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Speed Dating and Need Dating. We've got all your bases covered for Valentine's Day.



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The Thoroughbreds warm up for their final season under the direction of Head Coach Mike Thieke.



## Friends remember student's life, impact

by Seth Combs  
assistant news editor

Although her life was short-lived, sophomore Dana Boone's positive attitude will leave a lasting impression on everyone she knew.

"She always had a smile on her



Dana Boone 1983-2003

face," Katherine Boyd, junior from Murray and Boone's roommate, said. "She was always cheerful and always there for people."

Boone died Sunday after suffering injuries sustained in a shooting accident.

A resident of White College, Boone was involved in a number of campus organizations including the White College Residential College Council and Honors Society, as well as St. Leo's Newman House and the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

"She was a very outgoing individual," Don Robertson, Student Affairs vice president, said. "She impacted a lot of people. She was very involved and took advantage of her opportunities here. It is a big loss for her family, the people she knew here and the University."

Boone's friends have honored her memory in many different ways throughout the week to cope with her death.

A memorial service was held

Monday night at St. Leo's church. The University Bookstore donated a banner, which students signed during the ceremony. The banner was presented to Boone's family Wednesday.

The bulletin board on the sixth floor of White College was transformed into a memorial for Boone and covered with pictures of her and some of her favorite things. White College residents also donned their residential-college shirts Wednesday in honor of Boone.

"It's natural for students to try and comfort and support each other," Robertson said.

Boone's funeral was held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Whitesville. The University provided flower arrangements, but Boyd and several other students brought something special for their departed friend.

"Some of us pitched in and bought long-stem, purple roses to lay on Dana's coffin," Boyd said. "It was her favorite flower."

## Officials cut bandwidth

by Vanessa Childers  
contributing writer

On-campus residents may have to allot more time for Web surfing.

Internet access in the residential colleges slowed last week when ResNet bandwidth was significantly reduced.

The large amount of bandwidth used in the residential colleges was slowing access to University systems such as Blackboard and PIN, said Brian Purcell, Networking and Micro-computer Services manager.

The campus network operates on a 20-megabit system for Internet access, Purcell said, and the residential colleges were consuming on average 19 out of the available 20 megabits, using an average of 90 percent of the available bandwidth.

Available bandwidth was reduced to ensure that on-campus computer labs, classrooms and faculty offices could access the Internet and University systems, Purcell said.

"The exact change in ResNet was in its connection to the campus network," Purcell said. "On

February 5, ResNet was changed to a 10-megabit link that will only allow ResNet to consume on half of the available bandwidth."

Purcell also said violations of copyright law factored into the decision to reduce the available bandwidth.

Recent laws, instigated by the case filed against Napster, made it illegal to copy or reproduce materials on the Internet without the consent of the copyright owner.

"We have been contacted several times by outside 'watchdog' agencies that are looking for copyright infringements," Purcell said. "This was not the only cause for cutback, but it did contribute to it."

Janice Thomasson, chief information officer, said University officials felt they had to act quickly.

"When Murray State received notices last week from copyright watchdogs indicating that several ResNet users were involved in illegal distribution of sound and motion-picture distribution, it was necessary for the institution to move quickly to remedy

the situation," Thomasson said.

Although available bandwidth for the residential colleges has been reduced, other campus network users, such as off-campus students and users in classrooms and computer labs, should notice an increase in speed when logging in to University systems.

"There are several things that ResNet users can do to help (conserve bandwidth)," Purcell said. "The biggest is to shut down peer-to-peer file-sharing utilities (such as KaZaa, Bearshare, LimeWire, Gnutella and Morpheus), at least when (they) are not using them."

Plans are in motion to switch available bandwidth back and forth from classroom and computer labs to ResNet users based on the time of day, and this system may be implemented by the end of the semester.

Purcell said switching available bandwidth based on the time of day would give classrooms, computer labs, faculty offices and off-campus students more bandwidth during the day and ResNet users more in the evenings.

## DeLaughter shares experiences

by Melissa Kilcoyne  
staff writer

Bobby B. DeLaughter, prosecutor in the third and final trial of Byron De La Beckwith, began investigating a 31-year-old case with no file, court transcript, physical evidence or witness names.

"What really interested me, though, was the immediate interest from the public when we first announced we were looking into it," DeLaughter said. "I actually had people tell me that they knew he did it, but that's not the point. I felt like Mississippi and myself personally were being put to the test."

Currently a circuit-court judge, DeLaughter spoke at the University about his investigations into the

1963 murder of civil-rights activist Medgar Evers. Evers was shot in the back at his Mississippi home because of racial hatred, DeLaughter said.

DeLaughter said he began to gather information on the case in 1989 by searching through newspaper articles for names of witnesses and successfully prosecuted Beckwith in 1994.

The investigation and trial was later made into a movie, "Ghosts of Mississippi."

DeLaughter said he began re-investigating the case after seeing a newspaper article on suspected jury tampering in Beckwith's first two trials, which ended in hung juries.

"I just really was curious about taking a look at it," he said.

DeLaughter said if the district attorney's office had tried Beckwith for a third time in 1964 and failed, he could not have been tried again because of double jeopardy.

"One of the things that helped us is they remanded it to the closed files," DeLaughter said.

When looking for witnesses, DeLaughter said, most were still alive but took a long time to locate.

"Every one of (the witnesses) remembered everything they had testified to a quarter-of-a-century ago without the first note," he said.

After a few months of investigation, a box of crime-scene negatives were found, and DeLaughter soon found the murder weapon.

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## where have all the Snow Days gone?

It seems every school in a 100-mile radius closes after a single flake falls, but not Murray State. Here's why ...

by Adam L. Mathis  
wire editor

For sophomore Melissa Hart, good grades have to be weighed against arriving at school safely.

With Murray State's classes remaining in session through heavy snow and ice this winter, Hart said the half-hour drive from Paris Landing, Tenn., has been too treacherous for her to make it to school on some days. However, some of her instructors still subtract points for her absences.

"I can't help it," Hart said. "But I am not going to die to get here."

Although the weather kept some students home, Murray State has continued to hold day classes at the main campus.

Don Robertson, Student Affairs vice president, said he and Provost Gary Brockway make the decision to cancel or not cancel classes, although the University president has ultimate authority in the decision.

Robertson said there will always be some in disagreement regardless of the decision.

"If you were to close school, there would be those who will say you should leave it open, and if you leave it open, there are those who say you should close it," Robertson said.

To make a cancellation, Robertson said a number of different agencies are consulted, including Public Safety, the police and weather officials.

"Our sense is that, for the most part, we should be open ... because of our large residential population," Robertson said.

It is not unprecedented for classes to be canceled. In 1994, the first day of spring-semester classes were postponed because of unusually bad weather.

Ernie Bailey, assistant professor of library science, said he recalls very few occasions when classes were canceled in recent years, although cancellations did occur while he was a student at the University.

"It was just probably much more difficult for people to get around then," Bailey said. "I don't think roads and streets were as routinely cleaned off as much as they are now."

Bailey said there was one occasion in the late 1970s when the governor ordered people to stay off the roads because of the weather. However, Constantine Curris, University president at the time, kept the University open and required all employees to come to work.

Robertson said students should use their own judgment in determining whether or not roads are safe. Although this policy can conflict with instructors' attendance policies and lead to unexcused absences, Robertson said faculty should be understanding.

If students are penalized for not attending classes because of snow, Robertson said they can appeal the decision through their department chair or college dean.

Ken Wolf, history department chair, said while some students use the snow as an excuse, he generally believes students when they claim to be unable to attend class.

"If I believe them, then it is an excused absence, and I allow them to make up their work in some form," Wolf said.

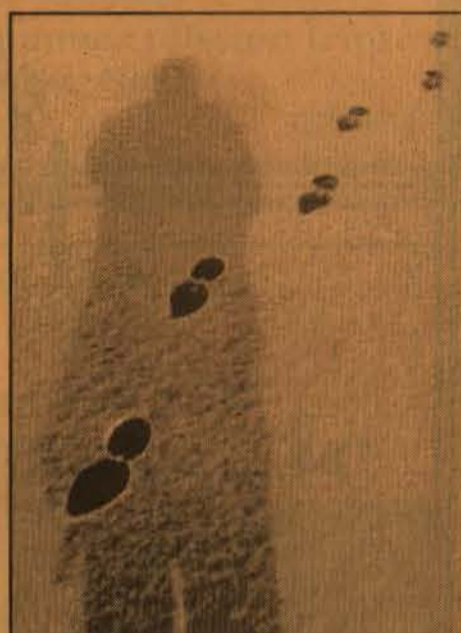
Robertson also said faculty attendance can be a problem, especially for students who commute to campus only to find their class canceled.

"Some of our teachers live pretty far out, and it may be impossible for them to get here," Robertson said.

Brockway said when the University is open, faculty members are expected to attend. If they are unable to attend, they should contact their department chair to arrange a substitute.

Ryan Brooks/The News

Cold winter weather transformed Murray State and the surrounding community with an unusual amount of snow and ice.



**Corrections**

In the Feb. 7 story "Revelations: African-Americans in the Performing Arts," Karsia Slaughter was incorrectly identified as a graduate student from Murray. Slaughter is from Hopkinsville.

Slaughter also was incorrectly quoted in the story.

In the bottom-right picture accompanying the story, a performer was incorrectly identified as Andrea Reynolds.

**Select freshmen, seniors to complete surveys**

Beginning next week, randomly selected freshmen and seniors will have the chance to share their views by completing the College Student Report survey.

The surveys are part of the National Survey of Student Engagement Project.

Information received from students concerning issues inside and outside the classroom will help in the planning and decision-making process to bring about improvements at Murray State.

Freshmen and seniors who receive a copy of the survey are urged to respond.

For more information, phone Fugen Muscio at the Office of Institutional Research at 762-3538.

**Rotary Ambassadorial applications available**

Murray State Rotary Club applications for the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships are now available in the Office of Student Affairs in Ordway Hall.

Applicants must have completed at least two years of University work and be a resident of Kentucky. Students from other states are encouraged to contact the local Rotary Club in their hometown.

The scholarship is for the 2004-05 academic year and

fully funds students to study abroad.

The application deadline is Feb. 28.

For more information, phone Don Robertson at 762-6831 or Mark Malinauskas at 762-3167.

**Career Services to host Spring Career Fair**

The Career Services Office will host the Spring Career Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Curris Center ballroom.

A participant listing is available on the Career Services Web site.

Students are encouraged to dress professionally and bring resumes.

For more information, phone Marlo Rhodes at 762-3803.

**KHEAA forms Outreach Advisory Committee**

The Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA) has formed an Outreach Advisory Committee to better inform students about higher-education opportunities and student financial aid.

The committee will meet with KHEAA at least twice a year to discuss ways to more effectively deliver financial-aid information to Kentucky students and their families.

For more information about KHEAA's programs and services, visit [www.kheaa.com](http://www.kheaa.com).

**Deadline approaches for proposal abstracts**

Murray State students, faculty and staff, as well as Murray community members, are invited to participate in the second-annual Multicultural, Class and Gender Studies Conference on March 27-29 at Murray State.

This year's theme is "Translating Values Into Action."

The conference will feature paper presentations, performances, readings, artwork

and workshops.

Deadline for abstracts is Saturday. Proposals should be sent to Staci Stone in the department of English and philosophy in Faculty Hall.

For more information, phone Stone at 762-4717.

**Academic team prepares for area tournaments**

The quick-recall academic team will begin its weekly practice this Tuesday to prepare for upcoming tournaments Feb. 28 at Transylvania University, April 12 at Somerset Community College and April 25 at Campbellsville University.

Openings are available for new players, and there is no entrance fee or GPA requirement.

For more information, phone Manocher Djassemi at 762-6920.

**Rape Crisis Center fills educator position**

The Rape Crisis Center recently hired Stacey Thomas as an educator for its Murray office.

Thomas will create and provide free educational programs to all grade levels and community groups in Calloway, Hickman, Fulton and Graves counties.

**Administration advises students to check e-mail**

Students, faculty and staff are advised that Murray State e-mail accounts are the official means of University communication. All users have an obligation to check their accounts in order to stay informed of important campus information.

Effective tomorrow, all students eligible for federal aid will receive an e-mail directing them to check the PIN system for current disbursement notices.

Students are advised to check their accounts regularly

to not miss important messages from the Student Financial Aid Office, the Bursar's Office, the Registrar's Office, Student Affairs and individual faculty members.

**Youth Center director speaks to students**

David Hudspeth, director of the Main Street Youth Center, spoke to Pat McCutchen's social-problems class earlier this semester about ways to assist the Youth Center and the importance of being a good role model for youths in the community.

Last fall, McCutchen's social-problems class collected and donated money to the Youth Center.

**Alexander to discuss state budget issues**

F. King Alexander will be meeting with students, parents, educators and community members at 4 p.m. today at Murray High School to discuss the issue of the Kentucky budget crisis and its effects on public education.

The visit follows earlier trips to Hopkinsville, Madisonville and Henderson.

**Company to conduct mobile video interviews**

The Real Time Mobile Video Interviewing Unit will be present at Murray State's Spring Career Fair on Wednesday.

The unit will be conducting mobile video interviewing for the first time on any university campus in the world.

For more information, visit [www.vcrjobs.com](http://www.vcrjobs.com).

*Campus Briefly is compiled by Seth Combs, assistant news editor.*

**•police beat**

**Thursday, Feb. 6**

12:10 a.m. A subject was reported yelling obscenities at an officer from a taxicab. Subject was apologetic upon officer arrival.

12:46 p.m. A caller reported people throwing snowballs at students at Hart College. A verbal warning was given.

1:07 p.m. An officer found a stray dog at Stewart Stadium.

4:31 p.m. A caller reported her bedroom heater was on fire. The Murray Fire Department was advised.

**Friday, Feb. 7**

4:56 p.m. A caller advised that pigeon control would be conducted on campus.

9:02 p.m. A caller advised that there was no heat in Hart College. Central Plant was advised.

11:27 p.m. Racer Patrol reported the Franklin College call box was not numbered.

11:29 p.m. Racer Patrol reported the Richmond College call box was missing one of its numbers.

**Saturday, Feb. 8**

12:00 p.m. A caller reported an elevator was stuck on the first floor of White College.

1:44 p.m. A caller advised that her parking permit was stolen from her vehicle parked behind the Curris Center.

2:54 p.m. A caller reported motorcycles around the Expo Center were scaring horses. Subjects were gone upon officer arrival.

3:27 p.m. A caller reported someone hit his vehicle in the Regional Special Events Center parking lot.

**Sunday, Feb. 9**

10:44 a.m. An officer reported the portable toilet at Hamilton Field was turned over. Central Plant was advised.

7:05 p.m. A resident adviser reported subjects sliding down the hill and hitting the side of the building at Franklin College.

7:41 p.m. A caller reported subjects on the footbridge were throwing

snowballs at cars.

10:19 p.m. A residence director reported a subject on a sled hit the side of Richmond College and broke a window. A report was taken.

**Monday, Feb. 10**

12:13 a.m. A caller advised that the right elevator at White College was out-of-service. Central Plant was advised.

12:32 a.m. A caller at Regents College reported two subjects were throwing snowballs at windows.

10:01 a.m. An individual at Public Safety asked to speak to an officer about stolen books.

2:51 p.m. A caller reported individuals throwing snowballs in the Winslow Dining Hall area.

**Tuesday, Feb. 11**

7:02 a.m. An officer reported the driveway near Hamilton Avenue was slick.

2:03 p.m. A caller reported a long-haired, white dog running loose in the area of Sparks Hall. Animal Control was advised.

5:18 p.m. A caller reported a male subject hit her in the face with a snowball. An officer spoke with the subject.

11:02 p.m. A residence director advised that a spark and small puff of smoke came from a breaker in Hester College.

**Wednesday, Feb. 12**

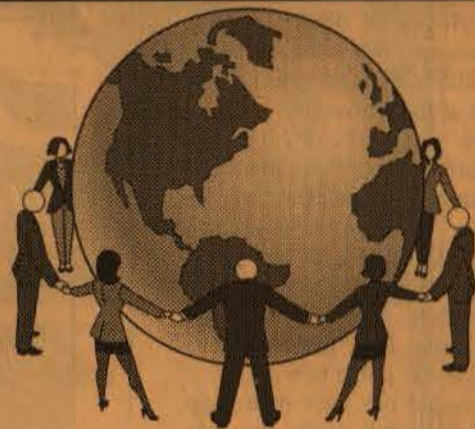
12:04 a.m. Racer Patrol advised that a van was in the Blackburn parking lot. A caller reported the van appeared to have someone living in it.

12:13 a.m. A residence director confiscated a burning candle in Hester College.

Motorists assists - 13  
Racer escorts - 13

*Police Beat is compiled by Seth Combs, assistant news editor, from materials provided by Public Safety. All dispatched calls are not listed.*

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# Murray takes top award at conference

by Seth Combs  
assistant news editor

Murray State residential colleges are the envy of Kentucky universities.

After a yearlong wait for a second chance at the top award in the annual Kentucky Association of Residence Halls (KARH) Conference, Murray State received the School of the Year Award last weekend in Murray.

The conference is an opportunity for various Kentucky universities and colleges to send delegates to discuss residence-hall issues and learn from other institutions' residential systems. Among the nine Kentucky universities in attendance were the University of Louisville, the University of Kentucky, Northern Kentucky University and Western Kentucky University.

Last year, Murray State lost a tiebreaking vote to the University

of Louisville for the School of the Year Award. Natalie Warford, national communications coordinator for the Residential College Association, said last year's outcome made this year's award even more special.

"It definitely meant a lot to all of the KARH team and the delegates from Murray State," Warford said. "The School of the Year Award is the most prestigious award given at the conference. We bid for it last year and did not get it. I think it is fair to say that it was our goal to get it. We wanted it, we went for it and we got it."

Murray State received four awards during the conference, including the Philanthropic Award for collecting 68 pounds of aluminum-can tabs from the residential colleges.

Individual awards included Outstanding Service to KARH, awarded to Residential College Association President Josh Rose,

and National Communications Coordinator of the Year, awarded to Warford.

Warford said the Murray State delegation was not intimidated by some of the larger institutions represented at the conference.

"At conferences, it is bigger schools like UK or UofL that seek us out to find out what we are doing differently," Warford said. "Murray is usually a step ahead of the other schools."

This year's awards also showcase the respect Murray State's residential system is receiving from around the state, said Neil McMillion, assistant director of residence education.

"These awards are voted upon by representatives from all the member institutions of KARH," McMillion said. "By winning these awards, it shows the respect that other state colleges and universities have for our residential-college program."

McMillion also said Murray State's system has become a model for other schools in Kentucky and the surrounding area.

"Other schools find (the residential system) very appealing and like to take every opportunity to learn as much as possible," McMillion said. "This recognition shows the success we have had with our residential colleges. ... There are many schools all over the region trying to begin their own residential-college concept. They look at Murray State as a model by which to follow."

Both Warford and McMillion said they are confident about the future of Murray State's residential-college program.

"I am very confident," Warford said. "The key will be if the students will remain interested in conferences like this."

McMillion agreed and said he will continue working to improve



Jenny Hahn/The News

Journalism and mass communications professors Robert McGaughey and Robert Valentine perform a comedy skit for students at the KARH Conference on Feb. 7 in the Curris Center.

the residential-college system.

"There are still facets of the program we will need to tweak," McMillion said. "We want the

residential-college program to be the absolute best opportunity possible for our students ... educationally and socially."

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freshman, Benton



"Pretty Woman." The man is very handsome, and the story is very romantic."

Chung-Bock Park  
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"Sweet Home Alabama." A redneck wins."

Clint Sanders  
freshman, Lexington, Tenn.



"Life Is Beautiful." It's a romance based around the struggles of the Jewish Holocaust."

Justin Jones  
sophomore, Murray



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# Graduation packets arrive late

## Our View

### ISSUE:

Students take issue with the Registrar's Office because of late graduation packets.

### POSITION:

The Registrar's Office could use more employees, but students need to do their part to streamline the process.

Graduation approaches and students are nervous – but not about grades. Many students fear that when their graduation packets are returned, they will be required to take extra hours of which they were not aware.

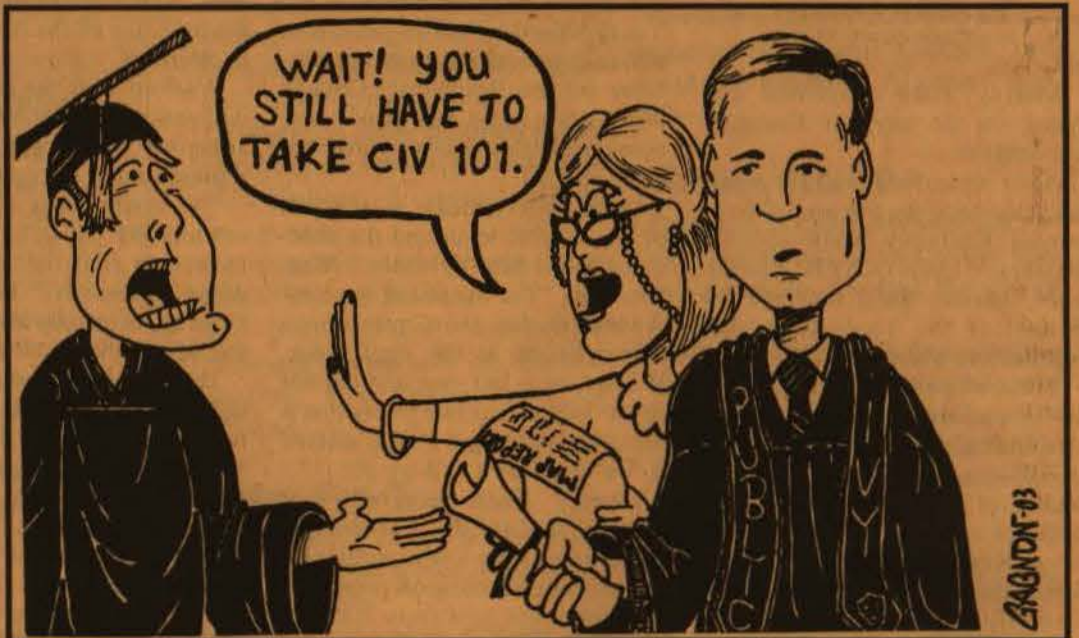
Time and again, students have received graduation packets after the drop/add date and discovered they need three more hours to be eligible for graduation.

When asked about the source of the problem, Registrar Donna Harris said part of it is that employees in her office have many tasks to perform – only one of which is dealing with student paperwork.

However, Harris did emphasize that there is one major factor affecting students and discrepancies with graduation packets: students do not consult advisers before registering for classes and submitting graduation packets.

Many students do not fully understand their map reports and, instead of seeking advice from designated advisers, simply register for classes. This can be detrimental when students overlook courses they need to graduate. Harris said students often sign graduation packets without understanding exactly what they are signing. Later, students wonder why they need to take a course when they thought they had completed their requirements.

We have an imperfect system in Sparks Hall. The employees are doing their best to process student paperwork as quickly and as accurately as possible, but they need students' help. Visit your adviser regularly throughout your college career, especially at registration time, and most especially when



you are ready to graduate. This will make it easier for the employees to process your paperwork correctly and return it in a timely manner.

Of course, with an imperfect system, there will be errors. If you have problems your adviser cannot assist with, or if you feel you have been treated unfairly when it comes to courses and credits, phone or visit Harris' office.

Despite the possible budget crisis, the administration should consider allocating more employees and/or facilities to the Registrar's Office. If the administration is unwilling or unable to provide more employ-

ees, then do the next best thing – extend deadlines for dropping and adding classes. This will give students the time needed to rework schedules if extra hours are needed.

We urge students to simplify the process. Don't wait until the middle of your last semester to discover you need three extra hours to graduate.

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# Fidel Gibson laments job loss, Valentine's

## On the John



John Gibson

"Recently I found out that I am no longer an employee of the University. Because of this lack of employment status, I will no longer be getting paid for this column."

Huuuaa, ninjas!

Well, there you have it, the new intro for this column, at least according to the results of the online poll at [www.msuracers.com](http://www.msuracers.com). Democracy at its finest, folks. On second thought, perhaps I will run this column like a dictatorship; no more of this "letting the people decide" hoosafudge. The only changes that will be made from this day forward will be those that I, Fidel Gibson, declare. Well, those that I declare, as well as my editor in chief, the opinion editor, the copy editors and pretty much anyone else who can edit my column.

OK, so enough of that. I am faced with a serious dilemma, and I need to share it with you all because it affects all of you who read this column (and those of you who use it to line the bottom of your hamster cages, light fires, etc.). Recently I found out that I am no longer an employee of the University. Because of this lack of employment status, I will no longer be getting paid for this column. Now, this termination was caused by completely legit reasons. It's not like I was smoking crack or bashing the administration or anything, so I have no hard feelings.

Folks, let there be no doubt about it. This lack of income will result in some major changes for "On the John." Time is money, and no longer will I be able to devote as much time to writing this column as I have in the past. A severe cutback in the word count is inevitable, and pointless intros and bad jokes are going to have to be kept at an all-time minimum. My figures are showing that an estimated 15 prepositions and indefinite articles will lose their jobs with this column's current economic crisis.

So, perhaps with that last line, I am straying away from the whole "bad jokes are going to have to be kept at an all-time minimum" idea. However, these cutbacks also could result in the elimination of such quaint Gib-

son phrases as "blah blah blah Totino's Party Pizzas blah blah" and "yadda yadda yadda (insert self-deprecatory humor here) yadda yadda." The possible cutting of "Howdy, folks" could not have come at a better time. I am even considering changing the name from "On the John" to "OTJ" in order to be more cost-efficient, and the company big-wigs have discussed plans to Photo-shop in a little spare-change cup into my mug shot to drive the message home.

I have a feeling that because of this recent turn of events, I will now be featured on a VH1 "Behind the Music" episode. It will depict how, while being paid for my column, I was able to lead a life of luxury, able to afford four party pizzas a night while sipping on the finest of Coca Cola products. Of course, with some ominous music playing in the background, and possibly with the graphic of a keyboard falling to the ground and breaking in slow motion, viewers will learn of how my life quickly went to shambles because of my lack of a University paycheck. It will rank up there with the most depressing of "Behind the Music" episodes, like the one about MC Hammer. Poor man and his parachute pants, he just wanted to dance and rap and not be touched.

Anyway, the worst thing about these financial woes is how they are going to affect my Valentine's Day plans. I am not going to be able to afford my usual evening of renting and watching all the "Delta Force" movies while eating chicken-noodle soup. This is a tragedy because nothing says "Happy Valentine's Day!" like the butt-kicking antics of Chuck Norris and some soothing chicken-noodle soup.

Can anybody spare some change? Anybody?

John Gibson is a columnist for "The Murray State News."

# Murray State offers student room to grow

Since I have been a student at Murray State, I have come to think of Murray as a second home. Now, that is endangered.

I am one of many students who relies on scholarships, financial aid, student employment and the regional discount from Murray State. Without these forms of aid, I probably would be going to a college in my home state of Indiana or not at all.

If the Kentucky budget downsizes education spending, then next year's tuition may go up. If that happens, scholarships, programs and student employment could be cut. What will happen to students if these are cut? Some friends of mine who also are on scholarship or have regional discounts say that if these are taken away, they will have to go to college in their home states or quit entirely.

Transferring to a different college would be like starting over again – having to make up credits that don't transfer, meeting new people and figuring out the ropes of a whole new campus. Personally, I would rather stay here than go to a school in Indiana. I have met many people and have some great friends from different places. I am involved with intramural basketball and volunteer at WKMS. It's great!

The members of my family wanted me to come to Murray State instead of staying in Indiana because they felt if I stayed, I would want to come home all the time. They were probably right. With home three hours away, I have become even more independent, and I thank my family for this.

I am glad I came here, and I am not about to leave now. As far as I am concerned, Murray State is stuck with me for at least three more years. I hope everyone has signed the letter SGA distributed on campus. If we all pull together, maybe we can hold tuition down and keep programs and students here at Murray State.

Janet Robb is a freshman print journalism major from New Harmony, Ind.

## In My Opinion



Janet Robb

"Transferring to a different college would be like starting over again – having to make up credits that don't transfer, meeting new people and figuring out the ropes of a whole new campus."

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### Story gives wrong impression; Gloria's in good financial state

To the Editor:

After reading last week's article regarding the reasons that Gloria's World Village (my business) was relocating, I felt I needed to elaborate on a few statements.

The facts in the article were basically true, but the emphasis was in the wrong area, resulting in a distorted picture of our financial situation and reason for relocating. Our financial problems are because of something good, not bad. We are pleased that business is good – that we do not have enough space or tables inside and that our parking is not adequate.

Gloria's World Village Foods opened in August of 1998. Immediately, our unique market grew in product variety,

popularity and profit. Business owners realize that most profit must go back into the business during the first several years. The first four years can be the toughest. We have passed that four-year mark and are now ready to become established – in a permanent place, in a good location, with plenty of room to grow. One of our goals was to be able to own our own business, not to lease.

Many residents and Murray State students are surprised to learn that nonstudents are our main source of revenue. The average sales from nonstudent customers are greater than those of our Murray State customers. Because of the shortage in store space and parking, we lose many customers and sales. For the amount of hours my husband and I work, we could generate almost the same amount of labor, but make more profit, by increasing our number of customers. We have reached

our saturation point at our present location; it would be hard to produce more sales than we presently are.

What I am trying to say is that what Gloria's World Foods is experiencing is good. We have outgrown our present location and are ready to continue our plans for a great future. Mr. Dinh has plans for this building, and we have plans for another building. We will keep most of our customers. Those students and faculty who walk over between classes will visit with us at another time. We will gain more customers than we will lose.

We love being a part of the University setting. The students and faculty are like family to us. We wish we could have found a place closer to Murray State, but there is nothing available that suits our needs. The building we hope to buy is not within walking distance to Murray State, but it is still an excellent location. We are

hoping to relocate in May, but that is probably too soon. We have many exciting plans for expansion that will be great for the whole community. To make a long story short, our financial problem is not a bad problem, but a good problem.

Stuart and Gloria Shull  
Gloria's World Village Foods

## Write to us

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# Bloodshed further aids bin Laden

Last week, I talked about the Iran-Iraq war and how some countries decided to take advantage of the war by selling products and profiting from it. This week I've had some requests to continue and complete the history after the war. However, an incident occurred this week that made me change my mind and take a different course. The incident, which I'm sure you're familiar with, is the new bin Laden audiotape sent to the Al-Jazeera Network.

Al-Jazeera is the Arabic equivalent of CNN for anyone who speaks the Arabic Language. All the Osama bin Laden videocassettes you hear or see on CNN or Fox are Al-Jazeera exclusives. Bin Laden sends his tapes to this network in order to "keep in contact" with the world. This does not mean Al-Jazeera is in anyway associated with terrorist groups, but you may think of it as the closest source to the truth in Middle Eastern media in general. His tapes are run without editing and without interruption. Comments that come from the network related to bin Laden are restricted to facts and repetition of what was said in the form of quotes. This way, meaning can not be changed. Sometimes the medium in which information is communicated is just as important as the information itself, which is why I went ahead and explained what the Al-Jazeera network is all about.

I am privileged and lucky to have been born in Egypt, brought up in both Egypt and the United Kingdom and then moved to the United States. I believe I am lucky because I am capable of bringing in several perspectives on most situations to formulate an opinion. I also believe I am lucky because I can understand both Arabic and English. I will use this slight advantage and try to explain the main points of bin Laden's new recording.

He started with the regular introductions and read some scripture from the Koran to remind listeners that he's a "man of religion," as he has put it in other recordings. His first subject was the "corrupt" governments of the Arab world; he called all Muslims to rise against the corrupt governments and start a "revolution" in which all "Western influence" could be removed and any "Western ways" demolished.

He asked all Muslims to fight the United States and unite under one flag so that "the war could be won." He talked about the United States media and warned "against the demoralization of the strong lies and deceit of the infidels." He said that although Saddam's secular government is one that will "go to the deepest fires of hell," Muslims should not be dying; he urged all Muslims (1 billion) to unite in "taking arms against the Western crusaders."

Finally he went on to give the Iraqis some advice and asked them to build as many underground tunnels as possible, giving examples of where he and his followers were able to survive for months under the protection of the soil.

The recording seemed to hint that it is legitimate, but he did sound either very tired or dying. He is certainly succeeding in achieving his goals, and every human on the planet is helping him.

That goal is to have as much bloodshed as possible.

Abdulla El-bannan is a columnist for "The Murray State News."

## What in the World?



Abdulla El-bannan

# Oil not primary reason for war

I realize that many of us as of late have been responding with different opinions about the possible war with Iraq. Some people will get ahead of themselves and assume that anyone who supports taking action in Iraq must do so because of greed or other selfish reasons.

A common theme among anti-war opinions is that the United States is motivated by Iraq's oil resources. If this is the case, why doesn't the United States invade Venezuela and depose Hugo Chavez? Quite simply, Chavez does not pose as much of a threat to his own people and the rest of the world as Saddam Hussein. Oil is merely a bonus to invading and liberating Iraq.

For the sake of argument, let's say that the United States' sole purpose in this whole conflict is to acquire Iraq's oil reserves. What would be the best way for us to go about attaining that goal? For one, we could lift our sanctions and stop insisting on "regime change." I think if we did this, Hussein would surely be willing to provide us

with oil since his cash-strapped nation is in dire need of revenue. Wouldn't this approach be a better alternative than a full-fledged war?

Along with war comes many possible ramifications. Just to list a few, the possibility of damaging to Iraqi oil fields, political instability or even civil war. It would be a simpler plan just to turn a blind eye to Hussein's corrupt regime than to go to the trouble of war just to acquire oil.

Hasn't Saddam had this oil since the end of the Gulf War back in 1991? If so, then why haven't we gone charging in to get it sometime during the past 12 years? If oil is our main interest in this war, then why are we just now urging action to get it?

Could it be that we are more concerned about something else? Could it be something greater such as Iraqi sponsorship of terrorism on its own people and Iraq's threat to our own homeland security?

The fact is this conflict with Iraq is not about oil. It's about protecting our freedom

and keeping our country safe from any future catastrophic terrorist attacks. Hussein's determination to build chemical, biological and nuclear weapons that endanger American and other lives throughout the world should not be tolerated.

Hussein's regime is an acknowledged enemy of the United States. During the past few years, it has spent billions working to develop chemical, biological and nuclear weapons. It has invaded and attempted to conquer its neighbors. It openly and proudly provides funding for terrorists to bomb civilians in Israel. After being defeated in a war by the United States, it promised to give up weapons of mass destruction. Here it is 12 years later, and they still possess these weapons along with a threat to attack.

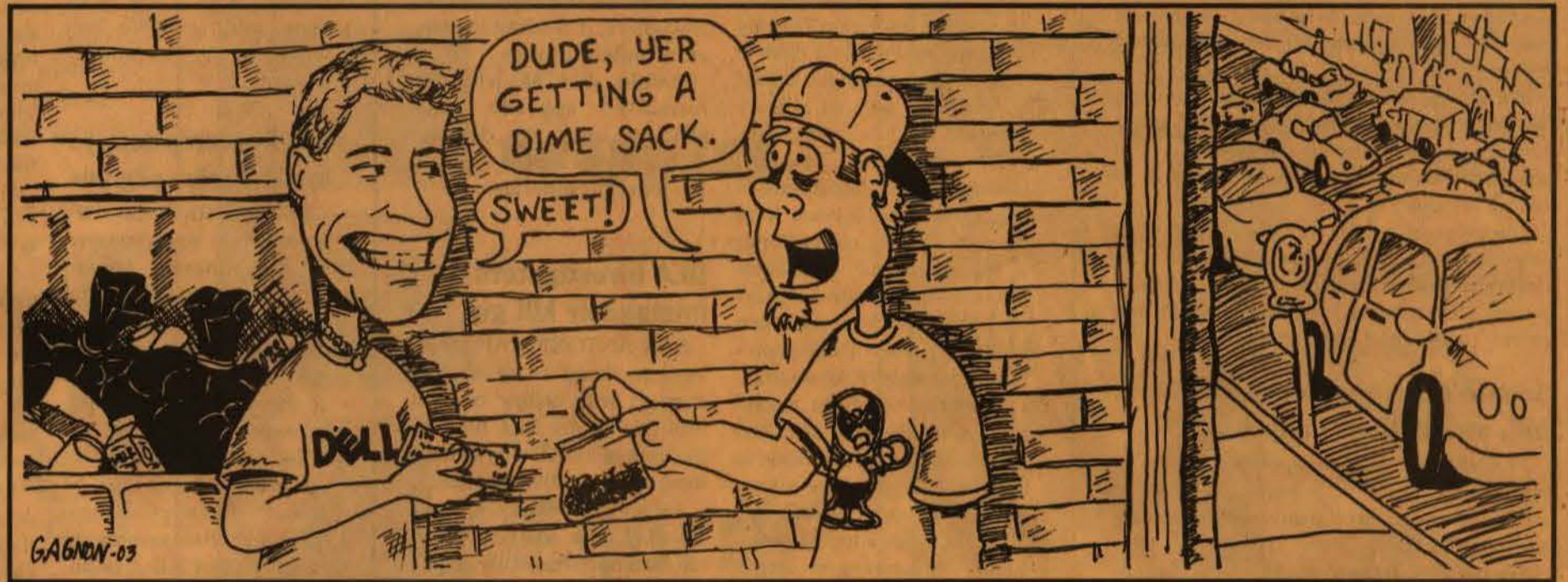
Hussein has broken promises in the past. The time for action is here. Why should we keep stalling and trust his antics now?

Gareth Turner is a graduate student from Millington, Tenn.

## In My Opinion



Gareth Turner



# Student expresses Valentine's Day sentiments

## In My Opinion



Travis Tandy

"Remember, you must follow your heart even though you don't like where it is leading you. Life is not a race, but a journey to be savored each step of the way."

"If you love something, set it free. If it returns, it's yours; if it doesn't, it never was."

We all go through life wondering what this thing called "love" is. Is it the way someone says your name? The soft touch of his or her hand or the chilling feeling that goes up and down your back when he or she says your name? Is it the few minutes that seem to last forever when you're around him or her? I know some of you reading this are going to disagree, and if you do, that is fine. Everyone has his or her own opinions, and I respect that. But follow me for now and then make your decisions after you read this commentary.

Imagine life as a game in which you are juggling five balls in the air. The balls you're juggling are work, family, health, friends and spirit. As we all know, it's hard to keep all of these balls in the air. Each ball is different, and you will soon understand that work is the rubber ball. The other four are made of glass.

If you drop the rubber ball, it will bounce back, but if you drop the others, they will be irrevocably scuffed, marked, nicked, damaged or even shattered. If they are dropped, they will never be the same. You must understand this and strive for balance in your life. How? Don't undermine your worth by comparing yourself to others. It is because we are different that each of us is special.

Don't let your goals be determined by what other people deem important. Only you know what is best for you. Don't take for granted those things that are close to your heart. Hold those values close to your heart because that is what makes up you. Without them, life is meaningless.

Don't let your life slip through your fingers by living in the past or for the future. By living your life one day at a time, you live all the

days of your life. Don't give up when you still have something to give. Just because you might have thought you were in love doesn't mean you really were. Nothing is really over until the moment you stop trying.

Don't be afraid to admit you are less than perfect.

It's a fragile thread that binds us together. Don't be afraid to take risks. By taking chances, we learn how to be brave. Don't shut love out of your life by saying it's impossible to find time. The quickest way to receive love is to give it. The fastest way to lose love is to hold it too tightly, and the best way to keep love is to give it wings. Also remember what I said in the beginning. If you do not remember it, then go back and read it again.

Don't run through life so fast that you forget not only where you have been, but also where you are going. Sometimes the person we should love is the one standing right in front of our faces, and we don't even notice. Don't forget a person's greatest emotional need is to feel appreciated.

Don't be afraid to learn. We learn something from every relationship we have. Knowledge is weightless, a treasure you can always carry easily. Please don't use time or work carelessly. Neither can be retrieved.

Remember, you must follow your heart even though you don't like where it is leading you. Life is not a race, but a journey to be savored each step of the way. "Yesterday is history, tomorrow is mystery and today is a gift: That's why we call it the present."



Travis Tandy is a graduate student from Owensboro.

# Television jinx proves toughest opponent for Racer basketball team

## In My Opinion



Charles Taylor

"These are the times that try men's souls." For the past couple weeks, it seems students have read about the harsher realities of life - mainly war, politics and the drunken slob from Police Beat. Respective writers from "The News" all were quick to give their opinions, and the general consensus appears to be that we will destroy the world (very soon), lose our jobs, pay more for school ("Who cares!" says this graduate) and be perfectly miserable. In short, the proverbial excrement is on the verge of hitting the fan.

Well, now is the perfect time to resolve some deep questions about life on this planet (before it blows up). Some of these include: Who won the Cy Young Award in 1979? Can rabbits and cats really interbreed? And, most importantly, why do they call it a "flying V" when it looks more like a check mark? Luckily, I already know the answer to these questions (who could forget Mike Flanagan's 23-win season for the Orioles?), so I have one more for you: Why can't our beloved men's

basketball team win a regular-season, televised game?

The "TV jinx" is no stranger to this Racer fan. The first time I recall it rearing its ugly head was during the 1996-97 season. We were undefeated going into Winter Break and had one of our best teams ever. On our schedule was the Maui Invitational (or was it the San Juan Shootout?) Christmas tournament, and our first opponent was nationally ranked Michigan. Hoop enthusiasts back home were ecstatic about the prospect of beating a top school, and the game was even on ESPN! A top-25 ranking was just around the corner. However, our hopes were quickly dashed as Robert "Tractor" Traylor and the Wolverines plowed (pun intended) over the hapless Racers.

Anyone familiar with the great Racer team knows the rest of the story. We came back the next day to blow out Arkansas and eventually beat Iowa State in overtime to place third in the tournament. What was the difference between our per-

formance against Michigan and those latter tournament games? This round-ball fan believes it was the television camera. A few weeks after the tournament, my fears were confirmed when we lost our second televised game, this time to an Ohio Valley Conference opponent. So far during that season, we had not lost a game that wasn't on television (I might be wrong on this - it's hard to find records for past seasons - but I do know we lost both of those TV games).

Since that season, I could give numerous examples of the Racers dropping games (many of which we should have won) on the tube. To be fair, I will specify that this is usually a regular-season phenomenon because we most certainly perform well in the OVC Championship (which is always on ESPN or ESPN2). So far this season, we are 0-3 on ESPN2 and Fox Sports Net, respectively. Why did we drop both games against Austin Peay for the first time since the Stone Age? How could Tennessee Tech gain a 17-point

advantage in the first half while facing a superior Racer squad? I'm telling you, it was the television!

The TV jinx is quickly becoming the most prominent of my three Constants of Racer Basketball, the others being: 1. Our best rivalries are against teams that wear red (APSU, SIU, WKU and SEMO), and 2. We play well in the NCAA Tournament when we are seeded low, but do not usually play good ball when we are fairly confident of a win (think Rhode Island in '98 and Alabama about six years earlier).

For those of you dreading the rest of the season, take heart! There will be no more ESPN or Fox cameras to oppose the Racers until the OVC Championship. However, WPSD will be taping the SEMO game on Saturday.

Charles Taylor is a senior radio/television major from Murray.

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**State Senate proposes increased penalty for 'abuse of public trust'**

FRANKFORT (AP) - A Senate committee Tuesday approved a bill to create another felony crime - "abuse of public trust." If enacted, public officials who stole public money could be sent to prison for up to 20 years.

The legislation was prompted by a case from Florence, whose former finance director is charged with stealing more than \$1 million from the city.

The proposed crime would apply to any official who intentionally takes public money or property. Those convicted of the crime could never again hold public office.

Penalties would increase in proportion to amounts stolen. The offense would be a Class D felony, punishable by one to five years in prison, for thefts of less than \$10,000. Thefts over \$100,000 would be a Class B felony, punishable by 10 to 20 years.

**State lawmakers veto bill to ban smoking in college dormitories**

LXINGTON (AP) - Ashley Pennington considers her dorm room to be home - where she can light up a cigarette whenever the mood strikes.

Her tobacco habit within the cozy confines of her room was preserved Tuesday when the Kentucky House narrowly defeated a bill that sought to ban smoking in student housing on college campuses.

The proposal, which was defeated 45-49 in Frankfort, would have banned smoking in dorms, residence halls and other campus-owned and sanctioned housing at public and private colleges and universities.

**Senate approves fetal homicide bill, awaits House approval**

FRANKFORT (AP) - Legislation aimed at broadening Kentucky's homicide laws to cover the unborn won overwhelming Senate approval Tuesday.

The bill now shifts to the House, which has steadfastly resisted the perennial push to give such recognition to the unborn.

In creating the crime of "fetal homicide," the measure would declare a fetus to be a person, starting at fertilization. Under current law, a fetus is not considered a person until the live birth occurs.

State Rep. Stan Lee, primary sponsor of a similar bill in the House, said he suspected that the Senate bill "has no chance over here."

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**Study shows the 'right' way to kiss someone**

When you kiss your sweetheart this Valentine's Day you may well turn your head to the right, echoing a preference born in the womb, a researcher suggests.

Onur Guentuerkuen of Ruhr-University Bochum in Bochum, Germany, reports that he spied on 124 pairs of adults who turned their heads left or right while kissing on the lips in public places in Germany, Turkey and the United States. Two-thirds of the kissers went to the right, he found.

**Maine House approves anti-war resolution**

AUGUSTA, Maine (AP) After an emotional and lengthy debate, the state House approved a resolution Tuesday night urging President Bush to disarm Iraq through the United Nations and without military intervention.

The resolution, amended twice to address the concerns of opponents who derided it as partisan, divisive and ineffectual, was approved 77-66 and sent to the Senate. The measure says Bush should seek no resolution of the Iraqi threat that compromises the safety of Americans.

Supporters said the resolution could become the first addressing the Iraq situation to win final approval by a state lawmaking body. A week ago, Hawaii's House adopted a resolution condemning unilateral action by the United States in its efforts to disarm Iraq and North Korea.

Opponents said a state legislature had no business taking up national issues. "No matter how you try to dress up this fish that's stinking in the sun, this representative's not going to vote for it," GOP Rep. Thomas Murphy Jr. said.

**Court may approve broader police tactics**

NEW YORK (AP) - A federal judge said he may grant New York City police broadened powers in terrorist investigations, saying the "nature of public peril" is ever-changing.

U.S. District Judge Charles S. Haight said he might expand police powers in March by permitting a rewriting of a 1985 consent decree that established the Handschu Guidelines governing what New York City police are allowed to do to investigate political activity.

The consent decree settled a 1971 lawsuit by the Black Panther Party alleging police engaged in widespread surveillance of legitimate political activity and distributed the information elsewhere, including to law-enforcement groups.

Haight said he will not formally approve the changes until the department shows him a text of the federal guidelines.

**DEA investigators mistakenly kill girl**

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - The teenage daughter of a man charged with selling cocaine was mistakenly shot once in the back of the head by federal drug agents, authorities said.

Ashley Villarreal, 14, died Tuesday after she was taken off life support, family members said.

The girl was shot Sunday when Drug Enforcement Administration agents mistook her for her father, Joey Angel Villarreal, a three-time convicted drug offender.

DEA investigators arrived Tuesday to review the shooting and San Antonio police also were investigating.

## •world

**India tests Brahmos supersonic missile**

NEW DELHI, India (AP) India test-fired Wednesday a supersonic cruise missile jointly developed by New Delhi and Moscow and capable of hitting several Pakistani cities.

Pakistan criticized what it called India's "massive militarization."

The Brahmos, based on the Russian Yahont anti-ship missile, has a range of 185 miles, enough to hit a large swathe in neighboring Pakistan - India's rival of five decades. The missile can only carry conventional weapons.

Pakistan's Foreign Ministry spokesman Kamran Niaz, refused to say whether Islamabad would respond with a test of its own, adding: "We test when it is technically required."

**Saudi security deploys to aid Muslim pilgrims**

MINA, Saudi Arabia (AP) Security personnel deployed by the hundreds around three pillars representing the devil's temptations to divide the masses coming to carry out one of their final rituals at the annual Muslim pilgrimage.

Eight medical teams set up nearby, hoping to be positioned to respond more quickly to crises such as the stampede that killed 14 pilgrims on Tuesday.

Medical personnel were seen giving first aid to several pilgrims, but no serious injuries were reported, according to a security official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

On Tuesday, the stampede occurred when a group of pilgrims finished the ritu-

al and was leaving as another wave entered, swelling the crowd dangerously on a market street. Three Indians, four Pakistanis, two Egyptians, an Iranian, a Yemeni and a Sudanese were killed. Two others had not yet been identified. Fifteen others were slightly injured.

**Alleged bin Laden tape urges terrorism**

DOHA, Qatar (AP) - The purported voice of Osama bin Laden tells his followers to help Saddam Hussein fight Americans even though his government is of "infidels," words U.S. officials said showed the Iraqi leader's ties to the al-Qaida terror network.

The voice on the tape aired Tuesday by the Al-Jazeera satellite television station throughout the Arab world urged Iraqis to stage suicide attacks and lure American troops into bloody urban battles to inflict "big casualties."

U.S. officials said they believe the voice on the tape is that of the elusive bin Laden. Secretary of State Colin Powell said the comments, broadcast on the first day of the major Islamic holiday Eid al-Adha, bolstered U.S. allegations that Iraq is harboring al-Qaida operatives.

On the tape, the speaker urged Iraqis to profit from the lessons learned by al-Qaida fighters in the war against the Americans and their allies in Afghanistan.

**Scientists to test new HIV/AIDS vaccine**

KAMPALA, Uganda (AP) Doctors and scientists have begun testing an HIV/AIDS vaccine in Uganda that is specifically designed for a

strain of the disease common in East Africa, a member of the project said Wednesday.

The tests began Monday when two unidentified Ugandan volunteers were injected with one component of the two-part vaccine at the Uganda Virus Research Institute, said Dr. Pontiano Kaleebu, head of the government-run institute's team.

The vaccine has been developed by scientists from Britain's Medical Research Council and Kenya's University of Nairobi - with backing from the New York-based International AIDS Vaccine Initiative.

**Israeli forces increase security in Bethlehem**

BETHLEHEM, West Bank (AP) - Israeli forces tightened their grip on Bethlehem Wednesday after a Palestinian sniper shot and killed an Israeli army officer in front of the Church of the Nativity, which marks the traditional birthplace of Jesus, and in the Gaza Strip, Israeli forces killed two Palestinians with a flechette shell.

In the West Bank, soldiers killed a Palestinian teen during a clash in a refugee camp.

The violence came as Muslims marked the Feast of the Sacrifice under stiff Israeli travel restrictions, imposed after Israeli officials said they had intelligence warnings of militants planning major terror attacks during the four-day holiday.

World Briefly is compiled by Adam L. Mathis, wire editor.

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# ASPhi fraternity members visit local retirees

by Severo Avila  
opinion editor

Perhaps 18 Alpha Sigma Phis and 30 senior citizens do have common interests.

ASPhi members visited retirees at the Hickory Woods retirement home Tuesday for an evening of good, old-fashioned conversation. Members of the fraternity also visited the retirees last semester and decided to continue the tradition this year.

ASPhi members arrived at the Hickory Woods retirement home at 6 p.m. with Valentine's Day candy in tow. The Hickory Woods staff provided a list of residents who would benefit most from visits, and the brothers, in twos and threes, started knocking on doors.

Tim Travis, sophomore from

Eddyville, and Joseph Ebert, junior from St. Louis, knocked on the door of room 103 and were greeted by the warm smile of Martha Farris.

Farris, a retired postmaster from Murray, was delighted to have guests. She said since her recent move into Hickory Woods, she has had few visitors, so this visit was a treat.

"We don't get many visitors," Farris said. "The food is great, and we have lots of things to do, but not many visitors."

Farris, Travis, Ebert and retired auto mechanic John Brandon sat and talked for almost an hour about a variety of topics.

Farris, who is the daughter of a Baptist deacon, spoke about the many changes in Murray since she attended college shortly after World

War II, when Murray State was known as Murray Teachers College. Travis and Ebert asked questions about campus life, and Farris recalled a time when Wells and Woods halls were residential halls and the only two classroom buildings were Wilson Hall and the current Wrather Museum.

Brandon was enlisted in the Navy and shared his experiences as an airplane mechanic during the Pearl Harbor bombing. He recounted adventures with Japanese soldiers, life in the barracks and Tomcat airplanes.

"I had a really good time," Ebert said. "It was like a reminder of my grandparents. I'm really interested in history, and there's no better way to learn about it than to talk to people that lived it."

The Hickory Woods staff said they

were pleased the fraternity members took time to visit with the residents.

"Most of our residents enjoy it," said Beverly Bogart, resident assistant at Hickory Woods. "Sometimes (the residents) get lonely, and it's nice to have someone come and talk to them, and these young men are so nice."

After hours of talk and visiting with residents, the Alpha Sigma Phi brothers left Hickory Woods with a promise to return.

"I'm definitely planning to make this a monthly thing," said Matt Stanton, freshman from Leitchfield and ASPhi community-service director. "We had a good turnout, and overall, it was a good experience. We like spending time with them, and I'm going to try to do this every month if we can."



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Mikey Moreland, sophomore from Versailles, visits with Hickory Woods resident Frances Churchill as she plays solitaire.

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## this week

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•Cinema International – “Monsoon Wedding,” 7:30 p.m., Curris Center Theater. Free admission.  
•Performance – Faculty and guest recital, Kay Gardner-Bates and Marie Taylor, 8 p.m., Performing Arts Hall. Free admission.

## •saturday

•Cinema International – “Monsoon Wedding,” 7:30 p.m., Curris Center Theater. Free admission.

## •sunday

•Bible Study – University Church of Christ, 9 a.m.  
•Bible Study – Chi Alpha, Elizabeth College back lobby, 9:15 a.m. Rides to the church of your choice afterward.  
•Bible Study – Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Murray, 11 a.m., Curris Center Tennessee Room.  
•Bible Study – Murray Christian Fellowship house, 7 p.m.

## •monday

•RCA – Residential College Association meeting, 5 p.m., Curris Center Barkley Room. All are welcome.  
•Film – African-American Cinema, 8 p.m., Curris Center Barkley room.

## •tuesday

•Fun Flicks – Make your own music video, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Curris Center dance lounge. Free admission.  
•Discussion – “Combating the Stereotypes of African-Americans,” led by Pam Edwards and Steve Jones, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Curris Center Tennessee Room.  
•CAB – Campus Activities Board meeting, 4:30 p.m., Curris Center Tennessee Room.  
•Art – Urban Arts Day, 7 p.m., Curris Center dance lounge.

## •wednesday

•Career Fair – 2003 Career Services Spring Career Fair, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Curris Center ballroom.  
•Dinner – African-American dinner, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Winslow Cafeteria.  
•SGA – Student Government Association senate meeting, 5 p.m., Curris Center Barkley Room

## •thursday

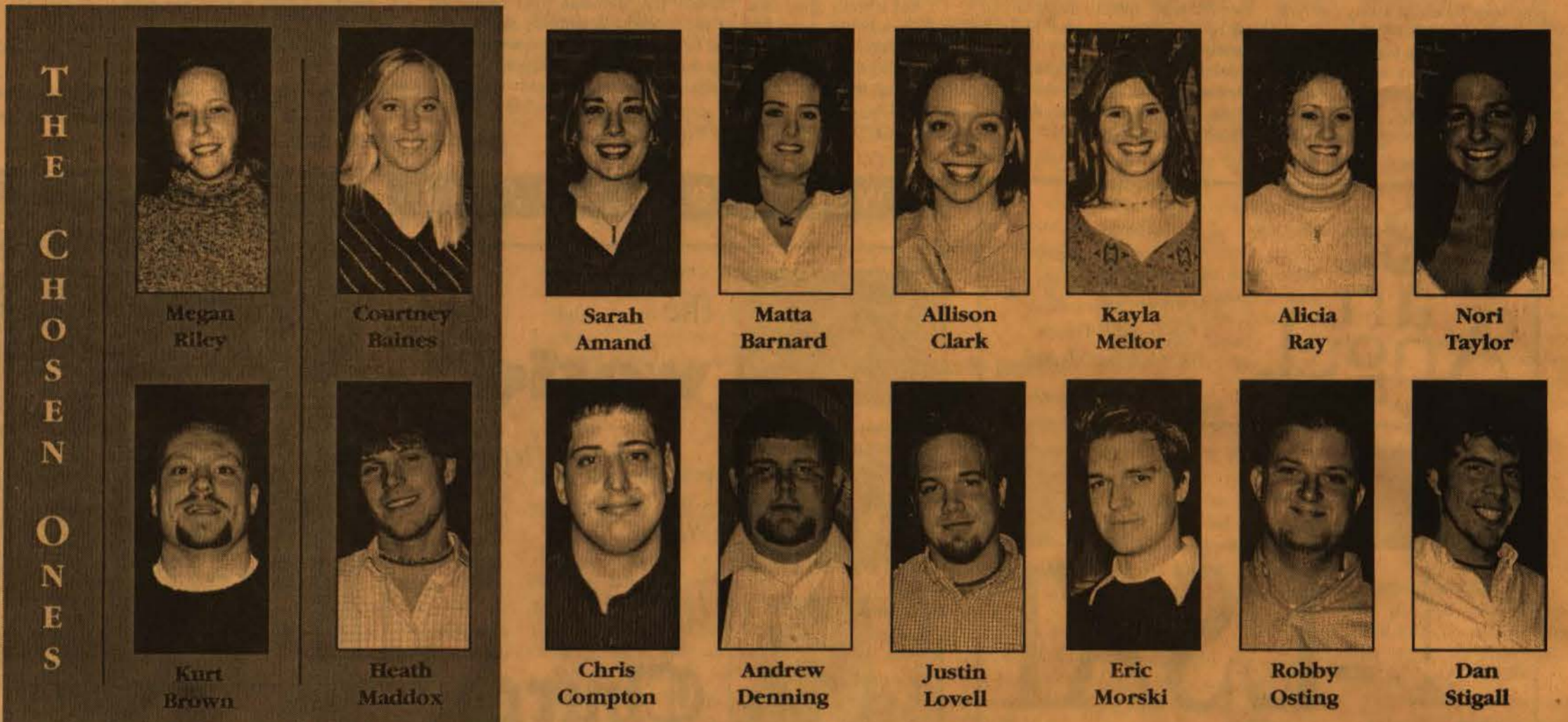
•Music – Quad State Senior Band Festival, all day, Lovett Auditorium.  
•Cinema International – “Shower,” 7:30 p.m., Curris Center Theater. Free admission.

# SPEED DATE

8 guys  
8 gals  
8 minutes

16 Murray State students give the latest dating craze a try

## THE PARTICIPANTS



## THE DATES

by Kyser Lough  
college life editor

With television cashing in on reality series, “The Murray State News” decided it was time to join in the fun.

However, instead of dressing a broke freshman to look like a multimillionaire or blindly throwing five students together on a bus to see how indecent they can become, our staff devised a different approach. On Tuesday night, “The News” sponsored a speed date at the Bull Pen in Murray.

In a speed date, an equal number of males and females get together and split into couples. Each couple has a limited amount of time to meet and get to know

each other before moving on to another member of the opposite sex. New couples are formed until each man has met each woman and vice versa.

For our speed-dating project, we took 16 Murray State students, eight males and eight females, and gave eight minutes to each partnered couple.

But, is eight minutes really enough time to get, or make, a good impression? Many participants said eight minutes was hardly enough time, while a few felt eight minutes was far too long.

“You can tell a lot about a person by what they choose to ask you and the kind of answers they give in a short period of time,” said speed-date participant Megan Riley, freshman from

Salem, Ill. “Their body language also told me a lot about them and how comfortable they are with me and the situation.”

Several participants said some of the eight-minute dates seemed like they would never end.

“Eight minutes might have been a little short to get a good first impression of each person, although there were a few awkward moments,” said Nori Taylor, senior from Joppa, Ill.

Overall, participants said they enjoyed the night, although it was not what they were expecting.

“I was a little anxious beforehand, but I got over that,” Andrew Denning, sophomore from Louisville, said.

A majority of the participants said they would even participate in a speed date again.

“I was expecting the night to be more businesslike,” Riley said. “I was pleasantly surprised when it turned out to be a lot of fun.”

Speed dating is an up-and-coming trend that is quickly sweeping the nation. It has been featured on television shows such as “Sex and the City,” “Frasier” and “The Today Show.”

At the end of a typical speed date, participants are able to pass along contact information confidentially and find out who is interested in them.

At the end of our speed date, each participant filled out a short survey for each

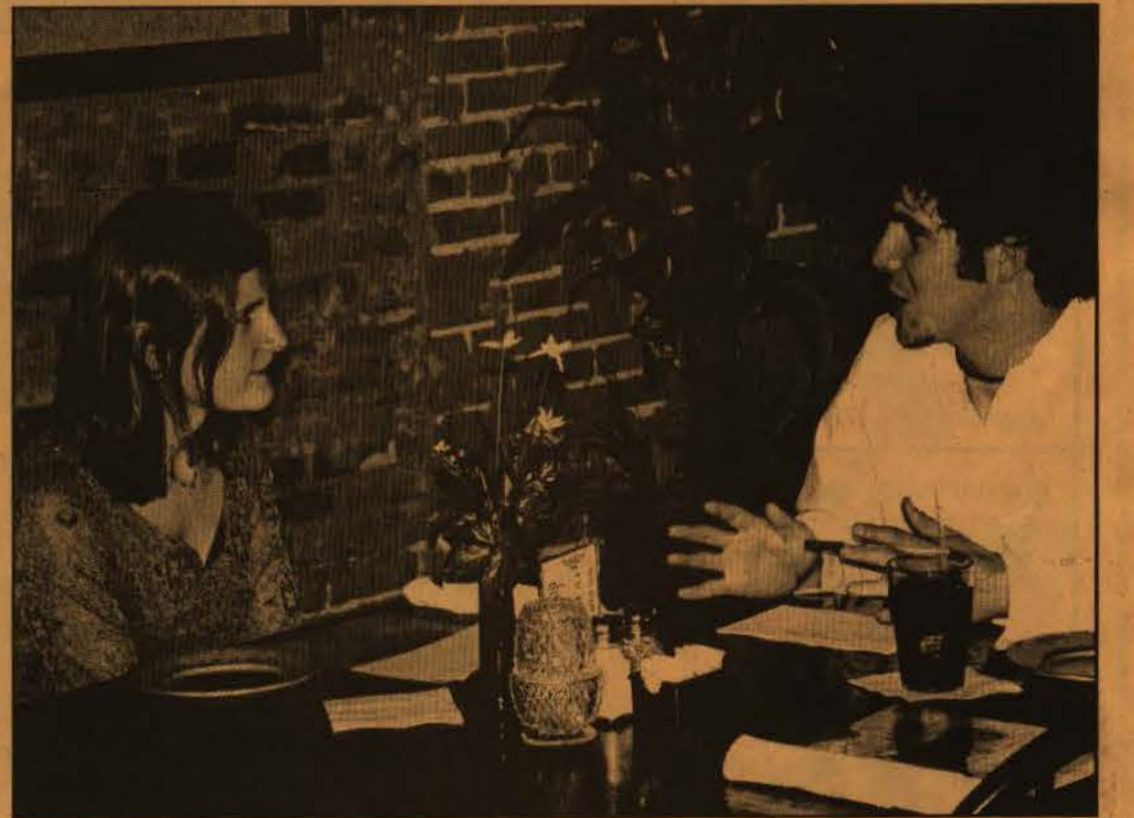
participant he or she met. In the survey, speed daters were asked to rank their fellow participants on a 1-to-10 scale according to compatibility, physical attraction and willingness for a second meeting. The surveys were confidential, but everyone was given the chance to exchange contact information if desired.

“The News” used the surveys to find the two most compatible individuals and two least compatible individuals. Tonight, these four will be participating in the second half of our “reality series” as they go on another date. This date, however, will be less speedy and more intimate, giving participants the chance to see how well their first impressions hold.



Adam Cecil/The News

(Above) Justin Lovell, senior from Greenville, attempts to make the most of his eight minutes with Alicia Ray, junior from Rineyville. (Right) Dan Stigall, sophomore from Camden, Tenn., chats it up with Kayla Meltor, junior from Fairfield, Ill.



## THE PERSONAL ACCOUNT

by Alicia Ray  
contributing writer

I took a chance on a speed date.

I was asked to do the speed date at the last minute to even out the number of guys and girls and, although I was reluctant, I agreed. I thought, I’m not going to meet the man of my dreams, but why not? At the very least, I would have some fun.

Well, to say the least, I did have fun. I’ll admit that one of the things I worried about initially was that all the daters would be, well, rejects. Like I said, I didn’t go into this with the highest of expectations.

But, as I stepped into the dim room in the Bull Pen full of speed daters, I was relieved to find my prejudices incorrect. There were actually a few decent-looking and even attractive people there, plus

several people I already knew.

Before the date began, we mingled in segregated groups like middle-schoolers at a school dance and discussed our predictions for the night.

Then we began the 64-minute speed date.

The date was sort of like a job interview, if you will. Each guy introduced himself to me, then he had eight minutes to prove he met my qualifications.

Many of the guys seemed nervous at the beginning of the date, so I had to ask the questions, which I didn’t mind. First I asked each guy the typical get-to-know-a-stranger questions – where are you from? what’s your major? and what type of peanut butter do you prefer? Then I proceeded to the more difficult questions – what is your political affiliation? are you religious? and what kind of candy bar would you say you are most

like?

As the guys asked me questions in return, I got a good feel for whether or not I was compatible with each one.

I usually knew within the first minute if the guy had a chance. First, I evaluated the physical attraction. I don’t want to sound shallow, but let’s be honest: Attraction is the key to a healthy relationship.

I used the rest of the time to determine whether the guy was compatible with me, evaluating interests, sense of humor, morals, aspirations. OK, so maybe I sound like I was deciding whether or not to marry the guy, but I try not to date guys I wouldn’t consider marrying.

I think that, overall, eight minutes was a good, round amount of time to sample a relationship.

With a couple of guys, the time passed

far too quickly, and I wished we had another eight minutes to get to know each other. However, other guys were able to transform a mere eight minutes into an eternity. Conversations with these guys seemed to drag on forever, and I was relieved to hear the word “switch!”

While I don’t think the time with each person should be extended because of the chance for awkward silences, I don’t feel eight minutes is enough time to truly determine compatibility. You just can’t find out enough about a person in that time. It is enough time, though, to decide whether or not you would like to spend more time with someone.

Despite my initial skepticism, the course of the speed date changed my preconceived notions of “reality dating.” I still think it’s best when love sneaks up on you – accidentally bumps your hand

in the ice-cream freezer at Wal-Mart or beats you in a poker game at a party – but I now think sometimes you can sneak up on love.

So, the suspense is probably killing you. Did I find love at the end of the 64 minutes? Did I meet the man of my dreams? Well, I don’t know about all of that at this point; it was just eight minutes!


I will say, however, that one of my “job applicants” may be getting a second interview.

Out of the eight guys, I found several I think would make good friends, but nothing more than that. I did meet one guy, though, who I think shows potential for a lasting relationship.

Although we were not chosen to go on the Valentine’s Day date, numbers were exchanged, and we still plan to see what develops.

# NEED DATE?

Single on Valentine's Day? Staff members of "The News" offer up a multitude of ways to spend Feb. 14.


**Chris Jung**  
sports editor

As a man who has seen both sides of the Valentine's Day spectrum, I feel like I have enough experience to state the following: Whether guys want to admit it or not, we need a girl to take care of and "woo" on the most romantic day of the year.

Whether you're the richest man in the world, hanging in the middle class or rapidly dropping weight because your diet consists only of ramen noodles, the most precious possession a man can ever bear in this world is a woman's heart. The warmth that a woman's presence brings is unmatched, and the time we have to encounter these feelings is precious and irreplaceable. Therefore, one time before it's too late, take a chance. Even if you feel like there is nothing else in the world that can make you complete, remember this Lucian de Croza-onza quote:

"We are each of us angels with only one wing. And we can only fly while embracing each other."

Happy Valentine's Day.




**Kyser Lough**  
college life editor

Unlike Chris, I've only seen one side of the Valentine's Day spectrum: the single one. Valentine's Day is a bit of pessimism.

However, the hopeless romantic in me prevails. If there is someone out there you have been pining over for months, or even someone with whom you hit it off really well last weekend, now is your chance to suck it up and do something about it.

Go ahead, put the newspaper down and pick up the phone. Give your love interest a call and get that date for next weekend. It's all right that you don't have a date for today, Valentine's Day is more than just spending time with someone you love. It's also a great time to start something new, to take the initiative and take Cupid's job into your own hands. Grab a diaper, bust out the bow and arrow and start shooting. Who knows what you might hit?

**Adam Mathis**  
wire editor

Valentine's Day is a day where the pressure is greater and expectation higher to have a girlfriend or boyfriend. Yet societal pressure aside, the issue should not bother the single population. If you succumb to pressure and quickly try to find some girlfriend, you will, in all likelihood, end up with someone with whom you would not normally have a relationship. It is similar to entering a minefield without a metal detector. You are bound to step on one.

Secondly, it is important to remember that Valentine's Day is simply one more day in the calendar year. Relationships, as important as they are to people, should not be entered into simply because the calendar reads Feb. 14. Entering into a relationship should be done with a great deal of time, consideration and prayer, not because of pressure to have a relationship.

In the final analysis, we should remember that relationships are not necessary, no matter the date. It may be that you are supposed to be single, or it may be that a relationship is not what you need in life at the moment. Whatever your situation, do not let yourself get caught up in the pell-mell rush for a relationship. As Thomas Jefferson put it: "In matters of style, swim with the current; in matters of principle, stand like a rock."



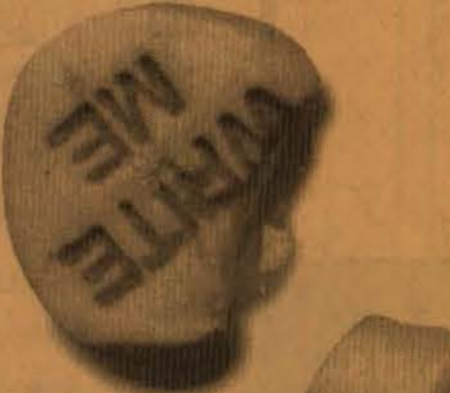

**Jenny Hahn**  
staff photographer

Does Valentines Day have you feeling alarmed, anxious, dismayed, horrified, panicked or worried because you are flying solo love, and you are the only one who isn't in a "pair"?

Well, don't fret over these typical, over-exaggerated feelings of alienation; I have the answer for all you lonely individuals. Just buy a date on eBay. You can buy everything else online, why not the guy of your dreams? And it can all be done from the privacy of your own home. Just check the warranty and the 30-day return policy.

Another option for the single and searching is the ever-so-famous escort service. Although this choice is somewhat sleazy, you are sure to find a hottie because of your involvement in the selection process. This also is a good way to make your girlfriends jealous because your man will show up with a nice ride, flowers and a tight package (if you know what I mean). Plus, they don't need to know you paid for him. Just make sure not to get too close to the end of the night; he may leave you with more than just pleasant memories.

If neither of these work for your V-Day enjoyment, there is always cyber-sex. That way you can be 36-24-36 with blond hair and legs that just keep going and going and going...

**Marci Owen**  
news editor


Get out of bed. Take the tissue back to the bathroom and, please, put away the brownies.

On a day devoted to couples, wallowing in self-pity seems to come easy for singletons the world over, particularly women, who have been told since they were old enough to talk that their first priority in life should be finding a good man to take care of them.

Although the message sent out by society may lead you to believe that men are necessary, remember that it is a society controlled by men, for the present time anyway. So, of course men want women to believe they would be helpless without a man, but ask yourself, what could you do with a man that you can't already do?

Women, I implore you. Instead of spending the day sulking over the absence of your plus one, take a cue from the couples in the world: Celebrate the greatest love of your life—the love of yourself.

Remember, while the couples of the world are busy stressing over how to pamper each other, all you have to worry about is pampering yourself. Brownies are optional.



**Severo Avila**  
opinion editor

Valentine's shmalentines. Just another day if you ask me. I realize it's quite the norm for guys to run out and buy the white teddy bear with the little heart that says "I WUV U" or the flowers or the candy, but I say to hell with all that.

Not celebrating Valentine's Day saves money and the need for mushy, insincere sentiments such as "Yes, honey, I do think you're the most beautiful woman in this restaurant" or, "Yes, I also want to have a little boy, a little girl and a toy poodle named Sugar."

Guys — if you're the partying type — go out and have a good time. Call up your buddies (the ones who aren't forced to do the "dinner and dancing" thing) and have a "guys' night." We all know guys aren't into the whole sappy, romantic scene — that's OK! It's perfectly fine to not want to curl up on a couch and watch "When Harry Met Sally."

If you're the stay-at-home type (like I am), treat yourself to a huge, six-topping pizza, pop open your beverage of choice, sit around in your undershirt and boxers and revel in the fact that you're a bachelor.



## this week

## •music

1. Dixie Chicks - "Home"
2. Norah Jones - "Come Away With Me"
3. Zwan - "Mary Star of the Sea"
4. Avril Lavigne - "Let Go"
5. Jennifer Lopez - "This Is Me ... Then"

Source: Associated Press

## •movies

1. How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days  
Starring Kate Hudson
2. Shanghai Knights  
Starring Jackie Chan
3. Chicago  
Starring Renee Zellweger
4. The Recruit  
Starring Al Pacino
5. Final Destination 2  
Starring Ali Larter

Source: Associated Press

## •books

1. Robert C. Atkins - "Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution"
2. James Patterson with Andrew Gross - "Second Chance"
3. John Grisham - "The Summons"
4. Robert C. Atkins - "Atkins for Life"
5. Michael Cunningham - "The Hours"

Source: Associated Press

## •web site

<http://www.lovecalculator.com>

In honor of Valentine's Day, let a Web site tell you if you and your significant other (or someone you just know) are compatible based on how well your names match.

## Major artists to play area venues

by Kristin Watson  
staff writer

With a variety of area concerts scheduled for upcoming weeks, students have no excuse not to escape into the land of live music.

•Sixpence None the Richer will perform at 8 p.m. Sunday at the Exit/In in Nashville. For more information, phone (615) 321-3340.

•Rock lovers can see Cowboy Mouth at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the New Daisy Theater in Memphis. For more information, phone (901) 525-8979.

•For only \$15, catch Dave Mackenzie at 2 p.m. Feb. 21 at the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville. For more information, phone (800) 852-6437.

•Kenny Chesney will perform at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 22 at the Rupp Arena in Lexington. Ticket prices range from \$31.50 to \$41.50. For information, phone (859) 233-3535.

•1964: The Tribute will host various singers at 8 p.m. Feb. 22 at The Pageant in St. Louis.

•At 7:30 p.m. Feb. 23, Tori Amos will make an appearance at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville. Ticket prices run from \$29.50 to \$42.50. For information, phone (615) 889-3060.

•Enjoy Maroon 5 at 8:30 p.m. Feb. 26 at the Exit/In in Nashville. For ticket information, phone (615) 321-3340.

•Country-music fans can flock to the George Strait concert on Feb. 28 at Freedom Hall in Louisville. For information, phone (800) 231-8085.

•For those not so keen on country music, Rodney Carrington Live will begin at 8 p.m. Feb. 28, at the Louisville Palace. For ticket information, phone (502) 583-4555.



Ryan Brooks/The News

1964: The Tribute will perform Feb. 22 in St. Louis. The band played in Murray during Homecoming.

•Alternative-music fans can cheer on Pilot Radio on March 1 at the Outer Limit in Nashville. For information, phone (615) 781-0068.

•Cher fans can view her live concert at 7:30 p.m. March 1 at the Rupp Arena in Lexington. Tickets are \$34.25 to \$68.25. For information, phone (859) 233-3535.

•Yanni will perform at 7:30 p.m. March 2 at the Gaylord Entertainment Center in Nashville.

•The Elms perform at 7:30 p.m. March 3 at the Exit/In in Nashville. For information, phone (615) 321-3340.

•Catch Cher again at 7:30 p.m. March 4 at the Pyramid Arena in Memphis. Tickets range from \$36.25 to \$75.25.

•Switchfoot will perform at 8 p.m. March 4 at the Exit/In in Nashville. For more information, phone (615) 321-3340.

•Ben Kweller will showcase his talents at 8 p.m. March 5 at the Exit/In in Nashville. For information, phone (615) 321-3340.

•Popular music group Coldplay will perform at 8 p.m. March 7 at the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville. For ticket information, phone (615) 889-3060.

•C.J. Chenier performs at 8 p.m. March 7 at the Bombard Theater in Louisville. Tickets are \$21. For more information, phone (800) 775-7777.

•Michael W. Smith will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. March 8 at the Brentwood Baptist Church in Brentwood, Tenn. For ticket prices, phone (615) 373-2992.

•For \$15, fans can see the Tanya Savory with Kim House from noon to midnight March 8 at the Songwriters Theater of Nashville. For more information, phone (615) 416-2096.

•Check out Clem-Snide at 9 p.m. March 10 at the Exit/In in Nashville. For ticket prices, phone (615) 321-3340.

•Country-music star Tim McGraw will perform at 8 p.m. March 11 at the Gaylord Entertainment Center in Nashville. Main-floor tickets cost \$59.50, and lower-level seating prices range from \$39.50 to \$59.50. For more information, phone (615) 770-2000.

•If you miss McGraw in Nashville, you have another chance to see him perform at 8 p.m. March 17 at the Pyramid Arena in Memphis. Tickets are \$29 to \$59. For more information, phone (901) 521-7909.

•Kenny Rogers will perform at 7 p.m. March 20 in the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville. For ticket information, phone (615) 889-3060.

•The infamous Insane Clown Posse will perform at 7:30 p.m. March 22 at the Exposition 5 in Louisville.

## Juliana Theory shows some 'Love'

by Michael Driver  
assistant college life editor

The recent success of bands such as Saves the Day, the Get Up Kids and Dashboard Confessional have opened the way for several popular independent bands to get shots at the big time, including The Juliana Theory.

"Love" is The Juliana Theory's first major-label record after a successful run with Tooth and Nail Records, an independent label. The band's two previous full-length albums sold more than 100,000 copies.

The Juliana Theory built its following through touring. Therefore, it is no surprise that it chose to adopt a sound reminiscent of its live shows for its mainstream debut.

"Love" opens with "Bring It Low," a song about loneliness and deception that revolves around a heavy-metal riff. The song has energy but exposes the vocal weaknesses present throughout the album.

While lead singer Brett Detar's voice is easy on the ears, the harmonies lack impact and often sound flat.

The album boasts a big, arena sound that is well-suited for mainstream listeners — a sound in stark contrast to the bare-bones sound of The Juliana Theory's previous releases. However, the band lacks the prowess to successfully produce arena music, despite exceptional production by Jerry Harrison, former member of the Talking Heads.

"Love" is solid throughout, but several songs stand above the rest. "Repeating, Repeating" bears a strong resemblance to songs by Hoobastank and Greenwheel; the frustration in Detar's voice combines with a dramatic build to a heavy chorus to make "Repeating, Repeating" a compelling piece of music. Unfortunately, many songs stray from the emotional validity paramount in The Juliana Theory's earlier work and instead wallow in ambiguous verse-chorus-verse rock.

"Shell of a Man" is another strong track centered around Detar's singing. As Detar's vocals peak, a well-timed guitar and piano chorus underscore his delivery to form a highly memorable moment.

The Juliana Theory roster features three guitarists, although few would ever guess it. The tracks would work perfectly as one-guitar songs, especially since most of the band's originality stems from Chad Alan's bass playing.

Although the music is not exactly original, "Love" does exhibit variety and fine execution, from the ballad "Into the Dark" to the heavy "DTM."

"Love" plays in just under an hour, but the album would have been stronger and less tiresome without filler songs such as "White Days" and "As It Stands."

By making an arena-rock album, The Juliana Theory took itself out of a Jimmy Eat World category and aligned itself with the likes of Creed and Hoobastank. Unfortunately, the bigger sound does not mesh

with the band's music. All in all, "Love" is a decent record that sounds bigger, but not better, than The Juliana Theory's previous offerings.

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# Shellman expresses artistic talents

## BLACK HISTORY MONTH

by Alicia Ray  
contributing writer

Termaine Shellman, sophomore from Louisville, does not often get a chance to relax.

As an aspiring artist, Shellman often spends around 10 hours a day planning, sketching and painting.

Earnest Camel, junior from Madisonville, said Shellman not only works numerous hours outside class, but he also makes time to work on his own projects.

"Sometimes he doesn't even sleep," Camel said.

Shellman said he takes the extra time and effort to ensure his work stands out from that of other artists.

"You have to be competitive," Shellman said. "Everyone you're competing against is."

Shellman's artwork displays his dedication to art as well as his heritage. A half-completed 4-by-6 painting of a pensive black man rests on an easel in the center of Shellman's room. Incorporating a centralized theme into the painting as he learned in his conceptual art class, Shellman said this painting portrays the way blacks relate to society.

"This shows how far we've come in 300 years," Shellman said. "The next piece (I do) will cover how far we still have to go."

Jerry Speight, art professor, said Shellman often uses his home life to create his imagery.

"(His artwork) is a narrative of the

closeness and love of his family," Speight said. "He's strong technically and conceptually."

Shellman said he gains insight for his pieces through research.

"I thought I knew a lot of things African-Americans have gone through, but I still have a lot to learn," Shellman said.

Shellman also learns from his role model Ed Hamilton, a professional artist from Louisville. Shellman said he met Hamilton at the Governor's School for the Arts several years ago and formed a friendship with the artist. Hamilton inspires him as "one of the greatest artists today."

"His picture is (in) downtown (Louisville)," Shellman said. "He knows how to make it as an artist."

One aspect of being an artist Shellman said he is still learning is time management. In addition to his art and classwork, he also is active in campus



Jenny Hahn/The News

Murray State sophomore Termaine Shellman sits with two of his paintings that display his dedication and heritage. Shellman hopes to continue studying art at Yale after he graduates.

organizations such as Christ Ambassadors, Alpha Phi Alpha, the Black Student Council and the Organization

of Murray Art Students. He also serves as the Hester Residential College Council historian. Shellman said it is

not easy to be an art major and balance time.

"If you are involved in a lot of stuff, you have to work that much harder," Shellman said.

However, Shellman said he thinks his hard work will pay off in the end. He plans to go to Yale for graduate school and eventually become both a gallery artist and a college art professor.

"I want to live off my work," Shellman said. "The hardest part about being an artist is (struggling) to express yourself as an artist and still make money."

After he establishes a name for himself, Shellman said he hopes to teach a college class on how to be a successful artist. He advises aspiring artists to practice, research and learn from others.

Said Shellman: "It's best to put in the hours now so you'll be used to it."

# Independent bands ready to rock Stables

by Michael Driver  
assistant college life editor

Indie-rock fans rejoice. Music is on its way.

Eleven bands will take the stage for "Will You Be Mine," an all-day independent-rock concert, Saturday in the Curris Center Stables.

The concert will begin at 2 p.m. and showcase sets by Sidewalk Slam, Stellar Kin, Calico Jack, Silent Film Stars, This Many, Survive the Dime, Burning Swingset,

Daniel Crawley, the New Jerseys, Autumn Leaves Me and Seventh Inning Stretch.

"I'm really pleased with the bands; it's very eclectic," said Chris Schweizer, concert organizer and cartoonist for "The Murray State News."

Schweizer said bands will range from the traditional singer-songwriter stylings of This Many to the "screamo" sound of Stellar Kin. Schweizer also is guitarist and vocalist for Calico Jack.

While studying in Europe last

spring, Schweizer attended several all-day shows and said he was inspired by the events' atmosphere. Those concerts prompted him to organize a similar music festival in Murray, a location with limited performance venues.

Joshua Lott, junior from Livermore and drummer for Stellar Kin, said music fans should expect quality performances from the concert's sizable lineup.

"I've pretty much heard every one of them, and there's not a bad band playing," Lott said. "I'm

looking forward to every one of them. Everyone needs to check out Sidewalk Slam. ... They're the biggest band playing."

Schweizer agreed and said Sidewalk Slam has a "national following."

Both Schweizer and Lott said they hope for a large turnout. Schweizer said he expects more than 200 people to attend, and the Stables should provide ample room.

"The more good crowds come out, the more likely there'll be

good shows," Lott said. "When we played last semester (in Murray), there was close to 200 people, and there wasn't a lot of bands playing. I think it'll be a good turnout. It'll be a lot of fun."

Schweizer said he hopes to hold a similar event at least once a semester and feature bands students and residents might normally miss.

"Occasionally you'll get a show here," Schweizer said. "But unless you have (\$20) to hear the bands the University brings in, your only

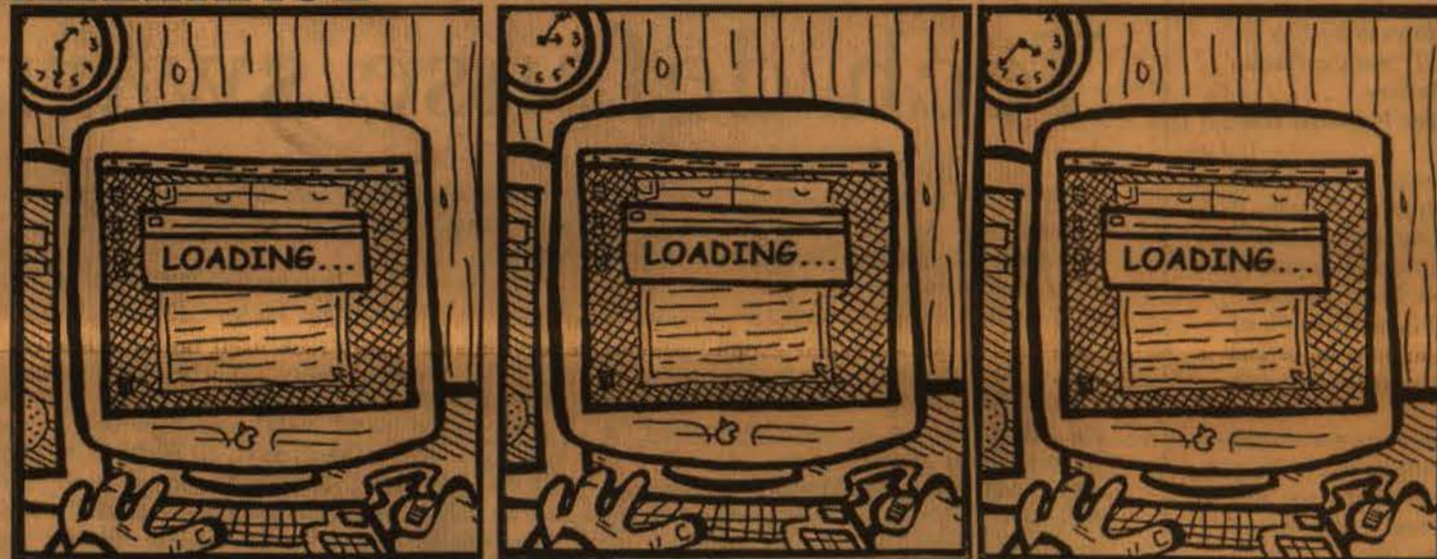
choice is to hear cover bands, and some people aren't into that scene."

The event also will feature a raffle for compact discs, T-shirts and band-specific rarities such as a Stellar Kin figurine and a Calico Jack wrestling buddy. In addition, band merchandise will be available.

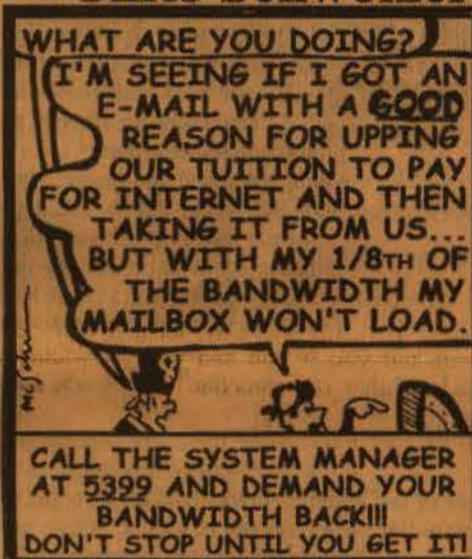
Larger acts such as Sidewalk Slam and the Silent Film Stars will take the stage first to accommodate their schedules, and the show is planned to run until 9:30 p.m.

# Comic

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## Chris Schweizer



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## The Weekly Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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# Cupid invades sports section for Valentine's

Britney and Justin. Cruise and Kidman. Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley. What do these three couples have in common? They're all star-studded relationships that have fallen by the wayside, to the dismay of the celebrity-gazing gossip kings and queens of the world.

So today on Valentine's Day, the day of days for rekindling relationships, I have come up with three relationships that need some matchmaking. Some of the following matchups may seem farfetched, but with a little luck, Cupid's arrow and your favorite sports editor's blessing, here are the top-three sports-related relationships in need of some work.

## Sports Talk



Chris Jung

"Cupid may be tired after his 2003 Valentine's Day rounds, but if some of the aforementioned relationships are saved, maybe the sports world will be able to feel the love this V-Day."

### 1. Head Coach Tevester Anderson and the Racers basketball team.

I know you're thinking the coach is obviously "with" the team he is coaching. However, in this case, there's been some separation during the past several years.

Despite my support for T. and a job well-done during the past two years, the time for kind words is gone. With the talent present on this season's squad, anything less than a regular-season conference championship (which was predicted among the Ohio Valley Conference coaches) is unacceptable. Last season was a miraculous effort pulled off by T. and his staff. Amid injuries and off-court issues, Anderson still took his team to a 12-5 conference record and an eventual NCAA Tournament berth.

Ten games into conference play this season, however, T. and the Racers are 5-5 with seven games left to go. Sure, MSU still has a chance to claim the same 12-5 OVC record from a year ago. Time is almost up, however, and with one of those seven remaining games at Morehead State, the Racers will be lucky to host one of the first-round OVC Tournament games.

Cupid doesn't have enough arrows in his bag for this task, but I'll still be behind T. and the Racers until that final horn blows in February.

### 2. The Indiana Pacers and the National Basketball Association.

Ladies and gentlemen, meet the new "bad boys" of the NBA, led by Head Coach Isiah Thomas, a former bad boy himself. Following a recent three-game suspension for throwing video equipment, Pacers guard Ron Artest has now been suspended for his childish antics toward Miami Heat Head Coach Pat Riley. After a questionable call, Artest taunted the Heat bench and went toe-to-toe with Riley.

Now there are reports from Atlanta that Artest was possibly involved in an altercation with a member of the Atlanta Hawks basketball team last weekend at the All-Star festivities. All I can say to this is, "Give me a break." You would think someone having a breakout season would keep from tarnishing his image with such unnecessary outbursts, especially during what is supposed to be the league's most enjoyable weekend of the year.

To complement Artest, Pacers center Jermaine O'Neal ruined the ideal ending for Sunday's 52nd All-Star Game. Playing and starting in his final All-Star Game, Wizards guard Michael Jordan made the go-ahead basket with three seconds left to play, giving the Eastern Conference a two-point lead in just the sixth overtime game in All-Star history. After a quick timeout, Lakers guard Kobe Bryant caught a deflected pass off the inbounds and threw up an off-balance 3-point attempt from the corner that never had a prayer.

However, the foolish O'Neal fouled Bryant on the shot, giving the Lakers star three free throws with one second remaining. Bryant hit two, forcing a second overtime, but the Western Conference went on to earn the victory.

Shame on you, Pacers. Isiah, you better get your team members in check before their egos cost you the division title and a spot on the bad side of NBA Commissioner David Stern.

### 3. Martha Burk and a straitjacket.

You've never heard of Martha Burk before? Don't worry, I barely knew her either. But now, the spotlight-soaking instigator is making a name for herself.

Burk, head of the National Council of Women's Organizations, recently made waves concerning the Women's National Basketball Association and its lack of endorsements and minimal player contracts. Now Burk is creating a buzz by scouting local neighborhoods in Augusta, Ga., in preparation for a protest centered on the Masters Golf Club and its all-male membership. Augusta-Richmond County officials said protesters will not be allowed near the club's main gates because of dangerous traffic. However, Burk thinks the prospective protest sites are too far from the club.

Phooey. Burk is out of her league and needs to simmer down. If she is so strongly convinced that both the WNBA and LPGA are just as competitive as the NBA and PGA, then why are there no men desperately lunging to play in the respective women's leagues? I have no problem supporting women's sports. I do, however, have issues with people who exercise double standards during a protest. Find a legitimate claim, and then we can talk.

Cupid may be tired after his 2003 Valentine's Day rounds, but if some of the aforementioned relationships are saved, maybe the sports world will be able to feel the love this V-Day.

Chris Jung is sports editor for "The Murray State News."

# Thieke begins final chapter

by Amanda Lee  
 assistant sports editor

Seven returning seniors will lead the Murray State Thoroughbreds as the 2003 baseball season kicks off this weekend at Arkansas-Little Rock.

Head Coach Mike Thieke said the 'Breds will try to improve last season's 20-33 record by increasing the focus on batting and unified team play.

"We have a strong group of seniors anchored by (infielder) Brett McCutchen, (outfielder) Garner Byars and (infielder) Ronnie Seets at second base," Head Coach Mike Thieke said. "We have the nucleus of a good leadership group."

McCutchen, Byars and Seets are all in contention for Murray State career records this season in triples, doubles, hits and at-bats. Byars is only two triples short of the MSU record.

"Of our seniors, two (McCutchen and Byars) have a legitimate chance of being drafted (by the majors)," Thieke said.

A total of 14 players are returning to this year's team. Thieke said experience and a strong group dynamic will help the team battle a solid schedule.

"This is probably the tightest-knit group I've seen since I've been here," Thieke said.

Although Thieke will retire at the end of the season, he said his retirement will not interfere with his focus for this season. He also said his leaving may provide motivation, especially to the seniors, to get in a good season.

"It's a motivating factor for a lot of my guys," Thieke said. "My main focus is on preparing the team for the season. I'm a true-blue baseball coach, and a true-blue baseball coach prepares his team."

Recent weather has interfered with the 'Breds' practice regimen, but Thieke said his players make the best of the little time they have on the field.

"We've been hampered a lot by inclement weather," Thieke said. "But we

look good and prepared and ready to go." The 'Breds were ranked seventh of eight teams in a preseason poll of Ohio Valley Conference coaches, but Thieke said he is optimistic.

"I really haven't put any stock in that in the past because the coaches usually rank us lower than we actually finish," Thieke said.

However, Thieke said the 'Breds will undoubtedly encounter some competitive teams this season, namely South Alabama, Mississippi and Western Kentucky.

"(WKU) had a very good club last year," Thieke said. "They'll be tough."

Thieke also said team members are optimistic, although they realize successes will be hard-fought.

"The college baseball season is long and grueling," Thieke said. "We have some tremendous opponents on our schedule."

After the Arkansas-Little Rock game, the 'Breds will return home to Reagan Field for 12-straight home games, including doubleheaders with Bradley and Wright State. An April 5 doubleheader at home against Eastern Kentucky will open conference play.

"The first part of the season is preparing for OVC play," Thieke said.

Resuming his role in last season's starting-pitcher rotation, junior right-hander Kyle Perry will return to the mound for this weekend's triple-header.

"(Perry) is a really good college pitcher," Thieke said. "Last year we struggled through a very young pitching staff, and it showed in our record."

Thieke said this year's team may lack speed but makes up for it in batting potential.

"We have a little more home-run power in our lineup," Thieke said. "(Junior infielder) Matt Rebut, our new signee, has potential to put up tremendous power numbers, some home runs."

The 'Breds will begin a doubleheader at 1 p.m. Saturday and resume play for a third game at 1 p.m. Sunday.

## 2003 Murray State Baseball Schedule

FEB. 15	Arkansas-Little Rock
FEB. 16	Arkansas-Little Rock
FEB. 19	SOUTHERN INDIANA
FEB. 22	BRADLEY (dh)
FEB. 23	BRADLEY
FEB. 26	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
FEB. 28	ILLINOIS STATE
MAR. 1	ILLINOIS STATE
MAR. 2	ILLINOIS STATE
MAR. 5	EVANSVILLE
MAR. 8	WRIGHT STATE (dh)
MAR. 9	WRIGHT STATE
MAR. 11	Memphis
MAR. 15	AKRON
MAR. 16	AKRON
MAR. 19	Southern Illinois
MAR. 21	South Alabama
MAR. 22	South Alabama
MAR. 23	South Alabama
MAR. 25	Mississippi
APR. 1	INDIANA-SOUTHEAST
APR. 2	Arkansas State
APR. 5	EASTERN KENTUCKY (dh)
APR. 6	EASTERN KENTUCKY
APR. 8	Louisville
APR. 12	Eastern Illinois (dh)
APR. 13	Eastern Illinois
APR. 15	MEMPHIS
APR. 16	Evansville
APR. 18	AUSTIN PEAY (dh)
APR. 19	AUSTIN PEAY
APR. 22	WESTERN KENTUCKY
APR. 26	Tennessee Tech
APR. 27	Tennessee Tech
APR. 30	Western Kentucky
MAY 3	Morehead State (dh)
MAY 4	Morehead State
MAY 10	TENNESSEE-MARTIN
MAY 11	TENNESSEE-MARTIN
MAY 13	ARKANSAS STATE
MAY 17	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI
MAY 18	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI

Home games are in bold text

Rob Brown/The News

# Tech defense swarms MSU

by Nick Batts  
 staff writer

A strong Tennessee Tech defense stopped the Murray State women's basketball team (5-16, 1-9 Ohio Valley Conference) Monday in Cookeville, Tenn. The Racers shot only 32.8 percent from the floor in their 69-55 loss.

Head Coach Eddie Fields said poor shooting and MSU's play in the paint determined the outcome of the game.

"We were getting good shots," Fields said. "They just didn't go in. The biggest difference was in rebounding. We just got drilled on the boards. They were getting second and third chances all night."

The Racers were out-rebounded 48-27. Fields also said MSU was outplayed down

low. "We couldn't stop them in the paint," Fields said. "They just kept kicking it in to (Emily) Christian."

Christian scored 25 points in the game, a team-high for Tennessee Tech.

Despite MSU's shortfalls, Fields said his team did display several positive attributes during the game.

"We played hard," Fields said. "We could have quit once we were down 12 at the half, but the girls didn't. They kept playing hard, and we played with them in the second half."

The Racers also had a flawless free-throw performance, making 9-of-9 from the line, and finished the game with 10 turnovers. Tennessee Tech had 15 giveaways.

Senior forward Beth Schnakenberg led MSU

in scoring with 22 points and in steals with four.

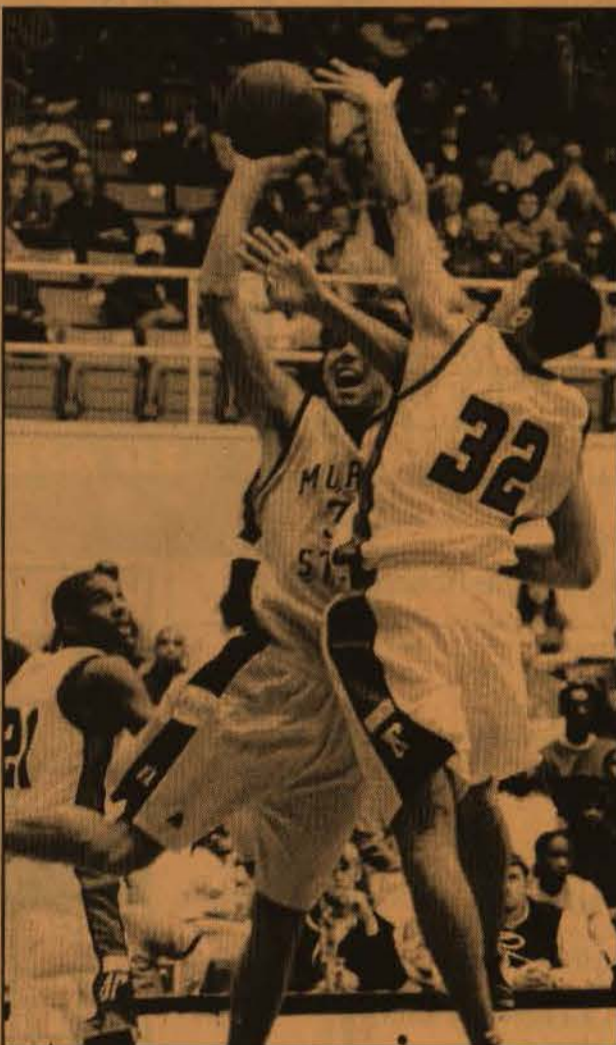
Senior guard Khadija Head and freshman guard Jill Fulkerson joined Schnakenberg in double figures. Head shot 5-for-7 for 11 points, and Fulkerson chipped in 10 points and three assists.

Freshman post Lori Trumblee led the Racers with six rebounds to go along with four points, and freshman Lindsay Corn pulled down four boards and added three points. Sophomore Brittany Park had a team-high four assists and added two points. Junior guard Megan Fuqua rounded out the scoring for the Racers with three points.

Murray State returns to action at 4 p.m. Saturday against Southeast Missouri State in the Regional Special Events Center.

# Peay sweeps for first time since 1978

staff report



Despite the momentum of a three-game winning streak, the Murray State Racers (12-9, 5-5 Ohio Valley Conference) dropped their last two games, including a 72-69 loss Saturday to Austin Peay.

The loss marked the first time the Governors swept MSU in a season series since the 1978-79 season.

MSU trailed the Governors early, down 23-8 with 9:31 remaining in the first half. However, the Racers cut the lead to 36-27 by halftime via the efforts of senior center James Singleton and junior forward Cuthbert Victor. The 4,032 fans in attendance and Fox Sports South Network audience watched Singleton pick up his fourth double-double in five games, accumulating 28 points and 14 rebounds in 34 minutes of action. Victor, who fouled out with 2:48 left in the game, added 12 points, nine rebounds and three steals.

Down 51-50 with 9:30 remaining in the second half, the Racers nearly took the lead following a layup by junior guard Chris Shumate, who scored 12 points. After a late run, senior forward Antione

Ryan Brooks/The News

The Racers and third-leading scorer junior guard Chris Shumate will try to jumpstart their season at 7 p.m. Saturday against SEMO.

Whelchel was fouled in the lane following a scramble for a loose ball under the MSU basket with seconds left in the game.

Whelchel made the first of his two free throws but was unable to hit the rim on his second attempt - an intentional miss. As a result, APSU was awarded the ball on the baseline. On the throw-in, Singleton intercepted the Governors' pass at midcourt, but APSU's Anthony Davis stole the ball before a shot attempt was made.

Once again, MSU was outshot and out-rebounded on the road. Peay shot 52 percent (24-of-46) from the field, while MSU went for 39 percent (25-of-65). The Governors won the rebounding category 41-33. However, the Racers dominated second-chance scoring by a 25-10 margin.

MSU also was defeated 91-83 at Tennessee Tech on Feb. 6. Junior guard Rick Jones shot 7-of-14 from the field, including 4-of-10 from the 3-point line for a team-high 22 points. Victor scored 21 points and grabbed seven rebounds, and a flu-stricken Singleton managed 12 points and six boards.

The Racers returned home Thursday for a showdown against Eastern Illinois and are in action again at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Regional Special Events Center against SEMO. Results for the Eastern Illinois game were unavailable at press time.

## OVC Men's Basketball Standings

OVC	Overall
Morehead State	9-2 15-7
Austin Peay	8-2 15-6
Tennessee Tech	7-3 14-9
Eastern Illinois	6-5 11-12
Murray State	5-5 12-9
Tennessee-Martin	5-6 12-10
Eastern Kentucky	4-7 10-12
SEMO	4-7 9-14
Tennessee State	0-11 2-20

## OVC Men's Basketball Schedule

Feb. 15
Eastern Illinois @ Tennessee-Martin, 6 p.m.
Eastern Kentucky @ Morehead State, 6:05 p.m.
SEMO @ Murray State, 7 p.m.
Tennessee Tech @ Austin Peay, 7:30 p.m.

## OVC Women's Basketball Standings

OVC	Overall
Austin Peay	10-0 17-3
Eastern Kentucky	8-2 16-6
SEMO	8-3 14-7
Morehead State	5-6 12-10
Tennessee-Martin	5-6 8-14
Tennessee Tech	4-6 9-12
Eastern Illinois	4-7 5-17
Tennessee State	2-8 4-16
Murray State	1-9 5-16

## OVC Women's Basketball Schedule

Feb. 15
Eastern Illinois @ Tennessee-Martin, 4 p.m.
SEMO @ Murray State, 4 p.m.
Tennessee State @ Austin Peay, 5:30 p.m.
Tennessee Tech @ Eastern Kentucky, 6:30 p.m.

## Intramural Basketball Standings

Residential College	
<b>Men</b>	
Franklin	5-0
Clark	4-2
Regents	3-2
Hart	3-3
<b>Women</b>	
Hester	5-1
Regents	4-2
Springer	4-2
White	3-3

## Intramural Basketball Standings

Greek League	
<b>Fraternity</b>	
Pi Kappa Alpha	4-0
Sigma Chi	4-0
Lambda Chi Alpha	1-2
Phi Kappa Tau	1-2
<b>Sorority</b>	
Quiet Storm	4-1
Tadpole Paddywack	4-1
Alpha Gamma Delta	3-2
Tri Sigma	2-2

**Schnakenberg tops OVC women in scoring**

Senior forward Beth Schnakenberg of the women's basketball team is the leading scorer in the Ohio Valley Conference with an average of 17.6 points per game.

Austin Peay's Brooke Armistead was the previous leader, but her average dropped to 17.2 points per game after Schnakenberg outscored her 18-17 in APSU's 76-48 win over the Racers on Saturday.

The Racers will begin a three-game home stretch at 4 p.m. Saturday against Southeast Missouri State. MSU will host Eastern Illinois at 7 p.m. Monday and Tennessee State at 7 p.m. Thursday.

The team will recognize seniors Schnakenberg and Khadija Head during the Tennessee State game, the team's final home game of the season.

**Men's tennis team sweeps OVC weekend**

The men's tennis team (2-4) defeated Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State on Saturday for its first wins of the season. MSU defeated both Ohio Valley Conference foes 4-3. Both games were played in Richmond.

Against Eastern, sophomore Adam Maskill led the Racers with his win in No. 1 singles, and junior Zakaria Bahri grabbed a win in the No. 2 spot. Junior Masimb Muskwe and freshman Richem Mourad also won their singles matches.

Maskill and Muskwe's No. 1 doubles team helped lead MSU to victory against Morehead, and Bahri and Mourad's No. 2 doubles team also racked up a win.

**Rifle hosts, places in NCAA Sectional match**

The rifle team hosted the NCAA Sectionals last weekend at the Pat Spurgin rifle range in Roy Stewart Stadium. Murray State placed second among 14 teams, behind the Kentucky blue team.

The teams' scores will serve as qualifying standards for the NCAA Championships. Rankings will not figure into qualification.

MSU tied for highest air rifle score with 1555 and was third in small bore with 4623. Kentucky blue also shot a 1555 in air rifle and led in small bore with a score of 4645.

Junior Morgan Hicks led Murray State with an aggregate score of 1570. Hicks finished second overall to Kentucky blue's Bradley Wheelon, who shot an aggregate score of 1580.

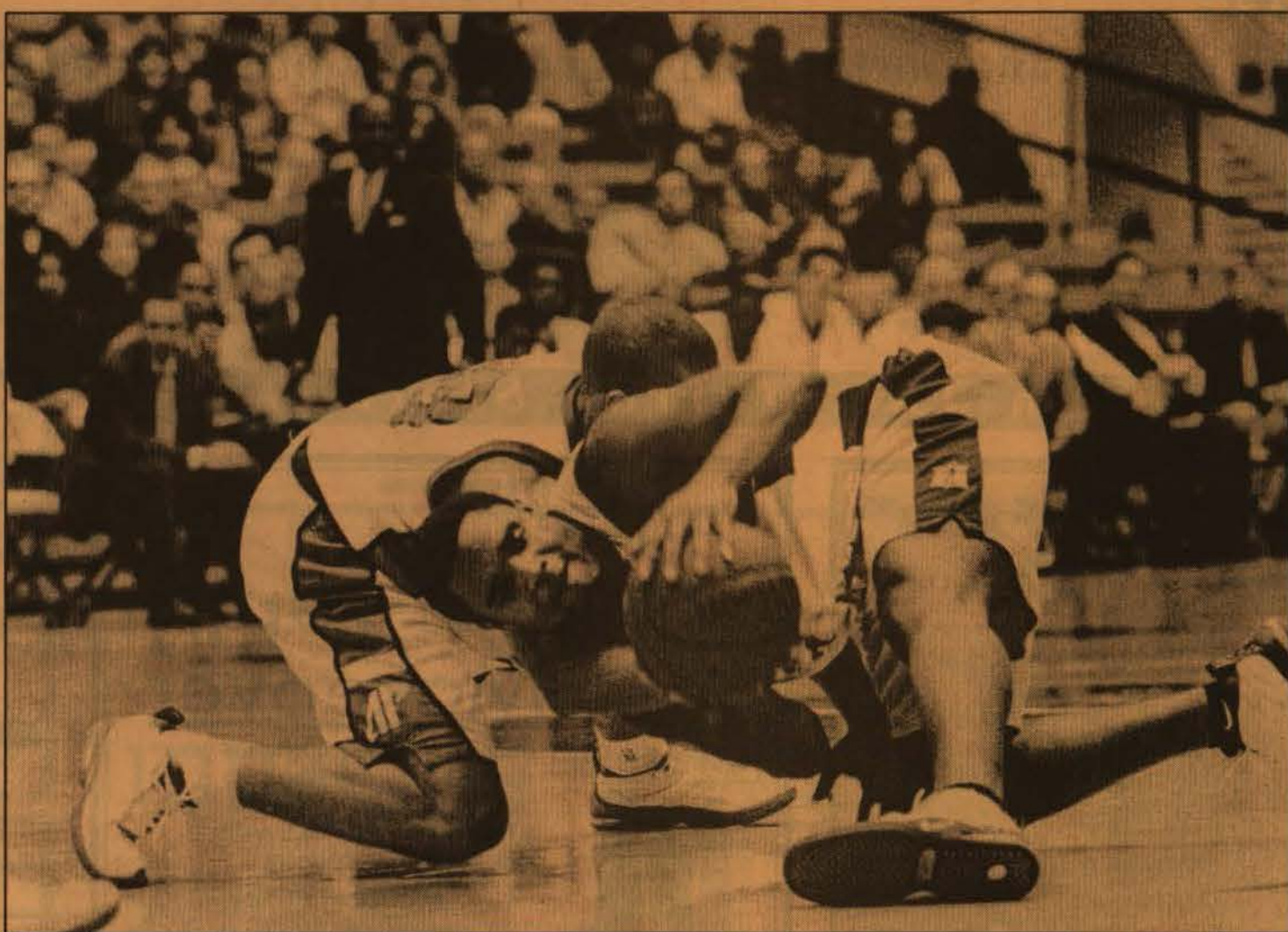
Eight sectionals were held nationwide, and Murray State has qualified for the NCAA Championships every year since the tournament began in 1980.

Army will host the NCAA Championships on March 14-15 in West Point, N.Y.

**Conference penalizes ECU, TSU players**

Players for the Eastern Kentucky and Tennessee State men's basketball teams were punished after several incidents during Monday's game in Richmond.

The initial incident broke out between ECU's Shawn Fields and TSU's Cedric Bryson with eight minutes left in the game. Both players were ejected and received technical fouls for



Ryan Brooks/The News

Murray State sophomore guard Mark Borders chases a loose ball during Saturday's 72-69 loss to Austin Peay. The Governors held Borders to just one point and two assists in 26 minutes of play. The Racers (5-5) hosted Eastern Illinois on Thursday and are in action at 7 p.m. Saturday against Southeast Missouri State.

bumping and elbowing.

Before play resumed, TSU's Josh Copperwood hooked an ECU player around the neck, causing players from both teams to clear the bench. The OVC suspended Copperwood for one game.

Bryson and ECU's Champ Slaughter and Kenyatta Dix were suspended by their teams for one game for separate fighting incidents.

ECU Head Coach Travis Ford suspended Sherard Rogers for throwing a box of miniature basketballs at players.

Both head coaches were

suspended for one game for leaving the bench area and not preventing players from getting involved.

All players who cleared the bench were suspended for the remainder of the game, causing both ECU and TSU to continue play with only four players each.

**Murray State to host Calloway County Night**

The Racers will host Calloway County Night on Saturday against Southeast Missouri at the Regional Special Events Center.

Residents of Calloway

County can purchase general-admission seats for \$3 per person.

An additional highlight at Saturday's game will be a halftime ceremony honoring the 1987-88 Racer basketball team, which won the Ohio Valley Conference Championship and gained Murray State's only NCAA Tournament win.

Players and coaches from the '87-88 team will be present for an autograph session following the game. MSU TV-11 will air the 1988 NCAA Tournament game against North Carolina State, tonight at 10.

**White College hosts volleyball tourney**

White College is sponsoring a co-ed volleyball tournament to raise money for Relay for Life.

The tournament will begin at 9:30 a.m. March 1 in Carr Health.

Six players will be allowed on the court, three of which must be female. Team entry fee is \$20.

For more information, contact Sharlene Beckett at 762-6249.

Sports Briefly is compiled by assistant sports editor Amanda Lee.

**OVC Action**

**Men's Scores**

Feb. 4  
Austin Peay 82  
Tennessee State 57

Eastern Illinois 85  
Southeast Missouri 73

Feb. 6  
Tennessee Tech 91  
Murray State 83

Morehead State 79  
Southeast Missouri 69

Eastern Illinois 95  
Eastern Kentucky 76

Tennessee-Martin 95  
Tennessee State 75

Feb. 8  
Austin Peay 72  
Murray State 69

Eastern Illinois 75  
Morehead State 69

Tennessee Tech 87  
Tennessee-Martin 77

Eastern Kentucky 79  
Southeast Missouri 75

**Women's Scores**

Feb. 6  
Tennessee State 78  
Murray State 70

Feb. 8  
Austin Peay 81  
Murray State 57

Morehead State 75  
Eastern Illinois 52

Eastern Kentucky 81  
Southeast Missouri 75

Tennessee Tech 77  
Tennessee-Martin 70

Feb. 10  
Tennessee State 85  
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# DeLaughter:

## Judge fights racism in courtroom by successfully prosecuting 31-year-old homicide case

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"The murder weapon was found by me in the house of my former father-in-law, and I still don't know how he got it," DeLaughter said.

After Evers' wife, Myrtle Evers, told DeLaughter she had a copy of the old court transcript, a third grand

jury indicted Beckwith and another trial began.

"The trial itself went pretty much as expected," DeLaughter said. "To me, the most gut-wrenching moment in a trial is that you have to turn over all your work to a jury who didn't

know anything about it beforehand."

After the trial concluded, DeLaughter was disappointed the jury did not reach a verdict sooner and worried there would be another hung jury.

"I went home that Friday night

the most devastated man in the world," DeLaughter said. "I really gave serious consideration to what I would do with another hung jury. That was the loneliest night that I've ever had."

"When that jury verdict was read

guilty as charged, it was like the weight of the world had been lifted off my shoulders."

Glenn Fritts, senior from Murray, said DeLaughter's speech applied to the world today.

"I thought it was very interest-

ing," Fritts said. "It's several years after the fact, and it's still pertinent today. He was genuine in the fact that he represented not any big-name lawyers, but was basically a common man that prevailed against overwhelming odds."

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