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## Halls Celebrity Softball Team



**MEMBERS** of the Town of Halls Softball team include, in front, from left, Mayor Trent McManus, Marvin Brown, Alan Cherry, and David Jennings, and in rear, Tony Rogers, Tony Riley, Jason Winchester, Walter Tate, and Donnie Rogers. They will play the City of Ripley team at 7:30 p.m. May 2nd at the Ripley City Park as part of the Relay for Life effort.

## Donation Presented



**JERRY HICKSON**, pastor of Grace Bible Baptist Church, and his grandsons presented a donation of Slim Fast to Jeanette Payton, program director, Lauderdale County Commission on Aging, April 23rd. The items will be used for prizes during activities at the Center.

## Selected



**BRET CARMACK**, of Halls, in upper photo, and Coach Maurice Kelly, of Ripley, in lower photo, were selected as honor-

## Relay For Life Events Planned

The annual Relay for Life event to benefit the Annual Cancer Society will begin Friday, May 2nd in the Ripley City Park with opening ceremonies to begin at 6 p.m. A celebrity softball game will be held between the Town of Halls and City of Ripley and between Marvin Windows and Komatsu. A tribute to Elvis will be held at 8 p.m. and the luminary ceremony at 10 p.m. Performances will be provided by ATC, the Mason ATA Black Belt Academy, TNT, and Wild Hearts.

ary co-chairs of the annual Relay for Life event, scheduled for May 2nd at the City of Ripley Park. Gavin Hopkins, Pamela Lake, and Wendell Wiley also serve as co-chairmen.

## Accepted



**NICHOLAS TREADWAY**, son of Glenn and Carrie King, of Gates, and Earnest L. Treadway, of Henning, was inducted into the Sergeant Audie Murphy Club during a ceremony April 3rd at Fort Wainwright's Last Frontier Community Center in Alaska. The goal of the club is to recognize outstanding leaders in the Army and in the community. Sgt. Murphy was a national war hero during World War II and was awarded ev-

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## Grant For Arnold Field Announced

A \$13,702 aeronautics grant has been approved for Arnold Field, located in Halls, according to Governor Phil Bredesen. "As communities continue to grow and thrive, it becomes increasingly important that our airports stay competitive and efficient at meeting the needs of travelers. Arnold Field is vital to this region's economy and travel system, and I'm please to support its continued growth," said Bredesen.

Funds from the grant will be used to make repairs to the west side of the runway. The grant is made available through the Tennessee Department of Transportation's Aeronautics Division.

"It's important to keep our airports in top shape. I'm pleased to see these funds dedicated to Arnold Field for these needed improvements," said Representative Craig Fitzhugh.

The applications are reviewed by a five member board charged with policy planning and with regulating changes in the state airport system plan.

## SOBRIETY CHECK

Members of Ripley Police, in cooperation with the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department, will conduct sobriety check-points from 6 p.m. until 2 a.m. May 5th inside the city limits and around the county.

## Black Withdraws Name From Ballot

Brian Black, who was a candidate for the State of Tennessee House of Representative, District 82, has withdrawn his name from the election. He was seeking the seat currently held by Craig Fitzhugh. He issued the following statement.

"To all citizens of Crockett, Dyer, and Lauderdale counties of the 82nd district, I have made the decision to step down as a candidate in the race for state representative in the district. With many hours of thought and prayer, I have decided that this is not

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## Senior Care Program Explained



**PAUL STEWART**, Program Director of Senior Care at Baptist Memorial Lauderdale, explained the Senior Care program to homemakers and senior companions at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging April 22nd. He pointed out they may be the only personal contact their client has on a daily basis. Mr. Stewart described signs to watch for and encouraged them to report unusual behavior. For more information about the LCCOA Homemaker or Senior Companion Program, contact 836-5444. Participants included, in front, from left, Joni Cook, LCCOA Director, Jean Garrison, homemaker, Janette Payton, Program Director, Gina Baker, LaTawanda Cooper, and Inez Crews, homemakers, and Lillie Sangster, senior companion; in middle, Olivia Norman, senior companion, Yolanda Stone, homemaker, Pam Rose, homemaker & LCCOA Van Driver, Gloria Theus-Jones and Annette Perkins, homemaker, and Elvira Tyus and Faye Henning, senior companions; and in rear, Paul Stewart, plus, not pictured, Demetria Smith, homemaker.

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## School Lunches

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- French Fries
- Fruit Sherbet Cups
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, May 6th

- Baked Ham
- Green Beans
- Orange Sections
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, May 7th

- Turkey Roast w/Gravy
- Whipped Potatoes

- Banana Roll
- Choice Of Milk

Thursday, May 8th

- Chili Pie
- Corn Nibbles
- Pear Halves
- Choice Of Milk

Friday, May 9th

- Corn Dog
- Celery Sticks w/Dip
- Peaches
- Cookie
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## Obituaries

### 'Gene' Anthony

Eugene Rice Anthony II, 90, of 200 S. Jefferson, Ripley, retired planter, died Friday in Baptist Hospital in Memphis, after a stroke the day before.

Rites were Monday in First United Methodist Church, where he was a member, with burial in the cemetery of St. Paul United Methodist Church at Durhamville.

He leaves his wife, Elizabeth "Bette" Anthony; a son, Lt. Eugene R. Anthony III, in the Navy; a step-daughter, Elizabeth "Libba" Burns, of Ripley; and stepsons, Forrest Shoaf, of Lebanon, and Lauren Shoaf, of New Orleans, La.

### Charles Crook

Charles Lee Crook, 72, of Ripley, retired from state employment, died Friday, in his home.

Rites were held Monday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Lightfoot Cemetery.

He leaves his wife, Patricia Jean Ditto Crook; sons, Mark, of Ripley, and Charles, Jr., of Brighton; daughters, Judy Vandergriff, of Ripley, and Cheree Davis, of Hornsby; brothers, Jack and R. W. Crook, of Ripley; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

### Randall Smith

Randall Smith, 43, of Bellwood, Ill., grandson of Frankie Smith, of 31 Willette Beard Road, Ripley, died Sunday in Loyola Hospital in Maywood, Ill.

Rites will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in New Horizon Baptist Church in Broadview, Ill., with burial in Oakridge Cemetery in Hillside, Ill., Currie's Funeral Home of Henning, in charge.

He was a factory worker.

Survivors include his wife, Bonita; sons, Randall, Jr., and Augusto and Zacharion Campbell, of Chicago, Ill.; daughters, Rhyanna Smith, of Bellwood, and Shantell Smith, of Lombard, Ill.; his parents, William Cary Smith, Jr., and Robesie Smith, of Chicago; and brothers, Reginald, of Chicago, and Ronald, of Milwaukee, Wis.

### Joseph Barnes

Joseph Lankford Barnes, Jr., 61, of Chicago, Ill., son of The Rev. Joseph Barnes and Pearlina Barnes, of Ripley, died April 19th in Holy Cross Hospital in Chicago.

Rites were Tuesday in Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church west of Ripley, with burial there, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy; sons, Eugene Taylor, of Ripley, Kenneth Blake and Joseph, Raphael, and Terry Barnes, of Chicago; daughters, Loletha Nolen, of Ripley, and April and Tisha Barnes, Chandra Harris, and Tasha Allison, all of Chicago; sisters, Angela Barnes, of Gates, Malinda Barnes and Marion Norfolk, of Ripley, Pearlina Barnes, of Memphis, and Cora Claybrooks, of Maywood, Ill.; 26 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

### Flossie Sellers

Flossie Marie Sellers, 65, of 157 Huntington St., Gates, employee of Tops in Covington, died Thursday of last week at her residence.

Graveside services were at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 26th, at Concord Cemetery in Gates, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

The daughter of Minnie Escue and the late Arnold Escue, she leaves her daughter, Marsha Escue Starnes, of Jackson; and two grandchildren.

### Mary Davis

Mary Louise Davis, 77, of Brownsville, mother of James Manns, of Ripley, and sister of James Robert Palmer and Aline Barnes, of Ripley, died Monday of last week in Haywood Park Hospital.

Rites were Saturday in Chapel Hill Missionary Baptist Church in Brownsville, with burial there, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include other sons, Early, Larry, Patrick, and Robert Manns, of Brownsville, and Joe Manns, of Sikeston, Mo.; and daughters, Denise and Sallie Ann Manns and Sarah Ruth Owen, and other sisters, Annie B. Anthony and Ola May Shaw, all of Brownsville.

### Frances Fowlkes

Frances Fowlkes, 92, of Millington Assisted Living, who worked at the Dyersburg Army Air Base in Halls during World War II, died Tuesday of last week.

Rites were Friday in First United Methodist Church in Millington, where she had taught kindergarten in Sunday School for 52 years. Burial was in Halls Cemetery.

She was born at Dyersburg, Dec. 2, 1915, to the late William Rogers McDearman, who died in 1927, and the late Willie Thompson "Mama Honey" McDearman, who died in 1974 after having resided with Mrs. Fowlkes for more than 30 years.

Mrs. Fowlkes moved to Millington in 1946 and worked at the Naval Air Station there until 1973, when she retired as a controller's office supervisor.

She was a founding member of the Millington chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees.

She leaves daughters, Ann (Mrs. Tommy) Goin, of Millington, and Jean Fowlkes, of Bluffton, S.C.; a brother, Harry McDearman, of Hot Springs, Ark.; two granddaughters; and two great-grandchildren.

### 'Doug' Ward

Halls Funeral Home directed rites Saturday in Halls Cemetery, mourning Fred Douglas Ward, 56, of Memphis, son of the late Fred and Loudean Ward.

Survivors include a brother, Glenn, and a niece and nephew, of Memphis, and aunts, uncles, and cousins in and near Halls.

### Nancy M. Babin

Nancy M. Babin, 64, who enjoyed riding her Harley-Davidson motorcycle on her family's farm in this county, died Sunday in her home in Memphis.

An interior designer, she sewed, grew orchids, and raised and showed Birman cats.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Memphis Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband, Dr. Richard W. Babin, and sons, Jeffrey "Jabu" Babin and Andrew Charles Babin, all of Memphis.

## Gardening Workshop



BEAUTON MATTHEWS, of Ripley, presented "This 'n That" gardening April 24th at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging. She is an intern Tipton County Master Gardener. Approximately 25 were in attendance and discussed various tested garden techniques from Mrs. Matthews and Diane Martin. Information leaflets were provided from the University of Tennessee Extension Service. Following the session, door prizes, sponsored by the Lauderdale County Co-Op, and plant and seed exchange from participants were enjoyed. Another workshop is scheduled for 11 a.m. May 21st. Call 836-5444 for more information.

### J. B. Koonce

J. B. Koonce, 94, of 3729 Arp-Central Road, died Sunday in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

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

He was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church.

He leaves his wife, Dorothy; a son, Dale Koonce, of Ripley; stepsons, Tommy Williams, of Ripley, Keithel and Randy Stimpson, of Munford, Allen Stimpson, ojb, and Danny Stimpson, of Birchwood, Wis.; step-daughters, Gwendolyn Ehret, of Atoka, Vicki Springer, of Munford, and Carolyn Smith, of Florida; seven grandchildren; 22 step-grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

### Thomas Brown

Thomas Brown, 73, of Ripley, retired masonry contractor, died Sunday in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites are set at 11 a.m. Saturday in Conner Assembly of God Church, with burial in Grace Cemetery, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

He had served in the National Guard.

He leaves sons, Brad and Gary Brown, of Ripley; daughters, Becky Sanders and Judy Greer, of Ripley, and Faye Stiles, of Somerville, and Phyllis Rye, of Brownsville; sisters, Mary Ruth Meacham, of Ripley, and Simmie Pugh, of Newbern; 19 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

## NOTICE

The Lauderdale County Department of Education shall submit an application for a 21st Century Community Learning Center grant under Title IV, B of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. This application will be in combination with a Lottery for Education - After School Program (LEAP) Grant. A copy of this application is available for public review at the Lauderdale County Department of Education located at 402 S. Washington, Ripley, Tennessee. Public comments on the proposed application will be taken into consideration.

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## Membership Banquet



WINNERS of the annual Lauderdale Chamber/ECD Membership Banquet awards include, from left, Joni Cook, Citizen of the Year; Danny Daniels, Halls Trophy and Engraving, Small Business of the Year; and Dave and Jeanette Sondgeroth, Marvin Windows, Large Business Of The Year. They are pictured with Lisa Hankins, center, executive director. In lower photo, Terry Uselton, second from left, and Bettie Davis, center, were honored with honorary membership award. Dale McCaslin was named outstanding Chamber Volunteer. The 50's themed banquet was held Thursday of last week at Rolling Hills Country Club.

## Birthdays

May 1 - Sonny Vaughn, Willie Stowers, Mark Ryan Patterson, Mary Beth Caldwell, Steven A. Koonce, Dr. Roy E. Crowder, Jr., Frank Sanders, Roger Pease, John Terry, Mo-neka Temple, Linda Geary, David Blakely, Anna Dailey, Cheryl Vaughan, Madeline Kennedy, Gary Turner, Marie Wofford, Andy Crowson.

May 2 - Sarah Beth Craig, Billie Jane Gray, Amy Vaden, Auzie Harrell, Joanne Scott, Shira Parish, Jamie Summar, Shakandra Whitelaw, Leon Pattat, Libba Shoaf Burns, Barbara Thomas.

May 3 - Max Hutcherson, Bill West, Charlie Cherry, Louise Best, Barbara Anderson, Stacy Warren, Chris Burrough, Garret Steelman, Jesse James, Zachary Vaughan, Florine Pierce, Steven Hensley, Molly Barcroft, Alan Swope, Dr. Lee Mockrin.

May 4 - Harley Patterson, Grant Caldwell, Tina Shands, Marshall Jennings, Paul Reynolds, Colton Dew, James Pipkin, Alexia Frazier, Jean Burns, Curt Rhoads, Lita McBroom, Judy Moore Crowder, Hayden Hargett, Kianna Gibbons, Heston Sanders, Kim Shelton, Katie Smith, Denise Caviness.

May 5 - Aaron Dannelley, Steve Vandergriff, Mary Porter, Kathy Ballard, Tyler Newman, Joni Emerson, Rachel Roberts, Virgie Tarpley, Brandi Young Northcott, Josh Silks, Odessa Gay, Tatum Carmack, Xavier Harvey, Cole McAdams, Cassie Burnham, Jenny Wren Nunn, Barrett McClerkin, Xaiver Harvey, Hannah Chalk, Dorothy Toomes.

May 6 - Barbara Anthony, Roger Treadway, Beccah Mitchell, Jimmy Kiestler, Kayla Heath, Burl Carson, Gara Strong, Regina Stanley Castel-law, Scott Crowder, Vickie Jones, Brenda Ables, Nathan Vickery, Mary Sue Cooper, Synthia Gibson, Shayondra Henderson, Jonathan Swims, Aaron Clark, Paul Pilcher.

May 7 - Walt Hunt, Morgan

Ungerecht, Billy Maclin, Chase Tillman, Kerri Carmack, Roger Tillman, Mary Elizabeth Williams, Matthew Reviere, Carla Ross, Lana Nichols, Paul Jordan, Susan Simpson, Leslie Voss, Emily Terry Taylor, Logan Reynolds, Lindsey Jackson, Michael Clay, Cindy Greaves, Austin Miller, Carson Hamlin, Will Sanders, Mike Hudson.

## HHS HONOR ROLL

Principal List students at Halls High School for the third nine-week period include freshmen, Logan Camp-bell, Martha Chavez, Kirby Cherry, Krista Hardy, Hunter Harrison, Emily Hartman, Lateria Humphrey, Chris Hutcherson, Hannah Kelley, Kelsey Layne, Ashlee Nichols, Cassie Oakes, Ebone Pearson and Tommy Wright; sophomores, Mickey Cherry, Casey Crockett, Jessica Ellison, Angela Hanks, Cassidy Hardee, Josh Lents, Megan McBroom, Melinda Meeks, Vicki Moore, Leslie Patrick and Clarissa Stark; juniors, Avonlea Brewster, Carley Cherry, Craig Davis, Madison Hamlet, Heather Hill, Casey Hogue, Sarah Sorrell, Kelli Reynolds and Kayla White; and seniors, Kayla Akin, Ashley Arthur, Britney Bane, Haley Burks, L.J. Cates, Cody Dew, Paulita Edmondson, Morgan Haley, Darius Ivory, Jessica Jackson, Morgan Latham, Jessica Laws, Heather McCloud, Christi Meeks, Britney Moore, Miah Paul, Shay Palmer, Emily Perry, Phylicia Richmond, Amber Seiber, Tania Steel, Clarissa Stringer, Amber Walton, Erika White and Teresa Wright.

Gold list students for the third nine-week period include freshmen, Taylor Barlow, Amber Breaux, Katye Cherry, Amber Comeaux, Andria Cooper, Madison Davis, Breanna Deaton, Katie Farley, Dalton Gean, Julie Hostettler, Courtney Robbins and Katrina Yarbrough; sophomores, Ashlyn Barnes, Hollis Belton, Brad Cain, Chris Cessac, Grant Dew, Shameka Eissom, Candace McKinney, Maranda Pike, Matt Taylor and Emily Winters; juniors, Bradley Belton, Andy Gaines, Tommy

## Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek here! It was a good weather week at the Club and most of the gang has been enjoying the spring weather. I warned the guys about feeling their cheerios with Mr. Buddy around, but as usual some of them know more than yours truly. We had the "B" gang get in a fight over Lady. Mr. Buddy got mad and promised them a trip to Doc English. He said "snip-snip boys, your flame is going to burn dim from this day forward." He loaded up Bo, Buster, Bedwell, Bullet, Bull, Bingo, and Brutus and off to town they went. I haven't seen hide nor hare of them since. It took me a few years, but Doc English convinced me that the ladies are just not that important. Currently, what I enjoy the most is basking in the sun. I also enjoyed chasing bumble bees until I caught one. Yes, my tongue is swollen, it was another lesson that I won't soon forget. My nickname at the Club has been changed from tender foot to tender tongue.

I took a trip to the Antique Mall on Highway 51 where Miss Pam picked up food and cleaning supplies. Evidently Miss Ann Tate and Mr. Ronald Linn had used this as a drop off location for their donations to save on gas. Miss Pam says other two leggers can enjoy this convenience. I enjoy trips to the Mall, but they are always yelling don't touch, don't lick, and no running. It's hard to follow all the rules since me and my friend Bouncer, who lives at the Mall, like to play tag.

We have a very important week to recognize and I hope everyone remembers. May 4th through the 10th is the National Be Kind to Your Four Legger Week. Yes, we made the grade just like Secretary's Day. We get a week, that's better than those one day events. May I suggest a nice bone for your four legger. That's a hint Miss Pam, unless you have decided I need a bigger and softer pillow. Oh! Yes, cats are considered four leggers too. Miss Vicky and her husband, Ricky, twisted my tail until I agreed to acknowledge the cats. I am also supposed to say that cats eat mice and snakes and every two legger needs one for their house. If they are so valuable, why does Mr. Buddy give our cats away?

A special thank you to Chelsea Richardson and Modern Woodman of America for the Hometown Hero Award and the \$100 check to the Lauderdale County Humane Society.

The Club took care of Chigger until his lost owner, Barbara Holman, retrieved him. Chigger said she runs off a lot. Jordan Swartz adopted Tiny. Hayley Harber, our newest volunteer, adopted the Dachshund, Hayley. They found each other at the Club, isn't that a tear jerker!

My Buds are looking forward to visits from the two leggers. The visitors log had dropped in numbers so I think it is time to start praying; especially since National Prayer Day is Thursday, May 1st. Don't forget to say one for my buds and the Dry Hill Club.

In closing, remember the "B" gang. The county and the guys will both be better off. Hopefully, a bunch of two leggers will get their pets tutored during National Pet Week. However, Miss Pam, I am old and tutored, so I need a bone and a soft pillow to really enjoy the week.

Zeek Out!

Isaak, Cody King, Kristin McCallister, Tyler O'Bryan, Jerry Patrick, Veronica Ray, Ashton Smith and Nathan Smith; seniors, William Bolds, Corderro Hill, Randi Crockett, Eric Daniels, Aaron Dannelley, Jeremy Fitzhugh, Justin Frazier, Logan Harber, Chris Hardy, Nora Howell, Joseph Jackson, Dakota Reaves, Heather Spangler and Nicole Tate.

## May Nuptials Set



**KIMBERLY KAROL (KIM) HARBER**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Harber, of Halls, will marry Charles Kenneth (Ken) Sutton, son of Ted Sutton and Shirley and Bill Dacus, all of Ripley, at 7 p.m. May 23rd in Halls Westside Baptist Church, with all family and friends invited.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Doris and Peggy Rodgers, of Halls, the late Ralph Harber, of Memphis, the late Maynard Harrell, of Halls, and the late Evelyn Patterson, of Dyersburg, and the great-granddaughter of the late Raymond and Clydie Walpole, the late Maynard and Mazie Harrell, the late R. B. and Clara Harber, of Friendship, and the late Rosa Moffitt, of Dyersburg.

A 1995 honors graduate of Halls High School, she is a graduate of Dyersburg State Community College with a business degree.

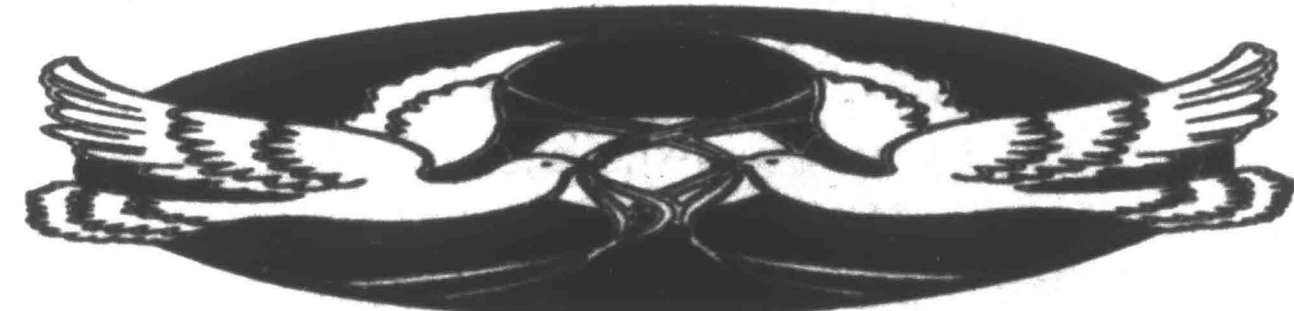
She is employed by BancorpSouth.

The groom-elect is the grandson of the late Robert (Rab) and Eunice Sutton and the late Andrew and Clara Shands, all of Ripley.

A 1984 graduate of Ripley High School, he attended the University of Memphis and is a graduate of Northwestern University SPSC.

He is employed by the Tennessee Highway Patrol as a sergeant and is an affiliate broker for Unique Properties.

The couple plan to reside in Ripley.



## 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.

Cross View Baptist Church will host a Christian Heritage Seminar through the summer beginning with the month of May. Sun-day school will be at 9:45 a.m., worship at 10:45 and a fellowship meal each Sunday at noon to be followed by afternoon Bible study and worship from 1 to 2 p.m. No night services will be held. The Sunday afternoon study will be led by Bible teacher and pastor, Dr. Roy Harkness, Sr., featuring "Discovering the Bible" and "the Apostle Paul and the Early Churches". Other future months will include presentations of "The 12 Disciples"

## Anniversaries

May 1 - Mr. and Mrs. David Puckett, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Goss, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Cas-tleman, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Best.

May 2 - Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barnes.

May 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Coy Summar.

May 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kiestler.

May 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Paul Spoon.

May 6 - Mr. and Mrs. Mark Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Carter.

May 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Holman.

## Marriages

April 21 - Eric Jovan Fair, 33, to Ataska DeCarlo McGaughy, 30, by Robert T. Sims, Jr.

and "The Apostles' Creed". The public is invited.

Macedonia Baptist Church, 6950 Edith Nankipoo Rd., near Ripley, will hold revival services beginning at 11 a.m. Sunday, May 11th and continuing at 7 p.m. nightly through May 14th. Guest evangelists include Brady Weldon, Dr. Joe Wright, and Dr. Charles Timberlake. A nursery will be provided. For more information, call 731-635-3408. The public is invited.

Melville United Methodist Church, at Nankipoo, will hold a gospel singing at 6 p.m. May 4th featuring the Frog Jump Quartet. Tom Perkins, pastor, invites the public.

Halls Westside Baptist Church, 705 Sumrow St., Halls, will host Vocal Union in Concert at 7 p.m. May 17th. The public is invited. For more information, call the church office, 836-5193, or visit the

## Wedding Anniversary



**MARK AND JANE CRIHFELD**, of Halls, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 12th with a dinner at the Olympic Steak House, hosted by their children, Ricky and Phyllis Crihfield and Laura and Greg Dobbins, and family. Other guests included Jerry and Mary Jo Crihfield, Ellen and Bobby Henderson, and Greg Crichfield and children. Halls United Methodist Church surprised the couple with a dinner Sunday, April 13th.

group's website, [www.vocalunion.com](http://www.vocalunion.com).

Halls. The event is sponsored by the Lauderdale County Youth Revival Mission Team. Singing and prayer will be offered. The public is invited.

Please remember that these listings can only contain church re-vivals 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.

## Divorces

Jon Adam Lackey vs. Demetria Ann Lenderman Lackey.

John William Scobey vs. Bobbie Jean Parnell Scobey.

Melinda Scott Jacques vs. Charles Robert Jacques.

Sherry Lynette Morris vs. Rickie Vaughn Morris.

A night of prayer will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 1st at Crihfield Park in

## Essays On Littering From Students At Halls Elementary School



**STUDENTS**, of Halls Elementary School, wrote the following essays about litter in Lauderdale County:

If the whole world littered, what would the world be like today? Well, if the world got a habit of throwing out coke cans, bottles, paper, and all other things. I wonder why they would want to litter when they could just take the garbage into the house or store and throw it into the trash can. When people litter in some states, there is fines up to \$100, \$200, \$200, \$400, and even \$500. Why would somebody waste all that money on that? I think littering is wrong. I think that people in this world should take a stand and try to help their community, country, and their world. My family does not litter.



They have garbage bags or Wal-Mart sacks in the car that they can put trash in. Some people care and try and pick up trash but the next day there's more. That's what I think of litter.

Elizabeth Gunter

Last Friday, we went on a field trip to the dumpsite. It was interesting to learn about not littering. I hope that other people don't litter either. I'm going to teach my family not to litter. That is a bad name for Tennessee. Who wants to come to a nasty and awful smelling state? I wouldn't so don't litter. If you see anyone littering, pick it up for them,

and talk to them about not littering.

La'kia Harvey

On my field trip, I learned that illegal dumping is wrong. It makes our earth look nasty. Everything stinks and it messes up the land. If people keep dumping trash in our rivers, oceans and lakes, it will kill all the fish. Trash makes our land look bad.

There are places to put trash. No one has the right to mess up the earth with trash. I learned that people act like they don't care about the earth. I want the earth to still look beautiful when I'm grown. I wish that everyone would put the trash where it belongs.

There are places that you can take your trash so you don't have to put it on the ground. If everyone threw their trash out on the ground, you wouldn't be able to see the ground. I learned that if everyone does their job, we can keep the earth as beautiful as it is for future generations.

Kayla Clevenger

Hi. My name is Avion Steel. I want to take the time to say thank you for taking 5th grade classes on a field trip. We really enjoyed it, but what I didn't know was Halls, Tennessee was the most littered place from Memphis to Kentucky border. I feel really bad that I live in a town so dirty. It doesn't make any sense to me but I know some ways I can really help. I will pick up trash every time I see it. I will take my trash to the legal dump. I will tell others to please stop littering. I think we should put up a sign about littering. Some people don't know they are harming our community. I will recycle my paper by using the back and front of my paper. I think we should think twice before we litter. Tennessee had enough.

Avion Steel

## MEETING

The Halls High School class of 1973 will meet at 7 p.m. Monday, May 5th, in the Fellowship Hall of Halls First United Methodist Church to discuss plans for the 35th class reunion.

For more information, call Donna Eaton Moore, 731-836-0355, or Debbie Cates Steelman, 731-836-7443.

**Treadway xxx**

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ery medal for valor the Army presented.

Sgt. 1st Class Treadway is a member of the Forward Maintenance Company, 25th Brigade Support Battalion. He was presented a Certificate of Appreciation.

"This honor makes me a part of a distinct group of non-commissioned officers and gives my soldiers someone that they can be proud of. I can teach other soldiers what this club is about and show them how to handle the situations that make a good leader," said Treadway.

He is the grandson of Annie Fitzpatrick and Earn-est "Hop" Treadway, both of Ripley, and James Bar-low, and Gladys Treadway, of Henning. A 1998 graduate of Ripley High School, he began pursuing his military career in the Army after graduation.

**Black xxx**

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the correct time to pursue my political ambitions. I do believe that we need to be heard as the people and not just certain groups. Please take it to heart that you are the 82nd district. Even though my name, Brian S. Black, will be on the ballot, I am stepping down as a candidate. I would like this opportunity to thank each and every person that has helped me during this time and the encouragement that has been shown to me. May God bless each and everyone of you and the State of Tennessee," said Black.

**Benefits Set For Cancer Victim**

Two benefits, "Rally For A Cure" and "Scrappin' For A Cure", will be held May 3rd to aid James Kasinger, of Halls, who is recovering from cancer.

'Rally for a Cure' will be held from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Wal-Mart park-

**School Lunches**

Lauderdale County Schools

**Monday, May 5th**

- Pizza
- Cheeseburger
- French Fries
- Lettuce, Tomato, Pickles
- Pineapple Tidbits
- Fruit Sherbet Cups
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

**Tuesday, May 6th**

- Baked Ham
- Chicken Breast Fillet
- Green Beans
- Garden Salad w/Dressing
- Grapes
- Orange Sections
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk

**Wednesday, May 7th**

- Turkey Roast w/Gravy
- Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
- Whipped Potatoes
- Green Peas
- Banana
- Peaches
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk

**Thursday, May 8th**

- Chili Pie
- Deli Wrap
- Corn Nibbles
- Carrot Sticks
- Pineapple Tidbits
- Pear Halves
- Choice Of Milk

**Friday, May 9th**

- Corn Dog
- School's Choice Sandwich
- Celery Sticks w/Dip
- Tater Triangles
- Peaches
- Fruit Mix
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

ity Center, 1101 Shelby Dr., Dyersburg, in the multi-purpose building. Dinner, hours of uninterrupted cropping,

free perk packs and goody bags, and door prizes will be available. A silent auction and concessions will be provided. Scrapbook vendors will be on site for supplies. For further information, call Carrie Daniels, 731-676-9829, or Kathy Holder, 731-695-5759.



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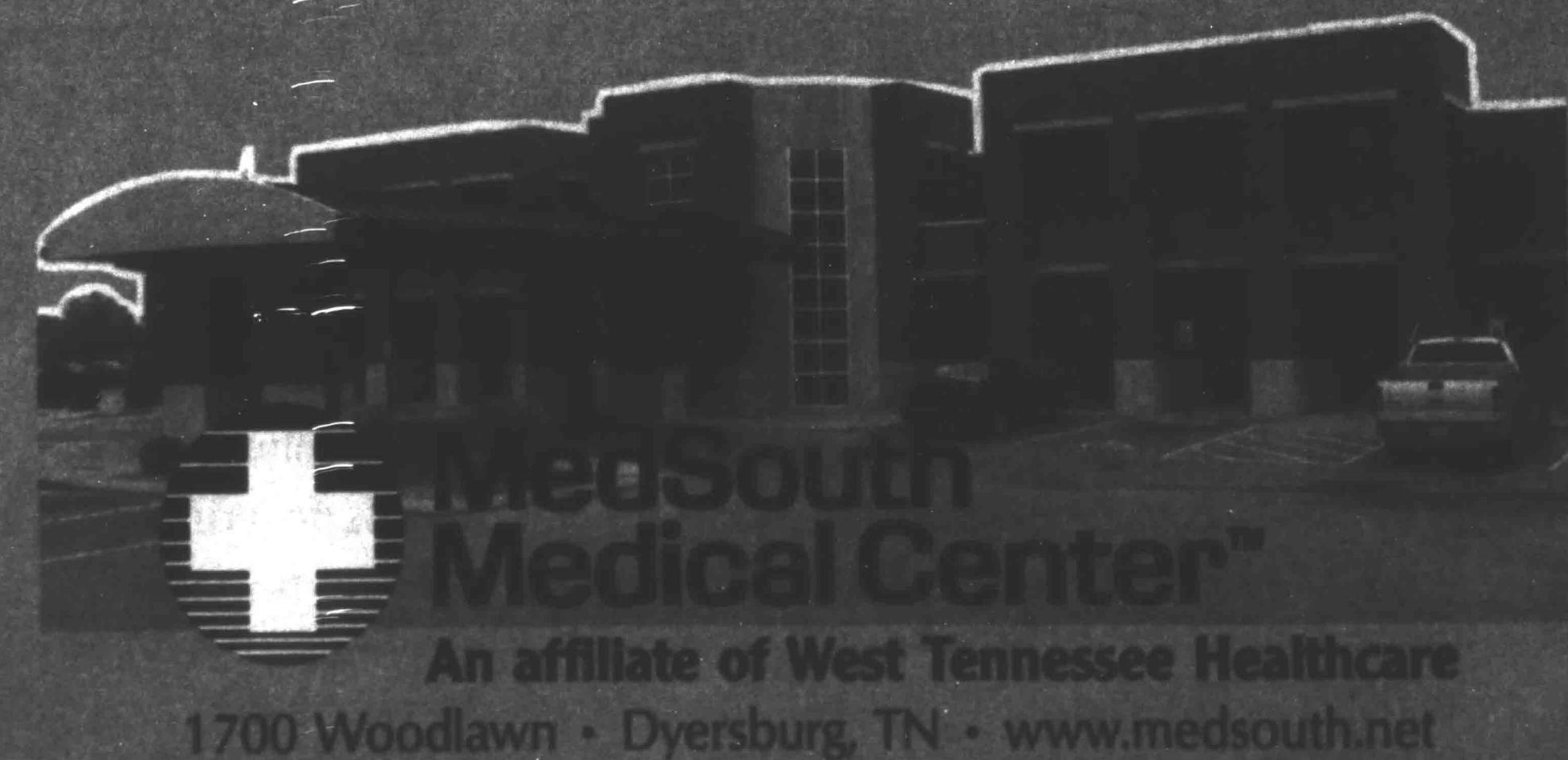
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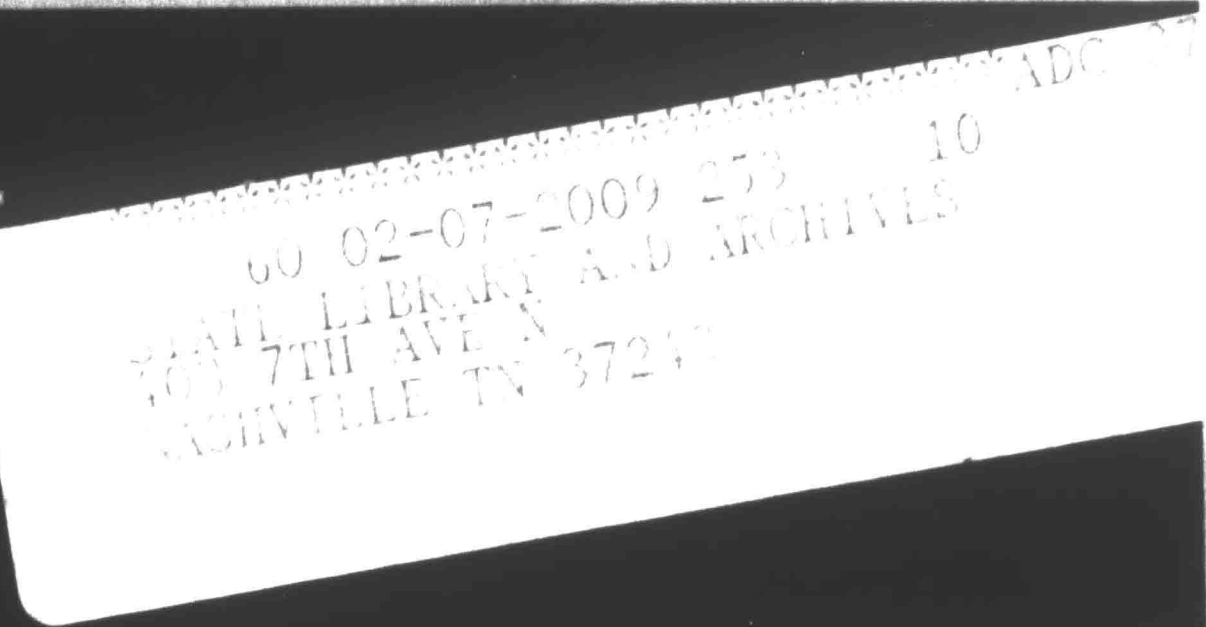


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**Attends SCOPE**



**PHILLIP JACKSON**, left, Lauderdale County School Superintendent, accompanied Lauderdale County students, Craig Davis, center, and James Barbee, right, to the 2008 Student Congress on Policies in Education, in Nashville in March. James, son of Mr. and Mrs. Keever Barbee, represented Ripley High School. Craig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Davis, represented Halls High School. Both juniors will serve as Student School Board Members during their senior year. Attendees participated in debates on current topics in education which local boards of education address. They had mock school board meetings and held a debate on various topics in the closing general session. Superintendent Jackson also served as a group moderator for the SCOPE Conference.

**Donation Presented**



**TRENT MCMANUS**, Town of Halls Mayor and President of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club, presented a \$250 check, from Rotarians, to Johnnie Matthews, president of the Lauderdale County Carl Perkins Board, during the April 9th meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club.

**One Man's Clean Up Efforts Noted**

Members of the Town of Halls Board of Mayor and Aldermen expressed their appreciation to Wiley Hutcherson Monday for removing houses during the Great American Clean Up April 19th. He worked from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m. to tear down and remove three run down houses, two on North Church St., and one on Pearl St. The work was completed at no cost to the town. Hutcherson personally worked and paid his employees overtime to finish the project. The benefits include approving the appearance of the area and reducing the presence of crime.

Halls Mayor Trent McManus congratulated Joni Cook for being named Citizen of the Year, Dale McCaslin, Volunteer of the Year, Danny Daniels and Halls Trophy, for Small Business of the Year, and Bettie Davis, honorary membership award at the annual Lauderdale Chamber/ECD banquet week before last.

Alderman Mike Moore reported on the grant for the airport to make repairs on the runway, which was awarded to Ford Construction. He thanked airport manager, Neal Doolin, for the excellent job he is doing. Alderman Randy Harris introduced an ordinance to amend the Halls Municipal Zoning Ordinance, which was passed. Alderman David Jennings reported the park committee had set up new smoking areas in Crichfield Park to restrict smoke away from the children. Harris made a motion to purchase a Ditch bank mower from Tri-County Equipment for \$7,850. The motion was approved. The old sewer jetter was sold to the highest bidder for \$1,000. An audit contract for 2007-2008 was awarded to Thompson, Alexander, and Arnold for \$21,500.

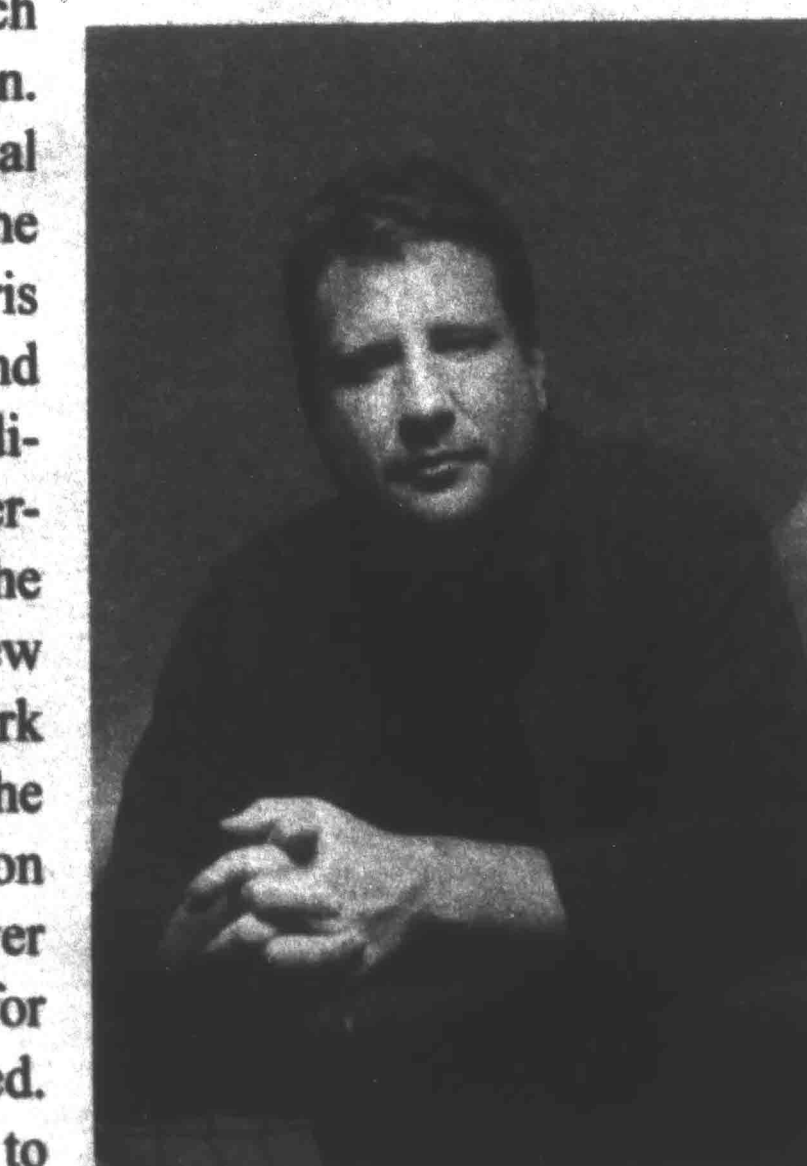
Alderman Stan Young closed the meeting by asking everyone to keep Don Patton, a long-time member of the Halls Fire Department, is prayer as he battles cancer.

**National Day of Prayer**



**PARTICIPANTS** in the National Day of Prayer, Thursday of last week in Halls, including in front, John Compere, and in rear, from left, Trent Bullock, Trent McManus, Scott Nelson, Rick Adams, and Jimmy Clay, led in prayer and song for those gathered at the Halls City Hall boardroom. They prayed for the national, state, and local leaders, the community, churches and families. The theme was "Prayer! America's Strength and Shield". The event is held on the first Thursday of May each year.

**Speaker**



**KENT BOTTENFIELD**, former major league baseball pitcher from 1992 until 2001 for the St. Louis Cardinals, Chicago Cubs, Montreal Expos, and Colorado Rockies, will be a guest speaker at 7 p.m. June 28th at the Crichfield Baseball

**ARMED FORCES DAY**

The Veterans' Museum in Halls will hold the Armed Forces Day Celebration Saturday, May 17th. The Reveille will be sounded at 10 a.m. and the welcome at 10:30 a.m. Other events include WWII military reenactments at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m., karaoke contest from 2-4 p.m., and Taps at 5 p.m.

For more information, call 731-836-7400.

Park in Halls. Kent has turned his talents to Christian speaking. The event is sponsored by the Lauderdale County Youth Revival Team. Baseball games will begin a 5 p.m. and an evening concert for the whole family will begin at 7 p.m. The public is invited.

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# Halls In 4th Tilt In 14-A Tourney

Halls High School's baseball team, 25-7, played Humboldt Tuesday (score too late for this issue) in its fourth appearance in the Dist. 14-A tournament, after a win from Greenfield, 16-1, Thursday of last week, a loss Saturday to Union City, 2-1, and a win Monday from Gleason, 4-2.

The loss to Union City was a thriller.

In a winner's bracket semi-final in Elam Stadium in Union City, UC's Tornadoes had stranded runners in scoring positions three times and trailed 1-0 with two outs in their last at-bat.

Freshman Chase Bowling, eighth in the Tor-nado batting order and playing only because three Tornadoes were out of action, hit into short left field to bring Craig Law-rence home from third and tie the score 1-1.

B. J. Marshall, ninth in Union City batting, sent a 1-0 pitch up the middle which brought home Tyler Steward-Croom, to record the winning point.

It was only the third hit of the game for UC.

Tiger pitcher Cody Dew (6-4) denied Union City runs in the third, fifth, and sixth.

Halls scored in the fifth on the only walk by Craig Lowrance (2-0), a fielder's choice, and a 2-out single by third baseman Todd Aitken.

Halls' softball season closed Thursday of last week with a loss to Dresden, 8-3.

## School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools  
Monday, May 12th  
Hamburger  
Pizza

French Fries  
Carrot Sticks  
Grapes  
Applesauce  
Cookie

Tuesday, May 13th

Steak Fingers  
Fish Fillet  
Broccoli Bites  
Black Eyed Peas  
Banana

Wednesday, May 14th

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

Thursday, May 15th

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

Friday, May 16th

Menu - School's Choice  
**School Lunches**

Ripley Primary School  
Halls Elementary School  
Pre-K to 3rd  
Monday, May 12th  
Pizza

# Upward Bound Places Second



MEMBERS of the Dyersburg State Community College Upward Bound A team, in front, from left, Jeremy Bratcher, Wyatt Turner, Miranda Diebel, Team Captain, Josh Hankins, Hakeem Eskew, all of Peabody High School; Demetrius Pierce, Lake County High School; Jerry Patrick, Halls High School; Camille Zeigler, Southeastern Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (SAEOPP) Executive Board President; and Dr. Jennifer Chanay, SAEOPP Student Initiative's Chair, placed second in the regional competition April 19th in Atlanta, Ga. Upward Bound is a pre-college program for students who have shown academic potential to do college-level work, but who are at risk of not meeting that potential for a variety of reasons. These include family income levels and lack of previous family experience with the college admissions process.

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Whipped Potatoes  
Pear Halves  
Roll  
Choice Of Milk

Friday, May 16th

Menu - School's Choice

## Obituaries

### Joint Rites For Mother & Son

Rites were held Friday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley for Nadine Lucille Taylor, 81, of 56 Central-Curve Rd., retired seamstress, and her son, Stanley Neal Taylor, 47, of Ripley, machine operator. Burial was in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Taylor died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

His mother died there Thursday of last week.

A member of Walnut Grove Baptist Church, she leaves a daughter, Shirley Dunn, of Ripley; a brother, Buddy Manley, of Jackson; sisters, Lottie Davis and Wilma Campbell, of Brownsville, Nevie Randolph, of Stanton, and Gertrude Davis and Jessie Turner, of Jackson; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Other survivors of Mr. Taylor include his father and step-mother, Tom and Shirley Taylor, and his daughter, Lucinda Cox, of Ripley. He leaves two grandchildren.

### Richard Horne

Rites Tuesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley mourned Richard W. Horne, 80, who died Thursday of last week in his home in Franklin Park, Ill. Burial was in Edith Cemetery.

He leaves his wife, Mary Sue Horne, and sisters, Mary Maxwell, of Ripley, and Ruby Doss, of Paris.

### Sarah Shaw

Sarah L. Shaw, 92, of Ripley, a homemaker, died Saturday, May 4th, at her residence.

Services are set for Sunday, May 11th, at Chapel Hill Baptist Church in Brownsville, with burial in its cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

She leaves her daughters, Wartine Mann and Inez Crew, both of Ripley.

### Michael Cox, 25, Rites Lament Gunshot Victim Slain Student

Rites Saturday in Light-foot Cemetery mourned construction worker Michael Lynn Cox, 25, of 130 Newman Rd., Ripley.

He was found, April 26th, fatally shot near the home of Roy Thomas Noojin, 22, at 2617 Wade Hunter Road, who has been charged with inflicting multiple wounds to Cox's torso.

Born in Chickasha, Okla., he was the son of Perry Walter Cox III and Melinda (Mrs. Terry) Thurmond, of Ripley.

Survivors include his son, Ethan, a daughter, Kallista Cox, his fiancée, Pam Atkins, and a brother, Drew Cox, all of Dwight, Ill.; and another brother, Chris Cox, sisters, Jennifer and Jessica Dunaway, and a step-sister, Terra Benjamin, all of Ripley.

### Mary Fountain

Mary Lottie Fountain, 86, retired teacher, died Thursday of last week in the Asbury Cove Assisted Living Facility in Ripley.

Rites were Sunday in Garner Funeral Home, with burial in the cemetery of Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church at Arp, where she was a member.

She was a 50-year member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

She was the widow of Laughlin B. Fountain.

She leaves brothers, Charles and Rufus Morris, of Ripley, Hilary Morris, of Atlanta, Ga., and Bill Morris, of Seattle, Wash., and two grandchildren.

### Earnest Bursey

Earnest Bursey, 41, of Henning, employee of West Tenn. State Penitentiary, died Sunday, May 4th, at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Saturday, May 10th, at Thompson's Mortuary, with burial in Hamlet Temple Cemetery in Henning.

He leaves his mother, Mollie Bursey, of Henning; two daughters, Ebonee Bursey and Malea C. Bursey; five brothers, Walter

Rites for JaDerrick Cordel Adams, 18, who was found fatally shot, Monday of last week, on the playground of the Ripley Meadows apartments on Gay St. in Ripley, were held Saturday in Nelson Chapel Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in Strayhorn Cemetery near Gates, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

He was a student in Ripley's Vocational-Technical School.

He leaves his grandparents, Larry and Ester Harris, his mother, Angela Lavern Evans, a brother, Davis Bonds, and a sister, Quentia Bonds, all of Ripley; his father, Cash Adams, of Brownsville; another sister, Kenya Adams, of Henning; and an adopted daughter, Shailynn Gunnells, of Clarksville.

### Tamiko Long

Tamiko Lynn Long, 45, of 349 S. Washington, Ripley, wife of Kenneth Long, died Tuesday of last week in University Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in Mary's Chapel Baptist Church, where she was a member, with burial in its cemetery, Garner Funeral Home in charge.

She had volunteered service in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale and had been a member of a Family and Community Education Club.

Survivors include her son, Blake Long, of Ripley; her grandmother, Eunice Mallette, of Diamondhead, Miss.; her parents, Thomas and Janet Johnston, of Kiln, Miss.; a brother, Thomas Johnston, of Mississippi; and her sisters, Tara Behling, of Kiln, and Tracey Cox, of Cypress Lake, Miss.

Memorial gifts to Gideons International would be appropriate.

Bursey, of Madison, Ill., Michael Bursey, of Henning, Robert L. Bursey, of Chicago, Ill., Rickey Bursey, of Nashville, and Reginald A. Bursey, of Maryland, D.C.; three sisters, Annette Whitelaw, of Hammond, Ind., Sandra Bursey, of Nashville, and Paula Edmonds, of Dayton, Ohio; and a grandchild.

### Danny Simpson, Teresa Cain Was Marvin Leader Retired Teacher

Danny Thomas Simpson, 54, of Ripley, supervisor at Marvin Windows in Ripley, died Wednesday of last week in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

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

He leaves his wife, Susan Langley Simpson; a son, Joe, of Memphis; a daughter, Leah Simpson, of Gates; his grand-mother, Kathryn Thurmond, of Bells; his father and step-mother, Tommie and Luci Simpson, and a brother, Tommie, Jr., of Ripley; and other brothers, Kenneth Simpson, of Dyersburg, Bobby Simpson, of Houston, Tex., and Bryan Trospier, of Illinois.

### Mr. VanWambeke

Richard H. VanWambeke, 79, of 4362 Hwy. 19 west of Ripley, retired from the West Tenn. State Penitentiary at Fort Pillow, died Wednesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were Sunday in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Arp.

He was the widower of Shirley Dean VanWambeke.

He leaves sons, John and Richard, of Elgin, Ill.; daughters, Peggy Conrad, of Ripley, and Kathy VanWambeke, of Nashville; and a sister, Elinora Aurand, of Elgin.

### Nellie Gilliam

Nellie Grace Gilliam, 71, of Lake Cormorant, Miss., sister-in-law of Frances Baker, of 165-A Northcrest Cove, Ripley, died Wednesday of last week, at home.

Rites were held Friday in Oak Grove Baptist Church at Hernando, Miss., with burial in its cemetery.

She was the widow of Roy C. Gilliam. Survivors include a son, Joseph, of Newton, Kans.; daughters, Susan, of Byhalia, Miss., Terri Johnson, of Lake Cormorant, and Tonya (Mrs. Ron) Gill, of Southaven, Miss.; a sister, Lola Hickey Martin, of Millington; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Teresa "Tut" Cain, 57, of Ripley, retired teacher, died Saturday, in her home.

Memorial services were held Monday in First Baptist Church in Ripley, where she was a member, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include her husband, Bobby Cain; daughters, Rachel Johnston, of Jackson, and Rebecca Ann Cain, of Antioch; brothers, Morgan Fields, of Nashville, and Ronald Mac Fields, of Rock Hill, S.C.; sisters, Ginger Cooper and Janice Sue Rice, of Brentwood, Mary Elizabeth Hancock, of Fulton, Ky., and Laraine Butler, of Wilmington, N.C.; and two grandchildren.

### Edward Crowder

Edward L. Crowder, 68, of Fort Worth, Tex., brother of Earnestine Chaney, of Ripley, died April 26th.

Rites were Tuesday in Beth Eden Baptist Church in Fort Worth, with burial in Cedar Hill Memorial Park.

He had retired after 30 years with the DuPont Photo Products Division in Rochester, N.Y., and employment by the Transportation Division of the Fort Worth Independent School District.

He was a Mason.

He was the widower of Glois Jean Crowder. Survivors include his mother, Fanny Mae Edwards, of Rochester; one son, Dwayne L. Crowder, of Bowie, Md.; three step-children; and a granddaughter.

### Willie Fisher

Willie B. Fisher, 95, of Ripley, a homemaker, aunt of Charles Smith, of Gates, and Herman Smith, of Ripley, died Friday, May 2nd, at Lauderdale Community Living Center.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, May 10th, at St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church in Gates, with burial in Strayhorn Cemetery in Gates, Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

### Robert Atkins

Robert Lee Atkins, 67, of Henning, retired from General Motors, died Sunday, in his home.

Rites are set at 10 a.m. Saturday in St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in Henning's Bethlehem Cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline, and sons, Robert, Jr., and Steve Atkins, of Henning, and Marlon Atkins, of Detroit, Mich.; daughters, Barbara Atkins, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Diedra Banks, of Detroit; brothers, Harding Atkins, of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Ernest, Jessie, James, John, Roy, and Willie Roy Atkins, of Los Angeles, Calif.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

### Divorces

Ashley K. Burks vs. Marcus J. Burks

Famous Bernard Hurdle vs. Tina Shantea Hurdle.

### Halls Resident Set To Travel Abroad

Andrea Franckowiak, of Halls, associate professor of English at Dyersburg State Community College, her husband and DSCC student, Peter Franckowiak, along with students, Aimee Fehnel, of Atoka, and Magdalena Zubiate, of Burlison, will take part in an international study program abroad. For the first time in the 40-year history of the college, they will study in Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico until May 23rd and each will reside with an area family during that time. The program is a part of the college's new International Studies initiative. DSCC Spanish instructor, Zaira Garcia, serves as the coordinator for the college. She hopes that this is first of many opportunities offered.

## Guest Speaker



JANICE YOUNG, center, principal at Christ Classical Academy in Dyersburg, was the guest speaker Monday at the Halls-Gates Rotary Club meeting. She spoke on the programs offered for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade classes. She is pictured with Trent McManus, left, club president, and The Rev. John Compere, right, who was in charge of the program.

## HES Library Aided



STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School are enjoying the new materials purchased for the library with funds from Project L.E.A.D. The program donated \$2,000 for approximately 100 new AR tests, books on tape, and educational DVD's. Project L.E.A.D. students, Alexis Winchester, Michael Shannon, Sinise Jones, and Morgan Bane, kneeling, are pictured with some of the materials.

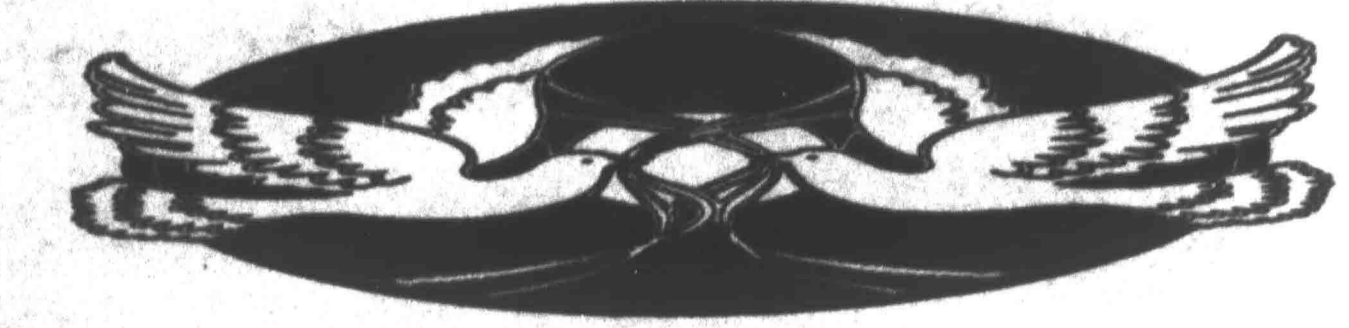
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## Church Happenings

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Cross View Baptist Church will host a Christian Heritage Seminar through the summer beginning with the month of May. Sun-day school will be at 9:45 a.m., worship at 10:45 and a fellowship meal each Sunday at noon to be followed by afternoon Bible study and worship from 1 to 2 p.m. No night services will be held. The Sunday afternoon study will be led by Bible teacher and pastor, Dr. Roy Harkness, Sr., featuring "Discovering the Bible" and "the Apostle Paul and the Early Churches". Other future months will include presentations of "The 12 Disciples" and "The Apostles' Creed". The public is invited.

Macedonia Baptist Church, 6950 Edith Nankipoo Rd., near Ripley, will hold revival services beginning at 11 a.m. Sunday, May 11th and continuing at 7 p.m. nightly through May 14th. Guest evangelists include Brady Weldon, Dr. Joe Wright, and Dr. Charles Timberlake. A nursery will be provided. For more information, call 731-635-3408. The public is invited.

Lauderdale County Youth Revival Mission Team will present a Youth Explosion at 6:30 p.m. May 30th at the Bank of Ripley Performing Arts Theater in Ripley High School. A night of worship and praise is scheduled with a concert by Timothy Davis, winner of the 2003 Contemporary Christian Music Network International Talent Contest. At The Cross Band, of Ripley, is scheduled to perform. The public is invited.

Halls Westside Baptist Church, 705 Sumrow St., Halls, will host Vocal Union in Concert at 7 p.m. May 17th. The public is invited. For more information, call the church office, 836-5193, or visit the group's website, www.vocalunion.com.

The board of the West Tennessee Baptist Missionary and Education Association will meet at 9 a.m. May 14th at the Woodlawn Baptist Church, in Brownsville, with The Rev. William Jarrett, of St. Mark M.B. Church, Henning, as moderator. The women's president, Mrs. Ethel Hayes, of Ripley, a member of Holly Grove Baptist Church, will hold the program at 11 a.m. and Mrs. Annie Harris, of St. Luke, Jackson, will be the speaker. Mrs. Harris is the Regional President of the Women of West Tennessee. The lay-men's hour will be at 2 p.m., conducted by Alonzo Beard, of Holly Grove, laymen's chair. 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.

# YESTERYEAR

Lauderdale County was fit to be tied when the residents of its northern 15 or 20 square miles set up their own election after the Lauderdale County sheriff had refused to do so as directed by the Legislature. Those who voted had unanimously approved breaking away from Lauderdale, and Dyer County named the area their 17th District with Double Bridges as the voting place.

Lauderdale County maintained the election was illegal and the voters guilty of mob rule. The Act, passed on March 20, 1877, they reminded, required that the county be surveyed to assure that it would not be reduced to less than 500 square miles, and they declared that no such survey had been done. So, they got an injunction against Dyer County and summoned Dyer's County Court, their justices, and John M. Nichols, the sheriff, to appear before the Chancery Court at Ripley. (Lauderdale County et al vs Dyer County et al - 1878)

Dyer County maintained the Chancery Court of Lauderdale had no jurisdiction because the area was now a part of Dyer County. They said they believed the boundaries, both original and amended, were correct, and they denied that the only way to determine the area was by actual survey. They said they knew "how far it was to the moon where no surveyor ever dragged a chain," and they insisted they could tell the area of Lauderdale County without such a measure; they knew that Lauderdale County had enough area to warrant the change of county line. They said further that when the Legislature passed the Act allowing the area north of the Hale's Point-Double Bridges Road to join Dyer County, it wasn't expected that anyone would be silly enough to drag a surveyor's chain down the middle of the Mississippi, Hatchie, and Forked Deer Rivers to ascertain by actual measurement a fact already well known. They further declared that the sheriff's refusal to hold the election "when officially notified to do so was a thousand per centum more revolutionary than the voters' decision to call the election themselves."

The two counties finally agreed that a special surveyor should be hired to survey the county, and the firm of J. J. Williams, of Jackson, was engaged in October of 1878. Williams, who was almost 60 years old when his services were contracted, seemed well qualified. He was a civil engineer, had surveyed for the U.

S. government, and in Mexico and Central America. He was to be paid \$1,150 for surveying the county and making a map of it by the first Monday in May of 1880.

Williams' men began the survey in April of 1879, but the work was interrupted until funds to continue came through. It was no easy task as a part of Williams' report to the Court on April 24, 1880, will show

... On the 4th day of Feb. 1880 my surveying party left Jackson for the field of work, and after trudging through an eight-inch snow for three days they reached Chest-

April. As soon as the flat boat upon which the party quartered could be raised from its sunken condition and prepared for service the line of survey was rebegun down the Forked Deer river and continued to the mouth of Hatchie river. At the mouth of Hatchie river it was impossible for the survey to proceed further until the very high waters of Hatchie and Mississippi rivers subsided. As it became necessary to abandon the flat boat at the mouth of Hatchie (the party consequently having no quarters) on account of the impracticability of getting said boat up stream, it also became necessary to do the work on the Hatchie river [the probably meant the Mississippi River-BBD] when the water was not over the bottom, as the party would be compelled to camp upon the bank or seek quarters at the farm houses nearby. On the 17th of March last my surveying party left Fulton, Tenn for home, having been out six weeks and accomplishing all that it was possible with the facilities to accomplish on the survey of Lauderdale County. The unprecedented continuance of high waters and frequent and continuous rains from the time we were notified that the money was ready for the prosecution of the survey of Lauderdale County rendered the completion of the work an impossibility by the first Monday in May 1880.

The larger portion of the field work of the survey of Lauderdale County is complete, the remainder under favorable circumstances can be rapidly executed, and my party will be in the field as soon as practicable and the

work brought to a speedy completion. Regretting the necessity of further delay in this cause, the above report is most respectfully submitted.

F. W. Campbell, age 46, who had been employed by J. J. Williams to do the survey, was deposited in Jackson on October 27, 1880. He had been described by Williams as "one of the very best surveyors in West Tennessee," and according to his survey done with

the very best equipment available, Lauderdale County would be left with 494,937 square miles after the proposed annexation. As that would make Lauderdale 5,063 square miles shy of one of the conditions of the Act passed by the Legislature, the Chancellor found for Lauderdale County, and assessed Dyer County with all costs.

Bettie B. Davis  
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## NOTICE

The Lauderdale County Department of Education shall submit an application for a 21st Century Community Learning Center grant under Title IV, B of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. This application will be in combination with a Lottery for Education - After School Program (LEAP) Grant. A copy of this application is available for public review at the Lauderdale County Department of Education located at 402 S. Washington, Ripley, Tennessee. Public comments on the proposed application will be taken into consideration.

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## NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 67-5-508, Tennessee Code Annotated, the property assessment records of Lauderdale County will be available for public inspection at Room Assessor Office Lauderdale County Courthouse during normal business hours. Any person desiring to inspect these records may do so at the appointed time and place.

The Lauderdale County Board of Equalization will begin its annual session to examine and equalize the county assessments on June 1, 2008. **THE BOARD WILL ACCEPT APPEALS FOR TAX YEAR 2008 ONLY UNTIL THE LAST DAY OF ITS 2008 REGULAR SESSION, WHICH WILL BE JUNE 30, 2008.** The Board will meet each weekday from the hours of 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Room County Assessor Office Lauderdale County Courthouse. Any owner of property, who wishes to make a complaint or appeal to the County Board of Equalization, must appear before said Board at this time personally or by personal appearance of an agent for the owner bearing the owner's written authorization. Failure to appear and appeal an assessment will result in the assessment becoming final without further right of appeal.

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## Town of Halls Planning Commission Meeting

5 p.m., Mon., May 19th  
City Hall Board Room  
Regular Meeting

- \* Review & Consideration of a Site Plan for Forked Deer Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- \* Basic Issues involving Floodplain Management
- \* Proposed Subdivision Regulations Amendment regarding Certificate for Minor Subdivision
- \* Any Other Property Presented Business

8-11

## 4-H Poster Winners



**WINNERS** of the annual 4-H Tomato Poster include, in upper photo, Alisha Midkiff, first place, 5th grader at Halls Elementary School, and Kirsten Solomon, third place, 4th grader at HES, and in lower photo, Heather Ruff, 5th grader at Ripley Elementary School. All tomato posters in the county were judged by members of the Lauderdale County FCE Clubs and prizes are awarded by the Bank of Ripley. The posters will be used around the county to help promote the festival in July.

## Birthdays

May 8 - Parker Fullen, Nancy Etheridge, David Meeks, Kevin Jones, Jordan Cribfield, Jaimee McNeill, Robbie Summar, Ann

Robeson, Jerry Summar, Jr., Susan Conner, Jacob Griffin, Houston Moss.

May 9 - Claire Mills, Chris Poyner, Jerry Shelton, David Jones, Leigh Ann Smalley, Annie Laura Jennings, Stella Gray, Sophia Lorane Bonds, Alex Stanley, Ann Chipman, Major Williams, Hunter Ungerecht, Chase Wood, Sally Crutcher Shurling, Heather Presley, Alex Wilson, Korry Northcott.

May 10 - Gifford Walker, Elizabeth Noblin, James Tolene, Crystal Walker, Johnny Burlison, James Neal, Zack Wilson.

May 11 - Traci Ing, Darlene Burchett, Melissa Meadows, Rodney Hemby, Jr., Fern Hardin, Hollis Luton Belton, Patty Hogue, Traci Bates, Elizabeth Moore, Donnie Armstrong, Janie Sweat, Shane Michael Sonderman, Van Cribfield, Brian Parsons, Allen Hargett, Jeremy Helton, Jacob Pike.

May 12 - Shannon Griggs Vowell, Billie B. Kitts, Gordon Rice Taylor, Steve Martin, Susan Tolene, Beverly Wakefield, Kayla Morris, Matt McWherter, Linda Williams, A. J. Buchignani, Donna Ewer, Chris Scott.

May 13 - Angela Thurmond, Richard Webb, Jennifer Dudney, Jerry Buckner, Danny Burnham, Michael Galloway, Tammy Carroll, Emilee Moore, Amy White, Matt Harper, Carla Prater, Suzanne Weiber, Luke Ferrell, Mack Bain, Barry Williams, Jr.

May 14 - June Bailey, Tom Garner, William Wray, Alisha Midkiff, Amy Newman, Ann Smith, Cleve Crook, Tim Castellaw, Heather Medford, Kathryn Cepparulo Scott, Tracy Kee Childress, Pam Jackson, Kristy King, Gina Tinker, Debra Danley, Greg Mooney.

## Students Complete DARE Program



**FIFTH GRADE STUDENTS** at Halls Elementary School participated in the DARE program and celebrated its completion at a graduation ceremony May 1st. The program teaches students about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. "Trooper Mike" Arguello, of the Tennessee Highway Patrol, directed the program for all fifth grade students. At the completion of the program, students were asked to write an essay about drug and alcohol awareness. In lower photo, Lauderdale County Sheriff Steve Sanders and "Trooper Mike" are pictured with the winners of the top three essays, from each class-room, who were presented awards at graduation.

## Students Study Earth Day



**FIRST GRADE STUDENTS** at Halls Elementary School studied the different ways to help the Earth for Earth Day, April 22nd. Teachers encouraged them to bring in aluminum cans, paper, or plastic items that could be recycled. They were treated to cookies and Kool-aid, provided by Mrs. Tori Terry, of Sweet Treats, in Halls.



### Grand Opening



OFFICIALS with Company's Coming and Wine and Spirits of Halls, 11722 Hwy. 51 N., Halls, held a ribbon cutting and

grand opening Thursday of last week with members of the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD, chamber ambassadors, and other business representatives.

### Land Transfers

April 27th-May 3rd  
Eddie Sue Herron Ward to

Charles E. Custer, Jr., Dist. 7, 3.0 acres.  
Midway Grocery Inc. to Sami Inc., Dist. 3, tract.  
Federal National Mortgage

Association and Fannie Mae to Cortez Carter and Cassandra Carter, Dist. 6, lot.  
Joyce Davis to Jim Goodman, Dist. 2, lot.

### Marriages

March 22 — Charles Baltimore, 44, to Jennifer Orlando Chaney, 27, by William H. Jarrett.

April 19 — Stephen Curtis Wilson, 23, to Amy Katherine Sanders, 23, by David Elkins.

Christopher Todd Burks, 40, to Cassie Racquel Burnham, 25, by J. Randy Cooper.

Michael Charles Evans, 47, to Cynthia Lorrel Ray, 43, by Michael W. Poston.

April 26 — Gary Dwayne Turner, 42, to Samantha Jean Spray Choat, 42, by Harold Blackwood.

Leonard Claude Meeks, 67, to Patsy Burks Wright, 65, by Eugene Nichols.

Gary Lynn Herron, 50, to Angela Marie Porter Hughes, 55, by Michael W. Poston.

### Anniversaries

May 8 — Mr. and Mrs. Martin Herron, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edens.

May 9 — Mr. and Mrs. David Cove, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Terry.

May 10 — Mr. and Mrs. Reid Hilliard.

May 11 — Mr. and Mrs. Vernon McBride, III, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Belton.

May 12 — Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hankins, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Allmon, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barnes.

May 13 — Mr. and Mrs. Danny Beard, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Booker, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Farris.

May 14 — Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chism.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company to Jennifer Day and Brian Click, lot.

Michael T. Howse to Ronnie R. Scott, Dist. 2, 20.5 acres.

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## The Rescue Squad Recognized



THE LAUDERDALE COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD was recognized Monday night at the Lauderdale County Commission's meeting in honor of the National Rescue Squad Week held May 18th through 24th. The squad members can be called any time, day or night, during any emergency.

Lauderdale County Sheriff, Steve Sanders, said every time he has called any member of the squad, they responded.

## Halls-Gates Rotary



TAMMY BURRESS, center, treasurer for Wright's Auto Parts and Metal, located in Gates, was the guest speaker for the Monday meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club. She was the guest of Rotarian Shirley Dancy, right. Tammy spoke on the plans for Wright's, including the red-roofed building at the four-way intersection in Gates that will become the Antique Shop when construction is finished. Wright's Auto Parts also owns Miss Evie's Homecooking Restaurant, where the Rotary Club of Halls-Gates now meets. Trent McManus, left, club president, is pictured with them.

## Selected



SUSAN TODD, director of Chamber programs for the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD, was selected to receive a scholarship to attend the US Chamber Institute. She plans to attend the program the week of June 22nd through June 26th in Athens.

## Joey Hassel Superintendent Hayslett Resigns Position

The Lauderdale County Commission met at 6 p.m. Monday, May 12th, in the Lauderdale County Courthouse which announced Joey Hassel as the new school superintendent to replace Phillip Jackson when he retires December 2008.

L.C. Hayslett has resigned his position as District 4 Commissioner after over 18 years due to moving outside of his district. Mayor Rod Schuh stated that Hayslett's position would not be replaced as commissioner at this time. However, John Gaines replaced Hayslett on the budget committee.

In other business, the budget for next year will include monies for a part-time building inspector for Lauderdale County which will have constructors conform to the same building specifications and codes and will increase property value.

County Commissioners discussed the situation with Hobe Webb Road near the bluff. Roland Henderson, Lauderdale County Highway Department director, informed commissioners that due to excessive rain the bluff and Hobe Webb Road are caving in each time it rains and man-hours and materials are being wasted in the attempt to stop the erosion. The road is barricaded for safety. Commissioners plan to discuss options for the road at the next meeting.

Members reappointed to the Equalization Board include, Oliver Ray Voss, Samuel Lee, Mack Stanley, Ronnie Fisher and newest member, Sammy Henderson.

The mayor asked for a resolution to request unclaimed balance of accounts from the State Treasury in the amount of \$571 which was approved.

There were budget amendments for the Lauderdale County Schools, election office and health and highway departments.

## Agency Schedules Humboldt Nips USDA Distribution Halls Nine, 4-3

Delta Human Resource Agency, funded by the Department of Human Services and the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, will distribute commodities in Lauderdale County between the hours of 8 until 10 a.m. Wednesday, May 21st at the Ripley Senior Center, 149 Nelson St.; Rice Park, 107 Watkins St.; Halls

In the Dist. 14-A baseball tournament in Union City, Wednesday of last week, Humboldt scored its only points in the final inning to edge Halls, 4-3.

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Cody Dew was the losing pitcher. Todd Aitken had a 2-base hit for Halls.

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## Yesteryear

If Curve was atwitter in 1893 when the CO&SW Railroad moved the track around the town and the depot a half mile from its earliest location at the center of town, Halls had been in high dudgeon ten years earlier over the railroad's order that their trains no longer stop at Halls.

On September 3, 1883, a number of Halls citizens filed suit in Chancery Court against CO&SW for their order; they were: H. R. Hall; S. J. Stephens; S. A. Jordan; W. C. English and his father, J. G. English; R. E. Stanfield; and T. E. Salisbury and his brother, Henry.

The men from Halls complained that when the railroad's agent went about trying to secure right-of-way, he had led the land owners to believe there would be a station established at Halls. Moreover, their published rate sheet listed Halls as a shipping point. On the strength of those implied promises Hall and several others had spent a good deal of money—Hall about \$2000, Stephens and Jordan several hundred dollars each—and still others had bought lots and built nineteen houses for stores and homes at considerable expense "with knowledge and encouragement of the railroad company."

H. R. Hall had laid out the town, and a railroad engineer had surveyed it with streets, avenues, and alleys, leaving a commons beside the railroad for its benefit and that of the public, and Hall had built several storehouses to rent out. W. D. English and his father, J. G., had built a steam saw mill about May 15, 1882, because of the promises of the general superintendent of construction, H. E. Huntington, to make a side track and switch. Dr. Hillhouse, chief engineer of the railroad, had even stepped off the distance and suggested the place to build the mill. So the railroad people were well aware of Halls' expectation for a depot.

Trains had begun running regularly about July 10, 1882, taking on and letting off passengers and freight at the new town, but about October 15, 1882, CO&SW ceased to permit its trains to stop at Halls for freight and passengers. This was soon after the railroad had made a contract with Dr. (D. M.) Henning and others that in exchange for Henning's building a depot "at a place called Gates about three miles from Halls" on the railroad line and "a competing point with Halls for the shipping and trade of the surrounding country," the railroad would abandon its plans for a station at Halls and no longer allow its trains to stop there. This action would greatly reduce any chance of Halls to thrive.

Drs. Henning and Jacob Wardlaw, who was Clerk & Master of the Chancery Court at the time of the suit, had bought the land Nancy Crockett of Williamson County, had inherited from her father, Joseph Crockett. The railroad—and Dr. Henning surely knew it—would go through this land on which Henning and Wardlaw would later establish Gates. Dr. Henning may have been a director of CO&SW, and, as such, would have had great influence with them, but leaving no stone unturned, he had named streets in Gates, and the town itself, for railroad people. Huntington and Hillhouse Streets in Gates bear names of the two CO&SW employees who advised the English father and son on the location of the mill in Halls.

H. R. Hall and his co-litigants were not neophytes at the political game, either, for they did not mention the name of Gates' co-owner, Jacob Wardlaw who, as Clerk & Master, would have had major influence with the Chancellor; they used and others instead.

(More later)  
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## Divorces

Karen Kimmer Middleton Hickman vs. Robert Anthony Hickman.

Abigail Hutcherson Johnson vs. Shawn Lavon Johnson.

## Marriages

May 3 — Justin Todd Worrell, 27, to Heather Lynn Lavermeier, 23, by H. Wayne Holmes.

May 9 — David Colin Alley, 34, to Aimee Renee Paschall Booker, 33, by Rod Schuh.

## Anniversaries

May 15 — Dr. and Mrs. John English, Mr. and Mrs. David Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Kib Flowers.

May 18 — Mr. and Mrs. Pete Burks, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ro-berts.

May 19 — Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Malone.

May 20 — Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Alley, Mr. and Mrs. Bengy Cherry.

## Land Transfers

May 4th - May 10th

Danny Hartsfield and Tina Hartsfield to Dustin R. Staggs and April Staggs, Dist. 13, lot.

Betty Diebold to Dee Wesley Ballard, Jr., Dist. 13, 3.0 acres.

Linda E. Graves to Curtis Lee and Wanda Jean Graves, Dist. 1, lot.

Ilois Hayslett and L. C. Hayslett to Linda Theus, Dist. 2, lot.

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., to Cypress Capital Partners, Dist. 17, lot.

Matthew Lee, Tony Rosshelle (Rochelle) Lee, Tara Woods Lee and Tara Rosshelle Lee to Samuel C. Lee, Dorothy M. Lee, Tommy R. Sanders and Donna L. Sanders, Dist. 2, 3 tracts.

Mary E. Jones to Carlos Hardy and Marlys Hardy, Dist. 12, tract.

Keterivon Bonds to Jackie C. Bonds, Dist. 2, lot.

Bart C. Durham III to Takena Graves, Dist. 2, lot.

Lyle P. Larson and Susan Jett to Kevin Ward and Ashley Ward, Dist. 6, lot.

Susan Williams Phillips, conservator, Karen Williams

## Anniversary Celebrated

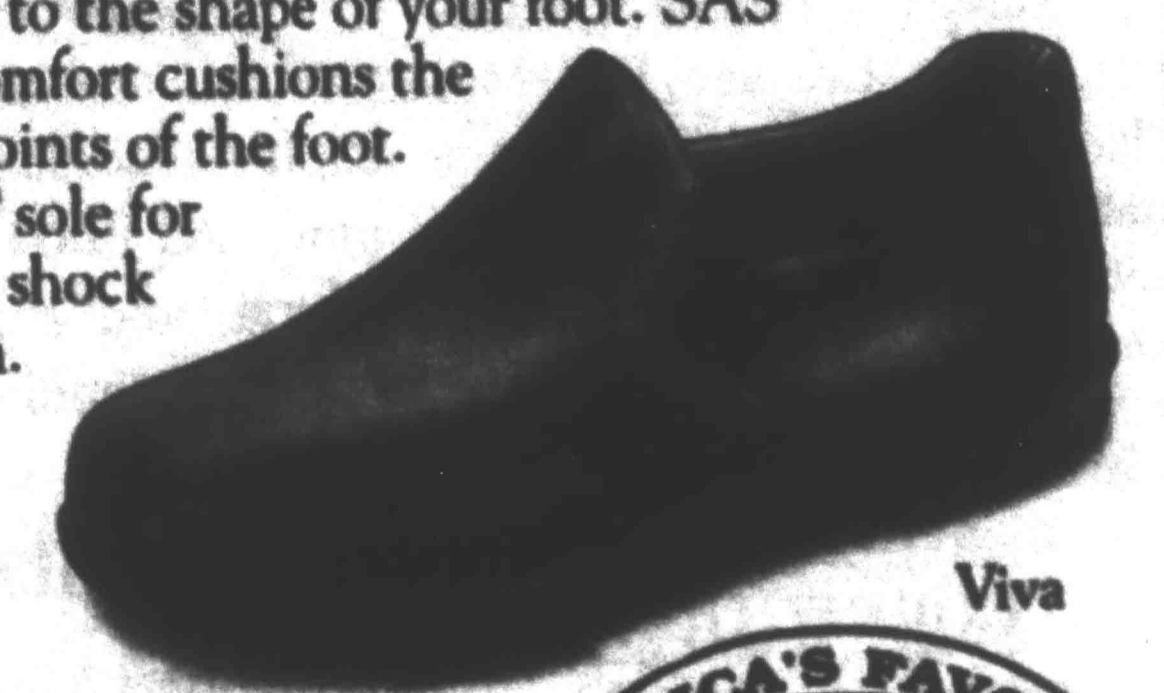


WILLIAM AND TRACY CRUTCHFIELD, of Halls, will celebrate their 25th anniversary May 14th with family and friends. The couple have three children, Jackie Layne, William Crutchfield, Jr., and Rachael Crutchfield, all of Halls, and three grandchildren.

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**Obituaries**

**Don Patton Was Halls Fire Chief**

Donald Ray Patton, 59, of 312 S. College, Halls, Halls fire chief for many years, died Wednesday of last week, in his residence.

Rites were Saturday in West-side Baptist Church in Halls, with burial in Halls Cemetery.

He was born at Halls, to the late James Rufus and Faye Hunter Patton.

During the Viet Nam War, he served in the 101st Airborne Division.

An electrician and plumber, he worked in later years in the maintenance of Lauderdale County schools.

He had served on the board of the county's 911 service.

He leaves his wife, Charlotte Garrett Patton; daughters, Amy Cates, of Halls, and Tina Bizzell, of Brownsville; brothers, Jimmy Patton and Lynn Patton, of Halls; and sisters, Mona Jacobs, of Halls, Memory Crain, of Ripley, and Betty Jo Nooner, of West Memphis, Ark.

**Alma Clark**

Alma Clark, 45, of Brownsville, former Riplian, a hair stylist, died Monday of last week, in her home.

Rites were Saturday in Christ Is The Answer Baptist Church in Brownsville, with burial in the Knights of Pythias Cemetery in Brownsville, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include her parents, Willie Lee and Ella Mae Clark, a son, Bobby Holloway, a brother, Rodney Clark, and a sister, Bobbie Clark, all of Brownsville; other brothers, Willie Lee Clark, Jr., of Mansfield, Ohio, and Ricky Clark, of Atlanta, Ga.; and a grandchild.

**CORRECTION**

The obituary for Michael Lynn Cox, 25, of Ripley, omitted his grandparents, Barbara Carver and Brenda Clark, both of Ripley, and Perry Cox, Jr., of Missouri.

**James McKee, HHS Principal**

Dr. James Edward McKee, 84, former principal of Halls High School, died Thursday of last week in his home in Memphis.

Rites were in the Germantown Cumberland Presbyterian Church, where he was an elder. Burial in the West Tenn. Veterans Cemetery in Germantown noted his Army service in World War II.

He was the son of the late J. N. "Nub" and Vera Tase McKee.

He had been principal of Trimble and Obion Central High Schools, a teacher and coach at Dyer County High School in Newbern, and president of Bethel College in McKenzie.

Survivors include his wife for 60 years, Margaret Scott McKee; a son, Scott, of Cordova; daughters, Lila (Mrs. Roger) Piercey, of Cordova, and Marga McKee, of Columbia, S.C.; brothers, Harold, of Newbern, and Raymond, of Jacksonville, Fla.; sisters, Lagreda Roberts, of Hendersonville, N.C., and Lorene Wilson, of Odessa, Tex.; and five grandchildren.

**Sharon Land**

Sharon Diane Land, 54, former bookkeeper at Land's Hardware at 173 S. Washington in Ripley, died Sunday in Covington Manor Nursing Home. Rites were held Tuesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Mary's Chapel Cemetery.

She leaves brothers, Marvin Land and Michael Land, of Ripley, Douglas Land, of Henning, and Elton Land, of Covington, and a sister, Carolyn Land, of Henning.

**Mr. Fitzgerald**

Robert Albert Fitzgerald, 51, of Fulton, Ky., was buried May 1st in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery at Arp.

He died April 29th in Parkway Regional Hospital

**Paul Lee Fisk**

Paul Lee Fisk, Jr., 57, of Trimble, brother of Jamie and Mary Ellen Fisk and Linda (Mrs. Joe) Dewalt, of Gates, died April 20th in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were April 26th in Word of Faith Baptist Church in Dyersburg, where he was a deacon.

Survivors include his wife, Dora Christine Fisk; a son, Don Cornelius Fisk; a daughter, Ashley LaSha (Mrs. Jeremy) Barham, of Trimble; an adopted daughter, Jacklyn Kolwyck Fisk; other brothers, Billy Ray, of Dyersburg, Thomas, of Brownsville, and Larry Joe and Rickey, of Mayfield, Ky.; and other sisters, Cathy (Mrs. Phil) Wells, of Dyersburg, and Faye.

**Jerry Green**

Jerry Lynn Green, 63, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., formerly of Friendship, brother of Ruth Hooper, of Halls, died April 27th.

Memorial services were held May 3rd in West Palm Beach, Fla., and in Friendship United Methodist Church.

He was the son of the late William Daniel and Miriam Everett Green.

Survivors include a daughter, Jennie (Mrs. Jerry) Baker; brothers, Jim, of Memphis, and Bill, of Minden, La.; other sisters, Mary Newbill, of Dyersburg, Donna Wright, of Friendship, Marjorie Harris, of Hickory Valley, and Barbara Tettele, of Southaven, Miss.; and two granddaughters. Memorial gifts to the Am. Heart Association would be appropriate.

in Fulton.

Rites were held in the Hornbeak Funeral Home in Fulton.

He was born in Shelby County, March 11, 1957, to the late Lurtonallynn and Hattie Jeanette Burks Fitzgerald.

He had been a lab technician for the Veterans Administration Hospital in Memphis.

He was a member of the Schoolfield United Methodist Church in Memphis.

Survivors include a sister, Pam Wade, of South Fulton.

**W. K. Gordon**

W. Keith Gordon, 79, of Covington, brother of Basil Gordon, of Halls, died Wednesday of last week in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in Munford Cemetery in Covington.

He had retired from a photographic printing business.

He was the widower of Annie Sue Gordon.

Survivors include sons, Paul, of Memphis, and W. K., Jr., of Vicksburg, Miss.; daughters, Cynthia Ann Ballard, of Randolph, and Carmine Echols, of Collierville; sisters, Cathy Stonebrook,

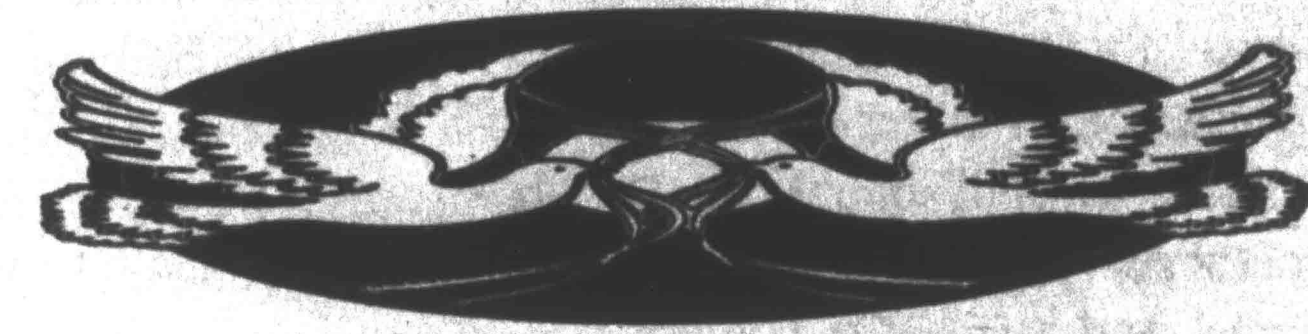
**Ruby Lee Bluew**

Ruby Lee Bluew, 92, of 5895 Hwy. 88 west of Halls, widow of William Cecil Bluew, died Monday of last week in Dyersburg Regional Hospital.

Rites were Friday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Fairview Cemetery in Dyersburg.

Survivors include daughters, Peggy Bryan, of Marion, Ohio, and June McBride, of the state of Washington, and 20 grandchildren.

of Nashville, Jeannie Goforth, of Holladay, and Shirley Maynard, of Mt. Juliette; 11 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.



**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.

The Pastor's Aid Ministry of Matthew Zion M. B. Church, 234 Pearl St., Halls, will hold an "Evening of Praise" at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 18th featuring Gospel Divine, Redeemer, Southerners, and may more local artists. The Rev. Tommy Broadnax, pastor, invites the public.

Halls Westside Baptist Church, 705 Sumrow St., Halls, will host Vocal Union in Concert at 7 p.m. May 17th. The public is invited. For more information, call the church office, 836-5193, or visit the group's website, www.vocalunion.com.

Word of Faith Baptist Church, 515 Laird St., Dyersburg, will celebrate its Founder's Day Saturday, May 17th with a health fair from 9 a.m. until noon and an open house from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with food, fun, and fellowship. A founder's day service will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, May 18th with Clarence Nelson, pastor, and the Kings Hill Church family as special guests. The public is invited. Bishop Bobby J. Nesbit, Jr. is the founder.

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.

**SPRAY DRIFT MEETING**

Members of the Save Our Cumberland Mountains Organization will hold a meeting at 6 p.m., Thursday, May 22nd at the Fraternal Order of Police Building for anyone interested in learning more about pesticide spray drift. Community members have been working with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture to get brochures published about whom to call and what steps to take when drift occurs. The gathering will also be a place where people can meet one another and share stories and ideas about how the public can be more aware, informed, and possible take action against drift.

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May 15 - Deanna Rollins, Peggy C. Webb, Billy Hunter, Marshall Hendren, Noah Nix, Wade Hendren, Mary Elizabeth Hughes, Gary Osburn, Renee Farris.

May 16 - Tabatha Ford, Cindy Greaves, Judy Newman, Vicki Heath, John Olds, Ruby Solomon, Dawn Hemby, Sissy Steelman, Virginia Simmons, Dot Henderson, Christi Meeks, Sharon Belton, Arula Rutherford, Colby Allen, Kathy Sanders, Tracy Bain, Keith Davidson, Beverly Steelman, Connie Lowe.

May 17 - Cindy McDonald, Debbie Coughlan, Kathy Cox, Sidney McKnight, Miranda Anderson, Beth Langley, David Nunn, Robin Porter, Tommy

Wright, Tammy Mountjoy, Eileen Byrd, Mary Nola Meeks, Carole White, Steve Stanley.

May 18 - Norris T. Nix, Bryan Elkins, Tim Etheridge, Leland Ward, Brandi White-low.

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The Lauderdale County Board of Equalization will begin its annual session to examine and equalize the county assessments on June 1, 2008. **THE BOARD WILL ACCEPT APPEALS FOR TAX YEAR 2008 ONLY UNTIL THE LAST DAY OF ITS 2008 REGULAR SESSION, WHICH WILL BE JUNE 30, 2008.** The Board will meet each weekday from the hours of 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in Room County Assessor Office Lauderdale County Courthouse. Any owner of property, who wishes to make a complaint or appeal to the County Board of Equalization, must appear before said Board at this time personally or by personal appearance of an agent for the owner bearing the owner's written authorization. Failure to appear and appeal an assessment will result in the assessment becoming final without further right of appeal.

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### Youth Author's Day



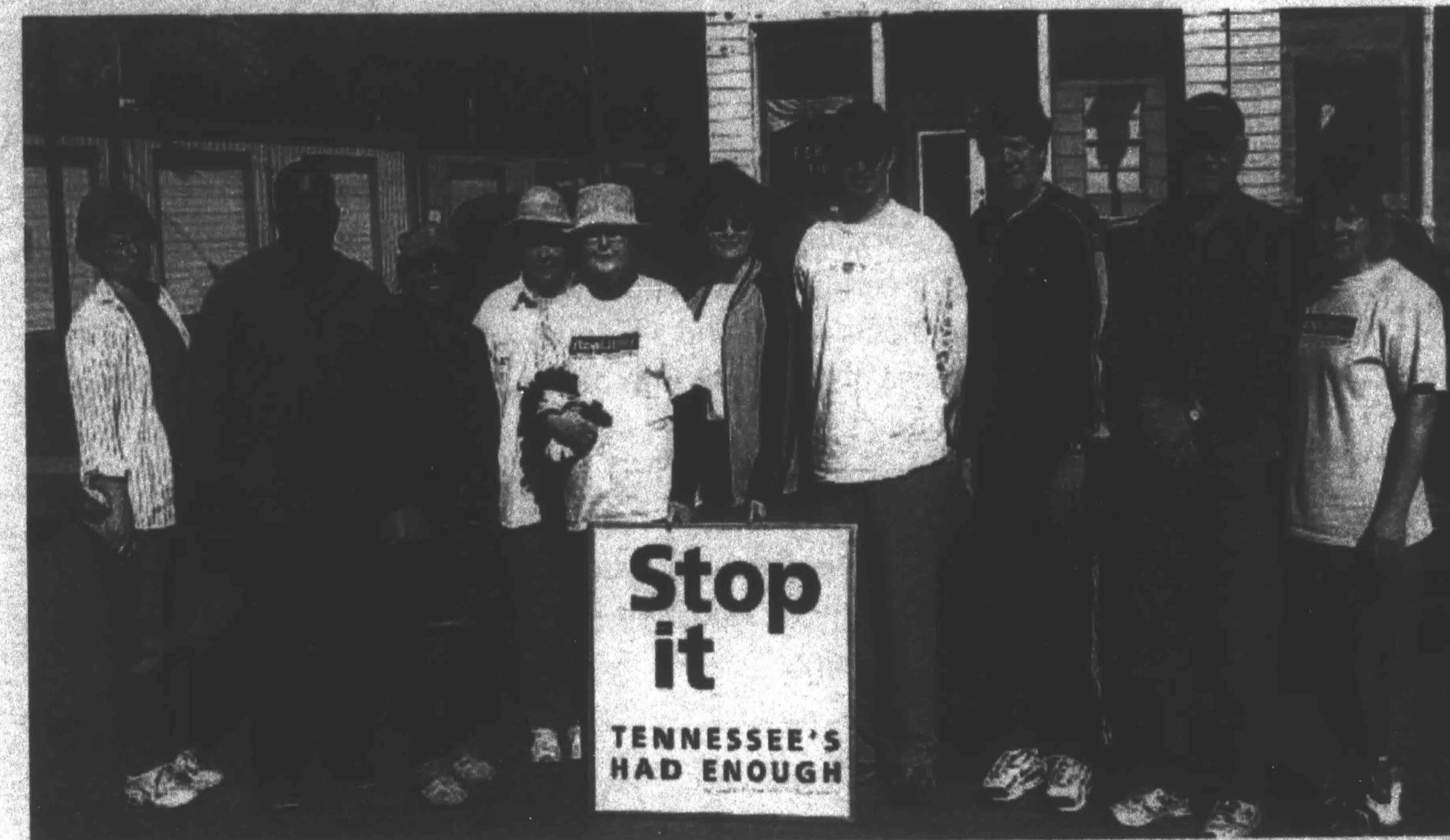
STUDENTS at Halls Elementary School celebrated young Author's Day May 9th with each student writing and illustrating a book. The books were judged and winners were selected from each grade level. The theme was "Artistically Speaking". A magician, Terry Scott, of Illuminating Illusions; singer, Linda Yancy, of Ripley; harpist, Bill Butner, of Memphis, and a member of the Lauderdale County Council of Arts; weatherman, Jim Jagers, of WREG Channel 3 in Memphis; and several other presenters attended. Jagers spoke to students about the art of television weather production and about tornado safety.

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### Great American Cleanup



PARTICIPANTS in the Great American Cleanup in Lauderdale County on Saturday, April 26th included several groups and individuals that joined together to express their concern and civic duty in caring for their community. Participants included Inez Glenn, Jimmie Flemming, Minnie Flemming, Angie Koonce, Ann Tate, Julia Gilbreath, Matt Williams, Hal Rice, Bobby Mitchell, Pamela Cherry-Kerby, Jimmy Koonce, Dennis King, Don Ammons, Lewis Wheatley, Nyrita Alston, Rachel Harmon, Kia Davis, Laura Harmon, Carolyn Schuh, Lynn Harmon, and County Mayor Rod Schuh



There are numerous dumpsites in Lauderdale County, but the volunteers for the day chose two areas in Henning to concentrate their efforts. Henning-Bethlehem Road and Bethlehem Cemetery were chosen due to massive illegal dumping and being a tourist venue in the county. Country Club Road was cleaned up by members of the Ripley Rotary Club. County Mayor Schuh worked with a group of inmates from the Criminal Justice Center. Volunteer efforts in Halls took place on the original cleanup date of March 15th. All county citizens are encouraged and asked to clean up litter in their neighborhood and community to make Lauderdale County beautiful. Any littering or illegal dumping can be anonymously reported to 1-877-8LITTER.

## HES Students Present Reports



**STUDENTS** in the fifth grade reading classroom of Tammy Nelson at Halls Elementary School presented reports last week after they used laptops to research information and the history of such items as toothpaste, silly string, and a yo-yo. The students typed the report and then presented it to classmates.

## Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello, Zeek here! Miss Pam took me to the 51 Antique Mall last week. My friend, and the store's guard four legger, Pouncer, would not talk to me. She was mad because I had misspelled her name and now she was being called Bouncer. I apologized, but still she kept her nose in the air. I tried to tell her it's hard to type with your paws but nothing worked. She said that Bouncer sounded like a brute from a bar and that she was a so-phisticated guard. Well, in my opinion she is fickle, plus spoiled. What's that saying that the two leggers use, "There's more than one fish in the sea."

The tutored B gang has returned from Doc English. They laid around all week, licking their wounds and better yet there was no fighting. It's amazing how one trip to Doc English can result in turning vinegar into fine wine. Even Brutus and Boswell were nice this past week. I think we need to change Doc's name to Super Doc. Not only can he change personalities, he can even play the piano. Miss Pam sneaked me into the Relay for Life, and that's when I saw Doc pounding his ivories. I never knew that Super Doc was so groovy. Before, I thought he just had one of those snip-snip personalities.

Tara Taylor, a pretty female two legger, that likes to coon hunt, took home a beautiful Red Bone puppy. Guy's, use your head, if you adopt one of the litter you have a reason to call her. Maybe you could train and hunt together, if you know what I mean. Stephanie Bolton, the lady that loves Cocker Spaniels, adopted again this week and June Casey took home Missy a

pretty Fiest terrier. Barbara Holman reclaimed her pet and T.J. Smith adopted a grey kitten. Clay Paris also surprised his son with a handsome brown and white Beagle.

Ann Tate and Ron Linn, our faithful donors, left us food and supplies.

Next weekend, May 10th, is Fun and Family Day at the Dry Hill Club. Miss Pam and I will be there from 10 a.m. til 2 p.m. giving away free hot dogs and soft drinks when you bring us food, cleaning supplies, bleach, shampoo, leashes, collars, or houses. Come out and get acquainted and take a four legger for a walk. You need the exercise, and they need the attention.

We have some four leggers with great personalities. Max, who looks like a Saint Bernard, but is one half the size, is our special pet this week. He is great with kids and adults. We have three, well-built Chocolate Labs with good manners, along with Cow Boy, a small Collie mix, whose coat is black, but has a light brown

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Ga. This is her second year of a four-year program. Upon completion of the program, she will receive her Institute for Organizational Management certification. Scholarship recipients will attend a five-day intensive session at one of the Institute's four summer college campus locations. Their certificate recognizes 96 hours of course instruction in association, chamber, and non-profit management.

chest and white feet. We have Rada, a smart full-bloodied, Boarder Collie. Daisy is a mix between a Malamute and Eskimo Spitz. She has a beautiful shiny vanilla coat like no other four legger that I have seen. I can't forget Freckles, a precious, friendly Fiest Terrier that loves to cuddle.

In closing, don't forget about Super Doc, the snip-snip specialist. Have your pet spayed or neutered because the Dry Hill Club should be for lost four leggers, not a puppy drop off. Be a responsible two legger.

Zeek Out  
P.S. Don't forget about Satur-

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### Farm Service Agency Crop Reporting Date

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## Halls High Scholarship Winners



**STUDENTS** at Halls High School recognized as scholarship recipients Wednesday of last week include Christi Meeks and Cody Dew, Arnold Academic; Kristy Lee, Paulita Edmondson, and Phylcia Richmond, Xi Lambda Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; Mariah Pahl, Bank of Ripley to Dyersburg State Community College; Christi Meeks, Bank of Ripley to University of Tennessee at Martin Ripley Center and Gerald Meeks and Willie Stenson Memorial; Taylor Smith, C. N. Armour; Cody Dew, Tanner Boxx and Paulita Edmondson, Carol Ann Douglas Fine Art; Phylcia Richmond, Delta Sigma Trust; Paulita Edmondson, Autumn Hutchison, Shayolonda Palmer, and Tania Steel, Dyersburg State Community College; Mariah Pahl, First Citizens National Bank to DSCC; Cody Dew and Tania Steel, Halls-Gates Rotary; Cassie King, Hospital League Volunteers of Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale; Christi Meeks, Judi S. Keen Memorial; Cody Dew, Jon M. Moore Memorial; Jessica Laws and Britney Moore, Lambuth University; Logan Harber, LCED; Britney Moore, Morgan Haley, Phylcia Richmond, and Cassie King, Lauderdale County Junior Auxiliary; Sandy Benjamin, Lauderdale County Education Foundation; Kayla Akin, Lauderdale County Food Service; Paulita Edmondson, Middle Tennessee State University; Phylcia Richmond and Michael Hudson, Mt. Pleasant M.B. Church; Britney Moore, Fransworth and Norene Pugh Memorial; Phylcia Richmond and Jeremy Fitzhugh, Robert and Charlene Ward Memorial; Chris Hardy, Ross W. Dyer Memorial; Britney Moore and Kristy Lee, Sam Walton Community Scholarship; Derrick Chipman, Siegal Robert Automotive; Heather Spangler, University of Memphis; Christi Meeks, Aaron Dannelley, and Britney Moore, University of Tennessee at Martin; Cody Dew and Britney Moore, Union University; and Kayla Akin, Ashley Arthur, Sandy Benjamin, L. J. Cates, Randi Crockett, Aaron Dannelley, Cody Dew, Paulita Edmondson, Jeremy Fitzhugh, Logan Harber, Chris Hardy, Morgan Latham, Jessica Laws, Kristy Lee, Christi Meeks, Britney Moore, Ashton Nolen, Mariah Pahl, Shay Palmer, Dakota Reaves, Phylcia Richmond, Heather Spangler, Tania Steel, Clarissa Stringer, and Amber Walton, Tennessee Hope Scholarship.

## Halls High Award Winners



**STUDENTS** recognized Wednesday of last week at Halls High School receiving awards include in front, from left, Ashton Nolen, Cassie King, Cordero Cohill, Phylcia Richmond, Christy Meeks, and Tania Steel; second row, Randi Crockett, Paulita Edmondson, Logan Harber, Cody Dew, Britney Moore, and Dakota Reaves, and in rear, Morgan Latham, Aaron Dannelley, Heather Spangler, Chris Hardy, Mariah Pahl, and Jeremy Fitzhugh, plus, not pictured, Kayla Akin, William Bolds, Kiara Obie, Amber Walton, Trey Moses, Britney Bane, and Allura Henderson.

## Halls High Top Ten Students



**TOP TEN FRESHMEN** include Logan Campbell, Kirby Cherry, Dalton Gean, Krista Hardy, Emily Hartman, Ashlee Nichols, Cassie Oakes, Ebone Pearson, Courtney Robbins, and Hayden Watts, plus, not pictured, Hannah Kelley.

## Nursing Students Receive Pins



**NURSING STUDENTS** at Dyersburg State Community College received their nurse's pin at the annual Pinning Ceremony Friday, May 2nd at Hillcrest Baptist Church in Dyersburg. Whitney Lee, of Halls, was among two students to receive the Clinical Practice award, given to students who demonstrate the practice of nursing as a humanistic art and science. Associate of science degrees in nursing were awarded to Alexandria Mask, of Alamo; Alisia Hindman, of Atoka; Anisha Johnson and Megan Powell, of Bells; Janine Seagrave and Jennifer Smith, of Brighton; Elizabeth Lane Buckley, of Burlington; Rebekah Riley and Jennifer Stafford, of Caruthersville; Christie Brown, Kimberly Hays Campbell, Nicole Key, Charma McMillen, Nikki Rodriguez, Betty Sells, and Erika Tidwell, of Dyersburg; Whitney Lee and Tammy O'Bryan, of Halls; Lakesha Gray, of Humboldt; Vivian Owens, of Martin; Danielle Brooke Moore and Gina Westerman, of Mumfords; Dixie Hart and Rachel Schneider, of Newbern; Kelly Norris, of Ridgely; Tabith LeCornu and Amy Prather, of South Fulton; Diane Paris, of Tiptonville; Courtney Gorton, of Troy; and Ramona Moore and Kallye Young, of Union City. The college also offers emergency medical technology and health information technology programs.

## UT Martin Set To Host Kid College

The 3rd annual Kid College is scheduled for June 23rd through June 27th at the University of Tennessee at Martin Ripley Center. The five-day program is for children, who will attend kindergarten in 2008, through fifth grade and will provide them with an opportunity to have a fun, learning experience. Courses include *Tiny Tot Adventure*, *Sensational Spanish*, and *Crime Scene Investigation*.

During "Tiny Tot Adventure", students will make colorful artwork, listen to adventurous stories, sing, and dance.

"Sensational Spanish" will teach children ABC's and numbers in Spanish as well as basic Spanish words and phrases. Participants will get to know their South American neighbors by studying south-of-the-border

holidays, customs, and culture.

"Crime Scene Investigation" explores the growing science of talking bones, or forensics. They will learn about the link between the criminal and the crime as they solve the case of the missing cookies. Fingerprinting, powder identification, and rainbow chromatography are just a few of the forensic explorations.

For registration and supply fees information, contact the school, 731-221-8778 or 731-881-7082.

## Halls High Senior Award Recipients

Winners of the President's Award of Educational Excellence at Halls High School were Kayla

Akin, Aaron Dannelley, Cody Dew, Christi Meeks, Britney Moore, Miriah Pahl, and Heather Spangler. The award goes to students who complete four years of upper level math and science, are in the 85th percentile or higher in Math, English, Reading, or Science on a standardized achievement test such as ACT or SAT or

**TOP TEN JUNIORS** include Bradley Belton, Avonlea Brewster, Carley Cherry, Craig Davis, Andy Gaines, Heather Hill, Casey Hogue, Kristen McCallister, Nathan Smith, and Kayla White.

iah Pahl, Dakota Reaves, Phylcia Richmond, Heather Spangler, and Tania Steel.

The requirements are four English courses, four Mathematics courses (Algebra 1 and 2, Ge-

ometry and one higher level math course), three Science courses (Biology 1 and two other lab sciences), three history/government/geography/economics courses, one wellness, one fine arts, two foreign language courses in the same language, and two technical courses in the same technical track. Additional requirements include 20 hours of community service, overall "C" average in all Tennessee Scholar courses, 95% attendance, and no out-of-school suspension.

**HONORS RECEIVED**  
James A. Akin, of Gates, received the Margrethe Ahlschwede Literary Award in Essay during the 44th annual Honors Day program at the University of Tennessee at Martin, held in April. The award was for an outstanding essay submitted during a campus competition.

## Certificates Awarded



**RECOVERY TUTORS**, including from left, Jackie Patterson, Candace Brudnicki, Robbi Taylor, and Lauren Lambert, from Ripley High School, were awarded certificates in recognition for their contribution to the Peer Tutoring Work Experience Program last week. The program, which is offered after school and during June on Mondays through Fridays, allows RHS students additional opportunities to be successful in their coursework while also allowing peer tutors to gain valuable work experience. This year's senior tutors were Misty Barbee, Robbi, and Samantha Lantrip, and juniors are Lauren, Candace, and Jackie. Parents interested in enrolling their high school students in the program and any junior or senior students interested in applying for the position, should call RHS, 635-2642.

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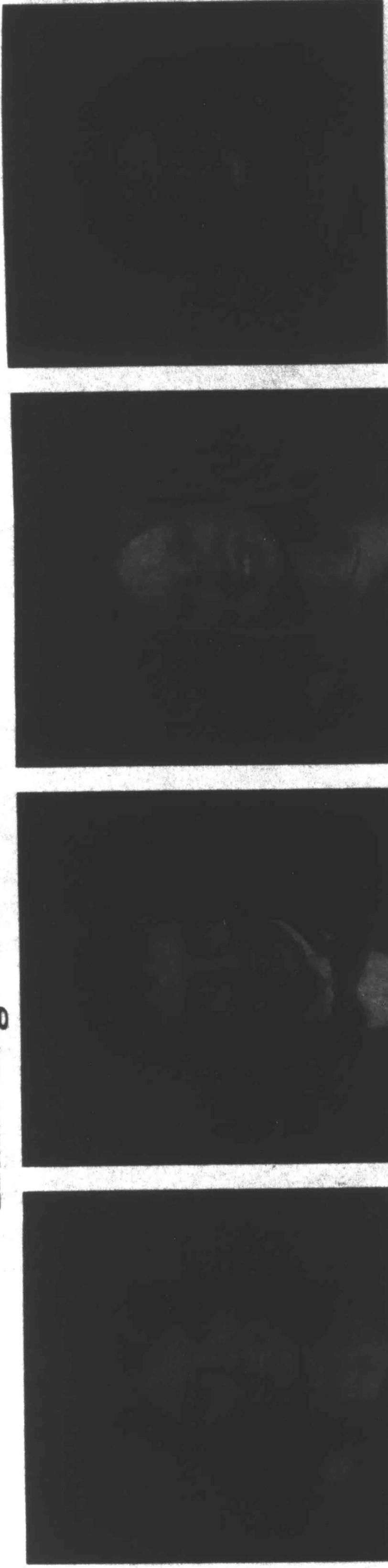


# Mr. And Miss HHS



**Tania Steel**  
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# Halls High School Honor Students 2008



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Valedictorian 98.65  
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**Cody Dew**  
Salutatorian 97.83  
Balfour Award

**Britney Moore**  
Historian 97.18

**Phyllis Richmond**  
97.01  
Booker T. Washington Award



**Kayla Akin**  
96.81



**Miriah Pahl**  
96.20



**Morgan Latham**  
95.94



**Tania Steel**  
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**Aaron Dannelley**  
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**Heather Spangler**  
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97.22



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97.00



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Mallyon Pipkin  
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Jeremiah Mochey  
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Rhett Jordan



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**MOST LIKELY TO SWEET TALK A TEACHER**  
Garrett Kelly  
Mikayla Thrash



**MOST DEPENDABLE**  
Ryan Massengill  
Charli Henry (not pictured)



**BEST SMILE**  
Kennisha Stowe  
Jarvis Williams (not pictured)



**FRIENDLIEST**  
Demetria Currie  
Octavius Leake (not pictured)



**MOST ATHLETIC**  
Apollo Muex  
Sha Richardson (not pictured)



**BEST CAR**  
Mallyon Pipkin  
Brandon Williams (not pictured)



**WITTIEST**  
Andrew Graves  
Crystal Harden  
Charlie Morgan



**BEST DRESSED**  
Crockett Johnston  
Chasity Ashmore  
Zack Lewis



**BEST PERSONALITY**  
Demetra Wynn  
Jonathan Garrison



**MOST TALENTED**  
Katrina Anderson  
Corvaris Brown

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Rebecca Houghtaling  
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**MOST TALENTED**  
Hailee Edwards  
Rhett Jordan

**MOST STUDIOUS**  
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Will Latham

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## Newbern Riot Fugitive Is Arrested In Illinois

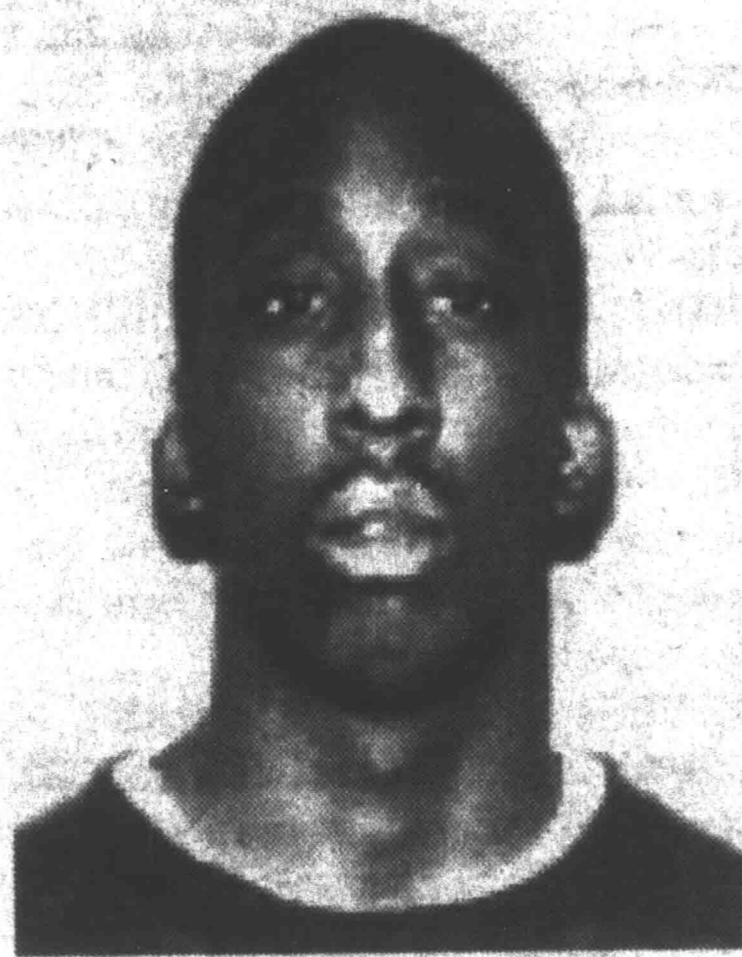
Darnell Madison, 19, of Ripley, fugitive from charges in a riot in Newbern Feb. 27th, was sleeping when arrested about 10:15 a.m. Tuesday of last week in Decatur, Ill., by Macon County deputy sheriffs, aided by U.S. Marshals.

Officers said Madison had been moving between Decatur and Milwaukee, Wisc., since the riot.

With Davonta Duffie, 15, of Gates, and Colton Dequan Whitelow, 18, of Halls, he is accused of firing into a crowd during turmoil in which Duffie shot and killed Tamara Brown, 20, seven months pregnant.

Duffie and Whitelow were promptly arrested.

All three are charged

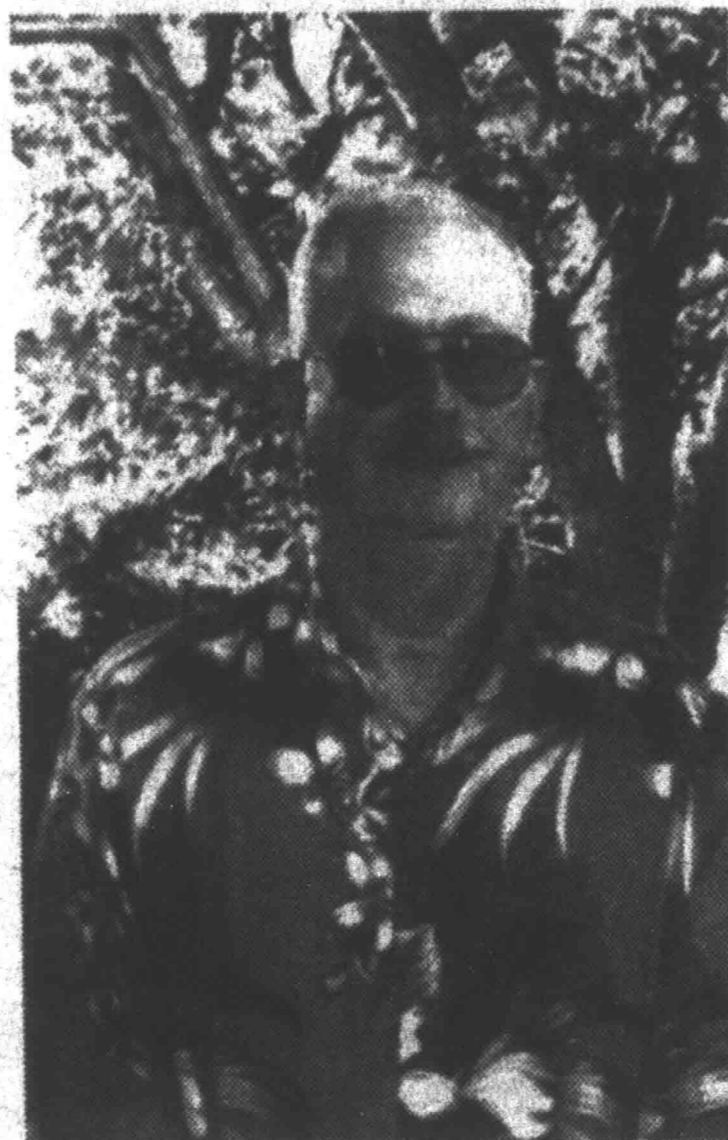


Darnell Madison

with first degree murder, attempted first degree murder, and aggravated assault.

Whitelow, who knocked Newbern police officer Bill Altgibers to the ground while Whitelow was cuffed and shackled, is also charged, along with Madison, with evading arrest.

## Retires



**BOBBY DYER**, of Halls, was honored last week on his retirement from American Greetings after 34 years of service. He celebrated with former co-workers and friends.

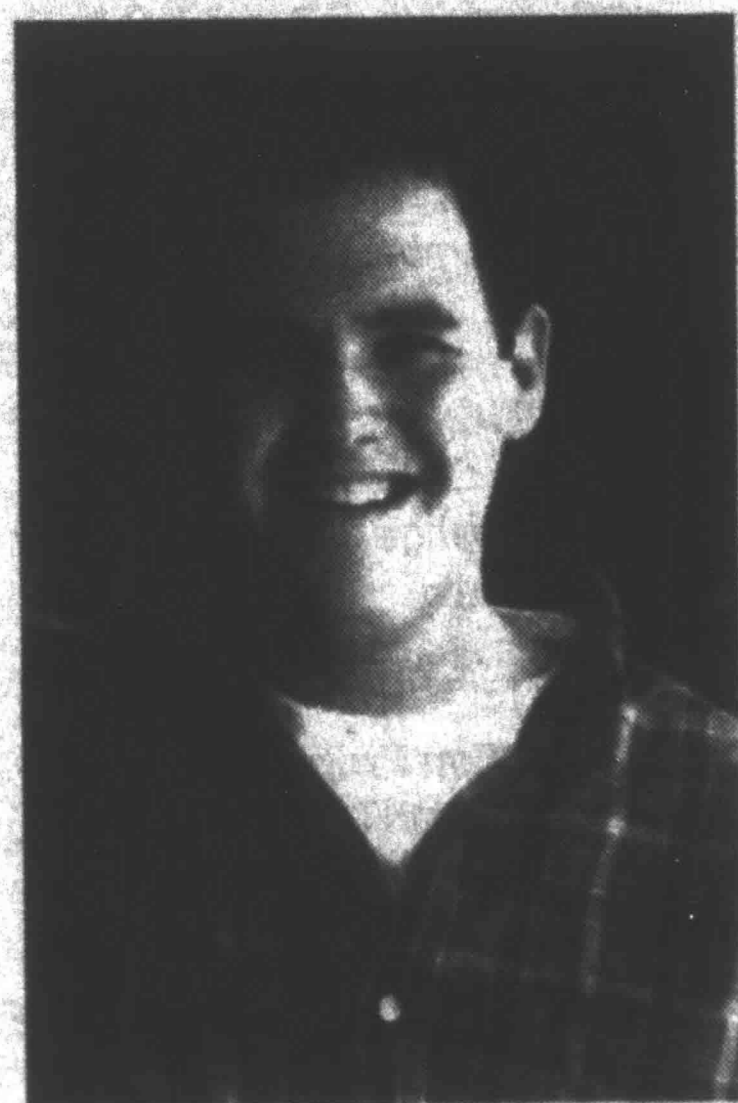
## WWII Vet Recognized



**MILTON WILLIAMS**, left, a World War II Navy veteran, pictured with Pamerla Kirby-Cherry, was one of several honorees who received a medal during the Armed Forces Day celebration Saturday at the Veterans' Museum in Halls. He resides in Halls with his wife, Wanda Griggs Williams, and is probably best-known as the man who rides around Halls in his Model A.

He was a signalman in the Asiatic Pacific Theater on an amphibious personnel destroyer and received the Asiatic Pacific medal with 8 stars and the Victory medal.

## Ambassador



**CHAD HARDY**, of Halls, has been chosen as a Middle Tennessee State University Student Ambassador

for the 2008-2009 academic year. To serve as a student ambassador, they must have a minimum 2.5 grade point average, have finished at least 12 hours of MTSU, complete a detailed application, and be chosen by a committee from those interviewed. He has also been selected as a senator for the Student Government Association and is a board member of the MTSU Greek Life Executive Board. He is a member of the MTSU Ag Council, Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, MTSU Block and Bridle, and the MTSU collegiate FFA. He is the son of Joe and Tammie Hardy, of Halls.

## UT Martin Dean's List

Lauderdale County students named to the dean's list at the University of Tennessee at Martin include Aretha S. Gaynor, honors; Alisha R. Beavers, high honors; and Amanda J. Hunt, Rachel M. Isaak, Katie L. Privett, and Angela Stokes, highest honors, all of Gates; John H. Dodson, honors; Chrissy R. Burnham and Landon N. Evans, high honors; and Anna V. Spence and Sara E. Wright, highest honors, all of Halls; Chris M. Glass, honors; and Clisty L. Buie, high honors, all of Henning; and Lashaunda R. Barbee, Zachary L. Caldwell, William D. Crawford, Patrick C. Lynch, Catelyn D. Meadows, David A. Paschall, Elvy Rorie, and Mary E. Spears, honors; Ashley N. Adkins,

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## GARDENING

The Lauderdale County Commission on Aging will hold "This 'n That" Gardening at 11 a.m., Thurs-

## TOURNAMENT

The Relay for Life celebrity softball tournament will be held at 8 p.m., Friday, May 23rd at the Ripley City Park. The game will be the City of Ripley against the Town of Halls.

day, May 22nd at 605 Airport Street in Halls. Cole's Do-It Best Center will host the workshop on plant propagation and planting techniques. Door prizes will be given away. Bring plants to exchange and share your garden photos and stories.

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### Readers Speak

Editor,  
 Last night I attended a school board work session regarding the dress code. I do not have good news to report. The first suggestion from one of the principals was to BAN blue jeans. There were also suggestions to lessen the punishment for not being "in" your uniform. One parent wanted to know where the documentation was to show that the dress code was successful or did it fill up the ISS rooms and prevent children from being in the class room with a certified teacher learning. No documentation was provided. One school board member did not understand why parents could not afford a \$7 shirt at Work Wear. She must not have been buying \$3.63 gas or \$2 eggs. I think they are out of touch with the parents in this community. While she has a degree, not every parent does. Our free and reduced lunch rate is over 70%. The majority of our community cannot afford this dress code.  
 One elementary student was allowed to speak. She told the board that the dress code was not working in her class room. One student misbehaved last year and the student misbehaved this year. The clothes did not change the student. She told that her class did not go on a field trip because of the bad behavior of her grade. She also told the board that she knew of a student that had two pairs of pants. One pair had to be washed each night. She also said that some students were exhibiting gang behavior because they would get together and all wear the same color shirt. She also expressed how being able to dress like an individual can make her feel special inside. I really hope the board heard what she had to say. She has first hand knowledge of the impact the school policy has on her and her education.  
 There was some heated dis-

ussion as to whether the increased graduation rate was a result of the hard work of the principal and his staff or was it the boards' involvement in the school that made a difference. I believe it was the staff at the school that made a difference not the dress code. People make things happen, not clothes.  
 I was allowed to speak at the meeting. Ms. Drain, the chairwoman of the board, told me my time was up. As I was walking back to my seat she asked me, "What religion are you?" I could not believe my ears. When I finally answered that I was a Methodist, she quipped back, "I didn't know Methodist had a dress code." Some of the principals had a good laugh. I was bullied and mocked. I was made to feel ashamed for standing up for my religious beliefs. How can the leader of this school system think it is acceptable to mock my religion? We have more than a dress code issue when leaders of this community in a public forum attack anyone's religious beliefs. These are the exact people that are supposed to recognize a bully. It is time for some soul searching.  
 Back in the Fall, Ms. Drain told a packed gym of angry parents to just try it we would like it. If you don't like it, I hope you will go to the polls in August and let your voice be heard with your vote. The school board certainly would not listen to you in the gym or at other meetings. Find out who is running in your school district. Ask where they stand on this dress code issue. Ask where they stand in regards to religious beliefs. If they want to take away your parental rights let your voting rights be heard. Get registered if you're not. By all means, go vote. This is one vote that will keep your hard earned money in your pocket.

Karen S. Hill  
Gates, TN

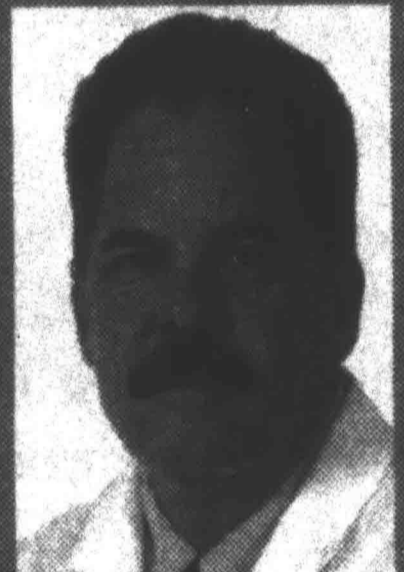
### BASKETBALL

A street basketball three on three tournament, "Hoopin' in Halls,"


will be held Saturday, June 21st in downtown Halls. For further information, call Mayor Trent McManus at 836-9653 or 836-1092. To register, visit [hallstennessee.net](http://hallstennessee.net) or [hallstennessee.org](http://hallstennessee.org).

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**Obituaries**

**Sidney Wyrick**

Sidney Allen Wyrick, 50, of 4750 Pelican Bay, Apt. 101, Memphis, brother of Ronnie Wyrick, of Halls, and Sherry Wright, of Gates, died Monday of last week in Baptist Hospital East.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Floyd's Chapel United Methodist Church, near Maury City, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He had been a truck driver for Kroger.

Survivors include his mother, Lottie Fisher Wyrick; his wife, Angela Morris Wyrick; sons, Justin, of Memphis, and Joey, of Olive Branch, Miss.; a daughter, Shana Coker, of Camilla, Ga.; other brothers, Mark and Randy, of Southaven, Miss.; another sister, Kay Whitehead, of Friendship; step-children, Heather and Justin Cook, of Brinkley, Ark.; and five grandchildren.

**Shirley Drenning**

Shirley Harrison Drenning, of Hodgkins, Ill., formerly of Arp Central Road, daughter of the late James Harrison and Ruth Minner Harrison, died Tuesday of last week in La Grange, Ill.

Survivors include her husband, Gene Drenning, of Hodgkins; a daughter, Priscilla Drenning; and a granddaughter.

**Tressa Zaricor**

Tressa Gail Zaricor, 49, of 327 Hwy. 188, Alamo, sister of Janice Curtis, of Halls, died Sunday, in her home.

Rites were Tuesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Friendship Cemetery.

Survivors include a son, James Whitt, of Dyersburg; a daughter, Jennifer Hopkins, of Corinth, Miss.; brothers, Rick McLaughlin, of Bells, and Tom McLaughlin, of Denmark; and other sisters, Dorothy Jackson, of Dyersburg, Anita Rhodes, of Alamo, and Vicky Townsend, of Marston, Mo.

**Freda Griffin**

Freda Annette Sanders Griffin, 56, of Dresden, sister of Lisa Arwood, of Halls, died Tuesday of last week in St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville.

Rites were Friday in White-Ranson Funeral Home in Union City, with burial in Obion County Memorial Gardens.

She was born at Covington, Jan. 22, 1952, to Arty Spray Sanders, of Covington, and the late Bryson Sanders.

She had been a clerk in the Naje Gift Shop in Paris.

Survivors include her husband, Larry Griffin; a son, William Sherrill, of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands; a daughter, Kristy Brown, of Union City; a step-daughter, Jessica (Mrs. Mike) Roney, of Dickson; brothers, Curtis and James Sanders, of Covington; two grandchildren; and three step-grandchildren.

**Anna Lou Escue**

Rites Tuesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley mourned Anna Lou Escue, 79, of Southaven, Miss., who died Saturday in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Burial was in Concord Cemetery, near Gates.

Survivors include her husband, Cleveland W. Escue; her sons, Meredith, of Eads, Donald, of Southaven, and Terry, of Olive Branch, Miss.; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

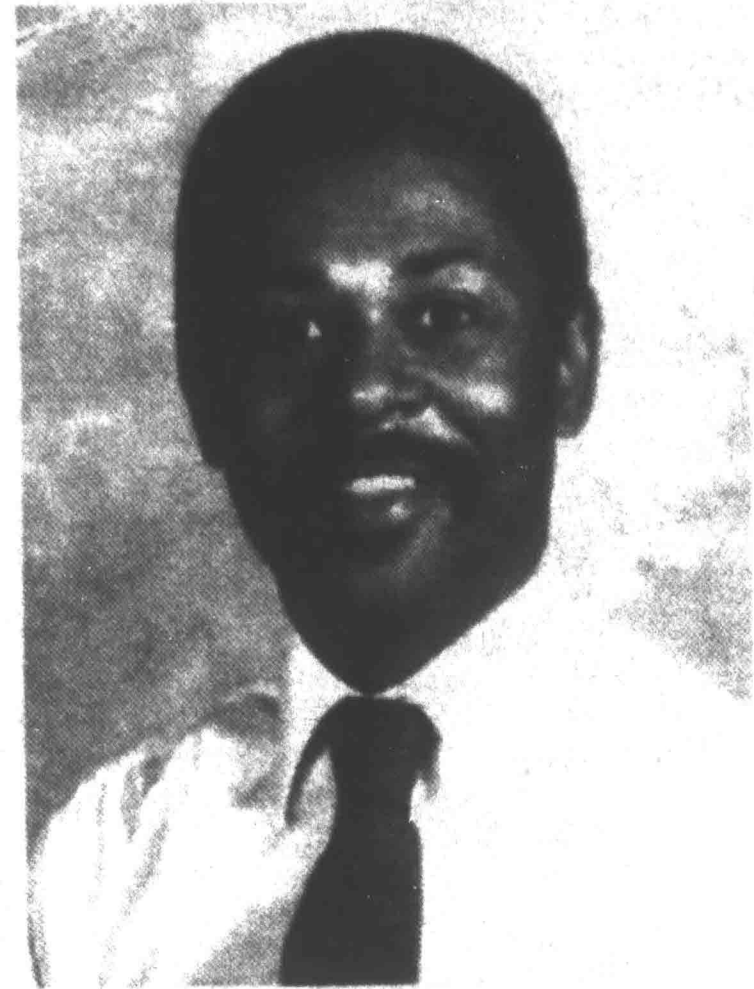
**Samuel Shands**

Samuel Allen Burr Shands, grandson of Phillip and Sandra Shands, of Henning, died May 6th in the Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were May 10th in the cemetery of Walnut Hill Baptist Church, near Bells.

Survivors include his great-grandmother, Dorothy Grant, of Memphis; his other grandparents, Gwen Ellis, of Bells, and Allen Grant, of Waco, Tex.; and his parents, Jonathan and Sarah Grant Shands, his sisters, Chloe Joann Shands and Alanis Kendall Brasher, and a brother, Walker Brasher, all of Dyersburg.

**Clifford Davis**



**CLIFFORD DAVIS**, of Memphis, a postal carrier, brother of Syvelia Winbush, of Ripley, died Saturday, May 17th, in Methodist University Hospital.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, May 24th, at Springhill Baptist Church in Memphis, Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

He was an U. S. Army veteran, a former history teacher at Halls High School in Lauderdale County, a member of Springhill Missionary Baptist Church, and an active member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Regina Davis, three sons, Courtney L., Clayton C., and Clinton W. Davis, and a daughter, Chantal Davis, all of Memphis; another sister, Norma Willis, of Nashville; and a grandson.

**CARD OF THANKS**

Thanks to each and every one that helped me during the loss of my loving husband. Thanks for all your prayers, phone calls, cards, and food. A special thanks to the Crockett County Ambulance Service and staff, Brandon Ward, and our grandson, Billy Prescott, for giving such loving care and support. Our children and grandchildren have been such a blessing with all their love. Thanks to the Halls Funeral Home and Wyman Thurmond for their outstanding service. I appreciate Bro. Tom Spelling for his words of comfort.

Virginia Ferrell

Adv.P.

**Doris Patrick**

Doris Ann Patrick, 57, of Brownsville, a daughter of Stella Noel Mack, of Ripley, and sister of Robert Mack and Julie and Joyce Mack, of Ripley died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were held Saturday in the Christ Temple Apostolic Church in Brownsville, with burial in the Knights of Pythias Cemetery in Brownsville, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

She had been employed at Tupperware in Halls.

Survivors include her husband, Ezeret Ray Patrick; a son, Brian Gavin, and a daughter, Cynthia Gavin Alston, of Jackson; another brother, James Mack, of Trenton; other sisters, Linda Genesy, of Brownsville, and Shirley Flowers, of Covington; and a grandchild.

**Doris Jordan**

Doris Jordan, 83, of 3195 Benjestown Rd., Memphis, brother of Joyce (Mrs. Eugene) Climer, of Halls, died Sunday in his home.

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

He had been employed by the Southern Boiler and Tank Works, in Memphis.

He was the widower of Emma Jean Baker Jordan.

Survivors include a son, Johnny, of West Memphis, Ark.; two daughters, Lavette Jordan, of Memphis, and Dorris Jean (Mrs. Tom) Brothers, of Dugway, Colo.; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**Henry C. Wright**

Henry C. Wright, 89, of Henning, died Monday in Baptist Memorial Hospital Tipton in Covington.

Rites will be at 2 p.m., Sunday in St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in the Bethlehem Cemetery in Henning, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

He had been employed as a

**Bonna Davis**

Bonna Gene Davis, 83, of 1801 Pearl, Albany, Ga., sister of James and Russell Reviere, of Ripley, died Friday.

Rites were Tuesday in Matthews Funeral Home.

Born at Gold Dust, she moved to Albany, from Ripley, in 1948, retiring, as a supervisor, after 33 years with the City of Albany Public Works Department.

A 20-year member of the Sowega Dance Club, she had taught ballroom dancing.

She had been a member of Sherwood Baptist Church for 50 years and had played piano for her Sunday School class.

Survivors include a son, Ronald, of Houston, Tex.; daughters, Bonna Jean Davis and Terri (Mrs. Johnny) Strawder, of Albany; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**Charles Potter**

Charles Everett Potter, 79, brother of Jessie L. Potter, of 4136 Hwy. 19 east of Ripley, and Lois "Polly" Useton, of 7310 Conner-Whitefield Rd., died May 7th in the Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were held May 9th in Brownsville Funeral Home, with burial in Brownsville's Memorial Gardens.

He was the son of the late George Washington Potter and Maudie Pauline Stanfill Potter.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy Jean Potter, of Jackson; sons, Charles, Jr., of Parsons, and Kerry, of Tallassee, near Knoxville; a daughter, Melody (Mrs. Keith) Marchbanks, of Henderson; another brother, Carl, of Jackson; another sister, Frances Steiger, of Horn of Halls, Lake, Miss.; and seven grandchildren.

factory worker.

Survivors include his daughters, Cheryl Winbush, of Henning, Doris Lockhart, of Temple Hills, Md., and Elois Gwathney, of Buffalo, N. Y.; sons, Terry Wright, of Henning, James Wright, William Lake, and The Rev. Marshall Lake, of Ripley, and Kirby Lake, of Union City; brothers, Farris Wright, of Ripley, and Willie Wright, of Detroit, Mich.; 26 grandchildren; and 32 great-grandchildren.

**Seniors Visit Jackson**



**PARTICIPANTS** of the Lauderdale County Commission of Aging traveled to Jackson May 15th for a mystery trip. The departed the center at 9 a.m., lunched at Casey Jones Village, played Putt-Putt golf at Casey Jones Ad-venture Golf, and shopped in the village. The weather did not cooperate for the golf, so they visited the International Rock-A-Billy Hall of Fame, Inc. and Old Hickory Mall. The next mystery trip is planned for June 10th. Call the center for details, 731-836-5444. Attending were, in front, from left, Gertrude Jones, Judy White, Rosie Lemons, Jeanette Payton, program director, and Lillie Adams, in middle, Leora Abernathy, Tommy Statom, Darlene Dack, Tressie Young, Margaret Jackson, Luella Carter, Helen Sondergroth, Joyce Dunaway, Laquinta Stanley, and Julia Claybrook, and in rear, Pam Rose, transportation, Linda Sutter, and Dollie Burks.

**Birthday Tea Party**

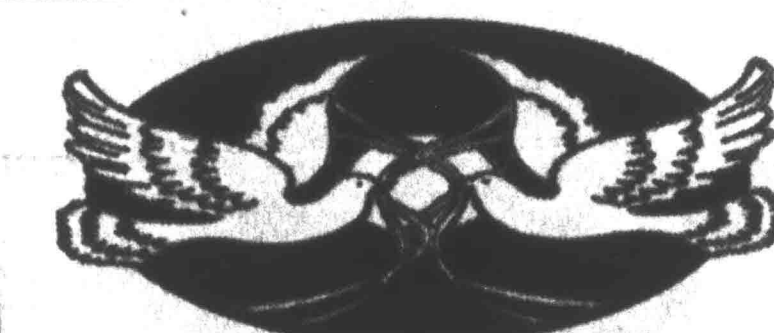


**HANNAH DAISY SCEARCE**, second from left, in front, daughter of Jason and Beth Scearce, of Halls, celebrated her third birthday May 17th with a "Tea Party" at the Halls home of Susan Newman Scearce. Guests included McKenna Olds, of Ripley, Carleigh Criner, of Dyersburg, Brennan Henderson, of Ripley, Claire Criner, of Dyersburg, and Madison Holcomb, of Ripley. They were served luncheon and various teas, and entertained themselves with cookie making. Mrs. Penny Gaines provided handmade monogrammed aprons and bonnets.

**Donations Presented**



**GAVIN DAVIDSON**, right, Wal-Mart assistant manager, presented a \$1,000 check to Town of Halls Mayor Trent McManus, left. In lower photo, Anwar Robinson, left, presented a \$1,000 check to Bonnie Sanders, right, with the Lauderdale County Sheriff Department for "Give A Kid A Chance Day", which is scheduled in August.



**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.

Lauderdale County Youth Revival Mission Team will present a Youth Explosion at 6:30 p.m. May 30th at the Bank of Ripley Performing Arts Theater in Ripley High School. A night of worship and praise is scheduled with a concert by Timothy Davis, winner of the 2003 Contemporary Christian Music Network International Talent Contest. At The Cross Band, of Ripley, is scheduled to perform. 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.

**Anniversaries**

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| May 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Doug Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sumrow, Mr. and Mrs. Bo Edwards.                            | May 26 - Mr. and Mrs. Matt Winters, Mr. and Mrs. James Lum-ley.   |
| May 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Jay Chipman, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Winchester, Mr. and Mrs. Elvis Cannon.                   | May 28 - Mr. and Mrs. Bur-nie Norman, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Leek, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling McAlister, Mr. and Mrs. Larry White, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Abernathy. |
| May 24 - Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Smith.  |   |
| May 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Marlon Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Greaves, Dr. and Mrs. Sam Poisal. |   |

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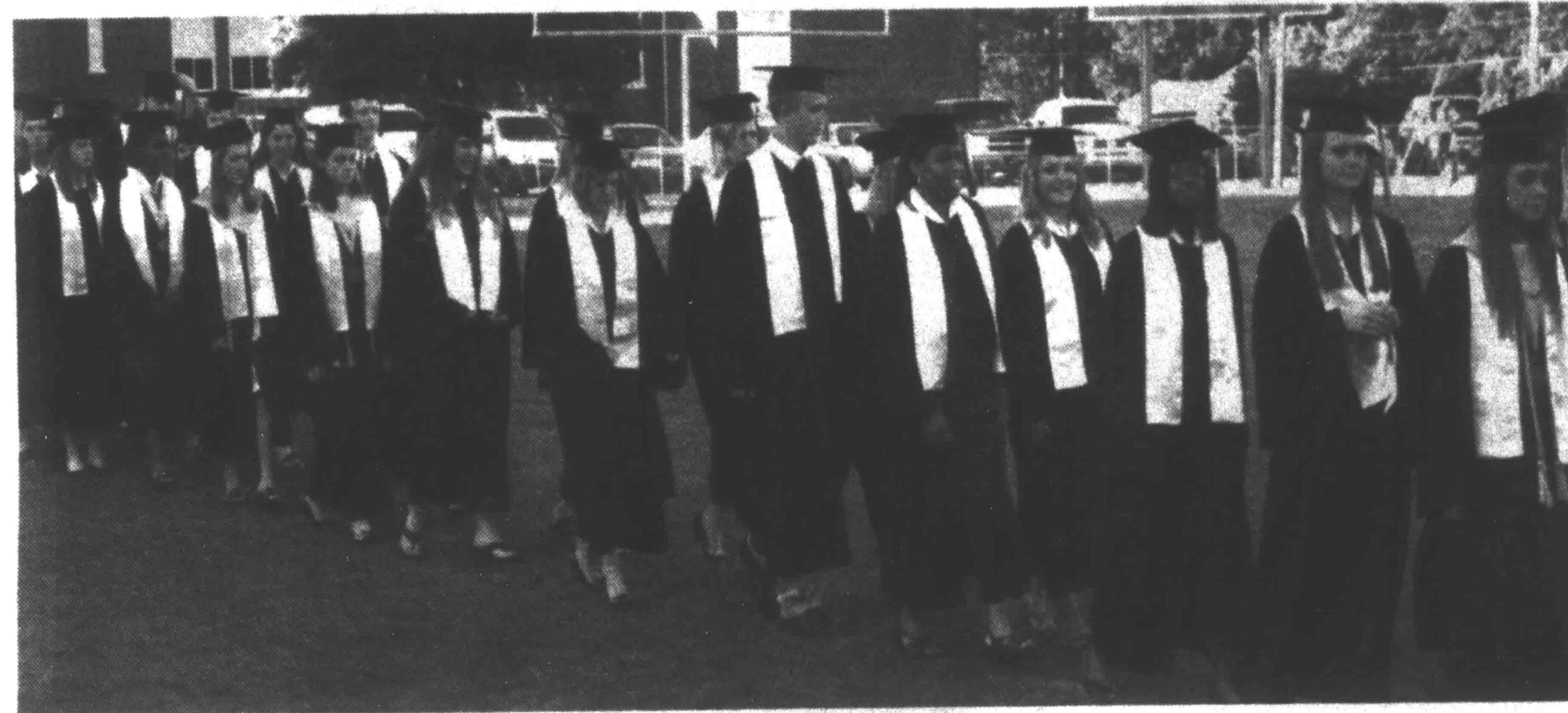
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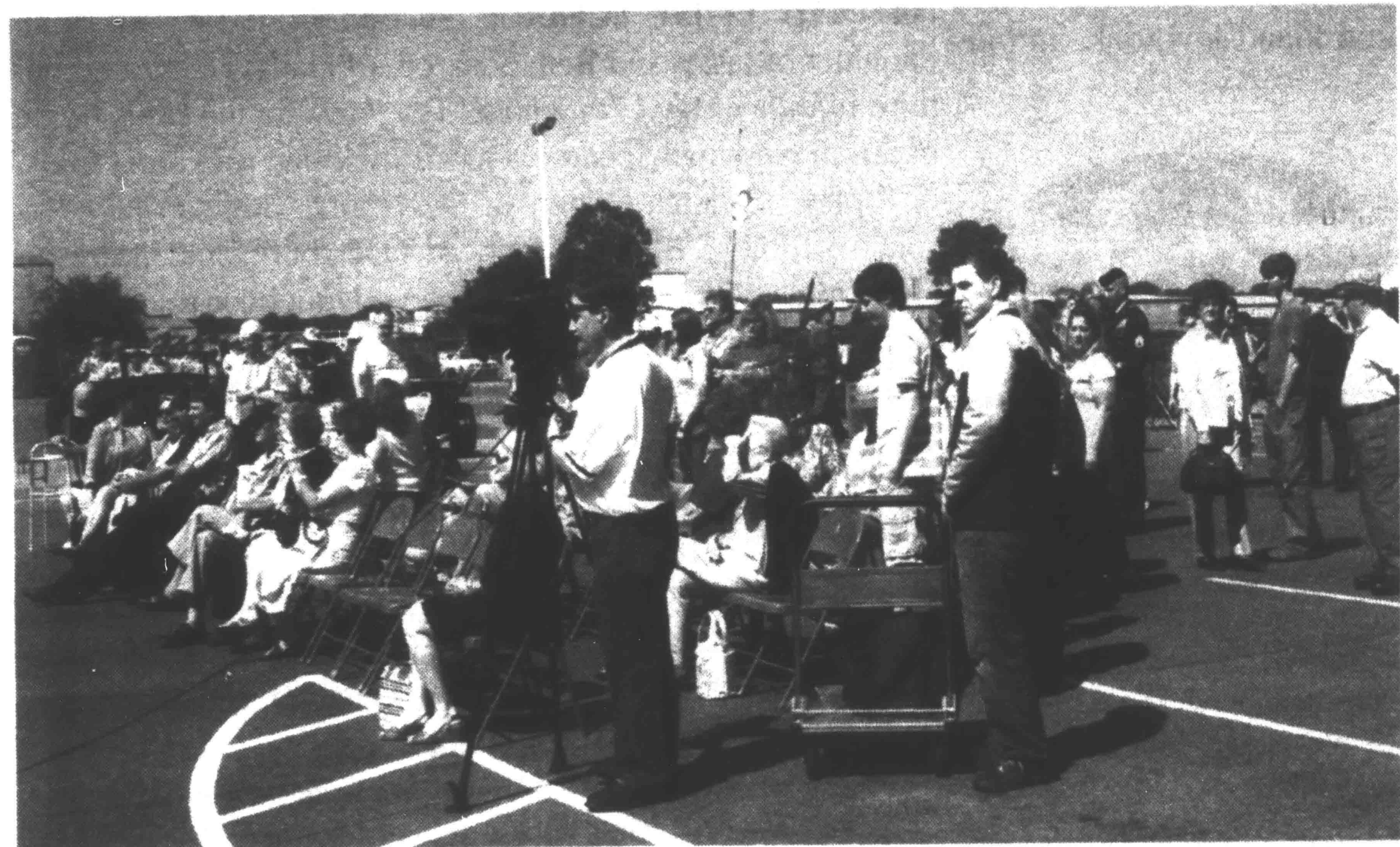
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## Halls High School Graduates



**SENIORS** at Ripley High School and Halls High School celebrated their graduation last week with ceremonies held at the respective schools. Ripley held their event Thursday of last week inside the Saul E. Moore Gymnasium due to rain. Halls held their event Friday at the H. G. Conley Memorial Stadium.

## Armed Forces Day Celebrated



**ARMED FORCES DAY** was celebrated at the Veterans' Museum in Halls Saturday, May 17th, beginning with Aaron Dannelly, a Halls High School senior, playing reveille. The Halls High School band played the National Anthem while representatives from the Tennessee National Guard posted colors. After all visitors and guests watched the Dyer County J.R.O.T.C. exhibit their marching skills, Rod Schuh, mayor of Lauderdale County, and The Rev. Trent McManus, mayor of Halls, greeted everyone. Pat Higdon, museum director, introduced the distinguished guests, Lt. Col. Robert F. Little, Capt. Kenneth Alan Richardson, Capt. William Watson McLean, General John G. Castellaw and General Gus Hargett. Dan Irvin and the Sgt. Singleton Band conducted a medley of service songs. Various activities were held throughout the day, with taps conducted at 5 p.m.

General Hargett, of the Tennessee Army National Guard and a native of Lauderdale County, was the featured speaker.

General Castellaw, a 3-star general in the Marines, stationed at the Pentagon and a native of Crockett County, spoke about commitment and the exhibits he donated to the museum.

Capt. Richardson, of Orange Park, FL, a retired naval officer, was the last active duty naval aviator to have flown the A-7 Corsair II, exhibited in the Veterans' Museum. He accumulated more than 4,100 hours of flight time, over 3,100 in the A-7 aircraft, and over 1,000 carrier-arrested landings.

Lt. Col. Little, of Dyersburg, is a retired World War II B-17 pilot who flew 72 missions in the Pacific, was an instructor at the Dyersburg Army Air Base and the last pilot to fly the Memphis Belle when he flew it from Altus, OK, to Memphis in 1946.

Capt. McLean, of Newbern, a retired World War II P-51 pilot, is reportedly the oldest P-51 pilot in

## Birthdays

May 22 - Caitlyn Gitchell, Ben Barcroft, Jan Burlison, Dee Ballard, Brad Studard, Geno Hawks, Charles Hurt, Phillip Andrew Wong, Dabnie James, Hannah Elizabeth McKee, Talmadge Crowder, Mark Holder, Candice Frazier, Steve Ray, Ellie Claire Young, Wanda Hill, Lindsey Booker.

May 23 - Steve Fullen, Nathan Griggs, Matt Harper, Billy Hines, Ginna Cherry, John David Melton.

May 24 - Eric Ellis, Robert Henry, Cody Tutor, Daisy Stewart, Cole Arwood, Leslie Platzke, Scott Wiseman.

May 25 - Mike Land, Lauren Cherry, Caroline Walker, David Kesler, Ashley Blakley, Nix Crawford, Bill Sweat, Sara Armstrong, Carrie Glenn, Kristen Mitchell, Anita Chrestman, Steve Smith, Darius Hughes.

May 26 - Megan Hunter, Linda Meeks Mitchell, Abe Taylor, Laura Buckner, Sharon Langley, Phillip Hurt, Vickie Pennington, Brenda Monday, Lin Thompson, Jackie Dun-avant, Betty McConnell, Alexis Pharr, Cindy Day, Bob Cabay, Mollie Bain.

May 27 - Tiffany Kirby, Judy Edwards, Kelly Nation, Todd Taylor, Leslie Dew.

May 28 - Ronald Blakley,

## Newborn



**ADDIE LEE HILLIARD**, 6 lb. 13 oz. daughter of Jonathan and Nacole Hilliard, of Halls, was born at 11:39 a.m. April 23rd in Baptist Hospital Memphis. She is the granddaughter of Wiley Hutcherson and Tammy Hutcherson and Reid and Pam Hilliard, and the great-granddaughter of Wiley and Frances Hutcherson, Clyde and Carolyn Garrison, Etta McBroom, the late Jimmy Simpson, the late Whitey McCabroon, and the late Coy and Myra Hilliard, all of Halls.

Brittany Jones, Randal Shands, Patricia Butner, Grant Hilliard.



Tennessee.

Leroy Neal, a 50 mission gunner and radio operator on a B-24 was also introduced.

Harry S. Truman led the effort to establish the single holiday for citizens to come together and thank military members for their patriotic service in support of the United States of America. On

August 31, 1949, Louis Johnson, Secretary of Defense, announced the creation of Armed Forces Day to replace separate Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force Days. The one-day celebration is the unification of the Armed Forces under one department, the Department of Defense.

## Yesteryear

It is not the intention of Yesteryear to vilify the early railroad that came through Lauderdale County, but the tidbits of county history that appear in suits against them make the railroad a tempting target. A case in point is the case in Chancery Court in 1903 in which the trustees of Maplewood Cemetery sought an injunction against the Chicago, St. Louis and New Orleans Railway Company (CSL&NO) and the Illinois Central.

Again, the case gives the history of the railroad. The bill of injunction says the railroad, which ran from Memphis to Louisville, Kentucky, was originally chartered as the Mississippi River Railroad Company by the Tennessee General Assembly in the session of 1857-8, and was completed in 1882 by the Chesapeake, Ohio and Southwestern Railroad Company which operated it until August or September of 1896. Then the CSL&NO bought it and leased it to the Illinois Central.

The case also gives some history of the cemeteries in Ripley. It says that shortly after Ripley was designated as the county seat and became a town,

"a public grave yard was laid off on the Ripley-Fulton Road about four or five hundred yards from the Court House. It was used as a grave yard until about the year 1890 until it became so full of graves that there was no room to bury people therein and it became necessary for the citizens of Ripley and Lauderdale County to procure another grave yard."

On April 27, 1889, ten acres were bought about a mile south of the town and given the name of Maplewood Cemetery. It was fenced in, improvements were begun, and part of it was platted and laid off into lots. Burials began there as early as 1890 and all concerned expected they would continue until the grave yard was filled.

Sometime in June of 1903, however, five of the trustees of Maplewood—A. H. Young, J. E. Palmer, J. Y. Barbee, A. J. Barbee, and W. G. Lynn—received notice that on June 20, 1903, the CSL&NO would file a petition in Circuit Court to condemn part of the grave yard for railroad purposes. Their right-of-way was 50 feet on each side of their track, but they were building a double track from Fulton, Kentucky, to Memphis and wanted a part of Maplewood. The trustees understood that they didn't want to put a track on the grave yard property, but wanted it only for fill because it would be cheaper to get dirt there than to haul it from somewhere else.

The trustees, of course, were incensed, and pointed out that the part of Maplewood the railroad wanted to condemn would ruin a large and valuable part of the cemetery, taking a number of valuable burial lots and the driveway across the east side of the property—the only driveway by which lot owners on that part of the cemetery could reach their lots. The railroad, they said, owned 35 acres less than a mile from the grave yard from which they could get all the dirt they wanted, or they could condemn the farm land on the east side of their track. There was no law, they continued, by which the railroad was authorized to "invade the sanctum of the dead in a public burying ground," and "surely no member of the General Assembly would ever introduce or have passed any such statute."

The trustees said that if they were mistaken about the railroad's wanting their property only for fill but wanted to put their railroad on it, they must protest all the more vigorously, because the railroad was already too close to the cemetery. When trains passed while a funeral was being conducted, horses frequently became frightened, and the minister often had to suspend the services until the train passed. For that reason they would never have chosen that location for a cemetery except that no other property was available near Ripley.

Apparently, the trustees had cooled down by July 9, for on that date they had a meeting (the five mentioned earlier were joined by J. N. Wardlaw and R. D. Jenkins) in which they agreed to sell to the railroad a 50-foot wide strip on the east side of the graveyard property for \$350. There were conditions, however: CSL&NO mustn't place their tracks within 45 feet of the new cemetery property line; they must build a right-of-way fence on the new line; and they must make no excavation or barrow pits on the 50-foot strip. The railroad agreed, and bought the

strip.

Mrs. W. H. Davis and others owned the land on the upper side of the cemetery and R. R. Halliburton owned that south of it. Steele & Steele, McKinney & Pierson, and William G. Lynn, attorneys, represented the trustees.

Bettie B. Davis  
bbdavis@lctn.com

## Marriages

May 16 — Dwight Franklin Shoemaker, Jr., 37, to Stephanie Leigh Rains Condrey, 36, by Rod Schuh.

## Land Transfers

May 11th - May 17th

Robert E. Holman and Eddie P. Holman to Richard Clayton Woodard and Darlene Shands, Dist. 5, 1.5 acres.

Section of Housing and Urban Development to Ronnie Fisher, Dist. 2, lot.

Chris Fleming to Kimberley Smith, Dist. 6, 0.908 acre.

Chris Fleming to Ricky Lee Jenkins and Donna Jenkins, Dist. 6, 0.421 acre.

Rebecca K. Moss to Barry Thompson, Dist. 6, 3.0 acres.

Kimberly Barlow, Duana Tuggle, Paula Mosby, Claudia Maclin and Bret Malone to Bret Malone, Dist. 2, tract, and Dist. 16, tract.

Barbara Alston Davis and Thalia Alston Knox to Mike Harris and Carol Harris, Dist. 8, 30.4 acres.

Raymond Owens to David Wehrer, Dist. 1, 2 lots.

David Rogers and Theresa Rogers to L. C. Hayslett and Ilois Hayslett, 2 tracts

Donald Darby and Brenda Darby to Victoria J. Brown, Dist. 17, 2 tracts.

James C. Cooper, Jr., and Kathy C. Cooper to Derrick Nybakken and Mariella E. Nybakken, Dist. 2, tract.

Clinton Neal Tignor, Brooke Lee Tignor and Brooke Lee Gourley to Angie Eskridge and Felicia Dunks, Dist. 12, lot.

HSBC Mortgage Services, Inc., to James Worley, tract.

Larry R. Jackson and Betty

## Bridal Courtesies



**KIM HARBER**, third from right, in upper photo, bride-elect of Ken Sutton, was honored with a bridal shower May 4th in the Gates Baptist Church. The event was hosted by, from left, Tracy Taylor, Tricia Thurmond, Donna Dabbs, and Reba Dawson. Judy Harber, third from left, mother of the bride-to-be, is pictured with them. In middle photo, Kim was honored with a shower April 19th in the Ripley home of Earline Craig, left, with Linda Summar, right, and Kaye Jones, second from right, aunt of the bride-to-be, as co-hostesses. Judy is pictured second from left. In lower photo, Kim was honored with a shower April 27th at the Fraternal Order of Police Building. The event was hosted by, from left, Kim Shelton, Brenda Sutton, sister of the groom-elect, and Mickey Hamlin.

Jackson to Jonathan Garrett Pipkin, 10.43 acres.

Gerry Wilson and Melissa Wilson to Dale Hutcherson and Delores Hutcherson, Dist. 7, lot.

Mary E. Newsome to Jason Klutts and Joey Klutts, Dist. 12,

tract. Jason Klutts and Joey Klutts to Charles T. Klutts, Dist. 12, lot.

Randy Lankford to Carla Daum and Robert Daum, Dist. 11; 1.0 acres.

# Dry Hill Dog News



by Zeek

Hello! Zeek here! Last week was about what I expected. Miss Pam gave me the cold shoulder because of what I wrote last week. Let's put it this way, the couch and bed were off limits. She even made me suffer through her piano practice for her church. Normally I get to go outside. The music made my ears hurt and I had to howl to get her to stop. I did, however, get to ride with her to the Wednesday night church meeting. My job was to protect the car. Thank goodness she didn't take me inside. I could hear enough of that music through the walls. I could even hear the preacher. Five minutes later, two beautiful lady four leggers strolled by the church. My ears perked up, just like the good old days; but the ambition to show off for them was just not there. I think I need another trip to Doc English. Maybe he can give me some vitamins. It's pretty bad when you would rather lie around than chase females. The girls started flirting with me and I mustered up the gumption to jump out the car window. Evidentially, my brain didn't engage again because I forgot Miss Pam had left me tied to the steering wheel; but I re-membered it when my collar jerked me back like a hangman's noose! I was swinging and my toes barely touched the ground on one side of the swing. As I stretched my toes for a grip they would just push me back into the no touch zone. I was in a real perdicckment and I couldn't breathe. I started wiggling around like a fish on a stringer and tried to bark, but the only thing that came out was a whimperish cry. As I was fading out of consciousness, I heard the preacher say, "release them of their sins" and at that moment the metal ring on my collar broke and I tumbled to the ground with a solid thud. I immediately started grasping for air and started coughing at the same time. After a minute or so, I looked around and of course the ladies had run away. As I was recuperating, I heard the preacher say, "to serve the Lord you must be available, faithful, and trainable." That got me to thinking; that's exactly like me and my buds at Dryhill. We are available, faithful, and trainable; and we love to serve you two leggers. After church, I put on my happy face for the little old ladies. I got in a few licks and I thought to myself this serving the Lord is also fun and fulfilling.

This week a big Thank You goes to Kay Steelman for the food, treats and shampoo; along with Linda Caldwell and Kellie Smith, of First Citizens Bank, for the nine bags of food plus canned food. New homes for my buds are at Brent Jobs' residence. He made two puppies feel very special along with Haley Harber and her new puppy. Bill Smith reclaimed his four legger and Susie Cangalosi and her daughter, Laurette, retrieved Susie. They brought her to Dry Hill three weeks ago because she was a stray; but they felt guilty and decided to give her a home. That's what I like—soft-hearted two leggers. Two kittens found homes with James Northcott and Tammy VanHoose. Blue, my spe-cial friend of nine months at Dry Hill, also found a good home. He was so happy when he jumped into that truck.

Our most recent newcomers are a set of brothers called Rosco and Cheico. They look like solid white Airedale terriers. They are friendly and about nine months old. We also have a young pretty mixed black and tan Cocker Spaniel with a shinny coat and a good disposition. Freckles is a very friendly American Toy Terrier that loves attention and would be a great house pet. We also have a bunch of boys in the back barn area that would make great

outside companions. I have to sign off now and rest. My neck and throat are killing me. Remember another way of serving our Lord is to make a happy home for one of His Creatures—one of my buds from the Club. Zeek out!



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## Crash Is Fatal For Tiffany Sanders, 16

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She was air-lifted from the scene to the Regional Medical Center in Memphis, where she died at 1 a.m. Sunday.

Rites are set for 2 p.m. Thursday, May 29th, at Ripley High School Gymnasium, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens, Garner Funeral Home in charge.

She leaves her parents, Travis and Kerri Sanders and Shawn and Tonya Kissell, a brother, Cody Sanders, a half-brother, Chase Sanders, a half-sister, Mackenzie Sanders, and grandparents, Donal and Helen Sanders and Deborah Jackson, all of Ripley; and Randy Travis, of Covington.

## Annual Aviation Day Scheduled

The second annual Halls Aviation Day Fly-in will be held at 9 a.m., Saturday, June 14th at the old Dyersburg Army Airbase in Halls, next to the Veterans Museum. The event is sponsored by the Halls R/C Flyers. Events include full-scale airplane rides, 3-D R/C flyers, turbine jet aircraft models, dogfights with R/C airplanes, and food and drinks.

For more information, call 635-1940, 836-7400, or 635-5999.

## Checkpoints To Be Held In Halls

The Halls Police Department will conduct sobriety checkpoints on Saturday, May 31st in participation with the Click It or Ticket Campaign.

## School Is Out For The Summer Watch Out For Children!!

## 2008 Halls Summerfest

The 2008 Halls Summerfest will be held Saturday, June 21st in downtown Halls. Performers scheduled are Ronnie and Scott Nelson with an Elvis tribute from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m., Angela Dew from 12 until 1 p.m., Vicki Spidle from 1 until 1:30 p.m., Cecil and Linda Yancy from 1:30 until 2:30 p.m., Kolo from 4:30 until 5:30 p.m., Cowboy Bob and The Bounty Hunters from 6:30 until 8 p.m., and Anthony Dean and The Dean's List from 8:30 until 10:30 p.m.

For further information, call Mayor Trent McManus at 836-9653 or 836-1092. To register, visit hallstennessee.net or hallstennessee.org.

## Tournament Winner



DWAYNE SPARKS, right, 15, son of Danny and Rhonda Sparks, of Halls, was the winner of the singles tournament and was named the most valuable player of the West Tennessee Athletic Conference, held May 6th at the Dyersburg Middle School. He is pictured with Trent McManus, left, Halls Junior High School tennis coach and Town of Halls Mayor.

## HES Accelerated Readers



STUDENTS at Halls Elementary were recognized for the top ten accelerated readers for the entire year. They all received certificates, a medallion, and a snack bag from Arnold's Healthmart. Pictured, in front, from left, Julie Hill, 631 points; Chesly Aitken, 481.3 points; Courtney Gooch, 439.8 points; Quenatassja Elijah, 294.2 points; Valerie Patrick, 256.4 points; and in rear, Michael Lilly, 219.1 points; Chase Ward, 217.3 points; Logan Hurt, 194.8 points; and Grayson Morris, 187.8 points; plus, not pictured, Hailee Wallace, 199.1 points.



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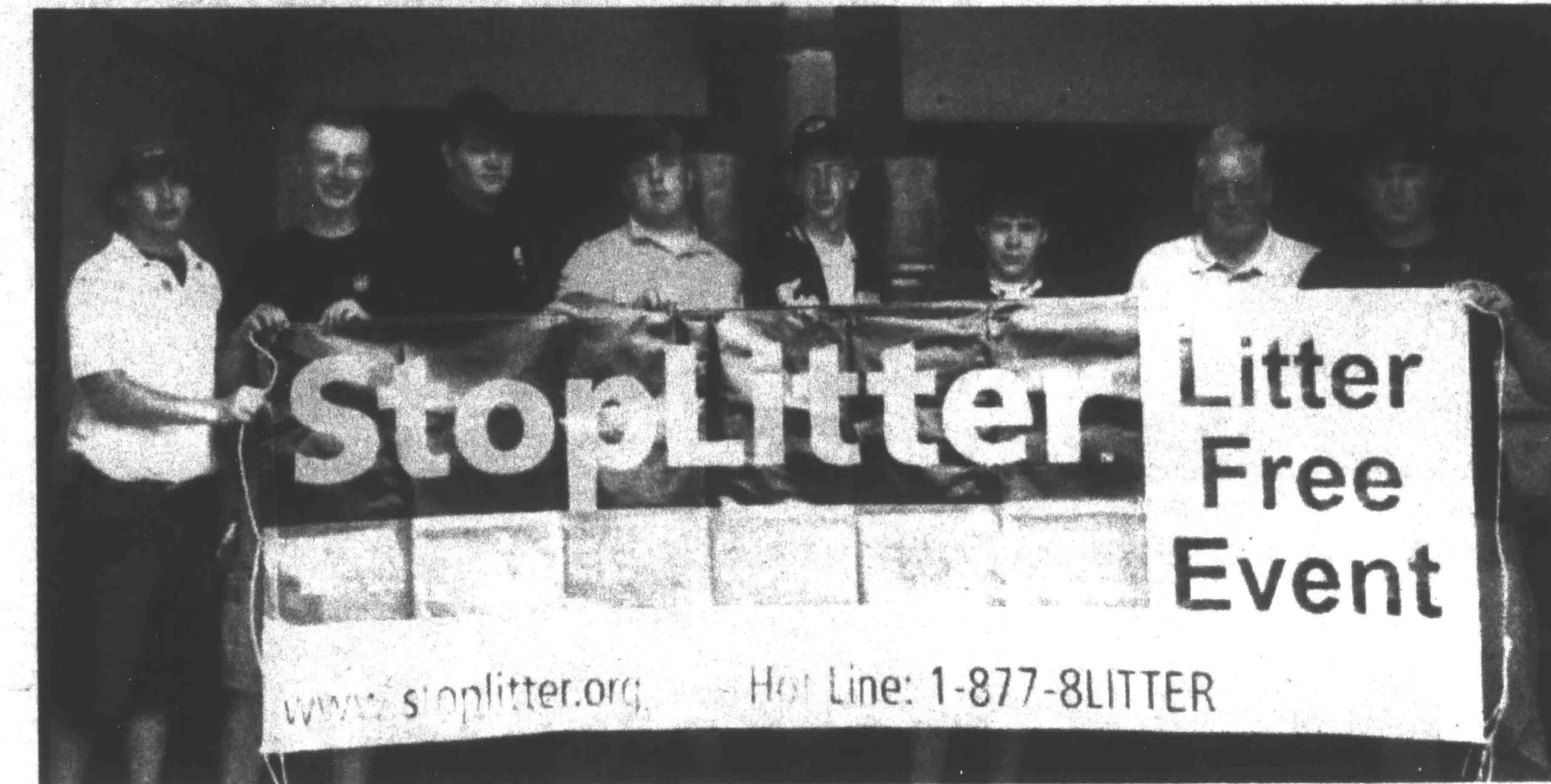
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## Litter Free Athletic Events



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### Divorces

Johnny Wayne Dyson, Jr., vs. Tina Hays Dyson.  
David Keith Deberry vs. Stacey Gale Deberry.  
Melissa Kaye Simmons vs. Thomas Hilton Simmons III.  
Shelbra Bates vs. Ross N. Bates, Sr.  
Felicia Lynette Holloway Parker vs. Bennie Donell Parker.  
Johnie Dewayne Ford, Jr., vs. Stephanie Ann Ward Ford.

### Anniversaries

May 29 - Mr. and Mrs. Warner Pace.  
May 30 - Mr. and Mrs. Terry Conner.  
May 31 - Mr. and Mrs. Larry Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Ward.  
June 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Belton, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Russell

Langley, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Chris Scott.

June 2 - Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Steelman, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Brown, Mr. and Mrs. David Williams, Mr. and Mrs. William Harmon, III.  
June 3 - Mr. and Mrs. William Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Grugett.  
June 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Meeks, Dr. and Mrs. Bobby Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Paige.

## Birthdays

May 29 - Rhonda Wood, Ronnie Blakely, Benjamin Elkins, Mills Webster, Nan Danley, Ricky McWilliams, Myra Frazier, Kathy Sanders, Roy Bonds, Carol Dean, Sam Henderson Culver, Owen Hopkins, Richard Phagan.

May 30 - DeNohal Alley, Ron Peebles, Shirley Robison, Blake Fitzhugh, Emery Gillion, Alisha White, Inez Douglas, Don Prescott, Karen Hines, Molly Warwick, Xavion Currie, Linda Climer, Ona Voss, Posey Swope, Richard Ferrell.

May 31 - Tyler Thurmond, Dana McLemore, Elizabeth Burks, Alex Pipkin, Rose Rhodes, Brandon Williams, Bruce Ward, Doris Henderson, Kristen Beasley, Sandy J. Ward, Phil Morris, Danielle Oswald, Dianne Lane, Lana Carney, Cheryl Newman, Lynn Bain, Lillie Garner, Claudine Elder,

Joshua McKinnie.  
June 1 - Kelly Paris, Tabitha Brown, Mary McAlister, Deborah Sorrell, Alma Grooms, John Wade, Kelly Schrotberger, Jennifer Lewis Hinton, Trent Alton Terry, June Reece, Joe Barnes, III, Justin Williams, Terry Elmore.  
June 2 - Donald Young, Elroy Meyer, Gloria Norvell, Judy Kelly, Leigh Douglas, Robert Cherry, Brandon Wakefield, Beth Anne Simpson, Roy Prince, Paul Betz, Morgan Andrew Trosper, Wilbern Dorris.  
June 3 - Floyd Crain, Clayton White, Betty J. Rhoads, Paige Hendren, Vicky Smith, Dr. John English, Jo Ann Elder, Alice Ward, Debbie Fitzhugh Smith, Shane Belton, Hannah Hutcherson, Phillip Goodman, Mariah Carnack.  
June 4 - Bryan Hyde, Ricky Tucker, John E. Braden, Pat Scheiblein, Lillian Sylvester, Renee Stanley, Wilma Patrick, Eric Mumford.

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## Obituaries

### Shirley Hester

Shirley Ann "Nana" Hester, 70, of Southaven, Miss., widow of Billy Joe Hester, was buried Wednesday in Ripley Memorial Gardens, after rites in Forest Hill South Funeral Home in Memphis.

She had been employed by Memphis Light, Gas, and Water.

She had attended Berea Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Michael; daughters, Debbie (Mrs. J. W.) Brumley, Freda (Mrs. Mark) Olivent, Janet (Mrs. Joey) Holsenbeck, and Regina (Mrs. Harold) Wilson; brothers, Bobby and Thomas Kirby; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

### James E. Collins

James E. Collins, 62, of Denver, Colo., uncle of Nikki Smith and Heather Langley, of Ripley, died Feb. 16th in the home of a brother, Frank F. Smith, in Laporte, Colo.

His body was cremated. No services were conducted.

He was the son of the late James L. Collins and the late Margaret B. Smith Collins.

Survivors include another brother, Patrick Smith, of Somerville.

### Nellie Pilcher

Nellie White Pilcher, 79, of Memphis, died Saturday.

Services were at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 27th, at Memphis Funeral Home on Poplar Ave. in Memphis, with burial at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in West Tennessee Veterans Cemetery in Memphis.

The widow of John Pilcher, she leaves her son, The Rev. J. Michael Pilcher, of Selmer; her daughter, Brenda Woodruff, of Millington; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

### 'Red' Broyles

Harold L. "Red" Broyles, 62, of Brighton, owner of Broyles Construction and C&H Contractors, was buried Tuesday in Thurmond Cemetery, near Halls, after rites in the Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington.

He was an Army veteran.

He was the son of the late James and Hazel Broyles.

Survivors include his wife, Cynthia; sons, Christopher, of Brighton, and Robert, of Memphis; a daughter, Mischelle Hatchel, of Munford; brothers, Lonnie, of Talbott, in far East Tennessee, and Billy, Freddie, and John, of Gastonia, N.C.; and sisters, Shirley Broyles, of Jefferson City, near Talbott, and Brenda Franklin, of Gastonia.

### Ronald Farmer

Ronald Farmer, 48, of Ripley, a landscaper, died Monday, May 26th, at Baptist Memorial Hospital East in Memphis.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, May 31st, at Thompson's Mortuary in Ripley, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery in Henning.

He leaves his wife, Barbara Baldon, of Ripley; his father, Roosevelt Farmer, and brother, Vincent Farmer, both of Henning; and a sister, Latasha Johnson-Lathrup, of Village, Mich.

### Patricia Hughes

Patricia Joan Hughes, 63, a housewife and correspondent for *The Lauderdale County Enterprise*, died Sunday, May 25th, at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 28th, at Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Mary's Chapel Cemetery.

The widow of James Hughes, she leaves her son, Kevin Newman, and brothers, Ronnie Summar and Ricky Summar, all of Gates; and a daughter, Tammy Worrell, of Washington, N.J.; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

## This 'N' That Garden



**JUANITA PUFFAF**, garden specialist at Cole's Do It Best Center, demonstrated the proper way to plant and propagate plants at Lauderdale County Commission on Aging's This "n" That Gardening series May 22nd. Approximately 39 participants enjoyed the educational demonstration, handouts, and discount coupons distributed by Cheryl Caldwell, advertising associate. The next series is scheduled for June 26th at the center. Call 731-836-5444 for more information.

### Corine Collier

Corine Moton Collier, 90, of Ripley, former worker at Tupperware in Halls, died Friday, in her home.

Rites were Wednesday in St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in the Bluff Cemetery west of Ripley, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Widow of James Collier, she leaves a granddaughter and caregiver, Tasha Lee, of Ripley; two other grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

### Velma Burns

Velma Rea Burns, 80, of 803 Park Meadows, Halls, former factory worker, died Sunday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Tuesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Thurmond Cemetery at Halls.

She was the daughter of the late Alf and Addie Olds Thurmond.

She leaves a daughter, Doris Ray, of Halls; sons, Danny and Roger, of Ripley, Marty, of Dyersburg, and Rickey, of Munford; 10 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

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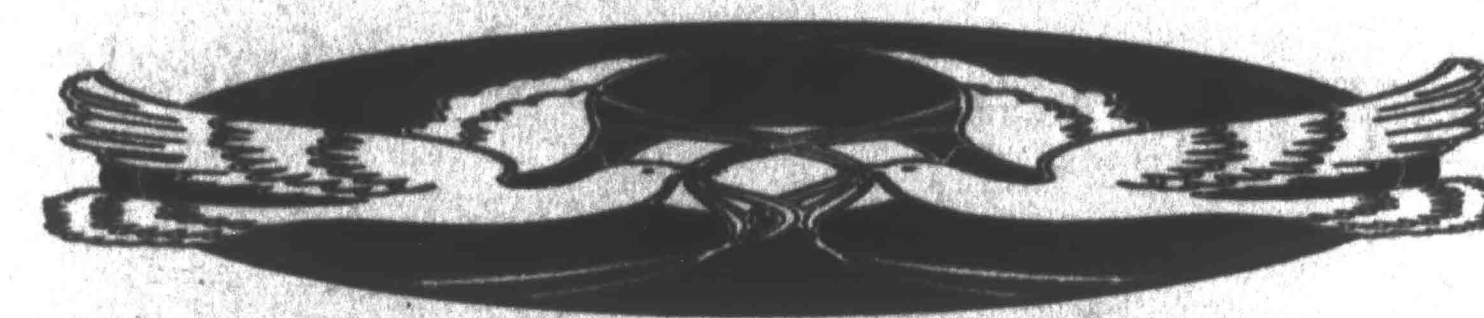
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Cross View Baptist Church will host a Christian Heritage Seminar through the summer beginning with the month of May. Sun-day school will be at 9:45 a.m., worship at 10:45 and a fellowship meal each Sunday at noon to be followed by afternoon Bible study and worship from 1 to 2 p.m. No night services will be held. The Sunday afternoon study will be led by Bible teacher and pastor, Dr. Roy Harkness, Sr., featuring "Discovering the Bible" and "The Apostle Paul and the Early Churches". Other future months will include presentations of "The 12 Disciples" and "The Apostles' Creed". The public is invited.

Ripley Church of Christ will hold its Vacation Bible School from 7 to 8:30 p.m. June 2nd through 4th with the theme, "Walking In Son Light". Classes will be available for all ages. Speakers for the adult class include Wade Hunt, Monday; David Powell, Tuesday; and Steve Sutton, Wednesday. The public is invited.

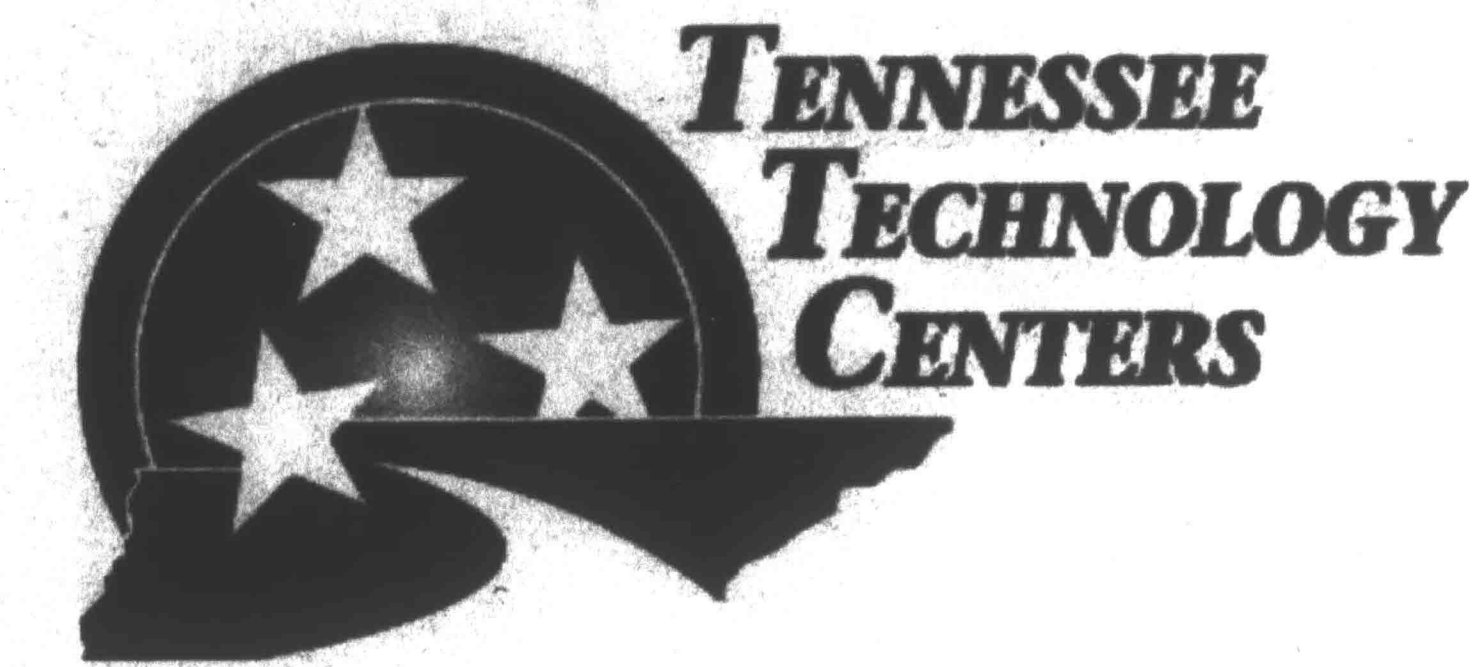
Lauderdale County Youth Revival Mission Team will present a Youth Explosion at 6:30 p.m. May 30th at the Bank of Ripley Performing Arts Theater in Ripley High School. A night of worship and praise is scheduled with a concert by Timothy Davis, winner of the 2003 Contemporary Christian Music Network International Talent Contest. At The Cross Band, of Ripley, is scheduled to perform. The public is invited.

Holly Grove Baptist Church, 155 College St., Ripley, will hold its Vacation Bible School for ages 4 through adult beginning at 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. June 9th through June 13th. Free transportation and food will be available. The theme is "Adventures in Faith: Faith Heroes-2008". A special kick-off celebration and registration will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. Sunday, June 8th at the church. For more information or transportation, call Angela Flowers, 731-635-0721.

Ripley's First United Methodist Church will hold its Vacation Bible School from 9 a.m. to noon Monday, June 9th through Friday, June 13th. The theme is "Beach Party, Surfin' Through the Scriptures". For more information, call 731-635-0821. The public is invited.

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# Halls Junior High Promotion Ceremony



**STUDENTS**, in upper left photo, at Halls Junior High named as top ten for 2007-2008 were Robert Hill, valedictorian, Amanda Wright, salutatorian, Hayden Hogue, historian, Melissa Shapiro, Molly Green, Ryan Humphries, Amber Ray, and Hollie Wilson, and, not pictured, Chelsea Hill, Matt Clark, and Sara Bing. The lowest average in the group was 94.

Students, in middle left photo, that maintained an A average the entire school year were, eighth graders, Amanda Wright, Hollie Wilson, and Hayden Hogue, and seventh graders, Codie Smith and Mandy McClellan. They are pictured with HJH principal, Ned Lewis.

Jerry Crihfield, right, in lower left photo, and Shelley Kimble, second from right, presented the William G. Spence Award to Robert Hill, second from left, and Amanda Wright, center. Kimble and Crihfield presented the Judi Keen Memorial Math Award to Collin Mann, second from left, in upper right photo.

Hayden Hogue, center, in middle right photo, received the Christopher W. Broyles Memorial Beacon Award. Hayden is pictured with Linda Broyles, left, and Ned Lewis, right.

Amber Ray, left, in lower lower right photo, received the Tina Arwood Memorial Spirit Award. She is pictured with Ned Lewis.

## Readers Speak

Editor:

Always look forward to receiving *The Halls Graphic* from my old 'Home Town'! In fact, it used to contain news of my 'old friends' from the 'good ol' days' and the many things going on in their lives. Remember 'em all! Such joy! Such blessings!

However, today, not too many of the 'old classmates, neighbors, friends or 'drug store' soda mixers are left... newer generations have appeared on the scene, but the wonderful memories live on!

So, 'Hat's Off' to you folks there with *The Halls Graphic*! You've kept many of our memories preserved through the years just as Henry Murchison tried to do back in those days before they became 'ancient memories'...

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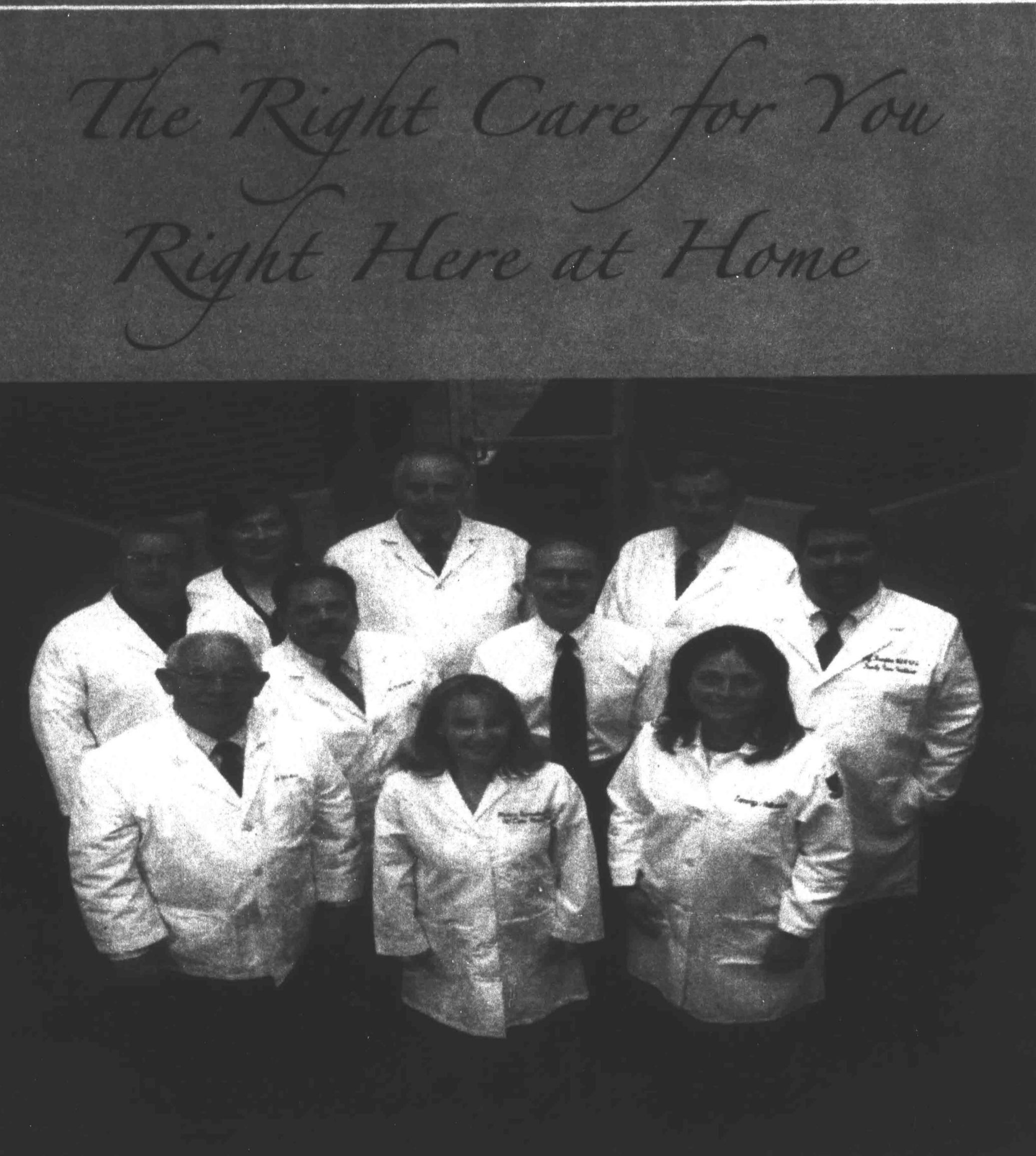
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Insects come with Spring and Summer, but we can enjoy the outdoors while taking safety precautions.

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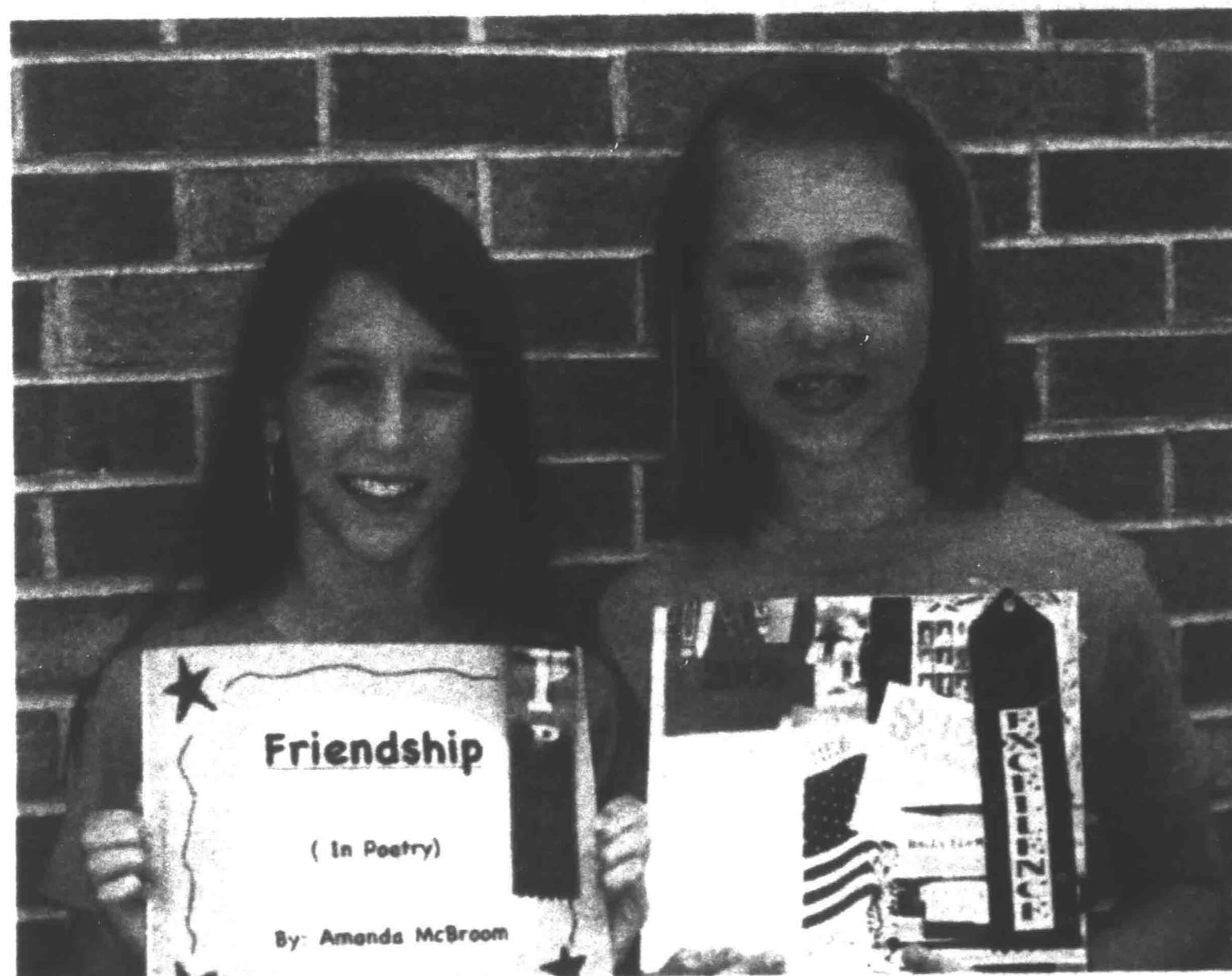
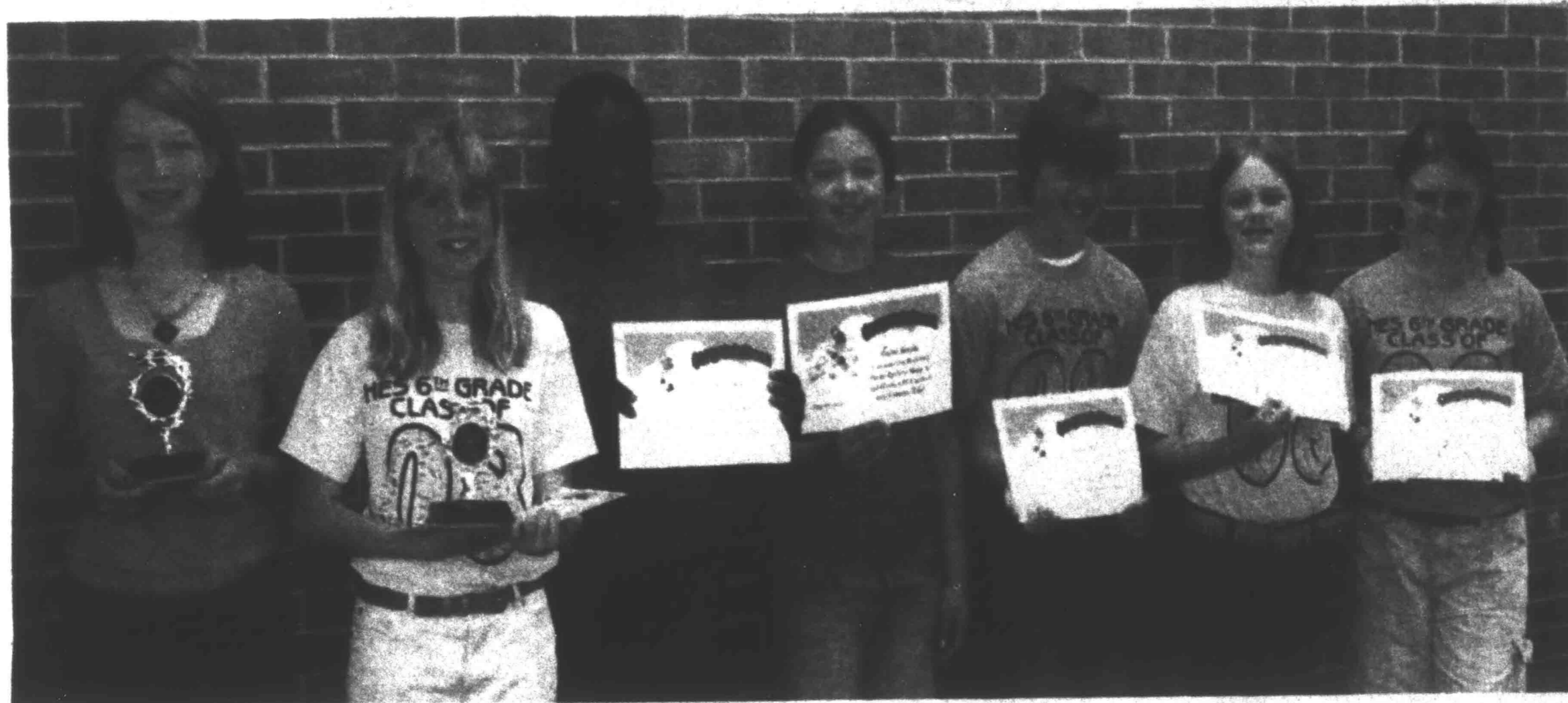
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# Halls Elementary Promotion Ceremony **Dry Hill Dog News**



by Zeek



**HALLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** held the sixth grade promotion ceremony on Thursday, May 22nd. Sixth graders received certificates as they leave the school and move on to Halls Junior High next school year. Several students won awards. Thirty-seven students won academic awards, no C's on their report cards from third through sixth grades.

Students that had over 500 accelerated reader points total for all their years at HES were, in upper photo, from left, Chelsey Aitken, 1,000.2; Courtney Gooch, 972.7; Shania Rogers, 631.6; Gaylon Broglin, 629.6; Skyler Harrison, 520.8; Jessie Belton, 520.4; and Katelyn Cherry, 507.5. The top two winners received a trophy and a gift card to Hastings Books in Dyersburg, the others received certificates of achievement.

Jessie Belton, left, and Amanda McBroom, right, in second photo, were recipients of the Mrs. H.G. McCorkle award presented by Gara Strong. They had the high-est averages in English. The girls received \$100 savings bonds.

Winners, in third photo, receiving awards from Young Authors Day were Amanda McBroom, left, poetry, and Alexa Ray Jordan, right, "Spirit of Young Authors Day" award, and in lower photo, from left, sixth graders, Isabel Chavez and Haylee Tims for best books, and, not pictured, Teondre Wells, best illustrations, 4th through 6th grade.

Hello! Zeek here! We finally had a good weather week at the club. The grass is growing and the mud puddles started to dry up. I am however, moving pretty slow. Dangling at the end of that rope really messed up my neck. Miss Pam took me to Doc English to check my neck; and for once he didn't grab that needle. Doc and Miss Pam left the room and I started to worry after they were gone for such a long time. Then she returned with a paper in her hand she said that Doc couldn't fix my neck and we were on the way to Bartlett to see Doc Parker. As we drove down the road I tried getting some air. I put my head out the window but the pressure of the wind stretched those injured muscles. After a couple of ouches I hunkered down in the seat and pouted. After a long ride, the car stopped and Miss Pam opened the door and tied a leash to my collar. She did one pull and I immediately responded to her demand. I couldn't look up, so all I really got to see was a good view of two leg-ger shoes. After a short wait, we were directed to Doc Parker's examining room where an assistant with a nice sounding voice asked Miss Pam a bunch of questions. Then Doc Parker came in and slid down on his knees on the floor next to me! What a concept, come on down to the four legger! No cold examining table in Doc Parker's office! Just a nice rug for him and me! I didn't understand what he told Miss Pam, but before I knew what was happening he started pushing on my back with both hands and I could hear the bones cracking. It didn't hurt, but I sure was scared. He worked his way up to my neck and then he put me in a bear hug and twisted my neck like a wash rag. I heard a pop, and then I let out a whimper. I thought my time is up—he has just broken my neck! I expected the lights to go out, but they didn't and I actually felt a little better. After a few more tugs and jerks, he quit. After five minutes of recovery, Doc Parker returned with another two legger. He introduced her to Miss Pam as Doc Mitchner. She had the sweetest voice, and when she got down on the floor with me and let me give her some wet kisses I thought maybe I had died and gone to heaven! Then she told Miss Pam to make an appointment to come back and see her next week. I felt better on the way home thinking about how pretty and nice Doc Mitchner was until Miss Pam told Mr. Pam how much the treatments were going to cost. He started moaning and I decided it was time to leave the room. All he could say was, "Who ever heard of a four legger chiropractor! I think I need to go to church this Wednesday so the preacher can heal me, then Mr. Pam won't be so mad.

I had a hard time telling a couple of my buds good bye this week when they were adopted. I usually give them a high five, then a low five, but I was just too stiff. Jack, a fine German Shepherd, understood and he left with Mary Turner, a nurse. I bet he gets a lot of back rubs and special attention. The other lucky four legger was a puppy named Frito that went home with Chad Reed.

The selection at the club is good and we have some quality four leggers. Please give us a call at 836-7387 (pets). Mr. Buddy can fix you up. As always try to be as good as your four legger thinks you are. Please spay and neuter your pets, I can't perform quality care for my buds when I am being overrun by puppies. You two leggers have the brains, can't you see the problem!

Zeek out!