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3 From County Charged After Newbern Riot

Three young men from Lauderdale County are charged with first degree murder after a riot in Newbern, Wednesday of last week:



Davonta Duffie, 15, of 9580 2nd St., Gates, released Feb. 10th from Youth Villages in Memphis. He was evaluated there after he shot PFC Donald Arwood, 21, an Iraq veteran on Christmas leave from the Army, and Donnie's father, Stephen Arwood, on Jones St. in Halls Dec. 27th, after argument about cigarettes. Donnie died, but charges against Duffie were dismissed after the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation reported the death as justifiable homicide. Duffie is again in juvenile care. He is also charged with attempted first degree murder and aggravated assault.



Darnell Madison, 19, of Ripley, still a fugitive, late Tuesday afternoon.



Colton D. Whitelaw, 18, of 366 Cherrydale, Halls, held without bond in the Dyer County jail, after knocking Newbern police officer Bill Altgibers to the ground while in hand-cuffs and leg shackles. He's also held for attempted first degree murder,

Physician



DR. PETER CARTER, of the Mid-South Cancer Center, is seeing patients at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale. The center is sponsoring a free cancer forum at 7 p.m. March 17th in the cafeteria of the hospital. The event will provide information and encouragement. Don Marston, cancer survivor and pastor, and Betty Dozier, oncology nurse, will facilitate the meeting.

der, aggravated assault, and evading arrest.

Dating Sparked Fight

Newbern police have pieced together the incidents as follows:

About 6 p.m., Newbern and Lauderdale County girls resumed arguments about dating, and a Ripley boy phoned for support.

About 9 p.m., several dozen persons lined North Grayson in Newbern, near the Newbern Housing Authority, when Tamara Brown, 20, of 401 N. Grayson, seven months pregnant, swung a baseball bat at Duffie, and he shot her in the head.

He also shot Donald Wilkes, 42, of 215 Jones, father of the un-born

Town Of Halls Seeks To Win Premiere Of Movie

The Town of Halls is competing against other "small towns" for a 'Red (or Orange) Carpet Premiere' of the Dr. Seuss movie, "Horton Hears A Who", if they can make the most noise at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 8th at the Halls High School football field. In the "Horton Hears You Hometown Challenge", prospective "Who-ville" citizens are asked to gather and yell "We Are Here!" with the 'Horton Hears a Who' blimp, which will be floating 40 feet in the air. The blimp will measure the noise for the highest decibel level and the winning town will have a Red Carpet Premiere with the stars of the movie, Jim Carrey, Steve Carell, or Carol Burnett, and the cast coming to town for a screening. Mayor Trent McManus is asking everyone to participate. Electronic noise is not allowed, but citizens can bang pots and pans and musical instruments. Help make history and bring Hollywood to Halls. For more information, call Mayor McManus, 836-9653.

Taylor Held For Rape In Halls

Using DNA evidence, Halls police have charged Jim Henry Taylor, of Ripley, with rape of a woman walking on Cherrydale St. in Halls, about 1 a.m. Aug. 4th.



Tamara Brown

Tomarion Juwan Brown, but the bullet, through his wallet, produced only a minor injury to a hip.

The baby lived briefly, (Continued On Page 8.)

Guest



GRACE GORE, Miss Tennessee, and granddaughter of former Halls pharmacist Sammie Arnold and his wife, Doris, will be the special guest announcer and entertainer at the Miss Halls pageant at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 8th at Halls Junior High School. Gore is the official spokes-

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teries in their smoke alarms, along with setting their clocks ahead one hour. However, simply replacing the batteries in some smoke alarms may not be enough to ensure protection against fire emergencies, specifically if those alarms are older than 10 years. Studies from the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) indicate one out of four alarms may not be functional due to the

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March Vows Nearing



JENNIFER CHANEY, daughter of William and Betty Lake, of Ripley, will marry Charles Baltimore, son of the late Square Lee Baltimore, Sr. and Hazel Baltimore, of Gates, at 2 p.m. March 22nd at St. Mark's Church, in Henning, with all family and friends invited.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Walter and Minnie Chaney, the late George Friend, the late Louise Wright, Henry Wright, and the late Freddie Fields and Ethel Fields.

She is a graduate of Ripley High School and a former employee of Quebecor World.

The groom-elect is the grandson of the late Bennie Strayhorn and Ella Lewis and the late Mr. and Mrs. John Baltimore.

He is a graduate of Haywood High School and is employed by Quebecor World.

Marriages

February 22 - Dee Hughes III, 44, to Tamara Lynn Trippett, 37, by William J. DeVries.

February 23 - Christopher Wayne Burrough, 38, to Bethnee Louise Deaton, 43, by Melvin L. Orr.

Kenny Wayne Theus, 42, to Cynthia Vernetta Lattimore Ward, 45, by Willie L. Pounds.

Bradon Lee Conrad, 24, to Amanda Marie Kirkpatrick, 22, by Rocky Gilliam.

James Odell Kirkpatrick, Jr., 28, to Misty Lynn Collins Pittman, 32, by Albert D. Porter.

Anniversaries

March 6 - Mr. and Mrs. Perry Garrett, Jr.

March 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Parker Fullen, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Moore.

March 8 - Mr. and Mrs. Vance Brewster, Mr. and Mrs. Steve McKinnie.

March 9 - Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sanders.

March 10 - Mr. and Mrs. Brian Bain, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Kiestler.

Land Transfers

February 24th-March 1st

Renee G. Nelson, Tommy Griffin and Mavis Griffin to Scotty C. White and Teresa T. White, Dist. 10, 16.191 acres.

Bobby Cook and Lucy Cook to Wanda Cook, Dist. 6, tract.

Jeffrey Spencer and Audrey Spencer to Lisa A. Taylor, Dist. 10, 1.352 acres.

Agape Properties LLC to Carolyn Deaton, Dist. 12, 0.941 acre.

Karen Beasley to Jeffrey Spencer and Audrey Spencer, 1.0 acre.

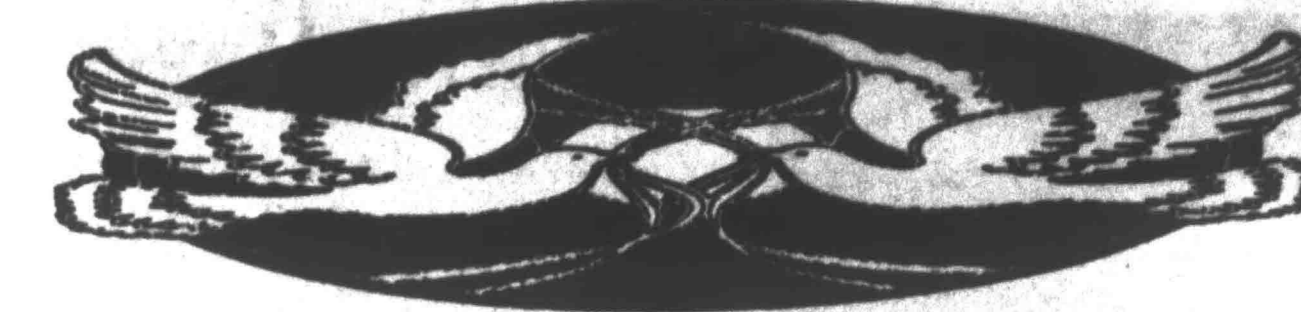
Wells Fargo Bank NA to Jason Wulff-Woesten, lot.

Homesales, Inc., to Bobbie M. Tucker, Dist. 7, lot.

Leon Pickard and Penne Pickard to Andrew Tate and Angela Tate, Dist. 12, lot.

Bobby Richardson to Jason Chrestman, Dist. 6, 1.1864 acres.

Shane Lange to Robert L. Mumford and Holly Mumford, Dist. 2, lot.



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.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, located just off Hwy 88, between Gates and Maury City, in the Frog Jump community, will hold its annual Passion play at 7 p.m. March 15th and 16th and March 21st and 22nd. Doors will open at 6 p.m. No admission, but tickets are required. For information, call Tina Thurmond, 731-656-2132.

A blood drive will be held from noon to 7 p.m. Friday, March 14th at the activities building at Ripley's First United Methodist Church. The donation will be used to replace blood used by Lynette Currie during her open heart surgery. The public is invited. All blood types needed.

Gates Baptist Church, 85 Wardlow and 4th St., Gates, will hold revival services beginning at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sun., March 9th and continuing at 7 p.m. nightly through March 12th. John Yates and the Gang will be the special guests. The Gang includes The Professor, Sparky, J. J., Vern, and other ventriloquist figures, from Enterprise, Ala. Jerrell Dawson, pastor, invites the public.

New Hope C. M. E. Church, 350 Moorer Ave., Henning, will host its Usher Day program at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 9th. Special guests will be the New Bethel Baptist Church. The public is invited.

Mary's Chapel Baptist Church, 279 Mary's Chapel Rd., near Ripley, will hold revival services beginning at 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, March 9th and continuing at 6:30 p.m. nightly through Wednesday, March 12th. Charlie Goodman, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, of Manchester, Ky., and founder of On Target Sportsman Ministries, will be the guest speaker. 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.

Revival

Sun. - Wed., March 9th - 12th

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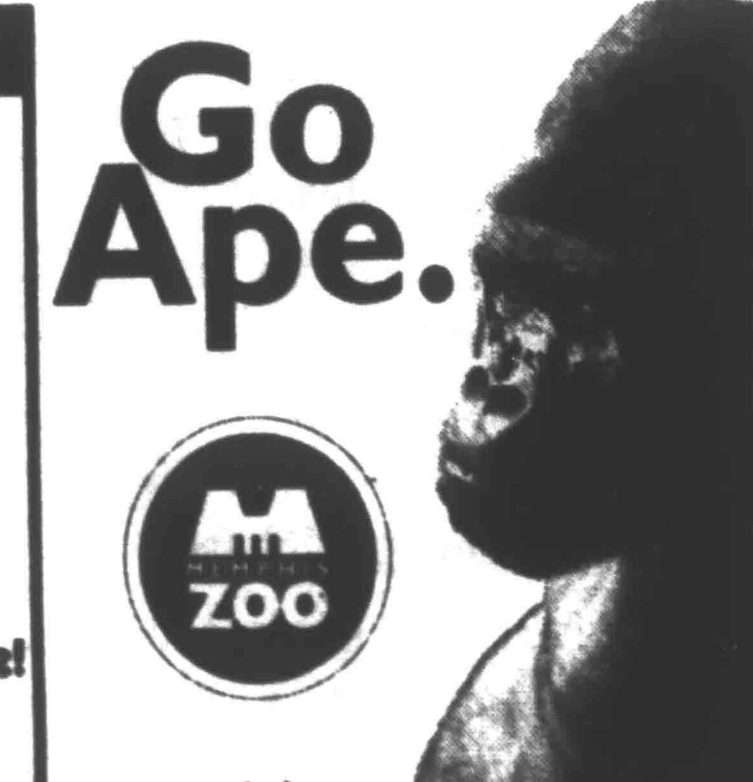
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Obituaries

J. F. Alexander

John Franklin Alexander, 95, father of Johnnie Sue (Mrs. Gwinn) Matthews, of 290 Church, Ripley, died Wednesday of last week in Decatur County Hospital.

Rites were Saturday in Parsons Church of Christ, where he had been an elder and Sunday School teacher for more than 50 years. Burial was in Bear Creek Cemetery.

Born and reared at Beacon, four miles west of Parsons, he was a life-long resident of Decatur County, working for nearly 40 years on Tennessee Valley Authority construction projects, chiefly as a concrete foreman.

He delivered Meals on Wheels for some 20 years.

Survivors include his wife for 74 years, Allie Mae Alexander; a son, Harry Lynn Alexander, of Parsons; sisters, Dorothy Carrington, of Darden, and Alma Williams, of Avera, Ga.; four grandsons; and four great-grandchildren.

Jean Sneed

Jean Sneed, 87, of Ripley, widow of Charley Sneed, died Tuesday, in her home.

Rites are set at 10 a.m. Friday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

She leaves children, Lanis Lambirth and Phyllis Jelliosen, of Henning, five grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Tony Alexander

Tony Alexander, 36, of Ripley, died Monday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Tuesday in St. Matthew Baptist Church west of Ripley, with burial in its cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

He leaves a daughter, Monique Rogers, and sisters, Deborah Ann Brown and Etta Harris, all of Ripley.

Charles Hayes

Charles Edwin Hayes, 81, Haywood county farmer, step-father of Danny Taylor, of 316 Craig Road, Ripley, died Feb. 21st in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were Feb. 23rd in Brownsville Funeral Home, before burial in Stanton Cemetery.

With a degree in agriculture from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, he was an Army veteran of World War II.

He was a member of Bethlehem Community Church.

He leaves his wife, Anita Holt Hayes, a grandson he reared, Justin Taylor Hayes, and another step-son, Jimmy Carraway, of Stanton; a step-daughter, Mary Dell (Mrs. Ted) McClellan, of Newbern, S.C.; brothers, Dale, of Forked Deer, Hoty, of Jackson, and Alvin, of Columbus, Miss.; a sister, Lois Ruth Griffin, of California; two other grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Olivia Sullivan

Olivia H. Sullivan, 87, of 148 Halliburton, Ripley, died Sunday in Baptist Hospital Tipton in Covington.

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

She leaves children, Danny Harrison and Mary Kelly, and a sister, Katie Wood, of Ripley; another son, Dennis Harrison, of Rochelle, Ill.; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Parrish

Mrs. James Parrish, 72, of Ripley, died Monday in Jackson Regional Hospital.

Rites are set at noon Friday in St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church near Ripley, with burial in its cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

She leaves her husband, sons, Calvin, Christopher, and Willie, a daughter, Bridgett White, and a sister, Ora Pitta, of Ripley; other sons, Wilbert, of Brownsville, and Alfred, of Jackson; other daughters, Fannie Malone, of Maury City, and Frances O'Neal, of Collierville; other sisters, Dorothy Bynum, of Milwaukee, Wisc., and Mary Dokes, of Beloit, Wisc.; 14 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

J. B. Griffin, Jr.

James Burnon Griffin, Jr., 74, of Ripley, retired security guard, died Thursday of last week, in his home.

Rites were Sunday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Grace Cemetery.

He leaves his wife, Juanita Inez Griffin; sons, Jeff, of Trenton, Ky., Jimmy, of Oak Grove, Ky., and Lynn, of Hopkinsville, Ky.; a daughter, Regina Goertz, of Clayton, N.C.; a step-son, Bill Jones, and step-daughters, Cindy Olds and Janice Cline, of Ripley; brothers, Johnny, of Indiana, Billy, of Owensboro, Ky., and Ray, of Sharon Grove, Ky.; sisters, Linda Crowder, of Ripley, Faye Irvin, of Selmer, and Carolyn Daniels and Kathy Hester, of Owensboro; 12 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

J. F. Mullins, Jr.

John Frank Mullins, Jr., 86, of Ripley, died Tuesday of last week in the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Memphis.

Memorial services were held Thursday of last week in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley.

He leaves his wife, Brenda; a son, J. F. III, of Dyersburg; a daughter, Kathi Dolezal, of Cincinnati, Ohio; step-sons, Jeff Tabor, of St. Simon's Island, Fla.; and sisters, Katherine Bales Whitaker, of Somerset, Ky., and Ruth Howard, of Elizabethtown, Ky.

Mary Ann Triggs

Mary Ann Triggs, 66, of Brownsville, mother of William Henley, of Ripley, died Saturday in Haywood Park Hospital in Brownsville.

Rites are set at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Macedonia Baptist Church in Haywood County, with burial in Mercer Cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include other sons, James and Terrance Henley, and daughters, Jacqueline Henley, Debbie Vaughn, and Frances Jones, of Brownsville; another son, Andrew Henley, of Jackson; brothers, Willie Crawley, of Alabama, and Bobby and Roosevelt Crawley, of New York, N.Y.; a sister, Diane Cockerell, of Alabama; and 13 grandchildren.

Beulah Burk

Beulah Louise Burk, 68, of Munford, sister of Bobby Cook, of Ripley, and Linda Fay Cook, of Gates, died Sunday in Methodist Hospital North in Memphis.

Rites were set at 2 p.m. Thursday in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in Crigger Cemetery in Munford.

She was born at Covington, Feb. 2, 1940.

Survivors include her husband, Donavon L. Burk; sons, D. L., Jr., of Munford, Jimmy, of Mason, and Anthony, of Moultrie, Ga.; one daughter, Donna Burk, of Burlington; another brother, Charles Cook, of Covington; another sister, Inez Delaney, of Brighton; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has called, visited, brought food, and sent well wishes to me while I was in the hospital and while I have been receiving chemo. Please continue to lift me up in your prayers. God is good and He is still in control.

Thank you,
Don Patton

Adv.P.

Neil Dyer, Halls Lumber Dealer

Neil Augustus Dyer, 83, of 460 S. Mitchell Lane, Halls, died Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital East in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in First Baptist Church in Halls, where he was a member, with entombment in Halls Cemetery, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He was born at Halls, Feb. 27, 1925, to the late Thomas Neil and the late Emma Augustus Nunn Dyer.

He was president of his senior class in Halls High School.

He served in the Marine Corps, 1946-48.

In 1947, with his brother, the late Gilreath Dyer, he took over Dyer Bros. Lumber Co. in Halls. He retired in 2002.

He leaves his wife, Mary Martha Hemby Dyer, whom he married June 28, 1951; sons, Charles Thomas Dyer, of Dyersburg, and Dr. David Neil Dyer, of Nashville; and four grandchildren.


Divorces

Janice Eloise Hodge vs. Thomas Neal Hodge.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Planning Commission meeting for the Town of Halls will meet at 5 p.m., Monday, March 17, 2008 at City Hall for a regular meeting.

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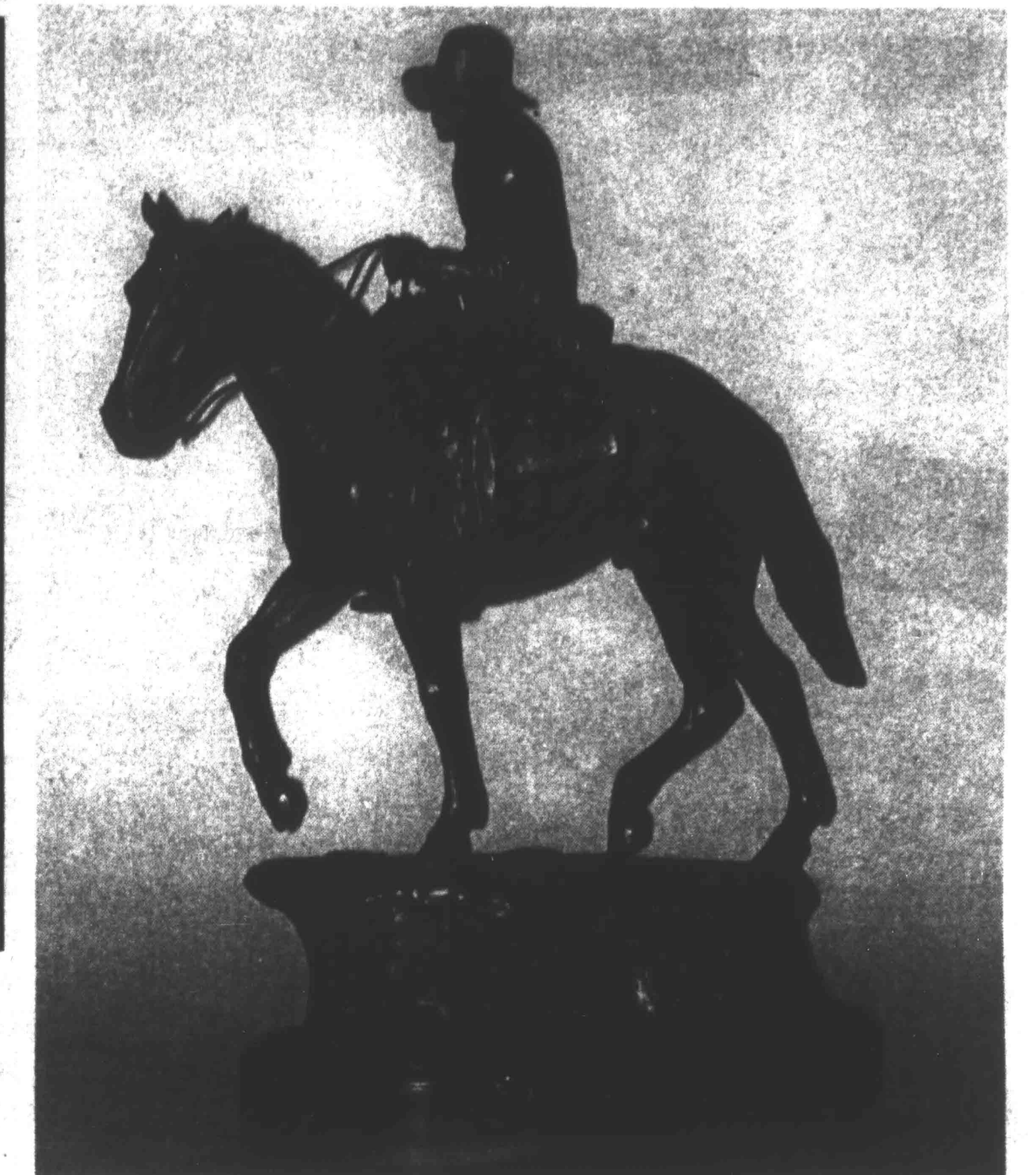
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Artwork On Display



THE ARTWORK, a sculpture of a Deputy U. S. Marshal, made by Dave Kulczyk in 1989, titled, "On the Long Trail to Justice", owned by Senator Mark Norris, is on display at the Tennessee State Museum in Nashville during a special exhibit, showcasing Tennessee's unique art and cultural treasures. The project, Treasures from the Vault: Tennessee Artifacts-Legislator's Choice, is a joint effort with the Tennessee General Assembly Arts Caucus, Tennessee Arts Commission, and Tennesseans for the Arts. The exhibit opened March 4th in the changing galleries at the museum and continues through March 31st. Senator Norris said he chose the artifact because, "This work of art speaks to all who serve; those who make the laws as well as those who enforce them. 'On The Long Trail To Justice' is a metaphor for the dogged determination it takes to do justice and leave things better than we find them along life's way."

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, March 10th

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

Tuesday, March 11th

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

Wednesday, March 12th

- Southern Fried Chicken
- Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
- Whipped Potatoes
- Green Beans
- Oranges Sections
- Pineapple Tidbits
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk

Thursday, March 13th

- Menu- School's Choice

Friday, March 14th

- Grilled Chicken Sandwich
- BBQ On Bun
- Corn On The Cob

School Lunches

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

Monday, March 10th

- Hot Dog
- Tater Tots
- Fruit Mix
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

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- Menu- School's Choice

Friday, March 14th

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

- Baked Beans
- Peaches
- Pear Halves
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

Upcoming County Spring Shape-Up

Le Bonheur Community Outreach is offering an eight week class from 11 until 11:30 a.m. every Monday and Friday beginning March 10th at the Lauderdale Commission on Aging/Senior Center in Halls. The class includes Tai Chi and Walk Across Tennessee walking program, instruction on physical activity for people of all sizes and fitness levels, tips on enjoying lighter, more nutritious meals and snacks, and weight-loss support and lifestyle improvement. Le Bonheur will provide health screenings on March 13th and at the final meeting.

For more information or to sign up for the class, call 635-9551 or 836-5444.

The UT Extension Service is offering another eight week program for Walk Across Tennessee. The kick off, health screening, and weigh-in will be from 9:30 a.m. until noon, Saturday, March 8th at CareAll Health located by Smoker Friendly in Ripley. The class gives

tips on more nutritious meals and snacks, instruction on physical activity for people of all sizes and fitness levels, weight-loss support and lifestyle improvement, and prizes for weekly team winners. To join, form a team of eight members and select a team captain.

For more information, call 635-9551 and pick up the team packet at the UT Extension Office or the Halls Senior Center/LCCOA.

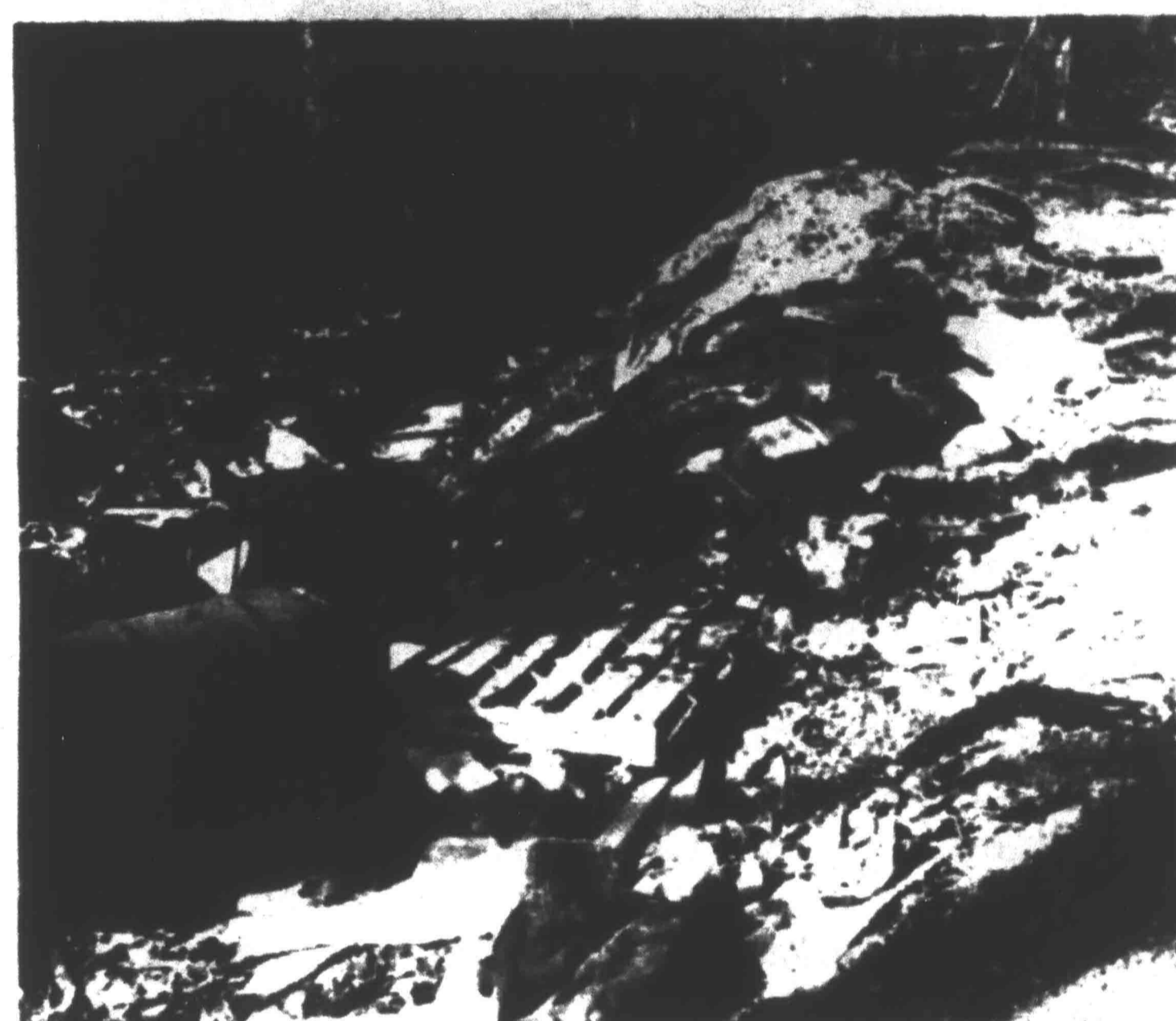
MEETING SCHEDULED

The Workforce Employer Outreach Committee will

hold a meeting from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., Thursday, March 13th at Blue & White Café, 1325 Hwy. 51 North in Ripley. The meeting topic will be Career Readiness Certificate (CRC): Skill Assessments for 21st Century Jobs. The guest speaker will be Ginger Powell of the Northwest Tennessee Workforce Board.

Contact the Lauderdale County Chamber/ECD at (731) 635-9541 or email lhankins@lauderdalecountyn.org or stodd@lauderdalecountyn.org if you plan to attend.

Sites Are County Eyesore



DUMPSITES, around Lauderdale County, are an eyesore to citizens. Ann Tate, of the Lauderdale Litter Committee, submitted the photos of a few of the sites the committee is seeking to clean in the Great American Clean Up, March 15th. Volunteers will join together at 9 a.m. at the South side of the Courthouse in Ripley, Henning City Hall, and in at Halls City Hall. "Dumpsite. Have you ever taken a drive out into the country to take a good look at one lately? Let me describe my latest unfortunate adventure, dumpster diving, just so I can talk trash with all who will give me five minutes. First, I saw a

Students Awarded U of M Scholarship

Ashley Rorie, of Ripley, and Mikayla Thrash, of Gates, were awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to play with the Mighty Sound of the South Marching Band of the University of Memphis beginning this fall. They were named scholarship recipients based on their musical performances during the 18th Annual University of Memphis High School Honor Band Festival.

wreath that said, "To the greatest Mom who lived a good life". Let me tell you, your Mama is not proud of you. However, Mom's wreath did come in handy, because someone else had left their faithful Dalmatian (very dead) close by. I put Mama's wreath on that poor, neglected pooch. Someone had donated NINE automobile gas tanks. Next time, leave them full and we will be proud to get them. Two tires were next to the gas tanks, the remains of a sofa, various bags of things too gross to discuss, and even some family portraits. Those were some find looking kids learning very bad habits if they are watching their folks dump trash on the side of the road. Someone who's been to Union University - in the nursing program, of all things - had even dumped out their old papers. Obviously they didn't learn about the health hazards of illegal, unmanaged dumpsites. Most surprising of all, though, was finding the business minutes and bulletins from a local Baptist Church. Has your minister not told you that God frowns on defacing the earth that he entrusted us to care for? And it's illegal and could place your whole church in jeopardy if legal action was taken. Now here is your chance to make amends or just take up the slack for those who are set on destroying the beauty of our county. Join in the Great American

2008 Annual Tomato Festival Pageants

The official date for the annual Tomato Festival Beauty pageants in Lauderdale County is Saturday, April 19th. The pageants are sponsored by the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD and will be held at the Ripley High School Bank of Ripley Performing Arts Theater.

All pageant winners will represent Lauderdale County in the 25th Annual Tomato Festival to be held on July 11th and 12th. Miss Lauderdale County and the Jr. King and Queen winners will also represent Lauderdale County in the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival pageant in May. Participation is open to any resident of Lauderdale County within the various age categories which include the Little Mr. and Miss Tomato, ages 0-2; Little Mr. and Miss Lauderdale County, ages 3-5; Jr. King and Queen, ages 6-9; Lauderdale County Jr. Miss, ages 10-12; Miss Lauderdale County Teen, ages 13-15; and Miss Lauderdale County, ages 16-21.

Applications are available at all area banks, Merle Norman, and all school offices. The deadline to enter is April 15th. For more information, call the Chamber at 635-9541.

Clean Up, March 15th at 9 a.m. If you'd rather join the Henning group, meet at the city hall parking lot. Halls will meet at the city hall and have a dumpster on the parking lot for garbage. Gloves and garbage bags

Tennessee School Breakfast Week

Governor Phil Bredesen has proclaimed March 3rd through 7th School Breakfast Week in Tennessee in recognition of the important role the National School Breakfast Program plays in the lives of Tennessee students. The School Breakfast Program provides more than 30 million nutritionally balanced breakfasts to Tennessee students each year.

Students for the first time this year were invited to enter a creative writing contest about how school breakfast helps fuel their imagination. The theme for National School Breakfast Week 2008 was "Fuel Your Imagination" to emphasize to students the benefits to eating breakfast. Winning entries will be professionally illustrated and published on the web.

will be provided. We live in the house that we all build. We choose what we throw on our roadsides, put into our lakes and rivers. We choose what we release into the air we breathe. If we want a safe place for our children to run and play, we need to set good examples for them to follow. Next time, take your trash to the Lauderdale County Dump. They have a big truck there for your old tires and if you make a hole in your old gas tanks, then the dump will take them as well. Together we can make a difference, bring back the beauty of our country roads," said Tate.

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Halls Tigers Assist



MEMBERS of the Halls Football Team and Coach Chris Hurt assisted in commodity distribution at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging February 27th. The staff at Delta Human Resources and Lauderdale County Commission on Aging were pleased with the team's desire to serve their community.

AMERICAN CLEANUP

This year Keep Tennessee Beautiful (KTnB) plans to see the state of Tennessee be better than ever during Keep America Beautiful's (KAB) 2008 Great American Cleanup™ (GAC), the nation's largest annual community improvement program.

Last year Tennessee became the first state in the nation to achieve 100% county participation during the three month event, which started March 1st and ends May 31st. KTnB's goal for 2008 is a repeat performance of the 100% county participation, as well as increasing the numbers of total volunteers and litter cleaned, as well as recycled.

Education was also a prominent part of GAC, as 1,059 educational workshops taught 51,866 Tennesseans on various subjects, such as beautification, graffiti removal, litter prevention, and of course recycling.

The campaign in Lauderdale County against litter will begin at 9 a.m., Saturday, March 15th. Volunteers are needed from all sectors

of the county. The meeting sites are Henning City Hall, Ripley Court Square, and Halls City Hall. A cook-out will be held after the event at the Lauderdale County Criminal Justice Center at noon.

For more information, contact Pamela Cherry-Kerby at 836-0637 or Lynn Harmon at 635-3791.

Birthdays

March 6 - Paul Pilcher, Rusty Sanders, LaVerne Harris, Joe Maxey, Joann Crain, Betty Warren, Amanda McBroom, Sherry Seeley Layne, Clyde Nelson, Martha Cabay, Donnie Wieber, Vanessa Cain, Harvey B. Johnston, Wayne Bringle.

March 7 - Amanda Hutcherson Booker, Pug Conner, Misty Oswald Anthony, Ashley Turner, Al Jennings, Gennie V. DeWalt, Chad Meyer, Danielle McBroom Jowers, Charlene Roberts, Gaylon Hardy, Caleb McKee, Danetia Jordan Fincher, Mattie D. Taylor, Nona Pilkington, Shawn Rose, Brian Elam, Michele Maclin.

March 8 - Andy Booker, Jerry Summar, Jr., Matthew Ratcliffe, Bill Zachary, Jayme Ann Buntin, Anne Paris, Jill Carpenter, Katrina Burns, Lind-

sey Smith, Lois Harris, Opal White, Tommy McDearman, Greg McBroom, Nancy Etheridge, Robbie Summar, Rachel Adkins.

March 9 - Dalton Lee Young, Luke Hemby, Jerald Bridges, Melinda Pilcher, Barbara Sue Ezekiel, Glenn Lazure, Kathy Cherry, Tammy Terry, Sandra Wieber, Ann Carmack, Jessica Little, Will Warren, Nyiesha Gingery.

March 10 - Zackery Flatt, Rita Glenn, Rita Gillon, Polly Adkisson, Troy Sinquefield, Kim Vanden Hurt, Conner Stanley, Louise Ward, Randy Harris, Jacob Newman, Phyllis Elkins, Reagan Mills White, Brandy Lane, Brandon Crumpler.

March 11 - Joe Tidwell, Larry Reynolds, Zane Bernard, Carol Douglas, Russ Poston, Grayson Morris, Lance Medford, Jeremiah Boyd, James Ryan Hilliard, Annie Hume.

March 12 - Natalie Schneider, Dalton Fowler, Stacy Fullen, Paul Childress, Roger Mills, Frankie Spray, Lorene Pennington, Susanne Hurt Trout, Jamie Young, Alicia Gooch, Sue Hamby, Sue Adkerson, Kevin Welch.

Public Speaking Contest



PARTICIPANTS in the Regional 4-H Public Speaking Contest, held Thursday, February 28th at Hillcrest Elementary School in Troy, included Chad Lewis, 5th grade student at Halls Elementary School; Ineashia Claybrook, 6th grade, HES; and Andreas Fritz, 8th grade home-school student. County 4-H students that won first place at the county level moved on to this contest, where they competed against students throughout the Western Region. Chad placed second in the 5th grade division, Ineashia, 4th in the 6th grade; and Andreas, third in the 8th grade.

Winter Vacation



LOUISE DYER, of Halls, accompanied by Sandra and Steve Dawson, of Oakland, Dawn Dawson, of Avon, Conn., Jill Dwyer, of Atlanta, Ga., and Sue Davis, of Gadsen, enjoyed a winter vacation to New Orleans and the Western Caribbean in late January. Cozumel and Progreso on the Yucatan proved to be the perfect fun in the sun cruise destination for family and friends.

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if at all, after Cesarean surgery in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Officials say murder charges might be doubled for mother and child.

And In The Clean-Up:

A 9mm. bullet went through an apartment in which a mother was putting her baby to bed.

Bullets were found in another apartment and in the trunk of Wilkes' car.

Police held a Caprice Classic, with a Lauderdale County plate, and a Pontiac Parisienne, with an Illinois plate, which they believe the trio drove to Newbern but abandoned after the shootings.

Lemons Named To Halls Board

Rosie Lemons was named as chairman of the Town Beautiful Committee for the Town of Halls as the monthly meeting Monday of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Halls Mayor Trent McManus stated that the attendance was light due to the heavy rain and cold weather Monday night.

A mowing contract was awarded to Paul Hansbrough for \$1,460 a month, for two years. His was the lowest of two bids, the other at \$1,720 a month.

The second reading of an ordinance to set the gas rates for businesses outside the city limits to the same as customers inside the city limits was passed.

Board members also voted to allow a religious festival, On The Go Ministries, to be held September 13th and to allow Mike Moore, Mayor McManus, and David Jennings to negotiate a new contract with Forked Deer Regional Library.

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person for the Governor's Alliance for a Safe and Drug Free Tennessee. Practice for the contestants will be at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 6th. All proceeds from the pageant will benefit the Halls-Gates Rotary Club.

2nd Annual All School Reunion

The 2nd annual All-School reunion for alumni of Lauderdale Training School and Lauderdale High School graduates is slated for Labor Day weekend in August. The first All-School had over 300 alumni representing their class.

For more information, call Sandra Polk at 635-3025 or Birdean Boyd at 635-1698.

EDUCATIONAL SESSION

The Women and Children's Center at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital will host the Woman 2 Woman Series for women to learn more about their health. The session will be at 7 p.m., Thursday, March 13th in the J. Walter Barnes Conference Center. The topic will be "Staying in Circulation" and will address peripheral arterial disease (PAD).

One in every 20 Americans over the age of 50 has PAD. Just like arteries in the heart, arteries in the legs, kidneys, and brain may become clogged with plaque. PAD is a sign of a higher risk of heart attack and stroke. Learn more at this session presented by Dr. John Crocker of Jackson Radiology Associates, Inc.

For more information or to register for this free community event, call 731-541-6448 or go online to www.wth.org and click classes and events.

Ribbon Cutting & Grand Opening

OFFICIALS with the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD, representatives from local businesses and owners and employees with The Fork and Spoon on Cleveland St., in Ripley, held a ribbon cutting and grand opening ceremony Thursday of last week. The establishment serves gourmet coffee and other beverages.

Public Hearing Held

THE AGING COMMISSION OF THE MID-SOUTH held a public hearing presenting the 2008-2009 Area Plan for Memphis and the counties of Fayette, Lauderdale, Tipton and Shelby. Pictured are Mike Moore, Town of Halls Alderman; Beauton Matthews, TCAD Commission member; Nick Kistenmacher, Field Director for Tennessee Senator Bob Corker; Trent McManus, Town of Halls Mayor; Carolyn Stearnes, Aging Commission of the Mid-South Executive Chair; State Representative Craig Fitzhugh; County Commissioner Don Fisher; Kathryn Coulter, Chief Development Officer; Gloria Lynch, Chief Operations Officer; Kathy Williams, Chief Financial Officer; Dora Ivey, Executive Director; Joni Cook, LCCOA Director; Carla Black, Provider Relations Chairman; and Martha Higgins, administrative assistant.

Students Aid Classmate



CARPENTRY STUDENTS of Joe Clendenin at Halls High School, including Houston Watson and Matthew Buffalo, built and customized a wooden desk for Casey Gilbreath. The students made adjustments to the desktop for a proper fit for Casey's wheelchair. She said the desktop would make her time in the classroom more comfortable.

Yesteryear

When John Kennedy died sometime between 1834 and 1838 he was survived by his widow, Edith, who is said to have conducted the first school in Lauderdale County, and their two daughters—Susan, and Edith Ann. Susan married Pascal Saunders, a physician, and Edith Ann married an Ellis.

Kennedy, who had been a justice of the peace for Dyer County (his home at Key Corner had been in Dyer County before our county was formed), left a farm and a town lot which Edith, Susan and Pascal, and Edith Ann decided to sell in 1850, and they filed an ex parte petition with the Circuit Court to do so. The family name is spelled several ways in various records, often as "Kenley," but this record used the longer version.

The farm was more than 260 acres which Edith's father, Hugh Dunlap, had given her husband in 1825, part of the North Carolina Grant #27 to Martin Armstrong, Jr. in the northwestern corner of the county.

The town lot, where the Kennedy's home stood, was three acres which John Kennedy had bought from Henry Rutherford. The lot is described in the ex parte petition as "a small lot or parcel of land situate in the old town of Canton (commonly known as Key Corner)."

Yes, there was once a town of Canton—perhaps the first town in the county—mentioned numbers of times in deeds, road orders, and County Court minutes, and the Kennedy petition proves it was at Key Corner.

Bettie B. Davis
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Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek Here! Mr. Buddy was Mr. Bad News this week. He got a call to buy a smoked shoulder from the High School Baseball Team. He said yes and my mouth started watering. Last year's shoulder was delivered to the club and while he was gone I had a Big Nibble. Well, this year he told them to deliver the shoulder to his home. I would be willing to bet that the scraps won't end up at the club. Da, it just hit me, I could get my two legger friends to call the club at 836-7387 and make Mr. Buddy feel guilty and then I just might get some scraps. He used to bring us scraps from the jail, but Buddy also decided that Zeek needed to learn how to play catch. Evidently baseball spring training got him in the mood. He started out throwing me bits of milk bones and you will be proud to know that I did not commit an error. I caught six in a row and then he decided to throw me a baseball. I saw this big object in the air and all I could think about was this big warm and soft donut. I raised my head and my eyes took aim down the bridge of my nose, just like the two leggers do when they shoot a gun. My mouth opened and you will again be proud to know I caught the ball. I felt a huge thump as my eyes crossed from the shock to my head. The ball landed so far back in my mouth I got lockjaw. I spent the next four or five seconds trying to dislodge the ball. Finally, the ball hit the ground along with a portion of one of my front teeth. Mr. Buddy started laughing and said, "My bad." I headed for the office to show Miss Pam. Scooter looked over her shoulder and said, "Your new nickname can be Gappy." Final message, bring food not baseballs, and if I don't smile when you come to the club I hope you will understand.

The following two leggers got it right they brought food. Thank, Stevie Lewis, Lisa Grecco, Ron Linn, Frank Daily, and Connie the meter reader.

The great news is Yoda my friend of five months found a two legger named Van Curtis. Bull found Bobby Gause and Britney Gray adopted two puppies.

Gappy's message this week is I have great Labrador Retriever friends along with a blonde Malamute, a black Weiner Dashound. Rocky is a six month old who was born at the club. He is very friendly, stays outside and has the markings of a Rotweiler, but is about one third the size. I also can't forget Fred and Barney they are black and grey mixed Shepherd puppies. Don't forget those scraps.

Zeek (Gappy) out!

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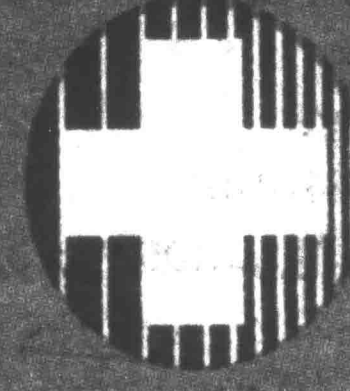
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Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bailey during the week, and were Mrs. E. Westmore, of Memphis, and daughter, Betty Ann, who needed a rest, returned to their home here with them.

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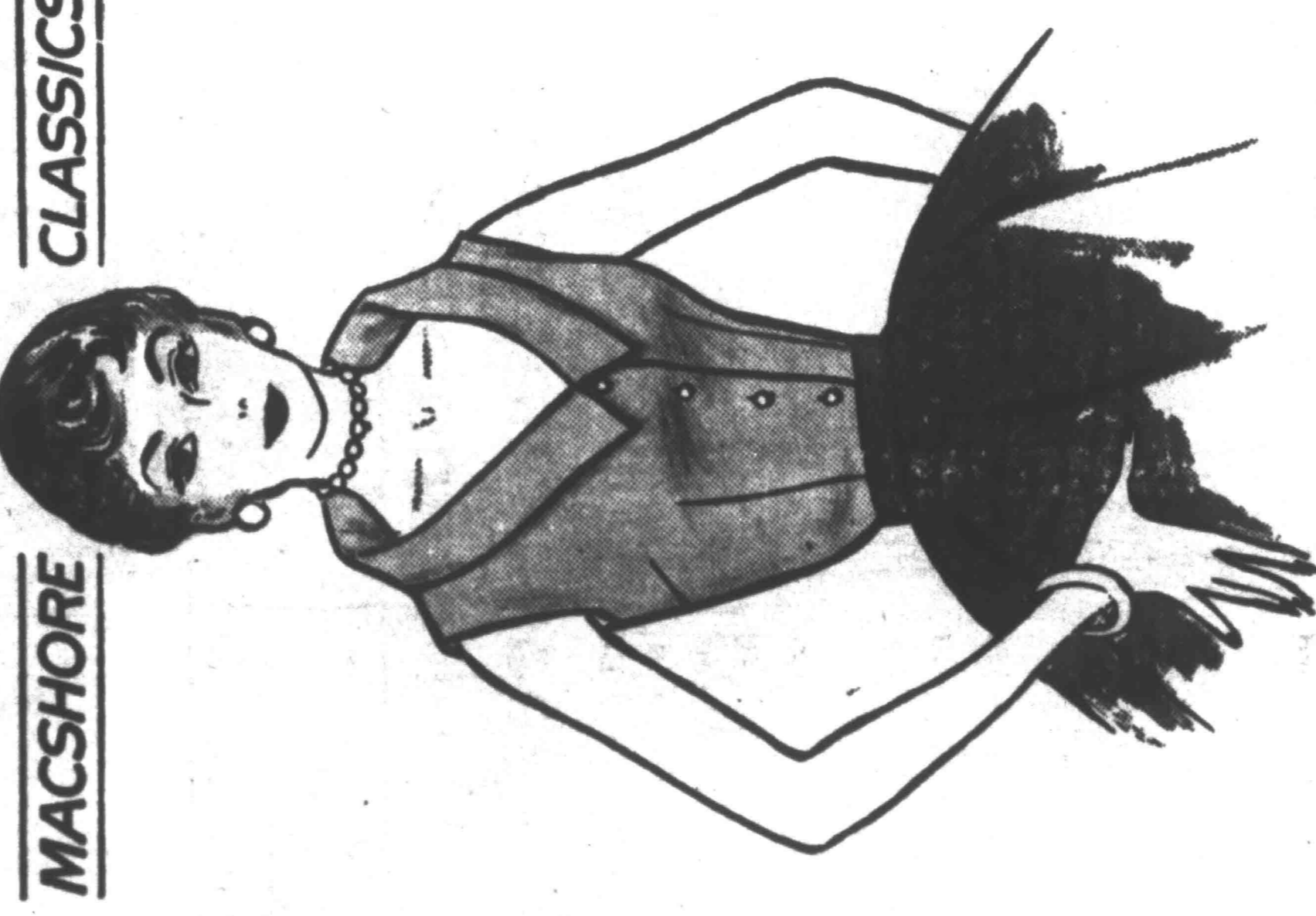
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- Judy Hansford.....Song
- Neil Luton, Jimmie Hansford, Richard Littles, Wilson Lawrence.....Song
- Peggy Jordan, Linda Lucas.....Song
- Lynne Stallings.....Accordion
- Kathy Daws.....Song
- Chuck Murchison.....Song
- High School Boys.....Mimetics
- Richard Littles.....Song
- Katie Lou Hurt.....Dance
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Halls Attempts To Become 'Who-ville'



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TRENT McMANUS, Town of Halls Mayor, along with approximately 600 citizens gathered Saturday on the football field in Halls to attempt to be the loudest potential "Who-ville" for the Horton Hears a Who Blimp. Mayor McManus was notified Tuesday that Halls finished second behind Huntsville, Ala.

Miss Halls Royalty Crowned



MADISON HAMLET, center, daughter of David and Zina Hamlet, and junior at Halls High School, was crowned queen Saturday in the annual Miss Halls pageant. Her court included, from left, Holly Crook, junior, Miss Congeniality, daughter of Leslie and Judy Crook; Cassidy Hardee, sophomore, third maid, daughter of David and Wendi Hardee; Cassie King, senior, first maid, daughter of Melody King; and Kelsey Layne, freshman, second maid, daughter of Jim and Veronica Layne.

Benefit Supper Riot Defendant For Alan Ward Denied Release

A benefit spaghetti supper will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 15th at the Halls Fire Department to aid Alan Ward, who has been diagnosed with cancer. The family is in need of financial help to pay for doctor and hospital expenses. All donations will be greatly appreciated. The public is invited.

Dyersburg Guard Alerted For Duty

Members of the 168th Military Police Battalion, based in Dyersburg, received notice the unit was alerted last week of possible mobilization for active duty, according to an article in the Dyersburg State Gazette. The battalion is the command element for six subordinate units, ranging from Ripley to Dickson.

Hughes' Daughter Heads Foundation

Local families have joined together to create the Yates Foundation to benefit children with autism. A part of West Tennessee Healthcare Foundation, the Yates Foundation is named for Yates Hazlehurst and is coordinated by a local group including his mom, Angela Hazlehurst, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hughes, of Halls, and family friend, Eliza Forbes. The group's mission is to advocate on behalf and to empower those in the autism community to never give up in their search to help their loved ones reach their full potential. They plan to ac-

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Dyer County Juvenile Court Judge Tony Childress Monday ordered Davonta Duffie, 15, charged with first degree murder in a riot in Newbern Feb. 27th, held in the McDowell Center for Children in Dyersburg until a further court hearing March 28th.

Duffie's attorney, Robert Brannon, of Memphis, sought Duffie's release, under house arrest, to his father, Milton Duffie, Jr., and his grandfather, all of 9580 Second St. in Gates.

The Dyersburg State-Gazette reports that Milton Duffie, Sr., his grandson's legal guardian, listed on the Internet as pastor of Prince of Peace II Baptist Church at 6751 S. Ashland in Chicago, did not appear for court hearings Wednesday of last week, Friday, or Monday.

Assistant district attorney Renée Creasy said she will seek to transfer the case to Circuit Court, to try Duffie as an adult.

Late Tuesday, another defendant, Darnell Madison, 19, of Ripley, had not been taken into custody.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Gates City Hall will hold the Gates Easter Parade and egg hunt at 10 a.m., Saturday, March 22nd. The parade will start at city hall and end at Gates Community Center where the egg hunt will be. There will be hot dogs for the kids. The age limit is 12.

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Town of Halls Planning Commission Meeting
5 p.m., Monday, March 17th
City Hall Board Room
Regular Meeting

1. Review & Consideration for Approving a Site Plan for Cannon Subdivision
2. Review & Consideration for Approving a Site Plan for 515 Fenton Street
3. Review & Consideration for Approving a Site Plan for Kevin Ward Park
4. Any other property presented new business.

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compish this mission by raising public and professional awareness of autism and related disorders; by soliciting and receiving funds in order to provide financial and educational assistance to families in need; and by assisting in the advancement of research of individuals with autism and related disorders.

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delays that can cause significant subsequent impairments in social interaction and communication.

The Yates Foundation has planned a Gala at 7 p.m., Friday, April 11th at the Aeneas Building in Jackson. The event is entitled: Breaking the Silence.

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DuPont Young Leaders Eagle Award Walk Across America



ALAN AND JAMI MEADOWS, of Halls, were named as the American Soybean Association and Pioneer Hi-Bred, International, Inc. DuPont Young Leaders. They were chose to represent Tennessee in a program involving producer participants from 19 other states and Canada. They participated in a challenging and educational leadership experience February 26th through March 1st in Nashville. The awards banquet was held February 29th. The couple will travel to Pioneer headquarters in Johnston, Iowa, for Phase II of the program. They are pictured with Frank Ross, left, vice-president of the North American Operations and Business Affairs for Pioneer Hi-Bred International Inc., and John Hoffman, right, ASA president.



LUCAS HENDREN, 15, son of Kevin Hendren, of Lexington, and Tara and Josh Hawkins, of Edwardsville, Ill., received the Eagle Scout award February 24th in a Court of Honor Ceremony at St. Cecelia Catholic Church in Glen Carbon, Ill. The Eagle Scout award is the highest rank in scouting. A reception was held after the ceremony. A freshman at Edwardsville High School, he completed his service project by renovating an outdoor amphitheater at the Watershed Nature Center in Edwardsville, which had been deemed unusable due to rotting wood and plant overgrowth. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hendren and Al Bradford, of Halls, Rita and Wayne Newman, of Tabuk, Saudi Arabia, and the late Richard Hargett, of Ripley, and the great-grandson of Virginia Bowers, of Halls, Gus and Betty Hargett, of Ripley, Judson and Elizabeth Vaden, of Halls, and Opal Hendren, of Gates.



RACHEL ERWIN, left, and Kim Barnes, right, with CareAll, plus, not pictured, Robin McLemore, of CareAll, discussed the Walk Across Tennessee event. The program is designed to promote healthier lifestyles. The kick-off will be March 22nd at CareAll Health Center, located on Highway 51 N., next to Smoker Friendly in Ripley. Free health screenings and a weigh-in will be held during the kick-off. If interested, call Rachel at the UT Extension Office, 635-9551, for further instructions.

Rice Park Contestants



CONTESTANTS, Jasmine Coleman, left, and Jeremiah Boyd, right, will be among those competing for the Rice Park Royalty at 7 p.m. March 15th at Ripley High School during the annual Talent and Fashion Extravaganza. Royalty, Little Master Rice Park, Miss Rice Park and Mister Rice Park, will be crowned at the end of the evening. Models, from local church and P.A.P.I., will display the latest in fashions. Entertainment will be provided by Kenya Adams, The Rev. Gary Andrews, Holly Grove Baptist Church, LMS Steppers, New Beginnings Christian Center, One-Fifty, and P.A.P.I.

Jasmine, 10, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Conley, of Gates, is competing for Miss Rice Park. She is a 5th grade student at Ripley Elementary School and a member of New Beginning Christian Center, Ripley. She

likes to bake with her mother, paint, and ride her bicycle. She is a member of the 4-h Club, where she has won multiple awards. Jasmine has also received several Science Fair awards and on several occasions, her name has appeared on the school's excellent honing list. She wants to become an architect to build homes and large buildings and possibly a scientist, like her mother.

Jeremiah, 12, son of Mrs. Louise Boyd, of Rip-

Choir Makes Joyful Noise



SENIORS at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging joined their voices together to form the LCCOA choir, under the direction of Jo Turner. The choir plans to meet at 10 a.m. every Tuesday. If anyone is interested in joining the group, call the center for more details, 836-5444.

ley, is competing for Mister Rice Park. He is a 7th grade student at Lauderdale Middle School and a member of New Beginnings Christian Center, Ripley. He likes to play video games, baseball, and football. He participates in Project L.E.A.D. at school and is a member of the choir at New Beginnings Christian Center. Jeremiah

has received a perfect attendance award at LMS and is a two year honorable mention at the Martin Luther King awards. He wants to be an expert in electronics and design computer games. They are sponsored by The Rev. Robert C. Morgan-Wilde and the New Beginnings Christian Center.

Obituaries

Eddie Bradford

Eddie L. Bradford, 68, of Clarksville, brother of Olyan Bradford, of 40 Bradford Lane, Gates, and father of Martin Edwards, of Halls, died Wednesday of last week in the Gateway Medical Center in Clarksville.

Rites were Tuesday in Trinity Church near Halls, with burial in its cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include a son, James Bradford, and daughters, Daurica Bradford and Sherril Young, of Clarksville; another son, E. L., Jr., of Nashville; another brother, William Howard Bradford, and a sister, Louise Bradford, of Chicago, Ill.; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Gracie McCloud

Gracie Lorene McCloud, 98, widow of Walter McCloud, died Friday in Wesley at Dyersburg Nursing Care.

Rites were Sunday in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Arp, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

She leaves sons, Eugene and Michael Hughes, of Ripley; a daughter, Peggy Esra, of Halls; and 13 grandchildren.

Lula Jones

Lula Delois Jones, 87, of Memphis, who was born at Ripley, Nov. 3, 1920, and who was a member of Ripley's First United Methodist Church, died Sunday in Ave Maria Nursing Home in Bartlett.

Rites were held Wednesday in Memory Hill Gardens in Bartlett, with Memphis Funeral Home Germantown Parkway Chapel in charge.

Widow of Glen E. Jones, after 61 years of marriage, she leaves a daughter, Glenna Robilio, and a brother, Ted Beasley, of Memphis; a granddaughter; and a great-grandson.

Mr. Thurmond Crash Is Fatal For Mrs. Glass

Wymond Hall "Buddy" Thurmond, 69, of 2230 Gates Rd., Halls, farmer who had also been employed by Pennington Seed Co., died Thursday of last week in the Jackson Regional Hospital.

Rites were Saturday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Thurmond Cemetery near Halls.

He was the son of the late James Robert "Bill" Thurmond and the late Vera Frances Moore Thurmond.

He was a member of Gates Baptist Church.

He leaves his wife, Lydia Alley Thurmond; a son, Rodney Thurmond, of Halls; a brother, Jimmy Thurmond, and sisters, Carolyn Hutcherson, Geneva Robbins and Peggy Jones, of Ripley; and another sister, Letha Johnson, of Maury City.

Mrs. Smith

Mrs. Anna Marie Smith, 60, of Ripley, died February 25th in North Carolina.

She was buried March 3rd in Arlington Memorial Gardens in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Survivors include her husband, Willis Smith, and sons, Marcus and Curtis, all of Ripley; a brother, William C. Smith, and two sisters, Velma J. Glosser and Lynn F. Riegger, all of Ohio; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Ozell Himes

Ozell Sowell Rust Himes, 86, of 1263 Bald Knob Rd., Ripley, died Thursday of last week in Trussville, Ala., where a daughter, Sandra (Mrs. Ron) Joganic, resides.

Rites were Sunday in Oakland Cemetery, near Jackson, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

She was the widow of Ewell Rust and Ray E. Himes.

Survivors include a son, Walter Rust, of Sherwood, Ore.; other daughters, Jean (Mrs. Don) Meacham, of Ripley, and Joan (Mrs. Darrell) Finney, of Beebe, Ark.; 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Martha Joyner Mildred Bilby

Merriam "Annette" Glass, 41, of Beaver Creek Lane, Covington, half-sister of Sidney Glass, of Ripley, was fatally injured early Sunday, March 2nd, when a 2002 Mazda 626 she was driving east on Holly Grove Road in Tipton County, near its intersection with the Hazel Grove Road, left a curve, rolled about 100 feet, ejected her (wearing no seat-belt), and pinned her under its roof.

Rites were Wednesday of last week in Magnolia Gardens in Covington.

She was a butcher's assistant at Save-A-Lot in Covington.

Survivors include her parents, Fred and Patsy Glass, sons, Blake and Greg Black, a companion, Jerry Vandiver, and a sister, Diane Huyed, of Covington; another half-brother, Jerry Glass, of Memphis; half-sisters, Dianne Glass, of Brighton, and Janet Glass and Margaret Pensak, of Wilmington, Del.; and Marty Black, father of Blake and Greg.

Annie Barbee

Annie Mae Barbee, 84, of Ripley, died Tuesday of last week in Methodist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in Elam Missionary Baptist Church at Durhamville, with burial in its cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home of Henning, in charge.

She leaves daughters, Alice Faye Burns and Denessee Fleming, of Ripley, and Doris Barbee, of Fayetteville, Ga.; sons, Robert Lee, of Henning, Tommy Barbee, of Atlanta, Ga., L. T. Holloway, of Chicago, Ill., and Donald Scott, of Aurora, Colo.; a sister, Callie Bradford, of Detroit, Mich.; 33 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

RECEIVES GRANT

State Senate Majority Leader, Mark Norris, informed Dyersburg State Community College officials that the college is the recipient of a \$40,000 grant to be used to fund scholarships that will enhance the college's al-

ready successful dual enrollment program. The grant is being awarded to 100 students living in Dyer, Tipton and Lauderdale counties who are currently enrolled in the program. In late 2007, the college applied for this funding from a state Community Enhancement Grant.

The Tennessee Department of State oversees the Community Enhancement Grants. These grants are designated for nonprofit organizations or government agencies with programs for public safety, education, community development or cultural activities.

Dual enrollment is a special enrollment status that allows high school students, who meet certain academic standards, to take college courses. Students who successfully complete the course work receive college credit.

Through dual enrollment, high school students can complete core college curriculum requirements before their high school graduation.

For more information about dual enrollment or DSCC, call the DSCC Office of Admissions and Records at (731) 286-3330 or email questions to enroll@dsc.edu.

Mildred Louise Bilby, 90, died Monday in Mid-South Health in Memphis.

Rites were set at 1 p.m. Thursday in Whitefield Assembly of God, near Ripley, with burial in Whitefield Cemetery, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

She leaves her husband, Kenneth Bilby; daughters, Lillian Harrison, of Memphis, and Jean Lucas, of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; a brother, Delmus Connell, of Ripley; sisters, Agnes Williams and Letisha Scoggins, of Memphis; seven grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

A son, Marvin L. Mathis, preceded her in death.

Long-Term Care Community Act

Governor Phil Bredeben outlined details of the "Long-Term Care Community Choices Act of 2008," the state's plan to simplify access to home and community-based services and increase the number of people able to stay at home for long-term care needs.

Over the past month, TennCare officials held more than two dozen working sessions and informational meetings with more than 20 key stakeholder groups and worked side by side with the bi-partisan Long-Term Care legislative study committee to solicit input on needed changes to the long-term care system. Key components of the "Long-Term Care Community Choices Act of 2008" include consumer choice and options, simplified process for accessing services, and "whole-person" care coordination approach.

The Long-Term Care Community Choices Act of 2008 must be voted on by the General Assembly and signed into law before becoming effective.

Tennessee Lotto Plus



School Lunches

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Monday, March 17th
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Land Transfers

March 2nd-March 8th

U.S. Bank, NA, to Jodie Spencer, Dist. 6, lot.

Shirley Brown and Herbert Brown to Randall's Auto Sales, Dist. 12, lot.

Michael Lewis and Tame-la Lewis to Jerry Gay and Toni J. Gay, Dist. 12, lot.

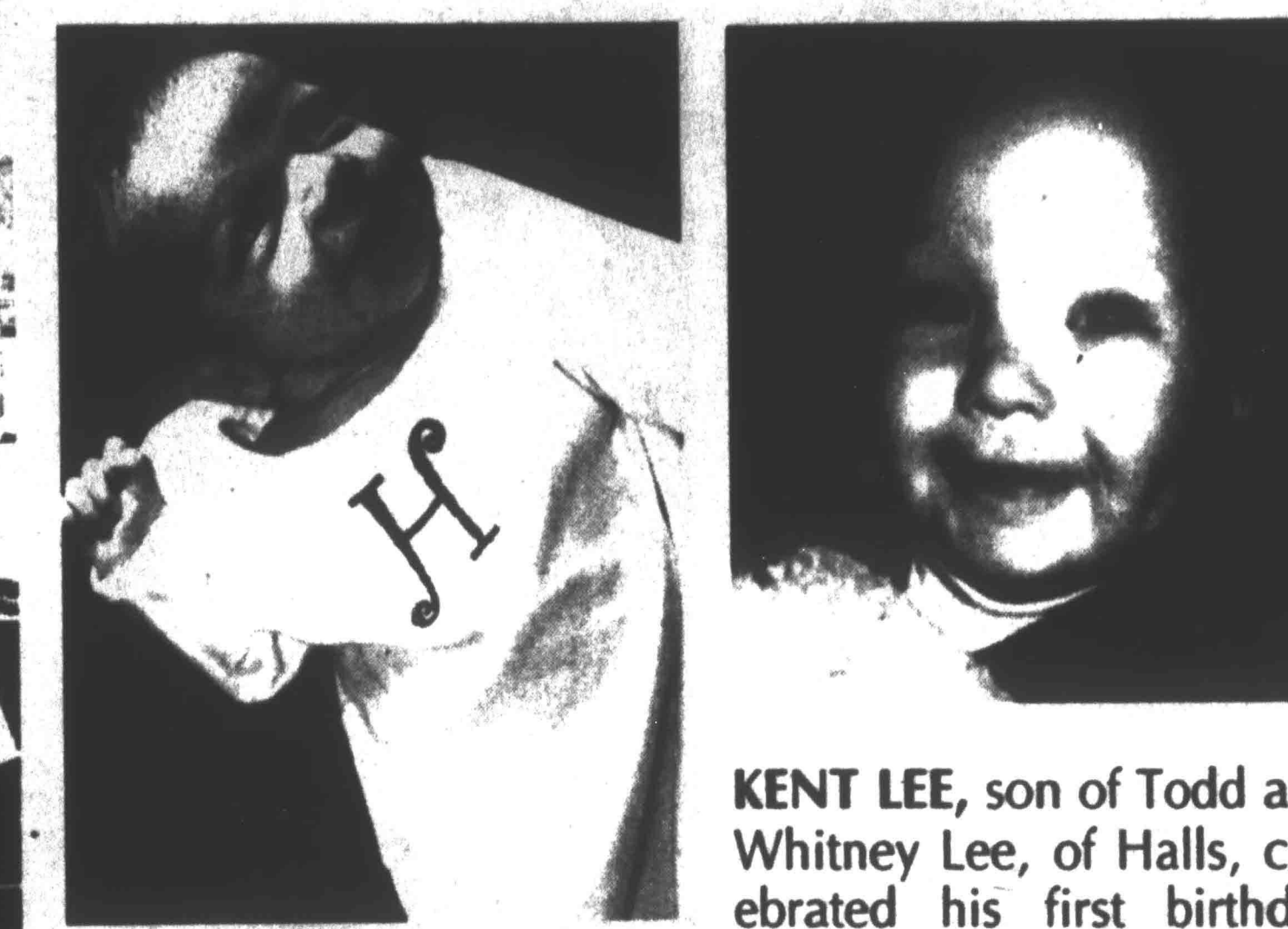
Billy M. Harmon, William M. Harmon, Jr., William M. Harmon III, Brenda Lynn Harmon and Willie Mae Harmon to William M. Harmon and Brenda Lynn Harmon, Dist. 2, 5 lots; Dist. 2, 0.51 acre; Dist. 2, 0.95 acre; Dist. 2, 1.0 acre; and 3 lots.

Jennifer Carmack to Steve Harden and Raylene Harden, Dist. 2, 2.0 acres.

UT-M SCHOLARSHIP

Britney Moore, daughter of Charles and Sheila Moore, of Gates, was awarded the dean's scholarship and the Leaders-in-Residence award to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin for the 2008-2009 academic year.

Newborn He's One



HUDSON HENDERSON, 8 lb. 15 oz. son of Matt and Jennifer Henderson, of Halls, was born at 3:27 p.m. January 30th in Methodist LeBonheur Hospital in Germantown. Measuring 21-1/4 inches long, Hudson Rosser is the brother of Brennan, grandson of Paul and Judy Henderson, of Halls, and Jim and Linda Hartwell, of Collierville, and the great-grandson of Alice Brady, of Somerville, and Jessie Lee Hartwell, of Memphis.

Tammy Pipkin, Saul Nelson, Kanisha Whitelaw, Dr. Bobby Webb, Jonathan Strantz, Tammy Carmack, Bryan McGarity, Leslie Jackson, Brooklyn Terry, Graeme Parsons, Tereasa Faye Boyd, Sonya Buckner, Mitchell Holley.

March 15 - Juanita Haynes, Amanda Buchignani, Dr. Randall Cummings, Steven Sumner, Annie B. Jones, Leslie Crook, Bob Harrell, Leah Rae Ward, Colton Olds, Debbie Hendrix, Robert Fisher, Ronnie Crutchfield, Kenneth Laumer, Donna Griffin, Patricia Cooksey, Justin Adams, Chandler Carmack.

March 16 - Shirley Carmack, John Eskridge, Lori Morris, Lynn Gould, Jeff Nelson, Robbie Platzke, Wayne Hilliard, Tiffany Kent, Heather Day, Patrick Hawthorne, Carly Harrison, George Crabb, Gracie Shutte.

March 17 - Kayla Craig, Sherry Scallions, Dot Pattat, Dan Brabec, Danny Booker, Krysta Adams, Clair Hammond, Missy Hammond, Minnie Gooch, Hannah Evans.

March 18 - Jennifer Buntin,

sythe, Jr., C. R. Hargett, Russell Brandon, Gary Fain.

March 19 - Parker Brown, Matthew Walker, Mary Ellen Williams, Latamara Jones, Ruby Duvall, Mike Lewis, Justin Klutts, Shelby Morris, Richard McDaniel, Lewis Paris, Will Simpson, LeAnn McGarrity.

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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.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, located just off Hwy 88, between Gates and Maury City, in the Frog Jump community, will hold its annual Passion play at 7 p.m. March 15th and 16th and March 21st and 22nd. Doors will open at 6 p.m. No admission, but tickets are required. For information, call Tina Thurmond, 731-656-2132.

Matthew Zion M.B. Church, in Halls, will hold a community choir workshop from 6 to 8 p.m. March 17th through March 21st. Frank Ray, Jr., of New Salem Church, in Memphis, will serve as conductor. A live recording concert will be held at 6 p.m. March 22nd at the church. The public is invited. For more information, call 612-0312.

Halls First Baptist Church will present its Easter Cantata, *Then Came the Morning*, at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 16th. 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 Date Start Survey Released

A survey released shows 71 percent of Tennessee residents want the school year to begin the last week in August or later, with only six percent wanting a school start date earlier than August 15th. Of those surveyed, three out of five wanted a uniform school-start date for public school children.

The survey also revealed that while school board members say parents have a say in the school calendar at the local level, 81 percent of parents of school age children surveyed said they had never been asked for their input on the school calendar configuration. Currently, Tennessee public schools are allowed to start whenever they like, with no guidance from the state.

Proponents of a uniform,

late-August school start date say it will provide fairness for students taking standardized tests — allowing all students the same number of days of possible student instruction before the exam is administered, similar to what the Tennessee High School Athletic Association does by setting uniform start dates for individual sport practices. Supporters of a traditional school calendar also say a later school start date will reduce electric costs for school districts and should allow for more money for classroom supplies and small group tutoring meaning less out-of-pocket expenses for teachers.

In the past several years, Tennessee public schools have started the school year earlier and earlier to get additional instructional days in before the administration of the state standardized test —

Visitor



'BETSY ROSS', also known as Mrs. Bettie Davis, of Halls, was the guest speaker at the March 5th meeting of the Lauderdale County Retired Teachers Association. Betsy explained how she met with a secret committee of the Continental Congress in 1776, asking her to sew a flag. Impressed with her experience in the upholstery business and her ability to make a five-pointed star, they entrusted her with making the flag. The story of our flag was truly brought to life with Mrs. Davis' presentation. Mrs. Susan Scott presented a devotion on "Attitudes and Faith". A short business meeting was led by Mrs. Jean Jackson.

AARP PROGRAM

The Lauderdale County Commission on Aging will host an AARP Driver Safety Program on April 16th and 17th. Call the Senior Center at (731) 836-5444 for details. Pre-registration is required by March 31st.

but test scores show no correlation between the earlier starting schools scores and those starting at more reasonable times. Eleven other states have already passed laws setting school start dates for public schools.

Why Easter Is Early This Year

Do you realize how early Easter is this year? It's March 23rd! As you may know, Easter is always the 1st Sunday after the 1st full moon after the Spring Equinox (which is March 20th). This dating of Easter is based on the lunar calendar that Hebrew people used to identify Passover, which is why it moves around in date on our Roman based calendar. Below are a couple of things you might be interested in. Based on the above, Easter can actually be one day earlier (March 22) but that is pretty rare. Here's the interesting info.

This year is the earliest Easter any of us will ever see the rest of our lives! Only the most elderly of our population have ever seen it this early (95 years old or above!). None of us have ever, or will ever, see it a day earlier! Here's the facts:

- 1) The next time Easter will be this early (March 23) will be the year 2228 (220 years from now).
- 2) The last time it was this early was 1913 (so if you're 95 or older, you are the only ones that were around for that!).
- 3) The next time it will be a day earlier, March 22, will be in the year 2285 (277 years from now).
- 4) The last time it was on March 22 was 1818. So, no one alive today has or will ever see it any earlier than this year!

Reprinted from the March 6th issue of the *Hickman, Ky. Courier*.

Marriages

February 29 — Steven Martin Dunaway, 44, to Brenda Kay Moore, 47, by Rocky Gilliam.

March 1 — Pearl Tronza McGee, 31, to Doris Elaine Alexander Higgs, 42, by Kenneth Dixon.

David Heath Conrad, 36, to Shari Dawn Caygle Sprayberry, 46, by Dan Holland.

Readers Speak

Editor,

Your Road Needs Assistance. Many citizens ask themselves why should we pick up litter along the road where they live. The answer is pride and a caring attitude toward your land, your neighborhood, your city, and your county. Saturday, March 15th will be recognized as the County's Litter Pick-Up Day. You can assist just by walking two or three hundred feet along your residence on Saturday and just pick up litter. Many of you will say why should I bother, the litter will be right back, but the answer is pride. Yes, it is aggravating; yes it's a pain. But, it's the right thing to do. Look at the roads in your county and cities, yes someone needs to do something and it starts with every citizen in this community. We have a problem in this county, don't be too proud and become part of the problem, be a part of the solution, do your part and pick up litter on a regular basis.

To our citizens that do care

There is a citizen action committee on county litter problems that meets at 8:30 a.m., the first Wednesday of each month at the Justice Center. We need your suggestions. If you can't join, I urge you to be an absentee member and pick up that litter spot near your home. Your contribution will make a difference. I want to say thank you to those citizens that already are committed and assist on their roads.

Just as in life, a few bad ruin the good. Litter is not going to stop but if we talk it, walk it, and communicate it at least you are not in that nothing zone of the silent majority. Please assist with this major problem in our County.

Rod Schuh
Lauderdale County Mayor

Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello, Zeek here! Mr. Buddy got yelled at when the two leggers read that he chipped my tooth. Miss Pam got him first, then Mayor Schuh got second dibs. The call he hated the most was from his spouse. She said she was on strike until he got my tooth capped. Right after the call, I was taken to the dentist office. He told Dr. Schneider to "get-her-done"! She said, "Don't you think this is a little unusual?" but Mr. Buddy insisted. She grabbed my upper lip and said that a cap would take a week to prepare. Mr. Buddy told her "I can't wait that long!" and off we went to see Dr. Crowder. My first nurse was named Sonja. She put a rag around my neck and told me to sit in the big chair. She rubbed my head, lifted my chin, stared into my eyes, and said "My little Boston Terrier will be mad at me when he smells you." As she pried my jaws open for a look, she flinched back and told me I had a case of "four-legger breath". She told Mr. Buddy that I needed a tooth cleaning. Before I knew it, she had a stick holding my mouth open and was spraying deodorant in my mouth. Next she dove in with her tools. I got along fine until I heard the grinder. I flinched at the sound—it was like finger nails dragging down a blackboard. She patted my belly and reassured me in an effort to calm me down. How did she know that my belly was my weak spot? She finally pronounced the operation a success and told Mr. Buddy what a good boy I was. He snarled and said "What about the cap?" About that time, Dr. Crowder arrived and said that his contract with the County prohibited capping teeth and that he was only allowed to pull teeth on inmates. The next stop was at Dr. Dudney's; but he was out of the office. Mr. Buddy was cranky as we rode back to the Club. That evening I showed off my teeth to the girls and they even commented about my nice breath and white smile.

Mr. Buddy got crankier; and finally on the third day after a suggestion by Mayor Shoe, Mr. Buddy took me to Nashville to see a dentist named Dr. Shoe. The Mayor said the County won't pay, but he could get Mr. Buddy a good discount. Dr. Shoe had some real purdy nurses and receptionists. With his crew rubbing my belly, the grinding really didn't bother me. Before I knew it, they were comparing my tooth color to samples. Within thirty minutes his machine made a cap and they were gluing it in place. We had a long drive home, but it was a good week for all concerned. The best part was the belly rubs.

While I was gone, Tom Daily dropped off 300 pounds of food and Elder's Auction and 51 Antique Mall collected over 300 pounds of food from their customers. Pouncer, their four legger mascot, is hard to refuse when he barks. Thanks to all that donated and please continue to leave food at Elder's or Harmon's Book Store on the square.

Miss Pam also just jogged my memory about the Halls Co-op. Thanks for your continued support.

I have some exceptional new buds. We now have a six month old gray female Schnauzer, two ten-week old full-blooded black and tan German Shepherds along with a year old beautiful German Shepherd female that is house broken. She is black and tan and played with the grand kids. We have a pretty yellow five-month old female lab and one tan

Online College Nursing Courses

Congressman John Tanner announced that Jackson State Community College will receive an award of almost \$2 million to launch Tennessee's first online nursing courses through the Tennessee Board of Regents Online Degree Program. The \$1,997,683 award is being made available through the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration.

"Rural west Tennessee faces long-term health care challenges, and we must ensure we have the health care professionals with the training and resources to help meet these challenges," Tanner said. "This program will support career growth among licensed nurses and encourage students to choose careers in nursing."

Anniversaries

March 13 — Mr. and Mrs. Emery Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Davis.

March 14 — Mr. and Mrs. Paul Buckner, Mr. and Mrs. Billy W. Rose.

March 15 — Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Dew, Mr. and Mrs. James Neal.

March 16 — Mr. and Mrs. Steve Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Voss, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Voss, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Grantland.

March 17 — Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Prater, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fitzhugh.

March 18 — Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Sanders.

March 19 — Mr. and Mrs. Billy Maclin, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy White, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Williams.

Malamute with blue eyes.

Don't miss these new arrivals plus we have many other great four leggers—even ones that meow. For the best deals visit the Club of Dry Hill. I will close with a big new smile—hope to see you soon! Zeek Out!

TAX REBATES

The 2008 economic stimulus program will help families feeling the crunch of today's slow economy, the federal government will send rebate checks to millions of taxpayers as a way to increase families' spending power and boost the economy.

The payments range from \$300 to \$600 for individual taxpayers and up to \$1,200 for married couples. Parents may also qualify for a \$300 payment for each eligible child younger than 17. It is not taxable, and it will not reduce your 2007 or 2008 refund or increase the amount you owe when you file your 2008 return.

Most people with a 2007 net income tax liability will qualify. This includes most people who get tax refunds. Some other taxpayers may also qualify, including Social Security, Railroad Retirement and veterans' affairs beneficiaries; low-income workers with earned income or benefits of at least \$3,000; and individuals who have combined income of at least \$3,000 from any combination of these sources. Supplemental Security Income (SSI) does not count toward the \$3,000 minimum.

To qualify for the payment, you must file a federal income tax return for 2007, even if you normally would not file. The IRS Free File program will help file tax returns for those taxpayers who do not usually have to file. Visit www.irs.gov or call (800) 829-1040.

GRANTS AVAILABLE

Agriculture Secretary Ed Schafer announced that \$220.9 million is available for loans and grants to help lower the cost of doing business through energy-efficiency improvements for small businesses in rural areas and agricultural producers. The announcement was made during an international renewable en-

Free Book Given To Area Students

The Ambassador Company is scheduled to provide a hard-back copy of *My Favorite Book* or *The Way To Go*, illustrated volumes expressive of moral values. The books will be given to student in the first grade through 10 years old. A copy will be given to each student and the school is given an interactive CD incorporating the themes of the book.

ergy conference.

Loan guarantees and grants are available to agricultural producers and rural small businesses to make energy efficiency improvements or to purchase and install renewable energy systems. Eligible applicants may apply for loan guarantees to cover up to 50 percent of a project's cost, not to exceed \$10 million. Grants are available for up to 25 percent of a project's cost, not to exceed \$250,000 for energy efficiency improvements and \$500,000 for renewable energy systems.

There are two opportunities to apply for this funding in 2008. In the first round, grant-only applications must be submitted no later than April 15, 2008. There will be a second round of grant-only applications accepted between April 16th and June 16th, 2008. Applications for loan guarantees, as well as those for loan/grant combinations must be completed and submitted to the applicant's Rural Development State Office no later than June 16, 2008.

To apply, contact the USDA Rural Development office in Covington at 901-475-3350, ext. 4. For more information on business development, affordable housing or community infrastructure programs available in Tennessee, call 615-783-1300 or 800-342-3149 or visit Rural Development online at www.rurdev.usda.gov/tn.

Halls High Holds National Honor Society Banquet



HALLS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, Hollis Belton, Brad Cain, Mickey Cherry, Casey Crockett, Grant Dew, Jessica Ellison, Angelia Hanks, Cassidy Hardee, Josh Lents, Megan McBroom, Candace McKinney, Melinda Meeks, Vicki Moore, Leslie Patrick, Clarissa Stark, Matt Taylor, and Emily Winters, were inducted into the National Honor Society during a banquet held March 3rd at the Halls First Baptist Church. Students maintaining an overall 93 or higher average were honored for their excellence in their studies. Chapter President, Phylicia Richmond, took charge in maintaining an overall 93 or higher average were honored for their excellence in their studies. Chapter President, Phylicia Richmond, took charge in "tapping" the new members. Inductees were informed of their responsibilities as new National Honor Society members with the four keys to success which included Leadership, Scholarship, Character, and Service. Members and their guests were served dinner, catered by Pig-N-Out, after the ceremony.

Yesteryear

Immigration and naturalization records are important to the family historian, but are often hard to find. Naturalization could be granted by any court of record, so we feel fortunate to have discovered six such records in our Courthouse in the long-stored loose papers.

On October 21, 1844, Ebenezer Renfrew declared that he arrived in the United States in 1836, and that he wanted to become a citizen. He renounced forever "all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state or sovereign whatever and particularly to the King or Queen of England, to the state or sovereignty of England & Scotland whereof I have heretofore been a citizen & subject."

J. F. Goodwin applied for citizenship on October 23, 1850. He stated he was born "in Germany: to wit in Spaden on the 11th of October 1818 and came to the United States in the year 1837," and had lived in Tennessee more than a year. He is listed in the 1850 census as a 32-year-old German-born carpenter in Lauderdale County's 1st Civil District in the household of Joseph Currie where, with two other carpenters and a millwright, he was obviously a boarder.

John Felsenthal came to Circuit Court in November 1865, a subject of Bavaria, "aged 24 years, five feet 5 inches high of fair complexion, dark hair, and dark eyes" to apply for citizenship. He offered Henry Levi's word as proof that he had been in the United States more than three years. He was married by 1870 to 18-year-old Julia, also born in Bavaria, and they had a new baby girl born in Tennessee. He was a successful retail merchant of dry goods.

Henry Levi came the same day to be naturalized. He, too, was from Bavaria, and he was "age 25 years, five feet 7 1/2 inches high of ruddy complexion, black hair and brown eyes." John Felsenthal, he said, could attest that he had been in the United States more than three years. By 1870 Levi

was living in Brownsville with his wife, Barbeth, also a Bavarian native, and his two Tennessee-born children, ages 3 and 1. It would not be necessary for his wife, Barbeth, to apply for citizenship, for between 1855 and 1922 a woman automatically became a citizen by her husband's naturalization.

Thomas R. B. Lawrence made essentially the same declaration on May 26, 1879 as Henry Renfrew had twenty-five years earlier except he didn't give his age and the date of his arrival. He renounced allegiance to the Queen of Great Britain. In 1880 Lawrence lived at Fulton where he was a bookkeeper, aged 35. His wife and the first two of his four children were also born in England, but would attain citizenship through the husband and father's naturalization. The Lawrences' 7-year-old daughter was the first of the family to be born in Tennessee.

Joe Shilberg received his citizenship on October 1, 1901 after renouncing his allegiance and fidelity to every foreign prince, etc., particularly to Prince Joseph, Prince of Austria, of whom he was a subject. He said he had lived in the United States more than five years before applying for citizenship. The census of 1900 shows that he was a successful 41-year-old Ripley dry-goods merchant, born in Hungary, and that he had been in America 7 years. He boarded with the William Hart family.

Bettie B. Davis
bbdavis@lctn.com

PRE-K CLASSES NEEDED

Tennessee school districts have requested 306 new state-funded pre-K classes for the 2008-09 school year to serve four-year olds in at-risk and universal classrooms, according to a survey released by the Tennessee Department of Education.

NEW PROVIDERS

West Tennessee Health-care announced that new medical providers have joined MedSouth Medical Center. MedSouth, located in Dyersburg, Newbern, and Halls officially became part of West Tennessee Health-care March 1st, 2008.

For more information about MedSouth Medical Center, call 731-287-4500 or go to www.medsouth.net.

School administrators in each of Tennessee's school systems submitted a request for the number of new pre-K classrooms they would like

to open next year. Lauderdale County requested two more classrooms. These requests would finally bring pre-K to every county in the state of Tennessee. School

districts further reported 2,093 students still on pre-K waiting lists this year. This is a growth of over 500 students on the waiting list from the same time last year.

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SENATOR MARK NORRIS, right, informed Dyersburg State Community College president, Karen Bowyer, left, that the college is the recipient of a \$40,000 grant to be used to fund scholarships that will enhance the college's already successful dual enrollment program. The grant is being awarded to 100 students in Dyer, Tipton, and Lauderdale counties who are already enrolled in the program. The college applied for this funding from a state Community Enhancement Grant, which is designated for non-profit organizations or government agencies with programs for public safety, education, community development or cultural activities. Dual enrollment is a special enrollment status that allows high school students who meet certain academic standards to take college courses. Students receive college credit for successfully completing the course. Every junior and senior high school student is eligible for the Tennessee Dual Enrollment Grant through the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship fund as long as the student maintains a certain grade point average. This grant provides additional funds for students and does not replace the lottery grants.

Deadline Nears Offices To Close For Candidates Friday At Noon

Candidates have until noon Thursday, April 3rd to qualify for the August 7th election. Deadline to withdraw is noon April 10th. Petitions have been picked up by Craig Fitzhugh for the Tennessee House of Representatives; Jerry W. Buckner, Lauderdale County Assessor of Property; Cynthia H. Glenn, and Sammy Grantland, School Board, District 2; Michael Fer-

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Speaker



GRACE ARNOLD GORE, Miss Tennessee, and granddaughter of former Halls pharmacist, Sammie Arnold, and his wife, Doris, will be the featured speaker for the Christ Classical Academy banquet at 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 11th at the Lannom Center in Dyersburg. The event, "Growing In God's Word", will also feature a silent auction. Tickets can be purchased, before March 31st, by contacting the school, 731-285-3727, or No. 1 Used Cars in Dyersburg.

Riot Defendant Facing Hearing

Colton Dequan Whitelaw, 18, of 366 Cherrydale, Halls, is scheduled to appear in Newbern City Court at 1 p.m. Monday to face charges arising from a riot in Newbern Feb. 27th - first degree murder, attempted first degree murder, aggravated assault, and evading arrest.

On first appearance in the court, last week, Whitelaw told Judge Jason Hudson that his Memphis attorney, Bill Anderson, who was not present, needed time to investigate the charges.

O'Toole Cleared Of Drug Arrest Aroma Of Meth Nabs Halls Man

Michael Lawrence O'Toole, 51, of 317 Elementary Rd., Halls, was cleared Friday, in Dyersburg City Court, of drug charges.

O'Toole was arrested Feb. 7th, with four Dyersburg men, when policed raided an alleged cocaine source at 1005 Bruce Rd., Dyersburg.

O'Toole, a wrecker driver, convinced the court that he was present only accidentally.

Jeffery Alan Long, 22, of 210 W. Main, Halls, is among eight persons facing drug charges after officers, trying to serve a warrant, Monday of last week, smelled methamphetamine in a house at 64 Peach Rd. in Fowlkes and discovered a meth factory.

Service Center, located at 301 Lake Drive in Ripley. Free tree seedlings are given to landowners in an effort to control erosion, promote wildlife habitat, and promote tree planting for beautification in Lauderdale County. Approximately 2,500 Willow Oak, 1,500 Yellow Poplar, and 2,500 Loblolly Pine seedlings will be available on a first come, first serve basis.

USDA Provides Tree Seedlings

Members of the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District will hold the annual tree day between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Friday, March 21st at the USDA

Members Of The Month



4-H MEMBERS named as Members of the Month for excellent participation in the club include, Halls Elementary School, in front, from left, Keana Gooch and Zhnyiah Moses, in middle, Liz Vaughn, Julie Hill, and Sinise Jones, and in rear, Jacob Newman, Megan Stewart, and Zan Payne, plus, not pictured, Isabel Chavez.

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Gilbert Conyers and Kitty Conyers, Dist. 14/7, 4 tracts.

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Federal National Mortgage Association to John Stout and Shirley Stout, Dist. 2, lot.

David A. Davidson and Juanita F. Davidson to Mary Smith and Michael Smith, Jr., Dist. 10, 0.74 acre.

Candidate xxx

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guson, Bill Hendren, and Kevin Gunn, School Board District 6; Brian Dew, Robert Harris, and Christopher A. Moellar, School Board, District 8; Delene W. Spray, Constable District 3; and Janice Patton Moore, Constable District 7.

Candidates which have qualified include Buckner, Ferguson, Hendren, Harris, and Moellar.

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Colors of the Rainbow Celebrated



FIRST GRADE STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School celebrated "Colors of the Rainbow" day March 14th. They were encouraged to wear a solid colored shirt that represented the different colors of the rainbow. The children that wore white were the clouds around the rainbow.

Yesteryear

Elon Baptist Church now sits in "downtown" Double Bridges a bit north of the intersection of Highway 88 and Double Bridges-Unionville Road. It was moved there in the early 1940's from a site a quarter mile north on Double Bridges-Unionville Road where Elon Cemetery is.

In *Biographical Sketches of Tennessee Baptist Ministers*, Rev. Joseph H. Borum quotes from a December 11, 1875 article from Neal's *State Gazette* of Dyersburg that identifies Rev. Borum, himself, as the founder of Elon. In the same book he states that Elim was the only Baptist Church in Lauderdale County in 1848, so if he is accurate, Elon's founding could have taken place no earlier than that.

While Elon Baptist Church may well have been founded by Rev. Borum in 1848 or later, there is evidence that an Elon (or Ellen) Church existed in the neighborhood even before Rev. Borum became a minister in 1845.

From a case found in the loose papers at the Courthouse, we can assume that Elon/Ellen Church had been at an even earlier location than that on the site of the cemetery. In 1879 the nine children of John H. Eison, deceased, sued for division of their father's 250 acres in the Double Bridges community and a one-and-a-half-acre "school house lot" which, too small to be partitioned between so many, would need to be sold and the proceeds distributed (*Susan R. McGuire et al vs Brooks Eison et al*). The "school house lot" was described as:

Lying in the 8th civil district of Lauderdale County, Tennessee, it being the tract of land near the Double Bridges and bounded as follows: on the east and south by the lands of Rhett Eison, on the west by the Dyersburg & Ripley road [now Double Bridges-Unionville Road] and on the north by the lot on which Ellen Church now stands

[emphasis added] containing about one & a half acres and known as the School house lot.

The description conforms to the pre-1940's location of Elon Baptist Church, so an earlier location of Elon/Ellen Church had to be somewhere else. Also, in an account of the death of Evander Meeks around 1918, the Double Bridges correspondent to the *Lauderdale County Enterprise* reported that he was buried in *old* Elon Cemetery [emphasis added]. Again, there is the inference that another Elon Cemetery existed somewhere.

So where was the earlier location? P. T. Glass, the only man from this county to serve in the U.S. Congress, came to Lauderdale County in 1849. Some time in or before 1900, he read a paper before the Tennessee Historical Society about Henry Rutherford which he ended with these words "...he died May 20, 1847, at the age of eighty-five and was buried at *Elon Church Cemetery*."

Today we know Henry Rutherford's gravesite as "Rutherford Cemetery," but there's ample evidence to indicate that Elon/Ellen Church once sat there.

[More later about "Ellen Church"]

More about Hotel Hanna in Halls: *The Lauderdale County Enterprise* reported on March 6, 1914 that the Hotel Hanna had burned the previous Sunday. Mrs. W. H. Hinson owned the building, but W. H. Hanna owned the furnishings.

Bettie Davis

Sales Tax Holiday Changed To April

The Sales Tax Holiday, originally set for Easter week-end March 21st through 23rd, has been changed to Friday, April 25th, through Sunday, April 27th, to offer three full days of tax savings to shoppers on clothing, school and art supplies and computers.

"By moving the date, consumers and retailers will be able to enjoy three full days of tax savings as the legislation originally intended," said Senator Tim Burchett, Senate sponsor of the bill that moved the date to April.

Tax-exempt items include, all clothing and school supplies, \$100 or less per item; art supplies; computers, costing \$1,500 or less, and software purchased at the same time. However, computer software purchased separately is not tax exempt.

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Obituaries

Thelma Morris

Thelma Morris, 84, wife of William Thornley Morris, died Friday in Union City Manor Rehabilitation Center.

Rites were held Monday in the Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Arp.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Ripley.

Survivors include daughters, Bette Lee Carden and Mary Lynn Cox, of Union City; a brother, Billy Ervin, of Nashville; sisters, Helen Bowden, of Memphis, and Joyce Milam, of Lexington, S.C.; three grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Billy Summers

Billy Glenn Summers, 55, of Dyersburg, brother of Glenda Cartwright, of Ripley, died Monday at Dyersburg Nursing Home.

Rites were next day in City Cemetery.

He had been a construction worker.

He was the son of the late Raymond and Ethel Lucille Burse Summers.

Survivors include brothers, Donald, Gaylon, and Raymond, and other sisters, Audrey Garrett and Carolyn Perry, of Dyersburg; and another sister, Brenda Glass, of Pensacola, Fla.

Peggy McBroom

Peggy McBroom, 70, of Millington, sister of Betty Rhoades, of Fort Pillow, died Thursday of last week.

Rites were Saturday in Munford Funeral Home's Millington Chapel, with burial in Northridge-Woodhaven Cemetery.

She had retired from the Shelby County school system.

Survivors include her husband, Billy McBroom; a son, Scott, and daughters, Cynthia McBroom and Audrey Delaine Rewalt, of Millington; other sisters, Evelyn Jennings, of Memphis, and Alinda Moore, of Nashville; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Thompson

James Everett "Jimmy" Thompson, sales manager and HRL-TV advertising producer, died March 15th at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, March 22nd at Ripley's First United Methodist Church, where he was a life-long member and former Sunday school teacher.

Born and reared in Ripley, he was the son of the late W. G. "Bill" and Mildred Thompson, of Ripley, and was a graduate of Ripley High School. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in marketing from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

He is survived by his brothers, Bill, Jr., of Ripley, Gordon, of Dallas, Tex., and Charles, of Memphis.

The family request memorials to the Ripley First United Methodist Church.

Annie Branam

Annie Mae Branam, 81, of Senatobia, Miss., a former Riplian, died Monday of last week, in her home.

Rites were Saturday in Forest Hill East Funeral Home in Memphis, with burial in its cemetery.

She had also resided in Atoka and Memphis.

She leaves sons, Richard and Roger, of Senatobia, and Danny, of Pegram; nine grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Marjorie Tibbs

Marjorie Ferguson Tibbs, 80, a former Riplian, died Wednesday of last week in St. Augustine, Fla.

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

She was a member of Mary's Chapel Baptist Church.

Widow of Earl Tibbs, she leaves sons, Robert, of St. Augustine; Barry, of Fayetteville, Ark.; and Julius, of Asia; a step-sister, Bobbie Ayers, of Bay City, Tex.; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Joe Mosby

Joe Nathan Mosby, 58, a printer at the Chicago, Ill., *Sun-Times* daily newspaper, died Thursday of last week, in his home.

Rites were held Saturday in Thompson's Mortuary in Ripley, with burial in the Garden of Everlasting Life at Covington.

He leaves his mother, Dorothy L. Mosby, of 142 Spiller, Ripley; brothers, Benny, of Ripley, Robert, of Halls, Marvin, of Memphis, and William, of Tiptonville; and sisters, Rebecca Mosby, of Ripley, and Dorothy Mosby, of Covington.

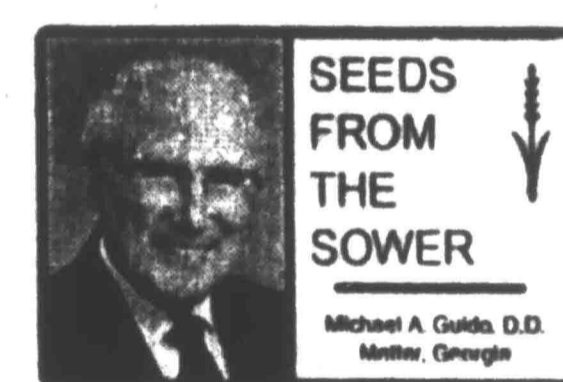
'Jet' Leggett

Thelma Jeanette "Jet" Leggett, 74, of Muskegon, Mich., sister of Bob and Sewell Ward, of Nankipoo, died March 5th.

Rites were March 7th in Lee Chapel in Muskegon. A memorial service will be held at Nankipoo April 5th.

She was born in this county, March 18, 1933, to the late Richard and Mollie Duggan Ward.

Survivors include her husband, Melvin Leggett, with whom she resided for over 50 years in the Muskegon area, owning and managing homes and apartments, one daughter, Melba (Mrs. Dan) Darcy, and three grandsons, all of Muskegon.



SEEDS FROM THE SOWER
Melvin A. Leggett, D.D.
Halls, Georgia

He was a loving, thoughtful husband, but his gifts never pleased his wife.

Instead of buying her a gift for her birthday, he gave her a fifty-dollar bill.

Later, he asked, "What did you buy with the fifty-dollar bill?"

"Nothing," she answered. "I changed it for five ten-dollar bills."

Dissatisfaction - it's a magnet for the worst, not the best. It majors on fear, not faith. It magnifies problems, not possibilities. It goes from defeat to despair.

The Bible says, "Be content with what you have."

Gennie Fincher

Gennie V. Fincher, 79, of Gates, wife of Emmett Fincher, died Friday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were Sunday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Concord Cemetery.

She leaves sons, Lee and Ronnie Fincher, of Gates; seven grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Helen Akin

Helen Akin, 73, of Olive Branch, Miss., a graduate of Ripley High School, died March 9th. Rites were private.

She had retired, after 40 years in the automobile industry, as an officer in Red Hoagland, Inc., in Sarasota, Fla. She had traveled extensively in the States and abroad.

She leaves a sister-in-law, Carolyn Akin, of Olive Branch.

Yesteryear

By Mrs. Bettie Davis

Hugh Dunlap, born in Londonderry, Ireland in 1769 married Virginia-born Susannah H. Gilliam in Knoxville on June 12, 1794. They had 15 children—all their names are inscribed on a grave stone in Old City Cemetery in Paris, Tennessee. The Dunlap children were quite accomplished; at least two of them were attorneys and served in the Tennessee legislature; one of them served in the U. S. Congress. One went to the Republic of Texas and served in the cabinet of President Mirabeau Lamar, and later became Texas' ambassador to the United States, and one of the Dunlap's granddaughters was the wife of James D. Porter, elected Tennessee governor in 1874.

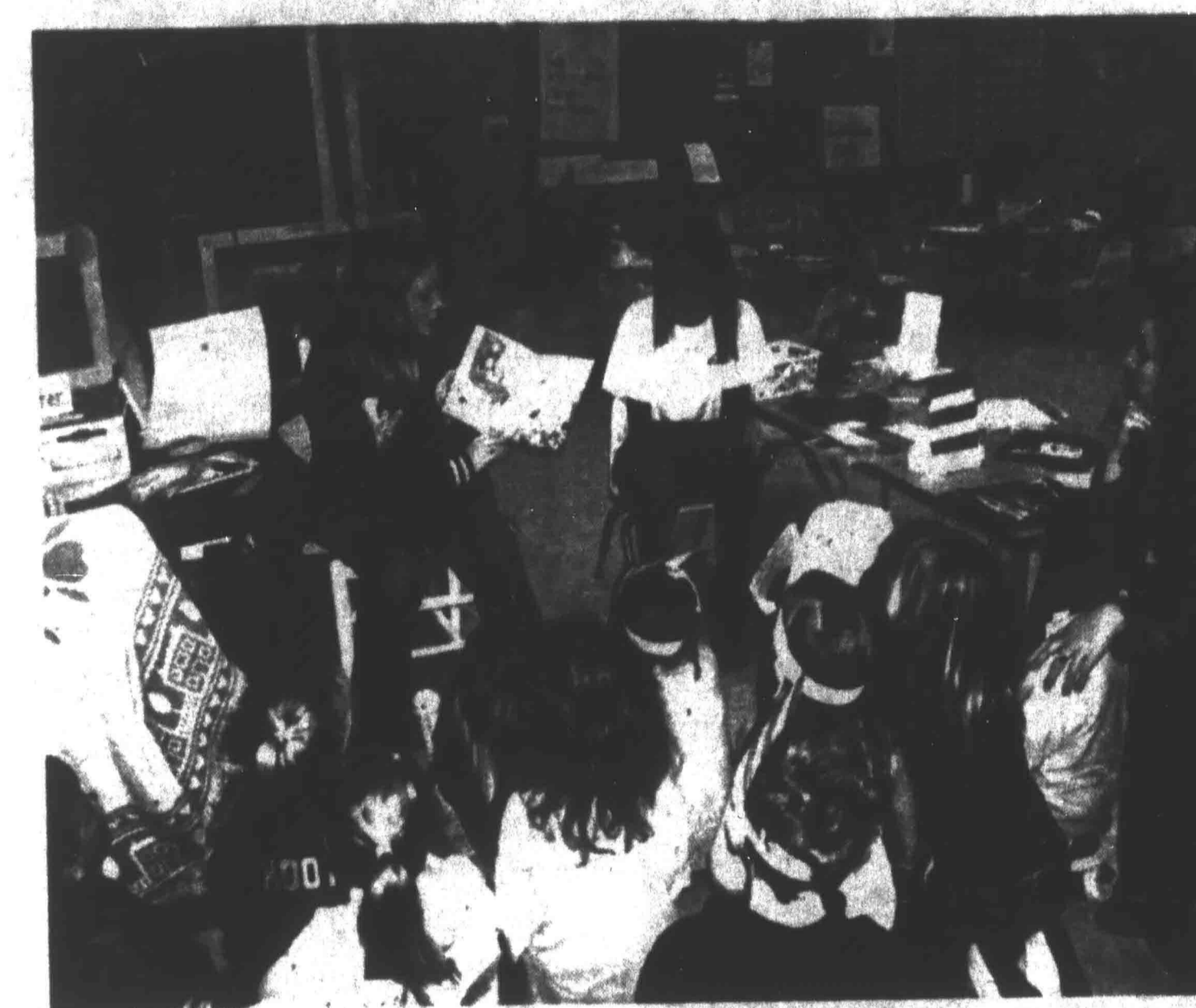
The child that became most important to Lauderdale County history, however, was their eldest, Edith Ellis Dunlap, who is said to be the first school teacher in the county. She was the wife of Joseph Kenneley/Kenley.

Most Dunlap historians mark the movement of the Dunlap family from Knox County to Roane County to Henry County, omitting the sojourn of a few years of part of the family here in the Key Corner area which, before Lauderdale County was formed, was a part of Dyer County. Hugh Dunlap had bought an undivided part of the Martin Armstrong, Jr. Grant #27, and when the grant was partitioned, he got the 200 acres which lay just northeast of the Key Corner. It may not have been the best choice, however, for their life here was such a struggle that, according to Clark Doane, a descendant who lives in Germantown, one of the sons who lived in Henry County came for them and took them there. Dunlap gave his 200 acres at the Key Corner to his son-in-law, Joseph Kenneley, who, with his family, remained.

Part of the struggle may have been sickness, perhaps malaria. The grave stone in Paris which lists all the children of Hugh and Susannah Dunlap shows that two of them died in 1823. That would have been while the Dunlaps lived here. One of the deaths was that of 16-year-old Ellen who, the grave stone shows, died in the summer of 1823. Dr. J.G.M. Ramsey, an intimate of the Dunlap family and a prominent Tennessee historian, says that Ellen was buried near the steps of the building that housed the neighborhood's school and church, and that afterward the church was known as "Ellen's Church."

This school/church sounds very much like that described by P. T. Glass in his address to the Tennessee Historical Society, "...The church is called Elon, and was at first used by all the orthodox denominations, and as a schoolhouse" and which he said was the gravesite of Henry Rutherford. That's the spot we call today "Rutherford Cemetery."

Read Across America



MEMBERS of the Halls High School National Honor Society traveled to Halls Elementary School Friday, February 28th for Read Across America to express the importance of reading and doing well in school. The honor society students split up into small groups and went to different classrooms to read a short book, which was followed by a game or a gift, such as a bookmark.

Birthdays

March 20 - Gailon E. Smith, Natalie Chalk Brown, Marley Fisher, Hazel Dickens, Brooke Maners, Bettye Sanders, Jordan Ogden, Sarah C. Buckner, Johnny Carmack, Darrell Schuh,

FBLA Talent Show



STUDENTS, Cody Dew, L. J. Cates, Chris Hardy, and Sam Dukes, were the first place winners of the Future Business Leaders of America, Halls High School chapter's 2nd annual talent show March 6th. The competition featured students from Halls Elementary, Halls Junior High, and Halls High schools. Third place winners were Chris and DeShaun Hildreth, and second place was awarded to Kristen Obie, Clarissa Stringer, Paulita Edmondson, Jayla Moore, and Thaniqua McKinney.

James Judkins.

March 21 - Sue Drumwright, Stephanie Mooney, Delene Craig, Jennifer Scofield, Amanda Harrison, Ron Goforth, Bobby Hart, James A. Davis, Richard Deaton, Sue Williams, Jaycob McDaniel, Cindel Welch, Ava Jones, Amanda Bain, Whitney Pilcher.

March 22 - Reg Carnack, Cindy Smith, Craig Fitzhugh, Melissa Wood, Joe Simpson, Jonathan Matthews, Allison Pilant, Abby Buckner, Cliff Kelley, Richard Dawson.

March 23 - Sarah Elizabeth Myracle, Abby Buckner, Kris Light, Charlotte Cove, Sonny Higdon, Sharon Koelle, Emilee Wright, Rita Cates, Rosemary Jones, Lynwood Hathcock, Brantley English, Hillary Forsythe, Brenda Crowder, Brenda Magruder, Jeff Baker.

March 24 - Kellie Tutor Haislip, Brian Parker, Mary Ann Still, David Edwards, Nick Choat, Frances Harrell, Lashae Currie, Judy Hargett, Lisa Morris, Mickey Ward, Madison Douglas, Gary Douglas, Bob Stanton, Jon Helwig.

March 25 - Debbie White, Cindy Goodman, Cynthia Carmack, Patsy Blakely, Natalie Smith, Melissa Hicks, Kipper King, Tracy Miller, Jasmine Bonds.

March 26 - Dan Walker,

Blake Arender, Lisa Hamil, Jeff Criehtfield, Lisa Holcomb, Kevin Wright, Nancy Carson, Ruth Martin, Bailey Pipkin, Dan Walker, Amy Vaughan, Susan Wieber, Logan Hudnall, Crystal Cessac.

Readers Speak

Editor,

Recently, my wife and I visited Sikeston, Mo. to shop and spend the night. We got a room at the Days Inn. I pastor the Grace Bible Baptist Church in Halls and it has always been my practice to place a small magnetic Scripture sign on the door of our room. I have been doing this for many years and at several other motels around the country, and have never had anyone complain or be offended.

After we had checked in, we received a call from the front desk that we would have to remove the Scripture sign from our motel room door. I was both shocked and saddened that the people of our country seem so intent on removing God from every area of life. I love America, but I believe we are now suf-

Winner



LANDAN L. ROUNDTREE, son of Leon and Chasity Roundtree, of Halls, was crowned king in the Sunburst Model Search pageant February 9th, held at the Dyersburg Mall. He also won first place in best smile, best attire, most photogenic, best personality, best hair, and prettiest eyes. He received medals in each category. The Sunburst Model Search pageant is the largest children's model search contest. He will be sent to the state finals with the fee paid by the pageant. Landan Lee is scheduled to compete in Murfreesboro May 30th through June 1st. He is the grandson of Robert and Wendi Henry and Marvin and Alice Fisk, all of Halls.

fering the consequences of a nation who has turned its back on God. "The wicked shall be turned into Hell, and all the nations that forgot God." (Psalms 9:17)

I decided that if I could not put up God's name on the door of my room that I would not stay. After agreeing to allow me a refund for our room, they later denied my request. We packed up and went home. This might seem like a small issue to some folks, but if we Christians don't take a stand, we will soon lose our freedom and our country. "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." (Psalms 33:12)

Sincerely,
Jerry Hickson
Halls, TN

Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek here! We had a pretty two legger at the Club this week and she brought my buds some encouraging news. She belongs to a two legger club called the Junior Auxiliary. These fine, fine female two leggers are having a food drive for two leggers and four leggers. My buds were all excited when they heard the news. It made them feel great to know that the Junior Auxiliary remembered them. The details that I can recall are that they will receive food donations on Saturday, March 22nd from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Bank-Tennessee parking lot on Cleveland Street. Two non-perishable food items will go to CrossRoads, located on the square, and your four legger food goes to the Dry Hill four legger club. I believe I heard her say that every two legger that reads this article is expected to make a donation. Just remember, it's the day before Easter and you are supposed to remember all of God's creatures.

I need to apologize to the two legger that thinks I growled at her. I was just showing you my new smile. My female friends at the Club told me I should smile more since I have had my teeth capped. Miss Pam taught me to always be nice to two leggers and other animals. I do, however, growl at fleas and snakes.

All I hear about in the spring is how much Mr. Pam loves his Yankees. Therefore, my four legger brain thinks he must love Mayor Schuh, since he is a Yankee. Mr. Buddy calls a Yankee that stays too long another name, but I can't quite remember his description. However, he must like Mayor Schuh because he smiles and just shakes his head when they are talking.

Gracious donations of food from the little two leggers top our chart this week. Two year old, Nathan McLemore brought out 50 pounds of food and left with a 15 pound four legger named Natalie. I get a tear in my eye when I see a wonderful match between a good family and one of my buds. Students at Lauderdale Middle School remembered us again by donating 140 pounds of food. Oh, yes, it got recorded to team 6. I hope that means that teams 1 through 5 will take the challenge and will also be coming out with donations and give team 6 a run for the year-end prize.

Misty Spiller gets an "at-a-girl" for adopting two puppies. If she takes 97 more Mr. Buddy will pay her. For those of you that are not familiar with the lingo, it takes 99 "at-a-boys" in a row to get a raise. Mr. Buddy hasn't got past three yet with the Mayor and Mr. Pam hasn't got past one with Miss Pam. How is your "at-a-boy" (or girl) rating? If you adopt one of my buds from the Dry Hill Club, Zeek can guarantee 50 "at-a-boys", that means we get you half way. If you get your new four legger spayed or neutered, you get up to 90 "at-a-boys", and if you love, care, and give them shelter, you get a "GREAT BIG AT-A-BOY" from Zeek and God. That's better than a raise any day!

We still have that cute Schnauzer and numerous sweet

Ollie Otter Visits Students



STUDENTS from Halls Elementary received a visit Wednesday, February 27th from a very special guest. Ollie Otter, Tennessee's booster seat and seatbelt safety mascot, also known as Bess Taylor, visited the school to promote the use of booster seats, encourage students to wear their seatbelts and to raise awareness of roadway construction site safety. Ollie's message to the student was "You 'Otter' buckle up!"

Ollie was joined by several volunteers working to increase booster seat and seatbelt usage among Tennessee's elementary school children. Kayren Warren, left, a student at Tennessee Technology at Ripley, presented the program to the students. Lt. Zane Smith, Safety Officer with State Hwy. Patrol, is pictured with them.

The Ollie Otter safety program is sponsored by the Tennessee Transportation Development Foundation, a non-profit group established by the Tennessee Road Builders Association, and the TRBA's Ladies Auxiliary. The statewide safety education program will make presentations in all 95 counties in Tennessee this year.

Tennessee law requires that children under 4 feet, 9 inches must ride in a booster seat. An orange and white construction site barrel, representing Ollie's home, is on display to emphasize roadway safety near construction work zones. The fully-costumed Ollie Otter character encourages children to wear their seatbelts and educates them about Tennessee's booster seat law.

Campaign volunteers include students from the state's 26 Tennessee Technology Centers, members of the TRBA's Ladies Auxiliary, numerous Rotary Club affiliates, and concerned parents and community leaders.

and cuddly small four leggers that will fit right on your lap. If your taste runs larger, we have three well mannered German Shepherds. Labrador Retrievers make good pets and we have a good selection of these thoroughbreds. Our puppy supply is pretty, cute, and varied. Puppies are just like two legger youngens; they are a product of their environment. If you love and discipline them they will make you proud, and your life will be full. The best gift you can give your four legger, and yourself, is to spay or neuter your pet. It will also save Zeek a lot of heartaches in the future. Zeek Out!

Marriages

February 28 - Reginald Leament Hudson, 37, to Teresa Ann Sangster, 33, by John W. Payne.

March 6 - Mark Lee Pegg, 39, to Donna Michell Medlin Sage, 44, by Billy P. Brandon.

March 14 - Timothy Dewayne Lee, 35, to Timika Rashon Cameron, 33, by Rod Schuh.

March 15 - John Wayne Franklin, 31, to Lisa Ann Robinson Hice, 36, by Robert H. Singleton.

Jerry Keith Barlow, 41, to Carrie Renae Moore, 37, by Aileen E. Everhart.

Tommy Joe White, 52, to Annie Mae Jim McCloud, 48, by Rocky Gilliam.

March 17 - Qasem Sadeh Yunis, 56, to Emily Dianne Barnes Flagg, 50, by Jon Pavletic.

Anniversaries

March 20 - Mr. and Mrs. Danny Burnham, Mr. and Mrs. Steven Moore.

March 21 - Mr. and Mrs. Scott Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Adams.

March 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Larry Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Shanon Crowder.

March 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Floyd, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Tolene, Mr. and Mrs. Todd Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Dziedzic, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Baggett.

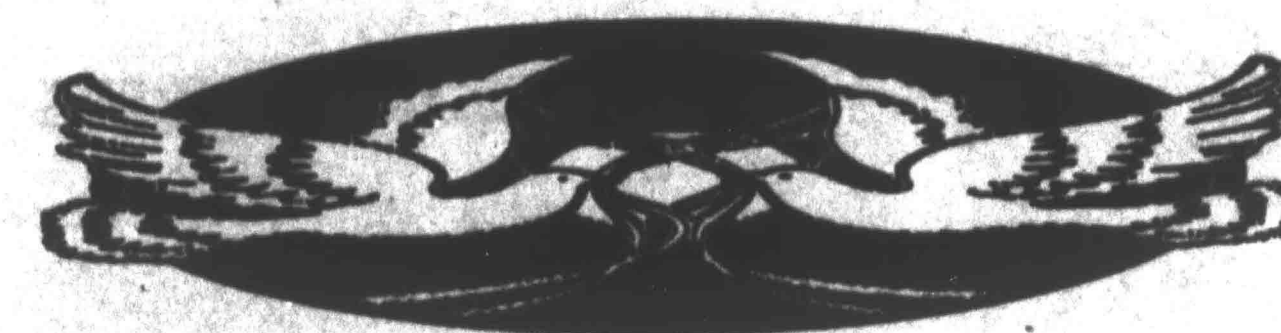
March 24 - Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Blakely, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Crutchfield.

March 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Norfleet Anthony III.

March 26 - Mr. and Mrs. Rhea Swims, Mr. and Mrs. Bubba Burks.



In Greek mythology, the fates were three goddesses who controlled human life. Clotho spun the web of life, Lachesis measured it and Atropos cut it.



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.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, located just off Hwy 88, between Gates and Maury City, in the Frog Jump community, will hold its annual Passion play at 7 p.m. March 21st and 22nd. Doors will open at 6 p.m. No admission, but tickets are required. For information, call Tina Thurmond, 731-656-2132.

St. Mark M. B. Church, 425 W. Wardlow St., Gates, will hold its spring revival at 7 p.m. March 24th through March 28th with The Rev. Melvin Bufford, recording artist and pastor of Mt. Salem M. B. Church, Hickory Valley, as guest speaker. The Rev. Joe Nance, Jr., pastor, invites the public.

Spirit Filled Baptist Church, 4532 Asbury Glimp Rd., near Ripley, will hold an Easter egg hunt from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 22nd with a cookout on the church grounds. A "Son"rise service will be held at 6 a.m. Sunday, March 23rd with breakfast to follow. The public is invited.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, located just off Hwy. 88, between Gates and Maury City, will hold a gospel singing at 10:45 a.m. Sun., March 30th featuring Down East Boys, Southern Gospel artists. Doors will open at 10 a.m. No admission charge, but a love offering will be taken. For more information, call Caren Jordan, 731-656-4306.

St. Mark M. B. Church will present the Crucifixion at 11 a.m. Sunday, March 23rd. The Rev. William H. Jarrett, pastor, invites the public.

St. Paul United Methodist Church, on Durhamville Rd., will hold its spring revival at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 30th and continuing at 7 p.m. nightly through Wednesday, April 2nd. The public is invited.

Calvary Hill Baptist Church and Cross View Baptist Church will hold joint Easter sunrise services at 6:45 a.m. Sunday, March 23rd at Calvary Hill Baptist, Highway 51 N. Breakfast will follow the service. Joint services will also be held at 11 a.m., at Calvary Hill, with special music. The Rev. Roy Harkness, Sr., pastor of Cross View Baptist Church, will serve as guest speaker during both services. No evening services will be held at either church. The public is invited.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church, on Church Rd., near Halls, will hold its Easter sunrise service at 6:30 a.m. Sunday, March 23rd with breakfast to follow. A service to celebrate the Resurrection will be held at 11 a.m. The public is invited.

Faith United Methodist Church will hold a community wide Easter egg hunt at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 22nd with cookies and punch served. Pictures with the Easter bunny will be available. Children should bring an Easter basket. The public is invited.

Halls Lighthouse Church, 104 Fenton Street, will hold a gospel

singing at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 23rd featuring the Sounds of Victory, of Russellville, Ark. The public is invited.

The Community Workshop Choir live recording has been relocated to Halls First United Methodist Church, 110 Gate 6 Rd., Halls, at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 22nd. The public is invited. No admission.

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

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, March 24th
Pizza
Cheeseburger
French Fries
Lettuce, Tomato, Pickle Cup
Pineapple Tidbits
Fruit Sherbet Cup
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, March 25th
Baked Ham
Chicken Breast Fillet
Garden Salad w/Dressing
Green Beans
Pear
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, March 26th
School's Choice - Entrée
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Green Peas
Banana
Apple
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, March 27th
Chili Pie
Deli Wrap
Corn Nibbles
Carrot Sticks
Pineapple Tidbits
Pear Halves
Choice Of Milk

Friday, March 28th
Family -Teacher Conference
No School

School Lunches Free Decorating Classes Offered

Ripley Primary School
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Pre-K to 3rd

Monday, March 24th
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French Fries
Fruit Sherbet Cup
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, March 25th
Baked Ham
Green Beans
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, March 26th
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Banana
Roll

The Lauderdale County Commission on Aging in Halls will offer a free cake decorating class at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 25th and at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 8th and April 15th. Rosie Lemons will serve as instructor. Class size is limited, call 836-5444 to reserve a spot.

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HHS FFA Students Recognized



MEMBERS of the Halls High School Future Farmers of America were recognized Friday by Nick Kistenmacker, right, representative for United States Senator Bob Corker. He presented a certificate to Teresa Wright, left, FFA vice-president, and in rear, Ashton Smith, recording secretary; Carley Cherry, corresponding secretary; Charlie Hammond, reporter; Skye Isom, historian; and Jessica Moore, student advisor. Corker expresses his support and encouragement for everything the FFA does to promote and preserve the agricultural industry in Tennessee. "With over 80,000 Tennessee farms, agriculture is tremendously important to our state and FFA is the future of that industry. Participation by young men and women in 4-H and FFA programs are important to the advancement and development of new and existing agriculture technologies," said Corker.

Ambulance Authority Mock DUI Crashes

The Lauderdale County Ambulance Authority, along with local law enforcement and fire department personnel, will present a mock DUI crash for the junior and senior classes at Ripley and Halls High Schools on Thursday, April 3rd and 10th. The "crashes" will take place at approximately 10 a.m.

Along with the mock DUI crash, Emergency Ser-

vices and local businesses have teamed up to produce a new program called "Choices 2008". Each driver has choices to make - the choice to drink, the choice to drink and drive, etc. The purpose of the Choices program is to educate teenage drivers of the dangers and consequences along with drinking and driving.

During prom weeks, it is the goal of local emergency officials to present all the facts to students in Lauderdale County about drinking and driving. Research shows

that young drivers are more often involved in alcohol-related crashes than any other comparable age group.

For more information on the mock DUI crashes, contact Eric Newman at 635-3242.

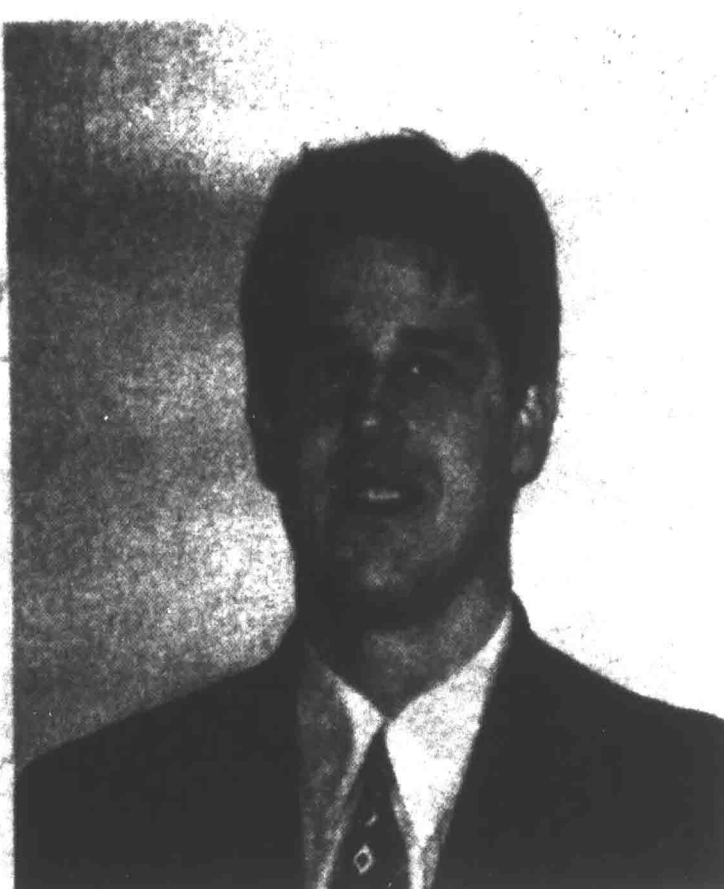
E-911 Board Held Meeting

Members of the E-911 board met at 6 p.m. Monday, March 24th, at the E-911

Retiring Earns Degree



PAT STANLEY will retire from the United States Postal Service in Halls March 31st. A retirement reception will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, March 31st at Bethesda United Methodist Church, across from Charlene's Colony of Shops. No gifts please, only your presence is requested.



CLINTON A. HENDREN, son of Thomas E. and Barbara Hendren, of Halls, received his professional engineering license in electrical engineering from the State of Tennessee. In order to receive licensure, one must receive an engineering degree from a four-year accredited engineering university, pass a fundamentals of engineering written exam given by the state, accumulate a minimum of four years work experience under the supervision of another professional engineer, and finally pass an eight hour principles and practice in engineering exam, also given by the state. Upon passing the PE exam, an engineer is then eligible to be registered in his state to stamp and sign engineering drawings and calculations as a PE. Clint resides in Chattanooga with his wife, Whitney, and their two daughters, Caroline and Alyssa. He is employed by TVA at the Sequoia Nuclear Plant in Soddy Daisy.

Governor Appoints McWilliams To Post

Monty C. McWilliams, of Halls, was appointed Tuesday by Governor Phil Bredesen to the State Pest Control Board.

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Anniversaries

March 27 - Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Larry Ferguson.

March 28 - Mr. and Mrs. Ray Willis, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Brewster.

March 29 - Mr. and Mrs.

Jimmy H. Jones.

March 30 - Mr. and Mrs. Ozell Hargett, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. David Jennings.

March 31 - Mr. and Mrs. Warren Nunn, Mr. and Mrs. John Mark Edmundson.

April 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fullen, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lawson.

Marriages

March 17 - William Brandon Pittman, 21, to Ma-

Divorces

Timothy Thorpe vs. Shimeka Nicole Thorpe.

Jordan Thomas Webb vs. Samantha Marie Webb.

Deanna White vs. Joshua White.

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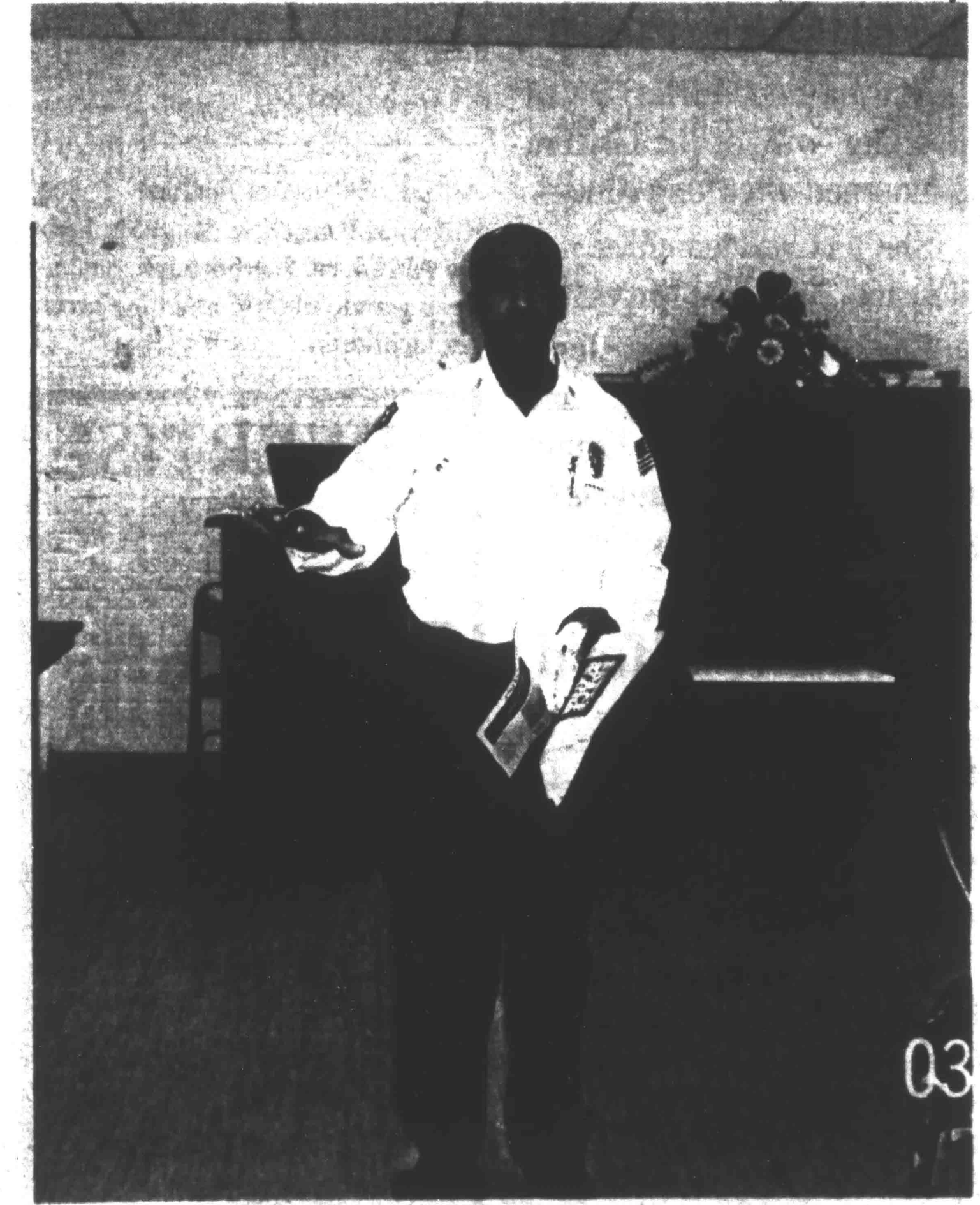
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Commission On Aging Happenings



03/14/2008

MEMBERS of Westside Baptist Church and Halls First United Methodist Church, including Janet Compere, Callie Leggett, Carolyn McCaslin, Betty Lovelace, Brenda Ellis, and Pat Higdon, presented an Easter program March 14th at the center. "Mary At The Foot Of The Cross" was presented, the Easter story and the Easter Egg story were presented, and an Easter hat parade was held.



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FELIX MOORE, Ripley Fire Chief, shared common sense fire safety tips March 17th with the center's seniors. He pointed out common mistakes people make that cause a fire. He explained what safety measures to take to reduce damage to self and property and reminded seniors to check the batteries in their smoke detectors.



03/17/2008

RACHEL ERWIN, UT Extension Agent, demonstrated the art of Tia Chi at the center March 17th. Tia Chi is a non-competitive, self-paced system of gently physical exercise and stretching. Rachel offers Tia Chi on Mondays and Fridays. For more information, call the center, 836-5444.



03/18/2008

MEMBERS of the Bexar FCE Club helped seniors put together a Heritage Recipe scrapbook page March 18th at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging. The seniors enjoyed the hands-on activity as well as discussing their memories about the person who shared the recipe with them. Martha Reed, Shelia Stephens, and Charleston, Maddy, and April Nichols assisted.

Land Transfers

March 16th-March 22nd

Federal National Mortgage Association to Gerald Crotwell and Lennie Crotwell, lot.

Norman P. Hendren and Lisa C. Hendren to Thomas Tims and Stephanie Tims, Dist. 2, lot.

Harry Vanstory, Jr., to Marie Daniels, Dist. 1, lot.

Mike Douglas and Leigh Douglas to Patrick B. Wayne and Elizabeth C. Wayne, Dist. 2, lot.

Ben L. Brown and Peggy Dianne B. Gross to David Rogers and Theresa Rogers, 23.98 acres.

Federal National Mortgage Association to Sandra Renee Rucker, Dist. 2, lot.

Dalton Tetleton to Paul K. Stout and Valerie Stout, Dist. 12, lot.

Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust to Murphy

Oil U.S.A., Inc., Dist. 2, 0.38 acre.

Gaines Propane, Inc., to Maurice Gaines, Jr., and Memory Gaines, Dist. 2, 1.208 acres.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, Long Beach Mortgage Loan Trust and Washington Mutual Bank, ATT, to Sammie Garrison, Hattie Garrison and Landis Garrison, Dist. 2, lot.

Imagination is the beginning of creation. You imagine what you desire, you will what you imagine, and at last you create what you will. -George Bernard Shaw

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Obituaries

Aldon Sentell

Aldon Moody Sentell, 80, of Dyersburg, grandfather of Kim Neal, of Ripley, died March 12th in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were held March 14th in Dyer County Memorial Gardens.

A retired surveyor for the Corps of Engineers, he was a Cumberland Presbyterian.

He was the son of the late W. A. Sentell and the late Kathleen Walker (Mrs. Dutch) Stephenson.

He was the widower of Mildred Hargett Sentell.

Survivors include a son, Michael, a daughter, Marsha (Mrs. Kenneth) Neal, and a step-daughter, Brenda (Mrs. Paul) Guess, of Dyersburg; another step-daughter, Barbara (Mrs. Bill) West, of Nesbit, Miss.; another grandchild; three great-grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and four step-great-grandchildren.

Amanda Chism

Amanda J. Chism, 71, of Memphis, mother of Tammy J. Beckham, of Ripley, died March 15th.

Rites were held Friday in Northridge - Woodhaven Funeral Home in Millington.

She was the widow of Barney E. Chism. Survivors include sons, Daniel, of Millington, and B. E. II, of Memphis; a daughter, Michelle Gay Chism, of Memphis; 10 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Ted D. Willis

Ted D. Willis, 60, of Tucson, Ariz., son of the late Cecil and Beatrice Willis, died Sunday, March 16th, at his home.

Services were Friday, March 21st.

He leaves his wife, Lynn; three sons, Dennis, Shane and John Willis, all of Chicago, Ill.; two brothers, Ray Willis, of Ripley, and Roy Willis, of Elizabethtown, Ky.; four sisters, Jeanette Hamby, of Ripley, Carolyn Ehresman, of Rahway, N.J., Linda Kmiec, of Elgin, Ill., and Dianne White, of Covington; and grandchildren.

Kenneth Diggs

Kenneth Wesley Diggs, 73, of Oakfield, who drove Milan Express trucks serving Brownsville, Ripley, and Covington for the last 22 years, died Wednesday of last week in Baptist Hospital East in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in Smith & Sons North Chapel in Jackson, with burial in Bear Creek Cemetery.

He was born in Madison County, March 9, 1935, to the late Noah Lawson and Vera Lillian Jackson Diggs.

He served in the Army from 1957 to 1960.

He leaves his wife for 42 years, Barbara Eubanks Diggs; sons, Rick Diggs and Andy Pickler; daughters, Rhonda Diggs, Kimberley (Mrs. Joe) Reece, and Melissa (Mrs. Terry) Whitaker; brothers, Earl and William; a sister, Linda (Mrs. Jerry) England; and eight grandchildren.

Lillian Kidd

Lillian Beatrice Kidd, 84, Ashport farmer, widow of Alford Kidd, died Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital-Tipton in Covington.

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

She was a member of Asgport Baptist Church.

She leaves several nieces and nephews.

Clarence Joyner

Clarence Albert Joyner, 93, of Friendship, father of Shirley Love, of 2320 Spence Rd., Halls, died March 11th, in his home.

Rites were March 14th in Friendship Church of Christ, which he had served as a deacon. Burial was in Friendship Cemetery.

He was the son of the late Edward and Tinnie Roberson Joyner, and the widower of Martha Lou Walker Joyner.

Survivors include other daughters, Barbara Haley and Patricia (Mrs. Charlie) Canada, of Friendship, and Dorothy (Mrs. Jimmy) Johnson, of Jackson; nine grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

James Rose III

James Rose III, 38, of Lafayette, La., grandson of Gladys Rose, of Halls, and nephew of Margaret Ann Rose and Tommy and Dorothy Currin, of Halls, died March 15th in Lafayette.

Rites for the former Dyersburg resident were Saturday in Dyersburg Funeral Home, with burial in Fairview Cemetery.

He was an off-shore refrigeration technician.

He was the son of the late James Rose and the step-son of the late Cleudus Butler.

Survivors include his fiancée, Becky Biessenberger, his son, Michael Rose, and his daughter, Jessica Rose, of Lafayette; his mother, Barbara Butler, and a sister, Jamilua (Mrs. Larry) Nelson, of Dyersburg; a step-brother, Cleudus Butler, of Piedmont, Mo.; and a step-sister, Debbie McCampbell, of Atchison, Kans.

Tammy Mitchell

Tammy Mitchell, 39, of Memphis, sister of Rebecca Bell, of Ripley, died Thursday of last week in her home.

Services are set for Friday, March 28th, at Graham Heights Baptist Church where she was a member, with burial in New Hope Cemetery in Murfreesboro, Miss.

She leaves her husband, John Mitchell; parents, Jerald and Beverly Blaylock, of Mississippi; grandparents, Richard Turman, of Memphis, and Albert and Helen Sojourner, of Arkansas.

Alice Tatum

Alice Tatum, 71, sister of William Morton and Sophronia Taylor, of Halls, died Friday in the Riley Hospice in Munster, Ind.

Rites will be at 1 p.m. Monday in Thompson's Mortuary in Ripley, with burial in Henning Grove Cemetery, Halls.

She had retired as a crane operator.

Survivors include sons, Timothy and Tommy, of Gary, Ind., and Donnie, of Lancaster, Tex.; daughters, Caroline Edwards and Marshall Spears, of Minneapolis, Minn.; other sisters, Edna Mae Eggleston, of Muncie, Ind., and Betty Morton, of Arkansas; 16 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Margie Rhodes

Margie Lee Rhodes, 77, of Jackson, mother of Paul Rhodes, of Ripley, died Saturday in Jackson.

Rites were Tuesday in Pafford Funeral Home in Lexington, with burial in Chapel Hill Cemetery.

She was born in Henderson County, Nov. 24, 1930, to the late Elmer and Lula Brittan Wallace.

Survivors include a brother, Miles Fray Wallace, of Jackson, and two grandsons, of Ripley.

Rodney Smith

Rodney Lee Smith, 47, of Halls, self-employed computer technician, died March 15th, in his home.

Rites were Friday in Maury City Church of Christ, Friends'hip Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves his parents, Larry and Ann Baker, and a brother, Don Smith, of Halls; a son, T.J. Roberts; daughters, Beth Roberts and Alexandria Hope Smith; and sisters, Kari Strickland, of Mansfield, and Yvonne Stanhill, of Madison County.

Martha Griffin

Martha Lou Griffin, 64, of Henning, wife of Joe Griffin, is mourned after long illness.

She had resided chiefly in Houston, Tex., and Memphis.

She leaves sons, Jesse Denson, of Henning, and Milton Denson, of Drummonds; two granddaughters; and a great-grandson.

Oreathel Alford

Oreathel Alford, 87, of Burdett, Kans., sister of L. D. Kennedy, of 333 Kirkpatrick Drive, Ripley, died March 15th in Jetmore, Kans.

A memorial service for the former Dyersburg resident was held Thursday of last week in Harvest Baptist Church in Dyersburg. Burial was in Poplar Springs Cemetery near Milan.

She was a member of Faith Fellowship Church in Burdett.

She was the daughter of the late Lafayette and Lubie White Kennedy.

She was the widow of Ezell

Mourned



JANESSA LINDSEY, formerly of Ripley, who was reported missing in August 2007, was found January 9th in a low-lying, dry creek, near Atwood. She was identified by her dental records. Her death was ruled undetermined cause.

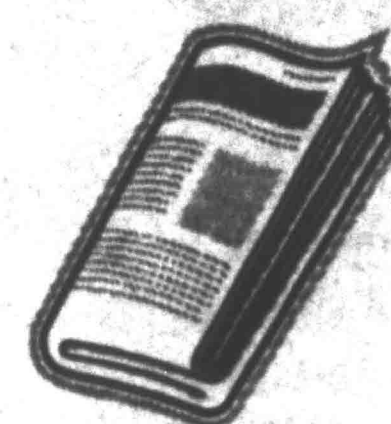
A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. April 5th in the Senior Citizens Hall, at 1075 B. East Van Hook, in Milan.

Survivors include her mother, Diana Louise Holt, of Bradford, formerly of Ripley, and three daughters, twins, Katie and Kellie Lindsey, and Andrea Keel, all of Milan.

Alford. Survivors include a son, Roger, of Burdett; a daughter, Debbie Alford, of Scarborough, Maine; three grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

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Service Recognition



TY BRASFIELD, right, was presented a plaque Monday night during the E-911 Board meeting by Frank Currie, left, board chairman, in recognition of his nine years of service to the public.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the Wymond (Buddy) Thurmond family, would like to express our appreciation for the many acts of kindness shown during his illness and death. The calls, cards, visits, food, flowers, and especially, all your prayers, we are eternally grateful. Just to know that Buddy touched the lives of so many gives us great joy. To the staffs of Care All-Alamo, Preferred Medic, West TN Infusion Center, The Medical Center Infusion Services, Dr. Jerald White, Jackson Regional Medical Center, Asera Care Hospice and Dr. Jeff McCartney, you treated us so personable but were so professional. We will never forget the care he received and we are so blessed to have had such wonderful people in our lives. Thank you Bro. Jerrell Dawson for the comforting and descriptive words for Buddy, no one could have done better. A special thanks to the pallbearers, Wyman Thurmond, Mike Lewis, Jimmy Carver, DeNoah Alley, and Jason and Richie Belton. The Halls Funeral Home staff,

who were extremely professional, treated us like family and we are so thankful for your services.

Even though our hearts are heavy as we grieve, they are so full of thankfulness for all the love shown to us. May God bless you all.

Thanks again,
Lydia Thurmond, wife
Rodney Thurmond, son
Jimmy Thurmond, brother,
Geneva Robbins, sister
Letha Johnson, sister
Peggy Jones, sister
Carolyn Hutcherson, sister
Ace and Colton Thurmond,
grandsons
Adv.P.

Birthdays

March 27 - Miller Lane, James Hilton Vaughn, Harold Wheatley, Jackie Evans, Reese Gaines, Maurice Gaines, III, Ann Young, Billy Elder, Diane Stallings, Bryan Jarrett, Tina Cates, Kay Nolen, Diane Noblin, Glen Privett, Kelly Thompson, Katherine Snell, Rebecca Williams, Shamari Gooch, Caulyn Halliburton, Grant Summar, Gary Brown, Mary

With Hope In Mind Mental Workshop

A series of eight workshops on mental illness is being offered by National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) - Dyersburg from 6 - 8 p.m. beginning April 8th, 2008. The workshops are being offered free of charge as a community service at Dyersburg State Community College.

The course provides information on bipolar, depression, anxieties, obsessive-compulsive disorder, schizophrenia, schizoaffective and substance abuse. Participants will learn medical information about symptoms; how to cope with the different phases of the illnesses; treatment information; tips for coping and self-care; problem management; and community services. Family members or care givers of individuals with one of these diagnoses are encouraged to attend. The course is not appropriate for the individual who is suffering from one of these illnesses.

For more information and to register, contact Teresa Evans in the Division of Continuing Education at 731-286-3267.

Neal Stanley.

March 28 - William Zachary, Ezell Robinson, Greg Baker, Robin Privett, Hana Katlin Jones, Elaine Moore, Elizabeth Bubier, Opal Horne, Minnie Stowe, Kim Brewster, Linda Belton.

March 29 - Shawnee Denay Burris, Paul Merando, Perry Williams, Kay Gruggett, Malory Murray, Glenda Hayles, Pam Floyd, Brenda Ward, Dixie Drake Lenderman, Adriene Brooks, Alma Jenkins, Elna Robbins, Linsey Beard.

March 30 - Karyn Summar, Amy Land, Kayla Howard, Amy McBroom, T. L. Michael, Fay Taylor, Beth Newman, Deb Wooster, Mary Ann Swims, Corey Crihfield, Beth Wright, Rachel Jackson, Michael Jankovsky, Inez Hendren.

March 31 - Kay Freeman, Clint McKinnie, Bill Roberson,

Youth of the Month



LOGAN HARBER, center, son of Charles and Renee Harber, was recognized March 6th as the Lauderdale County Exchange Club Youth of the Month from Halls High School. Club president, Dr. Brooks Harris, is pictured with Logan and his mother.

Cary Porter, Caleb Currie, Hannah Smith, Chris Tucker, Amber Sadler, Noel Sherrod.

April 1 - Carl Hoggard, Doug Ward, Gladys Crain, Jeannie Vickery, Vance Brewster, Emilee Anne Hartman, Alisa Parish, Anetta Boyd, Christopher Hardy, Teresa M. Ward, Jeff Weaver, Robin Hughes, Jim Clark, Betty T. Henson, Mary Beth Caldwell, Darlene Crowder, James Mills, Zaylee Brown, Chris Carmack.

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10-0 Win Puts Halls Baseball Record 8-2

Halls High School's baseball team led Bradford Monday, 10-0, to run their record to 8-2.

They have lost only in tournaments in which they later won -losing to Liberty, 5-1, in the North Side Tournament, before winning from McKenzie, 5-0, from Crockett County, 10-9, and from Clarksburg, 13-5; losing to Dyersburg, 10-2, in the Easter Slam Tournament in Dyersburg, before winning from Century High, of Ullin, Ill., 20-0, from Union City, 8-6, and from Westview, 16-1.

Monday, Halls led Bradford 10-0 for an 8-2 record.

After a return game Tuesday, Halls boys enter the Best of the West Tournament, at Brighton Thursday, at Munford Friday, and at Covington Saturday, playing Cordova before hosting Humboldt Monday.

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

- Monday, March 31st**
Hamburger
Pizza
French Fries
Carrot Sticks
Grapes
Orange Sections
Cookie
Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, April 1st**
Steak Fingers
Fish Fillet
Broccoli Bites
Black Eyed Peas
Banana
Fruit Mix
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, April 2nd**
Spaghetti
Entrée - School's Choice
Green Beans
Corn Nibbles
Peaches
Pineapple Tidbits

School Lunches

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

- Monday, March 31st**
Pizza
French Fries
Grapes
Cookie
Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, April 1st**
Steak Fingers
Broccoli Bites
Banana
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, April 2nd**
Spaghetti
Green Beans
Peaches
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Thursday, April 3rd**
Chicken Nuggets
Whipped Potatoes
Pear Halves
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Friday, April 4th**
Deli Sandwich
Carrot Sticks
Orange Sections
Cookie
Choice Of Milk
- Thursday, April 3rd**
Chicken Nuggets
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Green Peas
Pear Halves
Applesauce
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Friday, April 4th**
Deli Wrap
BBQ Pork Riblet On Bun
Corn On The Cob
Carrot Sticks
Orange Sections
Peaches
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Halls-Gates Rotary



TRENT McMANUS, left, president of the Halls Gates Rotary Club, presented a check Monday to Andy Pugh, Halls High School principal, for Project Graduation. Additional presentations were made to the Gates Library, Halls Community Center, Halls Public Library, Halls Senior Citizens Center, DAAB Veterans Museum, and the Halls Union Mission. In lower photo, James E. Smith, right, incoming Rotary president, presented checks to Mr. McManus, left, for the Town of Halls Northside Community Center and the Carl Perkins Child Abuse Center. Various other contributions to municipalities and organizations were made totaling over \$3,600.



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.

Ashport Baptist Church, 6742 Hwy. 19 W., Ripley, will hold its spring revival beginning at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, March 30th and continuing at 7 p.m. nightly through April 2nd with Dr. Benny Jackson as guest evangelist. Morning worship will be held at 11 a.m. Sunday with discipleship training at 5:30 p.m. and evening worship

at 6:30 p.m. Bro. Hugh Pesnell, pastor, invites the public.

St. Paul United Methodist Church, on Durhamville Rd., will hold its spring revival services beginning at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 30th and continuing at 7 p.m. April 2nd with Jackie Fincher delivering the message. The public is invited.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, located just off Hwy. 88, between Gates and Maury City, will hold a gospel singing at 10:45 a.m. Sun., March 30th featuring Down East Boys, Southern Gospel artists. Doors will open at 10 a.m. No admission charge, but a love offering will be taken. For more information, call Caren Jordan, 731-656-4306.

St. Paul United Methodist Church, on Durhamville Rd., will hold its spring revival at 6 p.m. Sunday, March 30th and continuing at 7 p.m. nightly through Wednesday, April 2nd. The public is invited.

Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church, 370 Poplar Grove Rd., Henning, will hold its spring revival at 7 p.m. nightly Wednesday, April 2nd through Friday, April 4th with guest churches and evangelist. The Rev. Daryl Rozell and the Greater Shiloh MB Church, of Brighton, will be the guests Wednesday. The Rev. Payne and Antioch-Curve MB Church, of Curve, will be guests Thursday. The Rev. Tom Terry and Bluff Creek MB Church, of Brownsville, will be guests Friday. The Rev. Willie Dyson, pastor, invites the public.

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.

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Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek here! Miss Pam had big plans a few days ago. She wanted to pick up litter along the roads. I looked at her with a questioning attitude because I have never thrown any of that stuff on the road. I will have to admit, however, that in my homeless days if litter smelled good I would tear it to "smithereens". Her plan was to go with a bunch of two leggers and in her words "help clean up the County." She said it was the right thing for us to do. I wasn't looking forward to this project. Well, the big day arrived and I am glad to report that the event was rained out. Since her plans were spoiled, we went to the Club to clean. After a mother-nature call, I ended up next door in the office of the landfill. Clint, Pedro and Ronnie were complaining because the two leggers were lined up. Evidently it was a free day and two leggers love free stuff. That gave me the idea that we need a free four legger day. The only hitch is that the new owners must have their four legger fixed for no youngens. Doc English will do the fixen for half price if they are Dry Hill four leggers. After very little "prodden," Mr. Buddy agreed that all four leggers would be free on Saturday, March 29th. Miss Pam also had to announce that the 29th is the make up day for the litter pick up; and Clint said there would be no landfill charges for March 29th. On the rainout day, he received 16 tons of debris. When I told one of my buds, named Ernie, about the 16 tons he responded in a deep voice, "with 16 tons and what do you get, another day older and deeper in debt." I said, "Where did that come from?" and he said Mr. Buddy made him listen to that modern radio station, WTRB 1570.

We had a great week. Nine year old, Hailey Jackson, who has severe vision problems, wanted a fat, fuzzy four legger. Mr. Buddy picked one of my friends that I wrote about numerous times. His name was Bone and he was born eight months ago at the Club. My friendly little friend has been over looked in the past by the two leggers, but this was Bone's lucky day. He got a big red bow on his neck and the love of a life time. I hope Mrs. Buddy doesn't get mad when she finds out that Hailey kissed Mr. Buddy on the cheek.

Do you remember the at-a-boys lingo, well Mr. Wesley Merritt did. He took home three adult German Shepherds to his farm. What a two legger! Danny Hartsfield also took home a Dotson mixed puppy for his little girl's birthday and Dalton Henson didn't rest until he found his lost four legger at Dry Hill—the best gotten place in West Tennessee for the rare breed they call 56 and counting.

The food project of the Junior Auxiliary Crown Club netted the Club over 400 pounds of food and \$221 in donations. Diana Plunk also made a wonderful 150 pound food donation. You ladies are turning old Ernie's attitude around. He never believed me when I told him that two leggers could be caring, pretty, warm hearted, and loving. I hope everyone keeps up the good work. Thanks again and remember, try to be as good as your two legger thinks you are. To test who loves you more, put your wife and your four legger in the trunk of your car for an hour or two. When you open the trunk, just see who is the happiest to see you! Zeek Out!

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Gates Egg Hunt Held



PARTICIPANTS searched for eggs Friday, March 21st

Deadline Nears For Candidates

Candidates have until noon Thursday, April 3rd to qualify for the August 7th election. Deadline to withdraw is noon April 10th. Petitions have been picked up by Craig Fitzhugh for the Tennessee House of Representatives; Jerry W. Buckner, Lauderdale County Assessor of Property; Cynthia H. Glenn and Sammy Grantland, School Board, District 2; Michael Ferguson, Bill Hendren, and Kevin Gunn, School Board, District 6; Brian Dew, Robert Harris, and Christopher A. Moellar, School Board, District 8; Delene W. Spray, Constable District 3; and Jan Patton Moore, Constable District 7.

Candidates which have qualified include Buckner, Ferguson, Hendren, Gunn, Harris, Moellar, and Spray.



ROSE FULLEN, RN, presented Pain After Shingles seminar March 11th at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging in Halls. For more information, call 836-5444.

DEAN'S LIST

Sandra Patterson, of Halls, was named to the dean's list at the West Tennessee Business College for maintaining a 95 or above average for the past enrollment period ending March 6th.

during the annual Town of Gates Easter Parade and egg hunt. The children were treated to hot dogs, chips, and soda, furnished by the Gates Fire Department.

Rotary Guest Readers



KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School read to members of the Halls Gates Rotary Club Monday. Members were impressed with the skill of the young readers.

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