Senior Spotlight

Antonia Peitsch

Name: Antonia Peitsch
Parents: Melissa and Darvin Mitchell (Michaela Peitsch and Sven Marwan)
Age: 17
Favorite Subject: Visual Art, College Algebra
Plans for the future: finish school, an education as a pilot, a family
College attending and Major:
Hobbies and interests: Softball, Track, Basketball, Free Climbing, be with my friends and family
What was the favorite memory of school: Football and Basketball games, Homecoming Football, and Prom (my year at NCHS was an amazing experience!!)

Fabrula Hanauer

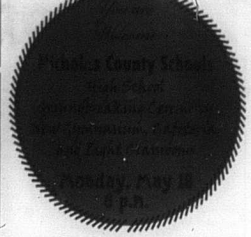
Name: Fabrula Hanauer
Parents: Larry and Shirley Trussel (Lourdes Hanauer)
Age: 17
Favorite Subject: Spanish, Art
Plans for the future: Go to College
College attending and Major:
Hobbies and interests: Softball, Basketball, meet friends
What was the favorite memory of school: Go to the Basketball games, Prom (was really cool!!)

Reina Yamaoto

Name: Reina Yamamoto
Parents: Gayle and Donna Kelley
Age: 17
Favorite Subject: Art, Math
Plans for the future: Going to College and get a degree
College attending and Major: KEIO University/economics
Hobbies and interests: Playing sports and being crazy with friends
What was the favorite memory of school: Senior Trip, Prom

Kathy Agee

Name: Kathy Lo Agee
Parents: Nancy and Mike Agee
Age: 18
Favorite Subject: Math
Plans for the future: Go to College, graduate, be an elementary teacher
College attending and Major: Maysville, elementary teacher
Hobbies and interests:
What was the favorite memory of school: Sleeping



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As part of this celebration, each center will have an open house complete with tours, promotional materials, food and drinks. Everyone is invited as we encourage the community to learn more about our agency and the different programs we offer.

Community Action Council for Lexington-Fayette, Bourbon, Harrison and Nicholas Counties is a private, non-profit organization dedicated to combating poverty by offering opportunities for low-income people to work toward self-sufficiency and providing services so that each community member and family is able to reach their full potential. The Council works to serve the low-income population through advocacy, service delivery and community involvement.

For more information please call Community Action Council at 859-233-4600 or 1-800-244-2275.

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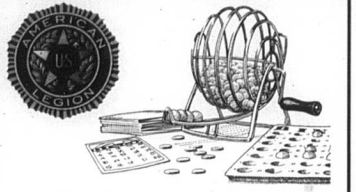

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GENERAL NEWS

Gray double murder trial postponed

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Two years after his parents were murdered in Scott County, James Anthony Gray, 39, who was living in Nicholas County at the time of the murders and was later charged with the heinous crime, appeared in Scott Circuit Court May 1 and had his June murder trial postponed until Jan. 4.

Gray appeared in Scott Circuit Court last week before Judge Paul Isaacs. Gray's attorney Public Defender Rodney Barnes requested that the trial be moved to give him time to prepare an adequate defense.

Anthony Gray is the only son of James "Jim" Gray, 63, and his wife of 40 years, Vivian Gray, 55, who were both found murdered Thursday morning April 26, 2007, in their northern Scott County home at 8811 Cincinnati Pike, along US 25, near the small town of Corinth, just south of the Grant County border. Their Corinth home was located across the road from their variety shop called Gray On Main, near the community of Stonewall, just north of Sadieville.

"They were the best parents you can possibly imagine," Anthony Gray said the week after his parents were murdered. "I want people to pray with me. I want them to pray with me that whoever did this terrible thing to my parents is found and held accountable. I also want to ask them to please share any information they may have with the Scott County Sheriff's Office or the Kentucky State Police who are conducting the investigation into the murders of my mom and dad."

Anthony Gray, who worked at Yale Kentucky near Versailles, Ky., at the time of his parents' murders, said he spent the Saturday before the murders with his father as they spent several hours shopping at flea markets.

"We did everything together my whole life. I'd been putting in a lot of hours at my job and it was really nice to spend the day with him that day. He loved going to flea markets.

"He loved trading and he genuinely loved just talking and dealing with people. He was very generous, and he enjoyed being a barber and spending his time at the variety store. He especially loved old farm tools.

"If someone came in and saw a piece of furniture they needed and dad knew they had fallen on hard times, well, he would mark the price way down and then he would tell them to take his truck if they needed a truck to haul anything with. He was a very generous person. I stopped by there and made sure the animals were all feed a few times last week and every time I stopped in the local folks would all stop by and give me food and tell me how much my parents meant to them. Most would tell me that dad had loaned them some piece of equipment and they wanted me to know.

"I told them to use it until they were done and bring it back then as there was no rush. Dad and mom were simply wonderful people. They were members of the Stonewall Church of God and it seems like everyone trusted them as much as they trusted everyone.

"Dad took everyone at their word and he was always ready to help someone in need.

"They both loved people and they loved animals as well. Mom would find injured birds and would take them inside and nurse them back to health for months at a time and then release them again. "

They were good, honest, trusting Kentucky people and that makes this even harder to bear. Not just on me, but on the whole community. Mom and dad were always happy-you couldn't spend a few minutes around dad until he had you laughing about something. It's just real rough and I'm still in shock.

Scott County Sheriff's Office detectives arrested James Anthony Gray six months after the April 2007 double murder of his parents James and Vivian Gray. He was then lodged in the Scott County Jail on $500,000 cash bond.

"James Anthony Gray was arrested and charged with murder (2 counts) of James and Vivian Gray, of Scott County," a press release issued by the Scott County Sheriff's Office dated Oct. 22, 2007, states. The press release also states that Anthony Gray was additionally charged with one count of tampering with physical evidence.

"The charge of tampering with physical evidence was made in connection with the removal of a weapon from the crime scene," Detective Roger Persley of the Scott County Sheriff's Office said following the arrest. Persley is the lead detective in the case and has received assistance from fellow officers with the SCSO, particularly Detective Jack Patrick and agents with ATF and officers with the Kentucky State Police.

Persley made several statements of "no comment" when asked about specifics of the crime including and allegations that stolen weapons were found at one location, perhaps more, that may be connected to the murders.

Presley also offered "no comment" when asked about allegations that Gray confessed to the murders.

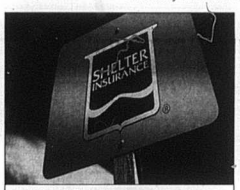
Gray's attorney, the Directing Attorney for the Department of Public Advocacy, Rodney Barnes, was asked if Gray confessed.

"I don't think so," Barnes said. "It doesn't sound like a confession to me."

Barnes told The Mercury that Gray's arrest came after a seven-hour interview with officers from the Scott County Sheriff's Office, Saturday.

Barnes was also quick to point out that Gray had "cooperated fully with the police investigation"

Gray remains imprisoned in the Scott County Jail.



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