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Overturned Vehicle Injures Mom-To-Be

Heather Lilly, 29, of Halls, was injured in a one car accident at 1:13 p.m. Friday on Dry Hill Road West, near Ripley, according to Tennessee Highway Patrolman Michael Arguello. The vehicle apparently exited the left side of the road and overturned. Two children and Lilly, who is pregnant, were transported to Baptist Hospital Lauderdale. The children were in child restraint devices.

Imagination Library



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Retires



JERRY PARKER, director of Lauderdale County's University of Tennessee Extension Service, will be honored with a retirement reception from 2 to 5 p.m. Fri., Nov. 9th in the Family Life Center of Ripley's First

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Winchester New Halls Fire Chief

After Halls firemen suggested Bradley Adams or James Winchester for fire chief, Mayor Trent McManus appointed Winchester, a Halls fireman for nearly four years.

Winchester and his wife, Donna, are parents of Alexis and Connor.

Dogs: No Drugs At High Schools

Seven officers and four dogs, searching parking lots and student lockers at Halls and Ripley High Schools, Monday, found no drugs.

FFA Students Attend Conference



MEMBERS of the Halls High School Future Farmers of America chapter, in upper photo, from left, Natalie Grantland, Seth Deaton, Skye Isom, Charlie Hammond, Madison Hamlet, Taylor Smith, and Shelby Gean, plus, not pictured, Carley Cherry, attended the 80th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Ind. Oct. 24th through 28th. Carley, in lower photo, was selected as a member of the National FFA Band, which performed at the convention.

Drug Task Force Holds Meeting



MEMBERS of the 25th Judicial District Drug Task Force, from left, Mike Dunavant, District Attorney General; John Thompson, 25th DTF director; Steve Sanders, Lauderdale County Sheriff; John Doolen, Chief Whiteville Police Department; Bobby Riles, Fayette County Sheriff; J. T. (Pancho) Chumley, Tipton County Sheriff; and Bill Irons, Chief Bolivar Police Department, held its first quarter meeting Oct. 23rd in Ripley at the Robert

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Celebrating Birthday



Birthdays

Nov. 1 - Kenny Kirkpatrick, James R. Diggs, Lorrie Harrison, Pam C. Sinquefield, El-louise Paige, Gloria Carmack, Janene Tidwell, Mary Ann Johnson, Timothy Mack Shaw.

Nov. 2 - Allison Turnbow, Ronnie Tatum, Abby Mills, Erik Robert Caldwell, Terry Richards, Janet Davis Patrone, Dennis Bernard, Judy Warren, Preston Scarborough, Kevin Nation, Kathy Vickery, Tracey Brewer Walker.

Nov. 3 - Brandy Stowers, Harriet Shelby, Bruce Smith, Benny Barcroft, Sr., B. R. Cook, Tammy Lewis, Jami Nolen Meadows, Shelbi Fowler, Malea Malone, Hollis Vaden, Norma Harrell, Frances Belton, Tristan Vaughn, Adriana Hearn, Kali Glenn, Pat Buchignani, Jerry Mills, Ben Carmack, Lorna Evans, Joey Cabay, Rick Goforth, Jerry Campbell, Brooklyn Ward, Mike Pike.

Nov. 4 - Mike Savage, Matthew Moore, Fletcher Taylor, Roger Wright, Steve Silts, Lynn Kennedy, Margaret Churchill, Shane Barrs, Chelsea Smith, Nancy Long, BriAnna Oates, Sabrina Edwards, Samantha Davis, Shelbi Fowler.

Nov. 5 - Bill Brooks, Shelia White, Sonya Nelson, Amber Ward, Linda Carol Thurmond, Kim Keen Hargett, Ronnie Ables, Kathy Davis, Scotty McDaniel, Tonya Matthews, Ali Katherine Gains.

Nov. 6 - Peggy Jackson, Sandra L. Patterson, Jack Cooper, Whitney Whitson, JoAnn

GLADYS TILLMAN, of Nankipoo, celebrated her 90th birthday Oct. 19th. Her family attended services with her Sun., Oct. 21st at Enon Baptist Church, in the Nankipoo community, for her birthday wish. After services, her children and their spouses, Gaylon and Polly Tillman and Alecia Nan and Ernie Gray, all of Brighton, and Phillip and Patty Tillman, of Memphis, along with grandchildren and great-grandchildren treated her to lunch and birthday cake at Lupo's Italian Restaurant in Dyersburg. The highlight of the party was her granddaughter, Alicia Akins, of Bartlett, signing the song, *I Bless Your Name*.

School Lunches

Ripley Primary School
Halls Elementary School
Pre-K to 3rd

Monday, Nov. 5th
Pizza
French Fries
Fruit Mix
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 6th
Steak Fingers
Broccoli Bites
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 7th
Thanksgiving Meal
Roasted Turkey
Cornbread Dressing
Whipped Potatoes
Green Beans
Cranberry Sauce
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, Nov. 8th
Deli Sandwich
Carrot Sticks
Applesauce
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Friday, Nov. 9th
No School
In-service Day

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Nov. 5th
Hamburger
Pizza
French Fries
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle
Apple
Fruit Mix
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 6th
Steak Fingers
Fish Fillet
Broccoli Bites
Black Eyed Peas
Banana
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 7th
Thanksgiving Meal
Roasted Turkey
Cornbread Dressing
Whipped Potatoes
Green Beans
Cranberry Sauce
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, Nov. 8th
Corn Dog
Deli Wrap
Corn On The Cob
Carrot Sticks
Applesauce
Peaches
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Friday, Nov. 9th
No School
In-service Day

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Obituaries

Paul Stearns

Paul E. Stearns, 77, of Fulton, Ky., father of Warren Allen Stearns, of Ripley, died Oct. 10th in Parkway Hospital in Fulton.

Rites were held Oct. 13th in Hornbeak Funeral Chapel in Fulton, with burial in Mt. Zion Cemetery.

He was born in Jackson County, Ill., July 31, 1930, to the late Lawrence "Fuzzy" and Ruth Anglin Stearns.

An Army veteran of the Korean War, he was a conductor on the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad until 1992.

He moved to the Fulton area from Illinois, in 1974.

He was a Mason and Shriner. Survivors include his wife, Ladda Penrod Stearns, whom he married Nov. 8, 1952; other sons, Albert Eugene Stearns and William Andrew Stearns, of Carbondale, Ill.; daughters, Lisa Dale Swift, of Fulton, and Susan Renée Carter, of Tunica, Miss.; brothers, Daniel, of Willamina, Oregon, and John, of McMinnville, Oregon; sisters, June Knapp, of Herrin, Ill., Mary Ann Leggans, of Cambria, Ill., and Dawn Fell, of Green Bay, Wis.; 15 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

Memorial gifts may go to the Shriner's Children's Hospital, 202 Goodman, Cincinnati, OH 45219.

CORRECTION

The obituary of Glenn Franklin Carmack, published in last week's issue, omitted the name of his father, the late Samuel Carmack.

The obituary of Mrs. Cathy Cunningham, published in last week's issue, omitted the names of her brothers, Melvin Cunningham, of Covington, and Larry Cunningham and Gwinn Young, both of Detroit, Mich. Services were held in the Antioch Baptist Church in Covington, not Gates, as was published.

We regret inaccurate information.

Mandy Douthit

Cora Mandy Douthit, 76, of Tiptonville, a sister of Lillian Ogden, of Ripley, died Oct. 19th, in her home.

Rites were Monday of last week in Calvary Independent Baptist Church, with burial in New Haven Cemetery.

She was born in Lake County, March 31, 1931, to the late Joseph Allen Marvin and Mary Estelle Peyton Marvin.

She was a retired employee of the Henry I. Siegel factory in Tiptonville.

She was the widow of Raymond Coy Douthit. Her survivors include daughters, Delila (Mrs. William) Curvin, Lynette (Mrs. Gene) Hopper, and Melissa (Mrs. Loren) Leinweber, of Tiptonville, Cindy (Mrs. Tommy) Childress, of Anniston, Ala., and Darlene (Mrs. Pete) LaMora, of Longmont, Colo.; a brother, Billy Marvin, of Ridgely; other sisters, Mary Marvin, Allene "Sissy" Story, and Elizabeth "Tooter" Parker, of Tiptonville, and Lucille Thompson, of Union City; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Lena Pennington

Lena Lorene Pennington, 90, of Nankipoo, widow of Thomas "Son" Pennington, died Sunday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Tuesday in Melville United Methodist Church, where she was a member, with burial in Enon Cemetery, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

She leaves sons, George, John, and Tommy, and daughters, Betty Reed and Jean Carter, all of Halls; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Sallie Bonds

Sallie M. Bonds, 82, of Dyersburg, mother of Fred "Lil' Brother" Bonds, of 8072 Lightfoot-Luckett Rd., and of Willie L. "Puddin'" Demoss, of Ripley, died October 22nd in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Saturday in St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in Pilgrim Rest Cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

She leaves another daughter, Athalene "Lena" King, of Dyersburg; 12 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

William Brown

William Frank Brown, 78, of Jackson, formerly of Brownsville, father of Cleavette Brown, of Gates, died Sunday in Jackson Madison County General Hospital in Jackson.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, November 3rd, at Woodlawn Baptist Church, Brownsville, with burial in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Brownsville, Currie's Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves his wife, Elizabeth Brown, and daughter, Sharon Brown, both of Brownsville; other sons, Samuel and Greg Brown, both of Brownsville, William Otis Brown, of Dyersburg, and William Frank Brown and Albert Brown, both of Rockford, Ill.; other daughters, Aubrey, Sandra and Susie, all of Rockford, Mass., and Angela and Cheryl, both of Atlanta, Ga.; a sister, Mozella Johnson, of Dyersburg; 48 grandchildren; and 32 great-grandchildren.

Bryan Hyde

Bryan Charles Hyde, 28, of Ripley, supervisor for Technicolor in Memphis, died Sunday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were set for 2 p.m. Thursday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Poplar Grove Cemetery.

Survivors include his grandmother, Agnes Faye Hyde, of Cascilla, Miss. (northwest of Grenada), and his parents, Danny and Cheryl Hyde, his fiancée, Ashley Dupree, a son, Blake Charles Hyde, and a brother, Jonathan, all of Ripley.

'Bud' Pritchard

Dr. Sylvester "Bud" Pritchard, Jr., 77, of Shalimar, Fla., died Saturday.

Visitation in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, from 11 a.m. Saturday, will be followed by 1 p.m. rites in Memorial Gardens.

Retired from the Air Force as a first sergeant, after 22 years of service, he sold real estate for more than 30 years.

A member of Gulf Coast Baptist Church, he had served as a prison chaplain.

Survivors include his wife, Joy, a son, Sylvester III; a daughter, Marleen Carter; his brothers, Drs. George and Joseph; and a sister, Mary Lou Stabler.

B. E. Dudney

B. E. Dudney, 83, of Germantown, father of Dr. B. Wayne Dudney, a dentist, of 82 Hunters Trace Drive, Ripley, died Wednesday of last week in Methodist Hospital in Germantown.

Rites were Saturday in Memphis Funeral Home Poplar Chapel, with burial in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Son of the late William Bennett and Annie Dudney, he served in World War II with the 6th Marine Division.

He had retired as a vice-president of the United Insurance Company of America.

He was a Mason and Shriner.

Survivors include his wife, Yvonne; daughters, Susan Moore, of Cordova, and Deborah Watts, of Wilmington, N.C.; step-daughters, Gail Hussey, of Wilmette, Ill., and Wendy Rusinak, of Lake Forest, Ill.; a brother, Charles, of Sylacauga, Ala.; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Memorial gifts to the Injured Marines Fund, 825 College Blvd. #102, PNB-609, Oceanside, CA 92057, would be appropriate.

Shirley Max

Shirley Ann Max, 68, of Covington, sister of Johnny Leach, of Ripley, died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Thursday of last week in the Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in Shiloh Cemetery.

She was a member of West-

J. L. Vaughn, Jr.

J. L. Vaughn, Jr., 75, of Dyersburg, brother of Bobby Vaughn, of Gates, and Frances Lilley, of Halls, died Oct. 20th in his residence.

Services were Tuesday of last week in Curry Funeral Home in Dyersburg, with burial in Fairview Cemetery in Dyersburg.

He had retired after 38 years with the Dyersburg Police Department.

He had owned and operated Vaughn Tree Service.

A member of Three Oaks Baptist Church, he had been a Master Mason for 50 years and had been a fast-pitch softball coach for more than 50 years.

Survivors include his wife, Ruby Smith Vaughn; a son, Russ, of Dyersburg; daughters, Laura Hale, of Obion, and Linda McCreary, of Troy; other brothers, Charles, of Dyersburg, and Danny, of Maury City; other sisters, Marie Harden, of Dyersburg, and Mackie Slayton, of Crockett Mills; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

side Pentecostal Church of God.

She was the daughter of the late Everett and Sid Leach. Survivors include her husband, William Merwin Max, sons, James, Perry, and Timmy, daughters, Darlene Max and Sherry Tindall, another brother, Gene Leach, and a sister, Louise Archer, all of Covington; another brother, Jimmy Leach, of Stewart (east of Paris); other sisters, Margie Chaney, of Stanton, Brenda Redd, of Stewart, and Mary Atcherson, of Nashville; 10 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.



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Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek Here! Well, I made it back on the Big Orange couch for a couple of days. I made it through Saturday's game and then disaster struck. Mr. Pam had this thing going with a South Carolina Rooster. He was going to brag orange to two ex-Riplians living in South Carolina who like those Roosters. When he said, Drumwright and Schuh, I knew I had to hide the phones. I casually tip toed to the phones and with a soft mouth, gently tucked the phones away in my shelter. The Dry Hill Country Club can't afford to make those guys mad because they have sent checks intended for my buds at the Club. The two cell phones were easy to hide but that one with the cord attached gave away the devious plan. Mr. Pam's better half was showing when he had to crawl, head first, into my hideaway. His shoulders got stuck on the way out and he had to wag his fanny to get released. That view reminded me of Big Bertha from Dry Hill. Will, when he finally popped out, he was cleaning slobbers off his hands and yelling "Zeek, wait till I get my hands on you!" I took off and found a way through the four legger hole in the back door. I had never fit through that door before, but Saturday night I was motivated. I think that bottle of water that hit my hind end actually made the difference. My second feat that night was clearing the back yard fence. I hung around in the woods until Miss Pam got home, then I greeted her with an extra amount of licks and wiggles. When she opened the door, to my amazement, the lights were out and the Villain was asleep in his bed. As I curled up for some sweet dreams, I was content knowing that once again I had gone the extra mile for my buds at Dry Hill. As you may have expected, the next morning I had to put on my pity face, hunker down, and curl my tail between my legs to show that I was sorry. Although I have been banished to the back yard for three days, I am proud. I just hope Miss Pam will at least give me a blanket for the cold nights.

Elizabeth Huguely did a good deed. She picked up Flip and gave him to a child with cancer. Christy Smith took home Junior, a red and white Fiest. Lynn Bivens got Bo, a very large White Pyrenees, who was house broken. Susan Scarce wanted a cat and said that I should write more about those lovely, sweet, precious, cuddly bags of claws. (Maybe that wasn't exactly what she said.) If they are so great, why does Mr. Buddy give those cats away to the two leggers?

The Halls FFA is showing up the Ripley FFA. I just wish Ripley could match the challenge. Halls has been to Dry Hill three times with treats, food, etc. But their last trip was extra special. Halls built and painted three, four-legger houses for Dry Hill. Can Ripley out do Halls by building maybe four houses? Halls has made the challenge, can Ripley answer the bell?

Two other citizens, Bobby Mitchell and Ann Tate, answered the bell. They built a four room apartment house for my buds that is longer than a truck. On cold nights we can cuddle up and sleep 16 to 20 four leggers. Now that's what we are talking about! Ripley FFA, you have some catching up to do. My buds said special thanks to Ann, Bobby, and the Halls teachers and students.

Now all we need is some straw for those houses. That

was a hint to anyone that can and wants to help my buds! Many special thanks go to the repeat gifters, Sue and Paul McLemore, Kathleen Doss, and Andrea Tims.

My special buds this week consist of four beautiful Labs, chocolate and black; along with Rocky, a two year old Walker Coon Hound that got lost when he was hunting. We also have Henry, a Red Bone that likes to hunt. Our two German Shepherds are Black and Gray, plus we have four small Fiest Terriers and four new batches of puppies. They are the expensive kind—Heinz 57 and Gigolo.

The Club of Dry Hill is located in front of the Landfill on Curve Nankipoo Road. The phone number is 836-7387. My buds need homes. PLEASE HELP!

Zeek Out!

P.S. Don't forget to spay and neuter your four legger.



A mother had given her son two apples, saying, "Give your little sister her choice."

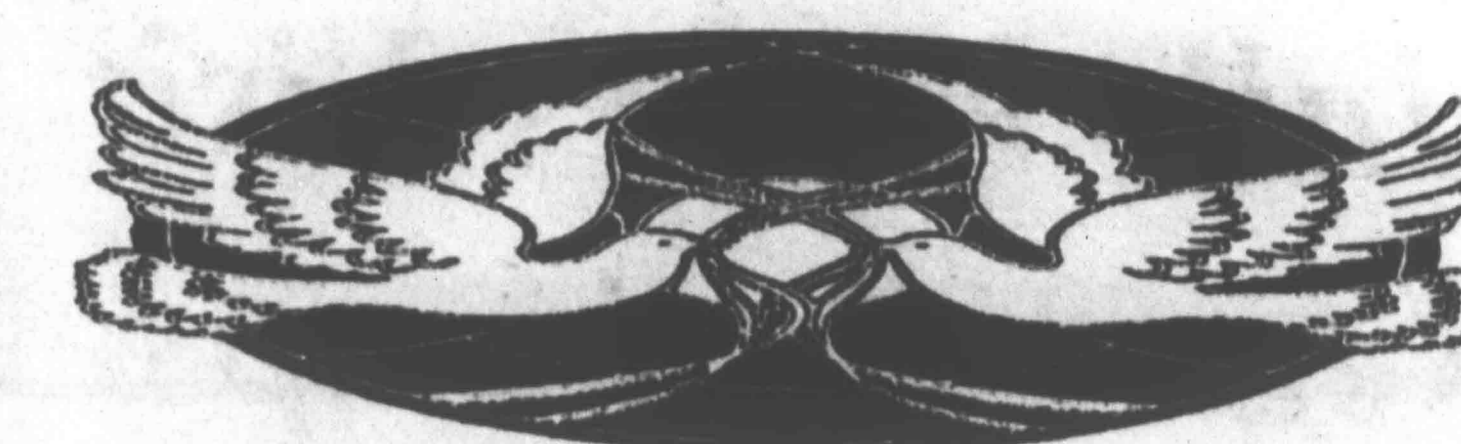
Later on she noticed that he had kept the big apple for himself. She asked, "Didn't you give your sister her choice?"

"I did," he answered. "I gave her a choice of a little one, or none at all. And she took the little one."

There's a lot of selfishness in all of us, isn't there? We're more anxious to hoard than we are to help, to get than we are to give, to be served than we are to serve. But the Living Bible says, "Don't be selfish. Be interested in others."

Forget yourself for others, and others will never forget you.

A grandmother pretends she doesn't know who you are on Halloween. —Erma Bombeck



Church Happenings

The addresses and phone numbers of area churches are published the first week of each month, if your church is not included, please call to have it added. If the phone number and/or address is not correct, please call with the correct information.

St Luke Missionary Baptist Church, 258 Woodville Rd., in the Toulon community, will hold its annual pastor and wife celebration at 3 p.m. Sun., Nov. 4th to honor the 28 years of service of The Rev. Glenn Strickland and his wife, Sister Hazel Strickland. The public is invited.

Curve Baptist Church, 87 Curve Woodville Rd., near Ripley, will hold revival services beginning at 10:50 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sun., Nov. 4th and continuing at 7 p.m. nightly Mon., Nov. 5th through Fri., Nov. 9th. Different speakers will be featured each night. Bro. Virgil Presley, pastor, invites the public.

The women of Mt. Zion M. B. Church, of Halls, will sponsor a women's conference at 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Sat., Nov. 3rd at the Halls High School cafeteria. Participants will be served a "Salad Taste" brunch. Registration is free. Dennis Chaney, pastor, invites all women.

Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, at Three Points, will celebrate its 99th anniversary at 2 p.m. Sun., Nov. 11th with The Rev. T. J. Lewis, pastor, of the Greater St. John Baptist Church, Covington, as guest speaker. Members of his church will be guests. The public is invited.

Fountain of Life's youth ministry will present "Fallfest 2007" at 6 p.m. Nov. 2nd. Fun-filled activities will kick off the fall season including puppet show, praise steppers, tailgate party, music, hay-ride, and games. The church is located at 748 East Tigrett St., Halls. The public is invited.

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Halls Victors Visit Reg. 8-A Champs

Halls High School's Tigers, winners last Friday from Adamsville, 21-20, this Friday visit Trinity Christian Academy in Jackson, whose Lions won the Reg. 8-A crown from Fayette Academy, 34-7.

Halls doesn't need a win Friday to make the play-offs.

With four play-off slots in 5-team 8-A, Middleton has been out of the running.

TCA's On Up-Swing

TCA plays on a Jan., 2006 enrollment of 214, vs. 383 for Halls.

1-9 in 2005, the Lions were 9-3 last season.

Until this fall, they have never gained more than

third place in the region.

They've benefitted this year from transfer of Jackson Christian's Eagles, last year's Class A state champs, to Reg. 8-2A.

The Lions are 7-2 this fall, with wins from Manassas, 29-14, Gibson County, 48-7, St. Benedict, 23-13, and in their last four games, Middleton, 38-6, Chester County, 34-12, Fayette Academy, 34-7, and Lexington, 39-

14. TCA has lost to the University School of Jackson, 30-27, and to Jackson Christian, 21-0.

Experience Abundant

Coach Michael Hodom (39-35) has back nine starters on offense, eight on defense, including--

Hewitt Tomlin (senior, 6-1, 185), at quarterback. He passed for about 3,000 yards the last two seasons.

He doubles as safety on defense and is being recruited by Princeton.

How To Get There--

TCA is located northwest of Jackson.

From Gates, take Hwy. 88 east 15 miles, through Maury City, to 412, west of Alamo; go 17 miles south on 412 to turn left onto Old Bells Rd.,

which after 1.4 miles becomes Windy City Road. TCA is at 10 Windy City.

Reg. 8-A Last Week

McNairy 28, Fayette Acad. 13
Halls 21, Adamsville 20
Manassas 28, Frayser 26
Chester Cnty. 38, Middleton 20
Trinity Christian 39,
Lexington 14

Reg. 8-A This Friday

Fayette Academy at Middleton
Halls at Trinity Christian
Manassas at Treadwell

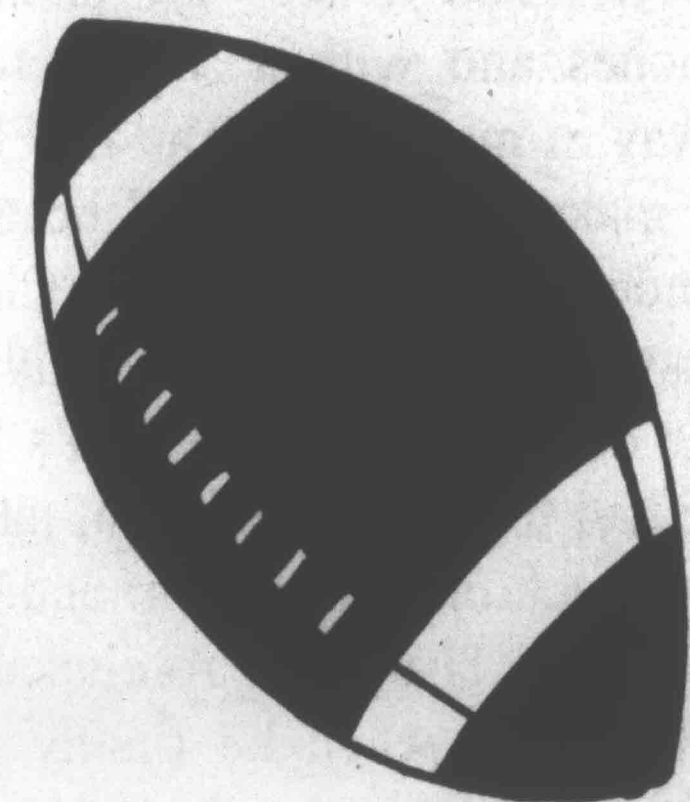
Reg. 8-A Standings

(For Four Play-Off Slots)

	All	Reg.
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Trin. Christian ..	7 2	3 0
Manassas	6 3	2 2
Fayette Acad. ..	3 6	2 1
Halls	2 7	1 2
Middleton	0 9	0 3

HHS Season Schedule

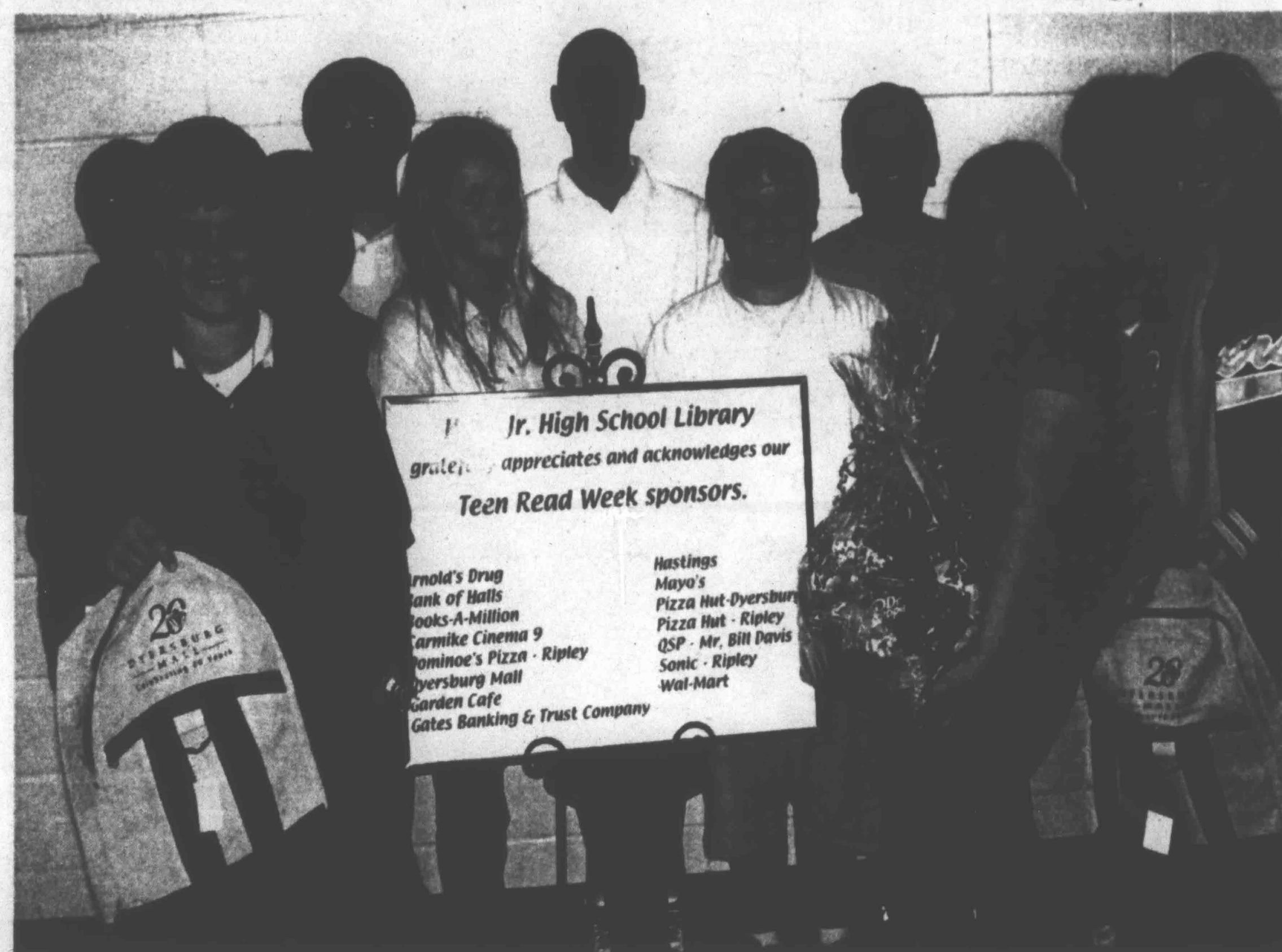
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Teen Read Week Celebrated



STUDENTS at Halls Junior High School celebrated Teen Read Week Oct. 15th through Oct. 19th with the theme of "lol @ your library". The week was kicked off with a movie viewing after school on Monday. Each day, students entered the Comic X contest, telling where they spotted the X around the school. Teen Read Week also included poster, comic, and funny picture contests. In upper photo, some of the winners included Nathan Campbell, Monica Walker, Michael McCloud, Frank Bales, and Markeston Bostic, 7th grade; and Ashley Buckner, Collin Mann, Audrey Belton, Hollie Wilson, Carlee Brown, and Steven Martinez, 8th grade.

WTAC Selections



STUDENTS at Halls Junior High selected for the 2007 All Conference Team in the West Tennessee Athletic Conference include, from left, Haley Blackwood, 7th grade, and Destiny Harrell, 8th grade. HJH was the only school to have two members of its volleyball team selected.

Schools Celebrate Red Ribbon Week



STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School celebrated Red Ribbon Week Oct. 22nd through the 26th with an emphasis on being drug and alcohol free. Students participated in special events with treats. Classes also participated in a door-decorating contest. In upper photo, students in the 6th grade classroom of Richard Dawson won first place for their door. The first grade students dressed up as characters from their favorite book as part of the emphasis on reading instead of drugs. The theme of the day was introducing students to a Newbery book, with the whole week dedicated to a "berry-theme". Teachers dressing as characters included Tracie Taylor, Christie Sherron, Barbara Anderson, Beth Meeks, Jill Messer, Paula Stamps, Neena Elmore, and LeAnne Harris. First grade students passed through the library for the kindergarten students.



Retires xxx

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Baptist Church. William G. "Jerry" Parker will retire Nov. 15th after approximately 30 years of dedicated service. The public is invited.

Meeting xxx

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P. White Fraternal Order of Police building. The meeting was held so that agents and administrators could discuss and gather information about drug cases and polices across the district. The task force consists of 14 different agencies, both sheriff and police departments across the district, with agents from these departments. The board of directors consists of chiefs of police and sheriffs.

Anniversaries

Nov. 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Haislip.

Nov. 2 - Mr. and Mrs. James B. Stewart.

Nov. 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Burl Carson; Mr. and Mrs. Leland Gaines.

Nov. 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Cates, Mr. and Mrs. Theron Burrough.

Nov. 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Bill Zachary.

Nov. 6 - Mr. and Mrs. James Pipkin.

Nov. 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Rickard.

Marriages

October 19 - Joseph Wayne Lenderman, 19, to Brandy Lee Hankins, 23, by Rocky Gilliam.

Neil August Watson, 21, to Dana Marie Lenderman,, 17, by Rocky Gilliam.

Gregory Keith Conrad, 24, to Donna Michelle Lenderman,, 17, by Rocky Gilliam.

October 20 - Christopher Allen Unthank, 20, to Audrey Kaye Lemley, 21, by Melvin Garrison, Jr.

Nathan O'Donnell Hut-

Royalty



CARLEE ALYSSA RIDDICK, 6 month old daughter of Heather London and Chad Riddick, of Halls, was crowned queen at the *Angels in Autumn* pageant Sept. 29th at Three Oaks Middle School in Dyersburg. She also attended a pageant in Union City Oct. 28th and won most photogenic, most beautiful, second alternate in costume, and queen. She is the granddaughter of Carol and Levoid London, Dorothy and Tom Sanders, and Robert and Sherry Riddick, and great-granddaughter of June Barnes, all of Halls.

Divorce

Natalee Dean Williams vs. Bradley James Williams.

Clarence Edward Hixson vs. Catrina Lawson Hixson.

Donald Lee Henson vs. Christina Ann Fyffe Henson.

Anthony Dewayne Mabins vs. Myra Denise Mabins.

Felicia Leigh Mills vs. Gregory Howard Mills.

Richard Keith Laxton vs. Janice Lorraine Laxton.

chins, 19, to Neally Lynn Choat, 19, by C. Mike Roberts.

Cody Allen Heath, 21, to Catherine Nicole Midkiff, 18, by Rocky Gilliam.

Jimmy Doyle Buckner, 22, to Holly Brooke London, 21, by Jerrell Dawson.

October 26 - Shailesh Daulatsinh Thakor, 27, to Krishna Surendrasinh Chauhan, 21, by Jon Pavletic.

Students Adopt PFC Garrett



PFC JODIE GARRETT, center, in rear, who is stationed in Iraq, has been adopted by the third grade students at Halls Elementary School. The students will send letters and other goodies throughout his deployment. He is pictured with students in the classroom of Mrs. Tabatha DePriest.

HES Top AR Readers



STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School recognized for the highest accelerated reader points for the first nine weeks include, in front, from left, Courtney Gooch, first place, 6th grade; Julie Hill, second place, 5th grade; Hailee Wallace, third place, 6th grade; Valerie Patrick, fourth place, 5th grade; and Ally Cherry, 5th place, 4th grade; and in rear, Quenatassja Elijah, 6th place, 5th grade; Jessie Belton, 7th place, 6th grade; Grayson Morris, 8th place, 5th grade; Kai Mills, 9th place, 5th grade; and Charlie Walton, 10th place, 6th grade. Each student received a gift certificate to Sweet Sensations Ice Cream Shop in Halls and a goody bag of snacks from Arnold's in Halls. Courtney was the top reader with 180 points, well over the required 11 points for 6th grade students.

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Halls Man Accused Of Seven Burglaries

Ripley Police Chief Milford Durham reports that with aid from the sheriff's department, Kevin Wright, 30, of Halls, has been charged with 17 counts of burglary, theft, and vandalism in seven burglaries last month.

Another person charged with two burglaries has not yet been arrested.

Sex Offender Charged

Dale M. Coombs, 28, of

Ripley, originally from Connecticut, with charges pending there and in Florida, is jailed in Ripley, under \$60,000 bond, for failure to register as a sex offender.

Governor Bredeesen Tours AG Plant



GOVERNOR PHIL BREDESEN, third from left, toured the American Greetings plant in Ripley Thursday of last week before a roundtable discussion on rural economic development at the UT Martin Ripley Center. Phillip Jackson, county school superintendent, and Lauderdale County Mayor Rod Schuh are pictured with the Governor and associates at American Greetings after the tour. In middle photo, Joann Mitchell, AG associate, demonstrates the process of making the printing plates to Governor Bredeesen, Revenue Commissioner Reagan Farr, left, and ECD Commissioner Matt Kisser, second from right. Dave Ring, plant manager, right, guided the tour. After the tour, in lower photo, Dave Ring and human resources manager, David Oaks, left, presented a card commemorating the Governor's visit to American Greetings. They are pictured with State Rep. Craig Fitzhugh, second from left, and City of Ripley Mayor Jon Pavletic, right. During the tour, Governor Bredeesen asked Ring what the strengths and weakness of a small community had on a factory such as American Greetings. Ring answered the strengths are the commitment and de-

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County Schools Score Progress

The annual State Department of Education Report Card for Lauderdale County Schools indicates progress in both academic and non-academic areas.

In the system profile, 100% of Lauderdale County Schools are accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and 100% are certified by the state as safe schools.

Lauderdale County funds local schools at \$7,141 per pupil while the state average is \$7,794 per pupil.

The Academic Growth Report (Value Added) for 2007, which indicates the progress the students made in one school year, gave straight A's in math, reading/language, social studies, and science. This is an improvement over 2006 which included a B in math.

In academic achievement scores, math went from a C to a B, as did reading/language, while social studies and science scores remained at a C.

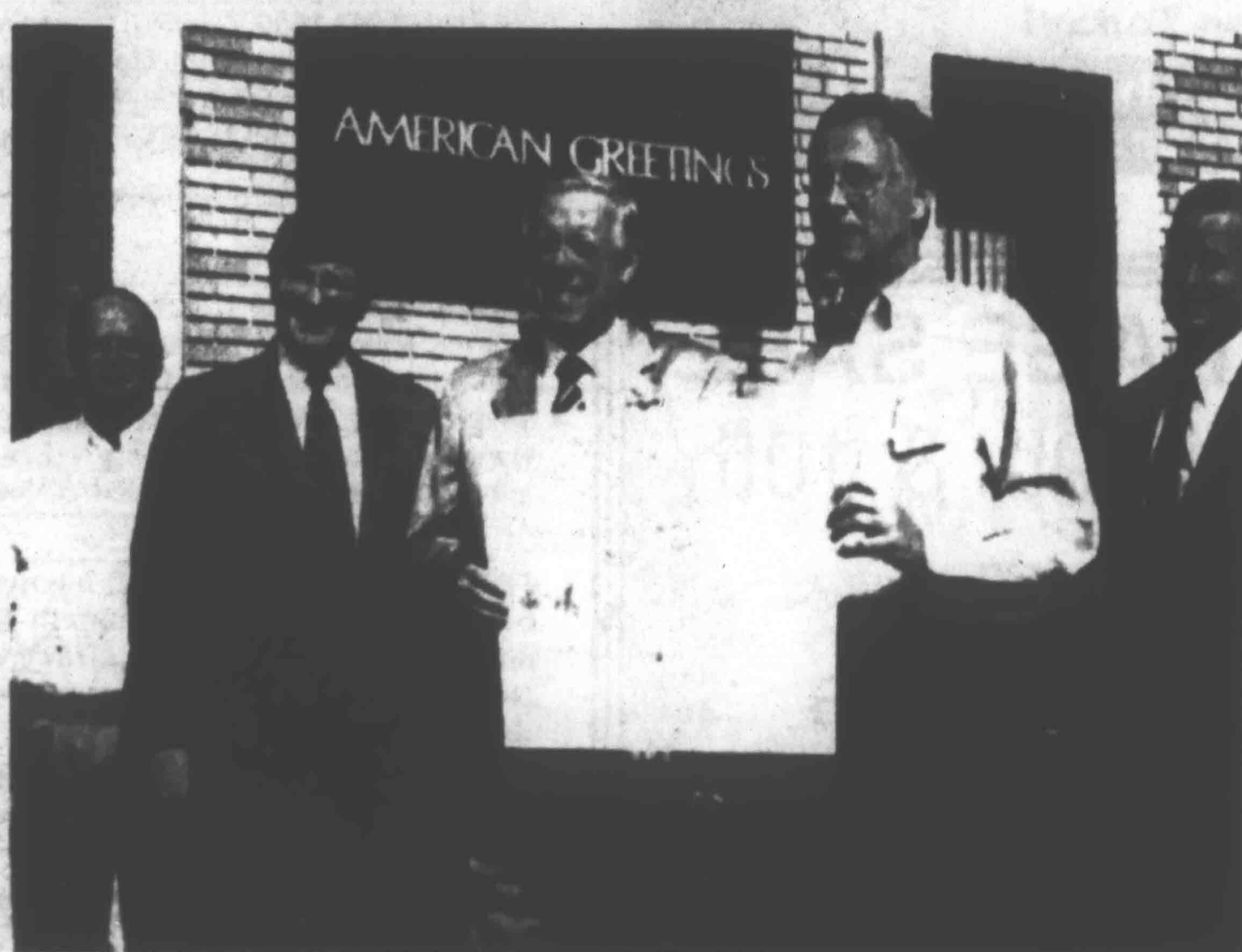
Writing scores were B for

5th grade, A for 8th grade, and B for 11th grade. ACT scores went up to 19.5 composite, with the state average being 20.3.

Under the No Child Left Behind summary, Lauderdale County Schools were classified as in good standing, with the system meeting all benchmarks systemwide.

Ripley High School is in School Improvement Year 1, based on the African American sub-group not meeting graduation requirements. The graduation rate went from 60 to 70% but did not meet the required cutoff of 73.1%. Ripley Elementary and its feeder school, Ripley Primary, were listed as Target Schools because of math scores for students with disabilities. All other schools are listed as in

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roll County and located on Front Street, close to the Caboose Museum. The bin will be painted and signs explaining the program posted.

Materials that may be recycled are paper (any color

or type), plastic (any color or type, please rinse if it was a food container), and aluminum (cans or foil paper). The compartments of the bin are labeled as to which holds each product.

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Youth Of The Month



CODY DEW, second from right, Halls High School senior, was recognized as Youth of the Month Nov. 1st during the meeting of the Lauderdale County Exchange Club. He is pictured with his parents, Brian and Shannon Dew, and Dr. Brooks Harris, right, club president.

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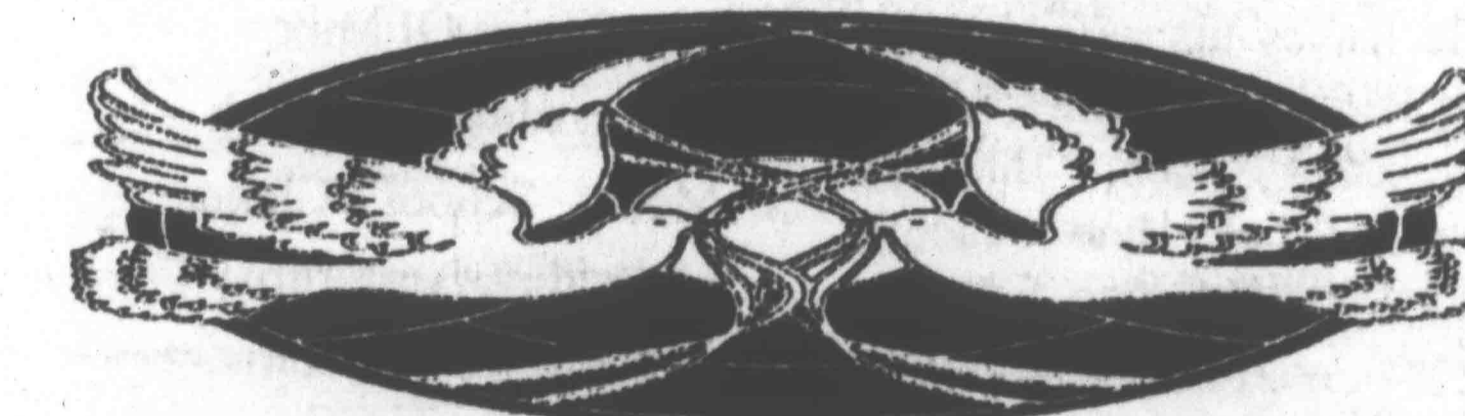
MR. AND MRS. BRADY KOLATH were married at 11:30 a.m. Sept. 23rd in an outdoor ceremony in the Denver Botanic Garden in Denver, Colo.

The bride, the former Alexis Gaines, is the daughter of Penny and the late Ralph Gaines, of Halls. She wore a beaded and sequined, champagne, wedding gown by Mori Lee. Her bouquet was multi-colored Gerber daisies, accented with calla lilies.

Catharine Jordan, sister of the bride, of Atoka, served as matron of honor. She wore a chocolate brown dress with a champagne sash by Forever Yours. Kailey and Anna Claire Jordan, nieces of the bride, served as flower girls.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Buddie Kolath, of Aurora, Colo. Daniel Kolath, of Los Angeles, Calif., served as best man.

After a honeymoon trip to Maui, they reside in Aurora, Colo.



Church Happenings

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The Written Word Ministries will present Eagles Fly High Apostolic, a prophetic leadership conference, at 7 p.m. Fri., Nov. 9th and from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sat., Nov. 10th at the Lannom Center in Dyersburg. No registration fee is required. Guest speakers will include Chief Apostle Dr. Geraldine Carson, of Detroit, Mich., Apostle Dr. Tereasa F. Boyd, of Southfield, Mich., and Prophetess Shirley Brooks, of Baltimore, Md. Guests musicians include the Sunset Travelers, of Ripley, and

mime praise by Evangelist Chanel Akins, of Dyersburg. The public is invited.

Mount Zion Baptist Church, in Halls, will hold its annual women's day at 10 a.m. Sun., Nov. 11th with Missionary Bridgette Leake as the morning guest speaker. Evangelist Ellena Gooch and Holly Grove Baptist Church members will be the special guests for the afternoon service at 2 p.m. The public is invited.

Truth and Faith Baptist Church will hold a musical program at 6 p.m. Sat., Nov. 10th with the Sunset Travelers, Slim and the VictoryAires, McKenzie Aires, Friendship choir, and many more groups. C. J. Peat, pastor, invites the public.

Grace Bible Baptist Church, located 3 miles south of Halls, on Hwy. 51 By-Pass, will hold its fall revival at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sun., Nov. 11th and continuing at 7 p.m. Mon., Nov. 12th through Wed., Nov. 14th with Bro. Stacy Percy, of Bath Springs, as guest speaker. Bro. Percy's family will provide music for the services. A nursery will be provided for each service. Jerry Hickson, pastor, invites the public. If anyone needs a ride, call 836-5501.

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Holly Grove Baptist Church, 155 College St., Ripley, will hold revival services at 7 p.m. nightly Tues., Nov. 13th and continuing through Thurs., Nov. 15th with The Rev. Louis Hudson III as guest speaker. Prayers of Consecration will be held at noon each day in the church sanctu-

ary. W. L. Reid, pastor, invites the public.

A night of reflecting the Son, "Jesus" will be held at 7 p.m. Sat., Nov. 10th at The Moon, 123 N. Front St., Halls. Praise and worship music by the worship team of Christ the King Church and the Moon's dance drama team, ABLAZE. For more information call, 836-7770. The public is in-

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Obituaries

Tallichet Aided Halls Museum

David C. Tallichet, an early supporter of the Veterans Museum in Halls, died Wednesday of last week in his home in Orange, Calif.

A celebration of his life will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 17th in his Orange Hill Restaurant at 6410 E. Chapman Ave., Orange, Calif.

In World War II, he was a pilot in the 100th Bomb Group, based at Thorpe Abbots in England.

After the war, he collected military relics from all over the world, showing many in theme restaurants across the nation, like the 91st Bomb Group in Memphis, now closed (with many exhibits moved to the Halls museum).

He flew his B-17 to Halls for a July 4, 1986 "home-coming" at the former Dyersburg Army Air Force base there, and had other pilots fly his P-40 and P-51 to the event, stirring interest which led to formation of the Dyersburg Army Air Base Memorial Assn. in 1992, air shows, 1993-2001, and the museum.

He leaves his wife, Carol, and four children.

Memorial gifts to the Museum would be appropriate (836-7400).

Earl G. Halfacre

Earl Gray Halfacre, 75, of Memphis, born Dec. 6, 1931, as the youngest son of the late Gus and Alcie Halfacre, of Ripley, died Oct. 27th.

Graveside rites were Thursday of last week at Memphis Funeral Home in Germantown.

A Korean War veteran, he was a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

He leaves his wife, Mittie; a daughter, Terry Lynne (Mrs. Fred) Crane; a step-son, Ray Gilmer; a step-daughter, Peggy Bray; brothers, Earl and Russell; sisters, Luna Craver, Marcelline Rowland, Nancy Zachary, and Verna Brown; and two grandchildren.

J. R. Wade, Jr., Ran Lake Store

James Robert Wade, Jr., 73, of Ripley, retired auto service manager who had operated the Chisholm Lake general store northwest of Ripley, died Oct. 30th in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Friday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

He was an Army veteran.

He leaves his wife, Yvonne Escue Wade; a daughter, Teresa Vandergriff Parsons, of Ripley; a brother, Charles, of Clermont, Fla.; a sister, Barbara Ellington, of Mercer; and two grandchildren.

John Whitten

John Griffin Whitten, 38, of the Memphis area, brother of Jamie Brinkley, of Ripley, died Sunday.

Private rites were Wednesday in White Sulphur Springs Cemetery at Pickwick, Bartlett Funeral Home in charge.

Survivors include his wife, Roxanne Smith-Whitten; sons, John, Jr., and Justin, of Memphis, two step-children, Chad Strauser and Jessica Zada; his father, John Whitten, Sr.; both brothers, Derek Mills, of St. Louis, Mo., and Joe and Scott Whitten, of Huntsville, Ala.; a sister, Linda Joyce (Mrs. Frank) Abbott, and his grandmother, Elsie Johnson Whitten, of Orlando, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

Jabo Coleman

Richard 'Jabo' Coleman, 30, of Decatur, Ill., formerly of Ripley, brother of Latisha Dees and Angela Brown, of Ripley, died Friday, November 2nd, at Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, November 10th, at Miles Chapel C.M.E. Church, burial in Bluff Cemetery in Ripley, Currie's Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves a son, Richard, Jr., and daughter, Mykayla Coleman, both of Decatur, Ill.; brothers, Theo and Clifton Brown, of Nashville, Ivan Smith, of Menard, Ill., and Jimmie Coleman, of N. Liberty, Iowa; and grandparent, Robert Stowe, of Auburndale, Fla.

Mourned



JAMES "RED" BALTON, SR., 78, of Henning, died Oct. 30th at his home.

Rites were Sat., Nov. 3rd in St. Mark M.B. Church, Henning, of which he was a member, with burial in Morrow Cemetery, at Orysa, Currie's Funeral Home, Henning, had charge.

Survivors include his wife, Hannah Barbee Balton; sons, James, Jr., and Jimmie Balton; daughters, Vanora Allen, Lesia McKinley, Linda Dewalt, Die-dra Walker, and Julie and Toni Balton; his first wife, Mable Davis Balton Lawrence; sons, Melvin Davis, Stanley Balton, and Kevin Balton; daughters, Jeanette Bates, and Brenda Cuomo; another son, Anthony Friend, a step-son, Toris Barbee; a sister, Katie Taylor; and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

James Conner

James William Conner, 93, of Ripley, died Saturday, in his home.

Rites were Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Memorial Gardens.

He was the son of the late Edna Williams Conner and the late Presley Neville Conner, Jr.

A Methodist, he was a Master Mason for more than 50 years. He was retired from the U. S. Air Force.

He leaves his wife, Virginia Gaines Conner; daughters, Celeste Henry, of Ripley, Dyann Farmer, of Mableton, Ga., and Shannon Anderson, of Dallas, Ga.; a sister, Rebecca Greaves, of North Carolina; three grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

J. C. Barlow

James Charles "John C." Barlow, 88, of 217 Tichenor, Ripley, retired from the county Highway Department, died Oct. 25th in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were Wednesday of last week in Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church in Ripley, where he was an usher and Building Fund treasurer.

He was the widower of Annie Marie Matthews.

Survivors include a brother, Calvin, and daughters, Angela Montgomery and Mary Cole, of Ripley; other daughters, Martha Bond, of Henning, and Gladys Dawson, of Lorain, Ohio; sons, Robert, of Jackson, David, of Antioch, Calvin, Clay, and James, Jr., of Rockford, Ill., and Preston, of Tampa, Fla.; another brother, Joe, of Atlanta, Ga.; 33 grandchildren; 48 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

Buddy Parish

Lloyd 'Buddy' Parish, 88, of Halls, a retired factory worker, died Tuesday at his residence.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday, November 8th, at Halls First Baptist Church, where he was a member, burial in Greenhill Memorial Gardens, Garner Funeral Home in charge.

He was a member of the V.F.W.

He leaves his wife, Pauline Smith Parish, a daughter, Velma Baker, and sister, Elizabeth Moore, all of Halls; another daughter, Shirley Ann Edwards, of Union City; two other sisters, Bertha Mae Robison, of Dyersburg, and Pauline Smith, of Brownsville; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Clara Kernell

Clara B. "Beefy" Kernell, 72, of Covington, mother of Richard Boyce, of Ripley, died Oct. 24th in Covington Manor Nursing Home.

Rites were at noon Saturday in the New Hope Christian Life Center, with burial in Cotton Cemetery, Barlow Funeral Home in charge.

She had been a machine operator at Paslode Corp.

She was the widow of Fred E. Kernell. Survivors include other sons, Robert Boyce, Jr., of Covington, and Lawrence and Thurmond Boyce, of Mason; daughters, Lucille Jones and Pearlina Hall, and a brother, Jessie J. Somerville, of Covington; 24 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

School Lunches

Ripley Primary School
Halls Elementary School
Pre-K to 3rd

Monday, Nov. 12th

Hot Dog
Tater Tots
Applesauce
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 13th

Tacos w/Trimming
Corn Nibbles
Grapes
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 14th

Southern Fried Chicken
Whipped Potatoes
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, Nov. 15th

Menu - School's Choice

Friday, Nov. 16th

Grilled Chicken Sandwich
Corn On The Cob
Peaches
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Nov. 12th

Hot Dog
Pizza
Tater Tots
Celery Sticks w/Dip
Fruit Mix
Apple
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 13th

Tacos w/Trimming
Chicken Fajitas
Corn Nibbles
Rice
Grapes
Banana
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 14th

Southern Fried Chicken
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Green Beans
Orange Sections
Pear Halves
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, Nov. 15th

Menu - School's Choice

Friday, Nov. 16th

Grilled Chicken Sandwich
BBQ Pork On Bun
Corn On The Cob
Baked Beans
Peaches
Pear Halves
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Marriages

October 6 - Winston Gerald Jarrett, 52, to Cathy Maurice Jones, 53, by Louis Hudson III.

October 20 - Sanjeev Kumar Sharma, 35, to Anita Ramesh Patel, 33, by Ravindra S. Dave.

October 31 - Robert Thomas Daum, 51, to Carla Sue Hurt Arave, 47, by Jon Pavletic.

Anniversaries

Nov. 8 - Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Brasfield.

Nov. 9 - Mr. and Mrs. Lynn

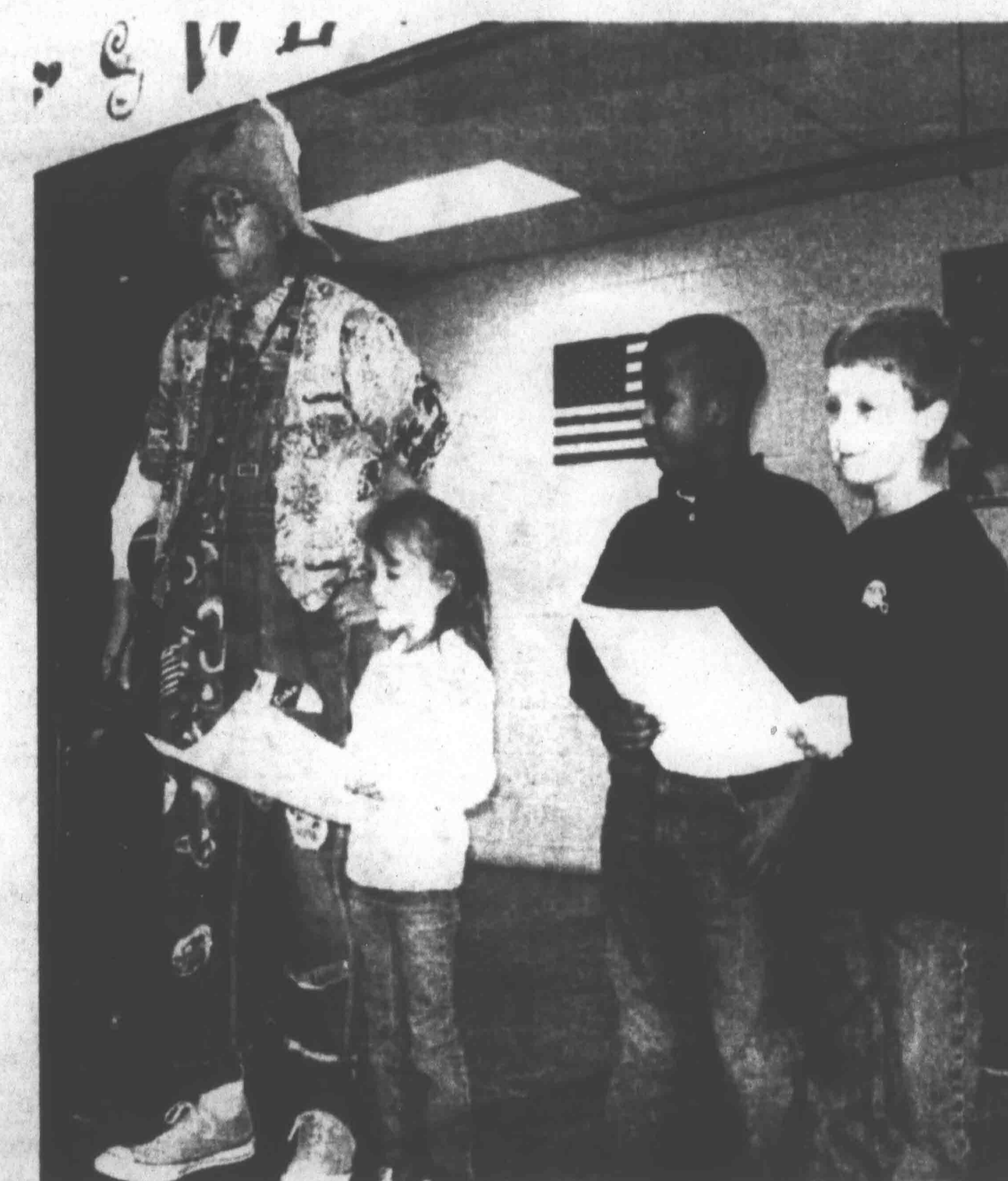
Halls First Baptist Church OCC Relay

Members of the First Baptist Church in Halls are preparing to celebrate the church's fourth anniversary as a relay for Operation Christmas Child (OCC), a ministry of Samaritan's Purse. Since it began serving as a relay, more than 2,100 gift-filled shoeboxes have come through the church's doors as the first step on their journey for distribution to children around the world. This life-changing international ministry began 14 years ago, and the work done by its volunteers has resulted in the delivery of over 54 million shoebox gifts to 125 countries and territories around the world. Last year, approximately 7.6 million shoeboxes were collected and delivered to children in 100 countries.

The OCC program involves packing a shoebox with various items including toys, stuffed animals, games, personal care items, school supplies, hard candy, and gum. Collection dates at First Baptist are November 12th through 18th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The church is located at 102 E. Tigrett Street in Halls.

For more information, contact Carmon Reece Belton, OCC relay coordinator in Halls at 731-836-7960 or visit Operation Christmas Child's website, www.samaritanspurse.org.

Author Visits School



STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School and staff members visited Mon., Nov. 5th with Eddie Bowman, author of 20 books, which are on the accelerated reader list. Seven of his books are also songs. He travels the country speaking to students and visiting approximately 330 schools a year. A resident of Missouri, he has played the part of "Chester Drawers" in Branson for eight years. Dressed as "Chester", he entertained the group with songs and silliness. He spoke about staying free of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco. He informed the students how to make the right choices in life. He then led them in singing some of his songs. After the performance, "Chester" let students buy his books, CDs, bookmarks, and other materials and autographed the purchased items. Students, Alexis Harrell, Warren Coleman, and Hayden Meeks, are pictured with him.

Students Recognized



STUDENTS at the University of Tennessee at Martin were recognized Tues., Oct. 30th by the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi chapter as truly outstanding first and

second year students in the upper three percent of their class, who earned fewer than 59 hours, and had a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5. UT-Martin Ripley Center students recognized include, Kimberly Snow and Annie M. Barnes, plus, not pictured, Roger B. Burns. "These students have excelled academically and truly deserve to be recognized," said Youlanda Jones, director of the UT Martin Ripley Center.

Land Transfers

October 28th - November 3rd

Nancy Long, Diane Clark, Mary Emily Hill, Kenneth Long, Steven Long and Phillip Ricky Long to Clarence A. Hamilton and Dianne Hamilton, Dist. 3, 1.0 acre.

Judy Elaine Trosper to Lisa K. Blankenship, Dist. 17, 2 tracts.

Sec. of Housing and Urban Development to Randy Lankford, Ryan Whiteside and Jeremy Helton, lot.

Sec. of Housing and Urban Development to James L. Moore, 1.253 acres.

Joseph Ryan Kirby and Olivia Kirby to Cynthia G. Brown, Dist. 2, lot.

Martin Thompson to Dasie Smith, Dist. 12, lot.

James C. Sloan and Patricia J. Sloan to Betty Diebold and Dee Wesley Ballard, Jr., Dist. 11, 21.0 acres.

L.M. Kirkpatrick III to Maxine K. Forsythe, Dist. 2, 4.466 acres.

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Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek here! My outdoor saga started last week when I got sent to the backyard for hiding the phones. I forgot how cold it can get at night, and all of those new sounds kept me awake most of the night. I about jumped out of my coat one night when a couple of them puty cats decided to jump off the air conditioner. They found a soft landing as I was curled up getting a few z's right under them. They were just little guys playing around so I had to hold my temper. I met a coon called Socks who was sneaking up to the house to nibble on the food for the cats. I told him that I was supposed to be a watch four legger but since I was mad at Mr. Pam I wouldn't bark. I even met a mouse that said he knew a way into the house. When I asked if I could follow him, he informed me that I was too fat. The most unfriendly critters for the week were the bats. They kept dive bombing me, and talk about quick—I never touched a one of them even when I was prepared for their attack. One night, I was studying the stars and I saw some lights moving across the sky. I barked "UFO" and this wise old owl, named Ripley, informed me it was something called a plane.

I have to admit I missed that orange couch. The days were great but on those cold nights all I could think of was cuddling up next to Miss Pam with that wonderful feeling of belonging and having a home. After five days of sticking my head in the door, Mr. Pam let me inside. He asked me if I learned a lesson as I passed him on the way to the couch.

On Saturday, I finally got to check on my buds at Dry Hill. Buddy told the Mayor that the FFA from Ripley was going to challenge the Halls FFA on building houses for my buds. That was the good news; the bad news was that only one of my friends and two cats found a home last week. Ben was adopted by Pat Watson and the cats' owner is Ciara Ouzts. Where did all the two leggers go?

The middle school kids in Ripley continue to help as they made another great donation of various items. Amber Hutcherson and Sue McBroom gave food. Gabby and Dalton Midkiff helped with puppy food and two bales of straw which will be used for bedding in the outside houses. Money donations came from Paul and Sue McLemore, Wayne and Tonya Dudney, and Mike and Libba Burns.

One of my new friends is Nuddy. This sleek, black Lab is neutered, house trained, follows commands, and loves kids. Of course he retrieves, even his food bowl. The howls at night have been extra beautiful lately due to our four young Coon Hounds. Max is a young and beautiful, brown and white, full blooded Border Collie. He is smart, his coat shines, and he is a natural at herding. Our pretty puppies include Dingo, a Rot/Shepherd mix, and Barney and Oscar, white spotted pups. Two Labs came in from Henning—one black and one chocolate. Both are full blooded, broad shouldered, friendly and good retrievers. I hope some one out there wants to rabbit hunt because there are two "nose-to-the-ground" Beagles wanting to be hunted. We also have three Shepherd puppies and two adult German Shepherds. Do old two leggers like old four leggers? I sure hope so because we have a number of mature buds that have outgrown

Halls 2007 CottonFest Graduate



PARTICIPANTS in the annual Halls CottonFest, held Oct. 20th at the Halls Air Base, learned the "art of cotton picking". Tahj Barlow, third from left, won first place in the youth division, Jessie Ellison won second place, and David Carr, 9, placed third. In middle photo, Johnnie Matthews, spoke with a contestant as Gwinn Matthews and Sheriff Steve Sanders weighed the cotton on vintage scales. In lower photo, Miss Tennessee, Grace Gore, is pictured with Gavin Hopkins, left, in front of a train which was presented to him at the festival by the Make A Wish Foundation. In the team division, the McGuire Boys won first, Team Action (Hintons), second, and the Concord Pickers, placed third. The men's individual winners included a tie for first place between father and son, Benny and Grant McGuire. Johnny Roberts placed second and Ricky McGuire, third. The women's division individual winners were Naomi King, first; Cristine Hinton, second; and Evelyn Chandler, third. First place contestants received a \$100 cash prize; second, \$50, and third, \$25.

all the puppy antics.

In closing, we sure could use some more houses and straw bedding. I hope you all can help. Thanks for everything! You two leggers have been great. So long from Dry Hill the Puppy Mill. Call us at 836-7387. Zeek Out!



AMANDA BOOKER, of Ripley, received her certificate as a licensed practical nurse in October. She accepted employment from Northside Medical Clinic in Jackson after graduating from the Practical Nursing program at the Tennessee Technology Center at Covington. Amanda chose to enter the program as a dislocated worker seeking a high-demand, expanding career field with the opportunity for upward mobility. She was awarded a Workforce Investment Act Needs Based Scholarship in addition to the Wilder-Naifeh Technical Skills grant, awarded through the Tennessee Lottery Scholarship program.

"She enrolled in the one-year intensive training program in the fall 2006 semester. It was a tough decision for her to make at the time. She had a newborn at home, but saw this as an opportunity to better the future of her family," said Melissa Bane, Tennessee Career Center Case manager.

She accepted a position as a graduate nurse while preparing for the state board exam. After passing the National Council Licensure Examination for the Practical Nurse, Oct. 5th, she has been promoted to an LPN position with the clinic.

Amanda resides in Ripley with her husband, Andy, and daughter, Reese, 17 months.

Halls In McKenzie Vs. 7-A's Champs

Halls High School's Tigers, led last week by Trinity Christian Academy, 52-15, visit McKenzie this Friday for the first round of the state play-offs.

McKenzie plays on a Jan., 2006, enrollment of 382, vs. 383 for Halls.

The Rebels were 10-2 last fall. They are 9-1 this season, and Region 7-A champs.

Coach Wade Comer (73-24) had only five of 22 starters back this fall,

but he has 14 seniors, including 2006 all-staters—

Derrick Carr (6-3, 195), quarter-back, who threw for nearly 2,400 yards and 24 TDs last fall as McKenzie scored 447 points in 12 games, an average 37 points per game.

Tyler Reeder (5-9,

230), in the offensive line and as line-backer.

Watch **Jake Johnson** (soph, 5-11, 180), who as a freshman rushed for nearly 500 yards.

McKenzie has led Dresden, 42-0, Bruceton, 35-0, Union City, 42-39, Huntingdon, 28-19, Gleason, 36-0, Greenfield, 41-8, West Carroll, 68-0, Lake County, 50-0, and South Fulton, 48-7, with a loss to Trenton, 34-24.

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short distance to the exit east for TN-152 toward Humboldt; after 14.2 miles east on 152, at US 70A and US 79, 32 miles to McKenzie; turn left onto TN-22 North (U-turn), to 23292 Hwy. 22.

Reg. 8-A Last Week

Fayette Acad. 35, Middleton 0
Trinity Christian 52, Halls 15
Manassas 26, Treadwell 6

8-A Final Standings

(For Four Play-Off Slots)

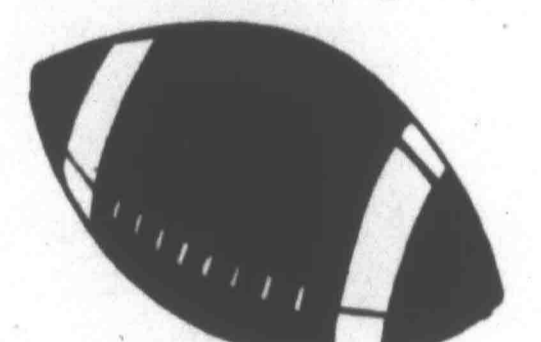
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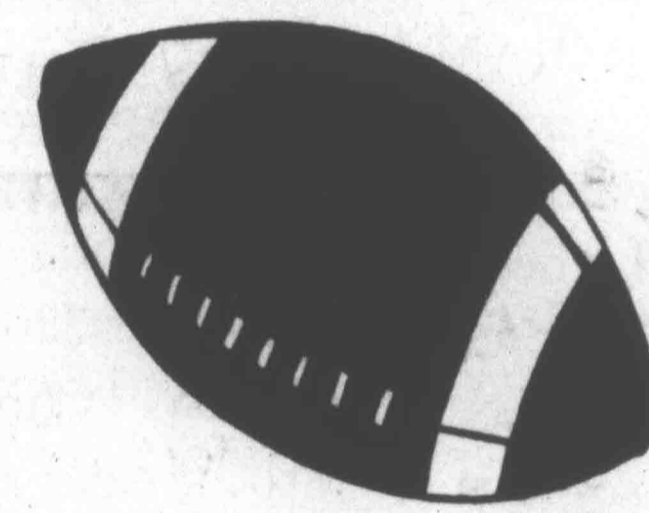
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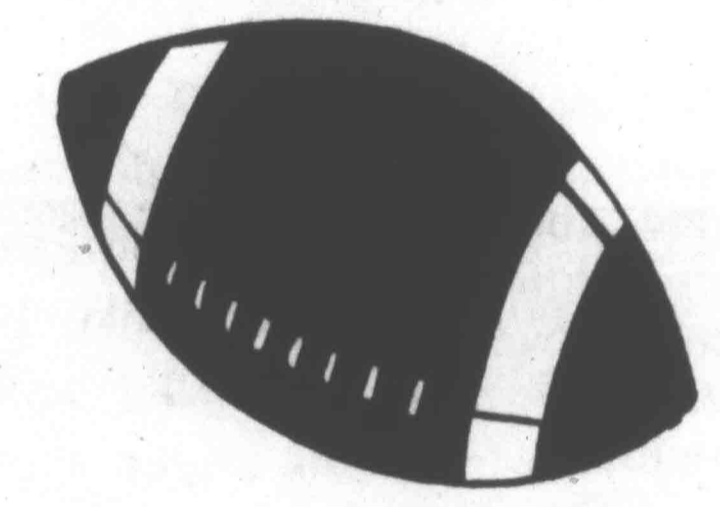
Aug. 24, *Gibson Cnty.* 17, Halls 7
Aug. 31 *Gleason* 38, Halls 13
Sept. 7 *Fayt, Ac, 14*, Halls 13
Sept. 14, *Greenfield* 22, Halls 14
Sept. 21 .. *Halls 14*, *Middleton* 7
Sept. 28, *Lake Cnty.* 32, Halls 19
Oct. 5 *Manassas* 40, *HHS* 7
Oct. 12 ... *Heath, Ky.* 48, *HHS* 14
Oct. 26 .. Halls 21, *Adamsville* 20
Nov. 2 *Trinity* 52, *Halls* 15
(Region Games In Bold Face)
Season: Halls 137, Foes 290
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pendability of the employees and the weakness would be in the education. "Math is a necessary skill, that few can master," said Ring.

Governor Bredesen toured the Mega Site in Stanton by helicopter before arriving in Lauderdale County. He stated he was impressed with the amount of land, approximately 1,700 acres. It could bring in 17,000 jobs if a major auto assembly plant is built there. During the round-table discussion, the importance of infrastructure needs for communities to build more certified Mega Sites was stressed. The group, including several chamber, professionals, mayors, and business officials, from Lauderdale, Dyer, Tipton, Haywood, Fayette, and Madison counties, presented ideas and suggestions and sought aid from the Governor, Commissioner Kisher and Commissioner Farr.

One of the major weaknesses, expressed by several, was the education issue and the lack of proximity to regularly scheduled air traffic. An executive from Lasco Fittings stated that the company has asked teachers to tour the facility for a better overview of what the company needs in terms of employees, not just the workers on the floor, but office employees as well.

The visit was the first in a series of discussions in rural communities across the state, over the coming months, focusing on the rural economy. Programs such as the Rural Opportunity Initiative, the Rural Opportunity Fund, and the Orange Carpet Tour were highlighted.

COUNTY NRCS

Richard Cooke, District Conservationist for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Lauderdale County, reminds the citizens of Lauderdale County that wherever you live, in town or in the country, you depend on soil, water, air, plants, and animals. Cooke pointed out that these limited natural resources are the source of our food, building materials, clothing, and recreation. Cooke stated that employees of the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Ser-

School Score xxx

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Good Standing. Average Yearly Progress indicators showed good progress by all students in math and reading, even with the sub-groups who were lower in both reading and math.

"Overall we are pleased that we continue to see improvement," said Phillip Jackson, county school superintendent, "but we have a big challenge in graduation rates. All parents, citizens, and leaders must stress the importance of being in school, staying in school, and graduating on time."

vice (NRCS) work with landowners to help reduce soil erosion, protect water quality, and conserve wetlands and wildlife habitat.

Cooke said that NRCS employees provide free technical assistance to landowners to assist them to plan and apply soil and water conservation practices on the land. Cooke pointed out that the NRCS working cooperative with landowners to install soil and water conservation practices on the land has resulted in a 24% reduction in erosion rates in the past ten years. Less erosion means improved water quality as well as improved fish and wildlife habitat. The goal of the Natural Resources Conservation Service is to promote harmony between people and the land.

Cooke stated that the Natural Resources Conservation Service employees do not just work with farmers. They also provide free technical assistance to local and state governments, schools, community organizations, etc. to address natural resource needs of the community. Soils information available from the Natural Resources Conservation Service offices is a valuable tool for use in land use planning for individuals and groups.

For more information,

Materials Donated To Shelter



MEMBERS of Mrs. Windy Willette's Leadership and Development class, which is part of the Halls High School Future Farmers of America chapter, used donated materials Oct. 23rd to build dog houses for the Lauderdale County Animal Shelter.

contact the local NRCS office located at 301 Lake Drive, Ripley, or call at 635-7686 extension 3.

Birthdays

Nov. 8 - Scott Fullen, Timothy Cummings, Katharine Garner, Teresa Vandergriff, Deloris Keel, Justin Harris, Josh Newman, Raygen Escue, Bailey Crook, Seeley Layne, Paul Morris, Hunter Farley, Amber Smith, Luke Fain.

Nov. 9 - Sue Chalk, Kacie Land, Linda N. Braden, Robert Hurt, Timothy Ray Belton, Jim Patton, Joe T. Escue, Sr., Lillian Smith May, Tanner Ream, Hattie Fields.

Nov. 10 - Mike Hutcherson, Shelia Thurmond, Paul Koonce, DeLane Land, Annette Brasfield, Carolyn Taylor.

Nov. 11 - Jeff McBride, Sharon Hammond, Jayne Pipkin, Bill McWherter, D. J. Freeman, Joe Morris, Ashley E. Douglas, Donna Watts, Glenn Terry, Chuck Nelson, Tom Dailey, Marilou Robison, Jawan Gaica, Barbara Eskridge, Brent Burton, Gunnar Mann, Marie Florek, Ray Taylor, Ward Kiestler.

Nov. 12 - Mike Scofield,

VETERANS PROGRAM 2007 Lauderdale Christmas Parade

A Veterans Day Program and reception will be held at 3 p.m., Saturday, November 10th at the Veterans Museum on the Halls Airbase. Veterans of all wars are invited, as well as spouses and/or children of veterans. The program will feature the "Day of Infamy" speech delivered by Franklin D. Roosevelt (Dale McCaslin).

Dennis Pappas, Molly Claire Farley, Milton Garrett, Davenor Caldwell, Kevin Henderson, Jr., JoAnne Loving, Sharon Crowson, Tisa Crowson.

Nov. 13 - Brantley Tillman, Duncan Ing III, Johnny Holt, Finley Green, Jr., Mike Galloway, Johanna Carmack, Mary Sue Home, Jimmy Hastings, Logan Carter, Phillip Morris, Caitlin Mitchell, Chachonnefer Driver, Justin Gesford, Sherry Wright, Austin Jones, Don Mullins.

Nov. 14 - Sharon Galloway, Kristina Edwards, Jerry Little, Dale V. Troiano, Katy Patterson, Rob Odum, Sharon Hargett, James Blaylock, Jereeka Temple, Christopher Maners, Allorie Smith, Kristen Ables Mooney, Sharon Latham.

The 2007 Lauderdale County Christmas parade will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, November 29th, with a 'Christmas in Toyland' theme.

Anyone, who wishes to participate, must have entry forms turned in by Monday, November 26th, at the Lauderdale County Chamber/ECD, 123 S. Jefferson St., Ripley, TN 38063 or fax, 731-635-9064. For more information or rules, call 731-635-9541.

The Henning parade is set for 6 p.m. Friday, November 30th.

The Halls parade is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 27th, with the line-up at 6 p.m.

Divorces

Justin Michael Baynes vs. Gina Louise Hicks Baynes.

Joyce Hancock Hinson vs. Dalton Lynn Hinson.

Deborah Savley Shoemaker vs. Dwight Franklin Shoemaker, Jr.

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Staph Infection We'll Observe In Halls School Thanksgiving

Parents and guardians received a letter last week from the Lauderdale County Coordinated School Health coordinator, Janie Sweat, RN, and Bitsy Ballard, RN, Halls Schools, informing them of a "few students within the Halls schools that had developed symptoms of a skin infection caused by staphylococcus aureus or "staph" as it is commonly known." Most staph skin infections are minor and can be easily treated.

John Sammons, personnel director at the Lauderdale County School administration, stated it was only three or four students in Halls Elementary School and it was not the MRSA infection. The school is cleaning regularly and disinfecting common areas. In addition to regular cleaning, schools are conducting additional cleaning with a disinfectant that kills staph bacteria.

Parents are asked to monitor their children closely and pay particular attention to any type of minor cut, abrasion, or scrape. Ensure it is completely covered with a bandage during the school day. If a child develops an infection or illness, consult a physician and report any diagnosed illness or skin infection, so that officials may continue to monitor infections as they occur.

For more information, call the Lauderdale County Health Department, your child's school nurse, or the Lauderdale County School System's Office of Coordinated School Health, 221-0939.

At this time, Halls Elementary is the only school with reported staph infections. According to Mr. Sammons, some of the other schools have started disinfecting their schools to prevent any infections.

We'll Observe Thanksgiving

The offices of *The Lauderdale County Enterprise* and *The Halls Graphic*, at 145 E. Jackson, Ripley, will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22nd, and Fri., Nov. 23rd, to re-open at 8 a.m. Mon., Nov. 26th.

Mail subscribers should note that despite our normal mailing on Wednesday, absence of delivery service on Thanksgiving Day may delay delivery until Friday.

Agency Schedules USDA Distribution

Delta Human Resource Agency, funded by the Department of Human Services and the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, will distribute commodities in Lauderdale County between the hours of 8 until 10 a.m. Wed., Nov. 21st at the Ripley Senior Center, 149 Nelson St.; Rice Park, 107 Watkins St.; Halls Senior Center, 605 Airport St.; and Henning City Hall, 105 S. Main St.

Proof of income must be brought to the site if you do not have a new card. The EBT card is not proof of eligibility. Bring someone to carry the bag to your car. Commodities will be given on first come first serve.

2007 Annual FCE Holiday Tasting

The 2007 annual F.C.E. Holiday Tasting and Country Store will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, November 17th, at Ripley High School.

For more information, call Rachel Erwin at 635-9551.

Teachers Tour Center Inducted



MEMBERS of the Lauderdale County Retired Teachers Association toured the University of Tennessee at Martin Ripley Center Nov. 7th during their meeting. Youlanda Jones, director, led the tour and Frances Jacox gave the devotional. The next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 5th at the Bank of Ripley.



BETH SADLER, daughter of Dennis and Felicia Sadler, of Arlington, formerly of Halls, was inducted Nov. 8th into the Omicron Delta Kappa and Pi Delta Phi Honoraries. She is a graduate of Halls High School. The granddaughter of Dotsy Olds Sadler, of Halls, she is a senior at Millsaps College in Jackson, Miss., where she is pursuing a major in English with a concentration in creative writing and a French minor. Omicron Delta Kappa is a national leadership honorary that honors leadership in five areas on college campuses, including scholarship, athletics, publications, service, and the arts. Pi Delta Phi is the national French honorary. In addition to membership in these honoraries, she is a member of Sigma Lambda, the national service honorary, and Oak Leaf Society, the Millsaps athletic honorary. Beth is also the risk management officer for Delta Delta Delta Fraternity, captain of the Millsaps Majors tennis team, and the vice-president of the English club.

Gates Board Retiring Shifts Meets

Monday's meeting of Gates aldermen changed their meeting date to 6 p.m. the first Monday of each month.

To conform with state law, Gates now bans smoking in the town's vehicles as well as in its buildings.

Aldermen accepted a bid of \$5,000, by Riley Construction, to install culverts at the property of Alberta Palmer at 154 Bells Alley.

HHS Sponsors A Christmas Pageant

Halls High School student council will sponsor the Miss Merry Christmas pageant at 7 p.m. Friday, November 16th, in its gym.

For more information, call Joni Ketchum or Mary Jo Crihfield at 836-9642.



CARL NEWMAN will be honored with a retirement reception from 1 to 3 p.m. Thursday, after 40 years of employment with Forked Deer Electric Cooperative, at the Halls office. He plans to retire after having served in several positions including a member of the right of way crew, apprentice lineman, journeyman lineman, line superintendent, and assistant manager. In fact, FDEC is the only place Carl has worked since his high school graduation, except for five months in 1972. The public is invited to share the occasion with him, his family, and friends.

Halls Gates Rotary Recycling Effort

The Town of Halls and the Halls Gates Rotary Club have partnered together to (Continued On Page 8.)

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REFUGE CLOSURES

The Reelfoot and Isom National Wildlife Refuges will be closed November 15th through March 15th to provide winter habitat for waterfowl and eagles. Grassy Island waters, including boat ramp, will be closed to public through January 31st. Long Point and Lake Isom will be closed through March 15th.

"However, three observation towers are open to the public year round to view wildlife, said Randy Cook, project leader of the West Tennessee Refuge Complex. At the Long Point unit, the main entrance road off of Kentucky Hwy. 1282 is open to the public to view the significant numbers of waterfowl and eagles from the observation tower. At the Grassy Island unit, the road

at Walnut Log provides access to a boardwalk, trail, and observation tower. Lake Isom National Wildlife Refuge has an observation tower located on Grassy Island that is open for wildlife viewing opportunities. All observation towers have ramps and platforms for access by members of the public with disabilities. For more information, call 731-538-2481.

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Bridal Courtesies



ALLYSON JENNINGS and John Allen Noblin, center, were honored with a "Throughout the Year" shower Sept. 22nd at the Halls home of Trey and Tonya Hurt. The shower was co-hosted by Ray and Ali Hurt, Justin and Melissa Meeks, and Jimbo and Glenda Ward, of Halls, plus, not pictured, Paul and Elizabeth Lague, of Ripley. In lower photo, Allyson, center, of Halls, was honored Sept. 30th with a Pampered Chef party at the Halls home of Jami Meadows. Co-hostess was Debbie Nolen, of Halls.

Birthdays

Nov. 15 - Ryan Hamilton, Albert Sanders, Jamie Feltus, Jean Carter, Kassi Buckner, Vancilla "Cookie" Pitts, Dairl Littles, Jonathan Strantz, Crockett Williams, Clint Holmes, James Marion Smith, Ashley Ferguson, Kimberly Helton, Martha Dean Robertson, Dan Houston, Leonard Smith, Andrew Swope, Frances Fitzhugh, Melanie Kesler.
Nov. 16 - Cassie Savage,

Bob Ennis, Johnny Hutcherson, Deno Harrison, Bradley Harrell, William Harmon, III, Cheshier Criehtfield, Frank Dailey, Leah Beth Jacobs, Amanda Jacobs, Brenda Thurmond, Dell Meter, Mary Evelyn Pennington, Kailyn Carmack, Gunner Carmack.
Nov. 17 - Bill Rochelle, Cathy Best, Erma Sanders, James L. Smith, Erin Little Tims, Dickey Deaton, Kimberly Thebeau, Josh Hixson, Debbie Chipman, Pam McNeill Fee, Todd Smith, Peggy Scott, Avery Pattat, Jamie Bing, Mi-

AR Family Night



FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS of Halls Elementary School held the first accelerated reader family night Tues., Nov. 6th. Parents of second graders were invited to attend. Mrs. Beth Keen, HES librarian, demonstrated how to take an AR test and provided information for parents about the AR program. Parents and students were able to read books and take tests on the library's new computers. More family AR nights are planned throughout the school year.

Sanders, Michael Peyton Francis, Lexy Hume, Shelby Hammond, Alexus Hughes, Chris Rosson, Seth Carmack, Brad Butner.

Nov. 20 - Vicky Studard, Oma Jean Elder, Jordan King, Ashley Hutcherson, J. W. Campbell, Joseph Burns, Robert Hewes, Willie "Bill" Dunavant, Thomas Hutcherson, Jamec King, Taylor Herron.
Nov. 19 - Judy Dunaway, Larry McCoy, Joe Martin, John Michael Spoon, Willis Wheeler, James Vaden, Marilyn Broglin, Bree Wilson, Jud Miller, Clint Adams, Kayden Neal, Jim Layne, Melody Culver, Melissa

Nov. 21 - Logan Agee, Josh Parham, Albert A. Thornton, David Watts, Scott Johnson, Cynthia Shoemake, Carolyn Moore.

Marriages

November 3 - Darrell Brent Watkins, 25, to Heaven Leigh Wilks, 19, by Lee Bennett.

November 4 - William Roger McCoy, Jr., 53, to Donna Sue Reynolds, 47, by J. Randy Cooper.

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—Seneca

Obituaries

Erby T. Hall

Erby T. Hall, 85, of Covington, father of Erbytime Hall, Jr., of 4080 Craig Rd., Ripley, died Nov. 1st, in his home.

Rites were Saturday in St. Stephens Baptist Church in Covington, with burial in Dickens Cemetery at Burlington.

He had retired as a truck driver for the Corps of Engineers.

He was a member of Smith Grove Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Vertrice; other sons, Chattis and Clifford Hall, and daughters, Joyce Coleman, Kathy Maclin, and Sandra Fayne, of Covington; other daughters, Janice Hall, Cleo Kuykendall, and Starline Stotts, of Memphis, and Carolyn Richardson, Christine Handford, and Lois Wilson, of Milwaukee, Wis.; 27 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Athalena Jones

Athalena Jones, 91, retired cook, died Saturday in Crestview Healthcare in Brownsville.

Rites were set for noon Thursday in the Elam Baptist Church at Durhamville, with burial in its cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home of Henning, in charge.

She leaves cousins who looked after her, Willie D. Henning, of Ripley, Ruth Griffin, of Henning, Ada Sanders, of Brownsville, and Jerlene King, of Jackson.

Johnny Wright

Johnny Lee Wright, 55, of 1203 Woodville Rd., medical sales representative, died Monday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Woodville Cemetery.

He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

He leaves his wife, Glenda Steelman Wright; a son, Lee, of 1213 Central-Curve Rd.; sisters, Alice McCoy, of Ripley, and Judy Dunaway, of Cordova; and a grandchild.

'Sonny' Griggs, 'Tronics Expert

Charles Nathaniel "Sonny" Griggs, Jr., of 113-A Sarah Circle, Ripley, an electronics expert, died Friday in Veterans Hospital in Memphis, a few weeks after cancer of the pancreas was found.

Rites were Monday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery at Arp.

He had retired, after 26 years in the Air Force, as one of very few Chief Master Sergeants.

He was an electronics specialist, serving in Turkey and in Viet Nam.

After his retirement, he was active in Charles Griggs Building Materials at 216 N. Main in Ripley and as a fixer of computer problems, in which he aided this newspaper immeasurably.

He was a member of Ashport Baptist Church.

He was a member of the Ripley Rotary Club, for which he served as photographer, with a long, carefully maintained record of perfect attendance.

He had been a Scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts and had aided the Leadership Foundation, of Memphis.

He leaves his wife, Mary Lackey Griggs; sons, Charles III and Terry Lynn Griggs, his mother, Margaret Glidewell, his father and step-mother, Charles and Betty Griggs, and sisters, Cathy Bandy and Lynda Croisant, of Ripley; another sister, Janet Lockett, of Charleston, S.C.; and four grandchildren.

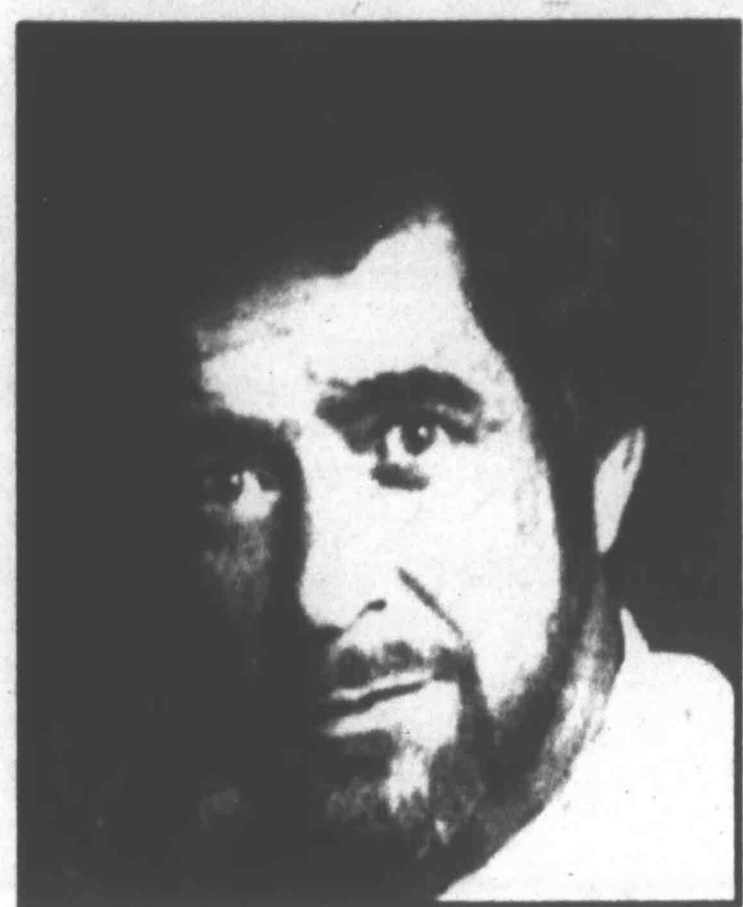
C. J. Powell

C. J. Powell, 88, of Memphis, father of Elaine (Mrs. Jimmy) Doss, of 765 Church, Henning, died Nov. 6th in Somerville.

Rites were Friday in Leewood Baptist Church on Macon Road in Memphis, where he was a member, with burial in Memphis Memory Gardens.

Survivors include his wife for 65 years, Isabelle; other daughters, Nancy Grider, of Memphis, and Diane Gayhart, of Hernando Beach, Fla.; six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Mourned



JOHN F. DOVER, 70, of Salisbury, N.C., brother of Nancy (Mrs. Buddy) Jackson, of 5090 Old Brownsville Road, Ripley, died Nov. 4th.

Rites were Thursday last week in Wyatt's Grove Baptist Church, with burial in a Veterans Cemetery.

He was the son of the late Jake and Willie Maye Dover.

He was a veteran of Navy service in Viet Nam.

Survivors include his wife, Vicki Miller Dover; a son, Travis O. "Tod" Dover, of Pomaria, S.C.; a brother, Ricky, of Bartlett; another sister, Pat Vickers, of Savannah; and a grandson.

Clark E. Gable

Clark E. Gable, 63, of Ripley, retired from work at a Fort Pillow prison, died Sunday in his home.

Rites were Tuesday in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, with Garner Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves his wife, Marilyn Browner Gable; a son, Joshua Lovelady, and daughters, Jessica Harrell, Melissa Davie, and Mary Murphy, of Ripley; brothers, William, of Dyersburg, and Lee, of Texas; a sister, Betty Foster, of Texas; and six grandchildren.

Jerry Don Moore

Jerry Don Moore, 63, of Obion, the father of Mark Moore, of Halls, died Monday of last week in Henry County Medical Center in Paris.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Cryer Funeral Home in Obion, with burial in Mt. Moriah Cemetery near Obion.

He was born at Fulton, Ky., July 2, 1944, to Lillian Williams Moore, of Obion, and the

Linda A. Glass

Linda A. Glass, 49, of Ripley, wife of Danny Glass, died Wednesday of last week, of cancer, in her home.

Rites and burial were Saturday at the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church west of Henning, with Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include her mother, Vernita Deberry, of Ripley; her father, Willie Taylor, of Indianapolis, Ind.; her father-in-law, James Franklin Glass, of Ripley; her daughters, Tiffany Glass, Bridgett Young, and Samantha Robertson, of Ripley; brothers, Jessie and Emmanuel Lee Deberry, and Johnny Temple, of Ripley, and Brian Taylor, of Indianapolis; sisters, Doreen and Emma Deberry, Annette Shaw, and Deloris Taylor, of Ripley, and Louise Maclin, of Decatur, Ill.; and six grandchildren.

Christie Brown, of Dyersburg; brothers, Earl, of Hornbeak, Dean, of Obion, and Glen and Raymond, of Kenton; sisters, Ann Bullion, of Obion, Becky Reeves, of Kenton, and Mary Helen Lovett, of Union City; and five grandchildren, including Cameron Moore, of Halls.

late Sam Moore.

Survivors include his wife, Sandra Fitzpatrick Moore; a daughter,

Mrs. Middleton

Carolyn "Diane" Middleton, 57, of 174 Dr. Parks Rd., Halls, an employee of S-R of Tenn. in Ripley, died Sunday, of heart failure, in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were set at 11 a.m. Thursday in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in Munford Cemetery in Covington.

She was born at Covington, Feb. 27, 1950, to the late Mr. and Mrs. John Absent Roane.

She leaves a daughter, Debra Ann Goss, of Enid, Miss.; brothers, Phillip D. Roane, of 651 Curve-Woodville Road, and George Roane, of Merigold, Miss.; and two grandchildren.

Christie Brown, of Dyersburg; brothers, Earl, of Hornbeak, Dean, of Obion, and Glen and Raymond, of Kenton; sisters, Ann Bullion, of Obion, Becky Reeves, of Kenton, and Mary Helen Lovett, of Union City; and five grandchildren, including Cameron Moore, of Halls.

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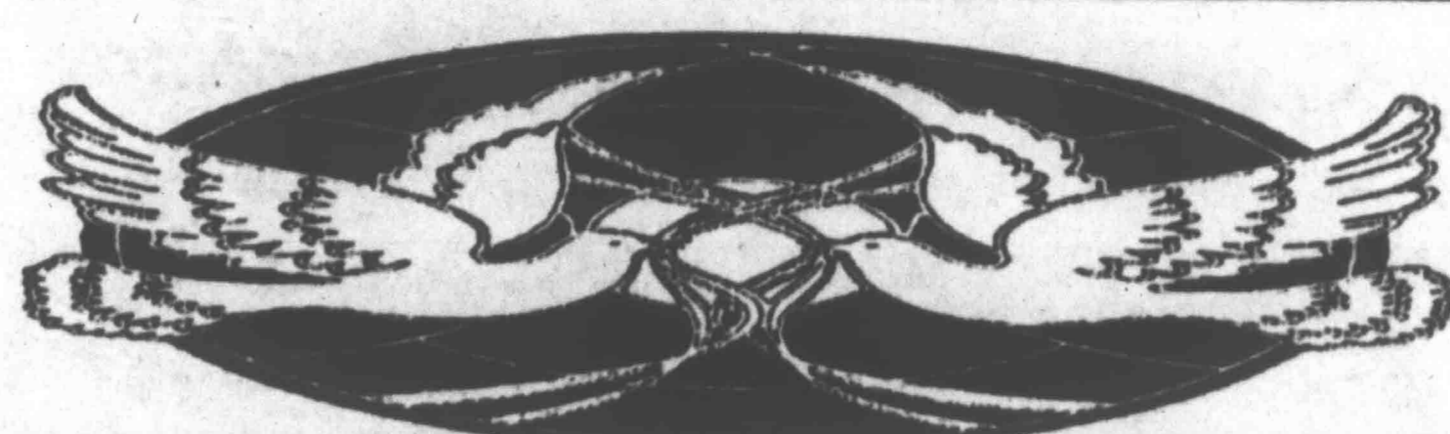
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Hutcherson Chapel Church of God, 1255 Dry Hill Rd. East, will hold its Thanksgiving service beginning at 10 a.m. Sun., Nov. 18th with a dinner to follow at noon and a singing at 1:30 p.m. featuring West Tennessee Bluegrass Gospel. The public is invited.

Poplar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian and Williams Chapel churches, located on Church Rd., Halls, will conduct a community Thanksgiving service at 5 p.m. Sun., Nov. 18th at the Presbyterian church with Jimmy Clay, pastor of Williams Chapel, delivering the message. Food and fellowship will follow the service. The public is invited.

Gershon McGregor will deliver the message at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sun., Nov. 18th at Abundant Life Assembly of God Church. Tommy Stanley, pastor, invites the public.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, located just off Hwy. 88 between Gates and Maury City, will hold its annual Thanksgiving supper and gospel singing beginning at 5:30 p.m. Sat., Nov. 24th. The Frog Jump Gospel Quartet and the Finchers will deliver selections at 7 p.m. A love offering will be taken. For more information, call Ashley or Caren Jordan, 656-4306.

Henning Grove Missionary Baptist Church, 10688 Edith Nankipoo Rd., Halls, will hold a gospel explosion and pastor's aide program at 2:30 p.m. Sun., Nov. 17th. The program will honor The Rev. Herman Emery and his wife, Vevelyn Emery. The public is invited.

Please remember that these listings can only contain church revivals or gospel singings, etc. Church yard sales or flea markets cannot be included, if an ad is not purchased.

Send your church happenings to our office or call, 635-1771.

FSA COMMITTEE VOTES

Ballots for this year's county committee election were mailed to eligible voters on November 2nd, 2007. Voters must complete their ballots and return them to the Farm Service Agency county office by the close of the business on Monday, December 3rd, 2007. If mailed,

ballots must be postmarked by midnight December 3rd. Zane Fisher was nominated in LAA 1, to serve as a committee member. Fisher resides at 6959 Henning-Orysa Road and has produced wheat, corn, cotton, and soybeans for 30 years.

Eligible voters in a local administrative area 1, who have not received a ballot, should contact the FSA

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Nov. 19th
Pizza
Cheeseburger
French Fries
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle
Pineapple Tidbits
Fruit Sherbet Cup
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 20th
Baked Ham
Chicken Breast Filet
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Green Beans
Apple
Orange Sections
Roll
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Wednesday, Nov. 21st To Friday, Nov. 23rd
No School
Thanksgiving Holiday

School Lunches

Ripley Primary School Halls Elementary School Pre-K to 3rd

Monday, Nov. 19th
Cheeseburger
French Fries
Fruit Sherbet Cup
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McKenzie Closes Halls Slate, 47-7

McKenzie's Rebels. Region 7-A champions, led Halls High School's Tigers 47-7 last week, in the first round of play-offs, to end Halls' season at 2-9.

Akin To Star In Local Boxers In DSCC Production Jackson Tournery

Adam Akin, of Halls, former Dyersburg State Community College and current University of Tennessee at Martin student, will star in ART at 8 p.m. Nov. 15th through the 17th in the DSCC Learning Resource Center lobby. He will join cast-mates, Corey Sawyers, of Newbern, DSCC student, and DSCC faculty member, Bobby Solmon, in the critically acclaimed play about friendship and the meaning of art. Other students and faculty serve as set, lighting, and sound designers, stage manager, costumes, props, and director. Tickets will be available at the door.

Brandon Smith, 9, 4th grade student at Halls Elementary School, and Elvis Ray, members of the Lauderdale County Boxing Team, competed Sat., Nov. 10th in the Jackson Golden Gloves Boxing Arena. Brandon lost a close decision to his Mississippi opponent. Elvis, in the heavyweight division, won his bout with a second round TKO over his Mississippi opponent. The team will compete Saturday in Covington.

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Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek here! Sure enough another Saturday and Mr. Pam got all dressed up in his orange pajamas and slippers along with his orange hat and I think it was orange pop. He sure likes that stuff. Then he kept hollern "Soo ee, Soo ee, get them hogs." He even hugged my neck one time and I didn't even have to perform that stupid "shake his hand and rollover for my treat," routine.

Miss Pam took me for a walk all she could talk about was how beautiful the trees were this year. Trees are good for two things, shade and target practice, especially when I am marking my turf.

Mr. Buddy pulled a smoothie. He crawled under a trailer and retrieved eight puppies out of the insulation, but he didn't bring the mama! Of course I got stuck with the chore of talking Goldie into playing nursemaid. I had to promise her double food rations and a place next to the heater. They sure would have a hard time running that place if it wasn't for me!

Clint and Ronnie enclosed the outside shed with metal this past week. That's where my big buds will bunk for the winter. A little straw or wood chips for their houses should finish up their winter needs. One problem, however, is there is always a bully or two that won't let my other bud's sleep with them; so we could use a few more houses. (hint, hint). I am about over that macho stuff myself, I'll even sleep with felines as long as they are warm.

I don't know what to do about Scooter. If he is off for one day I have to retrain him. He let Monty, the Husky, get away twice the other day. Of course, I had to track him down and convince him that Dry Hill was a much better place than roaming. Besides, he is the spitten image of a coyote. He could even get shot! It is hard being the top four legger. Not only do I have to handle all my bud's problems, I even have to cover for the two legger goof-ups. You can't believe all the griping and problems I must endure.

I look forward to Saturdays because Lisa and Jennifer always help with the clean-up and then they take us for walks. After Vickie does the cat room it is just like Saturday night at the two legger houses—everyone gets a good cleaning.

It was a good week. We picked up another house from Brenda Bountry, and Terry Uselton and Kay Jordon provided us with food. She will get my paw print as she will be running for alderman. Yes, I can be bribed, but the devil made me do it.

I helped pick out a puppy called Gizmo for my new eight year old friend, Lauren Ward. Bill Hickman hit a hole in one with me when he took home a terrier puppy and cat. Maggie, the Bassett, has a new owner, Ronnie Davis; and Max, the other Bassett, went home with Delbert and Hanna Shaw. All of my paper mutts, as I affectionally call them, from last week found homes. Heather Medford got Lucy, the beautiful German Shepherd, and Amanda and Reese Booker got Nuddy, the brilliant Black Lab. The Boarder Collie went to Elvis Byrd, of Covington, and two Dyersburg two leggers took home Jack and Cooper, Lab retrievers.

Mr. Buddy said that Saturday, the 17th, was the Blue

Halls Soccer League



MEMBERS of the Halls YMCA soccer league received trophies Sat., Nov. 3rd. This is the second year the Dyersburg YMCA has sponsored the soccer league at the Halls Community Center. The teams played for six weeks on Saturdays in Halls. Trent McManus, Town of Halls Mayor, is the president of the Dyersburg YMCA and helped coordinate the program in Halls. In upper photo, team members for the 7 years old and up include Magen Nelson, Molly Claire Farley, Conner Wright, Dayton Gay, Tanner Ream, Cade Moore, Alexis Dixon, Kirsten Solomon, Allyson Crum, Hailee Wallace, and Kennedy Crihfield, plus two unknown children from Dyersburg. In lower photo, 5 and 6 year old team members include Shane Freeman, Heather Bates, Grant Ream, Whit Hurt, Joseph Meeks, Sara Pruitt, Alexis Dixon, Brennan Seidel, Brecken Beasley, Jacob Hartsfield, Will Rasp, Grant Crihfield, Ashlie Pruitt, Rachel Hill, Alex Hurt, Jace Moore, Peyton Moeller, and Hayden Steelman, plus two unknown children from Dyersburg.

Light Special at Dry Hill. He said a donation of 50 lbs of food buys any four legger at the club. I double checked with him and Zeek is NOT part of his Blue Light Special!

Sassy is a pretty brown Lab who is still available along with three Coonhounds and a beautiful black and gray friendly German Shepherd. Fritz is a very

friendly Blue Tick. My two year old special friend, Topsy, has a rust colored coat with four white feet. His size is close to a Cocker Spaniel. He is very friendly and lonely. He has seniority at the Club and we need to find my good friend a home. I about forgot about the two Beagles and two Wire Haired Terriers whose eyes say "take me"! We also have

three small lappers and four beautiful puppies.

It's bedtime and I wish Mr. Pam would go to bed. I need that orange couch! Until next week, so long from Dry Hill the Puppy Mill.

Zeek Out!

P.S. Don's forget that spay and neuter thing—we are running out of room and food for all of the four leggers out here!

Honored



GAVIN HOPKINS, 3, son of Harry and Amber Hopkins, of Halls, was named as Grand Marshal of the City of Ripley Christmas Parade, to be held Nov. 29th. A few months ago, Gavin began having "focal seizures" and within two days had a full blown seizure. His parents carried him to Baptist Hospital Lauderdale where they were informed he had a large mass on his brain. They were immediately sent to Le Bonheur Children's Hospital in Memphis for extensive tests, as his seizures were steadily progressing. They were given two diagnoses, the first was a stroke and the other was a brain tumor.

The family found both diagnoses hard to accept. They were sent home with the stroke diagnosis and later called back to the hospital by a Neuro-Surgeon. They were convinced Gavin had a large brain tumor. His parents agreed to let the surgeons implant strips into Gavin's brain so they could map out where the seizures were coming from.

Three days after a successful operation, Gavin was ready to undergo a second surgery. It was thought to be successful, but when Gavin woke up, he was completely paralyzed on his left side. Within a few days, he was showing signs of improve-

ment. The doctors are certain that with lots of occupational and physical therapy, Gavin will walk again soon.

At the last appointment at St. Jude, the family learned that Gavin's tumor was malignant and there are still some abnormalities on his brain. Gavin's tumor was extremely rare and there have only been 18 reported cases in the world. Almost all of the tumors have grown back. He will need to be monitored for any changes.

He started having pain in his right foot and a spinal MRI showed something growing inside his spinal cord. The family hoped it was only a cyst. It was removed Aug. 13th, because it was compromising his right side, pinching nerves and compressing his spinal cord flat.

He has an older brother, Justin, 7, and is the grandson of Paul King, of Hornbeak, and Harry and June Hopkins, of Ripley.

He was granted a wish last month by the Make-A-Wish Foundation. He loves trains and was given his very own train that his father will be driving him in for the parade.

His train, "Gavin's Express", will help to usher in the Christmas season during the "Christmas In Toyland" themed parade.

Land Transfers

Nov. 4th–Nov. 10th

Calvin Cooper and Clara Cooper to Randy Newman and Sheila Newman, Dist. 2, lot.

Debeta Mae Mitchell to Jack Scoggins and Christine Scoggins, Dist. 3, 2 tracts and 0.20 acre.

Bank of New York, TR, to William Harmon III and Lynn Harmon, lot.

Raymond Dale Conrad and Beth Conrad to Noel Morgan and Martha Morgan, Dist. 3, lot.

Asfaw Keskesa and Belainesh Keskesa to Tejas K. Patel, Dist. 2, 0.93 acre.

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Recycling xxx (Continued From Front Page.)

provide an opportunity for the residents of Halls and Gates to recycle paper, plastic, and aluminum. There is a large three compartment container located on Front Street in front of the fire department. The recycling container will be painted soon to improve its appearance. The first container is for aluminum, the second for plastic products, and the third for all paper products.

Why should you take the time to separate your garbage and recycle? The money that is made will all go to improving the Town's parks; it won't cost you anything, all the town wants are things that you would throw away; you will be helping the environment and putting reusable materials directly back into use; and you will be helping create jobs as the Town of Halls and Gates have recycling industries.

SOCIETY INDUCTEE

David Koonce, of Dyersburg, son of Boe and Shirley Dancy, of Gates, was inducted into Gamma Beta Phi Society at Bethel College November 4th. This organization recognizes character, scholarship, and service to the communities. Inductees must maintain a 3.5 grade point average or higher. David currently has a 4.0 average. He plans on graduating in August, 2008 with a Bachelor of Science and Operational Management.

NOMINATE A TEACHER

Humanities Tennessee is accepting nominations for the 2008 Awards of Recognition for Outstanding Teaching of the Humanities. Any full-time public or private, 3rd through 12th grade, school teachers in Tennessee are eligible. This award is avail-

Educational Mini Grants



PAM GREEN, teacher at Halls Elementary School, pictured with Pat Carmack, principal, and her classroom, is among the teachers at Lauderdale County's schools that were awarded over \$16,000 in Educational Mini-Grants by the Bank of Ripley last week. The county-wide program was initiated by the bank in 1996 and was designed to bridge the gap in educational funding to allow teachers to enhance their curriculum for the benefit of their students. In the 12 years since its inception, the bank has awarded approximately \$181,000 to fund these educational needs. Seventy-five teachers applied for this year's grants, which offer an award up to \$300 per classroom. Dubbed the "Expanding Mind Grant Program", all teachers are eligible to apply through an applications process which identifies the educational need and addresses how the grant will benefit the students. The focus of the program is to challenge teachers to find new and creative ways to improve test scores in the school system. Awards were based in the results of blind scoring conducted by reviewers selected from a cross section of county citizens. Recipients will showcase their grant programs beginning in April 2008. Craig Fitzhugh, chairman/CEO of the Bank of Ripley, said, "We are pleased to provide the Educational grants to these outstanding teachers. They really do a wonderful job in implementing these programs and our students and county reap the benefits. We appreciate their commitment to the continuous improvement of our school system."

able to teachers who demonstrate excellence in teaching the humanities and make the humanities an important part of their students' lives. Disciplines in the humanities include, but are not limited to, the study and interpretation of language, literature, history, philosophy and religion, social studies, and the history and theory of the arts. Each recipient will receive a \$2,000 fellowship for profes-

sional development in the humanities and their school will receive \$1,500 grants to be used for the purchase of humanities instructional materials or for student humanities project.

Any Tennessean may nominate a teacher, but should first contact and receive permission from the nominee, since the nominee plays a critical role in the preparation of the nomina-



TARA HUTCHISON, teacher at Halls Junior High School, is pictured with her classroom.



CHRIS BUTNER, teacher at Halls High School, is pictured with Ashley Adkins and Julie Neal, of the Bank of Ripley.

tion application. 615-770-0006, ext. 17. Draft To obtain a nomination nominations must be post-packet, call Paul McCoy at marked by December 31st.

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Held As Bank Robber Who Wrote It His ID

Tuesday of last week, a federal grand jury in Memphis charged Robert Stokes, 33, of Memphis, with robbery of the Bank of Ripley, Oct. 19th, and the Trustmark Bank at 9931 U.S. Hwy. 64 at Arlington, Nov. 5th.

In the Arlington bank, he is alleged to have partially completed an account application with his correct name, birth date, Social Security number, and his finger-prints, before he gave a teller a note demanding money, with which he escaped.

The application he left behind led to search of his home, which allegedly provided evidence of the two bank robberies and

Man Escapes Flipped Truck

Jerry Lee Crowder, Jr., 37, of Edith Nankipoo Rd., Ripley, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence Sunday after his vehicle, a 2007 Ford F-

150, diverted off the shoulder of Highway 51 and overturned, according to an article in Dyersburg's *State Gazette*. Officers found him in Halls, after he had walked away from the wrecked truck and returned him to the scene, at approximately 3:30 a.m. where he failed a field sobriety test. Crowder told officers he was returning from Chequers bar in Dyersburg when the accident occurred. A witness from Memphis informed officers, he was traveling southbound, traveling slowly in the dense fog, when Crowder's truck drove up behind him at a high rate of speed and ran off the shoulder.

five other robberies:

Friendly Quick Stop, at 5510 Stage Road, Bartlett, Oct. 16th.

Blimple Hamburger, at 6600 Stage Road, Bartlett, Oct. 17th.

Payless Shoes, at 8043 Hwy. 51, Millington, Oct. 17th.

Kroger Gas Station at 3860 Austin Peay Hwy., Oct. 18th.

Cash Advance, Covington, Oct. 19th.

County Reports Needs Far Under Others In State

Lauderdale County, 54th of 95 in the state in population and 60th in population growth, 1990-2003, is 93rd of 95 in public needs (2004-2009) cited by county officials to the Tenn. Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.

Lauderdale needs reported by county officials:

Water / Wastewater, 9.7 million dollars (\$360 per capita vs. state-wide \$542).

Schools, 4.8 million dollars (\$1,070 per student vs. state-wide \$1,374).

Transportation, 1.9 million dollars (\$70 per capita vs. state-wide \$2,316).

Other, 2.4 million dollars.

The total, 18.8 million dollars, is 32% (8.8 million dollars) less than last year's report. The sources of this dramatic reduction in needs reported are not detailed in

the latest TACIR report, which will be consulted by many agencies considering grants or loans to the county, in competition with others.

Shannon Pleads Guilty Of Coke

Dervin L. Shannon, 23, of 221 Pearl Drive, Halls, has pleaded guilty, in the Dyer County Circuit Court, to possession of more than half a gram of cocaine with intent to sell and to sale of such.

A charge of possession of marijuana was dismissed.

Thanksgiving Celebrated



THIRD GRADE STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School celebrated an early Thanksgiving Fri., Nov. 16th by having a "feast" in the hallway. They shared a common "table" on the floor and ate various snacks. Each class participated and some students were dressed as Indians.

Miss Merry Christmas Royalty



PENNY ARCHIBALD, second from left, daughter of Shane and Melissa Archibald, was crowned Miss Merry Christmas Saturday at Halls High School, sponsored by the student council. Her court included, from left, Cassie King, second maid, daughter of Melody and Joey King; Tania Steel, first maid, daughter of Calvin and Avis Steel; and Kelsey Layne, third maid, daughter of Jim and Veronica Layne.

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RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICE

Take notice that Rebecca C. McWilliams has applied to Lauderdale County for a certificate of compliance and has or will apply to the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission at Nashville for a retail liquor license for a store to be named Wine & Spirits of Halls and to be located at 11722 Highway 51 North, Halls, TN 38040 and owned by Rebecca C. McWilliams, 11982 Highway 51 North, Halls, TN 38040

All persons wishing to be heard on the certificate of compliance may personally or through counsel submit their views in writing to Halls, TN not later than 6:00 p.m. December 06, 2007.

The Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission will consider the application at a date to be set by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission in Nashville, Tennessee. Interested persons may personally or through counsel submit their views in writing by the hearing date to be scheduled by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

Anyone with questions concerning this application or the laws relating to it may call or write the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission at 226 Capitol Blvd., Building Suite 300, Nashville, TN 37243-0755, 615-741-1602.

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Nov. 24 - Heather Gitchell, Heath Hughes, Brent Lankford, Mike Chisholm, Brian Vaughn, Melinda Meeks, Tiffany Chip-

man, Sue Hume, Kathryn Anderson, Brandy Stutts, Jonathan Swope.

Nov. 25 - Stacy Watson Myracle, Bobby Prescott, Vicki Rose, Melinda Carmack, James Hawks, Kyle Terry, Elizabeth Webb, Martha Dawson Taylor, Dan Douglas, Catherine Forsythe, Anna Morris, Alice Welch, Jeffrey Edwards, Hanna Tinker, Glenda Prater.

Nov. 26 - Steve Bringle, Lynda Buffalo, Carey Ray Ward, Paul Avery, Jr., Mike Carmack, Donnie York, Kristy Kidd, Bonnie Arwood, Melinda Meeks, Jacob Matthews, Kevin

Matley.
Nov. 27 - Gail Douglas, Dave Burris, J. Michael Carmack, Rickey Terry, Jr., Bill Sumrow, Jr., Dorris Harrison, Wayne Oswald, Michael Lowe, Andrew Criner, Elizabeth Edwards.

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Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek Here! This past week was special. Miss Pam and I went to the Helen Tucker Center. We had a grand time and I finally got the attention I deserve. I got some great massages, hugs, and treats; and of course I thanked my new friends with some juicy licks. I got to renew my friendship with Craig Tucker; he sure is a great guy. I wanted to sit on his lap, but Miss Pam said I had to mind my manners or I might not get invited for a return trip. I also made new friends with Rudy, Mike, John, and Cathy. They were doing a work project, but they took time out for me—which made me feel extra special. I can't wait for a return trip, but I would like to go at lunch time so I can demonstrate my begging skills.

Mr. Pam was real nervous during Saturday's game. He was mumbling a lot and he kept saying "there goes that \$30!" I was on one end of his orange couch and he just kept shaking his head, I guess his neck was hurting.

Yea! Ra! Halls' FFA! They made their third donation since school started. They brought out 300 pounds of food! I am beginning to wonder if the Ripley FFA students can read. (hint, hint) James Hall dropped off 90 pounds of food and Latrica Turner, Margie Stran, and Nick and Emily Lewis also made sizeable food contributions. Adoptions this week include the Fiist puppies, Pete and Repeat, to Melissa Rose. Tori Terry took home Zip, a lively Beagle mix puppy.

I was threatened eviction from the couch by Miss Pam if I didn't tell you all about two male, solid-black cats that were surrendered this week. They have always lived inside and are neutered and litter-box trained. They tell me they like kids and other four leggers. During my interview with them they seemed OK. They didn't "fur-up" like the average cat. When a cat "fur-up" is when my instincts lead me down the wrong path. I've been praying for help with this trait since Miss Pam says I am supposed to set an example as Chief four legger of the Dry Hill Country Club. The older I get, the softer I become. I wonder if it is the same way with two leggers.

Buddy said he would keep the blue light special going for another week. A 50 pound food donation will buy any four legger in the club except myself, Lucky, and Dixie. What does Buddy mean when he says we are special, but not that special?

The Club has a number of small inside four leggers. Most of them are terriers that are typically smart, lively, and protective. We also have some fat and healthy puppies in the range of three to four months old. Outside, we have Fran, a mix of German Shepherd and Husky. She has blue eyes with a shiny black coat with a white chest, four white feet, and white tipped tail. She also has white on her head and ears. Goldie is a loving, ma-

ture Yellow Lab that can grow older with some caring two legger. Booty is a very friendly bob-tailed blue Healer. She has all of the fall colors combined in her coat. Nick is a one year old hound with a coat of four colors which makes him especially attractive. He is friendly, tame, and well mannered.

My special two legger friends will be making home-made Christmas cookies. They will have them for sale on Monday, December 17th. You can get 5 dozen for \$15 and they will deliver them to your location. Place your order at the club 836-7387 (pets) or 635-5212 (Lynn-wed's Market). The proceeds will be used for improved living conditions at the club. I think every business should give a cookie to their customers. Place those orders so I can see Miss Pam and Mr. Pam in the kitchen dropping some crumbs on the floor! Oh yes,—save a turkey leg for me!

Zeek Out

December Nuptials Set



KRYSTAL DAWN WARD, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brandon Ward, of Nankipoo, will marry **Bradley Shane Adams**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Mathis, of Crockett County, and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Adams, of Dyersburg, at 2 p.m. Dec. 8th in Halls First Baptist Church with a reception to follow in the church's fellowship hall. All family and friends are invited.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ward, of Nankipoo, and Dorris Puckett, of Friendship.

A 2007 graduate of Halls High School, she plans to obtain an LPN degree from the Ripley Technology Center.

The groom-elect is the grandson of Bessie Spoon and the late Johnnie Spoon, of Halls, and Pazetta Adams and the late Aaron Adams, of Dyersburg.

A 1998 graduate of Crockett County High School, he is employed by Tommy Hughes Farms, of Brownsville, and is a Lieutenant, of Halls Volunteer Fire Department.

Anniversaries

Nov. 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dickens, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Hilliard, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Tillman.

Nov. 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Norfleet Anthony, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Glen Privett, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Booker, Mr. and Mrs. James Van Dyke, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hargett, Rev. and Mrs. Leon Seratt.

Nov. 24 - Mr. and Mrs. Brian Fiedler, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bracco.

Nov. 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Parham, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hogue.

Nov. 26 - Mr. and Mrs. Bubba Klutts, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Richards, Mr. and Mrs. Donny Noblin, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Dudley.

Nov. 27 - Mr. and Mrs. F.B. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Forsythe, Mr. and Mrs. Randy

Marriages

November 10 - James Edward Vaden, Jr., 41, to Krista Gay White, 32, by Robert McBroom.

Donnie Franklin Reed, Jr., 36, to Brooklyn Elaine Manners, 20, by Donnie Reed, Sr.

November 11 - Rhea Donald Hargett III, 24, to Lindsay Danielle Powell, 19, by Robert R. Taylor, Jr.

November 16 - Carlos Ladale Rice, 34, to Meredith Victoria Anderson, 35, by James Anderson.

Danley, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Feakins, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Benjamin, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. McNeill.

Nov. 28 - Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Crook, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ward.

Land Transfers

Nov. 11th-Nov. 17th
Lawrence Adkisson and Pauline Adkisson to Song Lents, 0.5 acre.

Ezra Cates to Michael Olds and Leighann Olds, Dist. 16, tract.

Daniel R. Beaird to Mark A. Bradley and Elisa J. Bradley, Dist. 6, 0.406 acre.

Joe Young to Darren Sparks, Dist. 12, 2.01 acres.

Stephen Russell and Deborah F. Russell to Burrell L. Kissell and Lisa J. Kissell, 0.52 acres.

William Harmon, Brenda Lynn Harmon, Billy M. Harmon, Willie Mae Harmon, and Harmon Enterprises to Bennie L. Blue, Dist. 2, lot.

Gary N. Konkle to Felicia Cooper, Dist. 2, 0.36 acres.

Obituaries

Barry Harber

Barry Harber, 55, of Ripley, an employee of Marvin Windows and Doors, died Tuesday in Ripley.

Services are set for 10 a.m. Thursday, November 22nd, at Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Mary's Chapel Cemetery.

He was a Marine veteran and a Pentecostal.

He leaves his wife, Alice Harber, sons, Chris and Ritchie Cartwright, and daughter, Debbie Bryson, all of Ripley; other daughters, Malinda Mouser and Melissa Cansler, both of South Haven, Miss.; his father, Charles Harber; brothers, Phillip Harber, of Memphis, and Randy Harber, of Mississippi; a sister, Phyllis Harber, of Canada; and six grandchildren.

Mary Harding

Mary Lee Harding, 86, of Ripley, widow of Emmitt Harding, died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Saturday in Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, west of Ripley, with burial there.

She leaves sons, Emmitt, Jr., and Eugene, of Ripley, and Elton, of Louisville, Ky.; a daughter, Quinstella Thompson, of Ripley; sisters, Ella Vera Henning, of Illinois, and Mattie Holloway, of Milwaukee, Wis.; 18 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren; and eight great-great-grandchildren.

Kavontay Britt

Kavontay Antwon Britt, infant son of Yolanda Britt, of Gates, was mourned in rites Nov. 10th in Currie's Funeral Home in Henning, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery at Henning.

He died Nov. 4th in Baptist Hospital Tipton in Covington.

Survivors include his great-grandfather, Leroy Britt, and his grandfather, Paul Britt, of Kewanee, Ill., and his grandmother, Eva Shaw, and his step-grandfather, McKenzie Thompson, both of Halls.

Curry Hendren

Rites Thursday of last week in Dyersburg Funeral Home, with burial in Veterans Cemetery in Memphis, mourned Curry Thomas Hendren, 77, step-father of Gloria Ator, of Halls.

He died Nov. 8th in the Covenant Care Center in O'Fallon, Ill.

He had retired as a chief master sergeant in the Air Force, after 28 years' service.

Son of the late Curry V. and Monnie Mae Hendren, he was a 1947 graduate of Dyersburg High School.

He was a member of Fowlkes Baptist Church.

He was the widower of Della Ruth Hendren.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Jean Pilkington Hendren; a son; four daughters; two other step-children; two brothers; nine grandchildren; six step-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchildren.

Mr. Etheridge

Thomas "Cutter Dowdy" Etheridge, 79, of Dyersburg, brother of Leon Etheridge, of Henning, died Nov. 12th in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

A memorial service was held Thursday of last week in Curry Funeral Home in Dyersburg.

He was the son of the late James and Arner Lee Davis Etheridge.

A self-employed mechanic, he attended Evansville Free Holiness Church.

Survivors include sons, Earl and Roy, and a daughter, Shirley Gladden, all of Dyersburg; seven grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Smith

Dorothy A. Smith, 82, of Ripley, a retired nursing assistant, died Monday in Methodist North Hospital in Memphis.

Services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, November 21st, at Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Walnut Grove Cemetery.

The widow of Forrest Smith, she leaves sons, Forrest A.

Grieved Mourned



RICHARD 'R.C.' WILLIARD, 64, of Rockwall, Texas, died November 14th from complications of diabetes and other health problems.

Services were at 11 a.m. Monday, November 19th, at Rest Haven Funeral Home in Rockwall, with burial in Rest Haven Memorial Park in Rockwall.

He spent over 30 years in sales.

He leaves his wife of 43 years, Faye (Grear) Willard, and son, Richard, Jr., of Rockwall; a daughter, Angela Willard Cook, of Rowlett, Tex.; four brothers; a sister; and four grandchildren.

Daniel Seratt

Daniel T. Seratt, 41, of Dyersburg, brother of DeShawn G. Lascure, of Halls, died Nov. 4th in Dyersburg Regional Hospital.

A memorial service was held Nov. 9th in Curry Funeral Home in Dyersburg.

Formerly employed by Ford Construction Co., he had been a member of the Mid-South Riders.

Survivors include his mother, Joann Seratt Eskew, a brother, George T. Seratt II, sisters, Julie Baker and Tina Hendrix, and his son, Timothy, all of Dyersburg; a daughter, Sabrina Seratt, of Bells; another brother, James, of Newbern; and another sister, Patsy Wizer, of Niles, Mich.

Smith and Jerry Smith, of Memphis, and William Russell Smith, of Nashville; brothers, Leonard Escue, of Bartlett, and Walter Escue, of Memphis; a sister, Betty Dodson, of West Memphis, Ark.; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

William L. Webb Dies Of Gunshot

William Lynn Webb, 42, was found shortly after 6 p.m. Sunday, on the front porch of his home at 76 Starr Road, Henning, dead of a gunshot wound.

His death has not been ruled accidental or intentional, pending full results of an autopsy.

Rites were Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Poplar Grove Cemetery.

He was employed in small engine repair by Coles Building Center at 309 Hwy. 51 North in Ripley.

He had been president of the National Wild Turkey Federation.

He leaves his parents, Billy Joe and Shirley Webb, of Ripley; his wife, Bonnie Stroder Webb; sons, Holden Lackey Webb and William Steele Webb, of Henning; step-sons, Grey Mustion, of Henning, Anthony Westbrook, of Yukon, Okla., and Nicholas Westbrook, of Binger, Okla.; and sisters, Vicky Long, of Ripley, Karen Webb, of Friendship, and Donna Klutts, of Jackson.

candidates for the cooperative's 2008 cooperative elections.

Meadows owns 350 acres and leases an additional 3,000 acres where he raises corn and soybeans with his son. He is a director of the local Farm Bureau and is a member of the National Corn Growers and American Soybean Associations. He was formerly president of the Tennessee Soybean Association and the Tennessee Soybean Promotion Board.

Meadows is a member of the Ripley FCS advisory committee and has served on past FCS nominating committees. He is also a deacon for Mt. Vernon Baptist Church. Almost 7,000 members cast ballots in the Farm Credit board elections.

The 20-person committee meets June, 2008 to select



EVANGELINE BACHELDER, 87, of Melrose, Mass., sister of Elmer Childress, of Ripley, and daughter of the late Stephen Morris and Clara Grammar Morris, of Ripley, died Monday, November 12th, at the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital from ovarian cancer.

A memorial service is set for 2 p.m. Saturday, November 24th, at the First Parish Church of Plymouth, Town Square, in Plymouth, Mass.

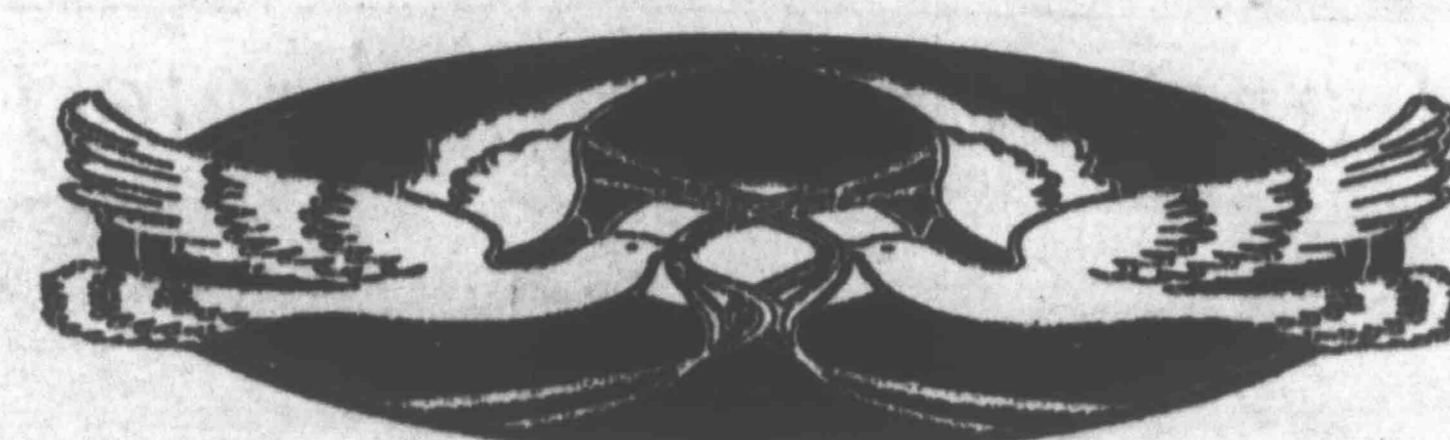
Mrs. Bachelder was a highly accomplished pianist, organist choir director, having studied with Bruce Simonds at Yale, and Nellie Tholen at Lewis and Clark. A graduate of Brenau College in Gainesville, Ga., where she earned a bachelor's degree in Music, Yale University with a post-graduate degree in Music, Portland State University with a teaching degree in English, and Lewis and Clark University with a master's degree in Music.

She leaves her sons, Stephen M. Bachelder, of Portland, Oregon, and Edward L. Bachelder, of Melrose, Mass.; daughters, Ann L. Goulka, of Cave Creek, Arizona, and Margaret Bachelder Allen, of West Newton, Mass.; another sister, Martha Robinson, of Key West, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

Meadows Elected To Ag Committee

Jason Meadows, of Halls, was elected to the ag lending cooperative's 2008 Nominating Committee, Farm Credit Services of Mid-American, a financial services cooperative serving over 75,000 farmers and rural residents in Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, and Tennessee.

The 20-person committee



Church Happenings

The addresses and phone numbers of area churches are published the first week of each month, if your church is not included, please call to have it added. If the phone number and/or address is not correct, please call with the correct information.

Matthew Zion Baptist Church, 234 Pearl St., Halls, will hold a second anniversary ceremony for its pastor, Tommy Broadnax, at 2:30 p.m. Sun., Nov. 25th with special guest choir, Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, of Mason. The Rev. Roosevelt Watson, guest speaker, will deliver the message. The public is invited.

Halls First Baptist Church will hold a gospel singing at 6 p.m. Sun., Nov. 25th featuring Faith's Crossing. The public is invited.

Gershon McGreggor will deliver the message at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sun., Nov. 18th at Abundant Life Assembly of God Church. Tommy Stanley, pastor, invites the public.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, located just off Hwy. 88 between Gates and Maury City, will hold its annual Thanksgiving supper and gospel singing beginning at 5:30 p.m. Sat., Nov. 24th. The Frog Jump Gospel Quartet and the Finchers will deliver selections at 7 p.m. A love offering will be taken. For more information, call Ashley or Caren Jordan, 656-4306.

St. Mark Baptist Church will serve a thanksgiving dinner from noon to 2 p.m. Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22nd for any person or family in need. Call 731-460-9745 for transportation or delivery if needed. Hats and gloves will also be available. The Rev. William Jarrett, pastor, invites those in need.

Please remember that these listings can only contain church revivals or gospel singings, etc. Church yard sales or flea markets cannot be included, if an ad is not purchased.

Send your church happenings to our office or call, 635-1771.

School Lunches

Ripley Primary School
Halls Elementary School
Pre-K to 3rd

Monday, Nov. 26th

Pizza
French Fries
Fruit Mix
Cookie

Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 27th

Fish Fillet
Black Eye Peas
Orange Sections
Roll

Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 28th

Spaghetti
Green Beans
Grapes
Roll

Choice Of Milk

Thursday, Nov. 29th

Chicken Nuggets
Whipped Potatoes
Peaches
Roll

Choice Of Milk

Friday, Nov. 30th

Corn Dog
Vegetable Soup
Pineapple Tidbits
Cookie

Choice Of Milk

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Nov. 26th

Hamburger
Pizza
French Fries
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle
Apple
Fruit Mix
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Nov. 27th

Steak Fingers
Fish Fillets
Broccoli Bites
Black Eye Peas
Banana
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, Nov. 28th

Spaghetti
Entrée-School's Choice
Green Beans
Corn Nibbles
Pineapple Tidbits
Grapes
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, Nov. 29th

Chicken Nuggets
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Green Peas
Peaches
Pear Halves
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Friday, Nov. 30th

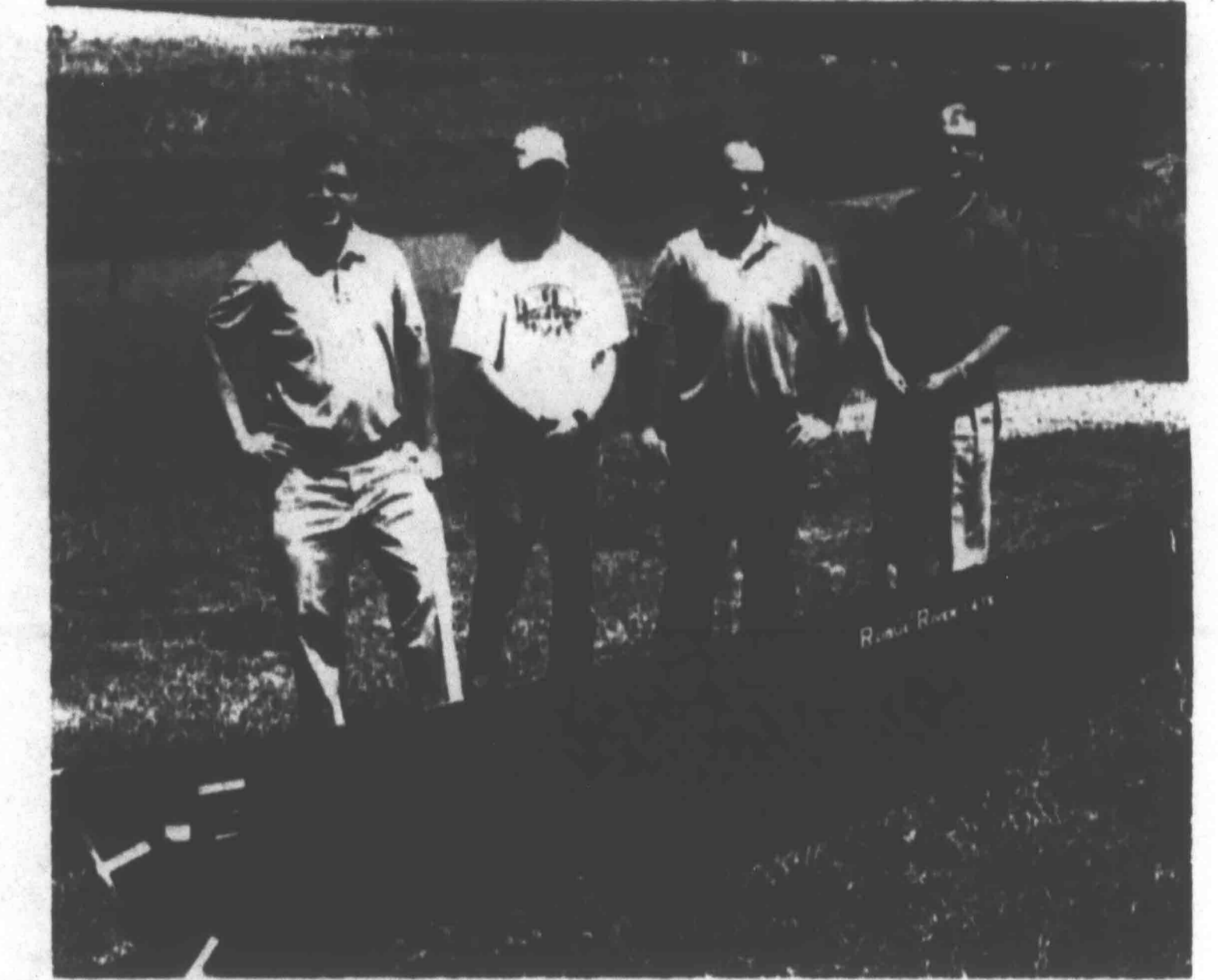
Corn Dog
Toasted Cheese Sandwich
Vegetable Soup
Fresh Vegetable Sticks w/Dip
Applesauce
Pineapple Tidbits
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Divorces

Robin McWherter Rose vs. Randy Eugene Rose.
Vickie Dale Scallions Hayles vs. Jason Norris Hayles.

David Vernon White vs. Angela June Philpot White.
Peggy Green Wright vs. Richard Inlow Wright.

Donation Presented



MEMBERS of the Farm Credit Services of Mid-America, Will Sanders, Greg Beam, Brandon Spicer, and Rick Nelson, presented a canoe as a donation to help with the New Life Youth Camp, held each year at Donna and Jim Ewell's farm in Halls.

Climbing The Walls



STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School are "climbing the walls" as part of the Lauderdale County Schools' Coordinated School Health Program, which purchased the new climbing wall for the school. The students are enjoying the wall and benefiting from the extra physical activity it provides.

In The News???

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Zeek Visits Helen Tucker Center



ZEEK, of the Dry Hill Dog Club, also known as the Lauderdale County Animal Shelter, accompanied by Pam Drumwright, his caretaker, visited clients at the Helen Tucker Center Thursday of last week. The clients were thrilled to see Zeek and to know that he was an actual "person".

Career Week Celebrated



OZZIE OWL, of the Bank of Ripley, in upper photo, accompanied by Tammy Carver, spoke to third grade students at Halls Elementary School during the school's Career Week, the week of Nov. 19th and 20th. Different speakers came to the classes to talk about their careers. Ozzie spoke about banking and money management. The students had studied a unit on money and Ozzie enlightened them further about how to save money. In middle photo, Amanda Harris, pharmacist, explained her job at Arnold's Drug Store to kindergarten students. In lower photo, Halls Mayor Trent McManus discussed his role as mayor. He spoke on city job duties and assigned various jobs to the kindergarten students.

Annual Church Hayride Held



MEMBERS of the Grace Bible Baptist Church, located on Highway 51 By-Pass, Halls, held their annual hayride Oct. 14th after evening church services and a chili dog supper.

Readers Speak

Editor,
My little girl, Rachel, just celebrated her seventh birthday last week. She is a 1st grader at Halls Elementary School. Like most seven-year-old little girls, Rachel likes pink. She wore one of her favorite, pink, shirt-dresses to school. She was sent to the office and written up because she had the wrong

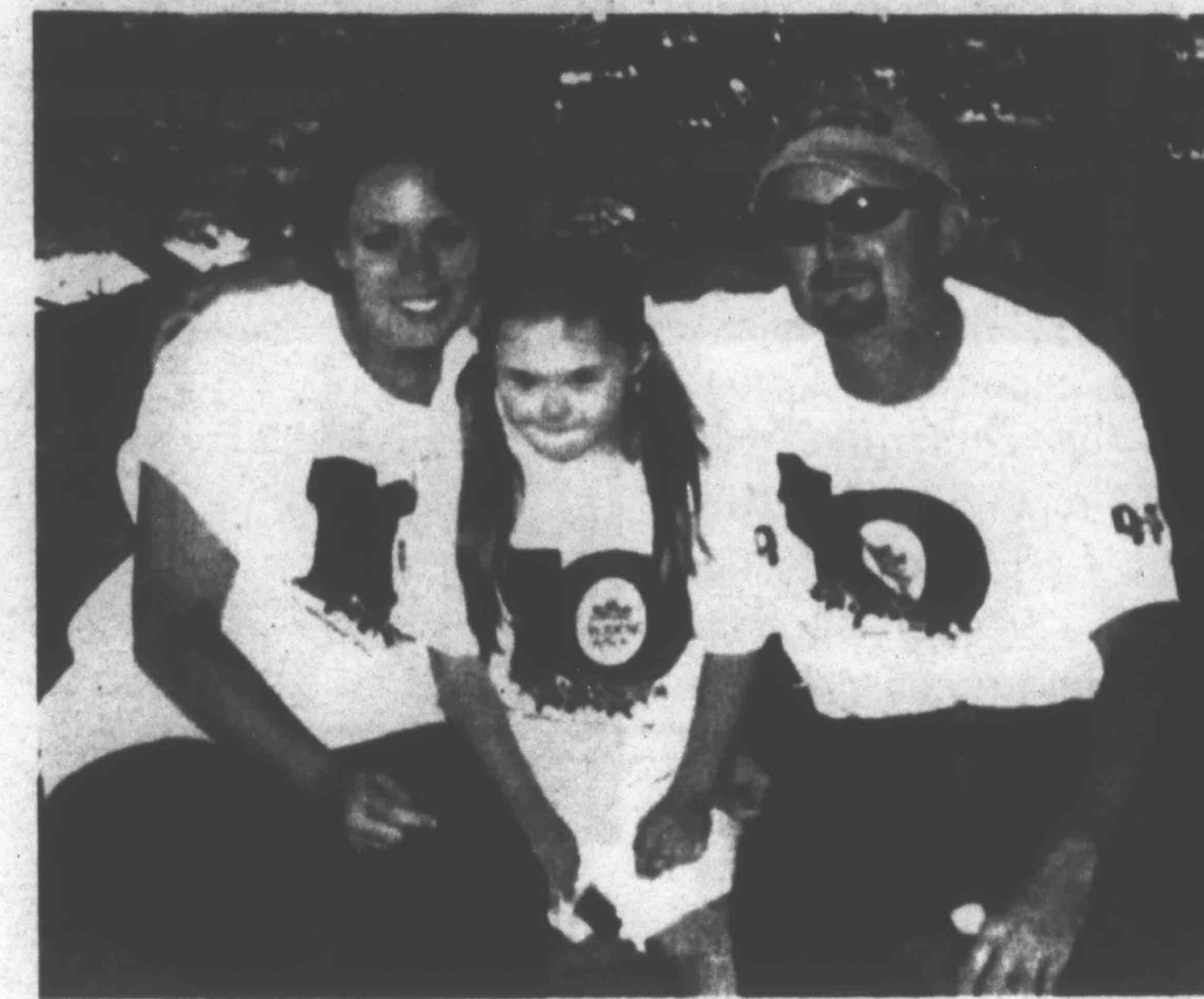
shade of pink. I thought the teachers and administrators were supposed to use some common sense? At least that is what I heard at the school board meeting. This may seem like no big deal to some. If Rachel makes another uniform mistake before 1st grade is over, she will spend two days in in-school suspension. This reminds me of the TV coverage last week where the kids got suspended

for peach fuzz.

The only way I know to help Rachel and other little ones like her, is for adults like you to speak to the school board. Give them a call. I have tried. I am just one voice. Please take time out of your busy week to put a stop to this nonsense.

Your help is appreciated,
Karen Hill
Gates

Buddy Walk Participant UTM Percussion Ensemble In Halls



MOLLIE CATES, 8, center, daughter of Kevin and Sherrie, of Ripley, participated in the 10th annual Buddy Walk for Down syndrome Oct. 14th at the Botanical Gardens in Memphis. Mollie raised \$598 for the walk. Her sister, Haylee, and grandparents, Bobby and Sarah Carihfield, of Ripley, also participated in the walk. Mollie is a kindergarten student of Mrs. Cindy Ream, at Halls Elementary School.



MEMBERS of the University of Tennessee at Martin Percussion Ensemble will perform at 1:45 p.m. Mon., Nov. 26th at Halls Elementary School. Founded in 1969, the ensemble has experienced 36 years of growth and excellence under the direction of Professor Nancy Mathesen. Dr. Julie Hill was named director, after Dr. Mathesen retired in the fall of 2005. Dr. Hill strives to teach contemporary and world percussion styles through the diverse literature performed by the percussion ensemble. Several graduates have secured successful teaching careers in public schools and colleges, one has even been elected as mayor of a West Tennessee town.

Senior Preview Day



AREA STUDENTS, Rachel Carter, left, senior at Dyersburg High School, and Natalie Grantland, right, senior at Halls High School, attended the University of Tennessee at Martin Senior Preview Day. Approximately 450 seniors were in attendance. They received information about a variety of topics, including scholarships and financial aid, college and housing costs, and various university academic programs. Rachel is the daughter of Merry Carter, of Dyersburg, formerly of Ripley, and Natalie is the daughter of Janie Grantland, of Halls.

HHS HONOR ROLL

Students named to the honor roll for the first nine weeks semester at Halls High School include, 9th Grade, Principal's List, Logan Campbell, Katy Cherry, Kirby Cherry, Madison Davis, Katie

Farley, Dalton Gean, Krista Hardy, Emily Hartman, Julie Hostetler, Lateia Humphrey, Hannah Kelley, Ashlee Nichols, Cassie Oakes, Ebone Pearson, Courtney Robbins, Brit-tany Ward, and Hayden Watts; Gold List, Taylor Barlow, Shawnee Burris, Martha Chavez,

Amber Comeaux, Brenna Deaton, Hunter Harrison, Chris Hutcherson, Kelsey Layne, Corey O'Bryan, Geoff Pahl, Katie Prater, Brittany Smith, Brock Smith, and Tommy Wright; 10th Grade, Principal's List, Hollis Belton, Mickey Cherry, Casey Crockett, Grant Dew, Jessica Ellison, Angela Hanks, Megan McBro-m, Candace McKinney, Melinda Meeks, and Clarissa Stark; Gold List, Logan Buckner, Tabetha Camell, Shameka Eison, Shelby Gean, Marla Haynes, Nicole Hinsley, Josh Lents, Vicki Moore, Leslie Patrick, and Sheree Sangster; 11th Grade, Principal's List, Avonlea Brewster, Carley Cherry, Kayla Heath, Heather Hill, Skye Isom, and Kayla White; Gold List, Bradley Belton, Ashley Conaster, Craig Davis, Andy Gaines, Coty Gwaltney, Charlie Hammond, Casey Hogue, Rebecca Morris, Brian Myles, Veronica Ray, Dane Smith, and Nathan Smith; 12th Grade, Principal's List, Kayla Akin, Ashley Arthur, Sandy Benjamin, Cody Dew, Haley Burks, Rodney Foster, Logan Harber, Nora Howell, Cassie King, Jessica Laws, Heather McCloud, Christi Meeks, Britney Moore, Christi Meeks, Britney Moore, Miah Pahl, Shay Palmer, Phylicia Richmond, Heather

PROJECT BLUE LIGHT

The Tennessee Highway Patrol is supporting the Project Blue Light and asking Ten-

nesseans to display blue lights in their windows this holiday season.

Project Blue Light is an effort by C.O.P.S. (Concerns of Police Survivors). The organization asks residents to place a blue light in their holiday decorations or window as a sign of thanks to officers who are now working to keep our communities and highways safe. The blue lights also serve as reminders of those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

The Tennessee Highway Patrol strongly supports C.O.P.S. and participated in the 7th Annual Project Blue Light Ceremony on Saturday, November 17th at the Parkway Baptist Church in Goodlettsville.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Halls regular December Board meeting of the Mayor & Aldermen will meet at 6:30 p.m., Monday, December 3rd at the Halls Elementary School cafeteria, located at 601 Carmen Street. The public is invited to attend.

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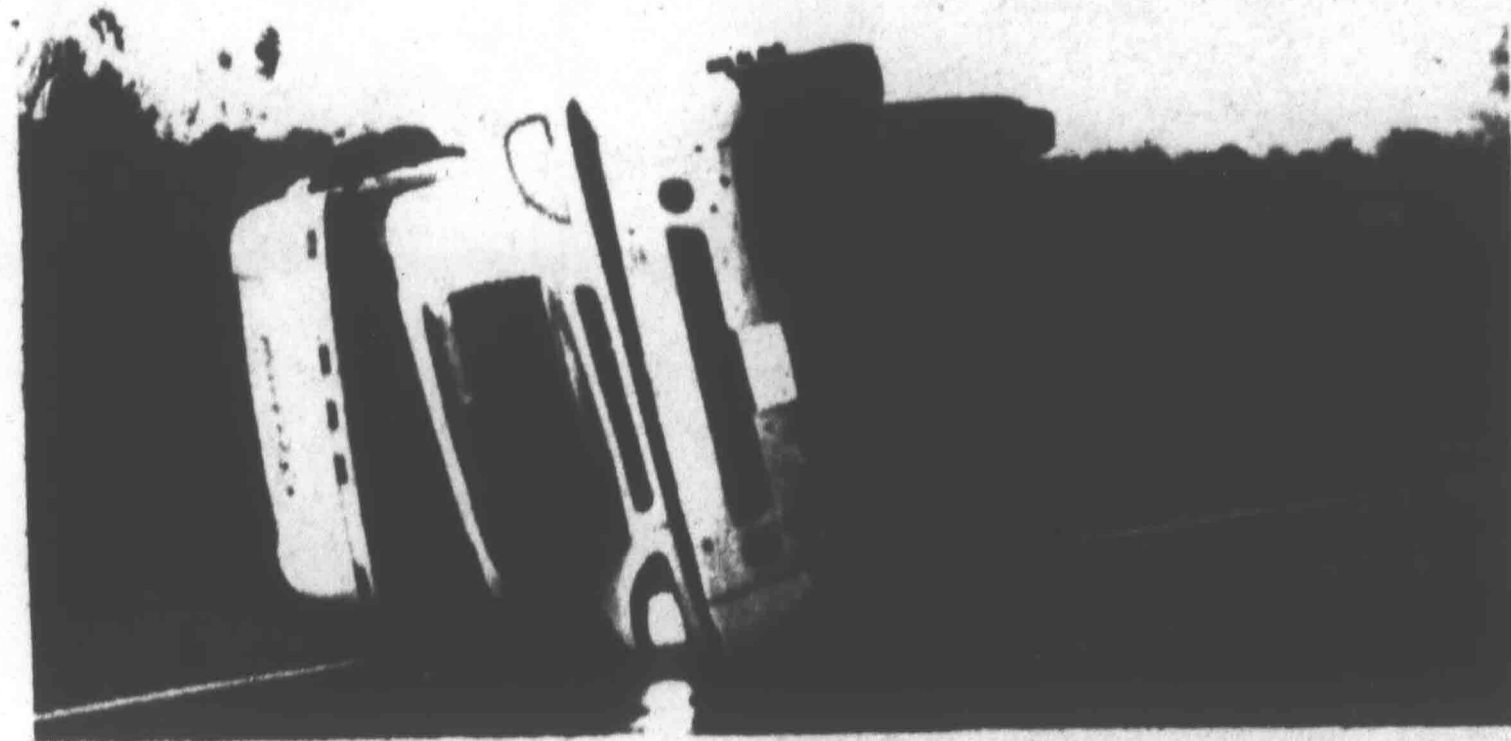
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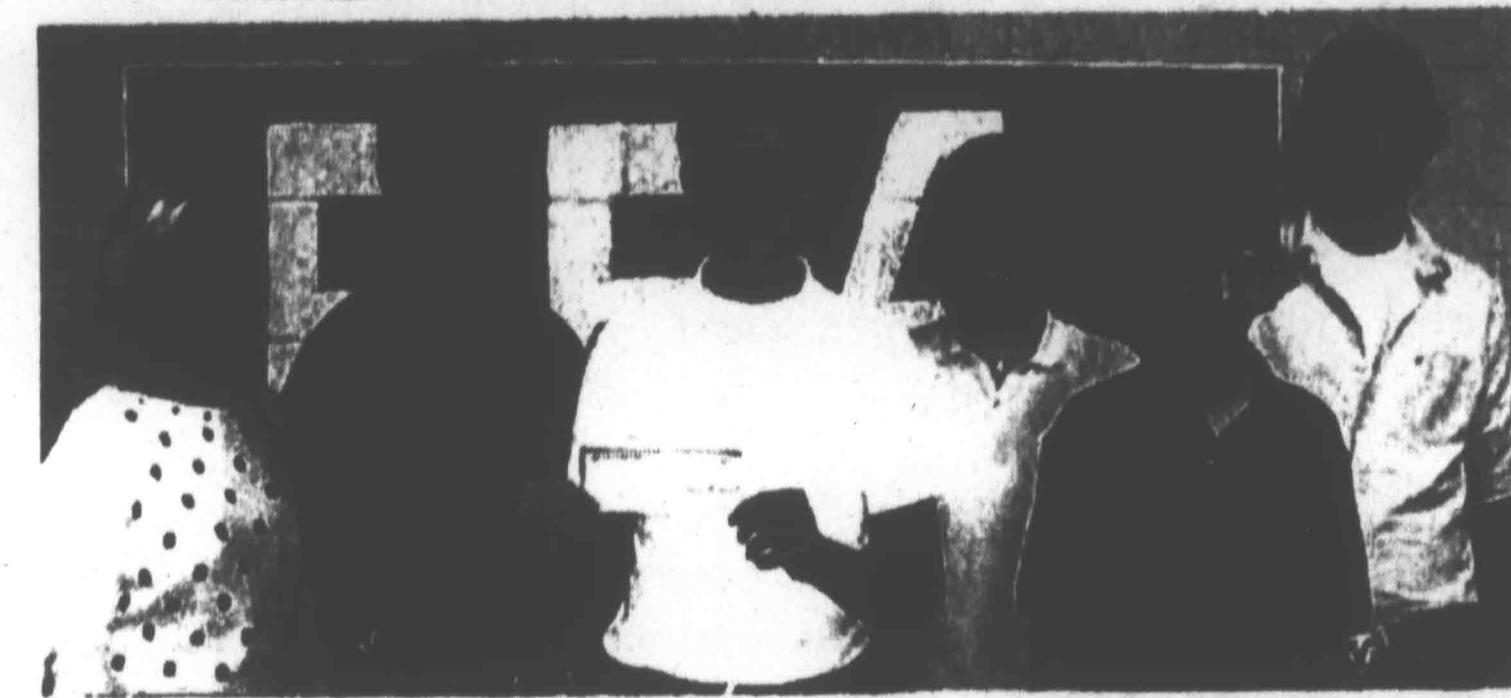


Winds Cause Damage



THE DRIVER of an 18-wheeler narrowly escaped injury Wednesday of last week after his truck overturned on Highway 51 N, near Halls. According to Tennessee Highway Patrolman Michael Arguello, the trucker was traveling northbound, when a strong gust of wind knocked the truck and empty trailer over. The truck slid down the pavement for several feet. Shortly before, the wind blew the roof off a mobile home and damaged its support on Edith Nankipoo Rd. Several trees and large limbs were also broken, a few landing on homes. No injuries were reported.

FFA Donation



REPRESENTATIVES with the Farm Credit Services, from left, Natalie Brown and Rick Nelson, presented a donation to the Future Farmers of America organization at Ripley High School, Blake Tucker, Virginia Arwood, Noah Nix, and Chris Etheridge. The donation helped the members attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Oct. 22nd through 27th.

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Committee Hears Complaints Concerning County Workers

During a meeting of the Lauderdale County Commission committee of the highway department Thursday of last week, Roland Henderson, county highway department administrator, was asked to explain to County Commissioner Don Fisher and the committee why county vehicles and workers were removing dirt from private property on Garrett Ball Rd. According to Fisher, who represents District 8, several citizens had complained about the vehicles working on private property, several feet from the right of way. Henderson stated the property owner, Ronnie Carmack, had contacted the department about giving the loads of dirt from his property. The county has removed approximately 350 loads of dirt at a cost savings of more than \$43,750. "If we purchased the dirt at a cost of \$125 to \$150 per load, we are saving the county money. It has always been done this way and if it is wrong, then tell me so we can stop. If not then I need to finish the work," said Henderson. According to County Attorney J. Thomas Caldwell, who was asked to attend, Henderson had not acted illegally. The county needs "good dirt" to protect the culverts and shoulders of the road. Dirt dug from ditches is not used for that type of work, it does not pack.

Fisher presented photos taken during the work, including the smoothing and seeding of the property. Henderson stated what the property owner does with the land is not his concern. The county does not spread seed or straw to prevent erosion. Workers do not leave holes in the ground, they smooth out the surface.

Fisher stated he had contacted the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and was told "that Lauderdale County has done the same thing for years." Carmack had the farm for sale and now had the land divided for housing. Henderson stated that the county taxes would help the county since the house and property would bring more income into the county instead of unworkable farm land.

Fisher also asked about the work on Bud Jennings Rd., where trees were cut back and ditches dug. The road dead-ends into a field. Henderson stated it was a county road and therefore was kept safe from dangerous trees and flooding. Several roads in the county lead to fields or dead-end without homes on them. They still have to be maintained.

Committee members asked if it was legal for Henderson to sign an agreement with Carmack for the dirt. Caldwell stated he was not aware of the topic of the meeting, but the county has secured dirt in the same way for as long as he has known.

The only way Henderson had violated the state rules would be if he authorized the work for payment, which would be a Class C Misdemeanor. Caldwell did not offer an opinion, but suggested that the committee develop rules concerning future transactions.

Fisher stated that a sign letting citizens know that the dirt was given to the county would help. County Mayor Rod Schuh stated he would contact C-Task and other county highway departments to determine the best alternative. A meeting to discuss options will be held at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 3rd at the highway department office.

Elected



RANDALL L. CARSWELL, son of Robert L. and Carolyn Hughes Carswell, of Halls, was elected chairperson of the Advisory Board of the North Carolina State Employees' Credit Union. He is currently an educator with Charlotte, NC schools, having left Corporate America to pursue his dream to teach. SECU is a \$14.5 billion financial cooperative that serves state employees of North Carolina and their families.

Lauderdale County Native In Concert

Bill Kelly, pianist and Lauderdale County native, will be in concert at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, December 2nd, in Yates Auditorium at the Professional Development Center, located at 305 College St., Dyersburg, featuring music of George Gershwin, as well as, a mixture of religious, classical and Christmas music. The concert is sponsored by the Dyersburg-Dyer County Arts Council.

Mr. Kelly is the church organist at First United Methodist Church of Ripley and teaches music in the Lauderdale County School System. He received his degree in music from Lambuth University where he studied under Don Honeycutt. He performed at Carnegie Music Hall in New York City and studied with famed concert pianist, Ruth Slenczynska.

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Halls' Christmas Parade Highlights



WINNERS in the annual 2007 Halls Christmas parade include, Mayor's trophy to RoEllen Baptist Church; Business and Civic, Dyer County FFA, first place, and Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department and the Ripley Cub Scouts Scorpion Patrol, second; Most Original, Girl Scout's Make A Wish, first place, and Dixie Darlings, second place; participation trophy to Halls Band; Don and Elaine Fisher, first place in antique cars; Danny Hall, first place, and Bud's Auto Sales, second place in modified cars; and Ed Hunt, first place, and Johnny Hutcherson, second place in classic cars.

Donation Presented



ANTHONY DAVIS, left, Halls Police Department K-9 officer, accepted a \$500 donation Monday for the K-9 unit from members of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club. The money will go toward equipment. Halls Mayor and Rotarian Trent McManus, right, presented the check.

Halls Police Will Check Drinkers Officers Capture Burglary Suspects

Halls police are using Intoximeter FST instruments, at "Sobriety Check Points," to check breath or beverages for alcohol in hopes of reducing arrests for driving while intoxicated.

Halls Arrests 2 On Drug Finds

Bradley "B. J." Nance, of 225 Coleman, Halls, and Jeremy "Applehead" Morris, 22, of Cumberland St., Dyersburg, are charged with possession of drugs with intent to sell or deliver after Halls police, allegedly with Morris' permission, searched their vehicle at a seat-belt check stop last week-end.

Police say they found about .05 grams of cocaine and

Officers with the Halls Police Department arrested Jimmy Dewayne Webb, of Dyersburg, after receiving a call that someone was attempting to break into the UIS Polymers building, located on South Church St. He fled the scene, chased by officers joined by deputies with the Lauderdale County Sheriff's department, and Gates Police. After wrecking his vehicle, officers arrested one individual near the vehicle and Webb was captured (Continued On Page 7.)

more than 70 grams of marijuana in the vehicle.

Nance is also charged with attempting to smuggle marijuana into the Lauderdale County Jail.

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Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting



OFFICIALS and business representatives celebrated the ribbon cutting and grand opening Tuesday of Fancy This, 2257 Hwy. 88 W., Halls, in Charlene's Colony of Shoppes. Members of the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD along with city and county officials were on hand as owner, Shirley Adams, cut the ribbon.

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CHANNING E. FAIN, 7 lb. 5 oz. daughter of Darrell and Cindy Fain, of Jackson, was born at 8:57 a.m. Nov. 24th in Jackson Madison County General Hospital. Measuring 19 inches long, Channing Elizabeth is the granddaughter of Phyllis Stover, of Henning, Rhea Fain, of Fulton, and Mr. and Mrs. John Lucas, of Newbern, and the great-granddaughter of Christine Booker, of Halls. Darrell is formerly of Ripley, and Cindy, formerly of Newbern.

CHASITY LYNN RUNIONS, daughter of Robert and Wendi Henry, of Halls, and the late Charles Lynn Runions, of Ridgely, will marry Leon Junior Roundtree, son of Marvin and Alice Fisk, of Halls, November 30th at Reelfoot Airpark Inn with a reception to follow in Tiptonville.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Allen and Myrna Bickers, of Tiptonville, Charles Runions, of Ridgely, the late Nancy Runions, and the late Roscoe and Rachel Henry, of Halls.

A 2004 graduate of Halls High School, she is working toward her cosmetology license and plans to complete her degree in 2008.

The groom-elect is the grandson of the late Willie Dean Spivey, of Halls.

A 2005 graduate of Halls High School, he plans to begin professional bull riding and works with many different horse owners in Lauderdale County.

Following the honeymoon, the couple plan to reside in Halls.

Marriages

October 27 - Zannie Rawls Barbee, Jr., 30, to Stephanie Yvette Treadway, 28, by Iran D. Yarbrough.

November 10 - Kenneth Devon Bradshaw, 38, to Angela Hope Oswald, 28, by Don Medford.

Jeffrey Wayne Buckner, 39, to Harriette Ann Wofford Colvin, 37, by James L. Carver.

November 16 - Donald Lee Henson, 38, to Cynthia

Diane Plunk Milligan, 48, by Tracy Henson.

November 17 - John Allen Noblin, 25, to Allyson Leigh Jennings, 24, by Trent Bullock.

Larry Harold Tidwell, 47, to Melody Gail Richardson Robertson, 46, by Calvin O. Ammons.

Terry Patrick Freeman, 30, to Candice Dawn Ward, 25, by Wayne Holmes.

November 19 - Steven Donnell Rogers, 26, to Erica Deloise Mack, 27, by Rod Schuh.



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Take notice that Rebecca C. McWilliams has applied to Lauderdale County for a certificate of compliance and has or will apply to the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission at Nashville for a retail liquor license for a store to be named Wine & Spirits of Halls and to be located at 11722 Highway 51 North, Halls, TN 38040 and owned by Rebecca C. McWilliams, 11982 Highway 51 North, Halls, TN 38040

All persons wishing to be heard on the certificate of compliance may personally or through counsel submit their views in writing to Halls, TN not later than 6:00 p.m. December 06, 2007.

The Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission will consider the application at a date to be set by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission in Nashville, Tennessee. Interested persons may personally or through counsel submit their views in writing by the hearing date to be scheduled by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission.

Anyone with questions concerning this application or the laws relating to it may call or write the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission at 226 Capitol Blvd., Building Suite 300, Nashville, TN 37243-0755, 615-741-1602. 22-3tp

Anniversaries

Nov. 29 - Mr. and Mrs. Coy Critfield, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Poyner.

Nov. 30 - Mr. and Mrs. Jerold Bridges, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gaines.

Dec. 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Bobby O. Thurmond, Sr.

Dec. 2 - Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney McBroom.

Dec. 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Critfield.

Dec. 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Odell Hilliard.

AMPLIFICATION

Two of the children, pictured in the Nov. 15th issue, of the Halls YMCA soccer team, for the 5 and 6 year old division, have been identified as Breanna and Brennan Rood. We regret incomplete information.

Divorces

Deborah Savley Shoemaker vs. Dwight Franklin Shoemaker.

Patrick David Smith vs. Elizabeth Ann Morris Smith.

Carrie Elizabeth Crowder Henry vs. Michael Scott Henry.

James Anthony Cohill vs. Lisa Marie Davis Cohill.

Obituaries

'Jack' Smith

Robert E. "Jack" Smith, 97, of Ripley, retired Fort Pillow prison guard, died Monday in Methodist Hospital North in Memphis.

Rites will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

He was a member of New Hope United Methodist Church.

He was the widower of Era Lou Nettie Smith.

He leaves a brother, Larry, of Henning; a daughter, June Casey, of Gates; other daughters, Ann Craig, of Brownsville, Betty Cox, of Humboldt, and Susan Elam, of Munford; a son, Robert Lynn Smith, of Cincinnati, Ohio; a sister, Joyce Downing, of Memphis; 13 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Joe Griffin

Joe E. Griffin, 75, of Jonesboro, Ark., formerly of Ripley, brother of Tommy Griffin, of Ripley, died November 20th from an automobile accident.

Services were Friday, with burial in Warren, Ark.

He leaves his wife, Joan; two sons, Rob, of North Little Rock, Ark., and Doug, of Jonesboro, Ark.; and sisters, Katherine Bunnell, of Ft. Myers, Fla., and Betty Clegg, of Atoka.

Mary Sue Riley

Mrs. Mary Sue Riley, 80, of Millington, formerly of Halls, died Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Sunday in Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church at Frog Jump, with burial there, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

A retired bookkeeper, she leaves her husband, J. T. Riley; sons, J. T., Jr., of Germantown, and Tim, of Millington; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Margie Barbee

Margie Barbee, 72, dietary aide, died Friday, of lung cancer, in her home at 272-C Gay St., Ripley.

Visitation at Thompson's Mortuary in Ripley is set for 5-6 p.m. Friday, with rites at 11 a.m. Saturday in Holly Grove Baptist Church in Ripley, and burial in Bluff Cemetery west of Ripley.

She leaves a son, Timmy Currie, daughters, Alice Faye Campbell, Stephanie Barbee, and Sylvaine Genesy, and sisters, Bertha Jean Currie and Frances Ruffin, all of Ripley; a daughter, Connie Barbee, of Gates; other sons, Emmitt and Robert Lynn Barbee, of Covington; another daughter, Lavern Robinson, of Cleveland, Ohio; and another sister, Lizzie Mae Alexander, of Chicago, Ill.

Bobby Atkins

Bobby Atkins, 59, of Dyersburg, brother of Melba (Mrs. Robert) Sutton, of 1065 Hyde Road, Ripley, died Thursday of last week, in his home.

Rites were Monday in Hillcrest Baptist Church in Dyersburg, where he had served as minister of music for 31 years. Burial was in South Fork Cemetery east of Halls.

He was a member of the West Tenn. and the Tenn. Baptist Men's Chorales.

Survivors include his mother, Mary Frances Atkins, his wife, Brenda, a son, Arty Jason Atkins, and a brother, Steve Atkins, of Dyersburg; a daughter, Jana (Mrs. Jerry Lynn) Thompson, of Bell Buckle; and two grandchildren.

Workshop To Be Held In December

A workshop will be held from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 4th, in Nashville for organizations seeking to provide educational assistance to economically disadvantaged students in Tennessee, co-hosted by the federal and state departments of education. The workshop will cover how to become an approved sup-

Larry Griggs

Larry Nunn Griggs, 74, of Memphis, born in Lauderdale County to the late Ezra and Eddie Griggs, of Ripley, died Sunday, November 25th, at his home.

Services were at noon Wednesday, November 28th, at Memphis Funeral Home Germantown Parkway, with burial in Memory Hill Gardens Cemetery with full military honors.

He retired from the United States Navy, having served in both the Korean and Vietnam Wars. After his retirement, he became an over-the-road truck driver. He was a member of the V.F.W., Lions Club and Orchi Baptist Church.

He leaves his sons, Jimmy, Timmy and Chuck Griggs, daughter, Antinette Griggs, fiancé, Janie McAtee, brothers, Elton, James and Danny Griggs, and a sister, Doris Gray, all of Memphis; another sister, Sandra Justice, of Munford; and three grandsons.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

plemental education services provider and receive federal funds to tutor students in math and language arts. It will include information on No Child Left Behind, Charter Schools, 21st Century Community Learning Centers, nutrition programs, school choice programs, grant writing and administration, capacity building and Department of Health and Human Services programs for at-risk youth.

"This workshop is an opportunity to expand the academic support available for students who need additional help, said Dr. Julie McCargar, executive director of Federal Programs for the Tennessee Department of Education. "Communities across the state are finding ways to make partnerships like these benefit students."

For more information, call Rachel Woods at 615-253-1960 or email, Rachel.Woods@state.tn.us.

HES Food Drive Held



AGENTS, from left, Rachel Erwin, UT Extension/FCS, and Jennifer Chandler, UT Extension 4-H program, along with Tina McKinney, Halls Elementary School C.H.O.I.C.E.S. director, delivered canned goods and other products Nov. 14th to the local Union Missions to help those in need during the holiday. The items were donated by students in the 4-H program/UT Extension at Halls Elementary School in the fourth through sixth grade and C.H.O.I.C.E.S. program at the school. This was a community service project for the students.

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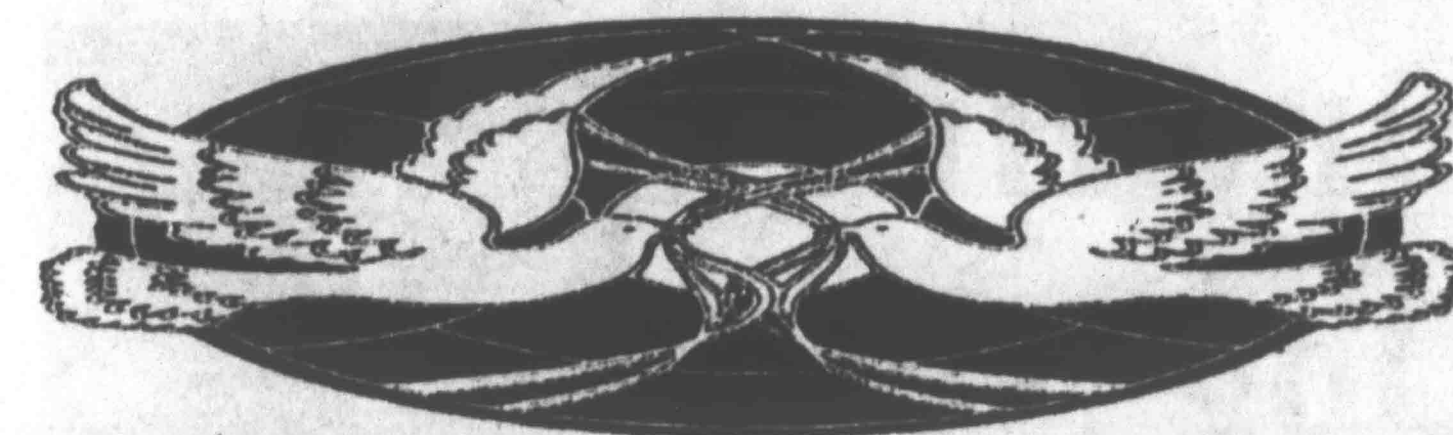
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Gospel Rock Holiness Church, 182 Nelson St., Ripley, will hold its pastor and wife appreciation service at 2:30 p.m. Sun., Dec. 2nd to honor Elder Raymond C. Barnes, Sr. and Mary Ella Barnes. Clarence Bayes, of Memphis, and Canaan Baptist Church, of Henning, will be the special guests. The public is invited.

Asbury United Methodist Church choir will present *Emmanuel* at 7 p.m. Sun., Dec. 9th with selections by the children's choir and soloists of the church. The public is invited.

Please remember that these listings can only contain church revivals or gospel singings, etc. Church yard sales or flea markets cannot be included, if an ad is not purchased.

Send your church happenings to our office or call, 635-1771.

School Lunches

Ripley Primary School
Halls Elementary School
Pre-K to 3rd

Monday, Dec. 3rd
Hot Dog
Tater Tots
Applesauce
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 4th
Tacos w/Trimmings
Corn Nibbles
Grapes
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 5th
Southern Fried Chicken
Whipped Potatoes
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, Dec. 6th
Menu-School's Choice

Friday, Dec. 7th
Grilled Chicken Sandwich
Corn On The Cob
Peaches
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, Dec. 3rd
Hot Dog
Pizza
Tater Tots
Celery Sticks w/Dip
Applesauce
Fruit Mix
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, Dec. 4th
Tacos w/Trimmings
Chicken Fajitas
Corn Nibbles
Rice
Grapes
Banana
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, Dec. 5th
Southern Fried Chicken
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Green Beans
Orange Sections
Pineapple Tidbits
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, Dec. 6th
Menu-School's Choice

Friday, Dec. 7th
Grilled Chicken Sandwich

Thanksgiving Holiday Celebrated



STUDENTS in the 6th grade Excel class of Mrs. Nita Taylor, at Lauderdale Middle School, visited with Mrs. Janice Bird's kindergarten class at Ripley Primary School November 20th to help celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday. The Excel students read Thanksgiving stories, played games and served refreshments to the students.

Students Dressed For Success



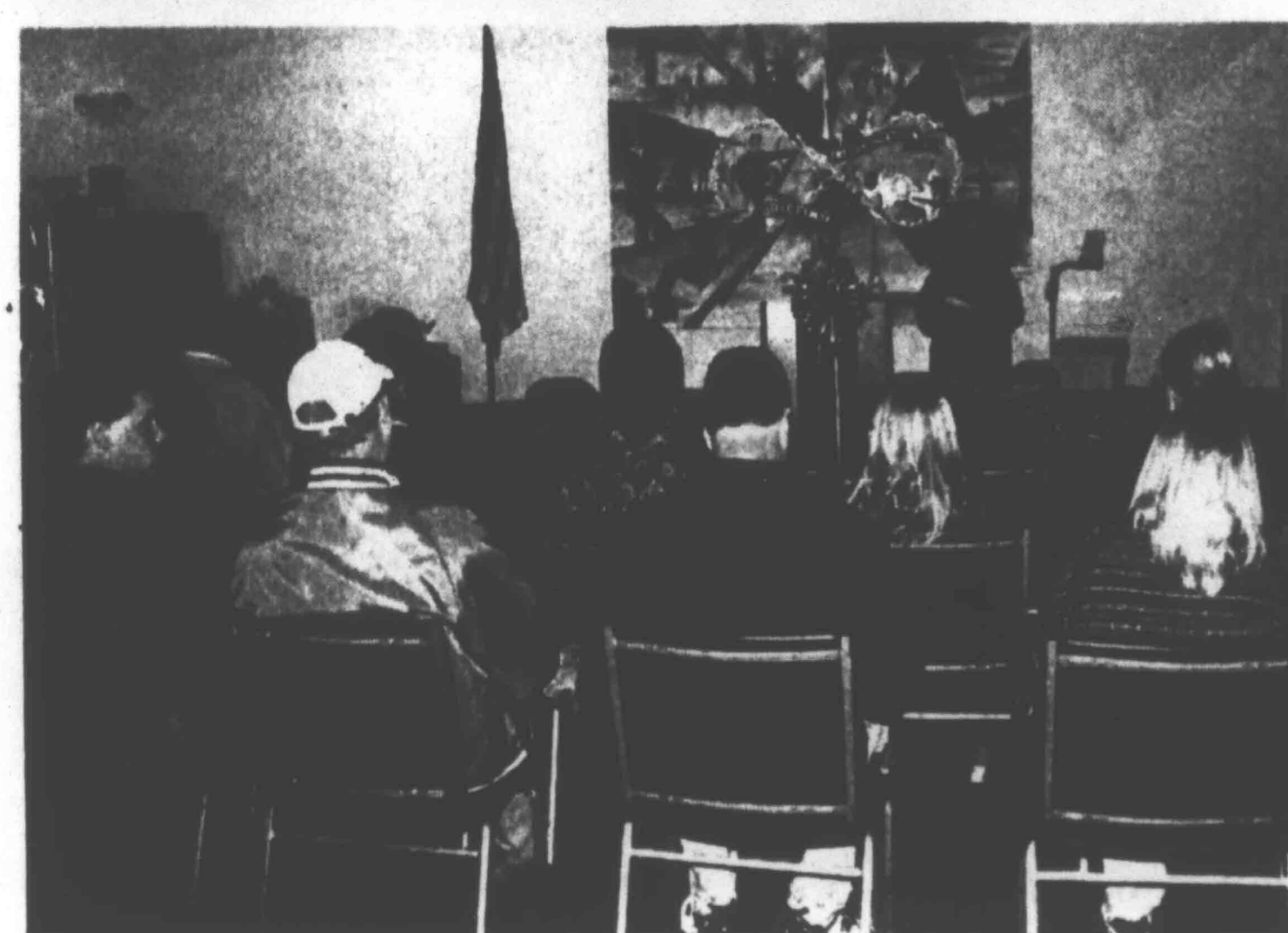
STUDENTS in the fifth and sixth grade Excel class of Mrs. Mandy Bushart at Halls Elementary School dressed for success Nov. 16th. The students were asked to give a presentation as a group of electrical engineers to help save a city's power source. The criteria for the Energy Web Quest, which was the title of the students' project, was that they had to review all energy sources. They were then broken off into groups of four electrical engineers. They had to compile all of their knowledge and decide which renewable and non-renewable resources would be the best source of energy for Power City. They then had to present their information to the city council of Power City.

BBQ Pork On Bun
Corn On The Cob
Baked Beans
Peaches
Pear Halves
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

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Tourism Day For Group



MEMBERS of The Lauderdale Chamber/ECD Leadership Lauderdale Class held their annual session focusing on Retail & Tourism in Lauderdale County November 15th. The class began at the Chamber office with an update on the status of business in Lauderdale County. Janna Helms, of Younger Associates, shared information with the group regarding retail sales totals, in and out-leakage, general demographic information and labor information for Lauderdale County and how it compares to previous years. Lisa Hankins and Susan Todd discussed with the group how they worked with WTIA and other commu-

nity leaders in West Tennessee to form the West Tennessee Retail Alliance and the steps they are taking to recruit retail to the area. Robbie Tidwell, Manager of Fort Pillow State Park, gave an update on activities at the park and discussed with the group upcoming events.

The first stop on the tour was at Benny Barcroft's Buffalo Farm. He spoke to the group about his business and explained the procedure of processing buffalo meat for retail sale. The next stop was at the Alex Haley Home & Museum in Henning. Mayor Baris Douglas conducted the tour and told personal anecdotes of Alex's life growing up in Henning. The next stop was in Halls at the Just Divine Tearoom where the group talked to Tanya Farley about the Colony of Shoppes and how they got started. She shared some interesting information with the group regarding the uniqueness of their buildings and their growth through the years. The next stop was at the Veterans' Museum where the group met with Pat & Sonny Higdon. They spoke to the group about upcoming events at the Air-base and about the history of the museum. The group toured the museum visiting various items of particular interests. The final stop of the day was Downtown Halls where the group met with Lisa Myrick. She spoke to the group about the renovations that are taking place in the downtown area. She discussed with the group activities that are taking place and things that are planned in the future. After the tour of Halls, the participants enjoyed dinner at Pig-N-Out, sponsored by Bank of Ripley. The participants learned quite a bit.

The Leadership program is designed to help teach participants new leadership skills, help them develop strategies for assisting the community in problem solving and to maximize their individual potential.

For more information on Leadership Lauderdale, contact the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD at 635-9541.

Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek Here! Scooter took advantage of me this week and I needed to find a way to get even with him. He brought a big pan of left-over turkey and dressing to share with my buds. While he was on a call, the urge to taste this feast overcame me. The aroma drove me into a frenzy and as my will-power broke down, I found myself nudging the chair into a position to reach the counter. I had never tasted anything quite that good. I even got to chew on a big leg bone. As I licked the empty pan, the door opened and Scooter caught me in the act. I then dove under the table and chairs to avoid his visual onslaught. Unfortunately, I could not get out of ear-shot range.

Well it wasn't too long before my protruding stomach started churning. I started pawing at the door and old Scooter ignored me. After a few minutes I was leaning on the door, standing upright and barking. He finally opened the door and I took off running to the business end of the yard. I made it about half way when the feeling hit. All I can say is, it wasn't a pretty site! When I returned to the office my punishment was the outside pen lockdown. The longer I lay on the cold concrete with a stomach ache and turkey gas, the more I calculated how to get even with Scooter. After all, he should have known I couldn't eat that rich food! I finally concluded that the safest way to get even was to use his vehicle for my daily target practice.

Miss Pam finally released me after her shopping trip. I checked on my buds and I told them how I had sacrificed myself on their behalf because Scooter was going to make them sick. It's tough being the head caretaker at Dry Hill!

We had another visit from the State. The two legger checked out the Club and our paper work. I got nervous when he decided to make a second trip, but he returned with Fred, the Coonhound, who he wanted to adopt! A day later, Jeff Brown adopted Fanny, our other Walker. I will miss those two as they were the best karaoke singers we had at the Club. Our Friday night howling contest had been a blast the last few weeks. Dallas, the feisty little black lapper, found a home with Shirley Hicks and two puppies went with Jennifer Reynolds and Jennifer Duvall. My favorite two leggers, after Miss Pam, continue to be those generous Halls FFA students that came through with another big donation of food. William and Ann Tate also make my list as they built their second apartment house for my buds. **THANK YOU!**

Mr. Buddy wants to add concrete to our outside pens. To help with this project, my special group of two leggers are selling homemade Christmas Cookies. They are just \$15 for five dozen cookies, delivered and wrapped on a Christmas plate. You can help by ordering a plate. Call the Club at 836-7387 or Lynnwood's Grocery at 635-5212.

My weekend ended with an off-on relationship with Mr. Pam's orange couch. I finally got some needed attention and a belly rub after four overtimes.

My prayer this week is that the two leggers will buy those cookies!
Zeek Out!

Halls Boys Start With Three Wins

Halls High School's boys have launched their basketball season with three consecutive wins.

After having led Trinity Christian Academy, 72-54, and Camden, 73-50, the Tigers edged Obion County, Friday, 50-48, in the Thanksgiving Tournament at Martin Westview.

Soph Leads In Scoring
Soph Cedric Jones put up 13 points for Halls.

Rodney Foster had 11, Darius Ivory 8, including a 3-pointer, Kevan Ward 8, and Reginald Glass and Qalon Smith 4.

First Loss For Obion
It was Obion County's first loss in four games.

Obion led 7-4 in the first period and 13-9 in the second. The third was 15-all, but in the fourth, Obion was routed, 32-13.

Westview Wins Final
Westview led Halls in Saturday's finals, 93-77, gradually but inexorably building a victory.

It led, by quarters, 18-17, 29-19, and 24-18, losing the final period 23-21.

Ivory scored 18, Ward 15, including a 3-pointer, Cedric James 15, Foster 13, Michael Hudson 10, and Smith 6.

Westview led Halls' girls 73-37 (by quarters, 23-9, 18-16, 16-9, 16-13).

Phylcia Richmond led Halls scoring with 18, Christi Meeks had 14.

Hosting Fabled Foes
Halls played Tuesday at Bradford (score too late for this issue).

Suspects xxx

(Continued From Front Page.)

15 minutes later lying in a field, 100 yards from his car. A female juvenile was also taken into custody and released to her parents.

A search of Webb's house by Halls Investigators and Dyersburg Police officers uncovered thousands of dollars in merchandise, identified by UIS Polymers Manager, Steve Seals, as merchandise previously stolen from the business. Webb was charged with burglary, theft over \$1,000, and criminal trespassing.

Two other burglary cases were solved after officers arrested Kevin Wright, of Halls, and charged him with two counts in the burglaries of Jacobs Lumber and Max and Evelyn's Barber Shop. Mr. Wright confessed to both burglaries.

2007 Lauderdale Christmas Parades

The 2007 Lauderdale Christmas parades will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday, November 29th, in Ripley, and at 6 p.m. Friday, November 30th, in Henning.

Birthdays

Nov. 29 - Trevor Nelson, Frances Johnson, Bethanie Tryston Buckner, J. C. Wakefield, Jr., David Sanders, Dan Ward, Gary Wooster, Brian Nolen, Janie Pridmore, Luann Harris, Randy Ward, Steve Cubine, Jaxson Woodard, Anna Judkins, Kala Harrell, Naomi Ray, Colin Crowder, Jasmine Wilkes.

Nov. 30 - Vera Coop, Kristina Jennings, Johnny Land, Josh Scott, Mike Roberson, Pam Winters, Hillary Steelman, Jameson Smith, Debbie Conti Brown, Lesley Olds, Pat Rose, Natalie Newman.

Dec. 1 - Debbie Tutor, Meagan Harrison, Pauline Dunaway, Maddison Stanley, Emmanuel Moses, Jr., Kathie C. Cepparulo, Mary Elder, Sammy



Corridor Update Land Transfers Meeting Planned

A meeting to discuss the updates of the Mississippi River Corridor has been scheduled for noon Dec. 5th at the Tennessee Technology Center in Ripley. Lunch will be provided by the Lauderdale County government.

Diana Threadgill, executive director, will present the program. The huge endeavor is a "work in progress" and expected to impact the economic development of Lauderdale County as well as five other counties along the Mississippi River.

SANTA IN GATES

Breakfast with Santa will be held from 8 until 10 a.m. Saturday, December 8th, at Gates City Hall in the Town of Gates. The menu will consist of sausage or bacon, pancakes and juice or coffee.

Steelman.

Dec. 2 - Danny Beard, Marilyn Craig, Luke Studard, Jeff Durham, J. W. Pipkin, Leah Simpson, Tony Wyrick, Barbara Chapman, Evelyn Vaden, Mary Lee Kingery, Mary Herron, Mike McNeill, Kylan Beard, Kathy Taylor, Dylan Pilcher, Adison Wieber, Malcolm Norwood, Ethan Norwood, Clarissa Starks.

Dec. 3 - Josh Hughes, James Hall, Beth Buckner, Pat Coffey, Muriel Sandlin, Bill Woodley, Hilda Sanders, Tamara Wright, Kris Allen, Hugh Lewis Brown, Russell Reviere, Susan Johnson, Kelly Jankovsky, Lana Swope, Yvette Dixon.

Dec. 4 - Charlene Meyer, Leland Gaines, Nancy Smalley, Steve Dew, Carlee West, Richard Jennings, Brenda Whitson, Clay Maclin, Kim Wilson, Angie Steelman, John Hickman, Nancy Hart, Eric Wright, Misty Johnson, Celeste Henry, Marie

Land Transfers

Nov. 18th-Nov. 24th

Belinda Simpson Fike to Noel Morgan, Dist. 2, lot.

Alfred Blankenship and Debbie Blankenship to Michael L. Barham, Jr., and Crystal N. Barham, Dist. 15, 2 tracts.

Noel Morgan and Martha Morgan to Peggy Wright, Dist. 3, lot.

Ernest Jackson and Kathy Jackson to Libby Morris, Dist. 2, 5.0 acres.

Eubanks O. Hopkins and Rebecca Ann Hopkins to William O. Hopkins and Nina C. Hopkins, Dist. 7, 5.0 acres.

Billy G. Chapman, TR, and Billy G. Chapman, Living Trust, to Ricky Conrad, Dist. 3, lot.

Stephen Floyd to Libby Morris, Dist. 6, 2 tracts.

Deborah L. Pitts to Artis Lee Pitts and Vance Pitts, 3.0 acres.

Willie L. Reid to David M. Campbell and Dawn Jennifer Campbell, Dist. 2, tract.

William Harmon III and Lynn Harmon to James I. Sorrell and Emily A. Sorrell, Dist. 6, lot.

Joe O. Griggs, Sr., and Kathy Griggs to Lakisha Nelson, Dist. 12, lot.

Peggy Irene Reeves and Peggy Irene Ledford to Paula F. Tomas, Dist. 2, lot.

Moss, Monica Mueller, Doris Hill, Zeke Thompson, Rachel Ann Buckner, Terri Holley, Brenda Sutton, Lucy Carmack, Brenda Duncan.

Dec. 5 - Owen Thurmond, Randy Paris, Jr., Kenny Pridmore, Stacy Bing, Kate Ewell, Mario Brooks, Hunter Crossley, Taylor Newman, Travis Nipp, Manley Taylor, Allison Clay, Katie Maxwell.

2007 Annual Christmas Parade Highlights

