discovered by English navigator Bartholomew Gosnold In 1886, poet Emily Dickinson

died in Amherst, Mass. In 1918, U.S. airmail began serv-

between Washington. Philadelphia and New York.

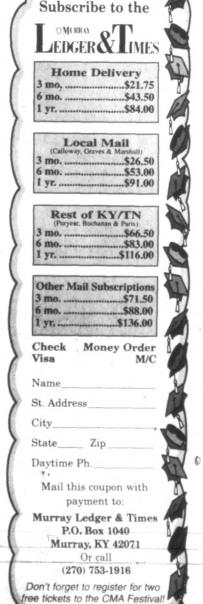
In 1930, Ellen Church, the first airline stewardess, went on duty aboard a United Airlines flight between San Francisco and Chevenne, Wvo.

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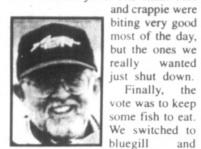
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Anglers enjoy good week of fishing

Wow, what a week!

The winds blew, the moon was full and it was cold in the early mornings and hot in the afternoons

We could catch fish the first part of any morning, but then they locked those jaws. The small bass



Fishing Line

By Jerry Maupin Outdoors Columnist

have Tim Soerota and Todd Deer fishing with me. They live in the northern United States, and they wanted to learn

shellcrackers.

I was glad to

Finally, the

and

how to fish Kentucky Lake. They only get to fish here a few times each year.

We gave them a tour and explained how, what and when to fish in order to increase their catch. Tim's father, Fred, actually fishes with him most of the time. But, on this day, he went by himself. Later, they compared notes.

They are both great guys that have a lot going for them in the world of bass fishing. I hope to see them again later this summer.

Some Long-time friends of mine Joe and Dorothy Phillips and

their daughter, Sheryl - are staying in the Aurora for a while so they can do some fishing. They are also in the area to visit with parts of their family.

They are really fine people. To get the opportunity to fish with them is a bonus. We were looking for some big crappie, but most of the spawning-age fish were through in the bays and had moved back to their hangouts around the deeper

We were restricted as to where we could fish because the winds were pretty stout. They were coming straight down the lake.

We found the bass to be more receptive than any other species. It was a lot of fun to catch them. We should have carried some crawlers, but that would have defeated our attempts at crappie

The Phillips family is going to be here for a while longer. I will take them out to some deep-water crappie areas, provided that the winds are soft and gentle.

Sam Neal and his two sons were also in town last weekend. They raked in the bluegill and shellcrackers. Nobody in their group was going to go home hungry!

I next fished with some mighty fine folks who are originally from Murray. They now live in Crawfordsville, Ind.

Brent Hatcher — the son off A.R. and Melva Hatcher - came down here with his two teen-age sons to do all that could be done in one day on Kentucky Lake. These three guys are the epitome of out-



Sam Nash displays the smallmouth bass he caught while crappie fishing with his son, Steve, and Ledger & Times columnist Jerry Maupin.

doorsmen. They can do it all!

We had a fine early breakfast Kenlake Marina before loading all of our gear on board the boat. We had all of the bases covered, trying to do a little bit of everything!

The lake was absolutely covered with anglers of all types. Finding a place to fish that was un-inhabited was impossible.

Boats were everywhere, and they were going in all directions. We tried to fit into the niche as we came to them. We decided before

leaving the marina that we must have some nightcrawlers if we wanted to catch the bluegill and shellcrackers when we came to an open

Brent handled the back seat, I took the trolling motor and the front of the boat and 15-year-old Cole and 13-year-old Sam had the rest of the boat.

They went to whichever side we were casting from and really gave those bluegill a workout. They also landed three huge redear shellcrackers on light tackle. It was a load of fun!

We had a livewell loaded with bluegill and shellcrackers. We also tried some deep drops in hopes of reeling in whatever would strike a roadrunner jig.

I found out pretty quickly on one drop as I set the hook on a good strike., A long-nosed gar rocketed out off the water and into the air!

We were casting roadrunners, and I could see that mine was stuck on the right side of the big gar's au as it popped out of the water. Cole and Sam made a mad rush to get their bows so they could get a shot when the gar came up again.

I was finally able to turn the gar so Cole could take his shot. The arrow glanced off the gar's tough, scaly side. Cole quickly recovered his arrow and made the next shot hit its mark.

Sam scrambled to the bow, where I pulled the gar up again and sent his arrow perfectly through the



Bobby Wilson shows off the shellcracker he took while fishing with his son, Adam, and fishing guide Jerry Maupin.

We had it whipped at that point. There was a lot of backslapping going on as we congratulated each other. In the meantime, several boats had gathered around. They thought we had caught a big bass and then shot it!

One angler moved out onto the drop, where we found the gar. He refused to give it up so we could fish it some more. He thought it was a big bass until Cole and Sam held it up for a picture.

We were all really tired. That big gar really fought well. It left an impression on us. However, they are on top now, eating the young fry of all the species that have hatched!

We caught a few more bluegill

and then called a halt to the activities after an 11-hour day.

I hope Brent can bring the boys back this summer so that we can catch some white stripers and wear those bays out. They were great guys to fish with!

The lake elevation could stand another rise so the anglers can get back into some of the harder areas to fish.

There seems to be plenty of moss in some off the bays, so the bass fishing might get real hot this summer. The water temperature is hanging around 75 degrees. That puts everything into gear for good angling on just about all of the species in Kentucky Lake.

Tons of bluegill and shellcrackers are being caught. There are also many willow cats and fiddlers being taken. These species are back as far as they can go. They are around the bushes and trees, looking for food and a place to spawn. Be sure to give them a try soon!

Renea Story, Rick Waldrop and Mark McClard had a super afternoon this week. They went after catfish, and boy did they catch

They brought in 250 pounds of flatheads, blues and maybe a few willow cats. The fish took their offerings of nightcrawlers and peanut butter bait.

Renea caught the most fish. Some of the larger fish weighed around 12 to 14 pounds, and each of them provided a real challenge. Congratulations, Renea, Rick and

Happy Fishing!

Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall. (I Corinthians 10:12 NAS) How quickly we forget who we

Six seasons ago, I bagged one of the largest birds ever taken at

Alabama's Paint

had bumbled

with that big tom

over my shoul-

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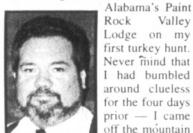
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In The Field

By Kenny Darnell Outdoors Columnist

age shooters.

ly been a lucky hunter.

Luck is a nebulous and oft mis-

applied word. A person who one

day catches a nice quantity of fish

is said of others to have been

lucky. If the same person can

duplicate the feat at will howev-

er, it is not luck at all, but skill.

dove at which I shoot is consid-

ered a lucky shot. Yet the same

shots are considered routine by

those who are no more than aver-

esty while the lucky claim skill

in boast. For the past two years,

the Chairman and I have trekked

to the Ozark regions of south-cen-

tral Missouri to visit the two grand-

The skillful claim luck in mod-

That I should hit any duck or

sons and family and to hunt the Show-Me-State's abundance of wild

Each time, our trip has fallen on the final two days of the Missouri season. And each time, I have defied the odds and confounded the locals by picking up the two-bird limit in as many days. Each time, my allotted days have tornadoes and thunderstorms.

The Missouri hunt has been a godsend. After getting skunked in Alabama and humiliated in Kentucky, I have been able to step out of the truck in Missouri, collect a limit of big gobblers and return home smug in the belief that I was, in fact, every bit the accomplished turkey hunter.

So much so that in this most remarkable of spring turkey seasons, I actually made the mistake of counting my turkeys before they quit flopping.

It was as perfect a weekend as perfect could be. There were no storms, no rain or lightning. The mornings slid effortlessly from the blue light of the nearly-full moon to sunlight's full spectrum.

The turkeys were happy to greet each dawn with long ballads of gobbling, and for the first time this spring, I was able to go afield without winter-time gear.

After having reversed fortunes in Alabama by taking not one but four big toms - then rounding out a limit of local birds in no more than three forays afield the conclusion in the easy turkeyhaven of the Ozarks was a foregone one.

I walked briskly in the moonlight to the place where I had

taken birds on both years previous, set out the decoys and settled in beside a comfortable tree for what I assumed would be a short wait.

When the owls fired up, a gobbler answered from a treetop almost on top of the decoys, and he continued until daylight. At daylight, I staged a fly-down drama by been pestered by cold, wind, rain, cackling like a hen and slapping my leg to mimic the sound of a bird dropping to the ground.

Being the accomplished turkey that I am, evidently I said something highly offensive to local turkeydom for the woods immediately came alive with cackling and putting, cutting and some nasty sounding yelps that even I found

I had placed the decoys underneath an entire flock of birds that had slept soundly through my approach. Now they were all very much awake and very agitated.

I was so close I could even see the gobbler pacing restlessly on his perch. Some of the hens flew to the ground and scurried

Others were reluctant to leave the security of the roost — among which was the gobbler.

The accomplished hunter tried an assembly call that had worked so well on the other six toms, but this offended the recalcitrant birds all the more.

Another gobbler that had left his roost at the usual time approached from within the woods. As I readied for the shot, one of the offended hens dropped to the ground and led the old boy safely away.

and stretched on his limb. Finally, almost two hours past normal flydown, the big tom swooped to the ground, banking in my direction. A hen quickly joined him from an adjacent tree.

Again, I prepared for the shot. But the birds slipped away through the brush out of sight. Around 9 a.m., I stood to stretch

and to contemplate the next move. day. Seventy-five yards below, a gobbler the size of a barnyard bird slid under a fence and walked across the field.

He would give a half-hearted glance to the pleading calls of the accomplished turkey hunter, then continue on toward a trio of hens already in the field.

I initiated a stalk — desperate times call for desperate measures and ended up crawling through tick-infested poison ivy, only to watch the bird exit the field several yards out of range.

I sat down again under a huge old oak tree ringed with purple flowers and watched the hens come and go for the remainder of the

After one long sequence of calling to relieve the boredom more than anything else, I gave up too soon and moved - only to see a tom that had slipped almost into range take flight into the friendly

Shooting hours end at 1 p.m. in Missouri. With less than an hour to go, I set out on a fruitless search for a willing tom. In six days of hunting the turkey capital, Saturday was only the second day without taking a bird. But there was still Sunday, and

Still, the gobbler in the tree paced with any luck (sometime during

the night the word "luck" began to supplant the word "skill") I would salvage a split with the birds.

Once again the morning dawned as perfect as any morning could in turkeydom.

I was tucked away behind a screen of bushes this time, awaiting the return of the barnyardsized bird I had seen on Satur-

At dawn, the woods in front of me sounded like the turkeycall section at Bass Pro Shops a week before the season.

Every bird in Dent County must have been in that patch of timber, and all were pleading for me to abandon my hide and enter into their intimate domain.

For two or three hours, the toms circled just inside the woods, gobbling with every other step. Across the way, a barnyard-sized bird crossed the field and disap-

The accomplished hunter stayed with the game plan until the gobbling subsided and the parade of hens across the field ended. By now, the perfect day was perfect-

ly hot. I knew from the day previous that by noon it would be over. With the Chairman and another fivehour drive awaiting, I packed up

the decoys and headed home. On the way, I saw the barnyard bird still in the corner of the field and made a timely election for a flanking maneuver through the cover of a patch of woods.

When I emerged, the tom had moved farther into the pasture and was still behind.

Another maneuver revealed not one, but three big toms in the

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field vying for the attention of a couple of hens. It was deja vu all over again. I called and scratched in the

leaves like a feeding flock, but the toms would not leave the hens and the hens had no intention of inviting competition from another

I tried to reposition, but the steady stream of hens entering the field kept me stymied.

The only approach was a long retreat in the opposite direction, where I could cross the field safely out of sight and ambush the toms as they crossed over a ridge.

But the retreat alone would require a significant chunk of time with no guarantee that the flock would cross the ridge before 1

p.m. - if they crossed at all. Perhaps another tom would appear as I made my way back

to the truck. I picked up the Chairman at daughter Amy's, changed back into civilian clothes and headed south along Highway 72.

There were 15 minutes remaining in the 2004 Missouri spring turkey season when we passed the gravel road that leads to my personal corner of turkey heaven. The Chairman counted down the final minutes, then cheered as the season passed.

As we crossed the confluence of the two great rivers and headed for the homestretch, the Chairman offered a few words of consolation. It's OK, I told her. A man

learns more in two days of failure than in an entire season of





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