

## Editorial



Jeff Goulding/Courier-Journal

### Going back to school

The Courier-Journal wishes a happy last few weeks of summer to all students and parents as they prepare for the beginning of the new school year.

### Bethany House seeks volunteers for shelter

To the Editor:

As the fall approaches, we are again looking for volunteers who would be willing to share their time and talents with us at Bethany House. Bethany is a Catholic Worker house of hospitality providing temporary shelter for homeless women and children. The generosity of so many in the parishes of this diocese has meant that we could provide security deposits and furnishings for apartments for a number of women and their children this past year. The

continued commitment of our current volunteers encourages us. Their support and faithfulness is an integral part of Bethany and the service we provide to the homeless.

If readers feel they would be interested in working with us, they may contact any staff member. In particular, we are looking for volunteers willing to provide overnight relief coverage. We are most grateful for all that the people of the Rochester diocese do to support us and allow us to continue this ministry.  
Bethany House

## And opinions

### Never push your enemy to the wall

To the Editor:

If your "Recalling a Terrible Week in Human History" is an indication, it would appear that the Courier-Journal's editorial policy has changed from strident to thought-provoking. I do not wish to challenge the intent of the editorial, but to give a little different interpretation of what occurred and why.

On the day that the bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, 50 million people throughout the world had already been killed in World War II. An additional 80,000 did not raise many eyebrows. Millions and millions of men and women breathed a sigh of relief; they would not have to die in World War II.

In 1949, the Russians did not develop their own bomb. They built a copy of the bomb that the Americans developed, courtesy of British and American traitors. American traitors are still at work.

Speculation as to what might happen — IF — sells books and fuels peace movements, but serves little other purpose. We dropped two bombs, and the world now knows what nuclear war is like. The speculation is over. We must face reality. The "horror" which is portrayed is nuclear war, but the conflict is over which course to pursue to prevent it. "Peace and justice" or "Peace through strength."

Sun Tzu, an ancient Chinese strategist, counseled: Never force your enemy to fight with his back to the river (wall), lest he have no choice but to fight to the death. If he can't find a way out, show him one.

Politicians, for want of another issue and the support being given a worldwide distaste for apartheid, are forcing white South

Africans' backs to the wall, with no alternative but to surrender or go down fighting, like the Texans at the Alamo or the Jews at Masada. But there is one big difference. White South Africa is reported to possess a nuclear capability, and the first rule of planning is to never plan on what the other fellow might do, but what he is capable of doing.

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### Remember Pearl Harbor

To the Editor:

Your editorial "Recalling a Terrible Week in Human History" (August 7) is very good. It certainly zeros in on the absolute necessity to continue with diligence our prayers for peace.

However, during this week, we have heard descriptions of the "hideous crime" committed by the United States and many written words with the same theme regarding the bombing of Hiroshima.

None of these speakers or authors has mentioned the "hideous crime" committed by the Japanese with their sneak attack on Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941, in which thousands of innocent people were killed and maimed.

Yes, let us all pray for peace, and pray with fervor that the present A-bomb will never be released. Also, let us honor our brave soldiers and leaders during the era of that long and bloody war in the South Pacific.

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# A Family Affair

This is the one that tops all the others. Eleven fabulous days of Fair fun. Come, bring the whole family and have a ball.

#### Fair Savings

**Advance Sale 1/2 Price Admission** — Just \$2.00 when you buy your ticket before August 23rd at The State Fair Box Office and over 1,000 outlets statewide.

**Fair Deal** — FREE admission when you purchase any Grandstand entertainment ticket before August 23rd.

**Fri., Aug. 23** — 1/2 Price (\$2.00) Admission with Pepsi coupons and special \$6.00 Midway Ride All Day Spectacular.

**Sat., Aug. 24** — Pepsi Day — 1/2 Price (\$2.00) Admission with a Pepsi coupon available at participating stores.

**Sun., Aug. 25** — Newspaper Day — 1/2 Price (\$2.00) Admission with a coupon from participating daily newspapers in Syracuse, Binghamton, Rochester and Utica.

**Mon., Aug. 26** — Ronald McDonald House Day. 1/2 Price (\$2.00) Admission and one free James E. Strates Midway ride with McDonald's coupons.

**Senior Citizens & Dairy Day** — FREE Admission to seniors 60 years of age and older.

**Tue., Aug. 27** — Senior Citizens Day — FREE Admission to seniors 60 years of age and older.

**Wed., Aug. 28** — Senior Citizens & Women's Day — FREE Admission to seniors 60 years of age and older.

**Thu., Aug. 29** — Coca Cola Day — 1/2 Price (\$2.00) Admission with a Coca Cola coupon available at participating stores.  
**Senior Citizens Day** — FREE Admission to seniors 60 years of age and older.

**Fri., Aug. 30** — Students Day — FREE Admission to all students 16 years of age and younger.

**Regular Admission** — \$4.00. Children 12 and under admitted FREE everyday.

Enjoy thousands of exhibits, demonstrations, displays and competitions happening daily in the Horticulture Building, The Center of Progress Building, The Agriculture and Health Building, The Harriet May Mills Women's Building and more.

**How To Find Us:** The fairgrounds are located adjacent to Route 690 West in Syracuse. From the west, take the Thruway and get off at exit 39. From the east, get off at exit 34A. Fairgrounds are open 8am to 12 midnight. Buildings from 10am to 10pm.

**Miller Court** — The Fair parade marches from Miller Court daily at 5:30, joined by bands, clowns, horses, Ronald McDonald and more. Of course there's free entertainment, and here's when it's all happening:

**The Four Tops** Fri., Aug. 23rd  
**The Mighty Clouds of Joy** Sat., Aug. 24th

**Captain & Tennille** Sun., Aug. 25th  
**Janie Fricke** Mon., Aug. 26th

**The Four Lads with Stan Colella & the State Fair Orchestra** Tue., Aug. 27th  
Wed., Aug. 28th

**Helen Reddy** Thu., Aug. 29th  
**Johnny Rivers** Fri., Aug. 30th

**The Spinners** Sat., Aug. 31st  
Sun., Sept. 1st

Mon., Sept. 2nd  
Showtimes are 4 & 8pm daily. Mon., Sept. 2nd at 4 & 7pm.

**Special Fair Attractions**

- The 2nd Annual AT&T State Fair 10K Run — Aug. 24.
- Statewide Sports Competitions — Daily.
- The James E. Strates Midway — Daily.
- The Coca-Cola Talent Showcase — Daily.
- International Horse Shows — Daily.
- International Pavillion — Daily.
- High School Marching Band Competition Aug. 30.
- Antique Auto Competition — Sept. 1.
- Coca Cola Dodge Daytona or Caravan Giveaway — Register at The Fair.
- AA and Franchises Family Fun Center — Daily.
- Miller Court Parade — Daily 5:30pm.
- Firefighters Recognition Day — Aug. 27.
- Pepsi Oldsmobile Safari Van Giveaway — Register at The Fair.



**Grandstand Spectaculars** — Live entertainment tickets are on sale now at **ROSEBOW** and The State Fair Box Office and through **TELEPHONE** 1 (800) 445-9574.

- Melissa Manchester** Fri., Aug. 23rd 8pm  
**The Pointer Sisters** Sat., Aug. 24th 8pm  
**The Power Station** Sun., Aug. 25th 8pm  
**Bryan Adams** Mon., Aug. 26th 8pm  
**Crosby, Stills & Nash with The Band** Tue., Aug. 27th 8pm  
A Special Country Evening Featuring **The Charlie Daniels Band, Nicolette Larson & The Outlaws** Wed., Aug. 28th 7:30pm  
**TBA** Thu., Aug. 29th 8pm  
**Rick Springfield** Fri., Aug. 30th 8pm  
**Budweiser**  
**Grand National Tractor Pull** Sat., Aug. 31st 7pm  
Sun., Sept. 1st 1-4 7pm  
**Budweiser Labor Day Stock Car Race** Mon., Sept. 2nd 1pm  
**Budweiser Demolition Derby Championship** Mon., Sept. 2nd 8pm

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