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## Cocaine Hunt Nets

### 10 Halls Residents

A 4-month investigation by federal, state, and local officers has resulted in a 17-count federal indictment of 10 Halls residents:

R. C. Bostic, 61, Wayne Bostic, 51, Derrick Cliff, 38, Eugene Currin, 48, Edwin Mark King, 26, Andrea McClindon, 21, Jessy Napper, 31, Thomas Piphus, 46, Grady Pitts, 32, and Scotty Terry, 46.

Each is charged with conspiracy to distribute a total of more than 50 grams of crack cocaine, since November.

Halls Mayor Trent McManus says Tony Finch was arrested Sunday as part of the same conspiracy.

Depending on the amount of cocaine involved, penalties range from 10 years to life in prison.

King and McClindon are  
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## 3 From County Held For Drugs

A raid Friday at 406-B Valley, Covington, charged three men who recently moved there from Lauderdale County with intent to deliver illegal drugs:

Crandon Lee Glynn, 19, and Dexter Martay Patrick, 21, held for over .5 oz. of marijuana. Glynn is also charged with disorderly conduct.

LaFayette M. Nance, 21, held for over .5 grams of cocaine and for evading arrest.

Officers seized about 2.3 grams of crack cocaine and about 50 grams of marijuana.

## Woman Found Dead On Lawn

Jo Ann Sweat, 45, of Halls, was reported unresponsive, at approximately 2 p.m. March 26th at Twin Rivers Rd., near Halls, according to Lauderdale County Sheriff Steve Sanders. She was found on her lawn and transported to the emergency department of Baptist Hospital Lauderdale where she was pronounced dead. Sheriff Sanders stated foul play is not suspected.

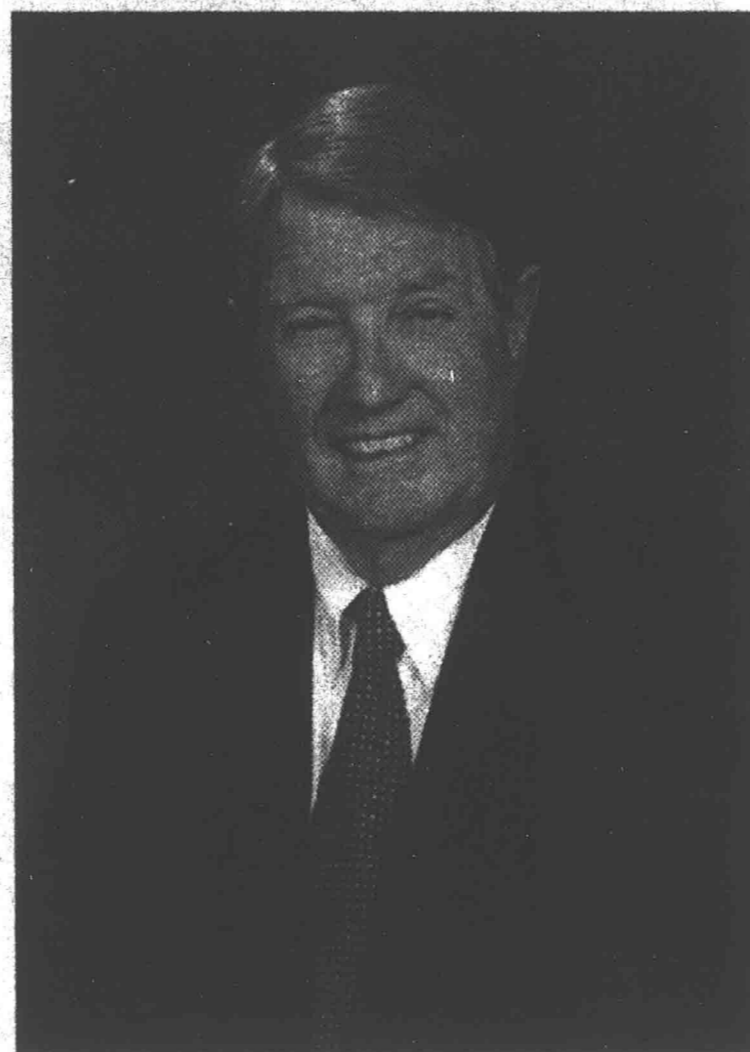
Rites were Monday in Johnson-Williams Funeral Home in Newbern, with burial in Hurricane Hills Cemetery near Newbern.

Survivors include her companion, James Ozment; a daughter, April Wilson Rosales, of Dyersburg; brothers, Joe Wilson, Jr., Alvin Wilson, Jimmy Ray Wilson, and L. C. Wilson, and a sister, Shirlene Wilson, all of Newbern; another sister, Pam Townsend, of Greenfield; and three grandchildren.

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## Ag Learning Center



TIM WILLIAMS, left, Farm Credit Services Regional Vice-President, Rick Nelson, third from left, FCS Senior Financial Services Officer, and Natalie Brown, right, FCS Customer Services Representative, presented \$5,000 to the Agriculture Learning Center being built on the campus of Halls High School. Accepting the donation were Wendy Willette, second from left, HHS Future Farmers of America teacher, and Mike Moore, second from right. The Agricultural Learning Center will be a multipurpose learning center which will be utilized by everyone in the local community as well as those in adjoining counties. Willette said, "This building will be a big benefit to not only the Halls FFA but to a large portion of West Tennessee."

"Support for programs like FFA represents Farm Credit's commitment to allocate stewardship dollars to programs that build leadership and encourage teamwork in rural America's youth," said Nelson.

Farm Credit Services, headquartered in Louisville, Ky., gives back to local communities through its FCS Support for Agriculture Stewardship Program implemented in 2008 with the endorsement of the cooperative board's 18 members. The program targets funds to agricultural projects and educational initiatives, giving priority to youth and young farmers.

## Officers Charge Five With Burglary

Officers with the Halls Police Department charged three juveniles and two adults, Owen Lily, Jr., 18, and Roger Bennett, Jr., 29, both of Halls, with aggravated burglary, according to Chief Richard DeSpain. A call was received at 12:33 p.m. Friday, March 27th concerning a robbery in progress at a vacant home at 516 W. Main St., Halls. After Chief DeSpain arrived, he observed a broken

fence, a broken front door, and five men around the house.

## Ladder On Hwy. Spurs Rig Crash

A truck-trailer, swerving to avoid a ladder, presumed fallen from some vehicle, in the north-bound lane of U.S. Hwy. 51, two miles south of the Dyer County line, Wednesday of last week, over-turned.

The driver was unhurt.

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### Library Friends To Hold Used Book Sale

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## Double Ring Vows



**MR. AND MRS. JASON EUGENE PARIS** were married March 7th at First Presbyterian Church with Bro. David Dearth officiating the double ring ceremony. Mrs. Donna Ewell, of Halls, played *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* and *Ode to Joy* on the piano and Mrs. Natalie Dean Caviness, of Halls, sang *The Rose* as the bridal party entered.

The bride, Heaven Nicole Anderson, was escorted by her mother, Patty Jackson, of Ripley. They were led down the aisle by Dan Irvin, of Ripley, playing *Highland Cathedral* on the bagpipes.

The bride wore a white A-line halter gown with beaded lace and a chapel train. She chose a silver and pearl bracelet with her new monogram engraved on it given to her by the groom. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and pink larkspur lilies and a handkerchief given to her by the mother of the groom, Mrs. Sharon Paris, of Ripley, as something old. The handkerchief belonged to the great-grandmother of the groom, the late Mrs. Nell Yancey, of Ripley.

James Todd, of Henning, sang *God Bless the Broken Road*, before the couple exchanged vows and Mrs. Jennette Grantland, of Ripley, sang *The Wedding Prayer* during the lighting of the unity candle.

Mr. Irvin escorted the couple and the wedding party out of the chapel with *Ode To Joy* on the bagpipes after the ceremony.

Mrs. Jennifer Littles, of Ripley, a friend of the bride, served as matron of honor. Other attendants were Mrs. Shelia Roberts, of Halls, sister of the groom; Autumn Alley, of Atlanta, Ga., friend of the bride; and Tina Yancey, of Dyersburg, cousin of the groom. They wore pearl pink strapless ball gowns with a rhinestone brooch. They carried hand tied bouquets of pink and white roses with pink gerbera daisies.

Rebecca Lohner, of Dyersburg, cousin of the groom, and Natalie Caviness, of Ripley, cousin of the bride, served as flower girls. They wore white satin gowns and carried silver

## West Tennessee Golden Gloves Held



**MEMBERS**, of the Lauderdale County Boxing Club, including Jaxson Woodard, 10, D.J. Rogers, 8, Chuckie Driver, 12, Deundre Smith, 10, Brandon Smith, 11, Sportez Currie, 12, Toddy Pettigrew, 10, Frank Dees, 16, Steve Garrison, 15, Kani Coleman, 15, Treyveon Taliaferro, 10, Blake Layne, 19, and Olajowan Smith, 13, competed in the West Tennessee Golden Gloves in Jackson Friday and Saturday nights. Victory Baptist Church members allowed the team use of their church van for their trip.

Friday night results included: Jaxson doing a great job against opponent, Caleb Betts, of Owensboro, Ky., losing by a close decision.

Toddy out-scored Austin Gardner, of Augusta, Ark. Treyveon caught Bryant Bowers, of Jackson, with a straight, left hand to the body in the first round winning by (RSC) referee stopped contest.

Kani sent Jessie Davis back to Memphis after a boxing lesson in defeat. Steve faced a larger opponent, Brandon Transou, of Jackson, but came out the victor. Olajowen did well against Wesley Budwell, of Lexington, coming up a little short.

Saturday night results included: Deundre just out-skilled Cody Vandiver, of Owensboro, Ky., with his illusive maneuver.

Brandon lost to Sam Alvery, of Owensboro, Ky., and Sportez lost to Kent Henley, of Owensboro.

Toddy strikes again as he defeated Dakota Hampton, of Lexington. Steve won again against his Lexington opponent.

Blake Layne, heavy weight, did very well in his debut against, Eric Nesby, of Memphis, coming up a little short.

baskets filled with pink rose petals.

Skyler Phillips, of Ripley, cousin of the bride, served as ring bearer.

Roger Yancey, of Ripley, uncle of the groom, and Willie Yancey, of Ripley, cousin of the groom, served as ushers. Mike Kirkpatrick, of Ripley, served as best man. Other groomsmen were Elvis Paris, of Ripley, father of the groom, Andrew Criner, of Brighton, and James Todd, of Henning. They wore black tuxedos with pink ties, matching the groom's.

The reception was held in the downstairs fellowship hall of the church. Tables were draped in white and pink tulle with silver candelabras, magnolia leaves, and spring flower arrangements in shades of pink. The bride's table featured a three-tiered square strawberry wedding cake on a silver stand with white lattice, lights, and magnolia leaves as the back drop.

The groom's table was decorated with police memorabilia, magnolia leaves and candles. The cake was a chocolate patrol car. After a honeymoon trip to Gatlinburg, they are residing in Ripley.

### Anniversaries

April 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Burlison, Mr. and Mrs. David Edwards.

April 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Phil Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Childress, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Cohill.

April 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Norman Layne, Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Hutcherson, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Ward.

April 6 - Mr. and Mrs. James L. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Stanley.

April 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gibbons.

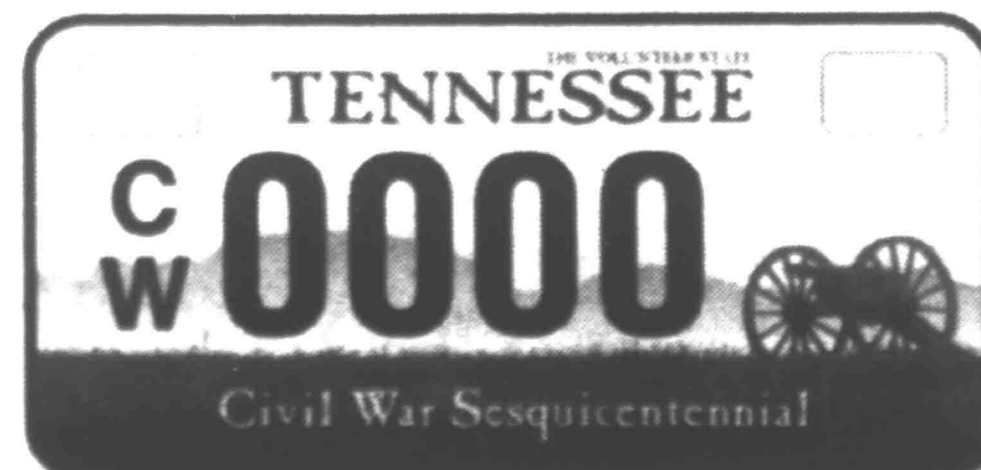
April 8 - Mr. and Mrs. Owen Thurmond, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Taylor.

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## Obituaries

### Henry L. Moses, A Black Pioneer

Henry Lee Moses, Jr., 69, reported by Rawls Funeral Home as born at Henning, Jan. 5, 1940, to the late Henry Lee Moses and the late Ada Snow King, died Monday of last week in the Union City Manor Nursing Home.

Rites were Friday in Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church in Union City, where he had served as trustee, with burial in East View Cemetery in Union City.

A 1958 graduate of Miles High School in Union City, he attended Owen College in Memphis, Dyersburg State, and Lane College in Jackson.

An Army veteran, he had retired from Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. in Union City.

He was among the first Afro-American law enforcement officers in Obion County, serving three 4-year terms as constable. He was an honorary sheriff's deputy.

He was a member of Union City's Silver Trowel Masonic lodge.

Survivors include his wife, the former Cora Ellarine Abbott, whom he married May 11, 1964; sons, Emeka, of Union City, and Henry III, of Bowling Green, Ky.; daughters, Arisa Moses, Evickett Lawson, and Otondaette (Mrs. Wayne) Felton, all of Union City, Chinyere Moses, of Smyrna, and Tierney Muhammad, of LaVergne; a brother, Will, of Jackson; sisters, Penny Austin, of Covington, and Susie J. Mofatt, of St. Louis, Mo.; 14 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

### 'Boy' Bowers

Robert Alvie "Boy" Bowers, 92, of Gates, former Kroger's baker, died Sunday in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

His body will lie in state from noon to 6 p.m. Friday in Thompson's Mortuary in Ripley. Rites will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in its cemetery.

### 'Ike' Morgan

Spencer "Ike" Morgan, 77, of Henning, a retiree from the Corps of Engineers, died Tuesday of last week, in his residence.

Rites were held Saturday in Bethlehem Cemetery at Henning, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

He was the widower of Geraldine Morgan.

Survivors include sons, Larry Morgan and Charlie and Tony Harris, daughters, Charlotte and Elaine Harris and Stephanie Scott, a brother, Charlie William Morgan, and a sister, Recie Elem, all of Henning; other sisters, Lueida Dumas and Pearl Jackson, of Lansing, near Oak Ridge; 21 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

### Mary Huckaba

Born May 27, 1937, to the late Paris Hardee and Mary Hardee Walters, died Monday of last week in her home in Jackson.

Rites were Monday in Highland Memorial Gardens in Jackson.

Survivors include her husband for 48 years, William G. Huckaba; sons, David and Jimmy, a daughter, Linda; brothers, Charles, David, Phillip, Ray, and Sonny Hardee; a sister, Shirley Jones; and two grandchildren.

### Vivian Padgett

Vivian Padgett, 59, of Brighton, sister of Franklin Jones, of Ripley, died Monday of last week.

Rites were Wednesday of last week in Covington Funeral Home, with burial in Morrison Cemetery at Brighton.

Survivors include her mother, Jewel Patterson, and a daughter, Wendy (Mrs. Ed) Mauldin, of Brighton; another daughter, Lisa (Mrs. Brad) Hudson, of Mason; a step-son, Terry Wayne Padgett, of Parsons; a sister, Deborah Jones, of Atoka; five grandchildren; and a step-grandchild.

## Mourned



**Mary Grammer Oliver, 76,** of Hickory Withe, a Ripley native, died Tuesday of last week.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Peebles Funeral Chapel in Somerville, with burial in Somerville City Cemetery.

"Annie" had retired as an audit specialist for Memphis schools.

Survivors include her husband for 53 years, Lloyd O. Oliver; a son, David, of Cordova; brothers, Billy and Don Grammer, and a sister, Elizabeth Smith, of Hickory Withe; another sister, Peggy Hamilton, of Bartlett; and a grandson.

Memorial gifts to St. Jude Hospital would be appropriate.

### James Green

James Green, 86, of Detroit, Mich., brother of Walter Green, of Ripley, died Monday of last week in Detroit.

Rites were Tuesday in Galilee Missionary Baptist Church in Detroit, with burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Detroit, Barksdale Funeral Home, of Detroit, in charge.

Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, assisted here.

He was a retired factory worker.

Survivors include his wife, Willie Pearl Glass Green; sons, James, Jr., Johnny, Percy, Ricky, Robert, Terry, and Thomas Green, all of Detroit, and Billy Green, of North Carolina; daughters, Delois and Sharon Green, Frances Battles, Lydia Johnson, Mildred Miller, and Shirley Ann Bursley, all of Detroit; another brother, Chester, of Joliet, Ill.; 43 grandchildren; and 70 great-grandchildren.

### Rita Arthur

Rita Elaine Arthur, 60, of 3764 Charles Brown Cove, Memphis, sister of Roger Gray, of 2379 Asbury-Glimp Road, Ripley, died Monday in St. Francis Hospital in Bartlett.

After visitation from noon, rites are set at 2 p.m. Thursday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Archer's Chapel Cemetery in Crockett County.

She had retired from employment with the City of Bartlett and with Ford Motor Credit.

She was a member of Ellendale Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Rufus Earl Arthur; sons, Ryan and Shawn, of Bartlett; and four grandchildren.

### Willie Bellows

Willie Mae Bellows, 89, of Halls, died Saturday in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

After visitation Friday from noon to 4 p.m. in Currie's Funeral Home in Henning and 6 to 8 p.m. in St. Matthew Zion Baptist Church in Halls, rites will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in St. Luke Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in Old Chapel Cemetery at Halls.

Survivors include sisters, Hattie Piphus, of Halls, Ollie Jones, of Ripley, Aline Vaughn, of Humboldt, and Naomi O'putt, of Centralia, Ill.; a brother, Freddie Piphus, of Cincinnati, Ohio; a granddaughter whom she reared, Cynthia Patrick, of 506 Pearl, Halls; and two great-grandchildren.

### Mamie Teague

Mamie Jewell Teague, 89, of 260 Thompson, Ripley, widow of Troy Whitten Teague, died Sunday in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Pleasant Hill Cemetery at New Albany, Miss.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Ripley.

Survivors include daughters, Martha Drumwright, of Ripley, and Melba Masson, of Arlington,

### Mary Kemper

Mary Magdeline Moody Kemper, 70, of Dyersburg, sister of Betty Lee Warden, of Halls, and Flossie Hoye, of Ripley, died Friday in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Tuesday in Johnson-Williams Funeral Home in Newbern, with burial in Rehoboth Cemetery near Newbern.

She was a member of Second Baptist Church.

She was the widow of John Kemper.

Survivors include sons, Adam Webb Moody, of Dyersburg, and Richard Wayne Moody, of Dresden; a daughter, Pam (Mrs. Vincent) Younger, of Dyersburg; other sisters, Lucille Scott, of Dyersburg, and Sarah Dent, of Newbern; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

### Karyn Summar

Karyn Summar, 62, of Ripley, widow of Jerry Summar, died Saturday, in her home.

Rites were Tuesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Mary's Chapel Cemetery, east of Ripley.

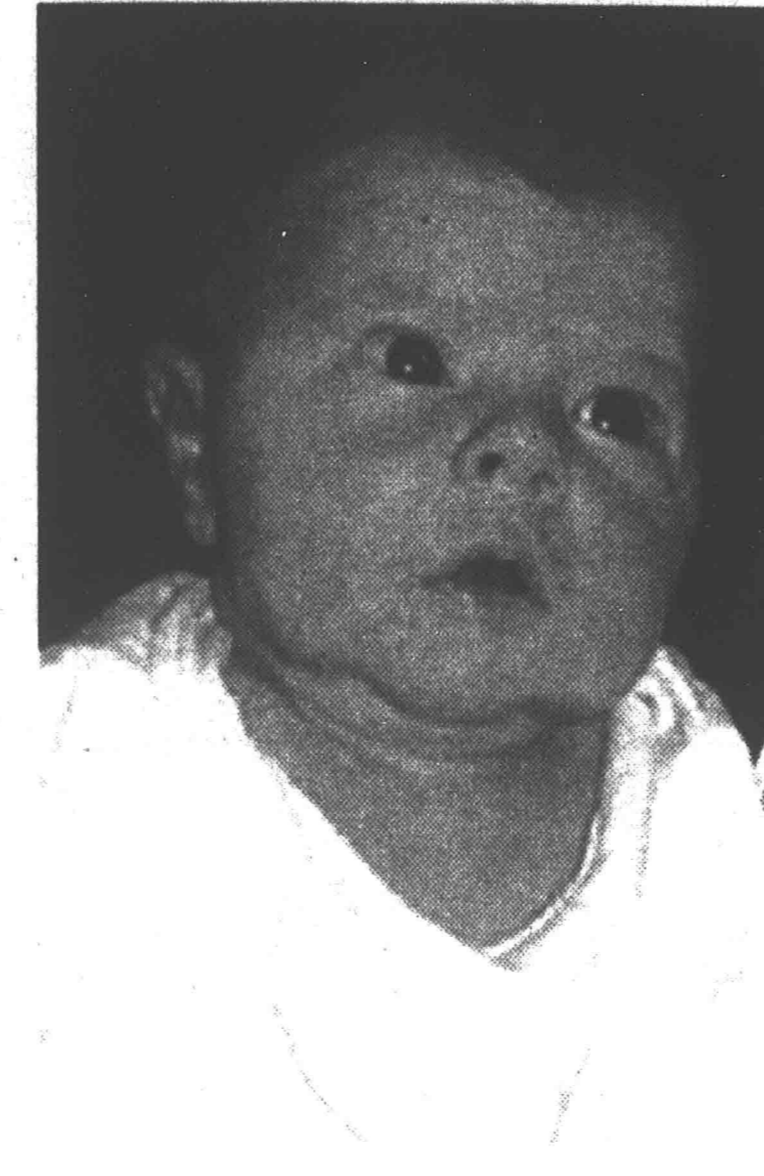
She was a member of Macedonia Baptist Church.

Survivors include her mother, Naomi Alley, sons, Jerry, Jr., and Robbie, and daughters, Johna Summar and Ruth Wright, all of Ripley; brothers, Larry Johns, of Gates, Garland Johns, of Cordova, and Preston Johns, of Florida; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Tex.; a son, Terry, of Temple, Tex.; brothers, Clifford Reed, of Bartlett, and Milburn R. Reed, Jr., of New Albany, Miss.; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.



## Newborn He's Seven



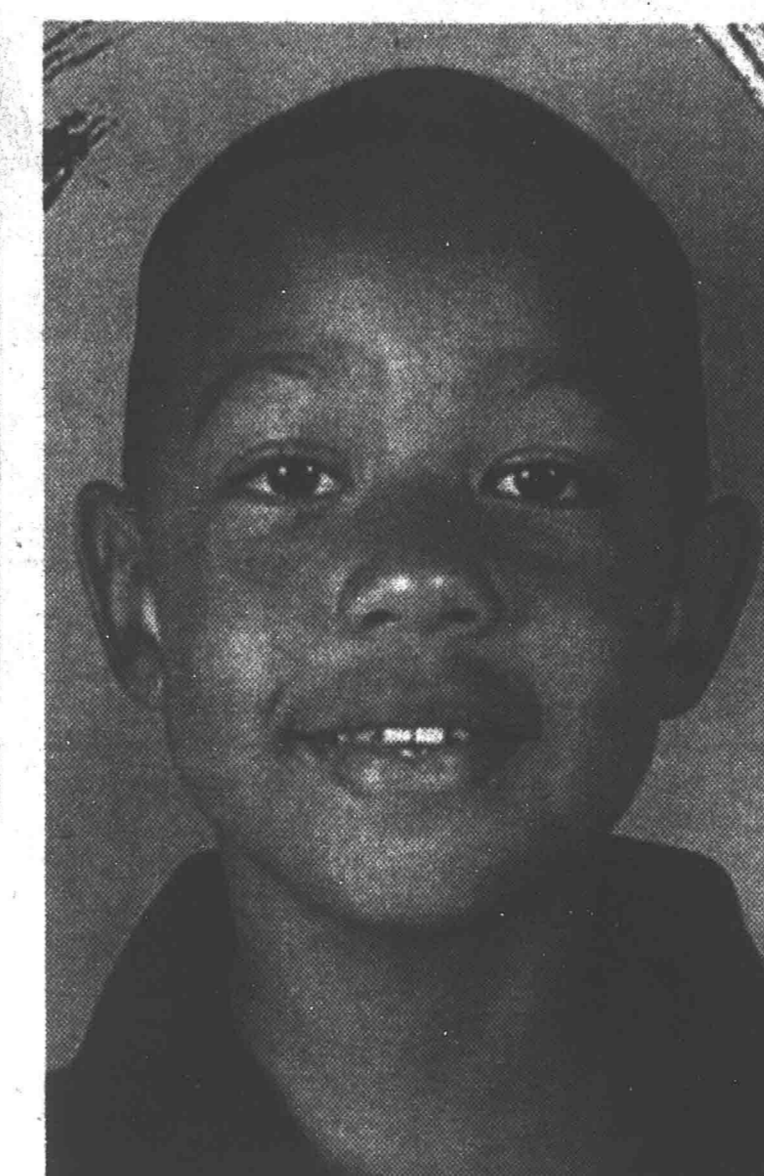
**PAUL MOORE, 9 lb. 3 oz.** son of Donnie, Jr. and Heather Moore, of Ripley, was born at 1:34 p.m. March 4th in Jackson Regional Hospital. Measuring 21-1/2 inches, Paul Ashton Bryant is the grandson of Danny Campbell, of Halls, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Moore, Sr., of Ripley; the great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Grantland, Kathleen Ditto, and the late Henry Ditto, all of Ripley, Wesley and Mary Ray, the late Mitchell Campbell, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Tollie Moore, all of Gates, and the late Mr. and Mrs. William Gitchell, of Halls; and the great-great-grandson of Mr. and Mrs. James Tolbert and Magna Booker, all of Ripley, and Francis Voss, of Halls.

## Birthdays

April 2 - Haley Turmbow, Madeline "Mott" Vaden, Stephen Belton, Shelley Jones, Justin Garrett, Diane Land, Ricky Crihfield, Leon Jackson, Dianne Ungerecht, Shirley Hutcherson, Matthew Casey Walker, Timmy Green, Cordell Adkins, Carolyn Emerson, Breanna Adkins, Tanner Wakefield.

April 3 - Megan McBrook, Jodie Holder, Andrew Vaughan, Renee Nelson, James Berkley, Brandon Spicer, Megan Zachary, Joseph Holcomb, Ethan Platzke.

April 4 - Angela Hunter,



**AMA'JAY BOYD,** son of Anetta Boyd, will celebrate his seventh birthday April 1st, April Fool's Day, along with his mother. The family will have a party Saturday, April 4th at Chuck E. Cheese. He is the brother of Tracie M. Boyd, of Ripley; the grandson of Willie Crawford, of Michigan, and the late Traci M. Boyd, of Ripley; the great-grandson of Mrs. Louise Boyd and the late J. B. Boyd, of Ripley; and the great-great-grandson of Mrs. Alice Campbell and the late Martin Campbell, of Halls.

Grant Caldwell, Kara Steelman, Caleb Steelman, Shane Harris, Austin Reynolds, Vanessa Williams, Michelle Brown, Heather Fitzhugh, Jody Sorrell, Lexie McMahan, Channing Kidd, Robbie Smith, Sherri Smith.

April 5 - Angela Dew, Gary Baker, Crystal Barham, Jistine Lawson, Scott Oates, Molly Jackson, Bryant Nash, Sr., Alex Baker.

April 6 - Charles Carter Walker, Bobby Best, Kathy Brooks, Finley Green, Amber Davis Allen, Glenda Davis, Sondra Wright, Hope Hoffman, Jason Young, Art Poisal.

April 7 - Amanda K. Lane, Kelly Crawford, Caroline Cannon, Marion Ward, Wanda Brewer, David Elkins, Regina Fleming, Jimmy Goforth, Billie Crihfield, Lindsey Jones,

## Celebrating Birthday



**KYLE FITZHUGH,** left, son of Jeff and Mary Fitzhugh, of Halls, celebrated his ninth birthday March 6th with his classmates in the room of Heather Hunt at Halls Elementary. The students enjoyed Blue Star Wars cupcakes and Darth Malt Soda. He celebrated March 6th and 7th with a Star Wars themed sleepover at the home of his parents with Darth Vader burgers, Han Solo pizza, Yoda soda, Luke Skywalker cake, Princess Leia dip, and Chewbecca chips, along with several other Star Wars themed foods. They made their own lightsabers, complete with a lightsaber duel, rode in a special Star Wars aircraft and played various Star Wars games. The boys especially enjoyed Darth Vader talking with them. Attending were, from left, Will Rasp, Dylan Murray, Jace Moore, Noah Bailey, Andrew Deboard, and Cade Moore.

Teresa White, Madison Walker, Tonya Joyce, Katie Brassfield, Payne Fullen, Matthew Swope, Michelle Jones, Karlee Rhodes, Annie Jones.

April 8 - Andrew Belton, Ouida Belton, Thomas Terry, Tyler Hyde, Cheryl Reynolds, Devona Temple Shaw, Greg Coughlan, William Massengill, Nancy Mooney, Joseph Henison, Ryan Reynolds, Milford Durham.

## School Lunches

### Lauderdale County Schools

#### Monday, April 6th

Chicken Fajitas  
Pizza  
Corn Nibbles  
French Fries  
Orange Sections  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk

#### Tuesday, April 7th

Steak Fingers  
Fish Fillet  
Broccoli Bites  
Black Eye Peas  
Banana

Roll  
Choice Of Milk  
**Wednesday, April 8th**  
Spaghetti  
Green Beans  
Tossed Salad w/Dressing  
Pineapple Tidbits  
Grapes  
Roll  
Choice Of Milk  
**Thursday, April 9th**  
Chicken Nuggets  
Whipped Potatoes  
Green Peas  
Peaches  
Roll  
Choice Of Milk  
**Friday, April 10th**  
Good Friday  
No School

## School Lunches

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

**Monday, April 6th**  
Chicken Fajitas w/Trimmings  
Corn Nibbles  
Orange Sections  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk

**Tuesday, April 7th**  
Steak Fingers  
Broccoli Bites  
Banana  
Roll  
Choice Of Milk  
**Wednesday, April 8th**  
Spaghetti  
Tossed Salad w/Dressing  
Grapes  
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## Marriages

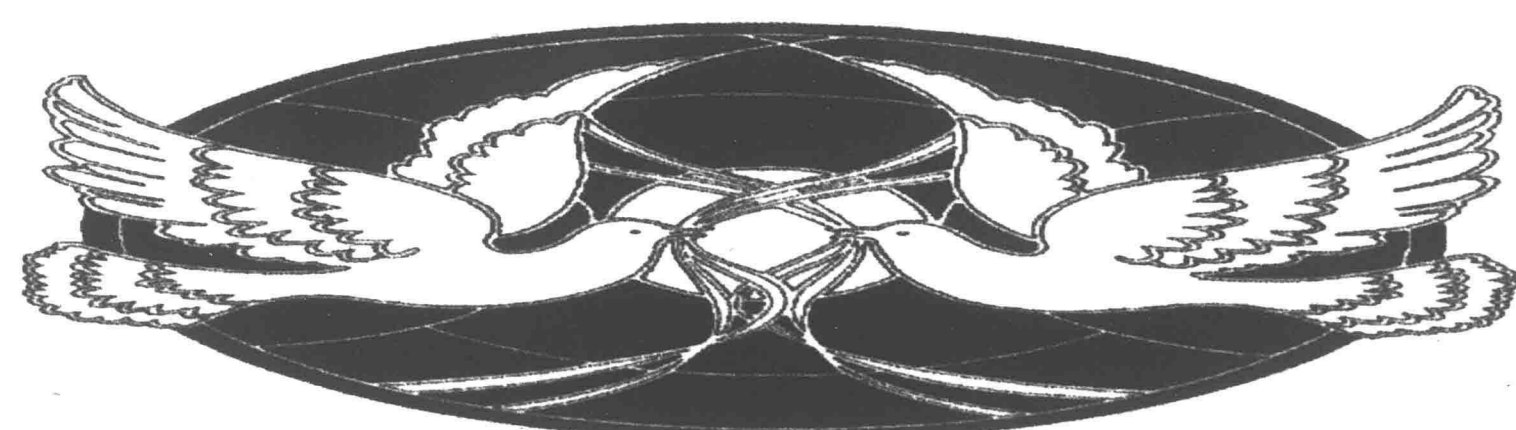
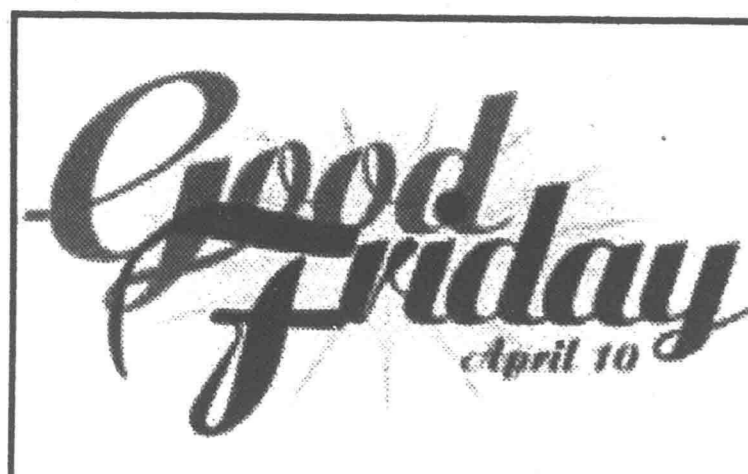
March 24th - Jessie Lee Harris, Sr., 47, to Tiffany Dianne Taylor, 33, by Rod Schuh.

March 27th - Justin Cody Osteen, 19, to Billie Nicole Mooney, 16, by Jon Pavletic.

## Halls Softball Snaps 4-Game Loss Streak

Halls High School's softball team Monday ended a 4-game losing streak with a 10-1 victory at Lake County.

Halls lost to Dyersburg, 12-11, to Munford, 5-4 and 4-2, and to Crockett County, 1-0, before its two games in Humboldt.



## 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.

A gospel choir competition will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, April 4th at the Halls Junior High School gymnasium to benefit the F. A. Rhodes Community Center. The event is sponsored by the Northside Advisory Board. The public is invited. For more information, call 836-9506.

Faith United Methodist Church, 8301 Hwy. 87 W., near Henning, will hold an Easter egg hunt beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 4th with prize eggs, cookies and punch. The public is invited.

Spirit Filled Baptist Church, 5432 Asbury Glimp Rd., will hold a youth revival beginning at 6 p.m. March 29th and continuing through April 2nd. Worship services will be held at 7 p.m. with Don Dowdy as guest evangelist. Constant Witness will deliver special music.

Mt. Lebanon Assembly Of God Church, 7560 Hwy. 51 S., near Henning, will hold a Holy Ghost Filled revival at 7 p.m. April 1st through the 3rd featuring the Sloan Family, of Corinth, Miss. For more information, contact Beth Fincher, 635-0698, or Jackie Hunt, 901-238-0271. 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.

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## Halls Teams Lose Tennis

Halls High School tennis teams lost Monday to Madison, the boys 10-1, the girls 8-1.

Boys' singles -- Tommy Wright, HHS, defeated Kevin Luy, 8-2.

Girl's doubles -- Amber Worley and Alex Stanley, HHS, defeated Davidson and Mott, 8-1.

The purpose of life is not to be happy - but to matter, to be productive, to be useful, to have it make some difference that you have lived at all.

-Leo Rosten

## Halls Nine Defeated Twice In Humboldt

Humboldt defeated Halls High School's baseball team Monday, 5-4 and 9-3.

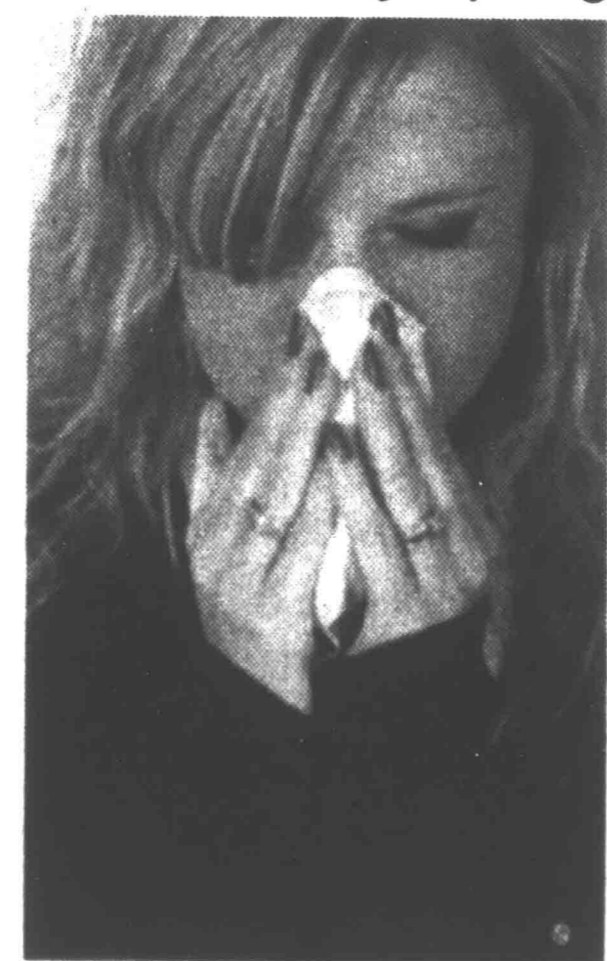
The losses came after wins last week from Bradford, 11-0 and 16-2.

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## Prevent Colds and the Flu When the Weather Warms

Just because we're saying goodbye to winter doesn't mean the cold and flu season will be going the way of Jack Frost, too.

Rhinoviruses and Coronaviruses are believed to cause a large percentage of all adult colds, primarily in winter to early spring. However, more than 200 different viruses are known to cause the symptoms of the colds of varying severity. In the United States suffer one billion colds, according to



In terms of the flu, in the occurs anywhere from late it's still possible to have the to the Centers for Disease approximately 5 percent to get the flu, and more than ized for flu-related compli-

The common cold and flu are caused by viruses that can be contracted in a number of ways. One of the primary ways is through "droplet spread," or when droplets of fluid are propelled from a cough or sneeze from an infected person, and then come in contact with the nose or mouth of another. These viruses can also be contracted by touching a surface contaminated with a cold or flu virus. Many do not know that viruses may stay on surfaces anywhere from a few seconds to 48 hours. Non-porous materials, such as plastic, could harbor the viruses longer than porous materials, such as fabric.

### Preventing colds and the flu takes a few easy steps:

- \* Wash your hands frequently with soap and water, for at least 15 to 20 seconds to kill viruses and bacteria.
- \* Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer on occasion if you cannot immediately wash your hands.
- \* Get a flu shot.
- \* Regularly clean your desk, phone and computer keyboard and mouse -- at home and at the office -- with disinfectant sprays or wipes.
- \* Encourage those who are sick to stay home from work, school and other commitments. Avoid close contact with sick individuals.

## Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here! I am at the Club today. I heard Mr. Buddy say that he was going to the landfill and I ran and jumped in the truck with him. The last time that I went to the landfill, I got into trouble. So I decided that I would stay in the truck, even tho it would be hard to do. We rode-back to the great place and Mr. Buddy got out of the truck. He was unloading some stuff and I stuck my head out of the door and he told me to get back. I barked to let Mr. Buddy know that I saw something. He turned around and he saw the four legger. He let me get out of the truck and I went over to the four legger. He was short and had a funny haircut. He told me that he was lost from his two legger. I asked him where did he live but he did not know. I told him to come over to the truck and Mr. Buddy would take him to the Club and we would find his two legger. He jumped into the truck faster than I did. He was really scared. On the way back to the Club, he told me that his name was Griff and he was a schnauzer. I had never heard of a schnauzer but I acted like I knew exactly what he was talking about. I told him that my name is Zeek and I am the Top Dog at the Club. We got back to the Club and Mr. Buddy told Griff to come on in and that he was safe now. Griff jumped into Mr. Buddy's arms and I was so proud of Mr. Buddy. He is really a good guy to my Buds. We all went into the office and told Scooter and Mr. Greg the story of finding Griff at the landfill. Scooter told some kind of joke about going to the landfill with one four legger and coming back with two four leggers. I really didn't understand the joke but everybody laughed, so I did too. Griff was hungry and thirsty. Mr. Buddy gave him some food and water. After Griff ate, he really needed a nap. Scooter even let Griff get in the chair with him. Then I was proud of Scooter. Griff got to stay in the office with us all day. Miss Pam came in and saw Griff. She said that he was soooo cute. Mr. Buddy told her that we really needed to find Griff's two leggers. They both got on the phone and started calling other two leggers. They did not know who he belonged to. So everybody went to eat lunch and left me and Griff at the Club to watch over all of the four leggers.

When Miss Pam, Mr. Buddy, Scooter and Mr. Greg came back in from lunch. They all were smiling. Miss Pam picked up Griff and told him that he would be back home with his two legger in no time. While they were at lunch, Scooter bought *The Enterprise* and there on the back page was a picture of Griff and his two legger's phone number. Miss Pam called the two legger and told him that Griff was safe and okay with us. In a few minutes, a two legger came in the Club and was so glad to see Griff. Griff jumped in his arms and licked him all over. The two legger was so happy and he thanked all of us. Mr. Buddy told him to thank me the most because I had found him at the landfill. The two legger patted me on my head and I looked up at him and smiled. The two legger and Griff went home. Miss Pam told me that it was time for us to go home and I was glad because I needed a nap. On our way out of the door, a two legger brought us six four leggers that he could not take care of anymore, Cody, a 5 year old Aust/German shepherd mix; Sadie, a 7 year old spayed German Shepherd; Darling, a spayed cocker mix; and Pizza, a lab

### DEADLINE EXTENDED

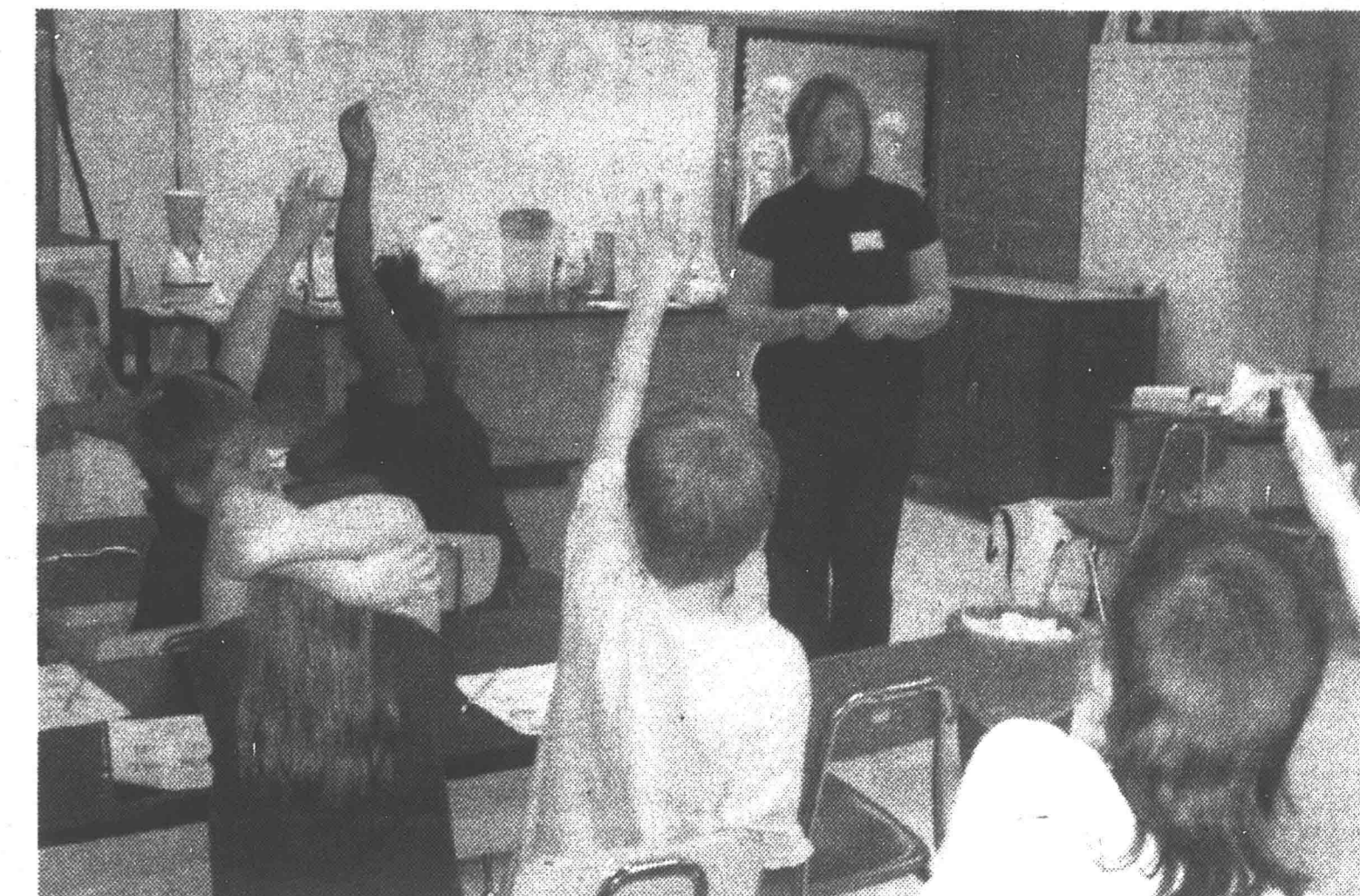
The deadline for applying for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Flood Plain Easement program, under the Emergency Watershed Protection program, has been extended to April 10th. Richard Cooke, district conservationist for the Natural Resources Conservation Service office in Lauderdale County stated that local landowners have a chance of tapping into the \$145 million set aside by the USDA to restore thousands of acres of frequently flooded land to its natural state. Local landowners are urged to consider the benefits of this program. The restored flood plain will generate many public benefits such as flood protection, enhanced fish and wildlife habitat, and improved water quality. The funding is obtained from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and includes both technical and financial assistance.

For more information, call the USDA Service Office, 731-635-7686, ext. 114.

mix with two cute puppy four leggers.

I told all of the four leggers that it would be alright and that we would find them new two leggers to go home with. So if you need a new best friend, we have some really good four leggers at the Club that need a new two legger to go home with. John and Donna Grimes and Steven Ortega came out to the Club and took Joey, the black and tan dachshund, home with them. Whitney and Andrew Vaughan found Dixie, a black lab puppy, and took him home. John Quilbio could not resist taking a pointer puppy home with him. Mr. Billy Poe Brandon was the two legger that came to reclaim Griff. The big lick this week goes to Scott Sanders for all of the dog food that he brought to my Buds. Miss Pam and I finally got home and I got that much

## Nutrition Lesson



STUDENTS in the second and third grade at Halls Elementary School received a lesson March 23rd on nutrition, instructed by Katie Wyatt, 4-H Extension Agent, and Rachel Parker, FCS Extension Agent. The students also tasted dairy smoothies.

needed nap. But before I went to sleep, Miss Pam told me how proud of me she was for finding Griff at the landfill and not getting stinky in the good stuff. I smiled on the inside as I went to sleep.

Don't forget to have your four leggers spayed or neutered so that we will not have so many puppy four leggers at the Club. Send your two leggers out to the Club with some

food for me Buds and some cleaning supplies. We always are in need. You can drop off your donations at Beasley Treasures on Hwy. 51, or come see us at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, or mail us something at P.O.Box 172, Ripley, or just call us at 836-PETS (7387). Be as good as your 4 legger thinks you are. Next time, I get to go to the landfill, I'm getting in the stinky stuff!!! Zeek out!!

### Land Transfers

March 22nd-March 28th

Jan Hutcherson to Arthur Greenhaw and Julie Greenhaw, Dist. 10, lot.

Bettie Spivey to Bobby Treadway, Dist. 2, lot.

Gaston Garrett and Duston Garrett to John Gaines, Dist. 3, lot.

Homesale Inc. to James L. Moore, Dist. 12, lot.

Harhar Farms LLC to John J. Heflin III and Norah H. Williams, Dist. 5, lot.

Frances C. Hargett Tr, Frances C. Hargett Revocable Living Trust and Mary Ellen Hargett Carnell to John R. Carroll and James R. Carroll, Dist. 14, lot.

William E. Davis and Carol M. Davis to Warren L. Grammer and Kate T. Grammer, Dist. 2, lot.

T. B. Stanley to Jimmy Car-

### UTM SCHOLARSHIPS

Devin Blankenship, daughter of Alfred and Debbie Blankenship, of Ripley, and Carley Cherry, daughter of Kent and Cathy Cherry, of Halls, were awarded scholarships to the University of Tennessee at Martin for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Devin received the UTM McWhorter scholarship.

Carley received the Chancellor's award.

roll, Sr., Connie Carroll, and Jimmy Carroll, Jr., Dist. 2, 1.250 acre.

Blaine Stanley to Jimmy Carroll, Sr., Connie Carroll and Jimmy Carroll, Jr., Dist. 2, 37.153 acres.

James H. (Jimmie) Summar and Norma Summar to Michael Steven Summar and Jamie Lee Summar, Dist 2, 32 acres.

### Cocaine Hunt xxx

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also charged as felons in possession of a fire-arm, with a penalty of up to 10 years in prison.

Arrests were made Friday morning at five locations in Halls.

From these locations, officers confiscated cocaine, four fire-arms with ammunition, three vehicles, and about \$50,000 in cash.

### Candidate xxx

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cultural Business.

"My wife is Mary Hellen Pugh, a retired Halls Elementary School teacher. We have three married children and two grandchildren, all of whom live in Lauderdale County, Leigh Pugh Douglas and Elizabeth Pugh Lague, both of Ripley, and Eugene Pugh III, of Halls.

"I have been in the business of farming with my family for 44 years, a partner in Halls Gin Co., a director at The Bank of Halls, a member of the Board of Directors for Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale, former member of the Foundation Board for Dyersburg State Community College and a member

### HJH PTO To Host Pageant

Members of the Halls Jr. High parent organization will host the Lauderdale County Tiny Tot and Little Miss pageants April 18th. Entry forms will be accepted until April 14th.

Toddlers, Tiaras and Trucks will be the theme. Girls, aged 7 to 10, will be crowned Lauderdale County Little Miss. Girls and boys, between the ages of 4 and 6, and girls, 7 to 10, are invited. The pageant winners will have the opportunity to participate in the Strawberry Festival. Application forms are available at Halls Jr. School office and the Bank of Halls or contact Elizabeth, 836-9564.

of Halls First Baptist Church, currently serving as Chairman of the Stewardship (Finance) Committee.

"I have served Lauderdale County since 1970 as a County Commissioner, currently serving as Chairman of the Budget Committee. Public service for the Town of Halls has been a part of my life since 1968, as an Alderman for 27 years and as Mayor from 1997 to 2005.

"I believe that my many years of private business experi-

### Donations Presented



ROSE COBURN, right, assistant manager at Wal-Mart, presented a \$1,000 community check March 26th to Halls Police Chief Richard DeSpain, left.

### Worksite Needed For Internships

The Northwest Tennessee Workforce Board is seeking worksites for eligible interns for Summer Works internship program, a new program, offered through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The internship will be 32 hours a week for six weeks beginning June 8th to enable young adults to have a job, gain work experience, earn a wage and reinvest wages back into the economy. Interns will receive their wag

ence and commitment through public service to the Town of Halls and Lauderdale County show that I am more than a worthy candidate for Mayor of the Town of Halls.

"As a concerned citizen, I believe that the Town of Halls needs to be run as efficiently as possible. During these tough economic times it would benefit our citizens to have a business-minded leader looking out for the welfare of the town. I can provide that leadership and also be progressive enough to keep our town moving forward. My proven track record is being a part of the many improvements in the Town of Halls such as development and upgrade of Cihfield Park, improvements to the sewer lines,

### County Emergency Officials Discuss Plans

Members of the Lauderdale County Emergency Management Agency met March 25th at the Justice Complex. Jim Jarrett, local EMA director, spoke about the snow and ice storm that hit Lauderdale County February 28th and gave an update on the battery powered alerting system, which can be purchased at E. W. James and Sons in Ripley and Town and County in Halls. The codes from the National Weather Service will be programmed at the time of purchase.

Winston Cross, of the Memphis Chapter of the American Red Cross, spoke to the group about his organization, which is 95% volunteers and their slogan, "Prepare, Plan, and Respond".

Mike Caudell, of Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, was on hand to answer questions about their participation during a disaster.

about the welfare of our citizens and the availability of jobs in our community. I have always and will always continue to seek new industry and to help small businesses survive in the Town of Halls and will continue to be highly accessible to the citizens of the Town of Halls. I truly care about this town. It really is "A Good Place to Live." I have always served Halls and Lauderdale County to the best of my ability.

"I am asking for the consideration of your vote for the Mayor of Halls on Thursday, May 7, 2009. Your vote and your influence is greatly appreciated," said Pugh.

### LCSCD PROGRAM

Bill Parker, vice-chairman of the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District, stated landowners need to consider how the USDA Environmental Quality Incentives Program can help to eliminate gully and sheet erosion problems on their land. Local landowners can apply for the program which provides both technical and financial assistance to implement a variety of soil and water conservation practices to protect the natural resource base of the land. For more information, call the office, 731-635-7686, ext. 114, or stop by 301 Lake Dr., Ripley.

upgrades to the water plant, building a lagoon system, rehab of the water tanks, building a rural water system, rehab and new construction of approx. 36 houses, upgrades to City Hall and construction of a new fire station.

"As always, my concern is

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### Candidate



JENNIFER L. MOORE has announced her candidacy for the position of alderman for the Town of Halls. She issued the following statement.

"The past four years have been a learning experience for me, but I would not have traded it at all. The citizens of Halls and Lauderdale County have offered many words of encouragement and inspiration to me.

"I am the daughter of Mack and Lucille (Poe) Moore and mother to Private 1st Class Jason Claybrooks and Kenneth "KJ" Broadnax. I was educated in Halls, graduated from Halls High School and remained a Halls citizen.

"I furthered my education with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry from Lambuth University, a master of science degree from the University of Memphis, and a master of science degree in leadership from the U of M. I am currently completing an endorsement in speciality education and plan to seek a doctoral program in audiology in the fall of 2010.

"Education is the key to our success, it opens doors to new experiences daily. This is what I stress to my children and to all youth. Nothing is

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### Chase Hits 119 Miles Per Hour

Halls police officer Jason Colvin says that about 1:30 a.m. Saturday, a black Pontiac Firebird, no license plate visible, ignored his lights and siren and sped north on Hwy. 51. Halls officer Terry Williams, who was on Hwy. 51, clocked the Firebird at 119 miles per hour.

Colvin and Williams pursued the Firebird to 128 Dillon, Dyersburg, home of Matthew Harris, who is alleged to have had a small plastic bag, containing marijuana, in his pants pocket.

Harris is charged with felony evasion of simple possession of marijuana, reckless endangerment, driving without a license, and speeding.

### Sheriff's Dept. Calendar Scam

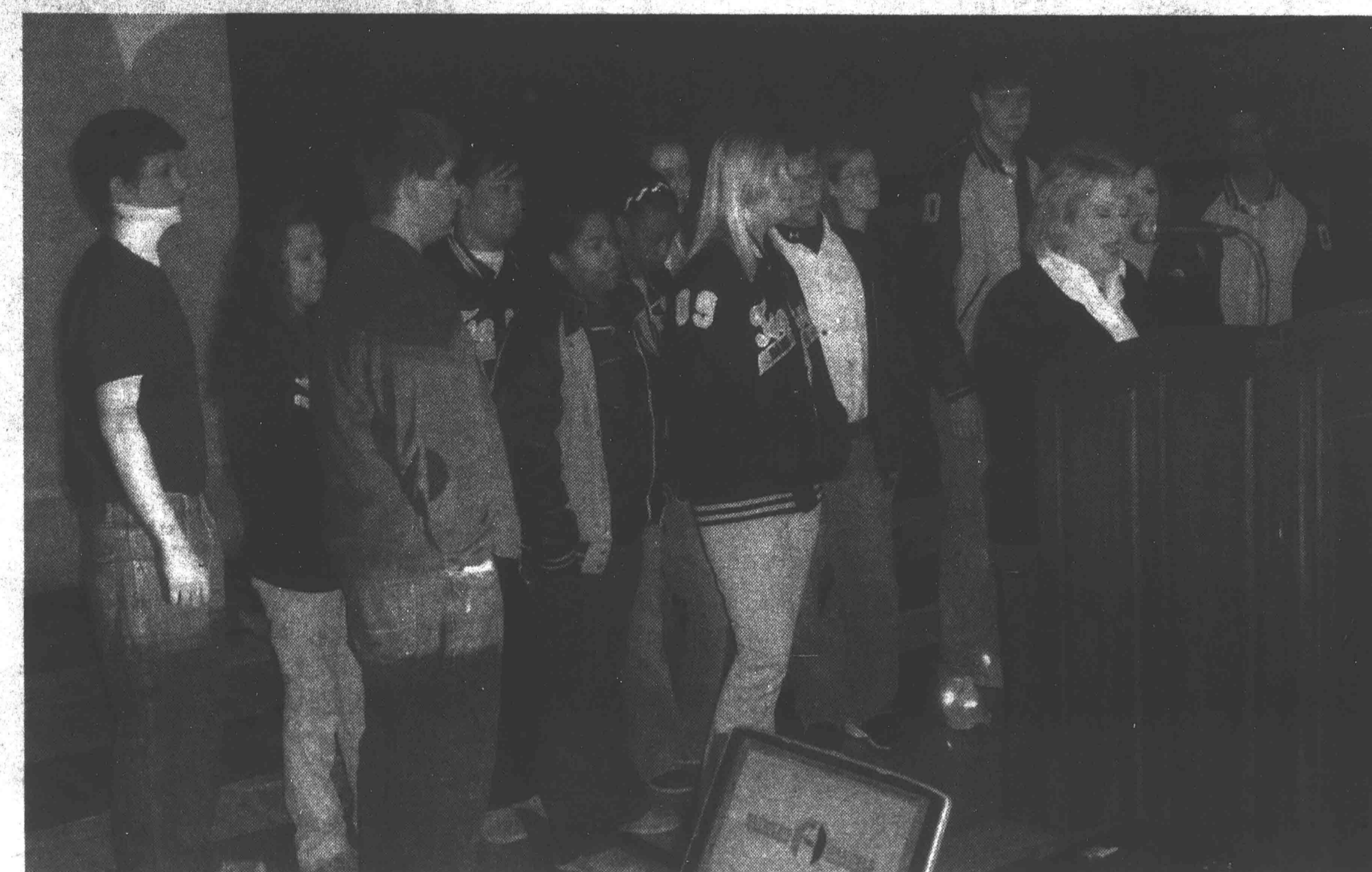
Several local businesses have been contacted by someone posing as a sales representative for the Lauderdale Sheriff's Department selling advertising space for the county maps and calendars. Sheriff Steve Sanders has said that they are not currently participating in any such campaigns and that this scam is being investigated.

For more information or to report contact with this person, please call 731-221-3411.

### Governor Pushes Haywood Plants

As top item in the state's industrial development efforts, Gov. Phil Bredesen is asking the state legislature to borrow, by issuing bonds, \$27,300,000 to buy

### HHS Wins TDOT Video Contest



EIGHTEEN STUDENTS in the classroom of Stephen Korpi at Halls High School, including Kenny Bishop, Shawnee Burris, Brad Cain, Corey Clevenger, Josh Collins, Stephanie Conder, Reginald Glass, Alyssiah Harrell, Bianca Jackson, Curt Latham, Rebecca Morris, Kristen Obie, Tori Pease, Brandon Ray, Kelli Reynolds, Jessica Roberts, Brittany Ward, and Shamona Wells, won the state-wide TDOT Project Orange "Between The Barrels" video contest. Andy Pugh, HHS principal, worked with Tennessee Department of Transportation officials to organize a surprise assembly Monday to honor the students involved in the winning video. Halls' 25 second video was selected from 76 entries across the state. It shows the tragedy that can happen when a group of teenagers make a bad decision while traveling through a work zone. The video began airing Monday on television stations across the state to spotlight the importance of safe driving in work zones. Work Zone Safety Week is April 6th through 10th.

"We are so proud of these students for their tremendous efforts creating this safety video. These teens worked very hard and I hope their message helps educate and save the lives of not only their friends but also other teens across Tennessee," said Pugh.

The students recorded a public service announcement message in Memphis at WREG television station and toured the facility. Representatives from the Tennessee Road Builders Association presented \$2,500 in gift cards and officials with Bridgestone presented five sets of tires to the winning group. Collins, Bishop, Obie, Conder, and Ray won the tires. The students were also encouraged to enter their video into the Bridgestone national teen safety video contest. The video was made at no cost to the school due to donations from the community.

(at \$16,058 per acre) 1,700 acres in Haywood County, off Interstate 40's Exit 42, almost on the Fayette County line, east of Mason and south of Stanton, as a possible industrial megasite.

Options on the 1,700 acres expire in October, 2010.

The county holds options on another 3,000 acres. Brownsville already offers

two industrial sites: a 61-acre distribution center site on Hwy. 76 and an 88-acre industrial site on Hwy. 70.

The state has 40 other sites listed as "deal ready":

Smallest, and new this year, is a 20-acre site at Hwy. 209 and American Way, north of Ripley.

Largest is 879 acres at

### Our Offices Close Early On Friday

The offices of *The Lauderdale County Enterprise* and *The Halls Graphic*, at 145 E. Jackson, Ripley, will close at noon Friday, Good Friday.

They will re-open at 8 a.m. Monday, April 13th.

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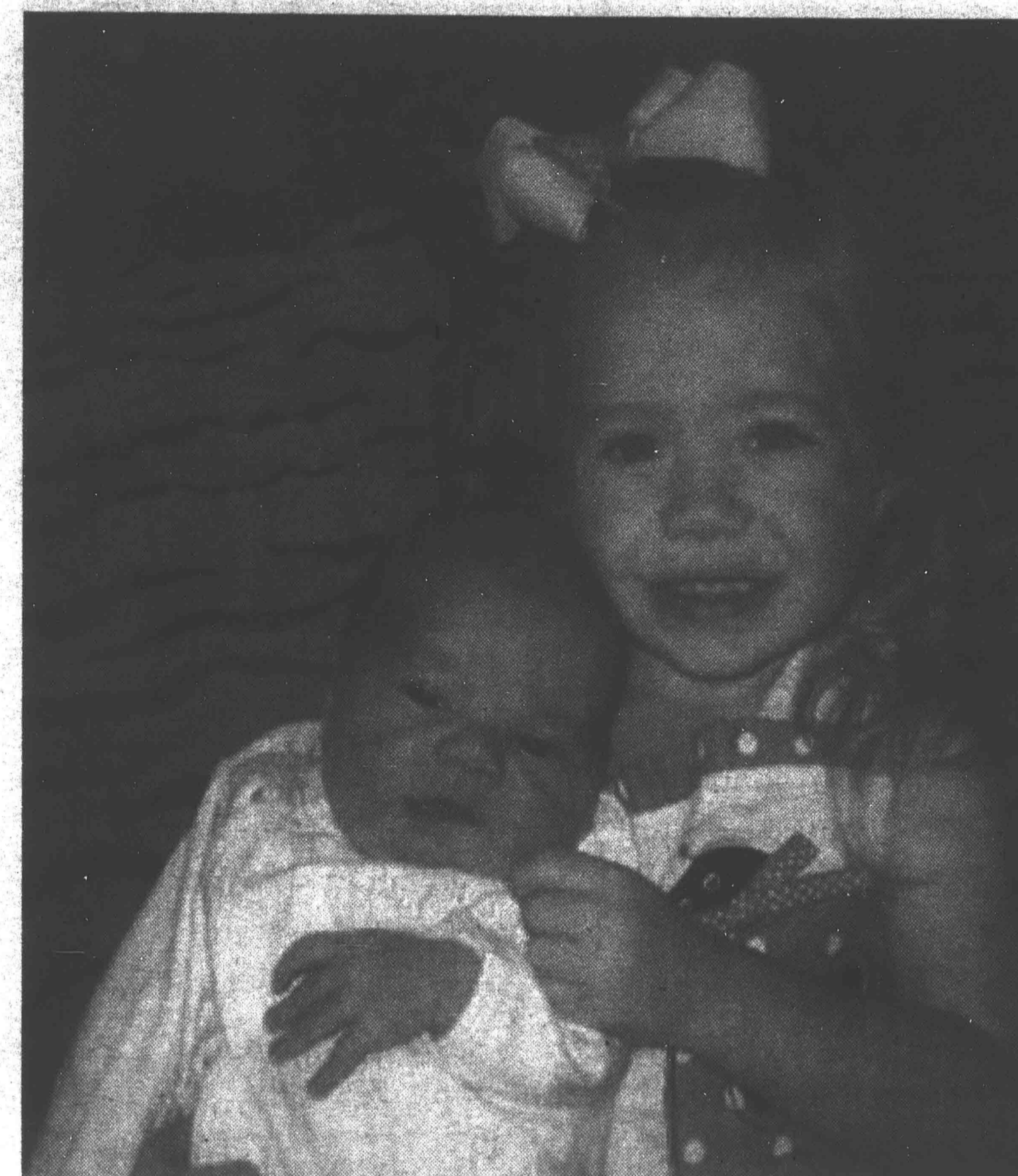
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## Newborn Brother



**MALACHI STONE (KAI) CULLUM**, 8 lb. 6 oz. brother of McKenzie Cullum, was born March 31st. Jeremy and Valerie Cullum, of St. Augustine, Fla., are the parents. Measuring 20 inches long, he is the grandson of Buddy and Anita Cullum, of Ripley, and Craig and Janet Stone, of Braselton, Ga., and the great-grandson of Peggy Cullum, of Ripley, and Louise Buckner, of Halls.

## Readers Speak

Letters printed in your paper are often critical of some service or function. This one is to report the excellent service provided recently by the Lauderdale County Animal Shelter.

A wild dog took up residence under our barn and caused havoc with our horses and dogs. After my friend, Lloyd Williams, and I were unable to catch the dog, I called the animal shelter. Buddy Smith and his assistant came out and set a live trap and baited it with dog food. When the dog trapped himself, Buddy was there to pick him up and haul him to the shelter. Having dealt with animal shelters in other cities over the years, we are most fortunate to have the fine shelter and staff that we have here. They deserve our help and support.

Ralph Hyde Ripley

## He's Three



**JACK MEYER**, son of Josh and Kathlene Meyer, of Halls, celebrated his third birthday Saturday, March 28th, at Halls First United Methodist Church with a "Max and Ruby" themed party. Josh read "Bunny Cakes" by Rosemary Wells to friends and family, where they learned about Max making an earthworm cake for Grandma's birthday. The kids were served a four layer earthworm cake topped with gummy worms and red hot marshmallow squirts (Dots candy) as a present from Max and Ruby since they were unable to come to the party.

Guests included Sophia Stallings, Jack Crawford, Hayden and Carson Kimble, Elizabeth Hurt and Benton Ream.

Grandparents are Bubba and June Ann Stallings, of Halls, and Bill and Ruth Meyer, of Eldorado, Ill. Great-grandparents are Jerre Stallings, of Halls, and Coach C. M. and Mary Kelly, of Ripley.

Jerry Temple, Jr., Deana Gammon, Dennis King, Jean Belton, Jonathan Scarce, Nancy Brewster, Julie Pickard, James Beasley, Luke Caldwell, Phyllis Schwinn.

April 14 - Doug Nelson, Kathy Sils, Jan Holder, Jessie Belton, Lila Waninger, Hunter Ractliffe, Cyndi McFall, Steve Sanders, Donna Galloway,

## Bridal Courtesies



**SARAH BETH CATES**, of Nankipoo, bride-elect of Dustin Lee Renfrow, of La Center, Ky., was honored Sunday, March 22nd with a bridal shower at Halls Westside Baptist Church with Callie Ruth Leggett, Shirley White, Charlotte Patton, Judy Newman, Juanita Broglin, Opal Robertson and Marilyn Broglin as co-hostesses. Special guests were Regina Renfrow, mother of the groom; Mary Helen Hicks, grandmother of the groom; Doris Ross, grandmother of the groom; Alisha Renfrow, sister of the groom; and Katrina Hendrickson, aunt of the groom, all of Kentucky, and Brenda Thurmond, of Nankipoo, mother of the bride.

Brandon Harrison, Kamryn Pennington, Dee Wright, Michael Johnston, Terisa Holcomb, Meg Fullen.

April 15 - Syble Moore, Jeremy Maxwell, Chris Pitts, Craig Tucker, Tommye Fisher, Adrian Taylor Terry, Dan Ungerecht, Rebecca Cain, Loretta Thurmond, Mary Yanders, Miriam Box, Chelsi White, Chelsey Odom, Lynn Vickery.

## DEADLINE

The deadline to make an application for the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Floodplain Easement program under the Emergency Watershed Protection program is April 10th.

For more information, call 635-7686 ext. 114.

Never look down on anybody unless you're helping him up. -Jesse Jackson

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# Obituaries

## Velma Durham

Velma Ann Durham, 63, of Brighton, sister of Melvin Hill, of 238 Lake Drive, Ripley, died March 29th in Baptist Hospital Tipton.

Rites were Wednesday of last week in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in Mount Lebanon Cemetery.

Born at Turrell, Ark., she had worked for Charms in Covington.

She was a member of Brighton's First Assembly of God.

Survivors include her companion, John Hubbard, a son, Jimmy, and a daughter, Judy Lumpkin, all of Brighton; and other brothers, Junior Hill, of Hohenwald, James Hill, of West Plains, Mo., and Charles Hill, of Alabama; three grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

## Robert H. Hart

Robert H. Hart, 61, of 802 W. Tigrett, Halls, died Sunday in the Veterans Hospital in Memphis.

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

Military honors recognized 31 years of service in the National Guard. He retired in 2005 as a sergeant first class.

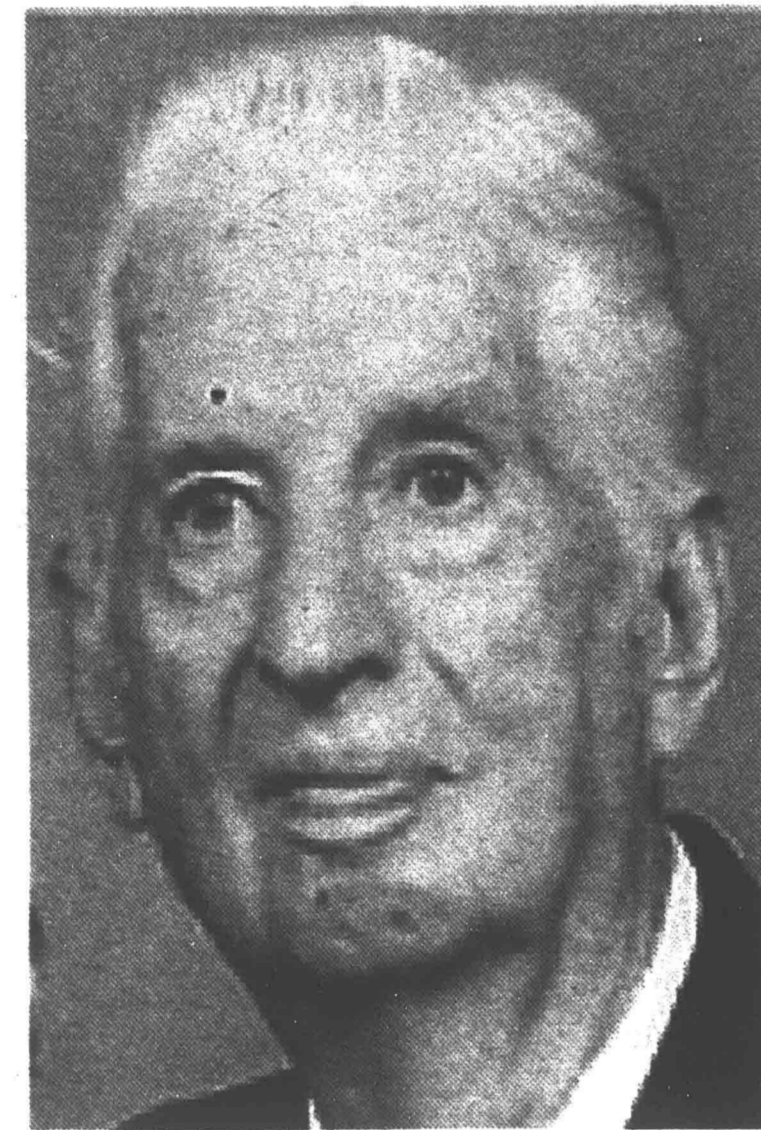
Survivors include his wife, Nancy Ann Viar Hart; a daughter, Natalie Hart, of Los Angeles, Calif.; and sisters, Elizabeth Ann (Mrs. James) Vaden, of Halls, and Laurel Wray (Mrs. Gary) Mays, of Azle, Tex.

## James L. Reese, Sr.

James L. Reese, Sr., 82, of Henning, a driver at Crain's Pharmacy, died Sunday, April 5th, at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, April 11th, at St. Mark M.B. Church where he served as deacon, trustee, secretary and third degree mason, with burial

## Mourned



**MARVIN L. LYELL**, 93, brother of Frances Voss, of 505 W. Main, Halls, died last week in Moultrie Creek Nursing Home in St. Augustine, Fla.

Rites were Tuesday in Arlington Park Funeral Home in Jacksonville, Fla., with burial in its cemetery.

He was born in this county, June 22, 1915,

An Army veteran of World War II, he moved to Pensacola, Fla., in 1948, and was for 30 years a civilian employed by its Naval Air Station.

He moved to Jacksonville, Fla., in 1989, where he was a member of the Arlington Assembly of God.

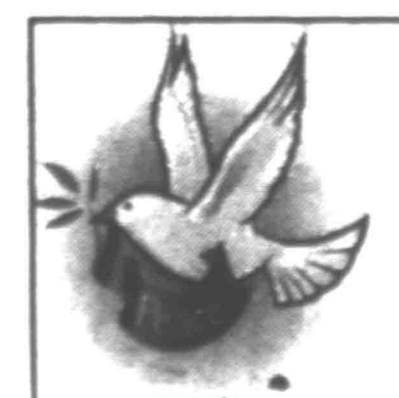
He had resided in St. Augustine since 2003.

Survivors include his wife for 63 years, Nell; a son, Ronald, of St. Augustine; two grandchildren; and two great-granddaughters.

in Townsend Cemetery, Barlow Funeral Home, of Covington, in charge.

He was the widower of Mae Ella Henning Reese.

He leaves sons, The Rev. Charlie E. Reese and The Rev. David A. Reese; daughter, Cornelia Reese; brother, William H. Reese; sisters, Alice M. Reese and Eddie Sue Reese; 15 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren.



## St. Jude Poker Run Scheduled

Students of the Patient Care Technician class at the Tennessee Technology Center will hold a St. Jude Poker Run beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 18th at the Ripley National Guard Armory. The first bike will leave at 10 a.m. and the last bike will return at 2:30 p.m. Stops will be made at the Tennessee Technology Center in Alamo, a restaurant in Brownsville, and Peebles in Covington, before returning to Ripley.

Proceeds will benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital and a small portion will fund the PCT graduation.

For information or registration fees, call 731-696-3783, between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

## Hardy Recognized By MTSU Fraternity

Chad Allen Hardy, son of Joe and Tammie Hardy, of Halls, was recognized as a member of Sigma Alpha Lambda, National Leadership and Honors Organization at Middle Tennessee State University. The organization is dedicated to promoting and rewarding academic achievement and providing members with opportunities for community service, personal development, and lifelong professional fulfillment.

## Curtis Robinson

Curtis Neal Robinson, 63, of 4342 Hwy. 13 South, Goldsboro, N.C., who was born at Halls, June 16, 1945, died March 29th.

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

He leaves his wife, Shirley Jean Robinson; daughters, Connie Matheny and Heather Lilly, brothers, Anthony, Doug, Steve, and Kenneth, and a sister, Cynthia Buchanan, all of Halls; and another daughter, Tonya Hill, of Mt. Olive, N.C.

## Foundation Hosts Tea



**BOARD MEMBERS**, of the Lauderdale County Education Foundation, including Pamela Cherry-Kerby, Brian Collins, Lynn Harmon, Joan Hartman and Julie Neal, will host a Literary Tea Saturday, April 25th, in the home of Elizabeth and Paul Lague. All proceeds to benefit scholarships for a senior at Ripley High School and Halls High School and a student at the Tennessee Technology Center and at the University of Tennessee Martin at Ripley.

Tickets may be purchased at Bank of Ripley.

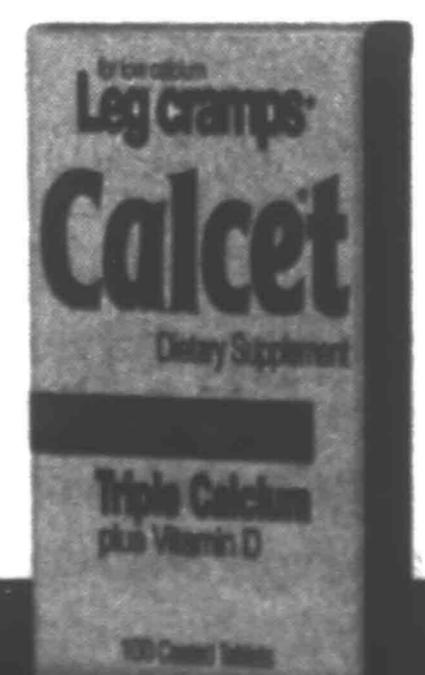
## Poison Prevention



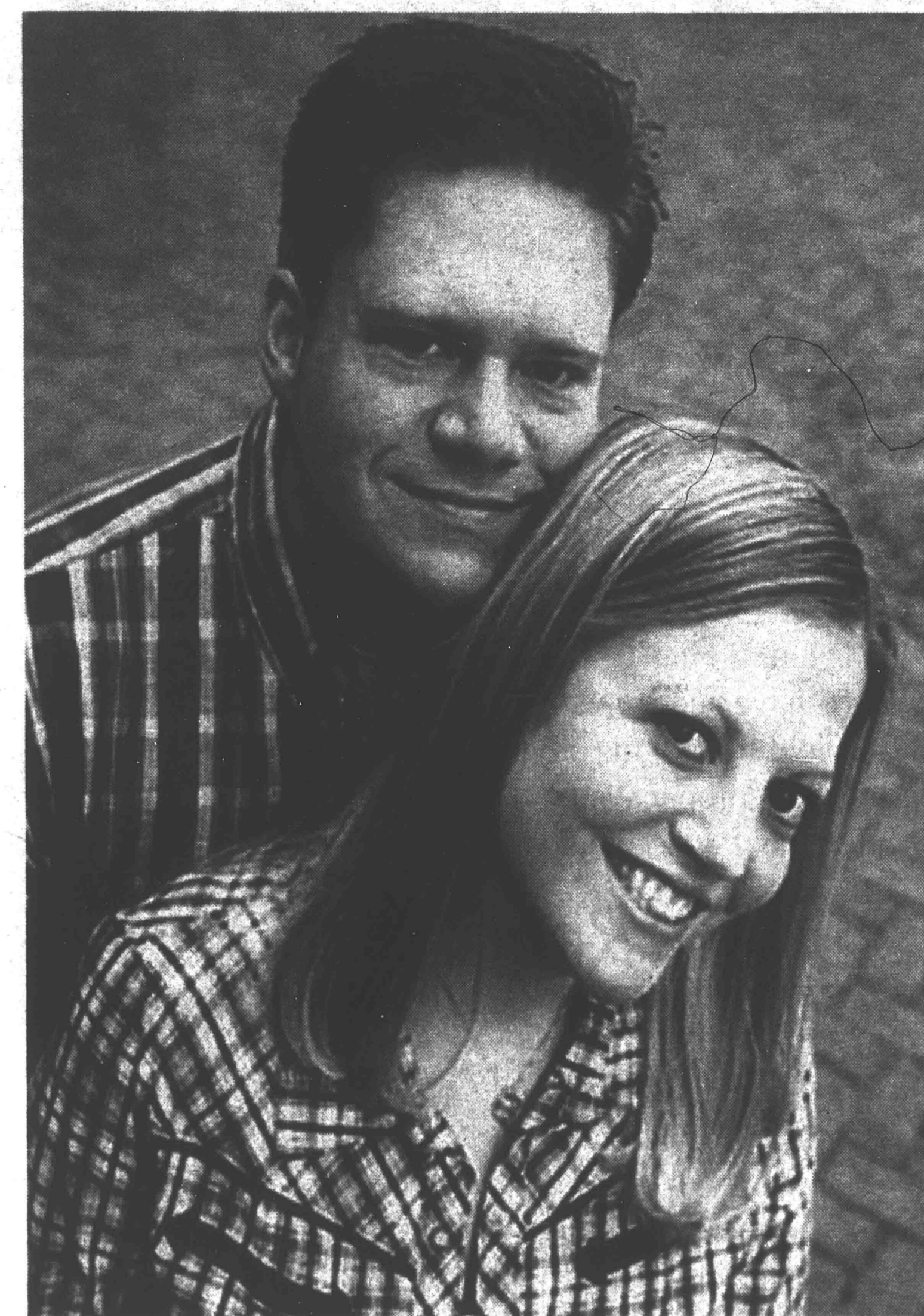
**STUDENTS** in the pre-kindergarten classroom of Marsha Camps at Halls Elementary School received Poison Prevention Awareness goodie bags during National Poison Prevention Week, donated by TSU Extension Agent, Rachel Parker and UT Extension Agent, Rachel Erwin. The goodie bags contained magnets, pencils, and brochures from the Poison Center.

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## May Nuptials Slated



**SARAH BETH CATES**, daughter of Sonny and Brenda Thurmond, of Halls, will marry Dustin Lee Renfrow, son of David and Regina Renfrow, of Barlow, Ky., at 6 p.m. May 16th in Halls Westside Baptist Church, with all family and friends invited. Invitations will be sent to out-of-town guests only.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Robert and Katherine Wright, of Halls.

A 2002 graduate of Halls High School, she was a member of the student council, yearbook, marching and concert band, French Club, and National Honors Society. A 2007 graduate of Murray State University she received a bachelor of science degree in nursing.

She is employed by Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah, Ky. as a RN, BSN.

The groom-elect is the grandson of Allen and Doris Ross and the late Irvin Renfrow, of Keval, Ky, and Mary Helen Hicks and the late Lewis Gale Hicks, of La Center, Ky, and the great-grandson of Mable Vaughn and the late Noble Vaughn, of Paducah.

A 2001 graduate of Ballard Memorial High School, in La Center, he was a member of the Future Farmers of America. He is a 2003 graduate of Paducah Community College with an associates degree in finance and a 2007 graduate of Kentucky Bankers and Lending School.

He is employed by Keval Bank as assistant vice-president.

## Marriages

March 28th - Joseph Wesley Ammons, 31, to Vickie Dale Scallions Hayles, 26, by Rocky Gillian.

April 1st - Michael De-

wayne Lawson, 34, to Connie Lee Stephens, 32, by Rod Schuh.

April 4th - Lester Ray Lambert, 21, to Ashley Dawn Drake, 19, by Rocky Gillian.

## School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, April 13th

- Hot Dog
- Pizza
- Tater Tots
- Carrot Sticks w/Dip
- Apple Slices
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, April 14th

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

Wednesday, April 15th

- Chicken Tenders
- Whipped Potatoes
- Green Beans
- Orange Sections
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk

Thursday, April 16th

- Menu
- School's Choice
- Friday, April 17th
- Grilled Chicken Sandwich
- Deli Sandwich
- Celery Sticks w/Dip
- Or Sandwich Trimblings Cup
- Peaches
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

Friday, April 17th

- Hot Dog
- Tater Tots
- Apple Slices
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, April 14th
- Tacos w/Trimblings
- Corn Nibbles
- Grapes
- Choice Of Milk

SOIL NEWS

Local landowners are encouraged to contact the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District to discuss any soil erosion problems that are present and to consider installing riparian buffers next to streams to reduce soil erosion by slowing the water run-off before it reaches the stream.

For more information, call 635-7686 ext. 3.

## Anniversaries

April 9 - Mr. and Mrs. Gene Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Ned Lewis.

April 11 - Mr. and Mrs. Tony Fragale.

April 12 - Mr. and Mrs. Brian Apperson, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse F. Edwards, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Vance Brewster, Jr.

April 13 - Mr. and Mrs. David Ream, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Terry, Mr. and Mrs. David Hamlet.

April 14 - Mr. and Mrs. Terry Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Scott.

April 15 - Mr. and Mrs. James Sylvester.

## Donation Presented



**MEMBERS** of the Halls High School National Honor Society traveled to Memphis March 27th to present a check for \$1,500 to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The club performed various projects throughout the year to raise the money. This was the largest amount ever presented to the hospital by the organization.

## School Lunches

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

Monday, April 13th

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- Tater Tots
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- Cookie
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## Church Happenings

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

Olive Branch Baptist Church, 4769 Lightfoot Luckett Rd., will present an Easter cantata beginning at 9:45 a.m. Sunday, April 12th with worship service to follow. Ray Malotte, pastor, invites the public.

Calvary Hill Baptist Church, 1990 Hwy. 51 N., will hold an Easter egg hunt from 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 11th with free hot dog lunch and devotional. If anyone needs a ride, call Michelle, 635-5294, by Friday, April 10th. The public is invited.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, in Halls, will host a community Easter egg hunt at 4 p.m. Saturday, April 11th at Kevin Ward Memorial Park in Halls. The public is invited.

Conner Assembly of God Church will honor its pastor, The Rev. William R. Elder, for his 50 years of ministry with the church beginning at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 19th. A luncheon will follow morning services. 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.

# Halls 9 Blanks Bradford, 11-0

Halls High School's baseball team led Bradford Monday, 11-0, to cap a 3-2 record last week.

Halls led Obion County, 12-5, Tuesday of last week, before, in the Harris Tournament in Shelby County, it lost to Knoxville Central, 9-8, won from Magnolia Heights, Miss., 13-8, lost to Memphis Overton, 8-0, and won from Tipton-Rosemark, 6-2.

## Halls Softball Zips Bradford

Halls High School's softball team led Bradford, Friday, 7-0.

## Halls 9 Led By Rossview, 5-1

Halls High School's baseball team lost Saturday to Rossview, 5-1, in the Lone Oak Wooden Bat Classic.

## Cell Phone Drive For Soldiers In Halls

Students at Halls Junior High School (HJHS) and Cell Phones For Soldiers are collecting un-used cell phones for more than 150,000 troops who are serving overseas and are away from their families. Un-used cell phones may be dropped off or mailed to Halls Junior High School, 800 West Tigrett Street, Halls, TN 38040 until the end of the school year.

"We're proud to show our support for U.S. soldiers, and to contribute to a worthy cause like Cell Phones for Soldiers," says John Terry, social studies teacher at HJHS.

Cell Phones for Soldiers was founded by teenagers Robbie and Brittany Bergquist from Norwell, Mass., with \$21 of their own money. Since then, the registered 501c3 non-profit organization has raised almost \$1 million in donations and distributed more than 500,000

prepaid calling cards to soldiers serving overseas.

"Over the past few years, we have been amazed by the generosity of others. But, we have also seen the need to support our troops continue, says Brittany Bergquist, Cell Phones for Soldiers co-founder. "It is easy for Americans to make a small sacrifice of support by donating their unused cell phones, and providing families with a much-needed connection to their loved ones overseas."

"We are continuously overwhelmed by the enthusiastic support of thousands of Americans who have helped our troops speak with their loved ones, says the teens' father, Bob Bergquist. "However, the need for support keeps growing as more soldiers are sent to the Middle East or are asked to serve extended tours of duty."

The donated phones are either reconditioned and resold to wholesale companies in over 40 countries around the world or are dismantled and recycled to purchase an hour of talk time for soldiers abroad.

## Land Transfers

March 29th - April 4th

Ronald N. Carmack and Barbara A. Carmack to William Calvin Elder, Dist. 17, 15 acres.

Dart Industries Inc. to Halls Investors LLC., Dist. 17, 83.233 acres.

Malcolm W. Moore to Dale Hutcherson and Dolores Hutcherson, Dist. 3, 1.5008 acre.

Fannie Mae Federal National Mortgage Association to David Bivens and Jerry Baggett,

## HJH Students In Weight Training



**EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS**, at Halls Junior High School, pictured with Paul Henderson, teacher, and Phillip Crihfield, volunteer, have been weight training each Tuesday and Thursday since January. Henderson and Crihfield started this program five years ago to prepare the boys for high school sports, while instilling proper weight lifting techniques that will carry throughout their lives. The Halls High School athletic department donated the T-shirts.

## TCAP Testing In Lauderdale

Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP) will be held from April 13th through April 17th for Lauderdale County students in grades 3rd through 8th. TCAP is a multiple choice achievement test designed to measure student achievement by certain skills in five subject areas including, reading, language arts, mathematics, science and social studies. The questions test student performance in state and national content areas.

Testing is vital to structuring effective educational programs. However, it is only one part of the overall assessment. Students need encouragement and support from both parents and teachers.

Parents can help their child or children during test time by seeing that the child arrives on time, gets plenty of sleep before each day, eats breakfast, encourage the child to do their best without making them anxious, and by not checking them out of school during tests.

Dist.2, lot.

Lois Jean Montgomery, Chastain (Chastaine) Montgomery, and Chrystal Montgomery to Willis K. Noel and Sheltonia

## Guest Reader At HES



**JUDGE JANICE CRAIG**, seated center, read to kindergarten students in the classroom of Amanda Gaines at Halls Elementary School including Baleigh Dew, Lexi Ward, Callie Young, Libbey Walton, Jaylen Pitts, Marlin Moore, Wyatt Ungerecht, Eriel Harden, Damarcus Peet, Miranda Farris, Nathan Latham, Rachel Seidel, Gavin Sills, Hayden Cherry, and Taylor Long. Judge Craig reads to kindergarten classroom each Wednesday. Her enthusiasm towards reading has brought many interesting questions and laughter to the school.

M. Noel, Dist. 3, lot.

Kenneth A. Benson and Cathy D. Benson to Tommy Ray and Tammy Ray, Dist. 12, lot.

Ken Sutton to Herman L. Reviere and Peggy S. Reviere, Dist. 2, lot.

Joe Patty Ellis to Randy Lankford, Dist. 2, lot.

Daisy Dean Sanders to Rodney L. Sanders and Bonnie Sanders, Dist. 14, 2 tracts.

Jackie Robeson and Linda S. Robeson to Paul C. Morris and

Edgar A. Morris, Jr., Dist 2, 6 lots.

Eric Currie and Linda Currie to Wallace Sisk, Dist. 2, lot.

Michael Lynn Barham, Jr., to Joseph Rose and Melissa Rose, Dist. 15, lot.

Joseph M. McGowan and Jamie D. McGowan to Prudential Relocation Inc., Dist. 2, lot.

L. Q. Russell to David Gary and Kenneth Gary, Dist. 4, lot.

Sam Forsythe and Maxine Forsythe to Keith Webb, Dist. 6, 3.9607 acres.

# Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here! Miss Pam and I went to see the Mayor today to tell him about some new things that we need at the Club. We rode up to the place that Miss Pam calls the Square. When we got to the Square, I turned my head to Miss Pam. I thought that she had made a mistake, because this did not look like the place that we had been to see the Mayor before. There were lots of two-leggers working everywhere. We could not stop the truck up there so we had to go to Mr. Pam's work to stop the truck. We go up to his work a lot these days. We got out of the truck and Miss Pam put on my leash. She told me that all good four-leggers had to have their leash on at the Square. We walked a long way and on our way into the Mayor's work, all of the two-leggers called out my name. How did they all know my name? We stopped to see some of the two-leggers and they patted me on my head. Miss Pam told them that we were on our way to see the Mayor about some things we needed at the Club. One of the two-leggers even told us "Good Luck". On our way up to see the Mayor, Miss Pam told me to be on my best behavior. She always tells me that when we are going to see important two-leggers.

We went into the Mayor's work and I saw lots of my two-legger friends. They all were so glad to see me. Just before we went into the Mayor's room, Miss Pam told me to look at the Mayor with my sad eyes. I don't know why she told me this, because he is one of my favorite two-leggers. He always gives me two-legger food when Miss Pam is not looking. I sure hope he has some two-legger food for me now because that walk made me hungry. We first saw the nice lady two-legger and Miss Pam asked if we could see the Mayor. She told us to go on in. When we walked in his office, he said that he was really glad to see me. As Miss Pam told him about some new things that we needed at the Club for my Buds, I decided that all of this talking made me sleepy so I laid down at the Mayor's feet and took a nap. I was in the middle of a good dream (I was dreaming that I was at the landfill), when I felt a tap on my head. I looked up and the Mayor had some two-legger food in his hand under the table. I raised my head up to see if Miss Pam was looking. She was looking at the Mayor and just a talking so I took the two-legger food. I laid my head down so I could eat it. I don't know what it was but it sure was good. So, the longer that Miss Pam talked, the more the Mayor gave me two-legger food. Miss Pam stopped talking and told me that it was time to go. The Mayor patted me on my head and told me that I could come see him anytime. I looked up at him and smiled on the inside, because we had got away with feeding me two-legger food again. Miss Pam thanked him and we walked out of his work.

We went to the other side of the road, and I needed to find a spot for my business. Miss Pam laughed and told me that I would have to wait because we were in front of the Bank. I stopped and looked at the two-legger door and wandered how could I get a sucker. Miss Pam told me to come on, that we could not get a sucker today. Now, how did she know what I was thinking? We got back into the truck and we went to the Club. I jumped out of the truck as fast as I could because I still needed to take care of some business.

I ran out into the yard and Miss Pam went into the office to see Mr. Buddy and Scooter. I walked around outside to see my Buds. In the Barn, everybody was so glad to be outside. I walked

to see what the beagles were doing and they all were laying in the sun taking naps. I went in to the Club and Ruby, the tan and brown feist mix, and Buddy, the black and white border collie mix, were talking about Lilly, the red and white basset, being so close to the ground. Lilly was growling at them. She didn't think that was too funny. I did look at her short legs but I had to turn my head to laugh. She is close to the ground. I went in to the puppy four-legger room and I talked to Georgia, the mixed colored wire terrier, about all of her puppy four-leggers. She was tired because Mr. Greg had taken her for a walk so she could get away from all of her puppies. I told her that I would see her later. She really needed a nap.

I did stick my head in to the cat room. But, I was really careful. This might have been one of the only times that I did not get my nose scratched. I went into the office and Scooter was talking to another two legger about three adult poodle/rat terriers that need a good home. There are two boys and one girl four-leggers. They all have been neutered and spayed. They just need a good two-legger to take them home. If you want one of these good four leggers, just call Scooter at the Club and he can give you their phone number.

Clint McPeak came out to the Club and took home a black lab. Jimmy Terry came out to the Club and found him a new best friend in a black and tan male puppy. Sadie, the German shepherd, got to go home with Scott Fitzhugh. She sure was happy to get her a new two legger. Wren Nunn, Tony and Carla Dew, and Bettie Davis all sent us donations for my Buds. We sure did need them. The Big Lick goes to my Aunt Shirley. She sent us a very generous donation. I love you Aunt Shirley. I wish all two-leggers were like you.

We really need food for my Buds and all your donations will help Mr. Buddy and Scooter

buy us more food. Don't forget that if you want to buy us some food, you can drop it off at Beasley's Treasures, or bring it to us at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, or send us something at P. O. Box 172 Ripley, or just give us a call at 836-PETS (836-7387). Don't forget to have your four-leggers spayed or neutered. Mr. Buddy says to get your four-leggers vaccinated at the Rabies

Clinics on Saturdays this month for \$5.

Be as good as your 4 legger thinks you are. Listen to the radio on WTRB AM1570 for Miss Pam. She will tell you about the good four-leggers out at the Club. On the way home, Miss Pam said that my breath smelled like peanuts.

Zeek out !!!!!

## NOTICE

### Town of Halls Election May 7th, 2009 Early Voting

The Halls Community Center (201 N. College St.)  
Will Be Open For Early Voting By Personal  
Appearance Along With The Election Office,  
Located At 217 N. Main St., Ripley.

**EARLY VOTING IN PERSON WILL BEGIN**

**APRIL 17-MAY 2, 2009**

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Saturday 8:30 a.m. - Noon

Ripley office will close 12 (Noon)-1 p.m. Lunch  
Community Center (Open Through Lunch)

<b>SAMPLE BALLOT</b>	MATTHEW B. HENDERSON
<b>OFFICIAL BALLOT</b>	
<b>MUNICIPAL ELECTION</b>	DAVID JENNINGS
<b>TOWN OF HALLS</b>	
<b>LAUDERDALE COUNTY TENNESSEE</b>	CYNTHIA LACY-JANES
<b>MAY 7, 2009</b>	

<b>MAYOR</b> Town of Halls Vote For One (1)	OWEN D. LILLY
JAMES FITZHUGH	JENNIFER MOORE
TRENT MCMANUS	LESLIE M. SHANDS
EUGENE PUGH	JAMES L. TYUS
WRITE-IN	STAN YOUNG
	WRITE-IN

<b>ALDERMAN</b> Town of Halls Vote For Six (6)	WRITE-IN
WAYNE BELTON	WRITE-IN
TY BRASFIELD	WRITE-IN
TOMMY HANSBROUGH	WRITE-IN

Lauderdale County Election Commissioners

Billy W. Williams - Chairman	Debby Jenkins
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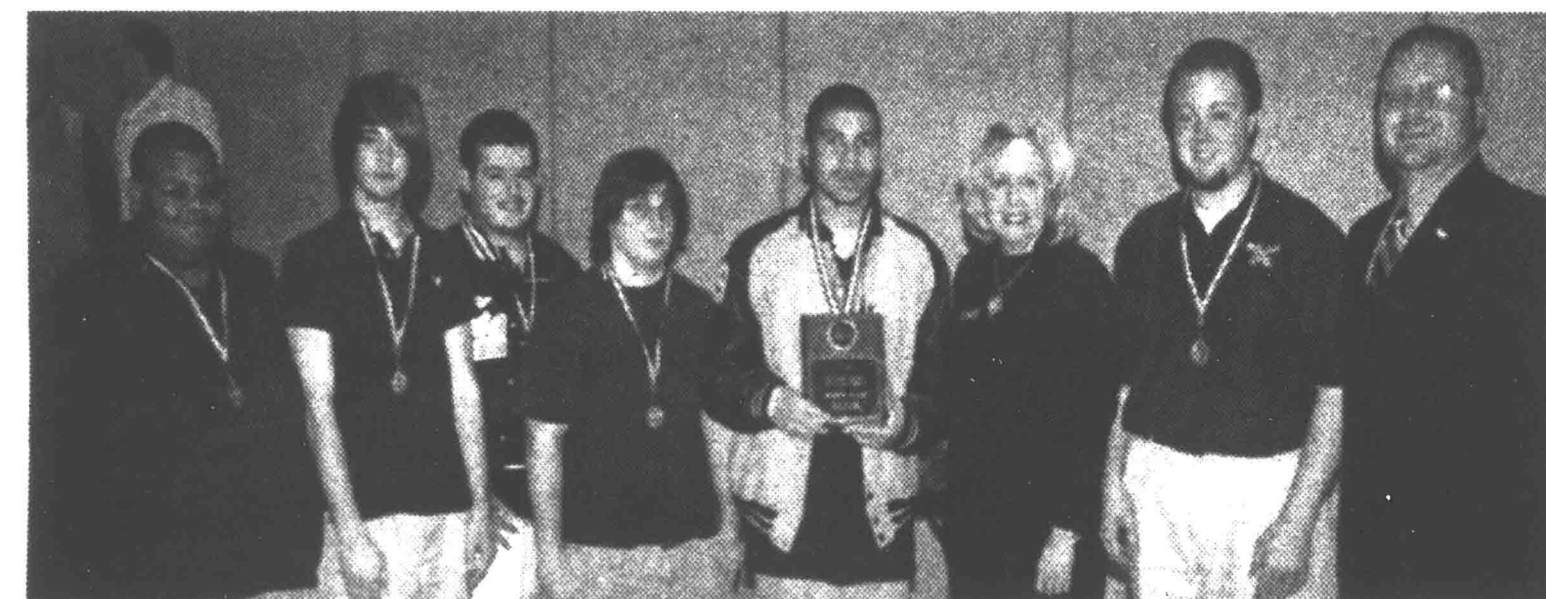


## Walk Across Tennessee Kick-Off Celebrated



**PARTICIPANTS** of the Walk across Tennessee celebrated March 27th with a kick-off at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging, which partnered with Lauderdale County UT Extension Service, Lauderdale County Health Department, CareAll and Amedysis Home Health. A large group attended to pick up packets, exercise, participate in health screens, and get motivated to get up a move. Walk Across Tennessee promotes developing healthy habits for a better tomorrow. If anyone is interested in joining a team call 836-5444 or 635-9551.

## Upward Bound Team



**MEMBERS** of the Dyersburg State Community College's Upward Bound teams, comprised of local high school students, traveled to Austin Peay State University in Clarksville March 14th for the annual Tennessee Association of Special Programs Scholar's Bowl academic competition. The Advanced Upward Bound team, from left, Hakeem Eskew, Peabody High; Jeremy Bratcher, team captain, Peabody High; Tommy Isaak, Halls High; Brian Brown, Peabody High; Jerry Patrick, Halls High; Marilyn Armstrong, DSCC Upward Bound counselor and coach; and Wyatt Turner, Peabody High; pictured with Stephen Hendrix, assistant director ETSU Upward Bound and TASP president, won second place. The Exhibition team easily won all of their academic matches, while the Advanced DSCC team, one of ten teams, won all its matches only to lose in the final round. The team finished second, to a very strong and talented APSU team. Questions featured topics in computer science, literature, history, mathematics, sports, geography, biology, chemistry and medicine.

This competition marks the 14th year the DSCC teams have entered; they have placed in the top three positions eight times. The DSCC Upward Bound teams have won the state level competition twice in 2003 and 2008 and have won the Regional and final level in Atlanta, Ga. in 2003. The DSCC 2008 Upward Bound team came in second in the Regional play in Atlanta, only losing in the last round of questions to a hand selected all-star team from Kentucky.

Participants this year on the Advanced team included Captain Jeremy Bratcher, Hakeem Eskew, Brian Brown and Wyatt Turner, of Trenton Peabody High School, and Jerry Patrick and

Tommy Isaak, of Halls High School. Members of the Exhibition Team included Captain Zack McCoy, of Trenton Peabody High School; Hannah Evans, of Dyer County High School; and Clarissa Stark, Bradley Belton; and Andy Gaines, of Halls High School. Upward Bound Counselor Marilyn Armstrong has coached all teams since 1996.

Upward Bound provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their precollege performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. The program serves high school students from low-income families, high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree, and those with low-income who are preparing to enter postsecondary education. The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education.

The program provides academic instruction in mathematics, laboratory sciences, composition, literature, and foreign languages. Tutoring, counseling, mentoring, cultural enrichment, and work-study programs also are supported.

For more information, contact Upward Bound Director Bob Jones, at 731-288-7811 or visit the DSCC web site.

## \$1 Million Dollar Grant Awarded

Officials with Ripley Power and Light were informed last week of a \$1 million grant from Tennessee Valley Authority. The funds will be used to install an automated voltage optimization system that will result in reductions for all customers' bills, totaling over \$500,000 per year. This equipment has a 20 year life and at today's energy rates this will result in a 10 million dollar savings over the next twenty years.

Ripley Power and Light presented the proposal to the Tennessee Valley Public Power Association Research and Development committee and TVA late last year. The equipment, to be installed, constantly monitors and adjusts the voltage throughout the Ripley Power and Light system, for savings in electricity usage. There won't be any additional equipment required in homes or businesses, nor changes in life-style or customer use patterns for the system to work efficiently.

This will be the first installation of this equipment on an entire distribution system in the seven-state TVA service area and the first east of the Mississippi. Ripley Power and Light will work closely with TVA to evaluate the equipment to allow

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Clarksville.

Next largest are 415 acres at Tullahoma, 400 acres at Hartsville, 340 acres at Lebanon, and 310 acres at Halls, off South Church St.

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impossible with prayer and determination.

"I will not bore you with political jargon on what accomplishments I feel that were achieved over the last four years. This position is not one of personal gratification, but one of service.

"We rise, We fall" together. No matter where we live, what degree of education we have, or what our social status, the decisions made affect us all. If my neighbor is hurting, so am I.

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for expanded use throughout the TVA system. This "Smart Grid" pilot project will provide TVA with full return on their investment in less than two years.

The first phase of the installation should be operational before the summer peak load season.

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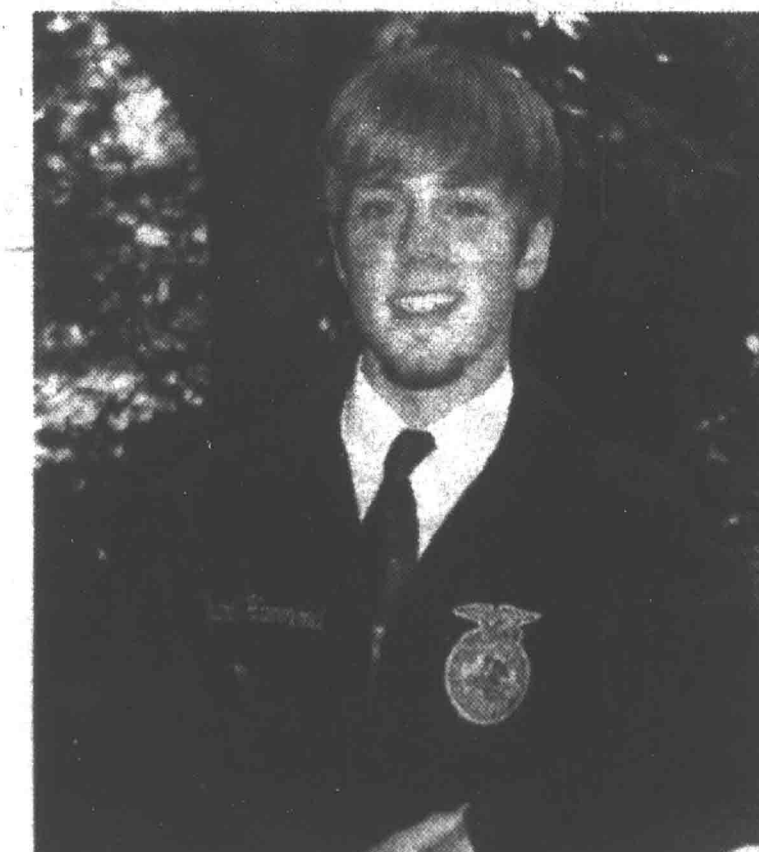
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## HES Donuts For Dads



**FATHERS** of kindergarten students at Halls Elementary School were treated to donuts April 9th during Donuts for Dad. They were invited to visit their child's classroom and enjoy the treat. Students in the classroom of Mrs. Angie Garcia are pictured with their fathers.

## Star Farmer



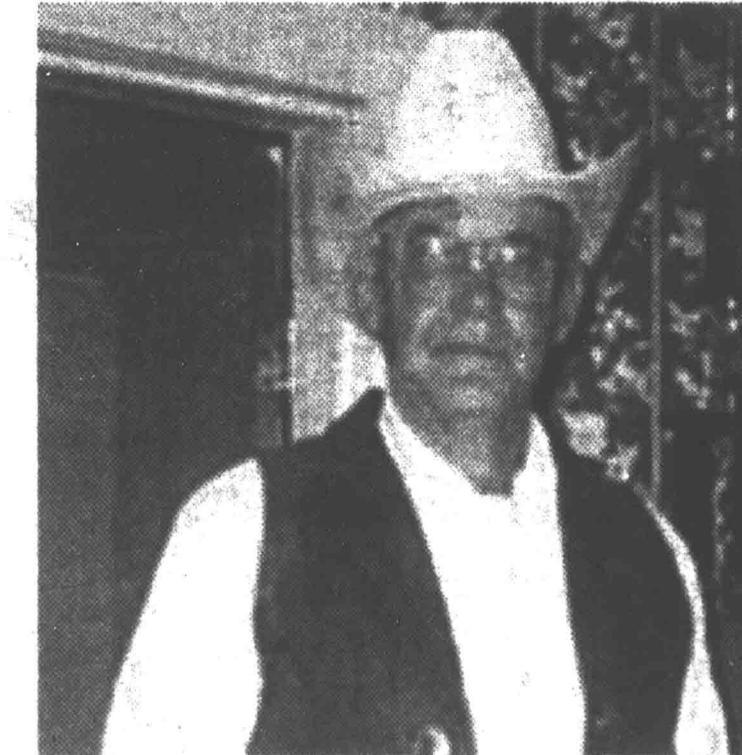
**CHARLIE HAMMOND**, son of Tom and Missy Hammond, of Halls, was named Future Farmers of America's Tennessee Star Farmer. He was selected based on his accomplishments in the FFA combined with his Supervised Agriculture Experience Program. A senior at Halls High School, he is president of the Halls FFA Chapter, West Tennessee FFA president, a member of the parliamentary procedure and the livestock judging teams. He has attended the National FFA convention as a delegate and served as leadership camp council president. His SAE program includes registered Dorset sheep, goats, registered Polled Hereford cattle,

and donkeys. The grandson of Tommy and Jayne Hammond, of Puryear, Charlie plans to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin and major in agriculture education and pursue a career as an Agricultural Missionary to the Dominican Republic.

## Maxwell Speaks At County Meeting

Annette Maxwell, executive director of the Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse, addressed the mayor and commissioners of Lauderdale County during the regular board meeting Monday evening about Child Abuse Prevention month in April. Tennessee has approximately 38,000 cases of child abuse reported each year, which averages almost 104 children a day. Last year, the Department of Children's Services received almost 500 calls, however, statistics state that only one in every 20 child abuse cases will be reported. Those who do not receive help in dealing with traumatic situations are more likely to experience depression, engage in violent behavior, suffer from some type of addiction or

## Candidate



**JAMES FITZHUGH** has announced his candidacy for the position of Mayor of the Town of Halls. He issued the following statement.

"To the citizens of Halls, my name is James Fitzhugh, I have lived at this residence for 30 years and I believe that the town is going in the wrong direction. With your vote and influence, we can make a difference. Thank you for your vote," said Fitzhugh.

experience academic troubles. The effects of abuse manifest throughout the victim's entire life and without help, the cycle is more likely to continue from generation to generation. The mission of the center is to provide support in helping both parents and children by preventing and dealing with

## 2009 National Day of Prayer

The 58th Annual National Day of Prayer is scheduled for 11 a.m., Thursday, May 7th, at Ripley City Park. The Lauderdale County Ministerial Alliance, which serves as organizers of the event, invites all Lauderdale countians to join the millions from coast-to-coast who will join in prayer for their communities and our country. The theme is "Prayer...America's Hope", taken from Psalms 33:22., "May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, even as we put our hope in you."

The country is facing terrorism, war, financial crisis, high unemployment, immorality, declining moral values. Is there hope? What can be done? Can anyone make a difference? How can anyone change things?

"Prayer...America's Hope": The theme of this year's event wants to change things one prayer, and one heart at a time.

For more information contact program chairman, The Rev. Bill Terrell, pastor of Cleaves Temple, Halls, 901-605-6847; or call ministerial alliance president, The Rev. Robert C. Morgan-Wilde, 731-635-7001.

child abuse by meeting practical needs and improving the quality of family life. Services offered include, child advocacy, relative caregiver, parenting classes, child abuse prevention awareness and a food pantry. In these programs, 13 grandmothers in the relative care program are rearing 37 children; the food pantry has helped 21 families with 89 members with 14 parents have attended the free 10 session parenting program;

## Mock DUI Crashes Scheduled At Schools

The Lauderdale County Ambulance Authority, plus local law enforcement and fire department personnel, has scheduled their annual Mock DUI Crash for 10 a.m. Friday, April 17th, at the Halls High School and at 10 a.m. Thursday, April 23rd, at the Ripley High School for junior and senior classes.

It is the goal of local emergency officials to present all the facts about drinking and driving to Lauderdale County students during prom week. The Junior/Senior prom will be held Saturday, April 18th, for Halls students and Saturday, April 25th, for Ripley students. Research shows that young drivers are more often involved in alcohol-related crashes than any other comparable age group.

For more information, call Eric Newman at 635-3242.

and six parents have attended the child abuse prevention and neglect program. There have been 50 forensic interviews completed at the center to date which is structured to determine the truth rather than create evidence. The interview is conducted in a quiet, comfortable room that is equipped with non-intrusive video and audio equipment and all interviews are recorded to capture the child's demeanor and statements and the interviewer's technique. By making positive changes in a child's life now, the center is changing lives of children and their families, not only in the present generation but for many generations to come.

In other business, Mayor Rod Schuh stated that Liz Craft wrote a history book of

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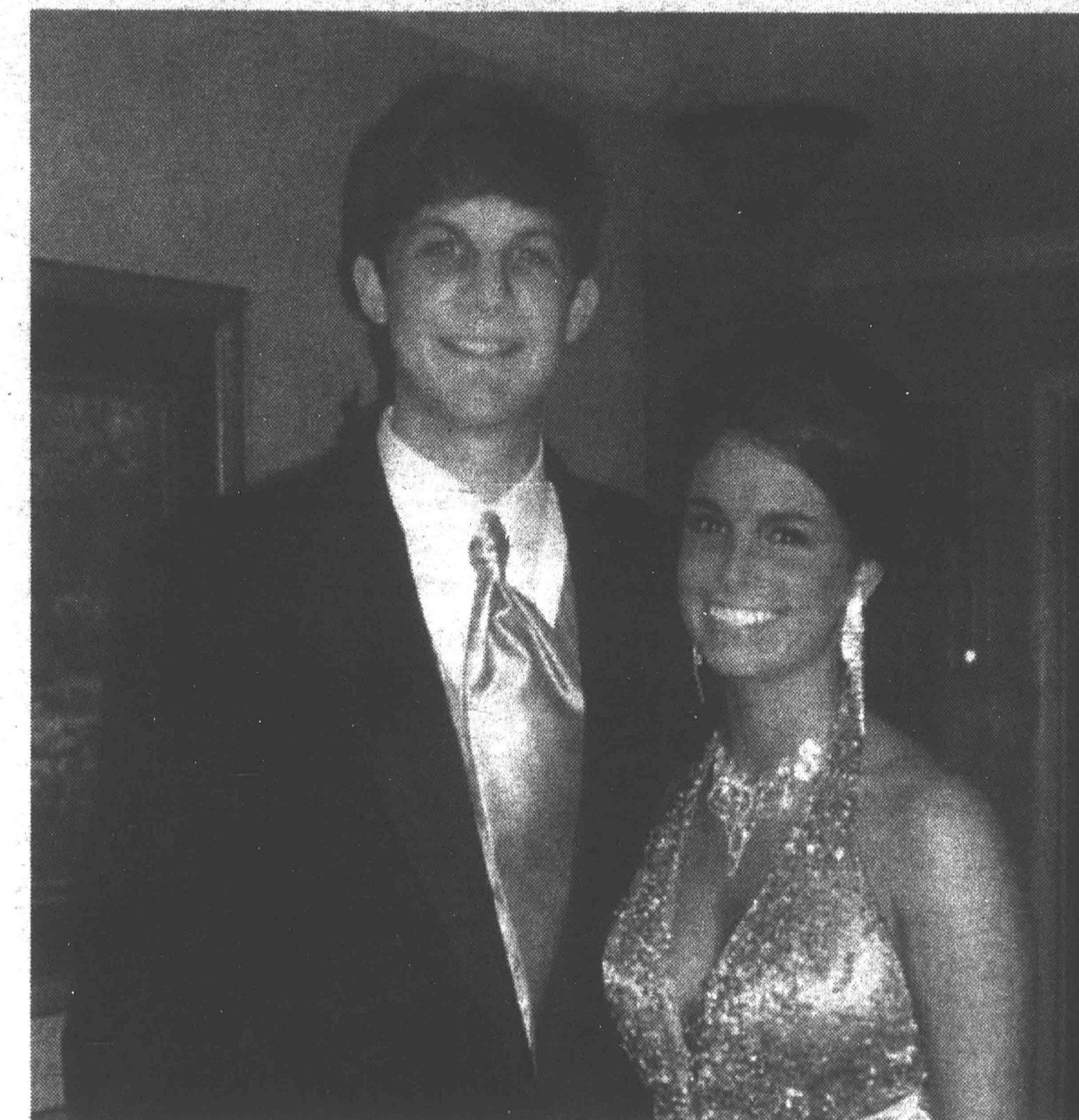
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## April Vows Set



**RACHAEL LYNN ANDERSON**, daughter of Mrs. Sue Anderson and the late Bill Anderson, of Dyersburg, will marry Marty Joe Wright, Jr., son of Marty and Sandra LeAnne Wright, of Halls, Saturday, April 25th, in a private ceremony.

The bride-elect is a 2008 graduate of Dyersburg High School. She is attending the University of Tennessee at Martin, majoring in elementary education.

The groom-elect is a 2006 graduate of Halls High School. He is employed by Wright's Auto Parts and Metal in Gates. The couple plan to reside in Gates.

## Marriages

**March 22 - Clayton Rasohn Pearson, 27, to Andrea Michelle Edwards, 27, by John R. McBride.**

**March 23 - Julius Edward Gunn, 26, to Angela Rene Collins, 24, by Robert T. Sims.**

**April 3 - Timothy Lee Burks, 35, to Stephanie Leigh Butner Long, 34, by Booker Joe Nance, Jr.**

## Birthdays

**April 16 - Ty Spoon, Myles Benjamin, Chad Neal, Cliff Floyd, Kristin Nicole Hinton, Ray Hurt, Sandra Steelman, Lawanda Martin, Haweni Keskessa, Fisher Carmack, Noah Fain.**

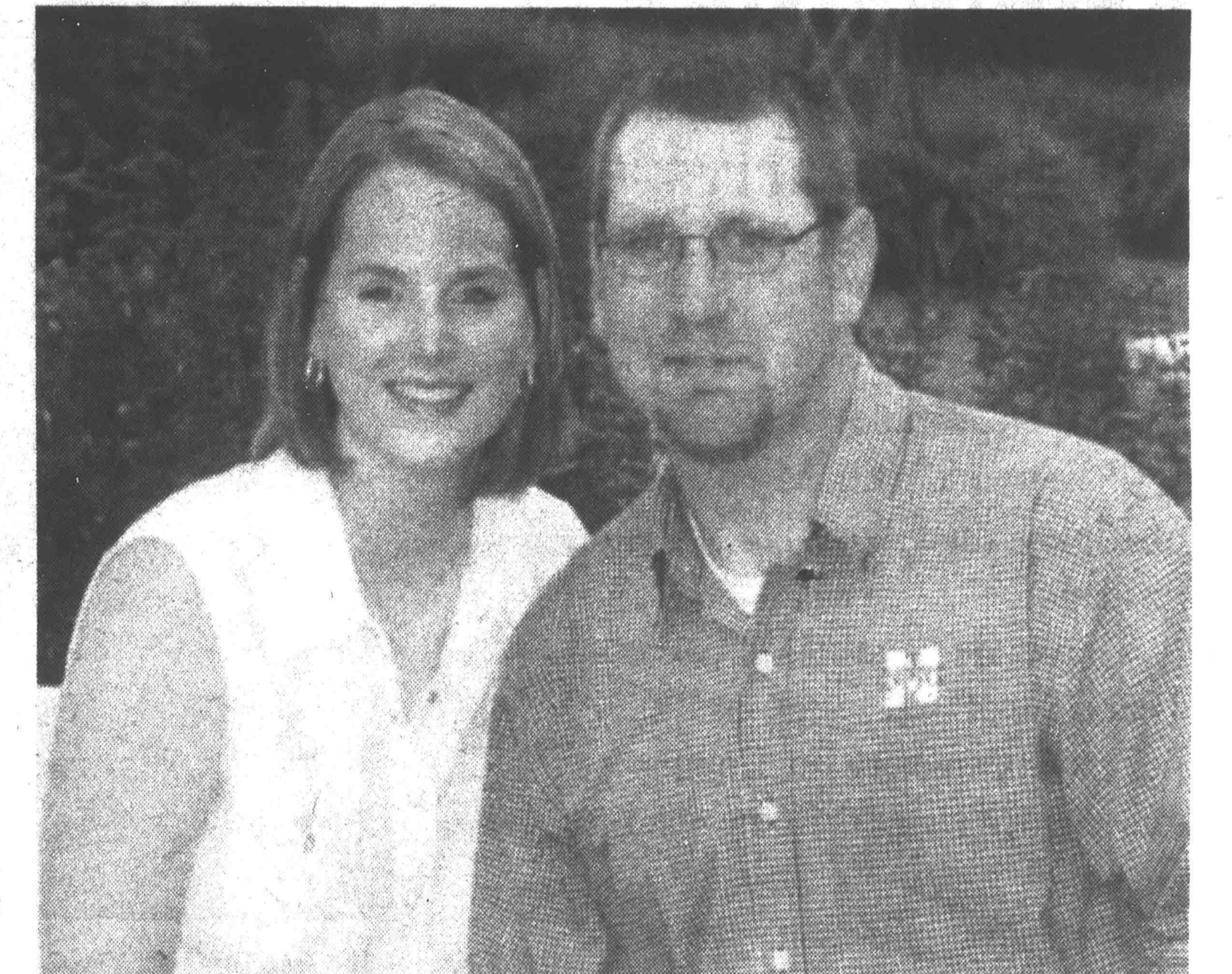
**April 17 - Michelle Vaughn, Robin Porter, Brandon Vowell, Pat Smith, Rusty Kesler, Brad Williams, Brittany Lane, Faye Braden, Cynthia Holland, Autumn Crowder, Dalton**

## Celebrating



**BRYSON CONNER McKEE**, son of Richie McKee, of Ripley, and Angela Laws, of Halls, will celebrate his sixth birthday April 20th. He is the grandson of Teresa Kirby, of Ripley.

## April Nuptials Slated



**KARLIE MIRANDA SOUTH**, daughter of William and Angela South, of Ridgeland, Miss., and Emmett and Saundra Smith, of Benton, La., will marry Jeremy Claiborne Emerson, son of Leon and Penne Pickard, of Halls, and Larry Emerson, of Gates, at 3 p.m. April 25th at the Chapel in the Pines in Senatobia, Miss., with formal invitations.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Thomas and Corrine South, of Florence, Ala., and the late Howard and Dorothy Smith, of Corpus Christi, Tex.

A 2001 graduate of Madison Central High School in Madison, Miss., she is a 2005 graduate of Mississippi State University with a bachelor's degree in animal and dairy science. She is also a 2007 graduate of Northwest Mississippi Community College with an associate's degree in veterinary technology.

The groom-elect is the grandson of John C. and Bobbie Jean Emerson, of Gates, and Nelson and Opal Young, of Halls.

A 1997 graduate of Halls High School, he is a 2006 graduate of Mississippi State University with a bachelor's degree in animal and dairy science. He is employed by Stratford Feed Yards in Stratford, Tex.

The couple plan to reside in Stratford.

**Chandler Bolton, Jeff Ham-Jackson, Jean Ward, Jeff Law-ilton, Brooke Burton, Ashton rence, Heath Elmer. Platzke.**

**April 21 - Dora Colvin, penter, Shelia Dillard, Di-Shannon Ray Walker, Paul ane Whitelaw, Michael Dew, Meadows, Lee Smalley, Bill Ann Campbell, Rosie Waters, Caldwell, Paige Murray, Keith Amanda Grivet, Elise Frost.**

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**Obituaries**

**Traci Maharrey**

Traci L. Maharrey, 42, of Ripley, a sales clerk, son of Gerri and James Williams and brother of Wanda Cook, Tim Williams, and Bill Miller, all of Ripley, died April 8th at his residence.

Graveside services were Thursday of last week at Mt. Lebanon Cemetery in Covington, Garner Funeral Home had charge.

He leaves his son, Steven Gitchell, of Covington; other sisters, Lori Williams, of Dyersburg, and Penny Manthey, of Illinois, and a granddaughter.

**Colistia Savage**

Colistia Jones Savage, 100, widow of William Tigrett Savage, Ripley banker, and a Ripley resident for 64 years, died April 1st in Drakesboro, Ky.

Burial was April 4th in Evergreen Cemetery in Greenville, Ky.

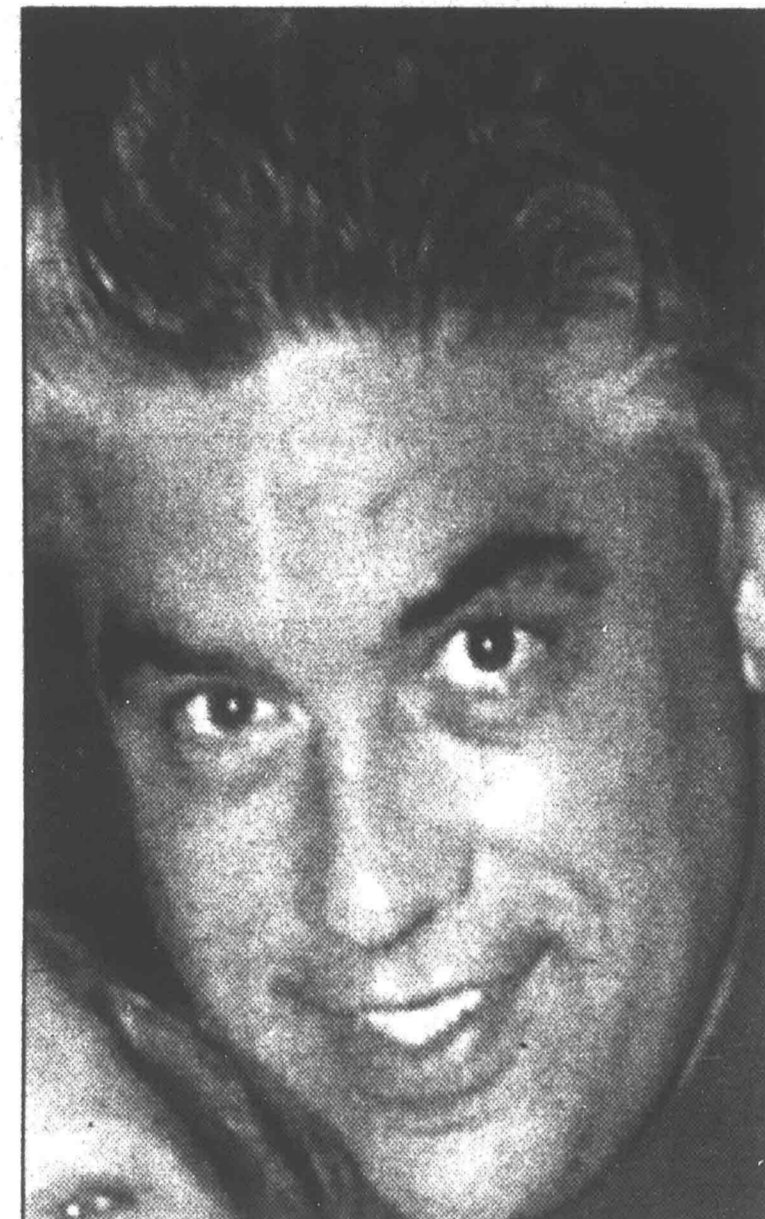
**Jerry L. Akin**

Jerry L. Akin, of Memphis, former Riplian, died Friday.

Rites were Saturday in Bartlett Funeral Home.

Survivors include sons, Chris, of Cordova, David, of Nashville, and Jay, of Southaven, Miss.; a daughter, Ashley Akin, of Cordova; brothers, Dudley, of Millington, and Sam, of Costa Mesa, Calif.; sisters, Doris Rudder, of Memphis, and Carole Valencia, of Costa Mesa; and two grandchildren.

**Mourned**



**BRYAN "BJ" McWILLIAMS**, 49, of Frankton, Ind., formerly of Ripley, died April 9th in his home.

Services were held Tuesday at Harper and Dunnichay Funeral Home, with burial in the K of P and IOOF Cemetery in Frankton with full military honors.

He was a 1979 graduate of Ripley High School. Born December 14, 1959 in Sacramento, Calif., he is the son of Camille Hallman McWilliams, of Portland, Tex., and the late Thomas McWilliams.

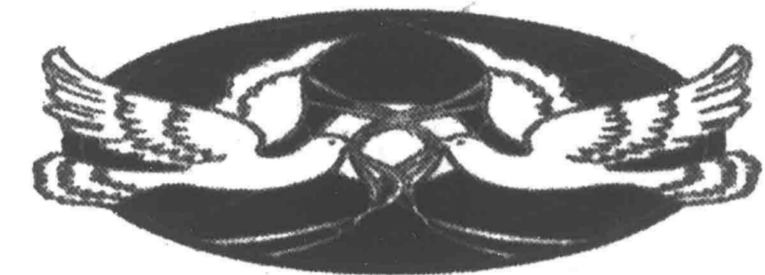
He retired from the United State Navy in 2000 and was employed at St. John's Medical Supply in Anderson, Ind. He was a volunteer at the Frankton Heritage Days and a volunteer on the Frankton Ambulance Service.

Other survivors include his wife, Kathy; three sons, Josiah Daniel, Bryan Alex, and Ian James, all of Frankton; and a brother, Kevin, of Portland.

**16th Annual Health And Heritage Day**

The 16th annual Health and Heritage day will be held from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Friday, May 8th, at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging, 605 Airport St. in Halls. Door prizes, a silent auction, baked goods, musical entertainment and free health screens will be available and lunch will be sold on site.

For more information, call 731-836-5444 or email jcook@lcco.net.



**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.

Conner Assembly of God Church will honor its pastor, The Rev. William R. Elder, for his 50 years of ministry with the church beginning at 11 a.m. Sunday, April 19th. A luncheon will follow morning services. The public is invited.

Halls Westside Baptist Church, 705 Sumrow St., will host Vocal Union in concert at 6 p.m. April 18th. The public is invited.

Nelson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church will welcome Bro. Benjamin Crawley at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 26th as he delivers his first sermon. The son of The Rev. Doris and Emma Crawley, of Ripley, he is the father of four children, Benjamin, Tonika, and Isaiah, of Ripley, and Marquita, of Alaska. Claxton Reese, pastor, and Emma Reese, associate minister, invites the public.

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church

**Watercolor Class**



**TILLY PERRY**, instructed a watercolors class, provided through a Tennessee Arts Commission ABC (Art Builds Communities) Grant, to participants at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging April 2nd. Tilly has been painting with watercolors for approximately 18 years. She shared her many years of experience and success stories with the class. Tilly referred to oil painting as reading a novel and watercolors as writing a poem. She stressed to the students that the ability to draw was not a requirement. Watercolor is the process of achieving a certain look by combining water with color. The ladies took their newly created masterpieces home to reflect on their day's accomplishment.

will hold a family and friends day and fill-a-pew at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 19th with The Rev. William Jarrett, of St. Mark, Henning, as guest speaker. The Rev. John Ed Jones, pastor, invites the public.

Gospel Rock Holiness Church, 182 Nelson St., Ripley, will hold spring revival services beginning at 7 p.m. nightly April 20th through April 24th with The Rev. William Jarrett, of the St. Mark Baptist Church, of Henning, as guest speaker. Various choirs will provide selections nightly. Elder Raymond C. Barnes, Sr., pastor, invites the public.

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

**TRASH TALK**

The Great American Clean-up Day is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 25th, at the Lauderdale County Justice Complex. Everyone who picks up trash will receive a T-shirt. Volunteers will meet again at noon at the complex for hot dogs.

Those who cannot attend during this time, are encouraged to pick up trash from your road at your convenience.

If you see someone dumping trash where it shouldn't be or if you see someone littering, get the license plate number and call the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department at 635-1311 to report them.

ad is not purchased. Send your church happenings to our office or call, 635-1771.

**Halls Softball Team Gets Four Big Wins**

Halls High School's softball team posted four big wins last week -- Monday, from Trenton, 16-4, Tuesday, from Humboldt, 10-0 and 13-1, and Thursday, from Clarksburg, 15-0. Monday's game at Union City was rained out.

**Golden Gloves Champs**



**BOXERS**, of the Lauderdale County Boxing Club, including from left, Kani Coleman, 15, Steve Garrison, 15, and Blake Layne, 19, traveled to the North Little Rock Community Center in Little Rock, Ark., over the weekend to compete in the Mid-South Golden Glove Tournament.

Kani was crowned the 156 pound, 15 year old, champion Thursday evening after showing tremendous outside, long range, boxing skills against his much stronger opponent and winning all three rounds.

Steve was named the 165 pound, 15 year old, runner-up after his great job against his very strong Arkansas opponent Thursday evening.

Blake used his jab and over-powered his Arkansas opponent Friday night and was crowned the novice.

Saturday night, Kani was given the opportunity to box a national Silver Gloves champion. He did a great job going into the third round, the bout even, then his much more experienced opponent pulled off the third round winning by a very close decision.

**TSU PROGRAMS**

Staff members of the Tennessee State University Extension office will present Walk Away the Pounds at 10 a.m., Friday, April 17th. The class will demonstrate the basics for a brisk and upbeat walking.

Medwise will be presented at 11 a.m., to promote wise use of over-the-counter medicines.

Both programs will be held at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging.

For more information, call 731-635-3101

**Divorces**

Kenyonna Lunase Steward vs. Daxss Decarlo Steward.

Pamela Holman Glenn vs. Christopher Thad Glenn.

Teresa Diane Helton vs. Ronnie Dale Helton.

Barbara Ann Stephens vs. James Anthony Stephens.

Cody Lynne Waddell vs. Gina Lynn Waddell.

Paramjit Sandhu Apperson vs. William Clark Apperson, Jr.

Jeffrey W. Daniels, vs. Misti K. Daniels.

Joe Michael Stafford vs. Leigh Ann Stafford.

**SEMINARS SCHEDULED**

The first of two annual seminars for architects, landscape architects, engineers, and registered interior designers to earn Continuing Education Units (CEU's) for license recertification is scheduled from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, April 29th, at Dyersburg State Community College.

For more information or to register, contact Birgit Northcutt at 731-286-3265 or bnorthcutt@dscc.edu.

**HJHS HONOR ROLL**

Students named to the honor roll at Halls Junior High School for the third nine-week period include students with all A's, Mallory Hardy, Jessie Belton, Luke Wilson, Zack Harris, Cody Hostetler, Haley Blackwood, Mandy McClellan, Trip Crews, Codie Smith, Jovinta Starks, Kelsey Yarbrough, Chelsey Aitken, Isabel Chavez,

**Halls Baseball Team Is 5-1 For The Week**

Halls High School's baseball team was 5-1 last week, with wins Monday and Tuesday from Lake County, 11-1 and 9-5. before Easter Tournament wins from Union City, 4-3, Westview, 13-8, and Milan, 10-2, losing in the tourney to Dyersburg, 11-1. Monday's game, hosting Trenton, was rained out.

Katelyn Cherry, Skyler Harrison, Amanda McBroom, Shania Rogers, and Cody Young.

Honor roll include students with all A's and B's, Cameron Moore, Dustin Hostetler, Jamie McNeil, Katie Nelson, Gaylon Broglin, Brittany Richardson, Egypt Riggs, Teondre Wells, Sharida Byars, Easton Gwaltney, Katie Lackey, Beatriz Castro, Trevor Belton, No-

ah Goodwin, Madison Smith, Hailee Wallace, Jacob Alley, Frank Bales, Nathan Campbell, Colton Dew, Tyler Fitzpatrick, Shelby Hurt, Amy Bridges, Adam Greer, Libby Butterworth, Cailon Barnes, Tyler England, Lindsey Bowie, Cole Nichols, Briana Brasfield, Kristin Davis, Katie Hardy, Austin Adkins, Jaylon Madison, Ineashia Claybrooks, and Shemareail Houston.

**To The Citizens of Halls:**

On May 7th, you will go to the polls to vote for the future of the Town of Halls. There are 11 candidates seeking the position of alderman. Seven candidates have never served on the Board of Alderman and four are seeking to be re-elected.

Because of our nations economic condition, the Town of Halls needs experienced, professional and dedicated people to lead our town in the direction of prosperity, growth and improvement of life.

You have given me the privilege of serving you as alderman for 20 years. Most of you know, I do not represent any special interest groups or a particular race or certain political parties. I am an independent voice for the people of the Town of Halls.

I am a native of Halls and a 1974 graduate of Halls High School. My wife, Cathey, and I have four grown children, all who graduated from Halls High School.

I have been community involved, in the past and present, serving as scoutmaster of Halls Troop 286 for 9 years. I have coached baseball for 11 years. I served on the Halls Volunteer Fire Dept. for 9 years. I have served on various committees for the town such as police, fire, airport, sanitation, planning, senior citizen and industrial.

I am the president of Young Parts and Equipment, Inc., located in Halls. I am the pastor of McCullough Chapel Baptist Church, where I have served for over 3 years.

I believe my love for Halls and my 20 years experience as alderman qualifies me as an experienced, professional and dedicated candidate.

**My only promise to you is, I will give my very best to the Town of Halls. My 20 year record will prove to you, that "I am your alderman".**

Thank you for your support and vote.

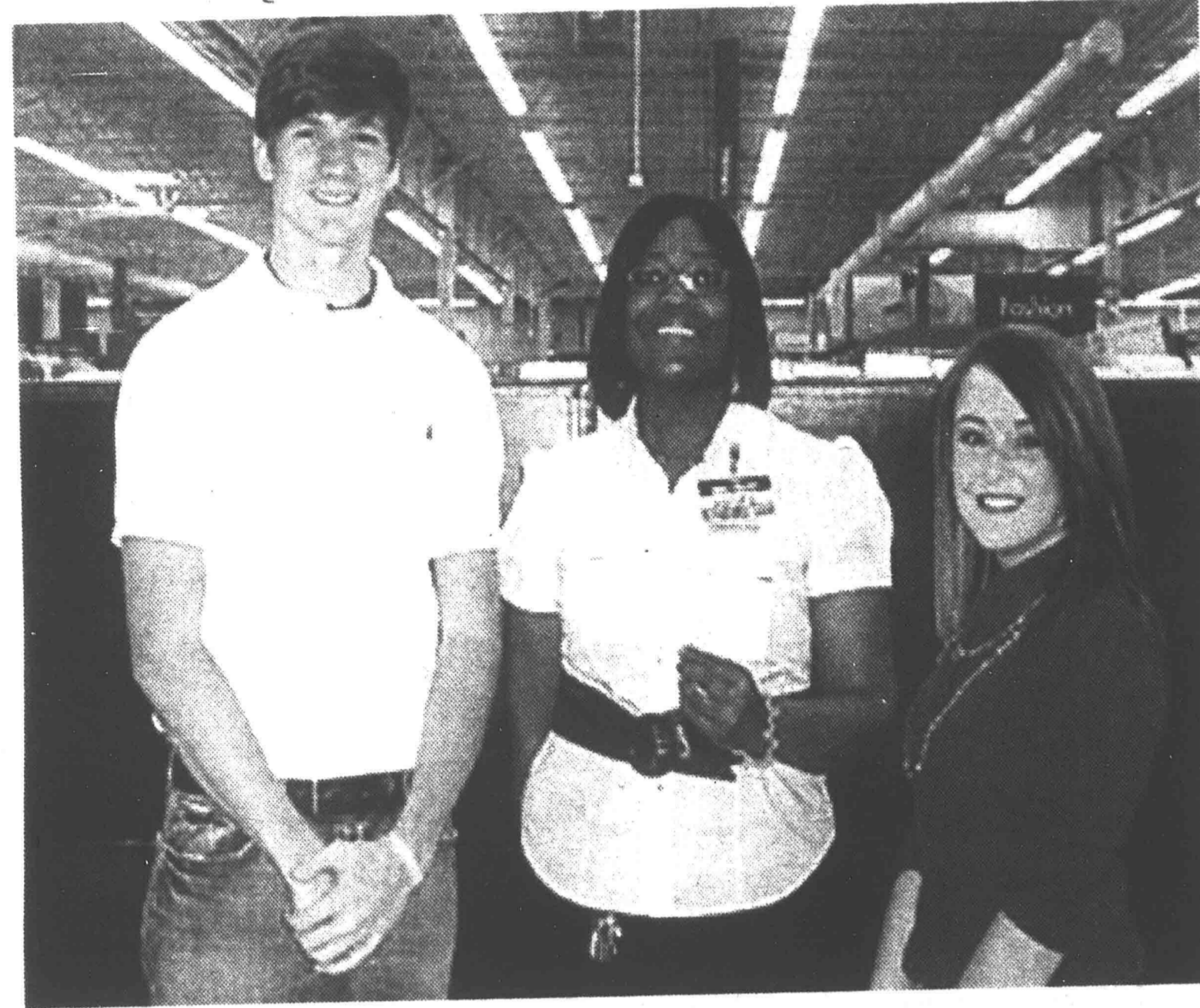
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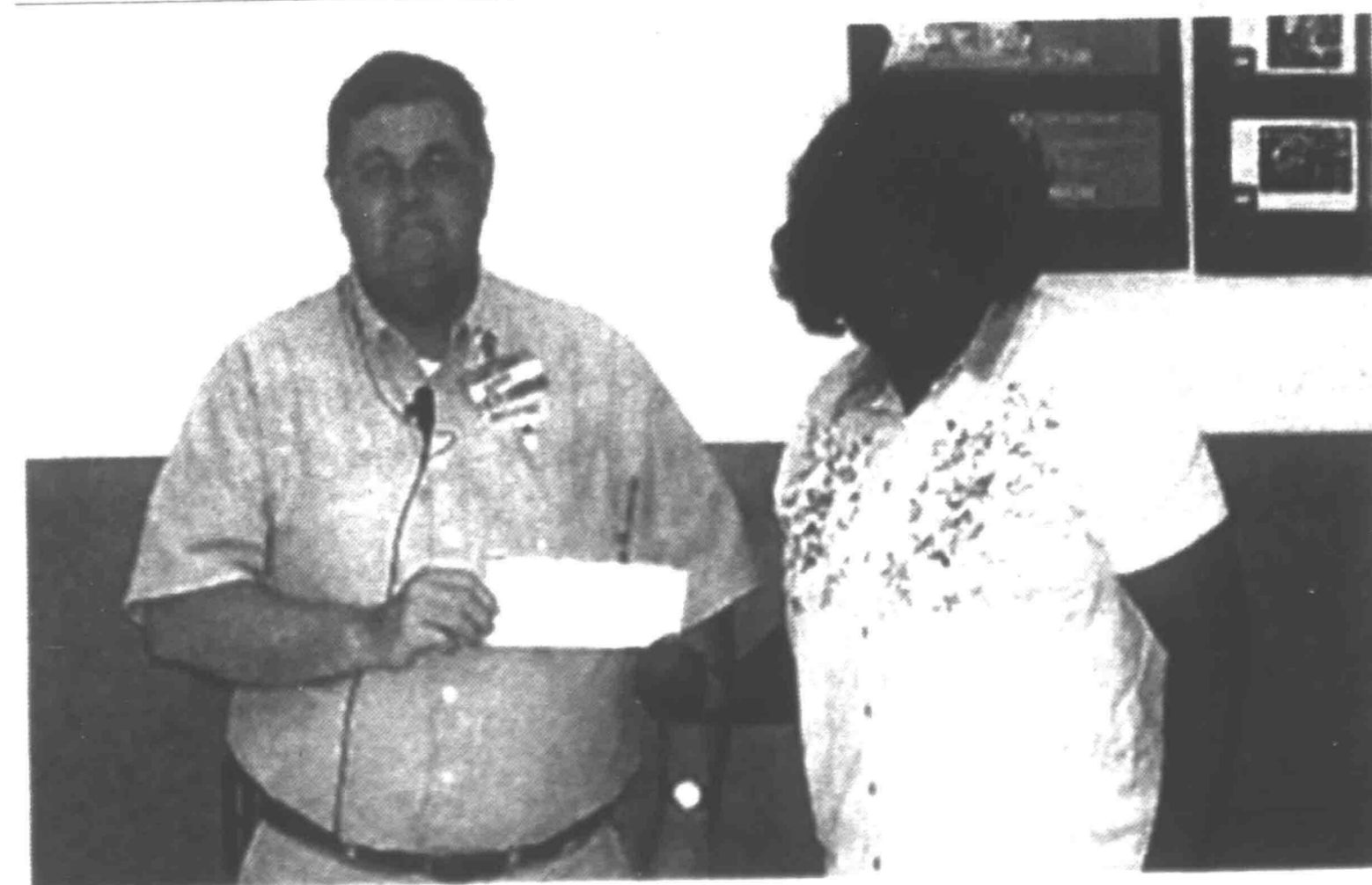
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## Wal-Mart Employees Present Donations



**KATRINA SMITH**, center, Wal-Mart assistant manager, presented a \$1,000 community grant check April 3rd to Nathan Smith, left, and Avonlea Brewster, right, Halls High School seniors, for Halls High School's Project Graduation.

In lower photo, Katrina, right, presented a \$300 local grant check to Natalie Wilson, left, Regional Community Relations manager for the local Girl Scout troop.



**BUDDY JOHNSTON**, left, Wal-Mart assistant manager, presented a \$250 local grant check April 3rd to Dorothy Garrison, right, pastor of Straightway Church in Halls, to help with activities in the Halls area.



**CHRIS JONES**, left, Wal-Mart store manager, presented a \$1,500 community grant check April 1st to Ben Littlepage, right, for the local Relay for Life to benefit the American Cancer Society.

In lower photo, Chris presented a \$1,000 community grant check March 30th to Pamela Cherry Kerby, right, for the Dyersburg Army Air Base Memorial Museum in Halls.

## LCCOA Easter Program



**MEMBERS** of the Westside Ladies Prayer Group, under the direction of Dollie Burks, presented an Easter program April 3rd for participants at Lauderdale County Commission on Aging. Betty Lovelace opened the program with prayer, Scott Nelson and Judy Viar performed solos, and Pat Higdon led the group in a community song, accompanied by Barbara Hendren at the piano. Jean Taylor narrated the Easter story and Janet Compere recited "Mary at the Cross". Carolyn McCaslin presented the Easter egg story explaining the symbol of each piece found inside the egg. Bro. John Compere, pastor at Westside Baptist, closed the program with prayer. Easter hats were modeled during the Easter Parade.

## County Emergency Management Class

The West Tennessee Regional Health Department and the Lauderdale County Emergency Management Agency have announced their annual public health volunteer training scheduled for 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 28th, at the Ripley Elementary School. The training is open to all current volunteers and anyone who would like to contribute their skills and expertise during times of community need such as a natural disaster, terrorist event, or public health emergency.

The response of the local community has been very encouraging," said Jim Jarrett, Director of the Lauderdale County Emergency Management Agency. The Lauderdale County EMA and the local emergency planning committee continues to support the efforts of the regional and local health department. They have done an outstanding job of recruiting and training our volunteers so that Lauderdale County and our local communities will be prepared in the event of a disaster. The health department and our local emergency response agencies do not have enough personnel to mount an effectively response during a large-scale disaster or public health emergency. We need well-trained and dedicated community volunteers so that we'll be ready when an emergency happens.

Anyone who wants to join the Lauderdale County Reserve Corps and assist with local and public health emergencies can volunteer online at [www.state.tn.us/health](http://www.state.tn.us/health) or contact Debbie Lowndale, the MRC Volunteer Coordinator at (731)421-6784.

## SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

The 2009 Relay For Life of Lauderdale County will hold a Co-Ed softball tournament beginning at 6 p.m. May 8th at Ripley City Park. The softball tournament will be held in conjunction with the Relay and is open to anyone throughout West Tennessee. If anyone is interested, call Ben Littlepage, 731-512-5008, for more information.

## Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here! I really have had a fun week. I learned all about Easter. Miss Pam told me the story of Easter and why we celebrate but she did not tell me how much fun I would have at the Easter Egg Hunt. We all went over to Momma Jayne's house. Mr. Pam went outside with some ball looking things in a basket. He came back inside and told all of the puppy two leggers that all of the eggs were hidden. I went out the door with all of the puppy two leggers. Miss Pam told me to try and find some of the hidden eggs. I put my nose to the ground and started smelling. I walked around and found lots of Easter eggs. I would put one in my mouth and it made a funny sound and I would take it to Miss Pam. She was really impressed and she would say good boy. That is what she says to me when she is proud of me. I went back to smelling and I found lots more eggs. Before I knew it, I had a big pile of eggs.

The puppy two leggers were having a hard time finding eggs. I wondered why they were not smelling for the eggs. I watched them for a while and decided that I would see what one of the eggs would taste like. I put one in my mouth and walked away from Miss Pam because I knew that she would fuss at me. I took a bite of the egg. The outside was hard and crunchy but the inside was wonderful. I ate that egg in one bite. I went back over to get more. I watched to see that Miss Pam would not see me and I took another egg off to be eaten. After that egg was gone, I walked over and guess who saw me? Miss Pam - She told me that four leggers did not eat eggs. She told me that it was a game to see who had found the most eggs. All of the puppy two leggers came up to me and had sad looks on their face. I had found most of the eggs. I really liked this game. Miss Pam patted me on my head and told me that I would have to share some of my eggs with the puppy two leggers since I had found the most. Now, I really didn't think that it was fair but I like puppy two leggers so I backed up for them to get some of my eggs. Puppy two leggers must not be able to smell too good.

After the Easter egg hunt, Miss Pam and I rode out to the Club to see my Buds. I wondered if Mr. Buddy and Scooter would be having an egg hunt. They must have already found all of their eggs because they were in the office. I walked thru just to see what was going on and then I went out to see my Buds. Outside, King, the Shepherd/Belgium mix, was laying in the sun while Blue, the black and white feist, with blue eyes was telling him some big story about a two legger. I went out to the barn and the boys were all out playing a game in the sun. The girls were all laying around in the sun talking about how funny the boys were. The beagles were talking about two leggers and going rabbit hunting. I just walked around and didn't tell anybody about hunting eggs. I am not sure that they even knew what an egg was since I had just found out a little while ago. Back inside, my Buds were really loud. I think everybody was really glad that it was getting warm outside and everybody was happy. I went into the puppy four legger room and saw all of the puppy four leggers. They sure are sooo cute. That is what Miss Pam would say.

I went into the cat room and thought that I had not been in there all week. When I walked in, I knew that I was in trouble. I heard the big orange cat hiss at me. I called his name and told him that I just wanted to say hi, but I don't think that he really cared. He ran toward me and I ran out of the door as fast as I could. Boy, that was a close call. I saved my nose one more time. As I was going back into the office, I wondered why the cats just did not like me. When I got back into the office, Leroy, the wild cat, was in my chair. I really needed a nap and my stomach was hurting a little. So I decided that I would growl at Leroy and make him get out of my chair. I walked over and put my nose

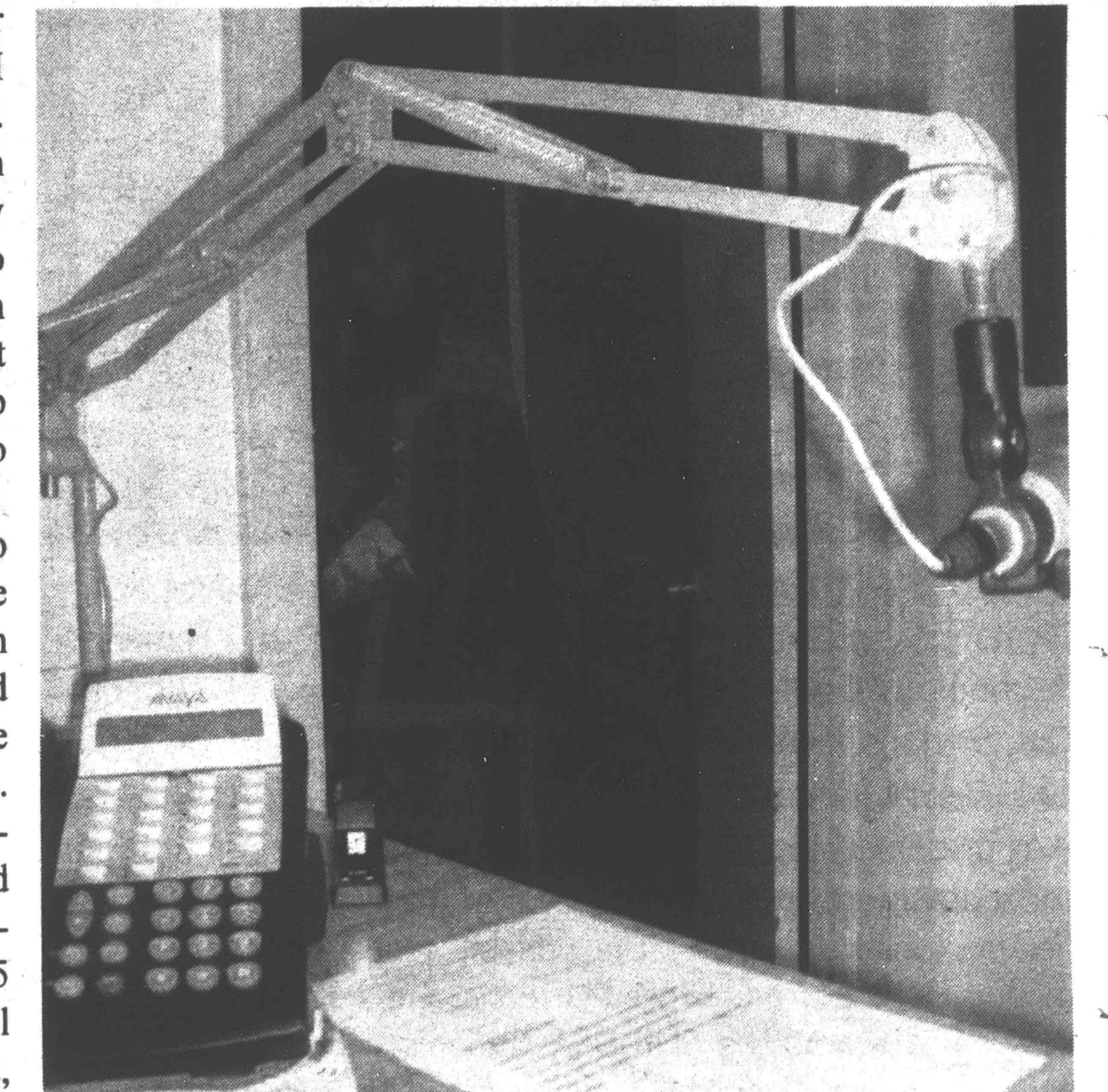
on the chair and gave a big growl. He slapped me so fast that I didn't even see his paw move but I sure did feel it. I jumped back. Scooter and Mr. Buddy laughed at me. I really didn't see anything funny. Scooter told me that I would learn one day not to bother Leroy. Leroy didn't get out of the chair either so I laid down on the rug. Miss Pam came back in and told me that it was time to go home. I jumped up fast because I was ready to go to my own couch.

Mr. Buddy said that not too many two leggers had been to the Club this week. Have you all been hiding eggs? We need some food so send your two legger out to the Club with some food for my Buds. Mr. George and Miss Linda Hallock brought my Buds some food this week. But where was everybody else? Come see us at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, or mail us something at P. O. Box 172, Ripley, or give us a call at 836-PETS(836-7387).

If you do not want to come out to the Club, just drop off your food donation at Beasley's Treasures on Hwy. 51 and Scooter will come and pick up it.

Have your four legger spayed or neutered so that we will not have so many puppy four leggers

## Recording Studio Open



**DASOLO WRECKORDS** studios, also known as Sum Mo'Stuv Production, is now open at 117 North Front Street in Halls. Production for all types of music plus photo and video needs is provided.

that need a good home. Have your four legger vaccinated this week-end at the Rabies Clinic.

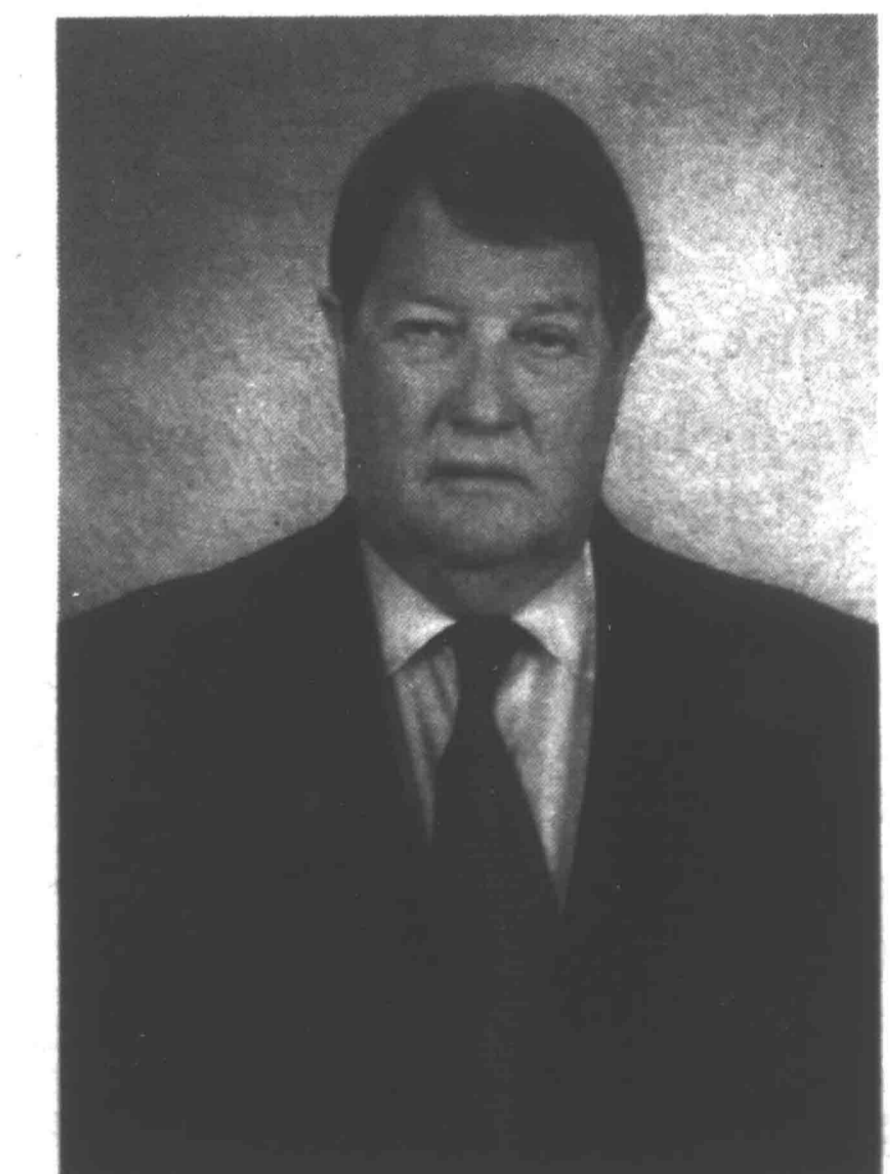
I want to say Happy Birthday to my friend Craig Tucker.

Be as good as your four legger thinks you are. Do eggs make you have funny sounds and smell bad ???

Zeek out !!!!!

## Eugene Pugh

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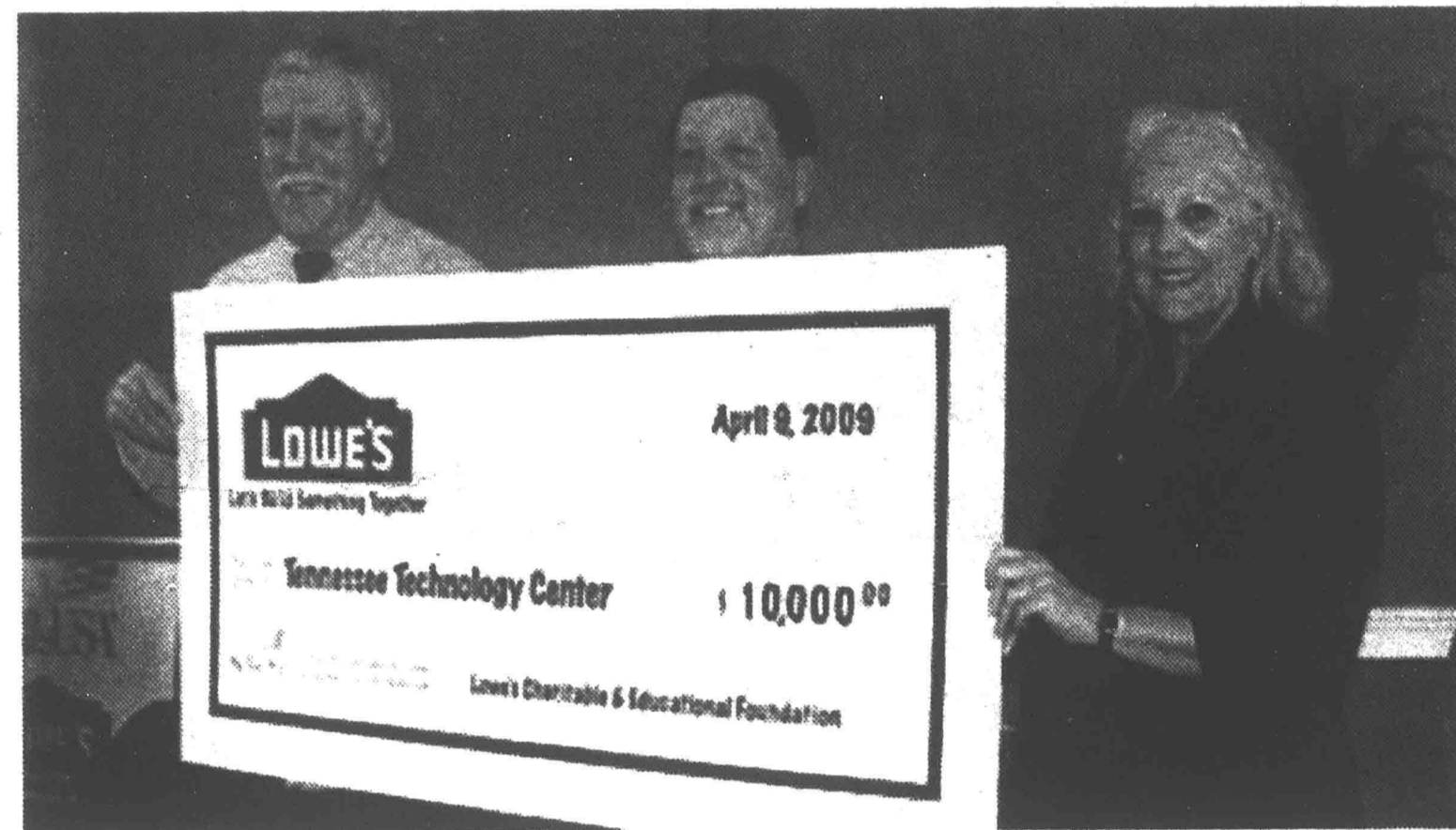
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### Renovations Grant



**DAVID BURNHAM**, center, of Ripley, representing Lowe's, Dyersburg, pictured with Brian Collins, director, Tennessee Technology Center, Ripley, and Annette Maxwell, director, Carl Perkins Center, presented a \$10,000 grant on behalf of Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation. The grant was presented to the Tennessee Technology Center at Ripley for renovations to the lower level of the Exchange Club Carl Perkins Center in Ripley. The project, expected to take several months, will add much needed office and storage space and a conference room. The SkillsUSA students will receive valuable hands-on experience while volunteering. "This grant represents Lowe's commitment to education," said Larry D. Stone, chairman of Lowe's Charitable and Education Foundation. "By supporting local schools like TTC, we believe we are not only investing in community projects that are important to our customers and employees, but we're also helping schools build a stronger foundation for students who will be tomorrow's employees, homeowners, and community leaders. "We are excited and grateful to the TTC, SkillsUSA, and Lowe's. This is just one more way our community is teaming up in the fight against child abuse," said Maxwell.

### Meals Delivered



**MARY LATTIMORE**, MIFA Home Delivered Meals employee, suits up March 31st for bad weather to deliver meals to 28 people within the Halls city limits and rural area. The Lauderdale County Commission on Aging is a host site for the MIFA meals program for the north end of the county. Mary has been employed with MIFA since April 7, 2008. She stated she loves her job and the people she serves. She likes to get out on time so everyone gets a hot meal. In some cases, she may be the only outside contact with another person that day for some of the participants in the program.

### YMCA To Offer Summer Camp

Due to the success of the current after school care program in Halls, the YMCA of Dyer County will offer a summer camp for children, kindergarten through seventh grade, for the 2009/2010 school year. The summer camp program is designed

to help eliminate the large need for childcare in Halls for working parents or for children who become easily bored during the summer months. The program is scheduled to last the entire 10 weeks of summer break starting June 1st and ending August 6th at Halls First United Methodist Church. Camp will be offered from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through

### Behind The Scene Heroes



**BRENDA SUTTON**, right, E-911 dispatcher supervisor, received a plaque from E-911 Chairman Frank Currie Monday on behalf of the E-911 dispatcher's in recognition of National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week (NPSTW). The theme is "Behind the Scenes Heroes". Telecommunicators or dispatchers are known as "the unseen 'voice' of public safety". The calls dispatchers answer work side-by-side with the more visible components of public safety including police officers, sheriff's deputies, troopers, firefighters, emergency management service (EMS) personnel, first responders and others. Dispatchers are vital links within cities, towns and counties.

NPSTW, which began in 1981, is held the second full week of April (April 12-18, 2009) to put a special focus on public safety telecommunications professionals for their contributions to the safety and security of communities around the world. The official name was "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week." In the intervening years, it has somehow become known by several other names, including "National Public-Safety Telecommunications Week" and "International Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week."

Friday, with before camp care from 7:30 to 9 a.m. and after camp care from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Included in the weekly program will be music class, tutoring, arts and crafts, a physical fitness program and many other en-

richment activities.

Registration will be held from 9 to 11 a.m., Saturday, April 18th at Halls First United Methodist Church in the Fellowship Hall. Space is limited so registration will be a first

### Meeting xxx

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Lauderdale County and has donated \$2,670.57 to the office of Linda Summar, the Lauderdale County Court Clerk, with the stipulation that a filing cabinet and a fire safe must be purchased.

Lisa Hankins, director of Lauderdale Chamber/ECD, gave the update about the orange carpet program stating that the results, while a little vague, basically stated Lauderdale County needed to improve in education and labor workforce. Lauderdale County education statistics were low because the State of Tennessee does not recognize G.E.D.'s as graduating with a high school diploma.

### HALLS PAGEANT

Halls Jr. High Spirit Club will host the 2009 HJH Miss Halls Pageant. All sixth, seventh, and eighth grade girls that attend Halls Elementary and Halls Jr. High are invited to participate. The pageant will be 7 p.m. Saturday, May 2nd following the 2009 Tiny Tot and Lauderdale Little Miss Pageants.

The Tiny Tot pageant has been rescheduled for 2 p.m. and the Lauderdale Little Miss for 4 p.m. Saturday, May 2nd due to community event conflict.

Applications may be picked up in the Halls Jr. High office for all pageants. For more information call 836-5579.

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For more information regarding the program and registration fees, call Kathlene Meyer, 731-445-2157 or email hallsafterschool@gmail.com.

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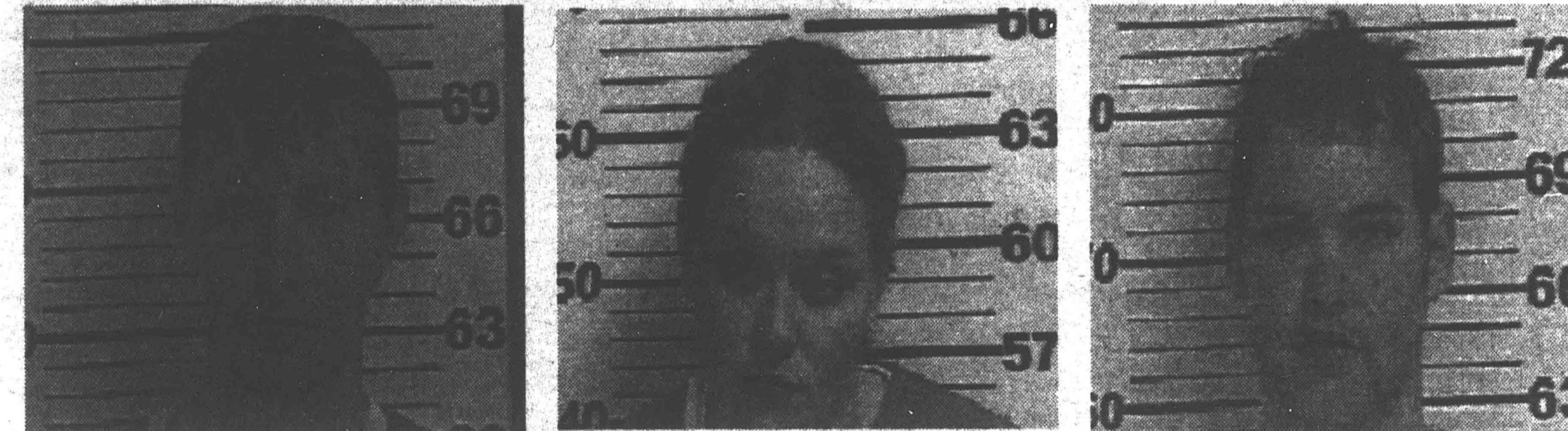
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## Three Face Drug Task Force Charges



**THREE SUSPECTS**, Brian Benson, left, 27, and Amanda Adkerson, 26, both of Lauderdale County, and Christopher London, 27, of Dyer County, were arrested by agents with the 25th District Drug Task Force. Benson and London were stopped and arrested April 8th on Highway 51 after they purchased pseudoephedrine, used in the manufacture of methamphetamine, at Wal-Mart in Covington. They were charged with promotion to manufacture methamphetamine. Adkerson was charged with initiation of a process that would result in the manufacture of methamphetamine, a Class B felony. A meth lab was reported April 17th on Voss Road in the county. Agent Brian Kelley investigated the lab and determined it belonged to Adkerson.

## HHS 2009 DUI Mock Crash



**A MOCK DUI CRASH**, in upper photo, was held Thursday of last week at the Halls High School to make juniors and seniors aware of the affects and consequences of drinking and driving prior to prom night. The students witnessed a simulated, real life, drunken driving crash where the driver and his

## Annual Survivors Luncheon Planned

The 2009 Relay For Life of Lauderdale County will hold its annual survivors luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 29th at the activities building of Ripley's First United Methodist Church. All survivors are invited. For more information, call Annie Laura Jennings, 731-635-6888.

## Chamber To Hold Membership Banquet

The Lauderdale Chamber/ECD will hold its annual membership banquet at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 23rd at the Rolling Hills Country Club with a "60's" theme. Awards for the centerpiece contest, large and small business and citizen of the year, and two honorary members, will be presented. Members are asked to dress in 60's attire. Call the Chamber, 731-635-9541, for ticket information.

friends were on their way home after prom with several hours of intense drinking and no sleep. The vehicle collided with a utility pole when he failed to make a curve.

In middle photo, juniors and seniors watch as officials work the scene of the mock accident and prepared injured victims for a ride in the Air Vac helicopter.

In lower photo, officials who participated included the Halls Police, Lauderdale County Sheriff and Halls Fire Departments, plus Tennessee State Highway Patrol, Lauderdale County Ambulance Authority, Ripley Power and Light Company, Halls High School faculty and staff, Cook's Wrecker Service, B.V.'s Electronics, and the Town of Halls.

Statistics show approximately 50 percent of all children killed in motor vehicle crashes are victims of alcohol-related crashes. Teenagers account for 10 per-

## So. Fork Bank Work Funded

The West Tenn. River Basin Authority has authorized spending up to \$20,000 for each of two stabilizations, in this county, of the South Fork of the Forked Deer River--

One at Owl City Road.

One at Unionville, where executive director David Saulyers is considering, to cure a 25-ft. drop, new ideas, including bio-engineering and rock veins.

cent of the United States population and 14 percent of motor vehicle deaths. On the average, 6,000 teenagers die each year in alcohol related motor vehicle crashes and 41 percent of fatal crashes involving teenagers occur at night between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. The leading cause of death for persons aged from one to 37 is motor vehicle crashes. Over half, 52 percent, of all motor vehicle crashes are alcohol related. Eighty percent of high school seniors have used alcohol and approximately 64 percent have been drunk. In 1997, 21% of young drivers, 15 -20 years old, who were killed in crashes were intoxicated. Approximately one-third of the nation's teenagers will ultimately die from alcohol - related causes. On any given weekend, one out of 10 vehicles you pass is being driven by a drunk or drugged driver. Approximately 32 percent of all Tennessee roadway fatalities are alcohol-related. A gun kills one person every hour, while a drunk driver kills three people every hour. High school students who use alcohol are five times more likely than other students to drop out of school. According to a 2006 survey, 10.8 Americans between, ages 12-20, admit to

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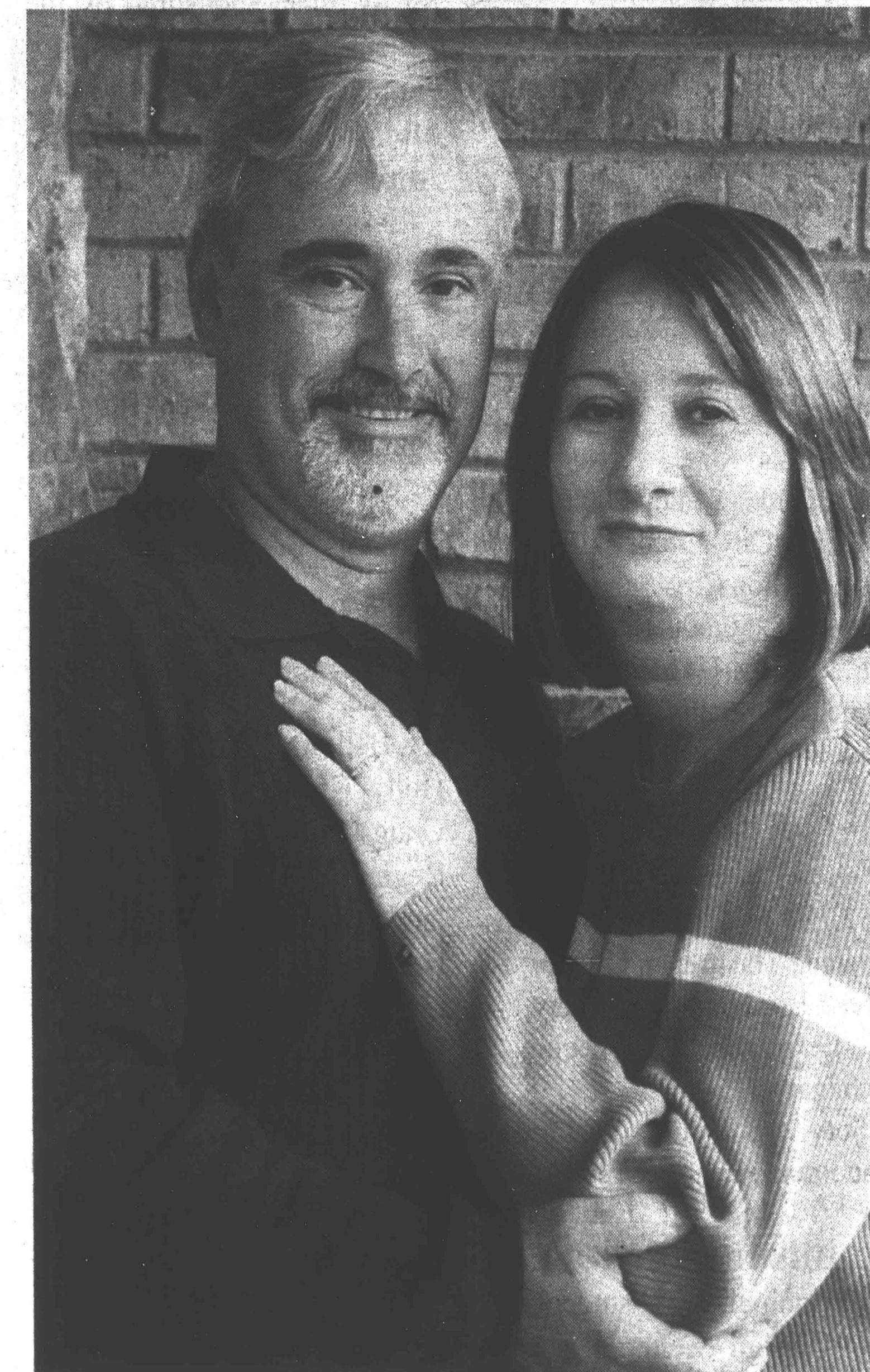
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## May Nuptials Slated



**ROBIN BULLARD**, of Halls, daughter of Betty Purdy, of Neosho, Mo., and Raymond Morrison, of Lebanon, Or., will marry Michael Johnson, of Halls, son of Mr. and Mrs. Greg Crouse, of Drummonds, at 2 p.m., May 23rd at Lakewood Baptist Church, Dyersburg, with Odell "Buddy" Weeks, officiating the ceremony, all family and friends invited. A reception will follow at the church.

The bride-elect is employed as a teacher at Ripley Primary School.

The groom-elect is a 16-year member of Ironworkers Local 167 and employed at Barnhart Crane and Rigging in Memphis.

## Anniversaries

April 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Stan Matras.

April 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Perry Garrett, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hurt.

April 26 - Mr. and Mrs. Don Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Scarce, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Savage, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Layne, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Folger.

April 27 - Mr. and Mrs. Mike Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Mike De-

## Marriages

April 11th - Roger Lynn Vanness, 33, to Felicia Danielle Moore, 32, by H. Wayne Holmes.

April 17th - Oscar DeWayne Alexander, Jr., 23, to Crescentia Markita Jones, 22, by Rod Schuh.

April 18th - Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Manns.

April 28 - Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Kitts.

## Birthdays

April 23 - Christie Woodard, Bill Lemons, Alene Boyd, Carmon Morris, Mike Robison, Brantley English, Carolyn Mitchell, Autumn Hutchison, Jimmy Hutcherson, Danny Belton, Natalie Hart, Madison Mountjoy, Elizabeth Burgess, Tammy Vaughan, Paul Thomas Newman, Brenda Osburn, Robert Echols, Dr. Robert Magee.

April 24 - Robert Drumwright, April Parker, Stephanie Bonds, Craig Buckner, Jeremy Paige, Patricia Murray, Jodie Edwards, Emily Paige King, William R. Whitson, Joseph Scott, Joy Moore, Jay Caldwell.

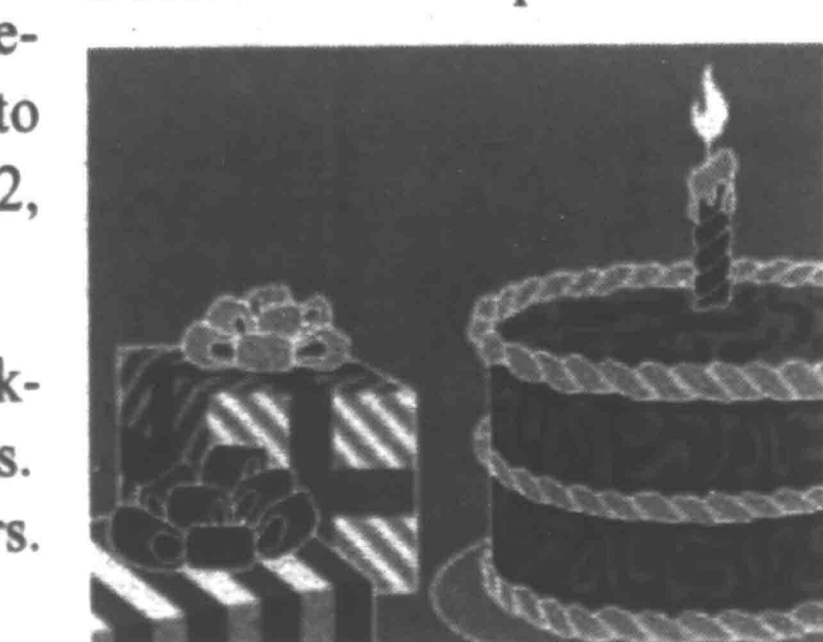
April 25 - Lex Sanders, Barbara Jennings, Becky Hilliard, Beth Deaton, Brenda Newman, Margie Halliburton, Becky Fain, Nathan Smith, Mike Fuller, Ruby Taylor, Kyle Loving, Teresa Walk, Yvonne Clay, Cindy Rosson, Gary Turner Jr., Addy Hume.

April 26 - Mary Meadows, Emily Elkins, Alfred Brassfield, Susan Pipkin, Billie Belton, Lewis Vaden, David Booker, Caroline Snell, Margaret Cepparulo, Laverne Dunavant, Brian Maclin, Emma Crawley, Rebecca Lovelace, Evelyn Manns.

April 27 - Chris Buckner, Ruth Steelman, Mark Reynolds, Montell Sandlin, Emmie Henderson, Zach Heath, Diana Dedmon, Mark L. Reynolds, Dawn Steelman, Meagan Rose Kimbrell, Keeley Fowler, Randy Robison, Jennifer Caldwell, Scott Correll.

April 28 - Lauryn Emilee Caldwell, Frankie Bostic, Chris Shoemaker, George Grugett, Emily Anthony, Kevin Hoggard, William Belton, Jim Jarrett, Ken Long, Brooke Mays.

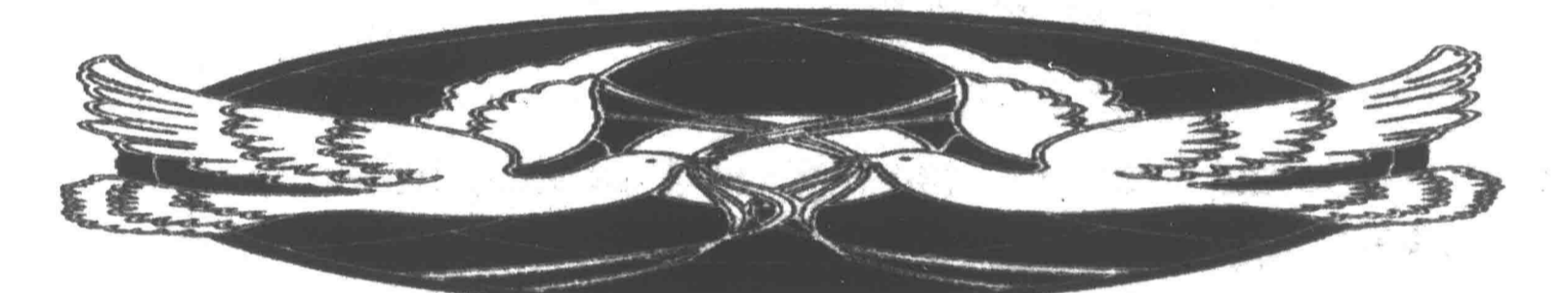
April 29 - Julie Wright, Matthew Taylor, Patty Moore, Betty Chipman, Cynthia Harvey, Rebekah D. Ennis, Patty Sue Moore, Debbie Blankenship.



## Bridal Courtesies



**RACHAEL LYNN ANDERSON**, of Dyersburg, bride-elect of Marty Joe Wright, Jr., of Halls, was honored with a bridal shower April 19th at the couple's future home in Gates. The hostesses were Mrs. Samantha Brewster and Amanda Wright, sisters of the groom-elect, and Mrs. Becky Wright, aunt of the groom-elect, all of Halls. Special guests were Mrs. Sue Anderson, of Dyersburg, mother of the bride-elect; Mrs. LeAnne Wright, mother of the groom-elect; and Mrs. Ruth Wright and Mrs. Arlie Colvette, grandmothers of the groom-elect.



## 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.

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Ripley, will celebrate the 32nd anniversary of ministry of its pastor, The Rev. John Ed Jones, and his wife, Emma, at 2 p.m. April 26th with the Rev. Herman Emery as guest speaker. The Henning Grove Baptist church family will be special guests. The public is invited.

Ripley Church of God will celebrate the ninth anniversary of ministry for its pastor, Tracy Henson, and his family, at 10:40 a.m. Sunday, April 26th. The Rev. Dewayne and Brenda Green, of Chattanooga, will be guest speaker. The public is invited.

New Hope United Methodist Church, Edith Nankipoo Rd., at Central, will hold a gospel singing at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 2nd featuring the Finchers. The public is invited.

Nelson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church will welcome Bro. Benjamin Crawley at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 26th as he delivers his first sermon. The son of The Rev. Doris and Emma Crawley, of Ripley, he is the father of four children, Benjamin, Tonika, and Isaiah, of Ripley, and Marquita, of Alaska. Claxton Reese, pastor, and Emma Reese, associate minister, invite the public.

Spiller Hill Church of God In Christ, 146 Osborne St., Ripley, will hold a spirit filled conference, at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 23rd and Friday, April 24th, and at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 25th, with the focus on witnessing. Evangelist Julius Deberry will be conductor, and Supt. L. C. Hayslett, pastor, invites the public.

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

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

Obituaries

**Bobby Mitchell**

Bobby G. Mitchell, 73, of Burlington, was buried Monday in Poplar Grove Cemetery near Henning, after rites in Munford Funeral Home.

He had retired as a machine operator for I. T. W. Paslode in Covington.

He was the widower of Tricie Mitchell.

Survivors include a son, William, of Mason; a daughter, Vickie Brown, of Burlington; a brother, Terry, of Galloway; sisters, Gracie Jones, of Mason, Eloise George and Rebecca Fuqua, of Southaven, Miss., and Susan Wells, of Oxford, Miss.; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren

**W. C. Pickett**

William Charles Pickett, 70, of Henning, retired factory worker, died Wednesday of last week in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were Saturday in Canaan Baptist Church near Henning, with burial in its cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include sons, Charles Edward Pickett and Steven Lee Pickett, of Henning; a sister, Amanda Pickett, of Ripley; and a grandchild.

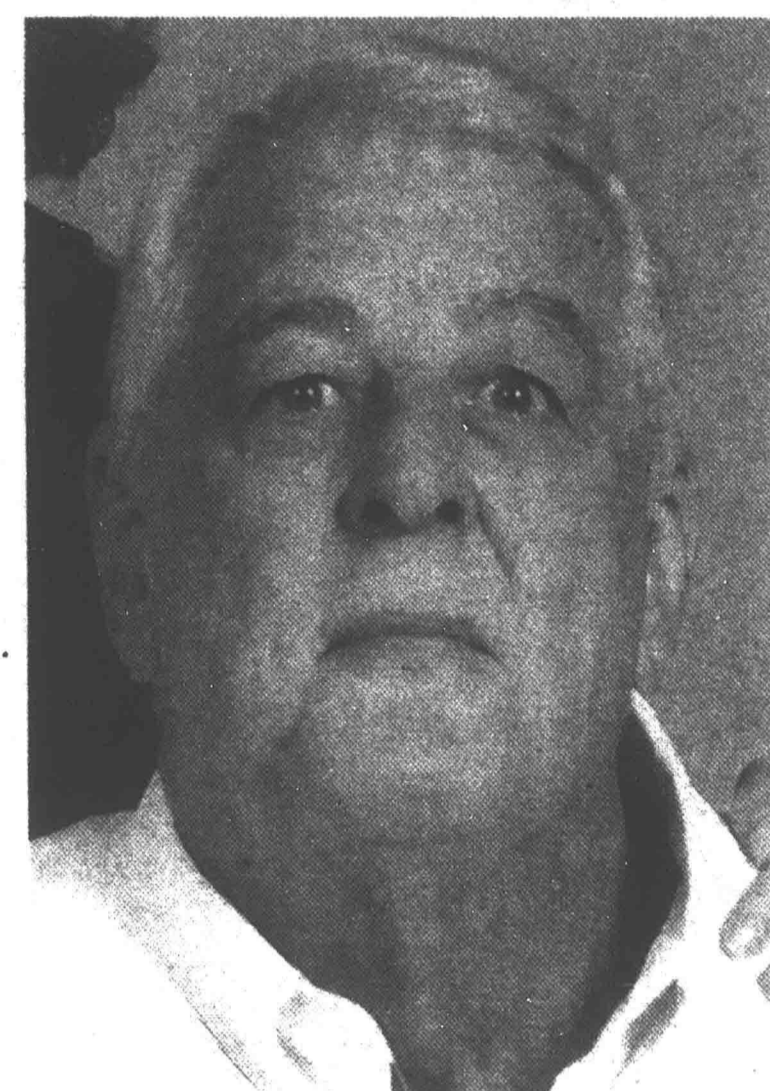
**J. W. Uselton**

John William Uselton, 78, retired welder for Ross Mfg. Co. in Brownsville, died Saturday in Lauderdale Community Living Center.

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

Survivors include his wife, Lois J. "Polly" Potter Uselton; a daughter, Debra Chalk, sons, Johnny and Terry, and a brother, George W. Uselton, Jr., all of Ripley; another brother, Mike, of Jackson; eight grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Mourned



**OTTIS 'TY' SIRMANS**, 60, of Dyersburg, died Tuesday, April 21st, at Methodist North Hospital in Memphis.

He was a former Safety and Environmental Engineer for Firestone, an Air Force Veteran of the Vietnam War, a member of the American Legion, a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, a graduate of Purdue University, and an avid fisherman and an animal lover.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday, April 24th, at Dyersburg Funeral Home with The Rev. W.L. McCadney and The Rev. Trent McManus officiating.

Graveside services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 25th, at East Hill Cemetery in Rushville, Ind.

The family will receive visitors from 5-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Pallbearers will be Allan Shepard, John Hart, Richard Villiva, Richard Aube, Justin Wisdom and Ronald Moore.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Otis Tulk and Evelyn Ruth Roberts Sirmans.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela Jo Hughes Sirmans, of Dyersburg; a daughter, Nicole Leigh Shepard and husband, Eric, of Dyersburg; one brother, George Michael Sirmans and wife, Patricia, of Hahira, Ga.; two nephews, Gabe Sirmans and wife, Brandi and Zane Sirmans, all of Hahira, Ga.; three nieces, Kretia Weddle-Rutherford, of Noblesville, Ind., Paige Alexis Newhouse, of Rushville, Ind., and Bonnie Ann Weddle, of Shelbyville, Ind.;

**Milton Williams**

Milton Walter Williams, 82, died Thursday of last week in his home at 405 Park in Halls.

Rites were Monday in First Baptist Church in Halls, where he had been a member for more than 50 years and had served as a deacon. Burial was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery at Arp, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He was born in this county Dec. 29, 1926, to the late Walter and Beatrice Williams.

A Navy veteran of World War II, he later served in the Military Sea Transportation Service, shipping helicopters to the war in Viet Nam.

Survivors include his wife, Wanda Griggs Williams; sons, Lee, of Halls, Frank, of Arlington, Steve, of Knoxville, and John, of Bloomington, Wis.; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

**Leroy Jones**

Leroy Jones, 81, of Halls, retired from Albin-Carlson Construction Co. in Addison, Ill., died Sunday in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Wednesday in Williams Chapel Baptist Church near Halls, Johnson-Williams Funeral Home, of Newbern, in charge.

He was born at Baldwin, Miss., April 20, 1927, to the late Bluford and Dollie Lee Curtis Jones.

An Army sergeant in World War II, he was a member of a Baptist Church in Chicago, Ill..

Survivors include his wife, Eldaren; a son, Anthony, of Obion; a daughter, Patricia (Mrs. Robert) Moore, of Unionville; sisters, Elsie Turner, of Ridgeley, and Jean Willis and Lorene Carroll, of Dyersburg; and four grandchildren.

three sisters-in-law, Sarah Weddle and husband, Paul, of Shelbyville, Ind., Julie Newhouse and husband, Tracy, and Bonnie Ford and husband, Rick, all of Rushville, Ind.

The family request that any memorials be directed to Dyersburg/Dyer County Humane Society. Adv.

**Mrs. 'Tom' Elam**

Kathleen Hyneman Elam, 94, of Union City, aunt of William Hunter Mountjoy, of 120 Jaynes Drive, Halls, died April 9th, in her home.

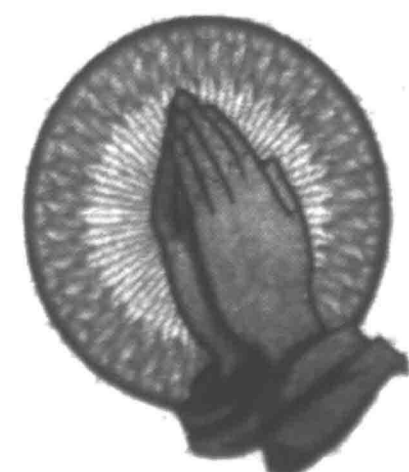
She and her husband, the late Thomas French Elam, had contributed \$1,000,000 to the University of Tennessee in Martin before Tom's death, March 9, 1998.

She had since given UTM \$2,100,000; \$1,000,000 to build a Union City Library; \$330,000 to the Union City Schools Foundation; \$250,000 to a Push for St. Jude by UTM's Alpha Tau Omega fraternity; a scholarship endowment and \$111,000 to Le Bonheur Hospital in Memphis; \$107,500 to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Northwest Tennessee; \$57,750 to Union City's Masquerade Theatre; and support for Freed-Hardeman University and the Lexington, Ky., Theological Seminary.

Survivors include four nieces and three other nephews.

**HHS HONOR ROLL**

Principal List students at Halls High School for the third nine-week period include freshmen, Matt Clark, Molly Green, Austin Gunter, Chelsea Hill, Robert Hill, Jayla Moore, Melissa Shapiro, Hollie Wilson, and Amanda Wright; sophomores include, Logan Campbell, Katye Cherry, Kirby Cherry, Dalton Gean, Krista Hardy, Hunter Harrison, Emilee Hartman, Lateria Humphrey, Hannah Kelley, Ashlee Nichols, Cassie Olds, Geoff Pahl, Shelby Parsonson, Eboni Pearson, and Hayden Watts; juniors include, Hollis Belton, Michey Cherry, Casey Crockett, Jessie Ellison, Shelby Gean, Angelia Hanks, Cassidy Hardee, Jeff Lents, Josh Lents, Megan McBroom,



**RESCHUELED**

Due to rain, the Poker Run for St. Jude, sponsored by the Patient Care Technician program, has been rescheduled for May 9th at the National Guard Armory.

Proceeds will benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital and a small portion will fund the PCT graduation.

For information or registration fees, call 731-696-3783, between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Melinda Meeks, Vicki Moore, Leslie Patrick, Qaylon Smith, and Clarissa Stark; seniors include, Todd Aitken, Bradley Belton, Avonlea Brewster, Holly Crook, Heather Davis, Craig Davis, Garvin Ferguson, Reginald Glass, Natalie Grantland, Madison Hamlet, Amber Hargett, Heather Hill, Brittany Land, Jessica Moore, Tyler O'Bryan, Jerry Patrick, Veronica Ray, Kelli Reynolds, Jessica Roberts, Natasha Vaughn, Kayla White, and Stephanie White.

Gold list students for the third nine-week period include freshmen, Laura Bell, Sara Bing, Caitlyn Binkley, Cody Davis, Saxton Gitchell, Marqueston Hall, Hayden Hogue, Chris Jenkins, Becki Lents, Amber Ray, Alex Stanley, Tyler Thurmond, Chelsea Vawter, and Luke Younger; sophomores include, Taylor Barlow, Brenna Deaton, Chris Hutcherson, Barbara Joyner, Kelsey Layne, Ryan Midkiff, Courtney Robbins, and Brittany Ward; juniors include, Kelly Blackwood, Brad Cain, Tabetha Carnell, Grant Dew, Shameka Eison, Nicole Hinsley, Candace McKinney, Matt Newman, Zack Patterson, Cody Peery, Derrick Smith, Matt Taylor, Shamona Wells, and Nakeysha Wilson; seniors include, Kim Booker, Carley Cherry, Jack Collum, Stephanie Conder, Kristen Hinton, Skye Isom, Cody King, Kaylan Mann, Rebecca Morris, and Kristen Obie.

SCD Supervisor Board



**MEMBERS** of the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors include, from left, Rob Reviere, secretary-treasurer, Talmage Criehtfield, Jr., Vernon McBride III, chairman, Guy Bentley, and Bill Parker, vice-chairman. In the fall of 1939, several landowners in Lauderdale County attended a field day in West Tennessee that provided information on how local counties could organize and petition the State of Tennessee to organize soil conservation districts in each county to assist landowners with soil and water conservation activities and projects. They filed a petition with the state in March 1940. It was created as a legal subdivision of the state government in February 1941. The Tennessee Soil Conservation Districts law set forth that each district would be governed by a soil conservation district board of supervisors with responsibilities of developing a conservation program to combat soil erosion. One of the first goals was to promote seeding of Sericea lespedeza on lands experiencing serious problems. The first board consisted of J. F. Crutcher, A. K. Currie, J. Clyde Johnston, J. E. Dunavant, and I. A. Keller. Some 68 years later, the district is still going strong, providing assistance to landowners in Lauderdale County to combat erosion. The district works to partner with federal, state, and local agencies and groups that can help local landowners achieve maximum production from the land while working to eliminate erosion problems. The goal is to protect the land for use by future generations.

**SCD Celebrated Earth Day 2009**

The Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District celebrated Earth Day 2009 Wednesday, April 22nd. The first Earth Day was established April 22, 1970 to make the citizens of the United States aware of the importance of protecting the natural resources for today and for future generations. Each year, the country has proclaimed Earth Day in an effort to make people more aware of how the environment is adversely affected by soil erosion, impaired water quality, diminished wildlife habitat, and poor air quality. The office works with landowners to eliminate excessive soil erosion, improve water quality, enhance wildlife habitat, and protect clean air for the citizens of Lauderdale County. Vernon McBride III, chairman of the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District, urged every citizen in the county to carefully consider how things, where they

**TRASH TALK Time to Take Action!**

The Lauderdale Litter Committee, for the last eight weeks, has tried to communicate our litter problems in this County. This Saturday, April 25th, is the Great American Clean-Up and it's time to help our community. Dumpsters are located at the Justice Center in Ripley and in Halls near the Police Station. Teams and concerned citizens can meet at the Justice Center at 9 a.m. We supply the gloves and trash bags. Anyone can pick up anywhere in our county. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided to workers at noon at the Justice Center, when trash collections are brought to the dumpster.

In addition the Landfill will not charge on Saturday, April 25th for citizens who are cleaning up their own property. If everyone would patrol one mile we can make a difference. Thanks in advance to all who participate and help our community.

Call 731-635-3500 to volunteer.

Mayor Rod Schuh

**THIS 'N THAT GARDENING**

This 'n That Gardening will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, April 23rd, at the Lauderdale Commission on Aging, 605 Airport St. in Halls. Joyce Spindler, master gardener of 11 years, a national flower show judge and garden club member, will share gardening techniques.

live, work, and play, can impact the environment of the county.

**School Lunches**

- Lauderdale County Schools**
- Monday, April 27th**
    - Chicken Fajitas
    - Pizza
    - Corn Nibbles
    - French Fries
    - Orange Sections
    - Cookie
    - Choice Of Milk
  - Tuesday, April 28th**
    - Steak Fingers

**Halls Baseball Win Follows A 3-1 Week**

Halls High School's baseball team, 3-1 last week, won Monday from Tipton-Rosemark Academy, 6-3.

Halls led Trenton Monday, 10-0, and Tuesday, 6-3, lost Thursday at Crockett County, 6-4, and won Friday from Obion County, 11-1, and Monday, from Tipton-Rosemark, 6-3.

**Halls Softball: Two Big Wins, 1-Point Defeat**

Halls High School's softball team led Fulton Ky., last week, 16-1 and 18-0, before losing at Obion County, Monday, 2-1.

The loss put the team's record at 12-6 (5-0 in District 14-A).

**Free Class To Help Reduce Pain Scheduled**

Free exercise classes to help reduce arthritis pain is scheduled from 11 until 11:30 a.m. every Thursday beginning May 14th through June 25th at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging. The class is an arthritis foundation certified exercise program and doctor recommended to help control the pain of arthritis.

To register or for more information, call Rachel Erwin at 635-9551.

**School Lunches**

- Ripley Primary School**
- Halls Elementary School**
    - Pre-K to 3rd**
    - Monday, April 27th**
      - Chicken Fajitas
      - Corn Nibbles
      - Orange Sections
      - Cookie
      - Choice Of Milk
    - Tuesday, April 28th**
      - Steak Fingers

- Thursday, April 30th**
  - Chicken Nuggets
  - Whipped Potatoes
  - Peaches
  - Roll
  - Choice Of Milk
- Friday, May 1st**
  - Corn Dog
  - Carrot Sticks w/Dip
  - Pear Halves
  - Cookie
  - Choice Of Milk

- Broccoli Bites
- Banana
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, April 29th**
  - Spaghetti
  - Green Beans
  - Pineapple Tidbits
  - Roll
  - Choice Of Milk

## State Road Funds For County: Scant

Of more than 450 highway projects proposed by Gov. Phil Bredeson through 2012, for the state's 99 counties, only one includes any construction in

Lauderdale County: the widening, in 2010, part of 1.6 miles from the traffic light at Cleveland and U.S. Hwy. 51, north of Ripley (near Wal-Mart), to the Wiley T. Daniels Building on South Washington, a block southwest of the Ripley Square.

A public hearing on this plan is set for 6-8 p.m. April 30th, in the Tenn. Technology Center in Ripley's North Industrial Park.

Other items proposed by

the governor are, for years not specified through 2012, further right-of-way and construction of the Cleveland St. link, and resurfacing U.S. 51, 5 miles, from the Tipton County line to the state highway garage.

For 2011, plans are to re-habilitate a bridge at LM 11.79 on State Hwy. 87, west of Henning.

For 2012, plans are to obtain rights-of-way to widen Hwy. 19 from Eastland in Ripley, 4.1 miles to the Haywood County line.

## READ ALL ABOUT IT

The weekly column provided by Pettus L. Read  
Director of Communications for Tennessee Farm Bureau

### String Trimmers Attack Again

The other day my wife and I, while out driving, passed a gentleman "weedeating" near the road in his front yard. I say "weedeating" because that is our term around these parts for what you do with a string trimmer no matter what the brand of the machine is that you are currently using. Just like we call all soft drinks coke, we refer to trimming the yard as "weedeating." Don't know why we do it, just know that is what we do and will continue to do until there is an over abundance of generation change in our state.

However, just as I approached the man "weedeating," the spool containing the string on his "weedeater" flew off like a UFO over a trailer park. As I went on by, I could see the man's face turn a bright red and it was not from overexertion. Not wanting to be a part of what choice of vocabulary he was going to use to describe his current feelings, I increased my speed to pass him on by, but looking back in my rearview mirror, I saw his "weedeater" follow the same flight path that the instrument's spool had made just a second or two prior to my arrival on the scene.

Having written a story about a similar situation a few years back and recently including it in my new book entitled, "Read All About - A Rural Psychology Primer," my wife suggested I might replay that article again during this time of the year. It is one of her favorites and because of her suggestion I'm doing so this week. Here is the story about Job never having a string trimmer.

In the book of Job, in the Bible, we are taught the importance of patience. Job was a man that God said there was none like him in all the earth.

Job must have been some more patient individual. He had sickness, death happening to family members, financial loss, and nature was against him, but he hung right in there against the devil.

However, I wonder what would have happened if Job had owned a gas powered string trimmer. If there was ever anything that will tempt your patience, it is the device that many people call a "weedeater."

## Bead Weaving Taught



**NATIVE AMERICAN INDIANS**, Claudia Thompson and Jessie Thompson, West Tennessee Choctaws, taught the art of bead weaving April 9th to seniors at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging in Halls. The class was possible through a Tennessee Arts Commission ABC (Art Builds Communities) Grant. They help to preserve the native culture of the Choctaw Indians by participating in area craft demonstrations and passing the art to younger generations. They work to retain the language and culture as a vibrant part of their heritage. The participants learned a time honored craft from a people that are proud to pass on the culture and traditions of their ancestors. Participating were, in front, Jessie Thompson, Edna Hardy, Claudia Thompson, and Lowella England, and in rear, Carolyn Moore, Jean Bolding, Louise Savage, Carolyn McCaslin, Carley Savage, Gertrude Jones, and M.L. Hudson.

Of course the correct terminology is power string trimmer (PST), but if you have ever owned one, you sure know what I am talking about, no matter what you call it.

PSTs tempt many people's religion each and everyday this time of the year. They have the ability to cause a 250-pound grown man to just sit down and cry for no major reason. I have seen people who were upstanding individuals in their communities, go totally bonkers and beat a string trimmer against the driveway until it was completely un-recognizable.

In fact, one day I saw the nicest lady you would ever want to meet, who only weighs about 90 pounds soaking wet, throw a top of the line gas powered string trimmer more than 100 feet down a driveway. As she went into the house, she was talking in strange tongues and mentioning her husband's name in a very uncomplimentary manner.

I have gone through about three of the machines in my lifetime, and have always felt that the individual who invented this menace to mankind pays someone else to cut and trim his yard.

They are great inventions to help us keep our properties trim and neat. The problem is their attitudes. I know machinery can't think and have real attitudes like people, but they do develop an "evil twin attitude" when it comes

to their operation.

For instance, if you have ever changed the string in one of these rejects from the Zebco fishing equipment factory, you understand what I mean when I say the "evil twin attitude." It always happens. You are just about finished trimming your yard, except for that area near the mailbox and the crazy thing runs out of string. You now must cut and wrap 12 feet of string around a spool, as well as hold a spring, top, and a completely unbalanced gas engine, all at the same time. After several tries, you finally get it back together and prepare to start the engine. That's right! The engine does not want to start. So, you prime the engine, pull the cord and pray that it starts, because it is starting to get dark. Right, it won't start again.

With the anger of a hornet in mid-summer, you pull and pull on that clothesline with a handle.

Finally, the engine starts and you prepare to cut the final weeds as the daylight slowly goes over the hill. As you place the end of the string trimmer to the ground and rev up the engine, the end of the spool you have just added new string to flies off into the sunset and the 12 feet of added line makes a tightly wound ball at your feet.

As the stars come out, the crickets chirp and the moon rises over the horizon, you, with the help of a flashlight and a child who does not want to hear daddy murmur like an idiot, look for the spool that was thrown into a holly bush that has major thorns attached.

Poor old Job was fortunate not to have had a string trimmer. It may have been just the thing to send him right over the edge. All I hope for is to just have some of Job's patience the next time I have to work with my "evil twin" string trimmer.

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## Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here! I have found something new to do. I have been outside today and my backyard smelled so good. Miss Pam has a big flower tree outside. I like to go and get under it just to smell it. I saw something flying all around the flowers. Then I looked closer and I saw lots of things flying around the flowers. I decided to jump up and get me one. I caught one in my mouth. I bit down and it sure did taste good but it has a bad sting about it. I ran over to the grass and ran my mouth in the grass to see if I could get the sting out. I went back over to catch another flying thing and it tasted good but it had a bad sting too. I needed a drink of water so I scratched on the door and Miss Pam let me in. After a drink of cool water, I wanted to go back out. I went back to the flowers and caught me another flying thing. Then I had to go into the grass again to help the sting. I went back in to get another drink of water and went right back out. Miss Pam asked me what was I doing, going in and out. I went right back over to the flowers and caught me another flying thing. Miss Pam yelled at me this time and told me not to be catching bees around the flowers.

So, the good tasting flying things are called bees. She told me that they would sting the inside my mouth. Boy, was she right. I laid down under the flowers and watched the bees. One came down and landed on the nose. I flipped it up and tried to catch it with my mouth, but it was too fast for me. That bee came back down and stung me on my nose. I ran to the grass and ran my nose in the grass, but it was still hurting. I ran over to Miss Pam, who was laughing at me. She told me to come on inside and she would put some medication on my nose. She told me to leave the bees alone or I would just keep on getting stung.

I guess she is right, but they sure do taste good. After she put medication on my nose, I went to take a nap on the couch. I was really tired from eating bees. After my nap, Miss Pam and I went to the Club to see my Buds. We have some new Buds this week that are looking for a two-legger to take them home, Cocoa, the chocolate Cocker Spaniel, Lowe, the red Basset mix, Stinky, the red and spotted Walker hound, and Lexi, the tricolored Walker hound.

Everybody at the Club was taking naps so it was pretty quite inside today. I went to the puppy four-legger room and talked to Georgia, the wire terrier. She was tired, because Mr. Gregg had taken her for a walk to get away from her puppies. Outside, everybody was taking naps, too. Wonder if they had been eating bees.

We had several two-leggers to come out and take four-leggers home with them. Donna Ward, Ann Marie Kissell, Brenda Northcott, Arrak Hutcherson, Bobby Reynolds, and Summer Smith all found new best friends at the Club. Dennis Weaver, Alexis Pace and Danny Shepard all came out to the Club to reclaim their four-leggers. The Big Lick goes to Michael Bursey for adopting Blue, the black and white feist with blue eyes. Blue was so excited about finally getting a two-legger to take him home. He had been with us for a long time. I am soooo proud for Blue that it makes water come from my eyes.

Mr. Buddy and Scooter want me to tell everybody that **WE NEED FOOD**. We are running short and my Buds stay hungry

## Golden Poets Guild Offers Free Contest

A special poetry contest sponsored by Golden Poets Guild is being offered with 50 prizes totaling \$5,000 and a grand prize of \$1,000. Poems may be written on any subject using any style. Include your name and address on the page with your poem and if you wish to receive a winner's list, enclose a return envelope.

The deadline to enter is May 31, 2009.

To enter, send one poem of 21 lines or less to Free Poetry Contest, 1600 31st St. SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124 or online at [www.freecontest.com](http://www.freecontest.com).

## Landowners Work To Stop Gully Erosion

Landowners and the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service are working together to install soil and water conservation practices on the land that will transform their lands after eliminating gully erosion. Richard Cooke, district conservationist, said that the office staff can provide free technical assistance on how to treat erosion problems and help to protect the natural resource base of the land. The staff can assist local landowners to develop a conservation plan for their land. In addition, they can provide the needed engineering assistance to design and construct soil and water conservation structures to eliminate the serious problems.

all of the time. So if you can, send your two-legger out to the Club with some food.

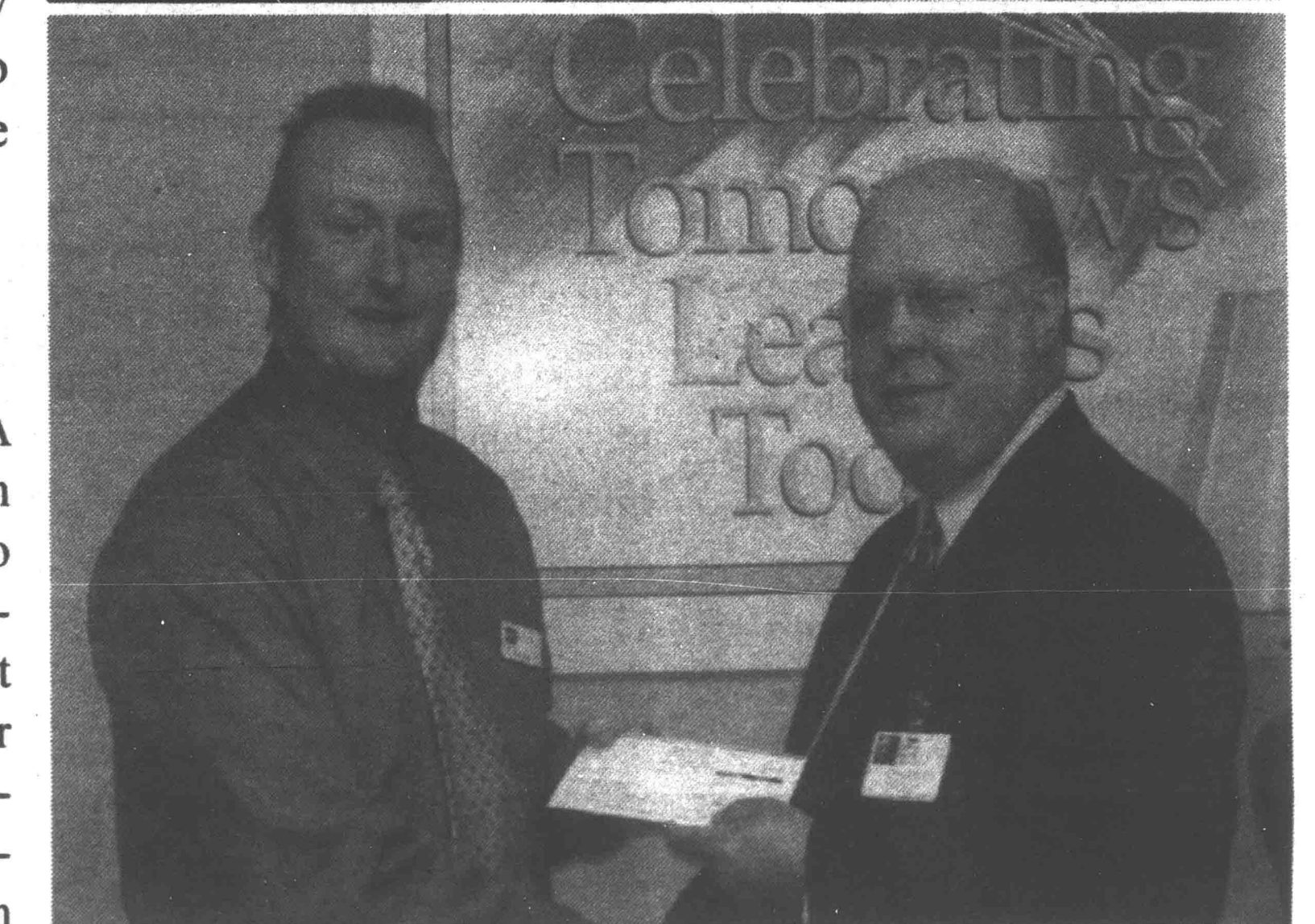
Come see us at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, mail us something at P. O. Box 172, Ripley or just give us a call at 836-PETS (836-7387).

Have your four-legger spayed or neutered. We only have one more week of Rabies Clinic so look in the *Enterprise* for the locations or visit your local vet. Be as good as your four-legger thinks you are.

Bees taste like chicken.....

Zeek out!!!

## Relay For Life Sponsors



**BEN LITTLEPAGE**, right, in upper photo, accepted a check last month from George Terrell, of Komatsu, for the sponsorship of The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. In lower photo, Daryl Blalack, of Baptist Hospital Lauderdale, presents the sponsorship check from the hospital. Other sponsors include Wal-Mart Foundation, Bank of Ripley, Christian Family Medicine, First Citizens Bank, Hutcherson Metals Inc., Lauderdale County Bank, Marvin Windows and Doors, Access Control, Asbury United Methodist Church, Diamond Xpress, Fullen Dock and Warehouse, Jimmy T. Woods Trucking, United Methodist Women of First United Methodist Church, Crain's Pharmacy, Hurricane Hill United Methodist Church, Animal Care Hospital, Arnold Drug Store, Bancorp South, Bank of Halls, Baptist Memorial Hospital League, Best Wade Petroleum, Connell Body Shop, Garner Funeral Home, Farm Bureau Insurance, Agent David Snell, Gates Banking and Trust Co., Lankford Realty Co., Lauderdale Trucking, Olympic Steak House, Ripley Farm Store, Ripley Medical Clinic Inc., White's Salvage, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Raymond Edwards, Thornton's Inc., Ripley Parks and Recreation, WTRB-AM 1570 Radio, Mays-Dunavant Drugs Inc., Mont's Flower and Gift Shop, and Wright's Auto Parts and Metals. The 2009 Relay For Life of Lauderdale County will be held at 6 p.m. May 8th at the Ripley City Park. Sponsorships help to cover event expenses and support the American Cancer Society's mission to eliminate cancer as a major health problem through research, education, advocacy, and service. To sponsor the 2009 Relay For Life, call Ben Littlepage at 731-512-5008.



**Mock Crash xxx**

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current alcohol consumption. Children, who begin drinking at age 15, have a four times greater chance of becoming an alcoholic by age 21. In 2006, an estimated 17,602 people died in alcohol-related traffic crashes. Two out of every three teenagers, who are killed in motor vehicle crashes, are male. Female teenage drivers are 54 times more likely to die from a motor vehicle crash. Alcohol kills 6.5 times the number of people killed by cocaine, heroin, and every other illegal drug combined. Ten million Americans are addicted to alcohol. Alcohol is the #1 drug problem of today's youth. On the average, for every one intoxicated person, it will affect four other people. Large amounts of alcohol can do major damage to your heart, liver, stomach, and other critical organs. Eighty percent of young drivers, 15-20 years of age that were involved in fatal crashes and had been drinking, were unrestrained. Each year, teenagers spend approximately \$5.5 billion on alcohol.

If you are caught drinking or in possession of an alcoholic beverage, you will lose your driver's license for one year. Possession does not always mean that you have to be holding a can of beer. If you can see it, smell it, or touch it, then you are in possession of an alcoholic beverage. You can be charged with a DUI and not be driving. You can be charged with a DUI and be stone sober. If you allow an intoxicated or impaired person to drive your motor-vehicle, this is called DUI by allowing.

**Land Transfers**  
April 12th - April 18th  
Walter Mortgage Company LLC to Charles L. Camp and Elizabeth Camp, 1 acre.  
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Sandra Carihfield, Sandra E. Williams, and Sandra Williams Spray to Jeff Ruffin and Cynthia D. Ruffin, Dist. 6, lot.  
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cohol concentration. To reduce alcohol-related fatal crashes among youth, Tennessee adopted the minimum legal drinking age of 21. By law, when you drive in Tennessee you have given your consent to be tested to determine the alcohol or drug content of your blood.

**UT Martin Softball Team To Host Camps**

The University of Tennessee at Martin softball team will host softball summer day camp from 9 a.m. until noon May 26th through 29th for campers who are between six and 13 years old. In addition, UT Martin softball coaches will offer an advance hitting and pitching camp from 2 to 4 p.m. May 26th through 29th. Campers who plan to attend both the day camp and advanced session will have the opportunity to stay under the supervision of the camp staff between sessions but will need to bring their own lunch. Special activities including games, movies and swimming will be offered between camp sessions. However, a student may attend either the advanced hitting, pitching or regular day camp.

The second session of softball camp, ages 14 through high school seniors, will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. June 8th through 11th. The camp will offer an intense, individualized advanced hitting and pitching instruction.

For more information and fees, call Donley Canary, head softball coach, 731-881-7162.

**Boxing Club Members Compete In Gym Wars I**

**MEMBERS**, of the Lauderdale County Boxing Club, including, Brandon Smith, Chris Lewis, Steve Garrison, D.J. Rogers, Frank Dees, Treyveon Taliaferro, Blake Layne, and Kani Coleman, competed in Gym Wars in Olive Branch, Miss., Saturday night.

Brandon did a great job showing boxing skills and combinations against his Olive Branch opponent.

Steve over-powered his Olive Branch rival with a great body attack.

Frank was just too much for his Paris competitor winning by referee stopping competition (RSC) in the first round.

Treyveon destroyed his Covington contender with his southpaw style. He has a record of 4-0.

Blake went to war for three rounds with his Crossville rival.

Kani did well against his very experienced Memphis Police Athletic League (PAL) opponent.

Chris and D.J. are looking forward to Gym Wars II scheduled for May 9th in Olive Branch.

**Basic Lawn Care Tips**

By JC Dupree, Jr., Extension Agent III

Spring has arrived and the Lawn Care season is well underway. For some, lawn care is a relaxing and enjoyable experience. For others, it's simply a weekly chore that must be done. In general, there are three levels of lawn care maintenance: High (immaculate lawn, requiring significant inputs of time and money); Medium (pleasing lawn, requiring moderate inputs of time, expertise and money); and low (satisfactory lawn, requiring low inputs of time and money). The majority of homeowners are in medium to low categories. For high maintenance lawn care service, a professional lawn care service may be required to obtain the high quality lawn you desire. If considering a professional check for reputation, license and certification, custom services and cost.

A common question for many homeowners is "What do I do about the weeds in my lawn and what herbicide should I use? The question should be "Why are there weeds in my lawn?" Weeds invade lawns because at some point, there is space available for them to grow. This could be caused by low mowing heights, lack of fertilizer, incorrect pH, lack of water or any combination of the four. Soil testing is one of the simplest ways to determine amount of fertilizer application and lime needed. Too much, or too little, fertilizer and lime will cause any turf grass to perform poorly. Call the UT Extension Office for soil testing.

Below is a list of general lawn care tips for all three levels of lawn care maintenance.

1) Mow with a sharp blade - a dull blade tears the grass blade leaving a jagged edge and causing excess injury, moisture loss and disease entry. A sharp blade gives neater appearance and causes less injury. Sharp blades also cause your mower to work more efficiently.

2) Alternate mowing directions - alternate mowing directions causes more upright growth.

3) Recycle Clippings - allow clippings to drop, rather than bagging. This will help to cycle nutrients for lawn care survival and growth.

4) Fertility and Lime- as mentioned above, soil test are essential for

correct applications.

5) Mow at correct height - warm season grasses like, Bermuda grass, hybrid Bermuda, Zoysia should have a mowing height of 1/2 inch to 2 inches. Cool season grasses such as fescue, bluegrass and rye grasses should have a mowing height of 1-1/2 to 3 inches. Mowing below minimum tolerances (most commonly known as Scalping) removes too much leaf surface. Scalping on a weekly basis weakens turf grass causing thinning and weakened plants that are slow to regrow, therefore allowing weeds available space to grow.

6) Use correct mowing frequency - no more than 1/3 of grass height should be removed at one cutting.

7) Raise cutting heights during time of environmental stress

8) Need for additional water, actively growing lawns need 1 to 1.5 inches per week. Irrigate during morning hours from 5 a.m. to 10 a.m. This reduces disease and evaporation loss. Rainfall patterns in Tennessee commonly do not meet these demands.

These are just a few tips for basic lawn care. For additional information on lawn care, call the UT Extension Office at 731- 635-9551.

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**Chamber Banquet Awards Presented**

**WINNERS**, of the annual Lauderdale Chamber/ECD awards include, in upper left photo, Elizabeth Mosely, David Jennings, and Donna Sanders, pictured with Susan Todd, left, director of Chamber programs, and Lisa Hankins, executive director; in lower left photo, Alderman Billy Chipman, Sue McLemore, City of Ripley Mayor Jon Pavletic; in upper right photo, Tammy Burruss, Nick Wright, and Marty Wright; and in lower right photo, Rosie Lemons. Donna and David were named Honorary Members. Elizabeth was named Outstanding Chamber Volunteer. The TKS Fitness Center was named Small Business of the Year and Wright's Auto Parts was named Large Business of the Year. Rosie Lemons was named Citizen of the Year. Each year, the Chamber gives awards to the businesses and individuals who have shown service to their community and excellence within their industry.

The large and small business awards represent a business who is a leader in community service; who has been recognized for excellence within their industry; supports local organizations; promotes economic growth; demonstrates growth and staying power and shows excellence in management.

The Citizen of the Year and Honorary Members are given to individuals who are dedicated to family, community and business. They show leadership ability; demonstrate excellence in business, profession and/or avocation; is active in the community and its organizations and has made a lasting contribution to the community. These awards are nominated and selected by the membership of the Chamber.

Donna Sanders was recognized as a woman of great integrity and character. A native of Ripley and graduate of Ripley High School, she's personable and passionate about her family, church and community. Upon graduation, she went to University of Tennessee at Knoxville where she earned her degree in Sociology. Donna has traveled throughout the United States, Europe and Africa as lead soprano and flutist with the sacred music ensemble, Dayspring. She attended Golden State Theological Seminary in San Francisco and served in campus ministry with the Baptist Student Union at Memphis State and the University of Kansas. Donna enjoyed a career with Wells Fargo Bank, teaching bankers how to bank, in Anaheim, Calif. Since returning to her home in Ripley, she hasn't slowed down. She is currently serving as the song leader and pianist for Miles Chapel CME Church, Education Committee Chair, member of the Lauderdale County Branch NAACP and board member of the Ripley Downtown Development Corporation which is in charge of the downtown revitalization that is

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**Youth Summer Jobs Available**

Lauderdale and six other near-by counties have won, under the Recovery Act, federal funds totaling \$1,247,064, for 6-week, 32 hours per week, employment, to begin June 8th, for economically disadvantaged persons, aged 16-24, who will be paid at least \$6.55 per hour.

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Information from the Career Center at 301-C Lake Drive, phone 635-3479.

**2009 National Day of Prayer**

The country is facing terrorism, war, financial crisis, high unemployment, immorality, declining moral values. Is there hope? What can be done? Can anyone make a difference? How can we change things?

"Prayer, America's Hope" is the theme of this year's National Day of Prayer, May 7th at the Ripley City Park.

The 58th Annual National Day of Prayer will take place at 11 a.m. in Ripley and at noon in Halls at the city hall.

The Lauderdale County Ministerial Alliance which serves as organizers of the event wants to unite Lauderdale County with the millions from coast-to-coast who will join in prayer for their communities and our country. The theme is taken from Psalms 33:22: "May your unfailing love rest upon us, O Lord, even as we put our hope in you."

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## May Nuptials Slated



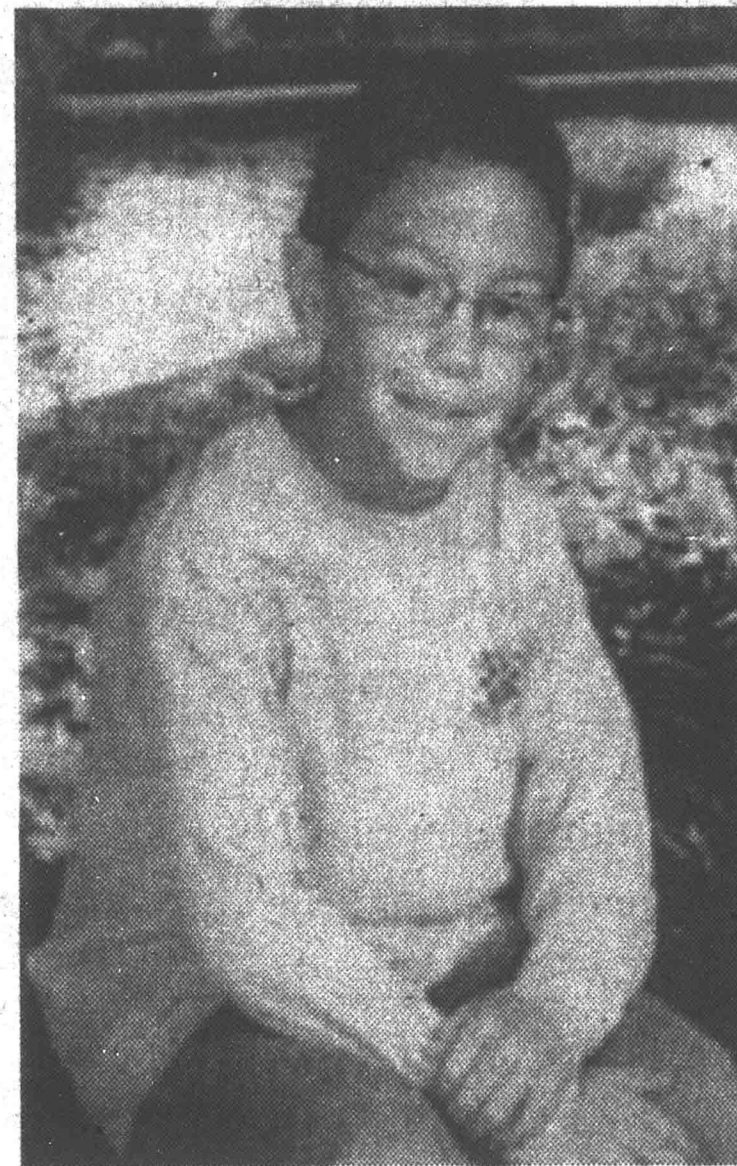
**MAEGAN BLISS GAY**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Ray, of Ripley, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gay, of Halls, will marry Adam Shane Haynes, son of Mark and Linda Haynes, of Halls, at 4:30 p.m. May 30th in New Life Fellowship Church, Ripley, with all family and friends invited.

The bride-elect is a 2006 graduate of Halls High School and is employed by Eye Care Group of Ripley.

The groom is a 2007 graduate of Halls High School and is employed by Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

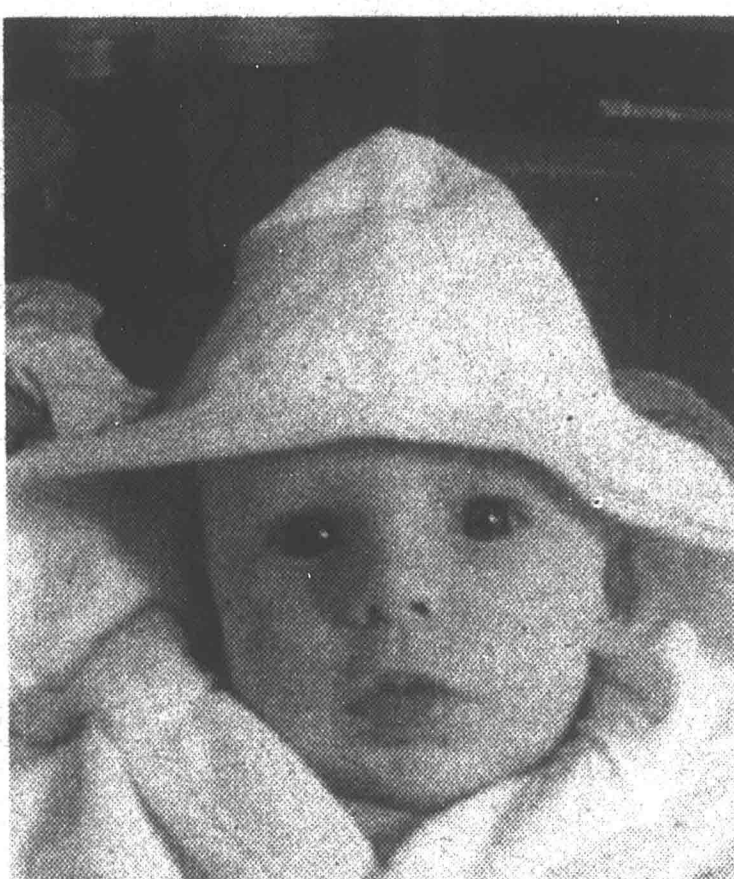
After a trip to the Dominican Republic, the couple plan to reside in Ripley.

## He's Seven



**KENYON A.M. STAFFORD**, son of Rodney and Lakenia Stafford, of Gates, will celebrate his seventh birthday Sunday, May 3rd with a party at his home for family and friends. Born May 1st, Kenyon Allen Marquis is the brother of Jalen, 4, and Kaden, 2, and the grandson of Larry and Evie Capps, the late Floyd Morton, Sr., and the late Lerlie Halliburton, all of Halls.

## Newborn



**JAMES ALLEN KASINGER**, 7 lb. 13 oz. son of Brandon and Brandy Kasinger, of El Paso, Tex., was born at 12:26 a.m. December 11th in El Paso. Measuring 18 inches long, he is the grandson of Dena Kasinger, of El Paso, formerly of Halls, the late James Kasinger, and Lisa and Stanley Miller, of Indiana; and the great-grandson of Juanita Carvey, of Ripley, and the late Eldon Kasinger, Robbie Davis Harrell, of Halls, and John and Cora Felro, of Indiana. Adv.P.

## Marriages

April 18th - Jeffrey Lynn Key-long, Jr., 26, to Kelly Lanae Mus-tion, by Gary A. Green.

Michael Blake Ferguson, 33, to Angel Sheron Maharrey, 27, by Thomas J. Stanley.

April 22nd - Randolph Mont-gomery Lawson, 30, to Natasha Deanne Dowell, 29, by Rod Schuh.

April 24th - David Ike Per-kins, 47, to Margaret Ann Harrell Gause, 40, by Rod Schuh.

David Elton Kirkpatrick, 24, to Cynthia Carol Shoemake, 19, by Dwight Shoemake, Sr.

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 Sills, Odessa Gay, Tatum Carmack, Xavier Harvey, Cole McAdams, Cassie Burnham, Jenny Wren Nunn, Barrett McClerkin, Xavier Harvey, Hannah Chalk, Dorothy Toomes.

May 6 - Barbara Antho-ny, Roger Treadway, Beccah Mitchell, Jimmy Kiestler, Kay-la Heath, Burl Carson, Gara Strong, Regina Stanley Cas-tellaw, Scott Crowder, Vickie Jones, Brenda Ables, Nathan Curt Rhoads, Lita McBroom, Vickery, Mary Sue Cooper, Synthia Gibson, Shayondra Hargett, Kiana Gibbons, Heston Sanders, Kim Shelton, Katie Aaron Clark, Paul Pilcher.

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### April 19th - April 25th

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Malcolm W. Moore and Marie E. Moore to Dale Hutcherson and Dolores Hutcherson, Dist. 16, 281 acre.

Charles Griggs, TR, Betty Griggs, TR, Charles Griggs Char-itable Remainder Trust, and Betty Griggs Charitable Remainder Trust to Marcy C. Ray, Dist. 2, lot.

Libby Morris to Barbara J. Wil-son, Dist. 2, 5 acres.

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May 4 - Harley Patterson, Grant Caldwell, Tina Shands,

## Anniversaries

April 16 - Mr. and Mrs. Ran-dy Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Britt, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Demeris, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Jenkins.

April 17 - Dr. and Mrs. Roy Crowder, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George Vaughn.

April 18 - Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Smith.

April 19 - Mr. and Mrs. Ger-ry Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drumwright.

April 20 - Mr. and Mrs. Ron Feakins, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Caldwell.

April 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thebeau, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Har-rell, Mr. and Mrs. Joey Ing.

## Birthdays

April 30 - Patricia Box, Steve Austin Tate, Lisa Kissell, William Carroll, Lori Berkley, Lauren Shelby Douglas, Becca Carmack, Justin Middleton, Mary Fitzhugh, Mike Barham, Bill Burnett, Eliz-abeth Jane West, J. C. Mills, Bob-by Ray, Addison Dawn Jones.

May 1 - Sonny Vaughn, Wil-lie Stowers, Mark Ryan Patter-son, Mary Beth Caldwell, Steven A. Koonce, Dr. Roy E. Crowder, Jr., Frank Sanders, Roger Pease, John Terry, Moneka Temple, Lin-da Geary, David Blakely, Anna Dailey, Cheryl Vaughan, Made-line 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, Shakan-dra Whitelaw, Leon Pattat, Libba Shoaf Burns, Barbara Thomas.

May 3 - Max Hutcherson,

## Divorces

Kelli Danielle Willis vs. Dan-iel Edward Willis.

Shannon Norton vs. Samantha Norton.

Anthony Jerod Sanders, Sr., vs. Angel Suzanne Sanders.

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## Obituaries

### Betty Luckett

Betty Faye Luckett, 65, of 5805 Hwy. 88 west of Halls, who had been a member of the Lauderdale County Rescue Squad, died Friday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Sunday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Trinity Cemetery at Nut Bush.

She was born at Halls, Feb. 12, 1944.

She was the widow of Robert Luckett.

Survivors include a son, Shannon Luckett, and a daughter, Cindy Blakley, of Halls; other sons, Richard Luckett, of Jackson, and Ricky Vowell, of Nashville; a brother, Johnny McClellan, of Chesterton, Ind.; a sister, Bonnie Koedyker, of Es-till Springs; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

### Sarah Long

Sarah Long, 96, died Monday of last week in her home at 347 Springfield, Ripley.

Rites were Sunday in Morning Star Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in Canfield Cemetery in Ripley, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

She was an aunt of Rufus and Verna Jarrett, who looked after her, James Barbee, and Sherry Johnson, all of Ripley.

### Mary Booker

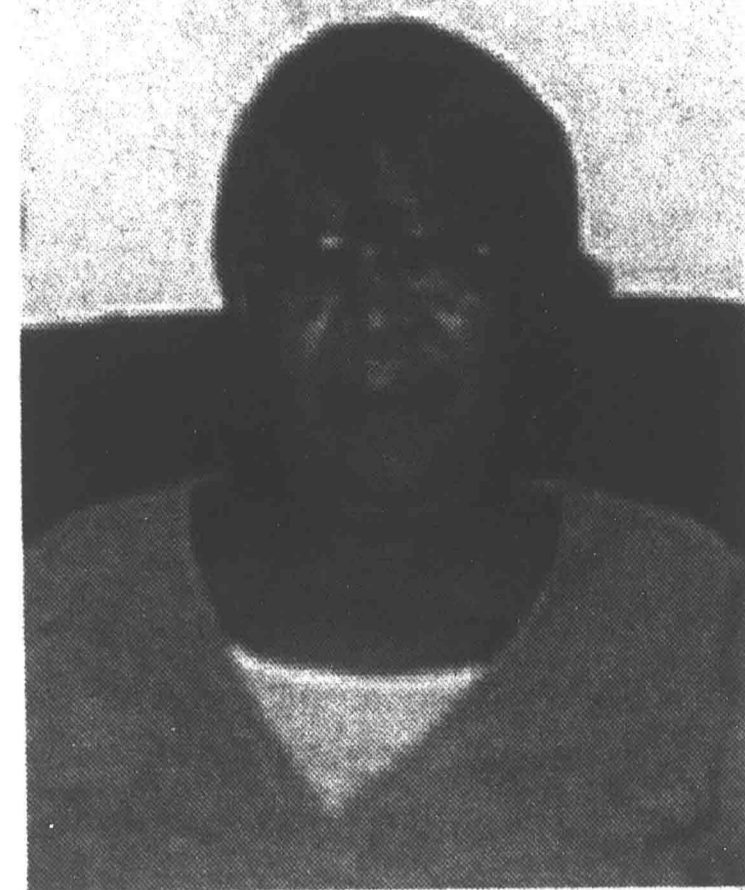
Mary Magdalena Booker, 87, of Ripley, retired secretary, died Friday in the Dyersburg Medical Center.

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

She was the widow of Thomas Booker.

Survivors include sons, Marvin and Thomas, and a daughter, Jeanette Grantland, of Ripley; another son, Don, of Millington; 12 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

## Mourning



**MRS. LILLIE SANGSTER**, 67, right, of 140 Montgomery Street in Henning, died Thursday of last week at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, May 2nd, at St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery in Henning, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

She was the daughter of the late Zack Claybrook, Sr., and the late Georgetta Claybrook.

She leaves her husband, James Sangster; sons, Marcus Anderson, of Henning, Robert Anderson, of Ripley, Larry Anderson, of Whiteville, and Roy Anderson, of Jackson, Mich.; brothers, Zack Claybrook, of Ripley, and Bobby Joe Claybrook, Jackson, Mich.; sisters, Emma Rucker, of Henning, Beatrice Claybrook, of Ripley, Betty Treadway and Martha Claybrook, of Jackson, Mich.; 20 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

### The Rev. Nelson

The Rev. King S. Nelson, 102, of Ripley, an Army veteran, died Saturday, April 25th, at Methodist North Hospital in Memphis.

Rites are set for 2 p.m. Saturday, May 2nd, at Thompson's Mortuary in Ripley, with burial in Canfield Cemetery.

Survivors include a brother, Samuel Nelson, of Detroit, Mich.; a sister, Everlena Johnson, of Chicago, Ill.; and a nephew, Charlie Edwards, of Memphis, who cared for him.

### Hans Besemann Judson Vaden, Blue Top Owner Halls Alderman

Hans Jurgen Besemann, 64, resident owner of the Blue Top Inn at 3971 Hwy. 209 north of Ripley, died Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

A memorial observance was held at 2 p.m. Sunday, in the Inn.

He was an Army veteran, with marksman medals.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Shoemake Besemann; a son, Hans, Jr., of Ripley; a daughter, Gina Lynn Johnson, of Crosby, N. Dakota; a brother, Klaus, of Knoxville; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

### Inez Jacox

Inez Jacox, 102, of Henning, a homemaker, died Sunday, April 26th, at Covington Care Center.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Friday, May 1st, at St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in Poston Grove Cemetery in Maury City, Currie's Funeral, of Henning, in charge.

She leaves three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and her caretaker, Mrs. Frances Jacox, of Henning.

### Lonnie Temple

Lonnie Charles Temple, Jr., 48, whose father and a daughter, Mary Jarrett, reside in Ripley, died April 15th in his home in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Rites were Wednesday of last week in Morning Star Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery at Henning, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include sisters, Debra Temple, Mary Atkins, and Patricia Stewart, of Ripley; other children, Lonnie III and John Temple, of Lincoln, Bry-an Pearson, of Dyersburg, and Derek Pearson, of Springfield, Ill.; brothers, Terry Temple and Frank Peete, of Lincoln; and other sisters, Alice Faye Malcolm, of Little Rock, Ark., and Castella Walker, of Jackson, Mich.

Judson L. Vaden, 91, retired Halls merchant who had served as an alderman, died Friday in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Monday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Concord Cemetery.

He was born at Halls, Feb. 13, 1918.

He was an Army veteran of World War II, serving mostly in the European Theater.

He was the widower of Mary Elizabeth Hawkins Vaden.

Survivors include sons, James, of Halls, Louis, of Ripley, and John, of Germantown; a daughter, Barbara Hendren, of Halls; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

### Harriet Lindsey

Harriet Lindsey, 78, of Ripley, died Thursday of last week at Lauderdale Community Living Center in Ripley.

Services are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, May 2nd, at Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in Bluff Cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

She leaves her husband, Edward Lindsey, of Ripley; and a sister, Georgia Anderson, of Covington.

### Mrs. Barcroft

Pauline Jones Barcroft, 80, of Ripley, a homemaker, died Sunday, April 26th, at her residence.

Graveside services were Wednesday in Whitefield Cemetery.

She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and of the Red Hats Society.

She was the widow of Curtis Lee Barcroft.

She leaves sons, David Olds, of Gates, and Mike Olds, of Ripley; daughters, Betty Ann Morris, of Ripley, Linda Carter, of Bartlett, and Brenda Frazier, of Memphis; a brother, Paige Jones, of Bartlett; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

### Patsy Carmack

Patsy Blount Carmack, 68, of Spokane, Wash., and Ripley, died April 12th after an extended battle with cancer.

A memorial services was held in Spokane, Tuesday, April 14th, at the Spokane Valley Church of Christ.

A second memorial service will be held in Ripley, at 7 p.m. May 1st, in the Ripley Church of Christ.

She is survived by her husband, William J. Carmack; children, Carla C. Wigen and her husband Andy; Jon Carmack and his wife Gail Rochelle; and Edwin Carmack and his wife Lara Hays; and four grandchildren.

Patsy was born in 1940 in Decaturville, to Velma and O. J. Blount. She attended Decatur County schools through high school and then University of Tennessee at Martin, graduating with a bachelor of science degree in education from David Lipscomb University.

She held various clerical and teaching positions throughout her career. Patsy was secretary to the dean at UT-Martin, taught at David Lipscomb High School, in Nashville, and at Cairo American College, in Cairo, Egypt. After retiring from the Institute for Defense Analysis in Arlington, VA she and her husband maintained residences in Spokane and Ripley.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests remembrances in her name to Spokane Valley Church of Christ, P.O. Box 99, Spokane Valley, WA 99016 or Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, Contributions, J5-200, P.O. Box 19024, Seattle, WA, 98109-1024.

### Mrs. George

Lurline Herbert George, 98, of Ripley, died Sunday, April 26th, at her residence.

Services are set for 3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 2nd, at Thompson's Mortuary, with burial in Canfield Cemetery in Ripley.

She leaves a granddaughter who cared for her, Bernetta Ellis, of Ripley, whom she reared; and five other grandchildren.

### Deborah Reed

Deborah Reed, 41, of 221 Skyline Drive, Ripley, former employee of Tennessee Electroplating in Ripley, died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were held Saturday in St. Luke Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in its cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include her father, James Henderson, her husband, Joe Reed, sons, Deandré, Donta, Joevarus, and Reed, a daughter, Kendra Sea, a brother, Darius Henderson, and sisters, Alicia Williams, Janie Humphrey, and Sandra Henderson Pitts, all of Ripley; other brothers, Dennis and Samuel Humphrey, of Gates; and another sister, Patricia Taylor, of Memphis.

### Mrs. Hutchinson

Carolyn Hutchinson, of League City, Tex., niece of Mrs. George Ella Davis, of Woodville, died April 13th in Clear Lake Regional Medical Center in Webster, Tex.

Rites were April 18th in Brownsville Funeral Home, with burial in Trinity Cemetery at Nut Bush.

She was born in Haywood County, to the late Leon H. and Carrie Smith, and spent her early years in the Forked Deer community before the family moved to Ramer.

Survivors include her husband, Edwin Dane Hutchinson, an Air Force officer whom she married May 3, 1958; sons, David, of Florence, Ky., and Michael, of Alpharetta, Ga.; a daughter, Lynn Albert, of Naples, Fla.; 11 grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

### Ruby Curtis

Ruby Marie Curtis, 77 of Covington, sister of Nancy (Mrs. James) Etheridge, of 234 Smithville Road, Ripley, died Thursday of last week in Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Sunday in Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home

### Harvey Newman

Harvey Jr. Newman, 71, of Palos Hills, Ill., formerly of the Curve community, died Monday before last.

Rites were Friday, April 24th, at Chapel Hill Gardens South Funeral Home in Oak Lawn, Ill., with burial in its cemetery.

He was the son of the late J.H. and Alberta Lee Newman.

He leaves his wife, Rosann, seven children, six brothers, James C., of Ripley, Thee, of Curve-Nankipoo Rd., Thomas, of Nankipoo, Wilson and Carl, of Curve, and Leslie Newman, of Halls; three sisters, Bessie Barlow, of Ripley, Lil Hunt, of Curve, and Bertie Sue Morrow, of Alabama; 16 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

### Mrs. Halliburton

Hattie Halliburton, 71, of Ripley, a homemaker, died Saturday, April 25th, at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services are set for Sunday, May 3rd, at the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ in Ripley, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery in Henning, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

She leaves a son, Walter Jr. Adams, and daughters, Marilyn Dewalt, Janie Lee and Shirley Tyus, all of Ripley; another son, Lonnell Harvey, of Chicago, Ill.; another daughter, Gwendolyn Williams, and sister, Annie Sue Williams, both of Minnesota; 25 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren.

in Covington, with burial in Munford Cemetery in Covington.

Born at Burlison, she had retired as a custodian at Covington High School.

She was a member of Solo Church of Christ.

She was the widow of Seb Curtis.

Survivors include her companion, Charlie Finney, and another sister, Martha Sanders, of Covington.

### Luther Jackson

Luther A. Jackson, Jr., 75, of Jackson, brother of Michael De-wayne Jackson, Jeanette Goff, and Robbie Nelson, of Ripley, died Sunday, in his home in Jackson, after long illness.

Rites were Wednesday in the South Chapel of Smith & Sons Funeral Home in Jackson, with burial in Highland Memorial Gardens.

He was born at Ripley, March 2, 1934, to the late Luther Arthur Jackson and the late Luna Crutchfield Jackson.

Survivors include his wife for 59 years, Faye; a son, Roger Dale Jackson, of Fort Worth, Tex.; daughters, Beverley (Mrs. Virgil) Vires, of Pinson, Marilyn (Mrs. Jerry) Cobb, of Humboldt, and Regina Jackson, Caywood, of Jackson; other brothers, Thomas Earl Jackson, of Cookeville, and Jerry Jackson, of Mauldin, S.C.; another sister, Charlotte Cullipher, of Abbeville, Miss.; 12 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

### CORRECTION

Mike Uselton, of Jackson, was incorrectly listed as a surviving brother of John William Uselton, whose obituary was printed in last week's issue. Mike is John's son.

### School Lunches

#### Lauderdale County Schools

**Monday, May 4th**  
Hot Dog  
Pizza  
Tater Tots  
Celery Sticks w/Dip  
Pineapple Tidbits  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk

**Tuesday, May 5th**  
Tacos w/Trimnings  
Chicken Fajitas w/Trimnings  
Corn Nibbles  
Grapes  
Banana  
Choice Of Milk

**Wednesday, May 6th**  
Chicken Tenders  
Whipped Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Orange Sections  
Roll  
Choice Of Milk

**Thursday, May 7th**  
Menu - School's Choice

### As The Editor Sees It--

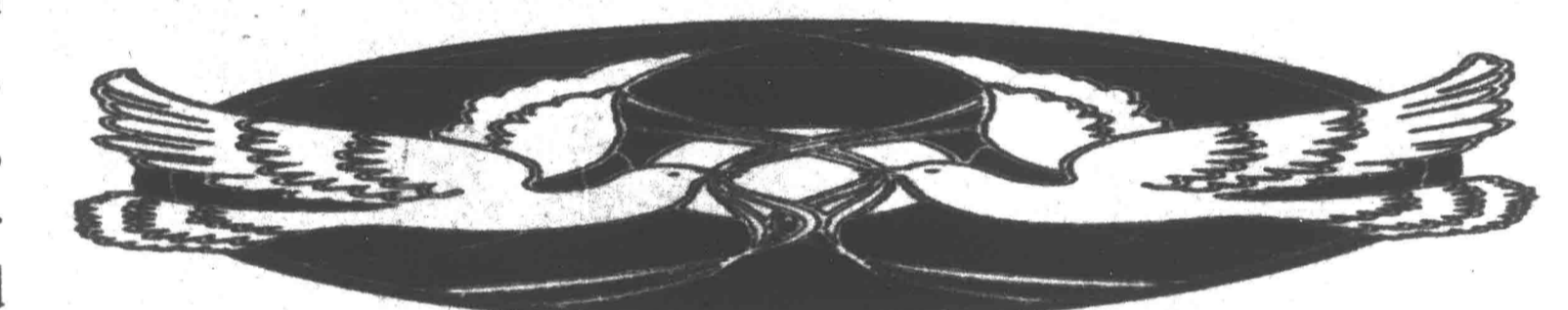
## Way To Go

**HILDA HALE MCKINNIE CARLSON**, of Brownsville, died last week. Married for 38 years to the late Rev. E. Wesley McKennie,



Methodist minister, she was the widow of Robert Carlson, of Brownsville. She had been an elementary school teacher in five West Tenn. school systems. She co-founded, in 1963, the Reelfoot Rural Ministry. We treasure the inscription

which she requested on her tomb-stone: "I Had A Real Good Time."



## Church Happenings

The Rev. Jeff Ogg will be officially installed as the new pastor of Whitefield Assembly of God Church at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 3rd by The Rev. J. R. Gould, superintendent of the Assemblies of God, officiating. A luncheon will follow and the public is invited.

New Hope United Methodist Church, Edith Nankipoo Rd., at Central, will hold a gospel singing at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 2nd featuring the Finchers. 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.

<b>Friday, May 8th</b> Turkey & Cheese Wrap Grilled Chicken Sandwich Fresh Veggies w/Dip Sandwich Trimmings Cup Peaches Pear Halves Cookie Choice Of Milk	<b>Tuesday, May 5th</b> Tacos w/Trimnings Corn Nibbles Grapes Choice Of Milk
<b>Wednesday, May 6th</b> Chicken Tenders Whipped Potatoes Orange Sections Roll Choice Of Milk	<b>Thursday, May 7th</b> Menu - School's Choice
<b>Friday, May 8th</b> Grilled Chicken Sandwich Fresh Veggie Cup w/Dip Peaches Cookie Choice Of Milk	

## HHS Students Attend Convention



Brittany Ward, and Clint Vickery; in third photo, Heather Hill and Nathan Smith, the TASC Legacy Award, the highest award an individual can receive; and in lower photo, Casey Crocket was selected President of TASC for 2009-10. This is the first time a Halls High Student has won this honor. The Legacy awards is based on leadership throughout the state in student council activities.



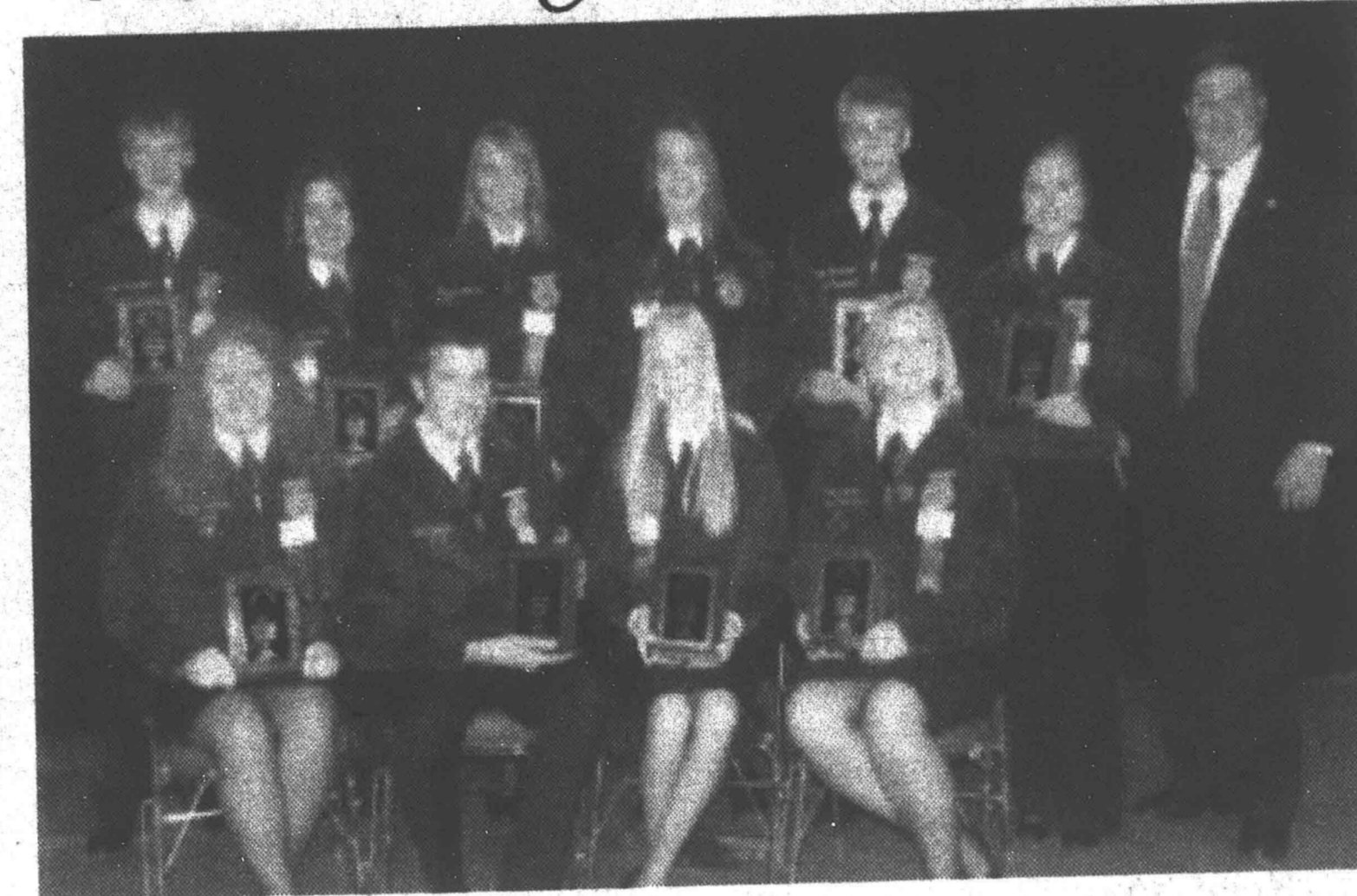
**AMPLIFICATION**  
Amanda Adkerson, 24, of Dr. Lewis Rd., formerly Arp-Central Rd., and employed at Shoe Dept., is not the same Amanda Adkerson, 26, who was charged by agents with the 25th District Drug Task Force April 17th.



MEMBERS of the Halls High School Student Council at-

tended the 62nd annual Tennessee Association of Student Councils convention at the Chattanooga Choo Choo, March 26th through 27th in Chattanooga. Halls High received the Four Star Award for successful completion of 20 projects and the Platinum Award which is the highest award a school can receive. Students receiving awards include, in second photo, TASC All-Star Award, Charlie Hammond, Casey Crocket,

## Receiving FFA Degrees



MEMBERS of the Halls High School Future Farmers of America Chapter, including Malcomb Norwood and Britney Herron, of the Ripley chapter, Jessica Moore, Skye Isom, Charlie Hammond, Madison Hamlet, Shane Williams, of Farm Credit Services, and Natalie Grantland, Seth Deaton, Holly Crook, Carley Cherry, of Halls, plus, not pictured, Casey Hogue, Luke Hemby, Justin Ward, and Ashton Smith, received their state FFA degree March 29th in Gatlinburg. The award plaques were sponsored by Farm Credit Services which supports youth educational programs in Tennessee.

## Candidate



DAVID JENNINGS has announced his candidacy for alderman of Halls. He issued the following statement.

"I would like to thank you for your support and confidence for the past 12 years. It has been an honor and privilege to serve you over the years.

"As your alderman, I have always tried to do the very best and make the best decision for this wonderful town. I feel that when I was elected, it was and is my responsibility to represent each citizen of

Halls to the best of my ability. If re-elected, I promise to continue to do what is best for our town.

"I have lived in Halls all of my life. I am a graduate of Halls High School and a member of First Baptist Church. My wife, Barbara, and I have two children, Natalie Bentley and Allyson Noblin, a grandchild, and are expecting two grandchildren in May and June. I have been employed by Best-Wade Petroleum for 31 years. I serve on the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Board of Directors.

"I feel that at this time of economic uncertainty, we need experienced leadership. We need to work together to lead this great town into the future. This election should not be about one person, but should be about all of the citizens of Halls. If we work together as a community, we can and will succeed for our children and grandchildren.

"I would greatly appreciate your support and vote. Thank you," said Jennings.

## Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here!!! I sure have been pouting for the last few days and Miss Pam knows it. The other morning, Miss Pam got up early and took Rusty for a ride. I know this because she made me get in my house and she put Rusty's leash on him. They went out the door and I heard the truck leave. I was really sad and wondered why I didn't get to go. After a while, they came back home. When I saw Rusty, I almost laughed. He had a new fancy haircut. He even smelled good. I walked up closer to him so I could get a good smell and he told me that he had been to see Miss Sandy for a new do. I walked all around him so I could see him all over. But there was another smell that I smelled. What was that smell? He then told me that he had been to the Bank. I jumped and got excited. He told me that the nice two-legger at the Bank gave him a Milkbone. A really big Milkbone at that. I was really mad by now. Miss Pam knows that the Bank is my favorite two-legger place. Wonder why, he got a Milkbone instead of a sucker? I guess the two-legger at the Bank knows that I am Top Dog and only Top Dogs get suckers.

I went up to Miss Pam and turned my head to ask why Rusty got to go to the Bank and I didn't. She looked at me and smiled and told me that I would get to go to the Bank next time. She also told me that I always got to go with her and this was Rusty's turn. Now, I don't know about this turn thing but I do know that I don't like taking turns. Miss Pam started running water in the bath tub and gave my sister, Little Girl, a bath. I stood back and watched them. When Miss Pam finished with Little Girl, she looked at me with that look.

Well, I decided that I would do something different today. Since Rusty and Little Girl like to take baths, I decided that I would too. When she said, "Zeek, let's take a bath", before she could get my collar off, I jumped in the bath tub. She was so surprised. Miss Pam was so happy that she just said good boy a whole bunch of times. Now the real story behind this is, I decided that I might need to do exactly what she says and try to make her happy all the time. Then maybe I would not have to take turns with Rusty. Mr. Pam has told me before (just between me and him) that to do what she says and all is well.....

We are out at the Club today and we have new Buds out here. We have Daisy, a black lab, that loves to play ball. She needs a two-legger that will play ball all time. Rowdy, the yellow lab, and Bouncer, the red and white big boy, need a new home. We also have a black and tan husky mix that was found in North Ripley. He is looking for his two-leggers.

Jeanna Jones came out to the Club and took home two-puppy four-leggers. Leigh Stafford took home Rowdy, the white mix puppy. Shane Hodges took home Sam, the German shepherd puppy, and Stephanie Bolton fell in love with Cocoa, the chocolate cocker spaniel. My friend, Sharon Davis, from Beasley's Treasures, helped Sherry Tippitt reclaim Little Girl, her missing white shepherd. Deborah Talbot, Dr. and Mrs. Hyde, and Elaine Barcroft sent us donations this week. My friends at Edward Jones and Mr. C.F. and Miss Leona Sonderman brought my Buds some food this week. The Big Lick goes to my Aunt Shirley. When we need something out at the Club, she always comes thru for us. She brought us so much food this week.

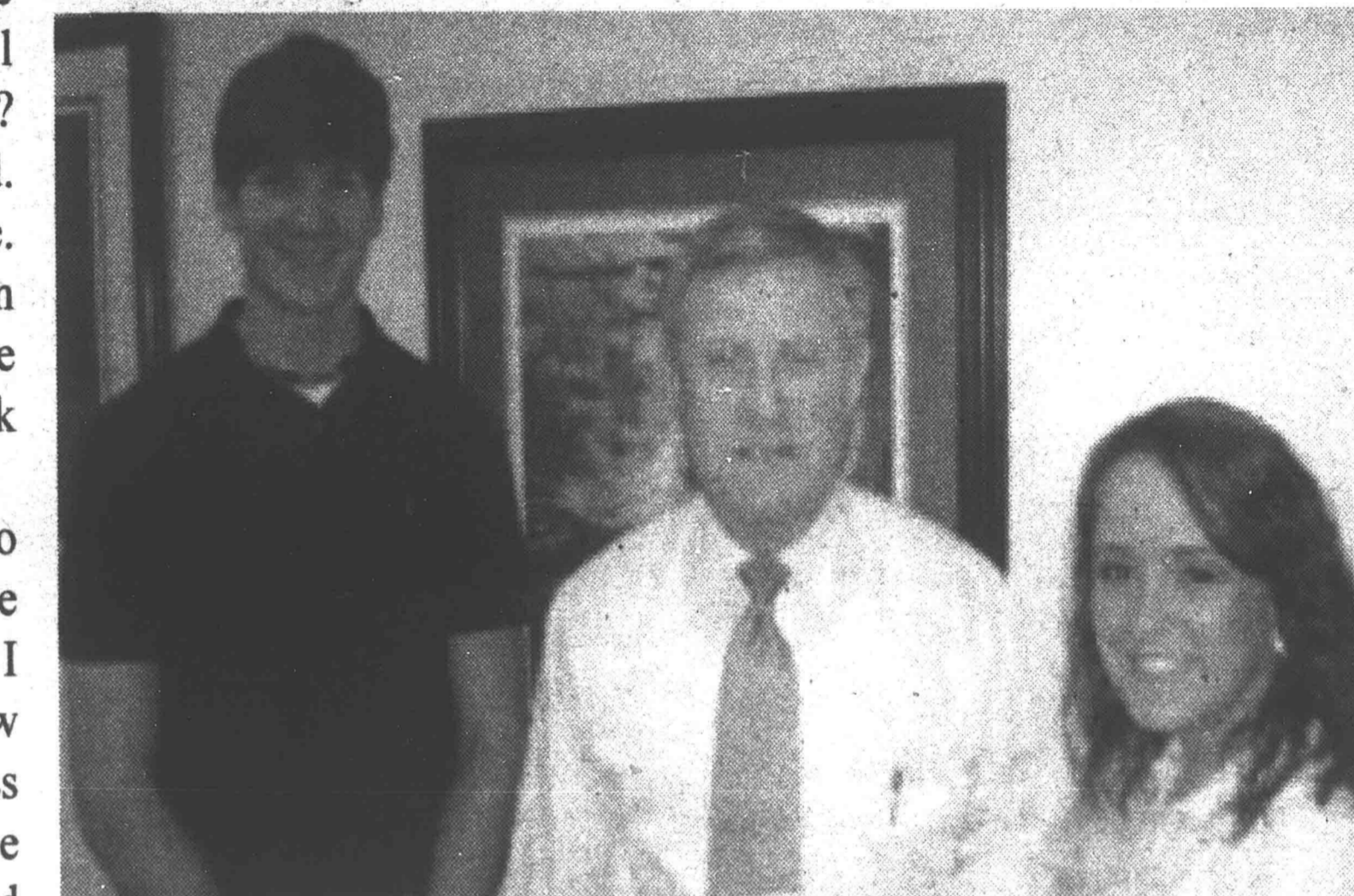
Thanks goes to everybody, but Mr. Buddy says that we still need food because my Buds stay hungry out here. Don't forget to have your four-leggers spayed or neutered to help us hold down the number of unwanted pets. Have your four-leggers vaccinated at your favorite Doc's office. Send your two-legger out to the Club with my Buds some food.

I almost forgot to tell you that we do have some four-legger kittens. They are really cute and they won't scratch your nose yet. Be as good as your four-legger thinks you are.

Miss Sandy, could you give me a fancy haircut?

Zeek out!!!!

## Rotary Guest Speaker



WENDELL MCMANUS, right, was the guest speaker at the April 27th meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club. He was the guest of his son, Rotarian Trent Mc Manus, left. Wendell spoke about Polio and the lifetime effects of the disease. He was diagnosed with Polio as a young child and has had to cope with it all his life. Despite the disease, he has not let it interfere with his outlook on life and exercises regularly. Polio eradication is Rotary International's commitment to eliminate it throughout the world. They are pictured with James E. Smith, club president.

In lower photo, Nathan Smith, left, Senior Class President at Halls High School, and Avonlea Brewster, right, were presented a check in the amount of \$100 for Project Graduation by Mr. Smith, president, center. Avonlea's mother, Nancy, chairs the Parent's Project Graduation group.

## County Library Offers Art Contest

The Lauderdale County Library will sponsor an art contest, for ages 10 through 16, as part of the 2009 summer reading program. Art work must be submitted before Friday, May 29th, which includes any type, collage, pen and ink, oil or acrylic, crayons, clay or any type sculpture, however, should not be larger than 3 by 5 feet. All art submitted will be displayed in the lobby of the library throughout the month of June. A \$50 prize will be awarded to the winner.

For more information, call the library at 635-1872.

## 1999 HHS REUNION

The Halls High School class of 1999 will have a meeting at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 16th, in the cafeteria at Halls High School to discuss plans for the class reunion.

For more information, call Jordan Elder at 731-413-9144.

## 4-H CAMP REMINDER

The 4-H Jr. Camp, for 4th through 6th grade students, will be from Monday, June 22nd, through Friday, June 26th and 4-H Jr. High Camp, for 6th through 8th grade students, will be Monday, June 29th, through July 2nd, at Ridley 4-H Camp in Columbia. The deadline to register is June 1st.

For more information, contact Katie Wyatt at the extension office at 635-9551.

## HHS Softball: Busy Week & Monday, 4-4

Halls High School's softball team lost Monday of last week at Obion County, 2-1; lost Tuesday of last week to South Fulton, 15-9 and 8-0; won Thursday of last week from Lake County, 12-0, and in the Jackson North Side Tournament, lost to Adamsville, 52-1, tied North Side 5-5, and led Munford 2-1, Madison 10-1, and Trenton, 11-4.

## HES First Graders Learn Recycling

All first grade classes at Halls Elementary School brought recyclables from home to take to the public recycling bin Friday, April 24th. Students, along with teachers and sheriff's escort, walked to the bin to wrap up a week long study of the earth and how we can all help to preserve it. They enjoyed popsicles afterwards.

## Countian Assists In Dyer Statements

The Dyersburg State Community College Division of Arts and Sciences and the Office of Institutional Advancement will hold a reception honoring the contributors to *Dyer Statements: A DSCC Journal* from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 30th in the college's Learning Resource Center on the Dyersburg campus.

*Dyer Statements* was produced under the supervision of Linda Weeks, of Curve, Brenda Fincher, and Dr. William Northcutt. It includes literary pieces, photographs and artwork contributed by members of the Dyersburg State community.

Copies of publication will be available for pick up during the reception. Contributors to the booklet have been invited to take part in an informal book signing.

## Awards xxx

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underway. Donna is the wife of 23 years of Tommy Sanders and is mother to a teenager, Shayla, a junior at Ripley High School. She is the daughter of Samuel and Dorothy Lee and devoted cheerleader to sister, Paula Boger. Donna is best remembered from the old days as "Dolly" from her starring role in the Senior class play "Hello Dolly" and as a fire baton twirling major-ette in the RHS Marching band. In her spare time she loves the beach, sand, home decor magazines and Christmas.

David Jennings was recognized as a man who was raised on the north end of Lauderdale County in Halls. He graduated from Halls High School in 1977. He is no stranger when it comes to giving of his time and efforts to support the community and especially the Chamber. David is a graduate of Leadership Lauderdale and is an active member of the Leadership Lauderdale Alumni group. He serves on the Lauderdale County Fair Board and is an active volunteer. He is a member of the Chamber's Ag committee and has served his community as an Alderman for 12 years. During David's tenure as alderman, he has worked with the parks department helping them to get new fields and updated equipment and services. He has worked with his current employer for 31 years and is a member of Halls First Baptist Church where he is actively involved. David is married to Barbara and has two daughters, Natalie and Allyson, both married. He has one grandson and two grandchildren on the way, a girl and a boy.

Elizabeth Mosely, a chamber ambassador, was recognized as a woman who goes all the time. Each year, as the chamber works to offer programs and projects throughout the community, it invariably means that they are required to call upon others to help. The first people they always call are the ambassadors. If there is a community event, Elizabeth is usually there to support it. She was raised in Ripley and has several siblings. She always has a smile and a

kind word for people. She is actively involved with several groups and is an avid bridge player. Elizabeth served as a Sunday school teacher at First Baptist for many years where she is a devoted member. She joined the Baptist Memorial Hospital League in 1987 as a volunteer and was honored as the league member serving the most hours for two consecutive years and in 2008 alone, served 211 hours. She was honored as Volunteer of the Year in 2000 and has served as President, President-elect, Secretary and Treasurer. She is also a very active Chamber Ambassador serving over ten years. Elizabeth has been to numerous chamber events through the years from ribbon cuttings to grand openings to coffees to working at the tomato festival and now the fair, always with a smile. She's always willing to step in and serve where she is needed.

The recipient of Small Business of the Year Award, the TKS Fitness Center, opened in 1993 with the goal to provide affordable, quality exercise fitness programs to the entire community. The building where they're housed was formerly known as the Tiny Knee Shack and was built in the early 70's by the Lauderdale Youth Council. In 1992, the council ceased to function and they gave the building to Ripley Parks and Recreation for its park office and fitness classes. Major repairs began including a new roof, central heat and air, dropped ceiling and lighting. The name TKS was chosen because of its namesake and his importance to the community. Funding that began as a combination of city and private donations grew to include business and industry sponsors and user fees. The director's fifteen years experience and expertise in nutrition and fitness was instrumental in the center's success. In 2001, the city added 2,400 additional square feet to the center to accommodate the ever growing services, more fitness classes, more cardio and strengthening equipment, quality wellness services, and specially designed equipment to serve the needs of rehab patrons. The center

is also the place where athletic groups do their off-season conditioning programs. Membership and programming continues to grow and they now burst at the seams again. Plans are underway to move the center to the City Center building adjacent to UT Martin with the help of a \$350,000 grant. The center is the winner of the 1994 ECHO award and the 2001 Four Star Renovated Facility award. The staff is generous with their time and expertise, volunteering to help with community events and helping design health and wellness programs to assist us all. Sue is an avid supporter of the chamber's leadership programs, both youth and adult, stressing the importance of fitness with our participants. With the foresight of the city and a dedicated staff, they have transformed a run-down, unused building into one of the shining assets of the City. It is a vibrant, progressive center that promotes the health and wellness of all the citizens of Lauderdale County.

The winner of our Large Business of the Year Award, Wright's Auto Parts, is a business that was established in 2002. This business is family owned and operated and has shown steady growth since its opening. It started as a recycling business dealing with metals, but has grown quite a bit. Over the last year or so, this business has built two new buildings on their property, a processing center and a warehouse. These are part of their new green division which provides manufacturers and citizens recycling services for their non-metal recycling needs. This new division gave them the opportunity to give back to the community, something they believe in. Drivers passing through Gates have seen the flower bed that was added as part of their commitment to community improvement projects and provided along with help from the local high school. Wright's is willing to work with any cause that touches the lives of their employees and people in their community. They provide scrap cars for the yearly Mock Crashes at the high schools before prom to help encourage the kids not to drink and drive.

As part of their new green division, they placed recycling containers in each community and the sponsoring organization receives funds back from the recycled materials, funds that go to help the local communities. They are the proud sponsor of the newest festival in the county, the Gates Fall Festival which benefits St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and helps to fund improvements in the Town of Gates. This business is in the process of adding a rail line that will enable them to grow even more and receive scrap from an even larger area.

The recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award, Rosie Lemons, goes about the community quietly but enthusiastically and serves where she's needed. There is never a job too large or too small. She is involved in numerous local organizations in various capacities. She is involved as a volunteer at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging where she not only volunteers to help the Seniors, she teaches them to line dance. Rosie serves as the Chairperson for the Town of Halls City Beautiful Commission and is continually working to ensure that the downtown is attractive and well-decorated. As part of her duties there, she oversees the annual Great American Cleanup Day on the North end of the county. She is also heavily involved with the Veterans' Museum. She helps develop exhibits, decorates, and serves as a docent weekly and gives tours to large groups when needed.

## SUMMER ACTIVITIES

The Mall Mania is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 7th, and from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 8th, at the Dyersburg Mall for grades fifth through twelfth. The deadline to register is June 26th.

Krafty Kids In The Kitchen, for 4 through 6th grade students, is scheduled from 9 a.m. until noon July 23rd and 24th. The deadline to register is July 21st.

Babysitting Basics, for ages 10-16, is scheduled from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Thursday, June 11th, at the extension office. The deadline to register is June 9th.

For more information, call 635-9551.

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those who can't attend, organizers are asking each church in Lauderdale County to incorporate into their weekly service these seven topics, national, state and local government, military and veterans, media, business and the economy, education, church, and family. Each topic has three components, prayer, focus, and scripture.

For more information contact program chairman, The Rev. Bill Terrell, pastor of Cleaves Temple, Halls, 901-605-6847, or ministerial alliance president, The Rev. Robert C. Morgan-Wilde, 731-635-7001.

## Scholarship To Go To Local Student

Residents of Lauderdale County, for at least five years, who are enrolled as fulltime students in an accredited college, university, or technical school may be eligible to apply for the 2009 Paris Memorial Scholarship, provided by the late William M. and Hilda H. Paris, through the Bank of Ripley Trust Department. Applicants may be eligible in any field of study. Other guidelines are outlined on the application form. Current recipients of full scholarships are not eligible. Applications are available at any Bank of Ripley location. The deadline to submit an application is June 15th, 2009. The scholarship recipient is selected by a random drawing from the pool of qualified applications.

For further information, contact Katherine Meadows at the Bank of Ripley, 635-1230 or email [service@bankofripley.com](mailto:service@bankofripley.com).

## Board Of Education To Hosts Reception

The Lauderdale County Board of Education will host a reception for newly tenured teachers and newly appointed supervisors from 5:45 through 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 7th, at Ripley Elementary School.

## EAT SMART CLASS

An Eat Smart class is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. May 5th at the Lauderdale Commission on Aging.

For more information, call Rachel Parker at 635-1301.