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## Chandler: Stimulus help unlikely

By Thomas Musgrave  
Georgetown News-Graphic

Stimulus money to struggling communities may be tapering off, not to return any time soon, U.S. Rep. Ben Chandler, D-Versailles, told Scott County leaders Tuesday.

Chandler's talks with Judge-Executive George Lusby and Georgetown Mayor Everett Varney were part of

a daylong visit to the county.

Among the projects with which the city would like assistance is refurbishing the bridge on U.S. 460 at Royal Spring.

"This is need, not just a want," said Kitty Dougoud, director of Historic Georgetown Inc. Dougoud is heading the effort to improve that bridge, which is the western entrance to downtown Georgetown.

"It's not unsafe to drive on, but it's not taken well care of, either."

Funding for that proposed project and others around the state may be in jeopardy, Chandler said, as a result of the new Republican majority in the House of Representatives.

"At some point, you will find the help you need," Chandler told Varney, Dougoud and

other city leaders at a meeting in the mayor's office. "I promise I'll do everything I can to help."

Finance Director Betty Pendergrass asked Chandler whether any stimulus funds were left from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. Chandler said there were, but there were "ef-

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## Jones' slaying unsolved after year

By Thomas Musgrave  
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Friday marks the one-year anniversary of the slaying of Glenda "Sue" Jones, the retired Scott County school bus driver who was found bludgeoned to death Feb. 4, 2010, in her Sadieville home.

Kentucky State Police are continuing the investigation into her death, but have not made any significant announcements about progress in the yearlong investigation.



Jones

The absence of a suspect is of great concern to Sue Jones' daughter, Gail Jones.

"I wish they'd make an arrest," she said. "I want to know who to blame. I'm tired of blaming everybody."

Jones leaves messages for the state police every day, she said. The last time she got a response was in early January.

"They said they are working on the case and doing what they can do," Jones said. "They didn't say anything about what the holdup was."

"I'm not trying to dog them, but there has to be evidence."

In an interview with the News-Graphic in late December, state police Capt. Mike Crawford said evidence

### Candlelight memorial

6 p.m. Friday, 972 Double Culvert Road



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Hong Kong student Ava Lo, 11, giggles softly as her classmate Chloe Tang, 10, whispers something to her as the pair wait Tuesday in the community room of Stamping Ground Elementary for the arrival of U.S. Rep. Ben Chandler. The girls were among 12 visiting students from Hong Kong who are staying nine days with host families and going to school in Stamping Ground.

## Children from Hong Kong sample America

By Benjamin S. Rossi  
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### STAMPING GROUND

The fifth-grade students of Stamping Ground Elementary School have been playing host to 12 children of the Fragrant Harbor, better known as Hong Kong, this week.

The group was escorted by two Chinese educators from Tai Po Old Market Public School, Yan Lo and Dorothy Siu, for a nine-day excursion to the Bluegrass to learn about American students' home life, school and culture.

"Life is quite peaceful here,"

Lo said. "Much different than what the students are used to.

Where they live are high-rise buildings and a fast-paced life. Here (it) is rural and quiet, the homes are much bigger and spread out. It is a different experience."

The students, who averaged about 10 years old, were split up into two fifth-grade classes to experience the daily life of a

Stamping Ground kid.

"It's been so much fun having them in class, but they are a little more quiet, even though they speak pretty good English," social studies teacher Camille Singer said. "But the real fun stuff was the bowling and other events they get to do during the week

with their host family."

Lo and Siu said that was

**'I really like having the Hong Kong students here'**

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**Sam Stanton**  
Stamping Ground Elementary student

normal for a Chinese students, that they are used to sitting in class and only listening. They are enjoying the chance to ask questions and speak out.

Singer and the other fifth-grade teacher, Debra Walker, agreed, said the kids are having just as much fun in the classroom as they are outside.

The students' trips have included a visit to the Kentucky Horse Park. Singer said she had a lot of fun bowling and is looking forward to a trip for pizza before they go back to Hong Kong. A visit to

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had been held up in a state police forensics laboratory, but that Detective Buck Brennan, to whom the investigation was assigned, was still questioning people close to the investigation and following up on information still coming in about the slaying.

"It's still an open and active case and we are continuing to work on it," state Trooper Ron Turley said Tuesday.

Jones' family and friends will gather Friday at her home to mark the one-year anniversary of her death.

"I want everyone to be welcomed and we will say a prayer for Mom," Gail Jones said.