

Gallup survey reports for Cancer Society

NEW YORK—A new Gallup survey for the American Cancer Society, released recently, found that nearly half (46%) of a representative sample of Americans had health checkups in 1976.

The proportion of men who have had the test is now 80%, as opposed to only 69% in 1963. Fewer non-white women (60%) than white women (82%) had the test in 1976.

Knowledge of chest x-ray examinations for cancer was about 90% among all adults, compared to 86% in 1974 and 82% in 1963 with no significant differences in awareness between men and women, age groups, regions or city size.

Slightly more than a third (38%) of the adults 21 and over had heard of the do-it-yourself test for colorectal cancer and other gastrointestinal diseases. There is no data from earlier years for comparison. One in eight adults (14%) said they had had the test, and about half of these (8%) reported they had it in 1976.

Knowledge of the proctoscopic examination for colorectal cancer was slightly lower in the 1976 survey than in 1974. The decline was from 67% to 66%.

In the 1976 survey, 59% of those interviewed said they had heard of oral examination for the presence of cancer, about the same as in the 1974 survey (60%).

The Gallup findings are especially significant because of the emphasis that the American Cancer Society's Target Five (five year) anti-smoking program has placed on the role of physicians and of ex-smokers in helping people quit, according to the American Cancer Society.

The Target Five program aims at reducing the number of adult smokers by 25% and youthful smokers 50% by 1982.

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FRANKFORT—A commission on computer data and personal privacy met recently and studied staff recommendations for legislation protecting such information.

The possible legislation would amend Kentucky's "open records" statute to limit the exchange of personal information unless the individual involved is notified. The bill would also prevent state agencies from distributing, selling or releasing names and addresses for mailing lists.

Commission member Delores Delahanty of Louisville suggested a provision be added that would allow individuals to authorize use of their names and addresses on such lists. This would, she said, effectively adjust the burden for such lists from the provider—the state—to the collector.

Robert C. Stone Jr., director of the state Bureau of Computer Services, said this could have the effect of eliminating lists—which, he added, could be the intention of the bill.

One other modification of the open records statute suggested by Delahanty would no longer exempt medical records from the law if the individual desires access. She suggested that access be denied only to psychiatric records.

The bill also states that courts must consider the individual's right to privacy, which should be given equal weight with the right of public inspection in cases involving personal information.

Plumbing Code Committee recommends Clivus Multitrum

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FRANKFORT—The Kentucky Plumbing Code Committee has recommended to the state environmental department that the Clivus Multitrum composting toilet be adopted for use in adoption will make Kentucky the third state, behind Maine and New Hampshire, to approve the toilet.

The Clivus Multitrum (Latin for "incubator") is a non-mechanical, waterless toilet that reduces human waste and organic kitchen waste to harmless ash for garden fertilizer.

A natural draft, like that in a chimney, causes a suction effect at the vent pipe opening above the roof. This causes all air to be drawn down the toilet and kitchen chutes when the lids to either chute are open. The result is natural ventilation.

The system itself is a three-stage tank placed in the basement of a home. Human waste goes down a chute from the toilet into the first stage of the tank while a counter-top garbage inlet in the kitchen sends food wastes to the tank's second stage.

The tank, which is usually lined with peat moss or top soil, is set at a 30-degree angle causing the waste to slide into the sloping bottom of the tank and the third stage at a rate that allows decomposition.

The human, decomposed smelling like rich topsoil, is only five to 10 percent of the volume of the original waste, since 90 to 95 percent of the waste is given off in the form of harmless gas that goes up through the vent.

Because of the reduction in waste volume achieved in decomposition, it is only necessary to partially empty the storage chamber about two to four years of use. The excrement and kitchen waste chambers are never emptied and, according to the manufacturers, the storage chamber is large enough to store up to 18 years worth of compost produced by a family of four to six persons.

Environmentalists have advocated the compost toilet as a means of saving water. Larry Jones, representative for Clivus Multitrum in Kentucky, reports that the average person comminates 13,000 gallons of water annually.

"The market for this device, I'm sure will be people concerned about the ecology and the environment that feel there is no need to contaminate perfectly usable drinking water."

Cost of the Multitrum from approximately \$90 to \$1,500 for the Clivus Multitrum and the graywater filtering system.

The committee's recommendation to the Department for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection is that the department approve the Clivus Multitrum, it will be added to the approved plumbing parts and materials list and will become part of the plumbing code.

SALTWELL

by Mrs. Fred Hollar

congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thacker on the arrival of a 19th pound baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollar, of Harrison Memorial Hospital on Saturday morning.

Mr. Thurman Osborne of Helena spent Wednesday with Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Helen.

Mrs. Stanley W. Canwell of Carlisle visited Mr. and Mrs. I.A. Canwell and Mrs. Mary S. I.A. Canwell of Lexington.

Mrs. Linda Kenney of Lexington spent overnight in the past week with Mrs. Mae Lindsey, Lovell and Joe.

Mrs. Woodrow Gaudin, Carlisle, entered the Harrison Memorial Hospital on Saturday, suffering with a fractured vertebrae received in a fall at her home. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Gaudin of Lexington spent the weekend with her and Mrs. Andrew Grey and Gladys Kenney were also visitors on Saturday.

Mrs. Gladys Kenney spent Friday with Mrs. A.S. Fisher in Carlisle and also visited with Mrs. Minerva Collins and Mrs. Mae Ritchie, patients at Nicholas County Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J.K. Maffett returned to their home at Hookstown the past Sunday after several weeks visit with their children, Gayle Maffett and wife in Cynthiana and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Laughlin in Lexington. Mr. Maffett is much improved.

Mrs. Thomas Gaudin spent from Sunday till Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Gaudin and Mrs. Betty Berry and son of Versailles. Mrs. Gaudin celebrated her birthday while visiting there.

Mrs. Bobby Brady visited Mrs. Lucy Maxey at Johnson-Mathers Nursing Home a day and two the past week.

Bob Snapp of Barlowe entered Nicholas County Hospital on Saturday for treatment and remains a patient there.

Strauder Hollar visited Jesse Fuller and family of Clayville on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Scott of Carlisle visited Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Gaudin on Sunday night.

Mrs. Alma Mattox of Paris visited Everett Snapp on Sunday.

Mrs. Strauder Hollar and Mrs. Bobby Brady visited Mrs. Glenn Thacker and baby daughter and Mrs. Woodrow Gaudin at Harrison Memorial Hospital on Sunday afternoon.

The Headquarters Methodist Men and Ladies will meet at the church this Thursday night at 7 o'clock for their regular monthly meeting. Supper will be served as usual and Chasita Ritchie will be speaker for the men.

Everett Snapp and Mrs. Eva Snapp were Thursday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Mattox.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Doyle and Mr. and Mrs. David Doyle and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Orville Doyle during the week. Miss Kathy Fryman spent the weekend with the Doyle's.

Mrs. Bobby Brady visited Rev. and Mrs. Jesse Florence of Cynthiana on Friday.

Mrs. Gary Hollar and Mrs. Jerry Galbreath and daughter were in Lexington on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse T. Earby and David visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hollar on Sunday night and with Mrs. Mae Ritchie, a patient at Nicholas County Hospital. Mrs. Ritchie is improving.

Tobacco market smokes

Our community extends sympathy to the families of Bobby Harper, Oscar C. Florence and Mrs. Ruth Hollar Crowe, who passed away during the past week.

Tracy Hollar spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stone and Denise in Carlisle.

EKU Career Day

RICHMOND—The Department of Communications at Eastern Kentucky University has rescheduled its annual Career Day. The conference is now scheduled for March 24.

Approximately 25 professionals in broadcasting, journalism, public relations and film will be on the EKU campus to participate in panel discussions on Career Day. The conference is open to all high school seniors and junior college students as a service of Eastern.

Mrs. Luther Gauce is honored by congregation

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Mrs. Luther Gauce of Paris spent week recently with her sister, Mrs. Sturgill Gauce of Cincinnati and attended a special service at the Nazarene Church there. The service, "This Is Your Life, Mrs. Gauce" was given by the pastor and members of her congregation, honoring her for 36 years membership and 48 years as a Sunday School teacher there in the church. She was given a corsage and presented with a bronze plaque for these honors.

Mrs. Gauce is the mother of two sons, Strother and Paul Gauce and four granddaughters, also of Cincinnati and were members of the same church. The Gauce sisters and their families were former residents of this community.

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