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Bowling Green, Kentucky

Goodrum accused of threatening woman

Man acquitted in 2003 Autry rape, slaying faces emergency protective order from son's mother

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FRANKLIN — An emergency protective order was issued against Lucas Brian Goodrum, the man who was accused and acquitted of raping and killing a Western Kentucky University student in 2003.

LaDonna Petrich, who has a child with Goodrum, 25, sought the order April 17 from Judge Frank Wakefield, district judge in Allen and Simpson counties. A hearing is today in the matter.

request for an EPO occurred April would be in Franklin in the morning they have not been able to contact

A verbal altercation and alleged threatening occurred after Goodrum learned that Petrich was getting mar-Petrich, who could not be reached for comment, claimed that Goodrum began calling her names and she hung up on him.

'He called back telling me he had The incident leading to Petrich's a gun, he shot two rounds and said he

and had a surprise for Keith (her Goodrum because their records still fiancé) and me," Petrich said, according to documents.

ried, according to court documents. on April 17 by a court security officer. The court document did not say where. Under the order, Goodrum is not to possess firearms and is to turn any he has over to Simpson County Sheriff's Department.

Sheriff's Capt. Mike Rigg said

have a Texas address for him.

Clint Willis, commonwealth's The order was served to Goodrum attorney for Simpson and Allen counties, previously said a picture taken of Goodrum in the area was part of a family court case several months ago. Goodrum has been back in Kentucky for at least six months.

As part of the order, Goodrum has See GOODRUM. 6A



Merits of war debated on Western's campus



Purple Heart recipient speaks at South Lawn

By NATALIE JORDAN

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"We already won their freedom,

but building a wall down Baghdad, separating a people is not the way to unite them."

Jeffery Humphrey

Iraq war vet and Purple Heart recipient

On Monday, both critics and supporters of the war in Iraq gathered on the South Lawn at Western Kentucky University.

Although in support of troops, the group's demonstration focused on reviving a peace movement, much like that of 1960s, in support of bringing troops home safely.

"We're solely against the war in Iraq," said junior sociology major Robert Ellis, 21, of the Glasgow campus.

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Top: Krissy Bivens (left), a Western Kentucky University senior from Muhlenberg County, holds a sign Monday during a peace demonstration on the South Lawn.

Above: Meagan Smiley, a junior from Dawson Springs and a member of Campus Republicans, counters an anti-war protest Monday.

GM leader talks up greener cars at conference

By AMEERAH CETAWAYO The Daily News

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LOUISVILLE — General Motors vice chairman Bob Lutz spoke to hundreds of middle managers in the auto industry Monday about the company's reorganization strategy as it feels pres-

sure from the Bush administration to The conference continues through squeeze more fuel efficient cars

onto the market. Lutz was the keynote speaker Monday at the Global Auto-

motive Conference, organized

by the Bowling Green-based

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Wednesday. "We're determined and focused on improving our fuel economy to help ease the nation's dependency on petrole-

um," Lutz said, adding that the Global Advanced Leadership Center. auto industry will have to "transform the

automobile" in order to do that.

Earlier this year, the National Commission on Energy Policy, a bipartisan group of energy experts from industry, government, labor, academia and environmental and consumer groups, released a series of sweeping recommendations to address

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Terror group claims attack

Al-Qaida-linked militants take credit for bombing that killed nine U.S. troops

By HAMID AHMED The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — An al-Qaida-linked group posted a Web statement today claiming responsibility for a suicide truck bombing that killed nine U.S. paratroopers and wounded 20 in the worst attack on American ground forces in Iraq in more than a

The Islamic State of Iraq, an umbrella group of Sunni militants that includes al-Qaida in Iraq, said it was behind Monday's attack on a U.S. patrol base in Diyala province northeast of Baghdad – an area that has seen violence spike since American troops surged into the capital to halt violence there.

The victims were all members of the Army's 82nd Airborne Division, said a spokesman for the Fort Bragg, N.C.-based unit. It was the highest number of casualties for the division since the war began, Maj. Tom Earnhardt said.

We are recovering, supporting the families during this time of loss, praying for them and continuing our mission," said Lt. Col. Michael Donnelly, the U.S. military spokesman in northern Iraq. "The enemy brings nothing to benefit the people – noth-

In its Web posting today, the Islamic State of Iraq, an insurgent umbrella group that includes al-Qaida, put the number of Americans killed at 30.

'Almighty God has guided the soldiers of the Islamic State of Iraq to new methods of explosions," it said without elaborating. The message appeared on a Web site that frequently airs communications from militants, but its authenticity could not be independently confirmed.

It was single deadliest attack on ground forces since Dec. 1, 2005, when a roadside bomb killed 10 Marines and wounded 11 on a foot patrol near Fallujah. Twelve soldiers died when a Black Hawk helicopter crashed in Diyala on Jan. 20. The military said it might have been shot down but the investigation is still ongoing.

The use of a suicide bomber in a direct assault against U.S. forces was unusual.

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Police seeking Georgia man accused of coming to BG to have sex with 13-year-old. Page 3A



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