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More charges coming in shelter case

BY CORIANNE EGAN

cegan@paducahsun.com After nearly two months of legal battles centered around illegal euthanasia practices at the McCracken County Humane Society, the two workers at the center of the investigation will face

new charges.

Assistant County Attorney Todd Jones said the county has filed both new and amended charges against defendants Beau Anderson and DaLena Hall. Jones said the charges stem from items retrieved in a February search of the shelter property.

A search warrant filed Feb. 17 shows officials with the McCracken County sheriff's department searched the shelter and seized various documents "kept or maintained by employees of the humane society." Those records

included the shelter's monthly count sheets, medication orders and 2011 euthanizing records, among other things.

Jones did not detail the new charges, but said the information will be made public in the coming days.

Jeremy Ian Smith, lawyer for Hall, and Anderson's lawyer Kevin Olsen filed motions with the court to dismiss the original charges against both defendants or petitioning the court to at least have them

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Palmer gets 10 years in assault on toddler

BY WILL PINKSTON

wpinkston@paducahsun.com A Clarksville, Tenn., woman who police said struck her toddler on the head and left him lying on Interstate 24 was sentenced Monday to 10 years in prison.

Cynthia Palmer, 30, received the sentence for first-degree assault, according to Marshall County Circuit Court Clerk Carla Marshall.

Palmer also was sentenced to five



years for first-degree wanton endangerment, 90 days for public intoxication of controlled substance excluding alcohol, 12 months for possession of drug paraphernalia and 15 days for aggravated driving under the in-

served concurrently

Palmer

fluence of alcohol or drugs. Those will be

Paducah preparing dome for third year

BY MALLORY PANUSKA

mpanuska@paducahsun.com With the annual quilt show around the corner, Paducah officials are preparing to set up the large white dome-shaped pavilion next to the convention and expo centers to serve as supplementary space for the event.

Mark Thompson, director of parks services, said the city has annually paid \$10,000 to \$12,000 to set up the 40,000 square-foot pavilion for the past two years. This will be its third year in operation, and Thompson said officials plan to erect it by the end of the month.

The city purchased the dome after the Executive Inn, which was located next to the Julian M. Carroll Convention and Paducah Expo centers, closed in 2009. The convention and expo centers have been the site of the annual American Quilter's Society Quilt Show and Contest for the past 27 years, with the exception of last year when high river levels and flooding forced the city to close the floodwall and prohibit access.

Thompson said the dome was still used, however, as it is located inside the floodwall.

"It was used extensively last year," he said. Bonnie Browning, executive



with the 10-year sentence.

A sixth charge of second-degree wanton endangerment was dismissed.

Palmer offered a guilty plea before Marshall Circuit Judge Dennis Foust on Feb. 20 in exchange for the 10-year sentence. Jamie Jameson, Palmer's attorney, said Palmer will serve 85 percent of her sentence $-8\frac{1}{2}$ years - before being eligible for parole.

Commonwealth Attorney Mark Blan-

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show director, said the pavilion houses both vendors and quilt exhibits during the quilt show, which is set for April 25-28. She said AQS pays the city a rental fee and the vendors pay for spots inside the space. Vendors set up roughly 75 to 80 booths within the pavilion, Browning said, and quilts are on display in front of a black drape. Before the hotel closed, AQS used rooms inside to host

Sun files Crew members break down a portion of the riverfront pavilion near the Julian Carroll Convention Center in August in Paducah. The city is expected to set up the 40,000 square-foot dome by the end of the month.

vendors and exhibits.

Browning said AQS contracts with the Paducah-Mc-Cracken County Convention Center Corp. to rent the dome. Thompson said the CCC handles all rental contracts.

The city is permitted to keep the dome up for as long as six months, Thompson said. He said other events are booked there throughout the spring and summer, including roller derby, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and other public events. He said there have even been people who wanted to hold weddings in it. The city has kept the pavilion up for as long as there has been a demand for it during the past two years, Thompson said, and anticipates the same thing this year.

Contact Mallory Panuska, a Sun staff writer, at 270-575-8684.



REBECCA FELDHAUS | The Sun

Rep. Fred Nesler (left) stands with Agriculture Commissioner James Comer and members of the Graves County Public Schools National FFA Foundation club and 4-H on Monday at Graves County High School. Nesler and Comer traveled to Graves County to promote the farm license plate program.

James Comer Kentucky agriculture commission Comer presents farm license plate program

"Farmers will support ... the Kentucky Proud program if they're confident where their money is being spent."

BY REBECCA FELDHAUS

rfeldhaus@paducahsun.com As one of the five largest agricultural counties in Kentucky, Graves County was one of Agriculture Commissioner James Comer's initial stops in his first eight weeks in office.

Comer stopped by Graves County High School, among other destinations, while he toured the county Monday. Comer talk-

ed to representatives from the school system's 4-H group and National FFA Foundation students about potential revenue for their clubs. Drivers who choose to get specialized farm license plates during license and registration renewal will be donating to FFA, 4-H and Kentucky Proud. The \$10 per person price is divided between the three organizations and sent back to the coun-

ties where it originated.

All three groups harness the power of young people in agriculture, Comer said. Many of the farmers and artisans who sell their products through the Kentucky Proud program have participated in 4-H or FFA in their adolescence, he said. It's a logical group to support through the li-

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Today

Indoor Charity Yard Sale, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Ledbetter Methodist Fellowship Building. Information: 928-2827.

AARP and the IRS will offer free tax service to low- to moderateincome individuals, with special attention to those age 60 and older. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Jackson House, 301 S. Ninth St. Walk-ins welcome.

Paducah Lions Club, lunch, noon, Broadway United Methodist Church, 701 Broadway, 443-3122.

Mayfield Lions Club, noon, Rita's Cafe, 101 N Seventh Street, Mayfield.

VA Clinic, 12:30-3:30 p.m., 1253 Paris Road, Mayfield. Veterans and their families will be provided counseling and assistance in filing benefits. By appointment, walk-ins as time allows. 247-2455.

AARP and the IRS will offer free tax service to low- to moderateincome individuals, with special attention to those age 60 and older, 4 to 7 p.m., Concord United Methodist Church, 5178 Hinkleville Road. Call 443-2669 for appointment.

"Plant Propagation" with Heather Blankenship, 5 p.m., MSU Greenhouse.

Concord Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., Concord Fire Station.

Paducah Singles Connection, 6:30 p.m., Grace Episcopal Church, Eighth and Broadway. 556-0625 or 443-0595.

Compassionate Friends of Western Kentucky, 7 p.m., St. John Catholic Church cafeteria, 6705 Old U.S. 45S.

Right to Life, Purchase Area, 7 p.m., Lourdes hospital, heart cath waiting room. 744-9211.

Wednesday

Lone Oak Kiwanis, 7 a.m., Parker's Drive-In. 217-0402.

Indoor Charity Yard Sale, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Ledbetter Methodist Fellowship Building. Information: 928-2827.

Disabled American Veterans, Miles Meredith Chapter 7 of Paducah, weekly Commander Coffee Call, 9 a.m. to noon. Service officer available.



Ken Ham, founder of the Creation Museum in northern Kentucky, speaks to a packed house on Monday at Heartland Baptist Church.

Creationist talks to Heartland crowd

BY CORIANNE EGAN cegan@paducahsun.com

Courtney Stokes and her class at Southside Baptist Church drove an hour from Princeton to hear Ken Ham speak at Heartland Baptist Church. After learning about Ham and hearing his teaching, she was all too eager to hear him live.

"We have done Bible studies involving him in the past," Stokes said. "I can't wait to hear what he has to say. It's pretty cool that he came all the way here, and we get the chance to be in the audience."

Ham was the featured speaker at Heartland Worship Center on Monday, which capped off a weekend engagement that included five talks centered around the theory of creationism, thanks to Mid-Continent University.

"Most people don't understand the idea," Ham said. "They think it is the Bible versus science, and it's not. We



Ken Ham was a guest speaker brought in by Mid-Continent University, and he gave several talks over the weekend before his final discussion at Heartland Baptist Church in Paducah on Monday.

a science teacher in Australia. This is about what happened in the past, when we weren't there.'

Ham speaks all over the world, love science. I was trained to be has published multiple books

and informational DVDs, and is the founder of northern Kentucky's Creation Museum. His talk Monday evening — which more than 400 people attended - centered on defending one's

religion in today's world. Ham also talked about the definition and limitations of science.

'We knew about his work," said Mary Ann Snow, in the audience Monday. "But being able to see him here, in Paducah, without having to travel or watch on TV is a blessing. My son went on Sunday and came home raving about the talk, so our interest was piqued, and here we are."

Mid-Continent president Dr. Robert Imhoff also attended, only hours after handing Ham an honorary doctorate from the college in Humane Letters. Imhoff said bringing Ham to the area was an invaluable experience.

"There is so much misinformation out there," Imhoff said. 'It's worthy of a discussion, and our students and the community got to be part of that discussion and learn from it."

Call Corianne Egan, a Sun staff writer, at 270-575-8652 or follow @CoriEgan on Twitter.

Police: Parents' knowledge keeps children safe

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VA Clinic, 12:30-3:30 p.m., 1253 Paris Road, Mayfield. Veterans and their families will be provided counseling and assistance in filing benefits. By appointment, walk-ins as time allows. 247-2455.

FATHERS, Fathers Asking To Have Equal Rights, 6:30 p.m., second Floor, McCracken County Public Library. 800-472-3741.

Great Rivers Group, Sierra Club, 7 p.m., Room 1119, Biology Building, Murray State University Campus.

Blood Drive

7 a.m. to noon Wednesday, Lourdes hospital, 1530 Lone Oak Road, Paducah.

BY REBECCA FELDHAUS

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Tips on the man who attempted to abduct a teenage girl from a playground Sunday are keeping Paducah Police busy.

Capt. Brian Krueger said patrol officers and investigators have gotten more details on a man who tried to take a girl from the Morgan Elementary School playground Sunday around 6 p.m. The girl described the man as a heavy set white man in his 30s or 40s

driving a white pickup truck.

The girl told police she was sitting at the playground when the man approached her with a knife and told her to get in his truck, "or else." She ran home and told an adult what happened. The girl said the man tried to follow her as she ran home, but she escaped. She said the same man previously attempted to get her and other girls in his truck.

As of late Monday afternoon, police were working to make a

composite drawing of the man based on the girl's descriptions. Krueger said the department would likely release the image Tuesday. Krueger said the girl was smart to resist. He recommended those who find themselves in the same situation to scream and try to get away. If a victim can get attention from people in the area, they are more likely to get away safely, he said.

Parents can help with abduction prevention. When parents appropriate and not appropriate touching and not talking to strangers, their children are better prepared in dangerous situations, Krueger said. He suggested that parents know the people their children are with, where they are and the situations they're around.

Police encourage anyone with information about the man to call the department with details.

Call Rebecca Feldhaus, a Sun talk to their children about staff writer, at 270-575-8651.

State police accepting supplies to aid storm victims

Sun staff report The Kentucky State Police is accepted items to aid communities in the state hit hard by Friday's massive storms.

State police posts will be dropoff sites. Items will be evenly distributed to all affected communities Collection of items will start Tuesday and will continue

through Sunday. Monetary donations are not encouraged through the state police. Anyone who wishes to contribute money should contact an organization such as the Red Cross.

Items on the list: leather gloves, shovels, rakes, insulated beverage containers, batteries, flashlights, coffee pots, antibiotic cream, Band-aids, first aid kits, soap, body wash, bottled hand soap/hand sanitizer, deodorant, feminine products, shampoo/ cream rinse, shaving cream/ratoothbrushes/toothpaste, zors, bath towels/washcloths, baby formula, baby food, baby diapers (all sizes); baby blankets, bottles, toilet paper, styrofoam cups,

cleaning supplies such as bleach, mops, brooms, buckets, laundry detergent, plastic cups/cutlery, paper goods such as plates, napkins, towels, bowls, disposal gloves (rubber or latex), trash bags (all sizes), cat and dog food, plastic containers, blankets, gift cards, bottled water, nonperishable food items.



LOCAL/REGION



Dakota Keeton, 3, rests on a temporary bed at Morgan Central Elementary School on Monday in West Liberty. Forecasters said the tornado that hit West Liberty on Friday was on the ground for about 60 continuous miles in eastern Kentucky.

Kentucky storm death toll rises

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE— A tornado that tore through West Liberty last week hovered along the ground for about 60 miles in eastern Kentucky, showing staying power while cutting swaths of damage spanning several counties, a meteorologist said Monday.

Kentucky's death toll from Friday's wave of storms rose to 22 with another fatality in Kenton County in the state's northernmost region.

Snow added to the misery of people cleaning up in West Liberty, where the tornado demolished the downtown and neighborhoods. Nearly a half-foot of snow fell overnight, and utility workers were bundled as they restrung power lines and put up new poles.

Linda Oakley was ready to start over as she looked at the remnants of the flower shop where she worked in downtown West Liberty.

"The buildings are gone, but the town is still here."

ing to come back."

Oakley's boss had already decided to find some place to reopen temporarily until deciding on a permanent location. Just being able to buy flowers would bring back a bit of normalcy, Oakley said.

The town was pounded by an EF-3 tornado packing winds up to 140 mph. Homes were splintered homes and businesses crumbled.

tornado track The spanned parts of four Kentucky counties - Menifee, Morgan, Johnson and Lawrence, said National Weather Service meteorologist Tony Edwards in Jackson. Damage spread up to a mile wide at times.

For the eastern Kentucky region, "you're talking pretty much an unprecedented track length," he said.

The storm eventually crossed into West Virginia,

The

he said.

The tornado was the strongest to hit eastern Kentucky in nearly a quarter century, Edwards said.

Meanwhile, another tornado that took a more southern path was on the ground for nearly 50 continuous miles in eastern Kentucky, he said. It first touched down in Wolfe County, then ripped through parts of Magoffin, Johnson and Martin counties. It barely strayed into West Virginia before going airborne, he said.

By contrast, a deadly tornado in Laurel County in southeastern Kentucky was on the ground for about six miles.

Records show that on average, EF-3 tornadoes remain on the ground for nearly seven continuous miles, said Steve Corfidi, a lead forecaster with the

weather service's Storm Prediction Center in Norman, Okla.

Last week's tornado that slammed into Martin County damaged homes in an area that was in the path of a massive coal slurry spill in 2000 that oozed some 300 million gallons of the muck into yards and streams for miles.

It was considered one of the South's worst environmental disasters at the time. Slurry is a byproduct of purifying coal.

More than 300 injuries were reported statewide.

Local Briefs

Sun staff reports

Public tips sought in vehicle vandalism

The McCracken County sheriff's department seeks information into a series of vehicle vandalisms over the weekend in the Reidland area.

From Friday night until early Monday, at least 10 vehicles were damaged, said Chief Deputy Mike Turnbow in a news release. Damage ranged from a single broken window to windshields broken out with what appeared to be a baseball bat.

Only one vehicle had property stolen and that item was a commercial drill and attachments.

Anyone with information is asked to call the sheriff's department at 270-444-4719 or Crimestoppers at 443-TELL (8355). The tipster may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1.000

Easter Egg Dash planned March 27

The annual Easter Egg Dash, sponsored by the Paducah Parks Department, will be March 27 at Stuart Nelson Park. The rainout date is March 29.

The event is for children age 10 and younger. Registration begins at 5 p.m. with the first dash at 5:30 p.m. There is no charge. Registration also is available online at www.paducahky.gov or at the Parks Services office.

The object is for children to gather as many eggs as possible in a certain time period. Dashes will be by age groups. About 13,000 candy-filled eggs will be spread across the ballfields. Age groups up to 2 years, 3-4 years, 5-7 years, and 8-10 years. Age groups will dash in 15-minute increments beginning with the youngest at 5:30 p.m. Three prize eggs will be hidden on each field.

FNB Bank and Daymar College are sponsors. More information: Recreation Specialist Micah Walker at Parks Services at 444-8508.



The Agenda is a listing of government meetings today.

- Cadiz City Council 6 p.m., City Hall.
 Carlisle Fiscal Court 9:30 a.m., courthouse.
 Marshall Fiscal Court 9:30 a.m., courthouse.
- Paducah City Commission 5:30 p.m., City Hall commission chambers.

Paducah Urban Renewal and Community Development Agency — 4 p.m., meeting, Ante Room, City Commission Chambers, City Hall.

■ Wickliffe City Council — 9 a.m., City Hall.



she said. "We're a closeknit community. We're go-

Monday's lottery Kentucky

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Editorial

RESCUE? Animal rights extremists have a dirty little secret

People for the Ethical

Treatment of Animals got its paw caught in a trap, so to speak, with a devastating report on the organization's wholesale slaughter of dogs and cats at the "shelter" it keeps at its Norfolk, Va., headquarters.

The radical animals rights group doesn't practice what it preaches. The Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services inspected PETA's shelter and found it "does not contain sufficient animal enclosures to routinely house the number of animals annually reported as taken in custody."

PETA doesn't need more enclosures for the more than 2,000 dogs and cats it takes in every year because PETA kills most of the animals as soon as it rescues them. State inspectors "It's about time found that PETA killed 1,965 animals in 2011, while placing just 24 in homes and

PETA loves animals to death. relations benefit and keeps the donations pouring in.

But if a dog or cat is not cute enough for immediate adoption, it's not worth saving. PETA's \$37 million budget just doesn't cover more than a day's worth of dog chow for each animal.

The non-profit Center for Consumer Freedom exposed the hypocrisy, noting that PETA does not abide by its own published guidelines for animal shelters. A spokesman for the center said, "It's about time PETA's shelter is classified as a slaughterhouse." PETA responded that the center receives support from restaurants and food companies that "kill millions of animals every year."

In a USA Today report, PETA called the Center for Consumer Freedom "animal

exploiters." The term "exploiters" is an odd word choice for the organization that is under fire from women's groups for its ad

campaigns that

Limbaugh's rant undercut real issue

WASHINGTON - Who'd have thought that Rush Limbaugh would become the great uniter in this divisive political season?

Indeed, he has united decent people of all stripes and persuasions with his vile remarks about a Georgetown law student.

Perhaps by now you you've heard of Sandra Fluke, who created a smallish tempest when she tried to testify before a congressional committee considering the federal Health and Human Services contraception mandate and was denied a place at the (allmale) table. There really was no reason for her to testify. The subject was religious freedom versus government overreach, not contraception per se, but this detail no longer seems to matter.

Fluke stalked out of the hearing room and has enjoyed the media spotlight ever since. She did finally get to testify at an unofficial hearing convened by House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, during which she focused on Republican "censorship," which, fascinating as it sounds, was a sidebar to a non sequitur.

You may be excused for being confused and/or bored by all this talk of contraceptives. Having access to contraception hasn't been controversial except in the Catholic Church for some time and wouldn't be now if not for the new mandate that nearly every employer offer insurance to pay for it. The only question – ever – has been whether the federal government can force religious organizations to pay for something that violates their freedom of conscience. For the record, if I were dictator, I'd put contraceptives in the drinking water on college campuses. But the Catholic Church and other religious entities do not share my view



Kathleen Parker

and our laws have always tried to allow generous exceptions to rules that conflict with moral principle.

The question of whether the Obama administration is acting constitutionally has been posed to the courts by religious-liberty scholars (and seven state attorneys general), so we'll have an answer soon enough. In the meantime, the administration has promised to "accommodate" religious groups so that only insurance companies have to pay for women's contraception.

Whether this is an adequate remedy is also debatable. Can the government really force private insurance companies to cover certain medications and/or procedures? What if religious organizations are self-insuring, as is the case with many Catholic organizations? And isn't this just an accounting sleight of hand, because in the end the religious entity would be paying for the morally offensive product?

These are clearly compelling questions on which Limbaugh might have focused his gargantuan energies. Instead.

he attacked Fluke in the vilest

terms. Moreover, by address-

ing her argument that college

women need contraception

and should be able to get it

for free, he essentially lent

credence to the opposition

birth control.

narrative that this is all about

Inadvertently, Rush also

helped advance the argument

cans are waging a war against

from the left that Republi-

women. After referring to Fluke as a "slut" and a "prostitute," he offered the following proposition:

^{*}So Miss Fluke, and the rest of you feminazis, here's the deal. If we are going to pay for your contraceptives ... we want something for it. We want you to post the videos online so we can all watch.'

The image suggested is equally degrading to Limbaugh given his obvious familiarity with "watching," and invites unflattering speculation. To wit: It is entirely possible that Limbaugh himself never needed contraception in college, but virtue in the absence of opportunity is hardly a moral triumph.

I am not convinced by Fluke's premise that her need for contraception is anyone else's responsibility. There is perhaps some logic in subsidizing contraception for the poor, which the government already does through Title X, to reduce abortions and prevent the conception of children, who, owing to a parent's inability to care for said progeny, might become wards of the state. This, again, is a sidebar tangential to the key question.

The point is that Limbaugh has so offended with his remarks that he has further muddled the issues. I realize he's "just an entertainer," as his apologists insist, but he is also considered a leading and powerful conservative voice. By his remarks, he has marginalized legitimate arguments and provided a trove of ammunition to those seeking to demonize Republicans who, along with at least some of their Democratic colleagues, are legitimately concerned with religious liberty. As a bonus, he has given his "feminazis" justification for their claims that conservatives hate women.

PETA's shelter is classified as a slaughterhouse."

Center for Consumer

moving 34 to other shelters.

The department

found that PETA destroyed 84 percent of the animals within 24 hours of taking them in. The organization killed more than 90 percent of the cats and dogs it took in between 2005 and 2011. PETA workers have destroyed more than 27,000 animals at the shelter since 1998.

A PETA "rescue" is nothing more then a death sentence.

Because Virginia regulations require animal shelters to keep stray animals alive for at least five days so their owners have time to reclaim them. the department attempted to force PETA to change its status from shelter to euthanasia clinic. But PETA claimed that most of the animals it receives are "society's rejects" and "unadoptable." Because the group does find homes for a handful, it is able to keep its status as a shelter, which provides a public

Freedom

objectify women and make light of domestic violence.

One billboard features a nearly nude Pamela Anderson with her body marked up to show various cuts of meat. Another video ad campaign shows bruised and battered women, some wearing neck braces, promoting the idea that men who stop eating meat increase their sexual prowess.

PETA defended the ads. calling them "playful." Actual battered women don't find the ads amusing.

And this is the organization that kills dogs and cats by the tens of thousands while condemning your right to wear a leather belt or eat a chicken sandwich.

These extremists are so convinced of their own virtue that they are blind to their hypocrisy. But it's obvious to anyone on the outside looking in.

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Letters

Politicians resemble cartoon characters

EDITOR:

The candidates running for president remind me of several cartoon characters from years gone by.

The first one is President Obama, who acts like Mr. Quincy Magoo, a wealthy, shortstature politician, who by his shortsightedness and stubborn refusal to admit that he could be wrong, is killing the economy and any hope of a recovery to benefit the taxpayers.

The second candidate who comes to mind is Mitt Romney, who acts like Huckleberry Hound, a politician who is relaxed, sweet and well-intentioned, but everything he does ends up with results that backfire.

The third person is Newt Gingrich, who acts like Popeve the sailor man; all he does is beat up on the media when they report his inconsistent stand on issues.

The fourth candidate is Rick Santorum, who acts like Dudley Do-Right, a dim-witted but conscientious and cheerful senator who more often succeeds by pure luck than anything else.

The fifth person is Ron Paul, who acts like Deputy Dog, a sweet southern senator who wears the title of U.S. senator like a badge on his chest. He has to protect his voters from them "varmints" who are Mitch, John and

Nancy.

The sixth and seventh politicians who come up are Mitch McConnell and John Boehner, who act like they are Bo and Luke Duke from the "Dukes of Hazard." They are good old boys who wouldn't change if they could, fighting for the rich like modern-day Robin Hoods.

The last but not least personalities is the whole Congress, who behave much like the "Muppet Show." A reporter is quoted as saying, "Why do we always come here? I guess we will never know? It's kinda like a torture to have to watch the show."

You can see that the current leadership in Washington seems to behave more to the antics of the Keystone Cops than rational thinking persons who care about John Q. Citizen. WILLIAM ARNOLD **Paducah**

Donations made headstone for Teresa Bolden possible

EDITOR:

The headstone for Teresa Bolden was placed recently. I thank the many people whose donation has made this possible. Special thanks to Ohio Valley Monument Company for donating their time and ability to design, etch and place the stone. If you knew Teresa, you will understand.

BILL TANNER West Paducah

Region Briefs

Associated Press

Retirees may lose cost-of-living increases

FRANKFORT — State and county government retirees would forgo cost-of-living pension increases over the next two years under a budget proposal that could get a vote on the House floor by midweek.

The retirees had been slated to receive 1.5 percent increases each year in their monthly pension payments. But House lawmakers, faced with tight finances, are recommending the increases be suspended.

House Appropriations and Revenue Committee Chairman Rick Rand said that's just one of the tough decisions lawmakers have had to make to balance the state's proposed two-year, \$19.5 billion budget.

Rand said he expects his committee to vote on the General Fund budget on Tuesday. A House floor vote could come as soon as Wednesday.

Suspect caught in Clarksville shooting

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. - Police in Clarksville say a 23-year-old Fort Campbell soldier was found shot to death in a bathtub and her boyfriend, also a soldier, was arrested in North Carolina.

A news release from police spokesman Jim Knoll said Shardae Wright was found in a bathtub at an apartment Saturday morning.

A witness told police that Wright was seen trying to get away from her boyfriend, later identified as 21-year-old Nicholas Rico Durant, who was pointing a gun at her shortly after midnight Friday. An eyewitness ran to get help and then heard several gunshots.

Cape deer committee to make decision

CAPE GIRARDEAU, Mo. — A committee looking into ways to address Cape Girardeau's burgeoning deer population is set to decide on its recommendation Tuesday.

One option is letting trained bow hunters kill deer within city limits after getting permission from property owners. That discussion prompted two resignations from the city-appointed Deer Management Committee and sparked formation of an opposition group.

Proponents of an urban deer hunt say it would reduce traffic accidents and keep hungry deer from destroying lawns.

The opposition group says killing deer is neither the most humane option nor the safest.

Committee members want to present their recommendation at the Cape Girardeau City Council's March 19 meeting.

Airlines expand overhead space

BY JOSHUA FREED Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Fliers can stop sharpening their elbows. Overhead bins are getting bigger.

Packed planes and a high volume of carry-ons are forcing airlines to expand the space above passenger's heads. United and Delta are the latest airlines to replace or upgrade bins so they hold more luggage. And engineers at Boeing are designing jet interiors with today's bulkier luggage in mind.

It's a chance to placate passengers who feel like they're thrown into a roller derby every time they board a plane. Because of fees on checked bags, more passengers are bringing carryons, which are growing in size. And with planes more crowded than ever, bins fill up before everyone has reached their seat. Travelers fight physics and one another to shove one more bag overhead. Or they're forced to check luggage at the gate.

The result is upset travelers, harried flight attendants and delays.

The percentage of passengers bringing bags on board has hovered around 87 percent in recent years, United Continental says. And "the size of the carryon has increased ... They are stretching the limits of their bags," says Scott O'Leary, managing director of customer solutions at United Continental Holdings Inc.

Expanding bins is a smart way for airlines to set themselves apart, says Henry Harteveldt, who leads airline and travel analysis at Atmosphere



Workers install larger bins for carry-on luggage on a Boeing 737 in Tulsa, Okla.

A look at bigger bins on US airlines

United Continental Holdings Inc. is putting bigger doors on the bins of all 152 of its Airbus A320-familly aircraft.

Delta Air Lines Inc. is putting new overhead bins on more than 75 of its Boeing 767s that it flies internationally. It says the new bins will hold 26 more standard roll-on bags than the old ones.

American Airlines' new 737s will hold 48 more bags. It is also putting bigger bins on its older 737s. In 2010 it began retrofitting more than half its 124 Boeing 757s, including all of those that fly internationally.

■ US Airways Group Inc. enlarged the bins on its Boeing 757s in 2008.

Research Group, a market research firm. "Especially if they cater to the business traveler, they're hoping it will give them a small but noticeable competitive advantage.'

Business travelers, for example, avoid an airline that doesn't have room for

their carry-ons.

At first blush, it might seem like airlines risk giving away fees if more people can fit carry-ons on board. But they're not risking much as it turns out.

Airlines often waive bag fees when luggage can't fit overhead and must be

checked at the gate. And business travelers, who generate most of the industry's revenue, are often exempt from baggage fees anyway.

But will bigger bins en-courage fliers to bring larger bags? Airlines hope not, and are trying to crack down before luggage makes it into the cabin.

Tim Kirkwood, a flight attendant for 35 years, remembers overhead bins that were basically open shelves for coats and hats. Now, leisure travelers trying to avoid a bag fee will bring as much as they can into the cabin.

"A bigger bin is good because at least more stuff will fit up there," says Kirkwood, who asked that his airline not be identified. "But it just seems to encourage them to bring more stuff."

'Miracle boy' who survived tornado four years ago growing up

BY JOE EDWARDS Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A 5-year-old Tennessee boy, thrown into a muddy field during a tornado four years ago that killed his mother, likes to go outside and



face-down and motionless in a rural field about 100 yards from the body of his mother, Kay Stowell's daughter. He needed just two days of hospital treatment, and since then has grown into an energetic little boy who shoots BB guns, rides four-wheelers and hunts for arrowheads

during severe weather in Tennessee, "He put on his clothes and went outside to see what was going on," his grandmother said in a telephone interview Monday.

Firefighters had found the blond-haired, blueeyed boy on Feb. 5, 2008. He was discovered in a field

homes and businesses in five Southern states. Winds in the area had reached 165 mph, making his survival even more incredible.

"It makes me think I'm fortunate that my grandson survived," she said. "All I can do is pray for that fam-

59 people and splintered fifth birthday Feb. 16 with a bowling party. Other times, "He likes to play in the leaves and be outdoors. He's a pretty happy little boy," his grandmother said. Cory Noble, his father, did not live with the boy when the 2008 tornado hit.

He was laid off shortly after

Kyson, who has no brothers or sisters, goes to preschool and then stays with his grandmother until his father gets home from work.

Kyson uses the word "tornado" and warns others at the appropriate time.



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State braves worst tornadoes in 24 years

Staff & AP reports

It was a storm week for the South and Midwest, with tornadoes hitting parts of Missouri and Harrisburg, III., early Wednesday morning, and more tornadoes striking Kentucky on Friday.

and west McCracken counties, as well as Massac In western Kentucky on Wednesday, an EF2 carved a 26.5-mile long path through Ballard tornado with maximum speeds of 120 mph and Pulaski counties in Illinois.

path. In all, the tornado injured four people and age to barns and outbuildings, as well as minor destroyed four mobile homes, as well as dam-The tornado crossed the Ohio River in its damage to other homes.

dying in the storm and around 100 people in-Harrisburg was devastated, with six people jured.

With more severe weather expected throughittle damage, but the eastern part of Kentucky small rural towns, killing 19 people. The storms Henryville where a high school was destroyed from buildings. The storm system also created was hardest hit. At least four tornadoes, three School buses were reported to be protruding Friday's storms left western Kentucky with with wind speeds up to 160 mph, destroyed also hit small towns in southern Indiana like and the roof was ripped off a middle school. damage in Tennessee and Alabama.

with your family and ways you can stay safe in out the spring, discuss emergency planning severe weather.

Empty Bowls project raises \$21,200

handmade, hand-painted clay bowls and selling them full of soup to help benefit a local charity, The Empty Bowls Project, a fundraiser taking ganizer Michael Terra said the event, held Feb. surpassed its fundraising goal of \$20,000. Or-25, raised \$21,200 to benefit the Community



An employee of Henryville High School examines what remains of the building following severe storms Friday in Henryville, Ind. Tornadoes ripped across several small southern Indiana towns on Friday. Associated Press

Kitchen.

Teen of the Week

finals in Class A football three years in his career. High School, is a member of the state champion Mayfield football team, making it to the state Shain Ross is the Mid-Continent University Teen of the Week. Ross, a senior at Mayfield

Ross maintains a 4.0 GPA and juggles part time versity of Louisville to study chemical engineer jobs. He plans on attending college at the Uni-In May, a Teen of the Year will be chose from ing to eventually become a pharmacist.

the weekly winners who will receive a four-year scholarship to Mid-Continent or a \$2,500 scholarship if the winner choses another school.







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Plastic zippered bag Vinegar Baking soda Paper towel

INSTRUCTIONS

smaller square so the baking soda is inside. paper towel square. Fold the square into a spoons of baking soda into the center of the pieces. Using one of the pieces, pour 2 table STEP 2: Fill the plastic zippered bag 1/4th of STEP 1: Tear a paper towel into 4 equal

the way with vinegar. the plastic bag. Hold the bag over a trash can STEP 3: Drop the paper towel square into

close it and observe.

EXPLANATION

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put them on a flat surface to dry.

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might not take long if it's raining hard. in the rain until the colors have run — this markers, then place the papers outdoors

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How many times can you find the word "March" in this puzzle?

Sports News

Racers win OVC tournament Murray State beat Tennessee State 54-52 championship game. from senior Jewuan Long with 4.4 seconds an invitation to the NCAA tournament. The on Saturday afternoon to win the Ohio Valhalf deficit to beat the Tigers, using a basket Racers (30-1) overcame a seven-point second ley Conference tournament, guaranteeing the win. On Friday, the Racers beat Tennessee left in the game to break the tie and secure Fech 78-58 in the semifinals to advance to the

the NCAA tournament on Sunday during CBS Selection Sunday show. they will play and what seed they will be in The Racers will find out who, when, where

Peay 90-73 in the quarterfinals. semifinals, ending the season with a 13-18 UT Martin 102-77 on Friday in the tournament record. On Thursday, the Racers beat Austin The Racer women's basketball team lost to

Kentucky continues to roll

a 74-59 win Sunday at Florida. The Wildcats, ence season since Alabama did it in 1956. The in the SEC to go undefeated in the confer-Southeastern Conference season 16-0 with ranked first in the nation, are the third team The University of Kentucky ended its



Murray State senior Ivan As portion of the net at Munic Nashville, Tenn., after Muri win over Tennessee State i with the Wildcats accomplishing the feat in other two teams also belonged to Kentucky, Conference tournament championship. 996 and 2003.

rebounds and six blocks in rence Jones had 19 points. Freshman Anthony Davis the win, while Terhad 22 points, 12

way, hoping he would have race Sunday at Phoenix International Race-Hamlin wins fuel gamble in Phoenix Denny Hamlin won the N/ ASCAR Sprint Cup enough fuel to

complete the race, especially after Kevin Haron the final lap. Hamlin started the race in the vick, running in second place, ran out of gas 13th spot.



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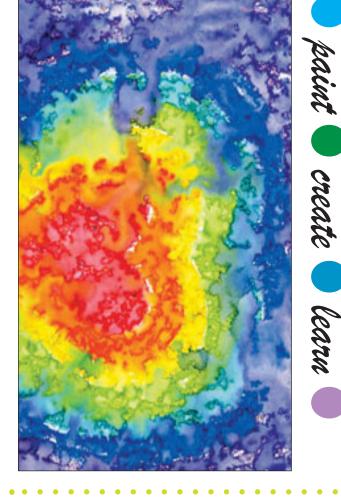
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at Municipal Auditorium in Ifter Murray State's 54-52 in the Ohio Valley ska cuts down his ADAM SHULL I The Sun



Out dated computer equipment that is being replaced can have a far higher calling if sent to assist the students in Ethiopia.

Why not donate it to Ethiopian kids? Throwing away an old computer?

McClatchy-Tribune News Service BY MATT MCNAB

and all have at least one computer. All that technology. imagine your school experience without that technology seems standard to you, but try and Most have a projection system or smartboard, Think about your typical classroom in school

cause it is. If it's a situation that sounds foreign, it's be-

students do. One such place is the rural city of Gode in Ethiopia. don't have the access to electronics as American Many schools and students across the world

Gudata Hinika, the chief of trauma and general surgery at California Hospital Medical Center, at Gode High School is the newest action by Dr. Adding laptops and computers to classrooms

and his Ethiopia Health Aid group.

Mission to the country in March. Ethiopia when the group makes their Medical old laptops and desktop computers to bring to Hinika and his group are seeking donations of

opened its doors in 2010. school in southern Ethiopia in 2007, which Hinika funded the development of the high

standards, with an estimated enrollment of reach 5,000 by 2014. Hinika also funded the de-3,500 students — a number that's expected to The school is massive by U.S. high school

com. 626-497-6311 or email ethiopiahealthaid@gmail. Gode High School, contact Katreena Salgado at To donate computers to Ethiopia Health Aid and velopment of a junior high school in 2003. Have an old computer and want to donate it?

Nation Briefs

Associated Press

Obama to speak at Joplin High graduation

COLUMBIA, Mo. — President Barack Obama will speak at Joplin High School's commencement, a year after a tornado struck just after the ceremony, killing more than 160 people and destroying much of the city.

The high school was among the thousands of homes and buildings destroyed, and students have been attending classes in a nearby mall this year. Word traveled quickly through the student body Monday after the White House announced the president would speak at the May 21 graduation. He'll also deliver remarks at Barnard College's May 14 commencement and the Air Force Academy's May 23 graduation.

Obama attended a memorial service in Joplin one week after the deadly tornado, the worst to strike the United States in decades. Seven students and one staff member at Joplin schools were among the victims. Speaking at the memorial service, Obama promised residents "your country will be there with you every single step of the way."

Oil below \$107 after US, Israel meet on Iran

SINGAPORE — Oil prices hovered below \$107 a barrel Tuesday in Asia after U.S. and Israel leaders met to discuss growing tensions over Iran's nuclear program.

Benchmark oil for April delivery was down 2 cents to \$106.70 at midday Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract rose 2 cents to settle at \$106.72 per barrel in New York on Monday.

After a meeting Monday in Washington, President Barack Obama and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu showed no sign of give on competing ways to resolve the crisis. Obama urged pressure and diplomacy to prevent Iran from getting a nuclear bomb while Netanyahu emphasized his nation's right to a pre-emptive attack.

EPA heightens scrutiny over gas drilling

DIMOCK, Pa. — Tugging on rubber gloves, a laboratory worker kneels before a gushing spigot behind Kim Grosso's house and positions an empty bottle under the clear, cold stream. The process is repeated dozens of times as bottles are filled, marked and packed into coolers.

After extensive testing, Grosso and dozens of her neighbors will know this week what may be lurking in their well water as federal regulators investigate claims of contamination in the midst of one of the nation's most productive natural gas fields.

Grosso, who lives near a pair of gas wells drilled in 2008, told federal officials her water became discolored a few months ago, with an intermittent foul odor and taste. Her dog and cats refused to drink it.

Big day for Romney, Santorum

BY DAVID ESPO Associated Press

WASHINGTON — On the eve of their Super Tuesday showdown, Mitt Romney and Rick Santorum strained for an edge in Ohio on Monday and braced for the 10 primaries and caucuses likely to redefine the race for the Republican presidential nomination.

Newt Gingrich, though winless for more than a month, campaigned in Tennessee and issued a stream of signals that he intended to stay in the race.

In a race marked by unpredictability, Romney's superior organization and the support of an especially deep-pocketed super PAC allowed him to compete all across the Super Tuesday landscape and potentially pick up more than half of the 419 delegates at stake.

Santorum cast the race in biblical terms, his David vs. Romney's Goliath. Even that "is probably a little bit of an understatement," he added.

By contrast, Romney projected confidence. "I hope that I get the support of people here in Ohio tomorrow, and in other states across the country. I believe if I do, I'll get the nomination," he said.

Primaries in Ohio, Georgia, Massachusetts, Vermont, Virginia, Oklahoma and Tennessee plus caucuses in Idaho, North Dakota and Alaska make Tuesday the busiest day of the primary season.

Unlike previous Republican campaigns, when a primary winner would typically win all of a state's delegates, allocations this year generally reflect the split in the popular vote. As a result, several candidates





may be able to claim success once the Super Tuesday results are known.

Řomney kept his focus on the economy in a final sprint across Ohio, the state that has drawn the most attention and television advertising. Pre-primary polls show him with momentum in a close race with Santorum.

"Other people in this race have debated about the economy, they've read about the economy, they've talked about it in subcommittee hearings," Romney said dismissively of his opponents. "But I've actually been in it. I've worked in business, and I understand what it takes to get a business successful and to thrive."

Santorum, who narrowly lost Michigan to Romney last week, said that no matter how much his rival spends, "conservatives will not trust him, will not rally around him this primary season. ... We will be the nominee." Associated Pres

Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney holds a town hall meeting at Taylor Winfield on Monday in Youngstown, Ohio, above.

Republican presidential candidate Rick Santorum speaks at the American Legion on Monday in Westerville, Ohio, left.

What's so super about Super Tuesday?

■ Delegates for grabs Tuesday: 419.

■ Delegates already won: 353. Romney, 203; Santorum, 92; Gingrich, 33; Paul, 25.

Delegates needed for the nomination: 1,144.

■ Next up: Caucuses and primaries in Kansas, Alabama, Hawaii, Mississippi, Missouri, Illinois and Louisiana fill out the busiest month of the nomination season. Three territories — American Samoa, the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico — also get their say in March.

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Children survive direct twister strike

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. When Latonya Stevens heard thunder and lightning in the distance, she knew the drill. Every time a storm drew near, her children would run to her room seeking comfort.

So Stevens turned on a hall light for the young kids as high winds began buffeting the house. Then she a moment, I didn't know blacked out and awoke to find only one of the four children in sight and the house ripped apart.

She quickly assumed the worst: that a twister had carried off the other three kids.

"I was screaming for them," Stevens said Monday. "I was panicking. For

where they were."

No one knows precisely what happened, but this much is clear. The three children were in their rooms when the tornado approached. As the winds rose, most of the home's second floor was swept away. After the storm passed, the kids were found

BY BRADLEY KLAPPER

Associated Press

European or Arab partners.

McCain's statement on

the Senate floor came as

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WASHINGTON — Frustrated by a diplomatic logoutside on the ground, one of them 100 feet away along a major highway.

All three emerged with only cuts and bruises and a story to tell for the rest of their lives.

"It's a miracle they survived," said their grandfather, Clarence Gray Jr. "God was looking out for them." Most of the family's pos-

McCain seeks airstrikes on Syria

Monday, the children were playing in their grandparents' house if nothing had happened.

sessions were lost. But by

They picked up family photos scattered on a coffee table. "This was our house," Jamal said, pointing to a picture.

The children – 3-yearold Amber, 4-year-old Ayanna and 7-year-old Jamal - said they don't recall anything.

"They're like me. They don't remember what happened," Stevens said. "We don't know. Maybe it will come back to us eventually. I mean, I've sat down and tried to figure out what happened. I don't know," she said softly.

Associated Press

Nation/World Briefs

Report: Unclear what prompted mauling

HELENA, Mont. - An investigation into the second of two fatal grizzly bear attacks last summer at Yellowstone National Park was unable to conclude if the same bear was responsible for both deaths, a report released Monday said.

But DNA tests show the bear that killed California hiker Brian Matayoshi in July fed on Michigan hiker John Wallace with one of her cubs in August, and evidence of two other bears in the area where Wallace's body was found much farther away - 65 feet and 492 feet from the body.

The report indicates there is no "clear evidence" to identify the bear that attacked and killed the 59-year-old Wallace from Chassell in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Park officials decided against capturing or killing the mother bear, or sow, after Matayoshi's death.

140 dead in al-Qaida attack in Yemen

SANAA, Yemen — Sneaking across the desert behind army lines, al-Qaida militants launched a surprise attack against military bases in south Yemen, killing 107 soldiers and capturing heavy weapons they later used to kill more troops, officials said Monday.

The military officials said at least 32 of the militants were killed in Sunday's fighting in Abyan province, and scores were wounded on both sides. Medical officials in the area confirmed the death toll figures. They said the poor services in local hospitals accounted for the death of many soldiers who suffered serious wounds but could have survived had they been given better medical care.

The death toll among the troops is believed to be the highest on record in battles fought by the army against al-Qaida militants.

jam and a bloody Syrian offensive, Republican Sen. John McCain on Monday urged the United States to launch airstrikes against President Bashar Assad's regime to force him out of power – a call for dramatic military intervention that wasn't supported by the Obama administration or its

the U.S. and European governments pleaded for Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., talks to reporters Monday on Capitol Hill in Washington af-Russia's Vladimir Putin to ter making an appeal on the floor of the Senate for the U.S. to lead an "international effort" involving air strikes on Syria's military forces. rethink his anti-interven-

> at a curious time: a day after Putin showed his strength by resoundingly winning re-election as president, a position he held from 2000 to 2008. Even the modest aim of gaining Russian support for a humanitarian strategy in Syria faced renewed resistance Monday - showing just how limited the diplomatic options were despite the ongoing violence.

McCain's strategy would be far more direct, though it's unclear how popular it would be. His statement was as much a critique of President Barack Obama as a rallying call for an international military campaign, accusing the president of being too soft on Assad.

McCain, the GOP's presidential nominee in 2008 and his party's senior member on the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the U.S. should change policy by arming Syria's rebels and spearheading a military effort to support them.

"The only realistic way to do so is with foreign airpower," McCain concluded. The United States should lead an international effort to protect key population centers in Syria, especially in the north, through airstrikes on Assad's forces."

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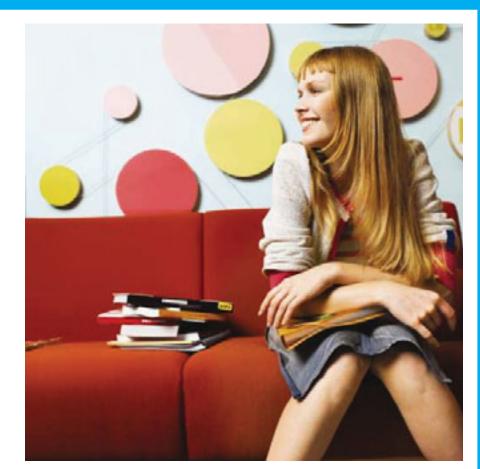
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a computer question or concern? Bring it to the upstairs computer lab!

3/8

6:30 p.m. E-Reader

classes led by Patrick Archer. Got a new e-reader and need some help with our website? Here it is!



3/15

9:30 a.m. "The Cat and the Fiddler" Special Musical Story Time. Program

for Homeschoolers and General Public in the meeting room.

6:30 p.m. E-Reader

classes led by Patrick Archer. Got an e-reader for Christmas and need some help with our website? Here it is!

7 p.m. Evening Upstairs.

Mary Settles: the Last Shaker at Pleasant Hill (1836-1923) Portrayed by Janet Scott, co-sponsored by the Kentucky Humanities Council and the MCPL.

3/22

6:30 E-Reader classes led by Patrick Archer. Got an e-reader and need some help with our website? Here it is!

3/23

2 p.m. Harper Collins

author, Shelley Shepard Gray, Missing and Sisters of the Heart, Seasons of Sugar Creek, and Families of Honor Series will be here to discuss her series based in Crittenden County about the Amish Community. Books will be available for purchase and for signing.

3/27

10 a.m. & 1 p.m. STORY TIME with Ms. Retta, Bob Dog, Ms. Cherrie,

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1:30 E-Reader classes led by Patrick Archer. Got a new e-reader and need some help with our website? Here it is!

3/3

1 p.m. Book Club for **Tweens and Teens**

Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins. Led by Ashley Adair. Refreshments, prizes & giveaways

2-4 p.m. Learn a Language @Your Library

Learn how to use Mango Languages. Focus will be on Mandarin. Drawing for a USB with a beginners Mandarin Mango course.

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10 a.m. & 1 p.m. STORY **TIME** with Ms. Retta, Bob Dog, and Ms. Cherrie, "Happy Birthday, Dr. Suess!"

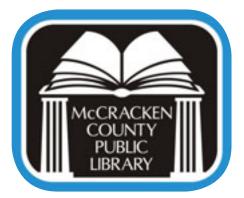
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10 a.m. & 1 p.m. STORY **TIME** with Ms. Retta, Bob Dog, and Ms. Cherrie, "The Three Bears and our **OWN Goldilocks**"

11 a.m. Baby and Me with Pam Whelan. A 20-minute story time, playtime with one-on-one participationbabies up to 24 months old - one child per caregiver. - one child per caregiver.

3/14

1 p.m. One on One at One- Brian Medlin will be available to answer computer questions and concerns upstairs in the Computer Lab.



10 a.m. & 1 p.m. STORY TIME with Ms. Retta, Bob Dog, Ms. Cherrie, presenting a musical story time "Cat and Fiddler."

11 a.m. Baby and Me with Pam Whelan. A 20-minute story time, playtime with one-on-one participationbabies up to 24 months old

3/21

1 p.m. One on One at One- Brian Medlin will be available to answer computer questions and concerns upstairs in the Computer Lab.

presenting "Favorite Things"

11 a.m. Baby and Me with Pam Whelan. A 20-minute story time, playtime with one-on-one participationbabies up to 24 months old

- one child per caregiver.

4 p.m. Library Board of **Trustees Meeting** in Meeting Room

3/28

1 p.m. One on One at **One.** Brian Medlin answers computer questions & concerns

3/29

6:30 p.m. E-Reader classes led by Patrick Archer.

McCracken County Library

555 Washington Street, Paducah, KY 270-442-2510 ext 122 Toll-free 1-866-829-7532 www.mclib.net Mon-Thurs: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Fri-Sat: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. • Sun: 1 to 6 p.m.

Funeral notices

Paid obituaries furnished to The Paducah Sun by mortuaries.

Truman Pritchett

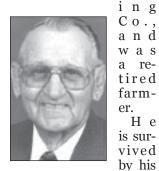
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wife,

MAYFIELD — Truman Pritchett, age 91, of Mayfield passed away at 7:14 p.m. Sunday, March 4, 2012, at his home.

He was a member of Wingo Church of Christ, retired from Merit Cloth-



Pritchett

Mary Pritchett; Opal one daughter, Nancy (Terrell) Adair of Wingo; one sister, Ann (Arlie) Crittendon of Mayfield; one sister-in-law, Mary Pritchett of Tucson, Ariz.; one stepdaughter, Joan (David) Kendall of Golo; one stepson, Rocky (Debbie) Smith of Baton Rouge, La.; five grandchildren, Barry (Kim) Adair of Bismarck, N.D., Stacy (Larry) Hawkins of Mayfield, Molly (Mark) Jones of Mayfield, Chad (Teresa) Pritchett of Draffenville and Brad (Tammy) Pritchett of Browntown, Ind.; eight stepgrandchildren; and nine great-

grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Mil-

er, Miskel Pritchett. Funeral services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, 2012, at Brown Funeral Home in Mayfield with Bobby Crittendon and Jerry Mayes officiat-

Christ Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers will be Barry Adair, Chad Pritchett, Brad Pritchett, Barrett Adair, Chance Adair and Mark Jones. pallbearers Honorary will be stepgrandsons, Chet Smith, Reece Smith, Greg Smith, Todd Smith, Stacy Smith and Michael

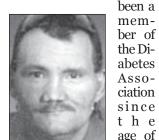
Friends may call after 5 p.m. Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at Brown Funeral Home in Mayfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wingo Church of Christ or Lourdes Hospice.

Fred H. Dobbins Jr.

H. Dobbins Fred Jr., age 43, of Paducah passed away at 11 p.m. Friday, March 2, 2012, at his residence.

Mr. Dobbins was a native of Paducah and was a member of Southland Baptist Temple. He had also



ton Emmitt and Mable Tharp Pritchett; his first wife, Louise Pritchett; one son, Tommy Pritchett; daughter-in-law, Gary Lynn Pritchett; one sister, Louise Washburn; one brother, Lester Pritchett; one stepson, Tim Smith; one stepgrandson, Terry Kendall, and a stepmoth-

ing. Burial will follow in Macedonia Church of

Kendall.

niece and one nephew. He was preceded in death by his father, Fred H. Dobbins Sr.; and a daughter, Santana Dobbins.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at the Diggs Chapel /Kansas Cemetery in Graves County Ky., with the Rev Terry Sills and the Rev. Larry Lindsey officiating.

Friends may visit with the family from 9 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at Keeling Family Funeral Home.

OBITUARIES/WORLD

Bertha L. Dick

MOUND CITY, III. — Bertha L. Dick, 94, of Olmsted died at 5:10 a.m. at Massac Memorial Hospital in Metropolis.

She was of the Lutheran faith and was a retired store clerk for Pete Huddlestun General Store in Olmsted for 35 years.

Survivors include five nephews; and five great-nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John Dick and Nora Helen Atherton Dick; and three sisters.

Services for will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Jones Funeral Home in Villa Ridge with the Rev. Paul H. Donner officiating.

Interment will follow in Concord Cemetery in rural Olmsted.

Friends may call after 5 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Allyne Shepherd

SOUTH FULTON, Tenn. — Services for Allyne B. Shepherd, 74, of South Fulton will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Hornbeak Funeral Chapel in Fulton, Ky., with burial in Obion County Memorial Gardens in Union City.

Mrs. Shepherd died at 4:35 a.m. Monday at Haws Memorial Nursing and Rehab Center in Fulton.

She was a member of South Fulton Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Charles A. Shepherd Sr.; two sons, Charles A. "Sonny" Shepherd Jr. of South Fulton and Jeff L. Shepherd of Collierville; a daughter, Kathy Lynn Wade of Swansea, Ill.; seven grandchildren; two greatgrandchildren; a brother, Dee Baker of South Fulton; and a sister, Elizabeth Walker of South Fulton.

She was preceded in death by two brothers. Her Pleasant View Memorial parents were Landoff and Lucy French Baker.

Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. today and until the home. funeral hour Wednesday at the funeral home.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Harvest The Vi- Hickman County Museum, sion - South Fulton Baptist P.O. Box 284, Clinton, KY Church, 509 Forestdale Ave., 42031. South Fulton, TN 38257.

Martha M. Johnson

MARION — Martha M. Johnson, 80, of Henderson, formerly of Marion, died Monday at Transcendent Healthcare in Boonville, Ind. She was a member of Eastview Baptist Church in Henderson.

Surviving are her daugh-ter, Pam Newlin; and three grandchildren, Alissa, Alec and Aaron Newlin, all of Newburgh, Ind.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Rex Marvel and Virgie Lystila; one sister and one brother.

Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion with interment in Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call after 11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Evelyn Evans

CLINTON Evelyn Hoodenpyle Evans, 96, of Henderson, formerly of Clinton, died Sunday at the home of her son.

She was a member of Clinton First United Methodist Church, co-owner of the former Evans Store, and an Eastern Star.

She is survived by one daughter, Brenda Bradley of Woodstock, Ill; one son, John B. Evans III of Henderson; two grandchildren, Jeffery Bradley of Denver, Colo., and Debbie Bradley Kizziar of Spokane, Wash.; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John B. Evans Jr.; her parents, Cornelius Eugene and Grace Bradley Hoodenpyle, and two brothers.

Services will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday at Brown Funeral Home in Clinton with the Rev. Ted Burke officiating. Burial will be in Gardens.

Friends may call after 4 p.m. today at the funeral

Donations can be made to: Clinton-Hickman County Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 29, Clinton, KY 42031; or

Nancy Sue Summerville

MAYFIELD — Nancy Sue

field died at 10:02 p.m. Sun-

day at Countryside Health

the Word of Faith Church

in Mayfield and a retired

daughter, Sherry Stavely of

Mayfield; one son, Michael

Summerville of Mayfield;

one sister, Barbara Cash

of Paducah; two brothers,

Jimmy and David Henley,

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Associated Press

President George W. Bush and Steve Bridges, a comedian and President Bush impersonator, gesture during the White House Correspondents' Association's dinner in April 2006 in Washington. Bridges, best known for impersonating former President George W. Bush, has died at home in Los Angeles.

Bridges best known for Bush impersonation

Associated Press LOS ANGELES - Impressionist Steve Bridges, who used prosthetics and wigs to turn into presidents and laughs to make a living, was found dead at his home, his manager said Monday. He was 48.

Bridges returned from China on Feb. 23 and complained to friends of "super jet lag," manager Randy Nolen said.

Bridges' maid found the comic dead about 9:30 a.m. Saturday in his Los Angeles home, Nolen said. It appeared that he died of natural causes, but an autopsy will be conducted, said Craig Harvey, chief of operations for the Los Angeles County coroner's office.

Bridges' George W. Bush impression made him a regular on "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno" and earned him an invitation to the White House in 2003.

In 2006, Bridges joined Bush in a comic routine at the 2006 White House Correspondents' Association dinner in Washington, D.C., and at a Ford's Theatre benefit.

Nolen said Bush called Bridges' brother, Phillip, on Mondav and offered siblings, and his entire family," Bush told The Associated Press through spokesman Freddy Ford.

"We had a great 10year run," Nolen said. "He went to the White House, the Oval Office, toured with Barbra Streisand and was a regular on the 'Tonight Show' for almost eight years."

Bridges became Barack Obama, Bill Clinton or Bush for his most popular shows.

The makeup and prosthetics used for Bush and Clinton were designed by Kevin Haney, who won an Academy Award for aging Dan Aykroyd in "Driving Miss Daisy." Obama was done by Kazu Tsuji, who designed Jim Carrey's Grinch in "How the Grinch Stole Christmas."

It took nearly four hours to apply the Obama makeup and nearly three hours to do Bush and Clinton. Close attention was paid to age marks and freckles on his hands because they were so visible, especially if a skit was being filmed.

been Bridges had scheduled to do three free shows on March 13, 14 and 15 for the Indian Wells Rotary Club to help



Dobbins

survived by his mother, Betty Futrell Dobbins of Paducah; four sons, Dobbins of Michael Paducah, Jeffrey Dobbins and wife Erin of Arkansas, Joseph Dobbins and Devin Dobbins, both of Paducah; one half brother, Rick Dobbins; two grandchildren, Luke Dobbins and Emily Dobbins of Arkansas; one

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In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the American Association, Diabetes P.O. Box 11454, Alexandria VA 22312; the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 15120, Chicago IL 60693; West End Baptist Church, 324 S. 28th St., Paducah KY 42001; Southland Baptist or Temple, 927 Yarbro Lane, Paducah KY 42003.

Messages may be left online at www.keelingfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Earl Bowman

DIXON SPRINGS, III. -Earl "Pete" Bowman, 83, of the Dixon Springs community, died at 5 a.m. Monday at his home.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Burial will be in the Mount Zion Cemetery in the Rock community.

Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home, where additional arrangements were pending.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to the Baptist Children's Home, 949 County Road 1300 North, Carmi, IL 62821.

Charlene Rivers

FULTON — Charlene Rivers, 55, of Fulton died Monday at Parkway Regional Hospital.

Arrangements were in-Home in South Fulton, Tenn.

KEVIL — Brenda Diane Bates Garnett, 50, of Kevil died Saturday at her home. She was a native of Illi-

Brenda Garnett

nois and retired from Food World as a deli clerk.

Survivors include her husband, John Lucian Garnett Sr.; one son, Bryan Bates of Winfield, Ala.; one sister, Donna Bates of Paducah; two brothers, Roger Bates of Cunningham and Rick Bates of Metropolis, Ill.; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services and burial will be later.

Milner & Orr Funeral Home of Paducah is in charge of arrangements.

Ben Haley

HARDIN — Ben Haley, 91, of Hardin died Monday 18, may take the form of at Jackson Purchase Medical Center in Mayfield.

Arrangements were incomplete at Rawls Funeral complete at Collier Funeral Home in Benton.

Jean Bush

CADIZ — Services for Summerville, 69, of May-Jean Evelyn Banister Bush, 92, of McKinney, Texas, and formerly of Cadiz, will be at 1 p.m. Friday at Goodwin Funeral Home in Cadiz. The Rev. Don Bunch will officiate. Burial will be in East End Cemeterv in Cadiz.

Mrs. Bush died Sunday at Medical Center of Plano in Plano, Texas.

Mrs. Bush was a member of First Baptist Church in Mc-Kinney and a former member of Cadiz Baptist Church. She retired as a teacher's aide grandson. in the public school system in Evansville, Ind.

She is survived by two daughters, Lina Gonterman and Kathy Lowry, both of Plano; her sister, Caroline Ricks of Cadiz; four grandchildren, Tim Gonterman, Brian Gonterman, Todd Lowry and Jarrett Lowry; and four greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Cecil Bush; and three sisters. Her parents were Henry Jackson and Australia Evangeline Carpenter Banister.

Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday at the KY. 42066. funeral home.

Expressions of sympathy

for Bruce W. Gardner, 56,

of Paducah, who died Feb.

contributions to Habitat for

Gardner memorial

Humanity, P.O. Box 7343, Paducah, KY 42002.

The address for Habitat was incorrect in Sunday's paper.

condolences.

"Steve was not only a funny man, but a kind and decent human being. My heartfelt sympathies go out to his parents, his

raise money for students who wanted to go to college. Because of the time it took to get ready, he was going to be a different president each night.

Rescuers try to keep fire from 2nd depot

Associated Press

BRAZZAVILLE, Republic of Congo — International experts fought Monday to prevent a fire from reaching a second arms depot and exploding more munitions, a day after a blaze set off blasts so violent they flattened buildings, killing hundreds and trapping countless others under debris.

Small detonations continued to shake Brazzaville, capital of the Republic of Congo, on Monday. Sunday's blasts buckled numerous buildings including two churches and a hospital and exploded windows nearly 10 kilometers away across the Congo River in the heart of Kinshasa, capital of the neighboring Central African nation of Congo.

"For the time being, there are Russian, French and Congolese experts in the field who are trying to put out the fires. Their

goal is to prevent the fires reaching a second depot of even heavier weapons," said Delphin Kibakidi, spokesman of the local Red Cross.

explosions Ongoing and fires hampered attempts to rescue hundreds believed trapped under debris.

A large crowd gathered outside the municipal morgue, which along with a nearby hospital had registered 206 deaths hours after the first blast on Sunday.

In two hours Monday, another seven corpses were brought in, bringing the death toll to at least 213.

Among them was Mathias Ikinga, who brought in the body of his only son, a boy he mourned "who was really intelligent and had a promising future."

Some of the bereaved labored under their loss and anger at their government.

ducahsun.com



Associated Press

Russian police officers stand ready to prevent an unsanctioned protest after a rally in Pushkin Square on Monday in Moscow. Riot police on Monday broke up an opposition protest contesting Prime Minister Vladimir Putin's victory in Russia's presidential election, arresting dozens of participants.

Police break up anti-Putin protest

Associated Press

MOSCOW — An attempt by Vladimir Putin's foes to protest his presidential election victory by occupying a Moscow square ended Monday with riot police quickly dispersing and detaining hundreds of demonstrators - a stark reminder of the challenges faced by Russia's opposition.

The harsh crackdown could fuel opposition anger and bring even bigger protests of Putin's 12 years in power and election to another six, but it also underlined the authorities' readiness to use force to crush such demonstrations.

The rally marked a change of tactics for the opposition, which has been looking for ways to maintain the momentum of its demonstrations that flared in December. Alexei Navalny, a popular blogger and one of the most char-



Police officers detain RIA-Novosti photographer Andrei Stenin (center) during an unsanctioned protest near the Central Election Commission office Monday in downtown Moscow.

ismatic protest leaders, sive protests that forced ofwas the first to suggest that ficials to throw out a fraudsupporters remain on Mostainted election victory by cow's streets and squares to the Kremlin-backed canturn up the heat on Putin. didate.

For Putin, the opposition move raised the specter of the 2004 Orange Revolution in Ukraine, where demonstrators camped on Kiev's main square in mas-

forced and protesters into waiting police buses. About 250 people were detained around the city, police said.

The crackdown followed a rally that drew about 20,000 people angry over an election campaign slanted in Putin's favor and reports of widespread violations in Sunday's voting.

Putin commands the loyalty of police and the military, whose wages were recently doubled. Following Monday's massive show of force, the urban middleclass forming the core of the protests could be more reluctant to attend future demonstrations.

Navalny – who sought to electrify the crowd with a passionate call of "We are the power!" - was among those detained, along with opposition leader Sergei Udaltsov. Both were released from police custody a few hours later.

SHELTER: Attorney says new charges do not reflect his client accurately

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tried separately. Smith said the new charges still do not reflect his client accurately. "If at first you don't suc-

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Anderson

ing this up. I do appreciate their moxie."

Charges were originally filed against Anderson on Nov. 17; he faced nine counts of euthanizing animals improperly. Hall was notified of pending charges against her two weeks later, which included 10 counts of eu-

"If at first you don't succeed, try and fail again. The case was going to be dismissed, so they are bringing , this up."

Jeremy Ian Smith

Attorney for DaLena Hall

thanizing animals without a license and one count of falsifying euthanasia records.

The two were originally expected in court March 6when Judge Tony Kitchen was supposed to rule on the motions filed by the pair's lawyers – but that appearance was continued and set for 3 p.m. March 20.

Call Corianne Egan, a Sun staff writer, at 270-575-8652.

COMER: Agriculture commissioner not optimistic about department's budget allotments in next fiscal year

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cense plate program.

Barry Kennemore, Graves County clerk, is the local representative for the statewide program. He said participation has dwindled in the past few years because citizens didn't know where the money was going. Comer said the money previously went to the state and then to FFA and 4-H programs, but there was no set rate for how much counties received. Kennemore is optimistic about young participation in agriculture. Graves County's economy is tied to farming, he said. It's essential to maintain an interest.

Throughout his remarks, Comer focused on his goal of transparency in his new post. He believes it will be successful.

"This is voluntary," he said. "People who don't want to do it, they don't have to do it. Farmers will support young people. They'll support the Kentucky Proud program if they're confident where their money is being spent."

Comer is not optimistic about the department's budget allotments next fiscal year. He expects at least a 10 percent cut in the budget. The department and other state institutions can do a better job at doing more with less than student groups, he said. Comer hopes the license plate program will offset cuts to scholarships for FFA and 4-H members.

Call Rebecca Feldhaus, a Sun staff writer, at 270-575-8651.

PALMER: Investigators accused woman of snorting meth-like substance before driving with sons Caleb and Austin

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Sheriff Samantha Mighell me," Blankenship said. and the Calvert City Police

"It was a tough case with

The government's re-

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was fast and decisive.

Lines of officers in full

riot gear marched into

tree-lined Pushkin Square

tin, 2. Caleb told police his Caleb told investigators. mother stopped the car on I-24 in Marshall County on Feb. 28, 2011, after she thought there was a bomb Once stopped, inside. Palmer struck Austin in the head with a folding stool after hallucinating, then left

him in the lanes of traffic, everyone can move on and Jameson said Palmer's arrest came during a turbulent time for the family and Palmer is now on the road to recovery, already obtaining her GED.

forward with their lives Jameson said. "Cynthia has already begun the process and wants to make amends with her family."

kenship said it had always been a goal to push for an 85 percent parole eligibility, and shock probation was never an option because of the severity of the crime. Meeting with Trooper Trey Green, Marshall Deputy

Department prior to the sentencing, Blankenship said all were satisfied with the plea agreement.

"Anytime you can meet the goal of the officers that served the case, that seems enough punishment to

some very unusual facts, but this was a just result."

Investigators accused Palmer of snorting a methamphetamine-like substance marketed as bath salts before driving with her sons Caleb, 5, and Aus-

'Hopefully this brings closure for everybody and

Call Will Pinkston, a Sun staff writer, at 270-575-8676.

Five-Day Forecast for Paducah

TODAY	TONIGHT	WEDN	ESDAY	THUR	SDAY	FRI	YAC	SATU	RDAY
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High 68°	Low 48°	High 67°	Low 55°	High 68°	Low 40°	High 57°	Low 37°	High 53°	Low 42°

Almanac

Paducah through 2 p.m. yesterday Temperature	
High/low 46°	/33°
Normal high/low 55°	
Record high 74° in 1	992
Record low2° in 1	960
Precipitation	
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Month to date 0	.34"
Normal month to date 0	.57"
Year to date 6	.08"
Last year to date 8	.65"
Normal year to date 8	.29"

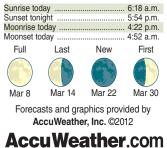
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The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index[™] number the greater the need for eye and skin protection.



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Bristol, TN	58	26	S	64	37	S	
C. Girardeau, I	MO 64	45	S	64	53	рс	
Carbondale, IL	. 66	46	S	66	53	рс	
Charleston, W	V 58	31	S	70	40	S	
Chattanooga,	TN 62	36	S	64	48	S	
Clarksville, TN	62	44	S	66	51	рс	
Columbia, MO	72	50	S	68	45	С	
Evansville, IN	62	42	S	67	51	рс	
Ft. Smith, AR	73	52	S	72	57	С	
Hopkinsville, K	Y 64	45	S	66	54	рс	
Indianapolis, II	V 58	40	S	65	47	рс	
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Jackson, TN	68	45	S	68	56	рс
Joplin, MO	73	56	s	72	49	sh
Kansas City, MO	70	52	S	64	34	sh
Knoxville, TN	56	34	s	64	45	s
Lexington, KY	60	37	S	65	48	рс
Little Rock, AR	70	51	s	71	57	рс
London, KY	62	33	S	66	45	рс
Louisville, KY	60	43	s	66	52	рс
Memphis, TN	66	51	S	68	58	рс
Nashville, TN	64	43	s	68	53	рс
Peoria, IL	64	46	S	61	43	С
St. Louis, MO	70	50	s	69	49	С
Springfield, IL	65	48	S	64	45	С
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River and Lake Levels

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Cairo	40	27.65	+1.35
Ohio River			
Paducah	39	22.98	+2.02
Owensboro	38	17.90	+4.00
	Full Pool	Elevation	24 hr. Chq
Lake Barkley	356.7	355.50	-0.20
Kentucky Lake	356.7	355.44	-0.17

The Region

Shown is today's weather. Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.



Regional Weather World Cities

City Athens

Beijing

Berlin

Cairo

Buenos Aire

Hong Kong

Jerusalem

Mexico City

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Kentucky: Warmer today with plenty of sun. A moonlit sky tonight. Partly sunny tomorrow; pleas ant

Illinois: Sunny, windy and warmer today. Windy tonight. A passing shower tomorrow

Indiana: Sunshine, windy and warmer today. Partly cloudy tonight. Partly sunny tomorrow.

Missouri: Mostly sunny, windy and warmer today. Windy tonight. A couple of showers tomorrow.

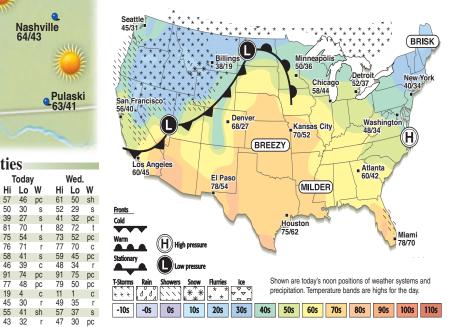
Arkansas: Mostly sunny today. Warmer in the north and east; pleasant in the south

Tennessee: Sunny and warmer today; pleasant in the west. Mainly clear tonight. Partial sunshine

National Cities

Today		1	Wed.			Today				Wed.			
City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	City	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	66	40	S	57	31	рс	Las Vegas	74	41	рс	58	44	рс
Atlanta	60	42	S	64	49	S	Los Angeles	60	45	С	64	46	S
Baltimore	48	29	S	63	42	S	Miami	78	70	sh	79	70	рс
Billings	38	19	r	38	23	рс	Milwaukee	53	40	рс	54	33	sh
Boise	38	21	sf	44	28	рс	Minneapolis	50	36	рс	39	22	sh
Boston	34	29	S	54	41	S	New Orleans	74	59	рс	76	65	рс
Charleston, SC	60	47	рс	69	55	С	New York City	40	34	S	58	45	S
Charleston, WV	58	31	S	70	40	S	Oklahoma City	71	55	S	68	47	t
Chicago	58	44	рс	60	36	С	Omaha	68	45	рс	48	25	С
Cleveland	50	35	S	60	45	рс	Orlando	75	58	рс	78	59	С
Denver	68	27	S	32	13	С	Philadelphia	46	34	S	60	42	S
Des Moines	66	47	рс	52	27	sh	Phoenix	82	50	S	64	49	рс
Detroit	52	37	рс	60	45	С	Pittsburgh	49	35	S	62	45	рс
El Paso	78	54	S	75	42	s	Salt Lake City	52	26	sh	43	22	sf
Fairbanks	20	4	sn	20	-7	С	San Diego	64	49	С	59	47	S
Honolulu	79	67	sh	80	68	рс	San Francisco	56	40	sh	61	41	S
Houston	75	62	рс	76	65	C	Seattle	45	31	sf	45	34	рс
Indianapolis	58	40	s	65	47	рс	Tucson	79	49	S	63	38	s
Jacksonville	66	52	рс	73	55	C	Washington, DC	48	34	S	61	44	S

National Weather



National Summary: As the chill hangs over the Northeast, warmth will begin to expand from the Plains to the Midwest and South today. Showers will dot the east coast of Florida. Gusty winds are in store for much of the Southwest as much colder air advances. Spotty snow will affect the mountains from the Sierra Nevada to the northern Rockies.