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Grand Jury Returns February True Bills

Indictments by the February term of the Lauderdale County Circuit Court Grand Jury include Nicholas Morrow, who was stopped September 22nd by Ripley Police Sgt. Mark Crook. Officers received a tip that Nicholas was in possession of a gun stolen from the City Pawn Shop in 1997. During the traffic stop, Sgt. Crook found a weapon that matched the missing gun's serial number. Morrow was indicted on possession of handgun by convicted felon. He has a previous conviction from 2005 for robbery and theft and from 2006 for manufacturing and selling drugs.

Other indictments include Alicia Henson, possession of contraband into penal institution; aggravated burglary; theft of property (\$500-\$1,000); and theft of property greater than \$500 (two counts). She was charged after she wrecked her vehicle Christmas morning and responding officers discovered the bottles of pills. She allegedly broke into a home in Gates and took pills belonging to her grandmother.

James Parker Barbee, HMVO.

Robert N. Bell, HMVO.

Kenneth Bonds, reckless endangerment.

Chris Burnett, reckless endangerment.

Tiffany Darvin, introduction of contraband into penal institution; and possession Schedule II (cocaine) with intent to deliver more than 0.5 grams.

Louis V. Driver, felony simple possession Schedule VI.

Starra Hickey, criminal simulation.

Keevin Jashaun Jarrett, filing false report to law enforcement (two counts); and

contributing to unruly behavior of a minor (two counts).

Earnistina Martin, possession Schedule I (methylenedioxymethamphetamine) with intent to deliver.

Vivian Marie McCaslin, attempt to obtain controlled substance by fraud.

Richard W. McKee, theft of property (\$1,000-\$10,000).

George Mitchell, HMVO; and criminal impersonation.

Johnathan Morris, possession Schedule VI (marijuana) with intent to deliver greater than 1/2 ounce; and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Jonathan Parr, failure to register as sex offender.

Joe L. Patrick, Sr., failure to register as sex offender.

Stacie Pike, DUI; violation implied consent.

Adrian Bernard Pitts, aggravated assault (2 counts); reckless endangerment; and vandalism \$500-\$1,000.

Christopher Lutrell Pitts, aggravated assault (2 counts); reckless endangerment; and vandalism \$500-\$1,000.

Courtney Ricks, possession Schedule II (cocaine)

Selected



CRAIG FITZHUGH, Tennessee State Representative, of Ripley, has been elected a Fellow of the Tennessee Bar Foundation, an association of 686 attorneys across the state. Invitations to membership were extended to 34 attorneys by the Board of Trustees.

The purpose of the Bar Foundation is to honor attorneys who have distinguished themselves in the profession and to administer a grant making program. The project, known as Interest On Lawyers' Trust Accounts (IOLTA), has awarded over \$15,000,000 to law-related, public interest projects throughout Tennessee.

Rep. Fitzhugh is a graduate of University of Tennessee and its law school and serves as chairman and CEO of the Bank of Ripley.

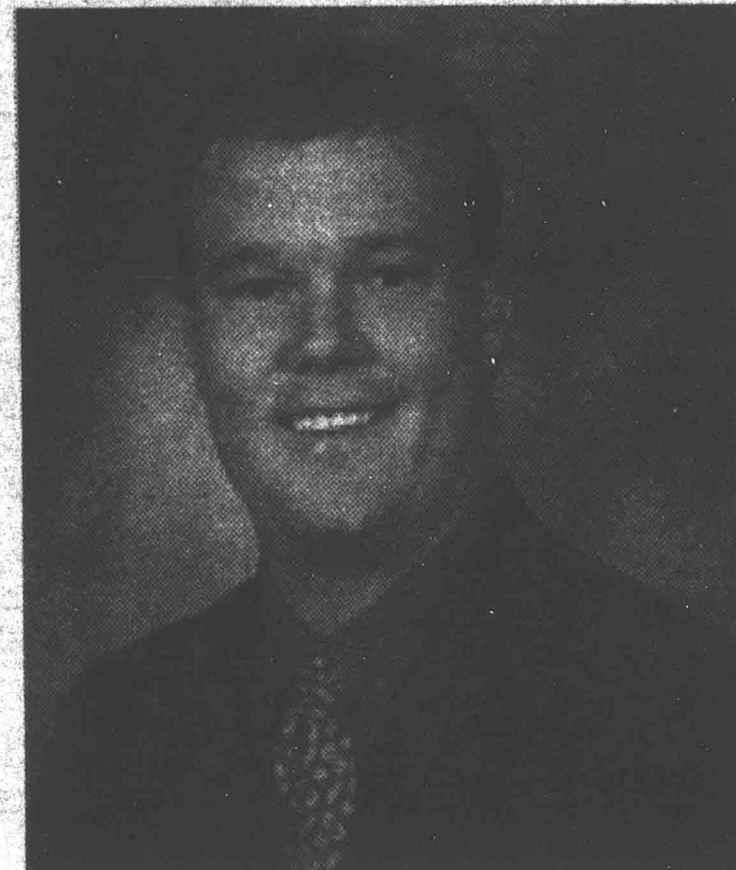
In the state legislature, House Speaker Kent Williams, Republican turned independent, has appointed seven Republicans and six Democrats as committee chairmen.

Among the Democrats is Rep. Craig Fitzhugh, of Ripley, to continue to head the Finance Committee, as he had under Speaker Jimmy Naifeh.

with intent to deliver less than 0.5 grams.

Macaraio Schneider, fraud-

Director



DAVID FORD, of Ripley, has assumed the responsibilities of executive director for the Ripley Housing Authority. He replaced Faye Byrd, who retired last year. The Housing Authority was created in 1960 and is comprised of 265 units intended for the elderly, low income, and disabled.

David is the son of Regina Ford and the late Johnie Ford, of Curve. A Lauderdale County native, he graduated from Halls High School in 1994. He has two associate degrees, industrial management and business administration, from Dyersburg State Community College and a bachelor's degree in business organizational leadership, from Union University. He is currently pursuing his master's degree from Union.

ulent attempt to obtain controlled substances.

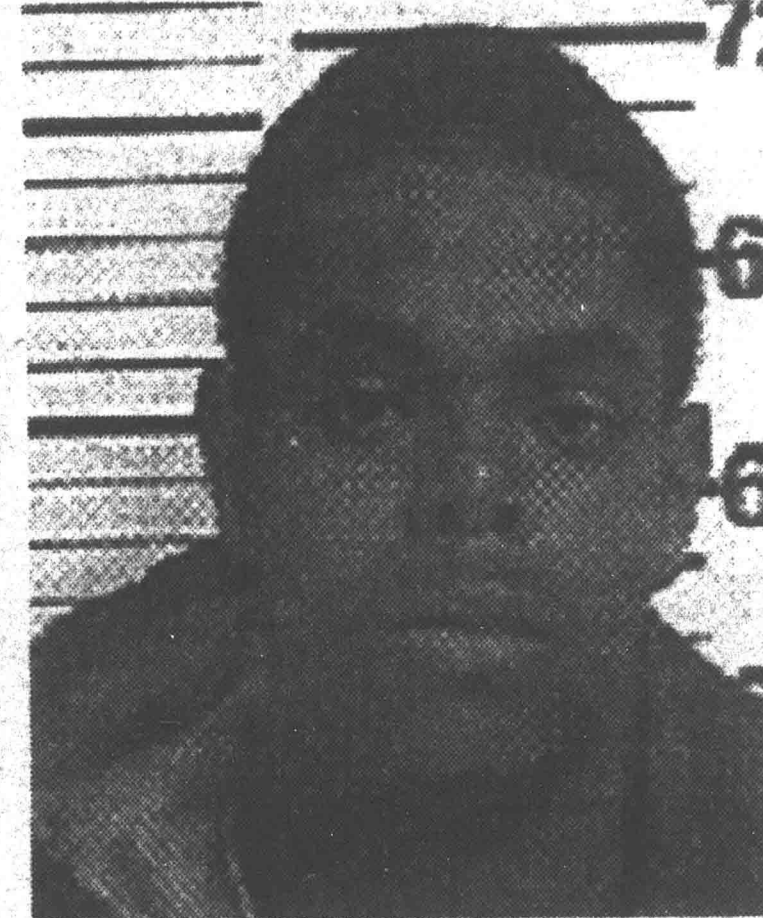
Tony Tyus, carrying weapon on school property; aggravated assault; and aggravated assault with deadly weapon.

Christopher Wiggins, vandalism (\$1,000-\$10,000); burglary of building; theft of property (\$500 or less) (three counts); theft of property (\$500-\$1,000) (four counts); and theft of property (\$1,000-\$10,000).

Lisa Wiggins, facilitation

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Charged



ANDRA McCLINDON, also known as "Gym Shoe" was arrested at approximately 6:15 p.m. February 2nd after a traffic stop in Halls according to Halls Narcotics Investigator Terry Williams.

After a search by Williams, a loaded handgun was found under the front passenger seat and a clear plastic bag in his pants pocket. Officers recovered 0.4 grams of crack cocaine. He was charged with possession of a Schedule II drug with intent to deliver, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of stolen property, and possession of a weapon by a convicted felon.

Annual Tomato Festival Pageant

The annual Tomato Festival pageant is scheduled for Saturday, March 7th, at Ripley High School in the Bank of Ripley Performing Arts Theatre. The pageant is sponsored by Lauderdale Chamber/ECD. Winners will represent Lauderdale County in the 26th annual Tomato Festival scheduled for July 10th and 11th at Ripley City Park. Miss Lauderdale County and Lauderdale County Jr. Queen winners will represent Lauderdale County in the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival pageant in May.

For more information or cost, call the Chamber at 635-9541.

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Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here! Boy, did I learn new words!!!! The other night a bunch of two-leggers came to our house. Everybody brought two-legger food and set around the box with two-leggers in it. I later learned that the box is a TV. All of the two-leggers were having fun because they all were laughing and being loud. They watched the two-leggers on TV playing football. Now I remember when Miss Pam took me to watch the Tigers practice and she told me that the two-leggers were playing football with a pigskin, funny shaped ball. Everybody in the house shared some of their two-legger food with me and Rusty even tho Miss Pam told them not to. My favorite two-legger food is hot dogs. It's the Mayor's fault because he used to give me hot dogs at the Club when Miss Pam was not looking. We never told her about that. During the time when all of the two-leggers were here, they did a lot of yelling and saying words that I have never heard. I looked at Miss Pam and turned my head and she told me to NEVER repeat any of the words that I heard. They must be bad two-legger words. Well, finally the football was over and all of the two-leggers went home. I sure was glad and I was really glad that I could finally get on my couch and take a nap.

The next day, Miss Pam got us up early and we went to the Club. Mr. Buddy and Scooter were working hard but they were talking about the football game. I wondered if they said any of those words that Miss Pam told me not to repeat. Blue, the black and white feist mix with blue eyes, was talking to a new Bud, named Blue, the blue heeler. They sure don't look alike so I wonder why they have the same name. Cocoa, the chocolate lab who loves kids, and Smokey, the border collie, were talking about the white stuff outside this week and I told them that it was snow and I got to play in it. Cocoa just snuffed her nose at me and turned away. There were two brown and white feist mix puppies that I talked to about being sad. I told them that a two-legger would come out and take them home. I went outside to the barn and saw a good looking female four- legger named Lady. She is a black and tan German shepherd that some two-leggers found. She is one good looking four- legger.

Chrystal Dill came out to the Club this week and took home a four-legger named Tennessee. Sammy Grantland, our friend from the city, took home a short legged four-legger. Sandra Carver took home a cat. Crockett Baker let a puppy four-legger go home with him. Mrs. Crook made a lab happy this week. Craig Lee took home a cat. I sure am glad every time that I know that a cat goes home with a two-legger. That is one less cat to scratch my nose. A little mix puppy four-legger went home with Brenda Glass and also Heather Kiestler. Mary Jackson took home Sandy. I sure am glad because she was really needing a good two-legger.

Dwight, Jr. and Stephanie Shoemake brought my Buds some food. Johnny and Susan Smith brought us two great four-legger beds. I sure will enjoy one of them in the office when Scooter will not get out of my chair so I can take a nap. Wonder if I could get Scooter to lay on the four- legger bed?

Bubba Hopkins and his family came out to the Club and found a cat and took it home with them. The Big Lick this week goes out to Larry McCoy and B.V. Hutcherson for their help dur-

ing our remodeling. Well, Miss Pam tells me that it is time to go home for today. I sure am glad because Mr. Buddy and Scooter are making me tired as I watch the water drip off of them as they work. I believe that Scooter told me it was sweat, something that I don't know about.

Come us see at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road. Call us at 836-PETS or 836-7387. You can send us something at P.O. Box 172, Ripley, TN 38063. We really need some food for my Buds and cleaning supplies. You can drop those off at Beasley Treasures (formally the Antique Mall) on Hwy. 51. Don't forget to get your four-leggers spayed or neutered. Take good care of your four-leggers in the snow and cold weather. Be as good as your four-legger thinks you are. When Miss Pam is not watching, I will tell ya'll some of the new words I learned.

School Lunches

- Friday, February 13th**
Valentine's Lunch
Baked Ham
Green Beans
Black Eye Peas
Peaches
Roll
Sweetheart Cake
Choice Of Milk
- Ripley Primary School**
Halls Elementary School
Pre-K to 3rd
- Monday, February 9th**
Cheeseburger
French Fries
Applesauce
Cookie
Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, February 10th**
Steak Fingers

- Tossed Salad w/ Dressing
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, February 11th**
Hamburger Steak & Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Apple Slices
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Thursday, February 12th**
Chili Pie
Corn Nibbles
Pear Halves
Choice Of Milk
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Lauderdale County Schools

- Monday, February 9th**
Cheeseburger
Pizza
French Fries
Sandwich Trimmings
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Applesauce
Cookie
Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, February 10th**
Steak Fingers
Crispy Fish Fillet
Broccoli Bites
Tossed Salad w/ Dressing
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, February 11th**
Hamburger Steak & Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Green Peas
Apple Slices
Roll
Choice Of Milk
- Thursday, February 12th**
Chili Pie
Corn Nibbles
Pear Halves
Pineapple Tidbits
Choice Of Milk

NOTICE CITY OF HALLS ELECTION

May 7, 2009

Lauderdale County Election Office is located at 217 N. Main Street and is open and conducting all election business

Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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Obituaries

Virginia Conner

Virginia Conner, 94, of 194 East End, Ripley, employed for 17 years by Shainberg's in Ripley and for 26 years by the Federal Land Bank Assn. serving Lauderdale and Tipton Counties, died Tuesday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were held Wednesday in First United Methodist Church in Ripley, where she had been a member for more than 60 years.

She was born May 18, 1914, to the late Grover Anderson Gaines and the late Mary Jane Burks Gaines.

She was the granddaughter of the late Edmonia Walker Wood Burks, who died in 1947.

She had been a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for many years.

She was the widow of Earl Farrar Elam, Jr., and James W. Conner.

Survivors include a step-daughter, Celeste Conner Henry, of Ripley, a niece, Brenda Jane Baynes Newman, of Ripley, and a nephew, Rhea Anderson Swims, of Halls.

U. V. Sides

U. V. Sides, 92, of Ripley, retired from Haltex in Halls, died Thursday of last week, in her home.

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

She was a member of Ripley's First United Methodist Church.

The widow of William Bryant Sides, she leaves sons, Wayne, of Ripley, Jimmy, of Walls, Miss., and Laderl, of Port St. Lucie, Fla.; daughters, Doris Roe, of Covington, Joan Glass, of Burlison, and Jane Kirby, of Southaven, Miss.; sisters, Alma Jenkins and Fannie Lee Williams, of Ripley; 17 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and 16 great-great-grandchildren.

Charles E. Scott Raced In Italy

Rites at 11 a.m. Saturday in the cemetery of St. Paul United Methodist Church at Durhamville will mourn Charles E. Scott, 77, of Memphis, son of the late Wayne Duvall Scott and the late Georgia Lue Holloway Scott.

An Air Force veteran of the Korean War, he was a member of the only American team ever to enter Italy's annual Mille Miglia vintage car race.

A graduate of the Memphis College, of Art, he became a professor of art history at Illinois College in Jacksonville, Ill., and at the University of Georgia. He later became an interior designer.

Survivors include a son, David, of Brownsville; daughters, Keitha Scott and Tamera (Mrs. Robert) Hickox, of Memphis; sisters, Betty Burch, of Paducah, Ky., and Joy Edwards, of Round Rock, Tex.; and four grandchildren.

Cynthia Person

Cynthia April Person, 36, of Boston, Mass., niece of Brenda Nipp, of Gates, died January 31st in her home after a long battle with cancer.

She leaves her father, Sidney Person, Jr., of Memphis; mother, Paula Hawkins, of Gerrardstown, West Va.; brother, Sidney Person III, of Potts Camp, Miss.; sister, Michelle Bostick, of Milan; and maternal grandmother, Billie Gaston, of Jonesboro, Ark.

Thomas Harris

Thomas Kennon Harris, 37, of Dyersburg, a driver for the Lauderdale Trucking Co., of 687 Hwy. 51, Ripley, died Jan. 22nd in Mount Pleasant, Texas.

Rites were Tuesday of last week in New Haven Cemetery in Ridgely.

Survivors include his grandmother, Mary Harris, of Dyersburg, and his parents, Henry and Gloria Harris, a son, Matthew, and a brother, Henry Harris II, all of Mount Pleasant.

Robert J. McAlister

Robert J. McAlister, 82, of Ripley, a retired accountant, died Saturday, January 31st, at Baptist East in Memphis.

Services were at 2 p.m. Monday, February 2nd, at Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens.

He was a World War II Army veteran, a 50-year mason, and member of First United Methodist Church in Ripley.

He leaves his wife, Betty Jean Morgan McAlister; daughters, Rhonda Patton, of Covington, and Cindy Greaves, of Ripley; brothers, Ross McAlister, of Flint, Mich., and Jack Berry, of Grand Harbor, Mich.; sisters, Dolly Ruby, of Russellville, Ark., and Laura Westfall, of Grand Harbor, Mich.; and five grandchildren.

Vincent T. Manuel

Vincent T. Manuel, 50, of West Warwick, R.I., born in Halls to the late William T. and Margaret N. (Smith) Manuel, died Monday at Harborside Healthcare-Greenwood.

The Prata-Murphy Funeral home had charge of services held Saturday, January 31st.

He leaves his wife, Sally Manuel; and children, Troy L. Manuel, of San Diego, Calif., and Mark, Isaac, Kelsie, Savannah and Sally, all of West Warwick; sisters, Pamela Jackson, of Houston, Tex., and Sharon Hodlingshed, of Dallas, Tex.; and three grandchildren.

'Jimbo' Yarbrough

Jimmy "Jimbo" Wayne Yarbrough, 37, of 440 W. Division, Villa Park, Ill., formerly of Gates, died Friday in Villa Park.

Rites are set at 2 p.m. Thursday in the family cemetery at Gates, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He was born in Elmhurst, Ill., Jan. 13, 1972.

Survivors include his father, William Leon Yarbrough, of 1725 Concord Rd., Gates; his mother, Linda Zipp Yarbrough, and a daughter, Jamie Yarbrough, of Ripley; a sister, Lori Lenderman, of Gates, and a brother, John Yarbrough, of Chicago, Ill.



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.

Halls Westside Baptist Church will hold an Alive Worship Conference at 6:30 p.m. February 6th and 7th featuring guest speaker, Barry Cox, and worships bands, Remnant and Constant Witness. The weekend project is for all ages.

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.

Frank H. Craig

Frank H. Craig, 84, of Bowie, Md., brother of Delene (Mrs. Rufus) Smith, of Ripley, died Wednesday, November 12th.

Rites for cremated remains were held January 18th with a family gathering in Mary's Chapel Cemetery, east of Ripley.

He was the son of the late Jarome and Marie Craig.

Born in Ripley in 1924, he was 17 when he enlisted in the Marine Corps and served in the Pacific in World War II.

He was a deputy U.S. marshal before working for the Moore Cadillac Agency in Vienna, Va.

Survivors include his wife, Mary; sons, Pat, of Bowie, Mike, of Laurel, Md., and Steve, of San Francisco, Calif.; a daughter, Mary Catherine, of Denver, Colo.; and nine grandchildren.

Mary McMahon

Mary Lee McMahon, 85, daughter of the late Hallum Goodloe Conley and Mary Lee Lewis Conley, of Halls, died Jan. 25th in Parkview Hospital in Pueblo, Colo.

Ashes are being scattered at Memorial Park Funeral Home in Memphis.

She took a bachelor of arts degree in 1945 from Southwestern at Memphis (later Rhodes College) and taught at

Brian Pruett

Brian Pruett, 27, of Dyersburg, grandson of Frazier Bailey, of Ripley, died Wednesday of last week, in his home.

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

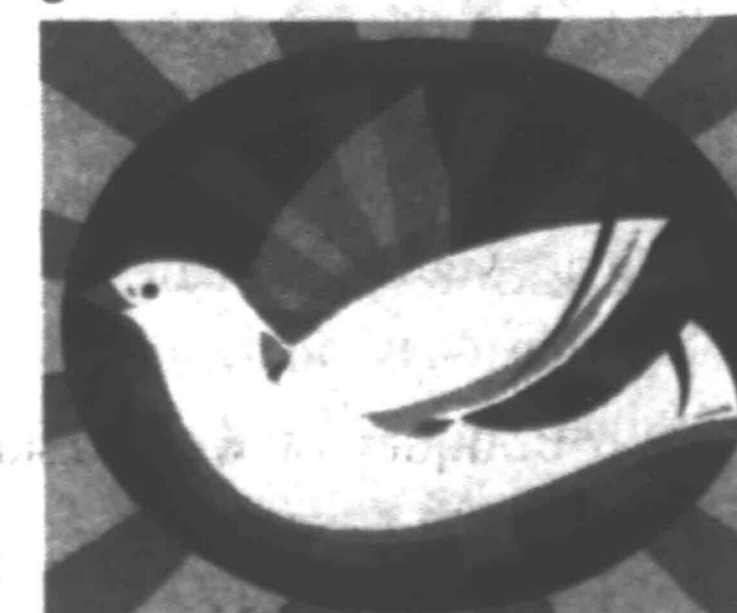
A graduate of Dyersburg High School (2000) and the University of Tennessee in Martin (2004), earning a Phi Beta Kappa key, he was a nurse in the Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

He was a member of the Dyersburg Church of God. Survivors include his grandmother, Fay Pruett, his parents, Jackie and Debbie Pruett, a sister, Amanda Pruett, and his fiancée, Sabrina Edwards, all of Dyersburg.

St. Mary's Episcopal School in Memphis, receiving its Creative Teacher Award in 1982.

At Thanksgiving in 2007, she moved to Pueblo, where her daughter, Adrienne Jaworowicz, resides.

Her survivors include two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



Double Ring Ceremony



MR. AND MRS. DEREK ALAN CLEMMER were married at 6 p.m. December 20th in Halls' First United Methodist Church with The Rev. Eugene Nichols officiating the double ring ceremony. Barbara Hendren, organist, and Lisa Fehrs, pianist, presented nuptial music. Holly Barcroft, of Memphis, sang "The Rose" preceding the processional and Darren Dedmon, of Ripley, sang "This Ring" after the exchange of the rings. Traditional wedding marches were used for the processional and recessional. Myriads of white bridal tapers in an arch covered with white enchantment lilies, campanulas and stock showered soft light over the wedding scene. Complimenting the sanctuary were arrangements of all white glads, stock, snapdragons, enchantment lilies, cremones, larkspur and campanulas accented with red hypericum berries. White gerber daisies with campanulas and looped bear grass designated the family pews.

The bride's uncle, Dennis Sadler, of Arlington, welcomed family and friends before reading the scripture.

The bride, the former Amber Sadler, is the daughter of Bill and Carol Woodley, of Halls. She was escorted to the altar by her father. She wore a white sweetheart strapless gown with an A-line design of satin and side draped overlay of chiffon flowing from a bodice of sequins and seeded pearls into a chapel length train. The elbow length veil of silk illusion, adorned with rhinestones, draped from a rhinestone tiara, was handmade by her grandmother, Mrs. Dotsy Sadler. She carried a bouquet of white Eskimo roses, and white casper with hypericum berries and loops of golden brown crystals surrounded with galax leaves and myrtle. The handle was

wrapped with the Christening cap she wore when baptized as a baby.

She is the granddaughter of Dotsy Sadler and the late Gene Sadler, of Halls.

The groom is the son of David and Phyllis Clemmer, of Ripley, Miss., and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Clemmer and Mrs. Anita Elrod and the late Harold Elrod, all of Ripley, Miss.

Audrey Smith McNeill, of Halls, a lifelong friend of the bride, Britney Clemmer, of St. Louis, Mo., sister of the groom, Beth Sadler, cousin of the bride, and Jessica Lyn McCoy, of Marietta, Ga., Rachel Mansfield, of Nashville, and Katie Ebner, of Lafayette, La., sorority sisters, served as bridesmaids. They were dressed in claret red strapless tea length satin dresses with chiffon overlay and empire waist that was adorned with a brown sash and carried a bouquet of white campanulas and red roses with daisies surrounded by galax leaves.

Daniel Knighton, of Myrtle, Miss., served as best man. Seth Smith, of Pompano Beach, Fla., Anthony Steele, of Philadelphia, Miss., Ben Woodley, of Halls, brother of the bride, and Burt Waldon and Chris Moore, of Ripley, Miss., served as groomsmen.

Stephanie Bowlin, of Murfreesboro, Tara Butler, of Newbern, and Kristen Throgmorton, of Halls, college friends of the bride, registered guests at a table, adorned with a vase of white gerber daisies with campanulas and looped bear grass.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church with Kimberly Blackwood, of Halls, friend of the bride, and Kelsey Moore and Kristen Moore, of Ripley, Miss., cousins of the groom, serving.

The bride's four-tier cake, sprinkled with rose petals, was adorned with a C on top

Anniversaries

Feb. 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Finley Green.

Feb. 6 - Mr. and Mrs. Dana Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. James Fincher.

Feb. 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Norris Hayles.

Feb. 8 - Mr. and Mrs. Mark Myracle.

Feb. 9 - Mr. and Mrs. Larry Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Tims.

Feb. 10 - Mr. and Mrs. Willie Griggs, Mr. and Mrs. Brantley Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Greg McBroom.

Feb. 11 - Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wheatley.

BASKETBALL CAMP

Applications for the Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball camp are being accepted for boys and girls, ages 10-19. Camp locations include, Lebanon, Tenn., Phoenix, Ariz., Babson Park, Fla., Gainesville, Ga., Champaign, Ill., Glassboro, N.J., Ithaca, N.Y., Marietta, Ohio, Commerce, Tex., and Blacksburg, Va.

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and the groom's cake featured an 'Ole Miss' theme. The cakes were served from tables of glowing lights under lace overlay. The table arrangements were white gift boxes tied with burgundy sheer ribbon and topped with red roses, daisies and hypericum berries and myrtle. The food table arrangement stood tall with a unique design of red apples, alstromerias, snaps and green pittisporum topped with fresh pineapple and bear grass.

The groom's parents, David and Phyllis Clemmer entertained approximately 60 members of the wedding party and their guests at a rehearsal dinner, served buffet style, in the fellowship hall on the eve of the wedding.

After a honeymoon in Montego Bay, Jamaica, the couple are residing in Brandon, Miss.

Birth



AUBREY FAITH LOVELADY, 5 lb., 4 oz. daughter of Bradley Lovelady, of Halls, and Julie Jones, of Milan, was born at 1:30 p.m. January 26th at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital in Nashville. She was 18 inches long and the sister of Breaquelyn and Abbey Lovelady. Her grandparents are Linda Lovelady, of Lauderdale County, and the late Roy Lovelady, Chris and Arturo Garcia, of Milan, and Bubba Simpson, of Finley, and great-grandparents are Henry and Joyce Jones, of Heloise, and Janie and Cecil Simpson, of Finley.

Marriages

Jan. 17th - Michael Wayne Nelson, 30, to Katrina Jo Lance, 21, by Don Williams.

Jan. 20th - Michael Edwards Bane, 50, to Dianne Elaine Floyd Bane, 44, by John T. Compere.

Jan. 24th - Henry Moody, 45, to Bonnie Fay Lance, 42, by William H. Jarrett.

Jan. 25th - Thomas Neal Hodge, 58, to Janice Eloise Patton Moore, 53, by Linda Summar.

Jan. 26th - Eddy Neal, 56, to Deborah Kay Jones Williams, 52, by Rod Schuh.

Jerome Jones, 41, to Chandra Renee Taliaferro, 37, by Rod Schuh.

Jose Ricardo Romero, 56, to Deborah Jean McDivitt Webb, 53, by Rod Schuh.

BLOOD DRIVE

The bloodmobile of Life Blood Mid-South Regional Blood Center, will be at Asbury Cove Assisted Living Center from noon until 5 p.m. Friday, February 6th, in the front parking lot. Citizens who meet the requirements are encouraged to help the community by donating blood.

Halls Boys Lose By 3

Hosting South Fulton, Thursday of last week, Halls High's boys lost a Dist. 14-A game, 59-56.

It was close all the way. Halls led 14-13 in the first period but trailed 31-24 at the half.

Reginald Glass led Halls scoring with 19 points.

A return tilt, set Friday in South Fulton, was postponed because iced wires had made electric power in South Fulton uncertain.

Saturday, the Tigers lost, 42-85, in Humboldt, the hosts running their record to 21-0 (14-0, atop Dist. 14-A).

The loss put the Halls' boys record at 3-15 (3-9 in Dist. 14-A).

Girls Drop Two Tilts

Halls girls lost to South Fulton, 59-39.

SF led, by periods, 19-11, 14-11, 14-9, and 16-8.

Halls girls lost to Humboldt, 59-20.

Humboldt led, by periods, 38-3, 9-7, and 6-4, with the fourth period tied 6-6.

Keyawna Parker led Halls scoring with eight points.

Destiny Harrell added 5, Jessie Ellison, Lateia Humphrey, and Jessie Ellison 2 each, and Nekeysha Wilson, 1.

Humboldt ran its record to 15-5 (12-1 in Dist. 14-A).

The loss put Halls at 0-17 (0-13 in Dist. 14-A).

READ ALL ABOUT IT

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

Mama's Advice Still Rings True

During a recent visit to the local grocery store, I heard a young mother give her toddler some advice that I had not heard since my children were small. It was the same advice that mothers have been using since Eve had to deal with Cain and Abel and is just as important today as it has been through the ages.

As with all toddlers, anything that they may find that is not tied down will sooner or later end up in their mouths. This little guy I was watching was no different and as he prepared to put a discarded grape in his mouth his mother immediately gave that age-old advice, "Don't put that in your mouth, you don't know where it has been."

Those words spoken by a true mother echoed in my ears and brought back the memories of my own mother telling me the same thing many years ago. Just like the rest of you who heard those words of advice as you grew up (as well as the threat that went along with it and all of you also know what I mean) they still are a part of our conscience as adults.

However, I wonder if we really do question everything we put in our mouths as our mothers taught us. Do you ever wonder just exactly where the food you are eating was produced or where it came from? Did that T-bone steak you enjoyed so much last night come from Tennessee, California or did it even originate in the USA?

Thanks to our U.S. Congress, as of the first of October last year, you may have noticed country-of-origin information now appearing on meat product labels or on signs in the meat department to indicate the country or countries where an animal may have been born, raised and processed. The Country of Origin Labeling program, known to many as COOL, started back in 2002 after consumer groups approached congress demanding its implication. They presented numerous surveys proving their point that most of us want to know where our food comes from just as our mothers have always insisted in many cases after we had already put something disgusting in our mouths. Their surveys said that 56 percent of consumers think that produce grown in the United States is safer than imported produce. They also said if price and appearance were equal, 61 percent of consumers would select U.S.-grown meat.

Now that COOL is implemented, have you been checking your meat purchases lately and making those early surveys come true? If you have, then you have also noticed something else about the COOL labeling. That is, that some labels list more than one country. I have noticed in some stores that you will see a label that says, "Product of the U.S., Canada and Mexico." With a label like that you have to wonder if maybe that ground chuck you are about to consume may have been created by three cows at an international rally or something.

But, there is a simple answer. A label with multiple countries of origin listed is from an animal that was born and/or raised in a different country or countries and then slaughtered in the U.S. Covered commodities in this category would have to identify all the relevant countries. Not often, but there are times when young cattle are imported from Mexico or Canada and are subsequently raised and processed in the U.S. For a meat product to have the label "Product of the United States" it has to be derived "exclusively from an animal that is exclusively born, raised and slaughtered in the United States." Meaning that the animal had to be a homebody and never been anywhere else but here.

It is estimated that in this first year alone, to implement mandatory COOL the cost will be about \$2.5 billion due to the cost of re-

Yesteryear

Another Civil War Veteran Heard

Tennessee paid pensions to eligible Civil War Veterans who had served in other states if they had lived in Tennessee at least one year before filing. Such an award was the one to David Wildman Brandon of Henning who said in his application, filed June 26, 1914, that he had lived in Lauderdale County for 47 years.

Mr. Brandon's application showed that he was born in Cass County (now Bartow County), Georgia, on June 26, 1846. He would have been less than 16 years old when he enlisted on March 1, 1862 at Ashville, Alabama in Company A of the 10th Alabama Infantry, a regiment which saw fierce fighting throughout the War.

Brandon saw service soon after enlisting; he was with the 10th Alabama in the Seven Days' Battle of Richmond in June 1862 where he was wounded. He was also in the Second Battle of Bull Run (August 28-30, 1862), the Battle of Antietam (September 30, 1862), and the Battle of Gettysburg (July 1-2, 1863). He said he received several slight wounds from spent balls and shell fragments during his service—one in his thigh, one in his heel, and two or three in his arm—none of which were serious enough to incapacitate him for service. Dr. (J. G.) Montgomery, Company physician, had treated him.

Near the end of the War he had gone home on an "indulgence furlough" and was unable to get back to the 10th Alabama, so he reported to Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest who sent him, along with many others, to Blue Mountain, Alabama, to report to Col. Hill. From there, he was ordered to Selma, Alabama, where he took part in that battle on April 2, 1865. After Selma, Brandon got separated from the famous general, and Brandon's group went back to Blue Mountain, skirmishing all the way. That period of 1865 was one of great confusion and disorganization, and he never got back to Forrest before the Surrender. Shortly after the Surrender he was notified to appear at Talladega, Alabama, where he took the Oath of Allegiance.

In the information about his family and livelihood which he was required to give, Mr. Brandon said that he and his wife, Judith, then aged about 63, had three sons and three daughters. He owned his home, and supported himself with small carpentry jobs. Mrs. Brandon owned five shares in the Bank of Henning. He added that his father had died at Yorktown (where there was fighting from April 5 to May 4 of 1862) and that two of his brothers had died in battle.

Mr. Brandon submitted names of soldiers who were with him in Company A and some who were with him at the end. The pension board contacted G. W. Carmichael of Brentwood who remembered him, and recommended that he be given a pension.

Bettie B. Davis

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cord keeping and the necessary segregation of livestock and meat in plants. Of course, that cost may be passed on to the consumer and spread out across meat products, but how is still yet to be determined.

Good advice like what your mama gave you is always important to remember and it looks like the American consumers are getting what they wanted from their policymakers. But, many mamas have also told their children there is no such thing as a free lunch. That is something to also remember, when you ask the U.S. government for something.

Winter's Beauty



WINTER WEATHER ALERT IN RIPLEY called for a mix of ice, snow and rain between Monday evening and Wednesday.

High Point Champion



BILL WILLIAMS, of Great Oaks Farm, Ripley, pictured riding Not Gold But Bold, won Mid South High Point Champion Amateur Rider Of The Year at the Mid South Horse Show Association last week. Not Gold But Bold won High Point Champion Performance For Horse Of The Year and Four Year Old Champion Amateur Stallion. Shea Woods Stables, in Hickory Valley, trains the stallion.

Hansford, Hank Thurmond, Jean Crawford, Crystal Buckner, Ava Grace Young, Alyssa Hayles, Samantha Fincher.

Feb. 7 - Kevin Mudd, Pam Fitzhugh, Kelly Kirby, Sandra Chisholm, Kelly Wade Maxwell, Cathy Toomes, Kathy Leadingham, Gary Drumwright, Linda Barham, Robin Greaves, Ronnie Roberts, Randy Hargett, Oneal Kiestler, Melanie Moore, Dawn Chalk, Blake McAdams, Pam Owen, Rachel Gibson, Bryson Ray.

Feb. 8 - Don Kirkpatrick, Connie White, Stephanie Morris, Jimmy Hartman, Melinda Gillion, Terrence Mitchell, Bro. Thomas Eugene Sanders, Tammy Winchester, Anna Lauren Mills.

Feb. 9 - Michael Anthony Myracle, Steve Carpenter, Andrea Castellaw, Terri Maples, Carol Pham, Kelvin Lyles, Bengie Boucher, Carol Wood-

ley, Wakeshia Lyles Mitchell, Sandy Haggard, Jerry Sue Crinfield, Elizabeth Tyler Niel, Ray Willis, Stacey Gaines, Emily Katherine Fisher, Andrea Joseph, April Dowell, Malissa Hughes, Kevin Connell.

Feb. 10 - Rachel Gibson,

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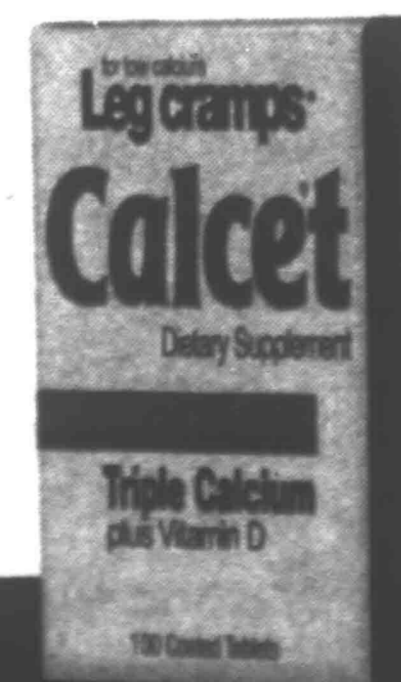
Lauderdale County students attending full-time at Union University with a 4.0 grade point average named to the president's list for the fall 2008 semester include Amy Ashburn Neal, of Halls; and with a 3.5 grade point average, named to the dean's list include, Roger Thomas Jetton, of Gates, Melanie Paige Ward, of Halls, and Mary Elizabeth Carnell, of Ripley.

Logan Rose, Paige Henderson, Noveline Hunter, Crystal James, Megan Buchignani, Sue Conti Holmes, Rob Reviere, James C. Newman, Kevin Drumwright, Jason White, Joni Cook, Lindsay Crain, Shirley Brown, Thomas Neil Martin, Jessica Byrd, Beverly Best Smith, James Newman, Chris Sanders, Stephanie McWhorter.

Feb. 11 - Bubba Klutts, Nickie Langley, John Forrest Douglas, Norene Douglas, Ernie Ellis, Marc Alley, Betty Bernard, Lyndsay Erin Dotson, Louise Land, Dan Coughlan, Olivia Woodall, Nickie Langley, Joe Griffin, Jackson Sum-

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Indictments xxx
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of burglary and facilitation of theft.

Laquinta Williams, aggravated assault (two counts).

Sonny Gene Williams, Jr., burglary; assault; and theft under \$500.

Frederick Maurice Wilson, Jr., felony failure to appear.

Gregory Woodard, aggravated assault.

UT Alumni To Honor Juniors

Members of the Lauderdale County University of Tennessee Alumni Chapter will honor the top ten juniors from Ripley and Halls High Schools Thursday, February 12th at Rolling Hills Country Club. The New Pace Singers will perform songs from their tour. Some of the members of the group are Lauderdale County natives. Randy Barnes, also a Lauderdale County native, will serve as guest speaker. Barnes played football at UT-Martin, coached football for 21 years and now is director of football operations at UT-M. For further information, call Danny Beard, 731-635-4769 or 731-635-2957.

DIAMOND PAGEANT

The 2nd annual King and Queen of Diamonds pageant will be held February 28th at Ripley High School in the Performing Arts Theater, hosted by Strike Zone Stixx 10 under baseball team.

For more information and cost, call Demetra Carmack at 731-612-2411 or email demetrac@bellsouth.net.

SWEETHEART BALL

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., presents the annual Sweethearts Ball from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 14th, at the Dyer County Fairground Family Living Center in Dyersburg.

For more information or cost, call Cynthia Lacy-James at 836-9506.

Deadline Nears For Candidates

Candidates for the Halls mayor and alderman elections have until noon February 19, 2009 to qualify and noon February 26th to withdraw in the May 7, 2009 election.

Eugene Pugh and Trent McManus have picked up petitions for Halls Mayor. McManus has returned his petition. Bobby (Roho) Jacobs, Jennifer Moore, Regina A. Nash, James L. Tyus, Owen D. Lilly, Wayne Belton, Matthew Henderson, David Jennings, Cynthia Lacy-Jane, Leslie M. Shands, and Stan Young have picked up petitions for alderman. Lilly and Belton have returned their petitions.

Candidates for the Henning and Gates mayor and alderman election have until noon March 19, 2009 to qualify and noon March 26th to withdraw in the June 4, 2009 election.

Baris C. Douglas, Thomas R. Harris, Charles V. Wilson, Michael Bursey and Marva D. Temple have picked up petitions for Henning Mayor. Douglas, Wilson and Bursey have returned their petitions. Deborah Bates Taylor, Vanora Allen, Ross N. Bates, Kathryn Farmer, and Ella Weber have picked up petitions for Henning alderman. Allen, Taylor, and Farmer have returned their petition.

Jeffrey Crowder, Sr., Cleve Pike, and Booker J. Nance, Sr. have picked up a petition seeking the position of Gates Mayor. Pike has returned his petition. Cindy Marvel, Wymond D. Walpole, and Terry Janda have picked up petitions for Gates alderman. Walpole has returned his petition.

Land Transfers

Jan. 25th - Jan. 31st

BankcorpSouth Bank to Martin Thomas, Dist. 12, 2 tracts.

Bank of Ripley to Michael L. Barham, Jr., and Crystal Barham, Dist. 2, lot.

Jerry Hutcherson to Larry R.

Cub Scouts Visit Veterans' Museum



MEMBERS of Cub Scout Pack 167 Den 2, from left, Grant Reem, Whit Hurt, Gideon McManus, Cameron Frazier, Lance Medford, and Jack Kent, visited the Veterans' Museum January 20th in fulfilling their "Go See It" project. Their theme was "Comparing Today's Society with the 1940s."

Jackson and Betty A. Jackson, 2, 0.113 acre. Dist. 6, lot.

Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to Kendall Newman, Dist. 6, lot.

Herman L. Reviere and Peggy S. Reviere to Arturo Cabrera, Dist.

Federal National Mortgage Assoc. to Ryan Whiteside, Dist. 2, lot.

Katherine R. Ballard and John Ballard to Danny Ungerecht, Sr., Danny Ungerecht, Jr., and Jason

Baynes, Dist. 11, 2 tracts. Deutsche Bank National Trust Company to Donald Graham, Dist. 2, tract. Bennie R. Barcroft to Charles Parker, Dist. 12, 0.851 acre.

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Grand Jury Releases Charged Police Chief Selected Additional True Bills

Additional True Bills released by the February term of the Lauderdale County Grand Jury include Roy Thomas Noojin, first degree murder; attempted first degree murder; and vandalism (\$1,000 to \$10,000). He was charged with the April 2008 shooting death of Michael Lynn Cox, 25, on Wade Hunter Road, in the Lightfoot community. Cox was found on the side of the road near Noojin's house with fatal, multiple gunshot wounds to his torso.

Other indictments included John Charles Bates II, promotion of methamphetamine manufacture, two counts.

Max Allen Bingham, reckless aggravated assault, three counts.

Jerry Phillip Haley, aggravated rape; aggravated burglary; and aggravated kidnapping.

Tanya Harris, vehicular assault, three counts; DUI; and reckless aggravated assault, three counts.

Shannon Jones, delivery of schedule II (cocaine) less than 0.5 grams and deliver of counterfeit controlled substance.

Rodney McAlister, vandalism, \$10,000 to \$60,000.

Vernita Morrow, delivery of schedule III (dihydrocodeinone).

Gary Ogden, promotion of methamphetamine manufacture, two counts.

Mary Elaine Rea, promotion of methamphetamine manufacture, two counts.

Duane Toliver, delivery of schedule VI (marijuana) 1/2 ounce or more.

Hunter's Safety Course Offered

A hunter's education safety class will be offered from 6 to 9 p.m. February 23rd through 27th at Mary's Chapel Baptist Church, 279 Mary's Chapel Rd., near Ripley.

County To Receive New Fire Truck

Lauderdale County will receive a new pumper fire truck announced during the regular board meeting Monday evening. In March 2008, a grant was written and honored by the Federal Firefighters Assistance Group approving a project totalling \$187,665 with the county paying 5 percent or \$9,383 for the new pumper. One condition in receiving grant funds is the county must have 5-6 inch waterlines which are now being laid.

The board approved a resolution to apply for the 2009 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to purchase fire equipment and to hire Community Development Partners, LLC, to assist in the grant.

The county's fire rating is a nine, which means we are one step up from a county that has no volunteer fire departments. This grade is instrumental in fire insurance cost for the citizens and may affect bank loans. The goal of the fire committee is to improve the rating to a seven.

Lauderdale County Sheriff Steve Sanders applied for three grants receiving only one in the amount of \$42,414.30 for equipment and overtime under the alcohol and sobriety check

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Melody D. Caldwell, 36, of 144 Willow Creek Drive, Ripley, is charged with vehicular homicide Oct. 4th while she was driving while intoxicated. Other charges include vehicular homicide reckless conduct, driving under the influence and driving under the influence per se.

The Highway Patrol says she was driving a 2005 Lexus convertible, owned by Michael Dunavant, of 114 Willow Creek Drive, 25th District attorney general, west-bound on Hwy. 19, just before 11 p.m., it left the road and crashed, fatally injuring Dunavant's wife, Jacqueline, 43.

Trial is set June 4th.

Retired attorney general Robert "Gus" Radford will prosecute the case. Mrs. Caldwell is represented by T. D. Forrester, of Covington.



RICKY DeSPAIN, left, was selected by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen as the new Halls Chief of Police Monday night to replace Rod Ward. He is pictured with Halls Mayor Trent McManus. The decision was unanimous.

Vandals Attack Halls



BUSINESSES in the Halls area were attacked by vandals sometime between 5 and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 4th. According to Investigator Richard Mauppins and Patrolman Kenny Luckett, of the Halls Police Department, Key Corner, Forked Deer Library's vehicle, Arnold's Drugstore vehicle, Gossips Salon and Spa, Bank of Halls, Pig-N-Out, and Dr. Sriv's Rural Health Clinic were spray painted and damaged. Anyone with information is asked to call the Halls Police Department, 836-1016.

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The Town of Halls will hold its planning commission meeting at 5 p.m. Monday, February 16, 2009, at City Hall Board Room. Regular meeting.

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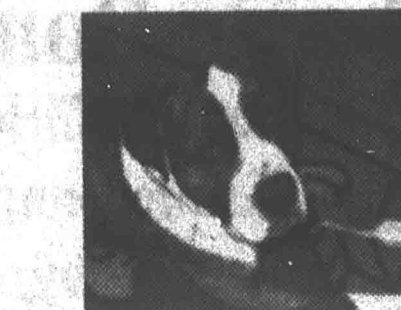
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Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here! After the snow that we had, Miss Pam decided that we needed to learn a new game. It was really warm outside and she told me and Rusty that we were going outside for exercise. Now, we usually go outside and she will throw a stick and I will go get it and bring it back to her but this time we played a new game. There were a lot of sticks in our yard. Miss Pam told us to pick up sticks and to carry them to one place. Rusty and I did not know what to do so she picked up sticks and carried them to one pile. That is what Miss Pam called it. We ran around the yard putting sticks in our mouths and playing around. She told us to get busy working. Now, I think that I have heard of work before at the Club. It seems like last week Scooter and Mr. Buddy had water dripping off of them due to that word -work. We worked hard and helped her put all of the sticks in one pile. Some of the sticks were so big that I could not pick them up so I looked sad at Miss Pam and she would come and help me. I think that I figured out this game. Look sad at Miss Pam and she would do the work for me. I took Rusty to the other side of our yard and told him to look sad at Miss Pam and she would do the work for him. So he looked sad and she helped him. Before too long, Miss Pam was doing all of the work. Yeah,, I like this new exercise game.

After all of our yard work, we went to the Club. Scooter and Mr. Buddy were outside picking up big sticks. I guess two-leggers like this exercise called work. Scooter told me to come help but I was too tired so I went straight for the office and my favorite chair since he was out working. Inside the office, Smokey, the cat that Mr. Buddy lets stay in the office, was in my chair. Now I really don't understand why Mr. Buddy likes all of these cats. I walked over and decided that this big boy cat would really scratch my nose so I growled and then ran out the door. I met a big four-legger. Her name is Snowflake. She told me that she is a white lab that once belonged to a two-legger. She showed me all of her tricks. She set down, shook hands and looked sad faced. Some two-legger must have really spent a lot of time with her. Daisy, the tri-colored momma that had all of those cute puppy four-leggers was really looking happy because her puppies have all gone home with two-leggers. Now if she can only find a good two-legger to come and take her home. Dixie, the hairy basset mix, was out walking around with Mr. Greg. Mr. Greg comes out to the Club and spends time with the four-leggers. We all really like Mr. Greg. Hershey, the big chocolate lab, was waiting his turn with Mr. Greg.

Teddy Burns came out to the Club to reclaim his big white fluffy dog. Mr. Crowder was out at the Club and found his missing four-legger. Jonathan Morris was out at the Club and reclaimed his four-legger. Francis Holcomb came out to the Club and fell in love with one of the black and white bassets. She just could not go home without her. Cute four-legger puppies went home with Jessica Rose, Morgan Shands, Joyce Grimes and William Inman. But the cutest two-legger, Hannah Scarce, took home a cute four-legger puppy named Daisy. I don't know which one was the happiest.

Rob and Leslie Schwab brought my Buds some puppy food. The Big Lick goes out to Toby and Dominique. These four-leggers sent my Buds some money in honor of their two- leggers,

Dan and Mary Coughlan. They told me that their two-leggers have been married for 49 years. They also told me that Mr. Dan would be having a birthday soon. I don't really know what married is but it sounds like a long time and I love birthday cake. So all of you two-leggers and four-leggers at the Coughlan house have a good time.

Don't forget to send your two-leggers out to the Club with some food for my Buds. We always need food. Come see us at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, send us something at P. O. Box 172, Ripley, TN 38063 or call Mr. Buddy at 836-PETS (836-7387).

If you do not want to come to the Club, you can drop off your food at Beasley's Treasures (formerly the Antique Mall) on Hwy. 51 and I will send Scooter out to pick it up. That will help me to boss Scooter around. Just don't tell him that I want to boss him around because he will never get out of my chair. Don't forget to spay and neuter your four-legger so we won't have so many puppies. We have had a lot of two-leggers out here working hard making new places for my Buds. Miss Pam says that all of this is because of generous donations by two-leggers. So come out and see what your donations have done for my Buds. Don't forget to be as good as your four-legger thinks you are. Better go for now - I hear Scooter coming and I am in the chair.

Zeek out!!!!

Marriages

January 30th - Paul Douglas Halbrook, 49, to Theresa Ann Barna Crutchfield, 39, by Rod Schuh.

February 4th - Alan Clay Pittman, Jr., 31, to Heather Christian White, 28, by Jon Pavletic.

John Charles Bates II, 34, to Mary Elaine Carmack Rea, 43, by Rod Schuh.

February 5th - Shawn Marlow Buckner, 32, to Heather Marie Buckner, 21, by Rod Schuh.

Land Transfers

February 1st-February 7th

Charles Bates and Annette Bates to Steven Wayne Fike, Dist. 2, 3.231 acres.

Phillip Rice and William Rice to Johnny Uselton, Becky Uselton and Jonathan L. Uselton, Dist. 2, lot.

Kenny Emerson to Randy Glenn and Melissa Glenn, Dist. 2, lot.

Gerald R. Smith, Marian K. Smith and Leonard I. Wakefield to Charles V. Wilson and Bobbie J. Wilson, Dist. 3, tract.

Jerry Buckner to Marilyn K. Johnson, Dist. 17, tract.

Montell Vandergriff and Jean Vandergriff to David Rose and Delane Rose, Dist. 2, lot.

Carolyn E. Mitchell to Vivian Smashum, Dist. 2, 0.53 acre.

Roy R. Holmes to Josh K. Goode and Allison Jernigan, 152.0 acres.

Wells Fargo Bank NA to Norene Douglas, 0.236 acres.

Karen A. Voss to Oliver Ray Voss and Mary Ann Voss, Dist. 6, lot.

Shonda Plummer to Courtney Plummer, Dist. 10, lot.

Anniversaries

Feb. 12 - Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman "Sonny" Thurmond, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Hank Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Jordan.

Feb. 13 - Mr. and Mrs. James Vaden, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Coughlan, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jason Hayles, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Smothers.

Feb. 14 - Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hendren, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rhyne,

Baptist Hospital Accreditation

Baptist Hospital Lauderdale has been awarded a three-year term of accreditation in Mam-mographic Imaging as the result of a recent survey by the American College of Radiology (ACR).

The ACR, headquartered in Reston, Va., awards accreditation to facilities for the achievement of high practice standards after a peer-review evaluation of the practice. Evaluations are conducted by board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field. They assess the qualifications of the personnel and the adequacy of facility equipment. The surveyors report their findings to the ACR's Committee on Accreditation, which subsequently provides the practice with a comprehensive report.

The ACR is a national organization serving more than 32,000 diagnostic and interventional radiologists, radiation oncologists, and nuclear medicine and medical physicists with programs focusing on the practice of medical imaging and radiation oncology and the delivery of comprehensive health care services.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Halpin, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Rose, Mr. and Mrs. David Booker, Mr. and Mrs. John Cleek.

Feb. 15 - Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hodge, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Horvath.

Feb. 17 - Mr. and Mrs. Dolan Craig, Mr. and Mrs. David Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Davis.

Feb. 18 - Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Huffman.

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Obituaries

Mary Daniels

Mary Beatrice Daniels, 91, died Friday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were Monday in Brownsville Funeral Home, with burial in Trinity Cemetery at Nut Bush.

She was the daughter of the late James Madison Crossen and the late Allie Jane Witt Crossen, and the widow of Robert Louis Earnest and James Wesley Daniels.

Survivors include a son, James E. Earnest, of Brownsville; sisters, Bobbie Escue, of Ripley, and Dorothy Hardy, of Halls; brothers, Walter F. Crossen, of Brownsville, Guy B. Crossen, of Orlando, Fla., and Willard D. Crossen, of the state of Washington; four grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Memorial gifts to the Trinity Cemetery Association, c/o Dell Hopkins, 51 Tibbs-Forked Deer Rd., Brownsville, TN 38012, would be appropriate.

James Ross

James Chester Ross, 82, of Ripley, former carpenter and farmer, died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

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

He was the widower of Hattie Mae Ross.

Survivors include sons, John Wayne Ross, of Ripley, Larry Ross, of Henning, and Billy Ross, of Springdale, Ark.; daughters, Lona Ross-Turner and Pat Waldrop, of Ripley, Virginia Drumwright, of Brighton, and Cathy Waldrop, of Nazareth, Tex.; brothers, Robert Ross, of Garvin, Okla., and Pete Groves, of Osceola, Ark.; a sister, Dorothy Austin, of Blytheville, Ark.; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

'Bubba' Wright

Willie Loke "Bubba" Wright, 77, of Kansas City, Mo., brother of Denzel Wright and Brenda Paige, of Ripley, and James Wright, of Henning, died Jan. 31st in St. Joseph Hospital in Kansas City.

Rites were Friday in Plea-sant Green Baptist Church in Kansas City, with his brother-in-law, The Rev. Dr. Willie L. Reid, pastor of Holly Grove Baptist Church in Ripley, officiating.

Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, had charge of arrangements.

Survivors include his wife, Gertrude; a son, Willie, and a daughter, Patricia Wright, of Kansas City; other sisters, Bonnie Jones, of Chicago, Ill., Mary Butler, of Pontiac, Mich., and Dorothy Wooten, of Reno, Nev.; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Leon Bumpas

Leon Bumpas, 76, of Byhalia, Miss., father of Judy Heflin, of Ripley, died Sunday, at home.

Rites were Wednesday in Greenleaf Cemetery.

He was a retired plumber.

Survivors include his wife, Janie; a son, Ronnie, of Saulsbury; a brother, Sterlin, of Victoria, Miss.; sisters, Audrey Nichols, of Memphis, Sadie Hanna, of Hernando, Miss., Ruth Perkins, of Nesbit, Miss., and Norma Roberts, Leola Brandon, and Vivian Pierce, of Independence, Mo.; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Vera Cameron

Vera Lee Nixon Came-ron, 67, of Halls, widow of Melvin Cameron, died Friday in Halls.

Rites are set at 2 p.m. Saturday in Fountain of Life Church of God in Christ in Halls, with burial in Henning Grove Cemetery at Halls, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include daughters, Linda Carol Toliver, of Halls, and Karen Brown, of Gates; a brother, Jordan McNary, Jr., of Chicago, Ill.; and sisters, Hattie Mae Tate, of Gates, Betty J. Wilson, of Chicago, Evelyn Brooks, of Elyria, Ohio, and Ollie V. Horton, of Lansing, Mich.

Charles Burks

Charles Alan Burks, 77, of 8001 Hwy. 51 north of Halls, retired mill-wright, died Wednesday of last week in St. Francis Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Sunday in West-side Baptist Church in Halls, where he was a member, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

He was a 32nd degree Mason in the Houck Lodge in White Station, Okla.

Survivors include his wife, Dolie Martin Burks; sons, Charles, Jr., of Atoka, and William Brett Overstreet, of East Greenwich, R.I.; daughters, Carol (Mrs. Haelmut) Werner, of Middleton, Cynthia (Mrs. Thomas) Edmonson, of Memphis, and Janice (Mrs. Dallas) Cook, of New Johnsonville; a sister, Violet Turner, of Ripley 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

David Maness

David Paul Maness, 38, of Ripley, retired correctional officer, died Monday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

The family will hold a memorial service at 6 p.m. Thursday in Grace Baptist Church, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include his mother, Paulette Maness, and a brother, Frankie, of Ripley; a son, Jonathan, of New Jersey; and a stepson, Michael Am-mons, of New Jersey.

Rose Mary Potter

Rose Mary Potter, 82, formerly of 229 Tice, Halls, died Friday in Dyersburg Manor Nursing Home.

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

She was born at Halls, Jan. 5, 1927.

Survivors include daughters, Linda Carlew, of Halls, and Patricia Galloway, of Ripley; sons, Jimmy, of Loudon, and Dale Thomas Potter, of Michigan; a sister, Shirley Walker, of Memphis; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

Jessie Bonds

Jessie "Squeaky" Bonds, 82, of Ripley, former employee of Magnetek in Rip-ley, died Friday in St Francis Hospital in Memphis.

Rites are set at 1 p.m. Saturday in Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church near Henning, with burial in Bluff Cemetery near Ripley, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Her survivors include sons, Frankie, J. C., Kenneth, Roy, Steve, and Willie, a daughter, Carolyn Bonds, a brother, Melvin Parker, and sisters, Betty Gooch, Earlene Collier, and Eartha King, all of Ripley; another son, Emmitt, Jr., and another sister, Mildred Jones, both of Grand Rapids, Mich., and other sons, William, of Peoria, Ill., and Bobby, of Milwaukee, Wisc.

Patricia Collins

Patricia Ann Collins, 59, of Memphis, sister of Paul Benjamin Webb, of Halls, died Wednesday of last week in Methodist Hospital North in Memphis.

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

A retired cosmetology instructor, she enjoyed cooking and gardening.

Survivors include her husband for 40 years, Walter L. Col-

Willie Barham

Willie Maurice Barham, Jr., 78, father of Nancy Louise (Mrs. Russell) Dodson, of 300 Deer Run Cove, Ripley, died Monday of last week in Union City Manor.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Second Baptist Church in Union City, in which he had been a deacon, with burial in Union City Memorial Gardens.

He was born in Fulton County, Ky., Feb. 8, 1930, to the late W. M. and Allie Taylor Barham.

A Marine Corps veteran of the Korean War, he worked for Kroger for 11 years before retiring from the Post Office in Union City.

He had been active in Union City's Civitan Club, twice named "Mr. Civitan."

Survivors include his wife, Rebecca Alexander Barham, whom he married April 14, 1951; a son, David Wayne Barham, of Cordova; another daughter, Joyce Leigh (Mrs. Bob) Nipp, of Bartlett; a brother, Tommy, of Jasper, Ala.; sisters, Carolyn Faulkner, of South Fulton, Mary Bondurant, of Fulton, Ky., and Monette (Mrs. Joe) Blackford, of Murray, Ky.; and six grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband for 40 years, Walter L. Collins; a daughter, Rachelle Cole, of Memphis; and other brothers, David Wilson Webb, Jr., of Memphis, and John Reed Webb, of Dallas, Tex.

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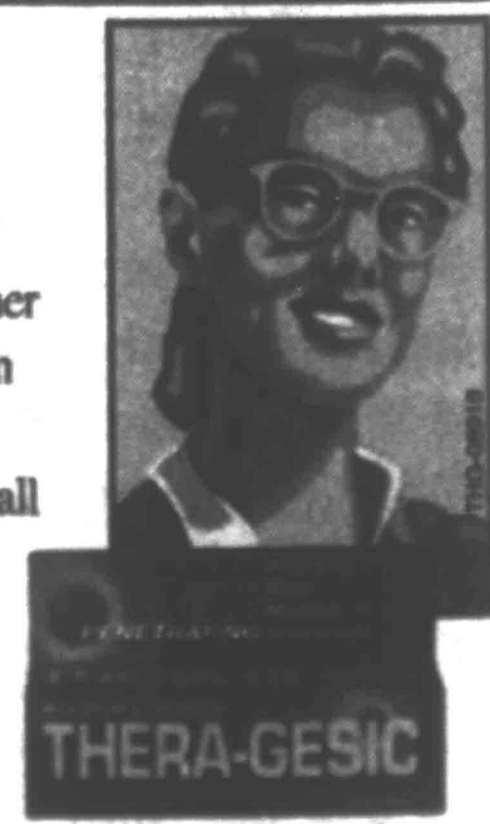


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Relay For Life Kick-Off Planned

Lauderdale County is doing its part in joining the fight against cancer. Relay For Life of Lauderdale County is planned for May 8th at the Ripley City Park. A kick-off, planned for 7 a.m., Thursday, February 26th at the Bank of Ripley will officially get the event underway.

Approximately 3.5 million people world-wide are joining the fight against cancer by participating in Relay for Life,

the American Cancer Society's signature event to fight cancer.

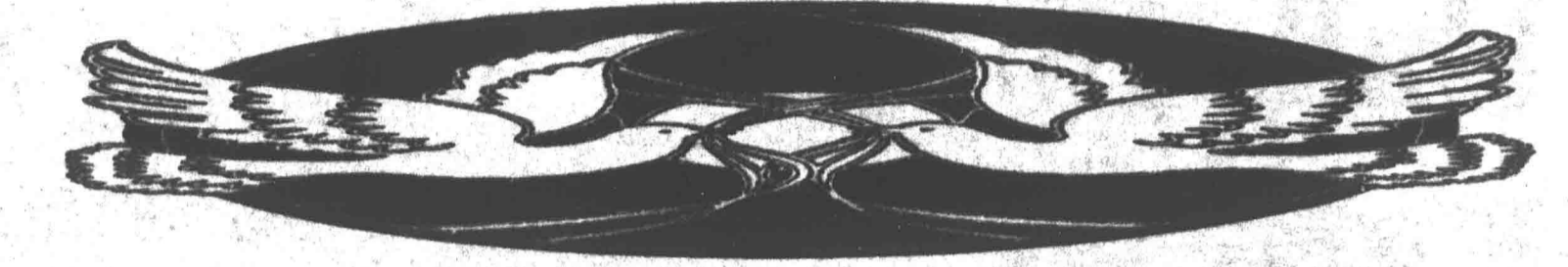
Held in more than 5,000 communities nationwide last year, Relay For Life brings participants together to raise money for American Cancer Society cancer research, education, advocacy and patient support programs.

"We're excited about our plans for 2009 and look forward to having new teams and participants join us," said Ben Littlepage, staff partner. "This kick-off is just the beginning of great things to come."

Families, businesses, survivors, or those individuals simply interested in volunteering are invited to attend the kick-off at Bank of Ripley, 134 N. Jefferson St.

If anyone plans to attend or have questions about this exciting community event, call Lauderdale County's Event Co-chair Gail Henderson, 731-221-2401

For more information about Relay For Life, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit www.cancer.org.



Church Happenings

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

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, in the Frog Jump Community, will host the Dove Brothers in concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 26th. No admission, but a love offering will be accepted. Call 731-414-8277 for more information. The public is invited.

Grace Bible Baptist Church, located three miles south of Halls on Highway 51 by-pass, will hold revival services beginning at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, February 15th and continuing at 7 p.m. nightly Monday through Friday with Bro. Earl Ankrom, of Dover, Ohio, as guest evangelist. A special youth service will be held Friday with pizza and Pepsi served after services. If anyone needs a ride, call 836-5501 or 413-9012. Jerry Hickson, pastor, invites the public.

New Hope United Methodist Church, at Central, will hold a spaghetti supper and singing beginning at 4:30 p.m., Saturday, February 21st. The Reed Family will perform at 6:30 p.m. For cost or more information, call Nancy Peek, 635-3494. 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.

Birthdays

Feb. 12 - Bud Young, Paul Spoon, Mark Bryant, Shannon Williams, Mary Ellen Jones, Bill Prescott, Larry Shelby, Marley Elizabeth Trosper, Mickey Arwood Hamlin.

Feb. 13 - Jill Hawks Sullivan, Amy Edmondson, Janie Burris, Brenda Olds, Bunnie Fullen, Mike Currie, Brenda Marshburn, Judson Vaden, Tammy Horner, Franklin Garner, Andrea Baynes, Rivers Nelson, Janice Grigsby, Anna Moffatt, Larry Cain, Eli Larson, Darrell Smothers, Venus Crowder, Clara Garstang.

Feb. 14 - Carolyn Bridges, Kamlin Williams, Ericka Allyson Williams, Betty Fowler, Michael Shane Olds, Kristen Crihfield, Monty McWilliams, Todd Burks, Jennifer Baker, Melissa Olds, Stacey Drumwright, Judy Swope, Lela Cleek.

Feb. 15 - Justin Ford, Myrna Ambrose, Adam Akin, Janet Steelman, Jonathan Hill, Richard Gibbons, Wayne Douglas, Marrison Simmons, Jimmy H. Jones, Ana Maria Summar, Lynda Butler, Frances Mueller, Robert Maxwell, Clay King, Beverly Sellers, Valeri Scott, Janet Grantland.

Feb. 16 - Carlos McLemore, Gail Shelton, Virginia Sapp, Michelle Williams, Lisa Marie Spray, Harold Perry, Jodie Ward, Jeremy Emerson, Brett Ammons, Pam Carmack, Blake Allford, Zanni Gooch, Tracy Willis, Rita Murley McClellan, Kendarius Stowe, Seth Douglas, Lisa Trobough.

Feb. 17 - Dr. Wayne Dudney, Diane Kiestler, Wade Mathis, Keith Smith, Larry Wright, Linda Thurmond, Ricky Crihfield, Kay Hansford, Allison Renee Hurt, Angie Layne Briggs, Linda Jetton, Patricia Turner, Hailey Holcomb, Lindsey Moffatt, Brad Cain.

Feb. 18 - Pam Rhodes, Marilyn Garrett, T. J. Green, Barry Wakefield, Shawn Rivera, Jr., Austin Crutchfield, Elaine Barcroft, Judy Crook, Rose Heath, Tyler Wiggins, Sandra Jackson, Phillip Michael Cook, Teresa Tyler, Wayne Mitchell, Angela LeMar, Chase Holcomb, Dylan Roberts, Hayden Scoggins, Cindy Echols, Harrison Belton.

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Halls Boys Lose By 1

Halls High School's Tigers lost Friday at Gleason, 67-66, pushing Gleason's record to 3-15 (3-9 in District 14-A),

The Gleason loss followed one to top-ranked Humboldt, 85-42.

Halls girls lost to Gleason, 55-16, and to Humboldt, 59-20.

History Discussed At Halls Museum

The History Roundtable discussion group met Thursday, February 5th, at the Veterans' Museum in Halls. Wallace Milam, former history and government teacher at Dyersburg High School, led the discussion that dealt with Germany at the end of WWI and the beginning of WWII. Others sharing their insights to history were Lisa Godwin, Sonny and Pat Higdon, Bob Little, and Dale McCaslin. The series continues at 3 p.m., Thursday, February 12th with the discussion to begin with Germany during WWII as well as WWII in the Pacific theatre. Anyone, regardless of age, is invited to attend.

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, February 16th
President's Day
No School

Tuesday, February 17th
Pizza
Hamburger w/Trimming
French Fries
Applesauce
Banana
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, February 18th
Spaghetti
Green Beans
Pineapple Tidbits
Grapes
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Visiting Museum



MEMBERS of the Salt and Pepper Club from Dyersburg's First United Methodist Church in Dyersburg visited the Veterans' Museum Friday, February 6th. After sharing experiences in the West Tennessee Healthcare conference room, singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee" and pledging the American Flag, the members moved through the Museum exhibits and continued to share their stories. Barbara Stephens, director of the program, schedules day and overnight trips for the group.

Thursday, February 19th

Chicken Nuggets
Whipped Potatoes
Green Peas
Peaches
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Friday, February 20th

Deli Wrap
Vegetable Soup
Vegetable Cup w/Dip
Orange Sections
Pear Halves
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

School Lunches

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

Monday, February 16th
President's Day
No School

Tuesday, February 17th
Pizza
French Fries
Banana
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, February 18th

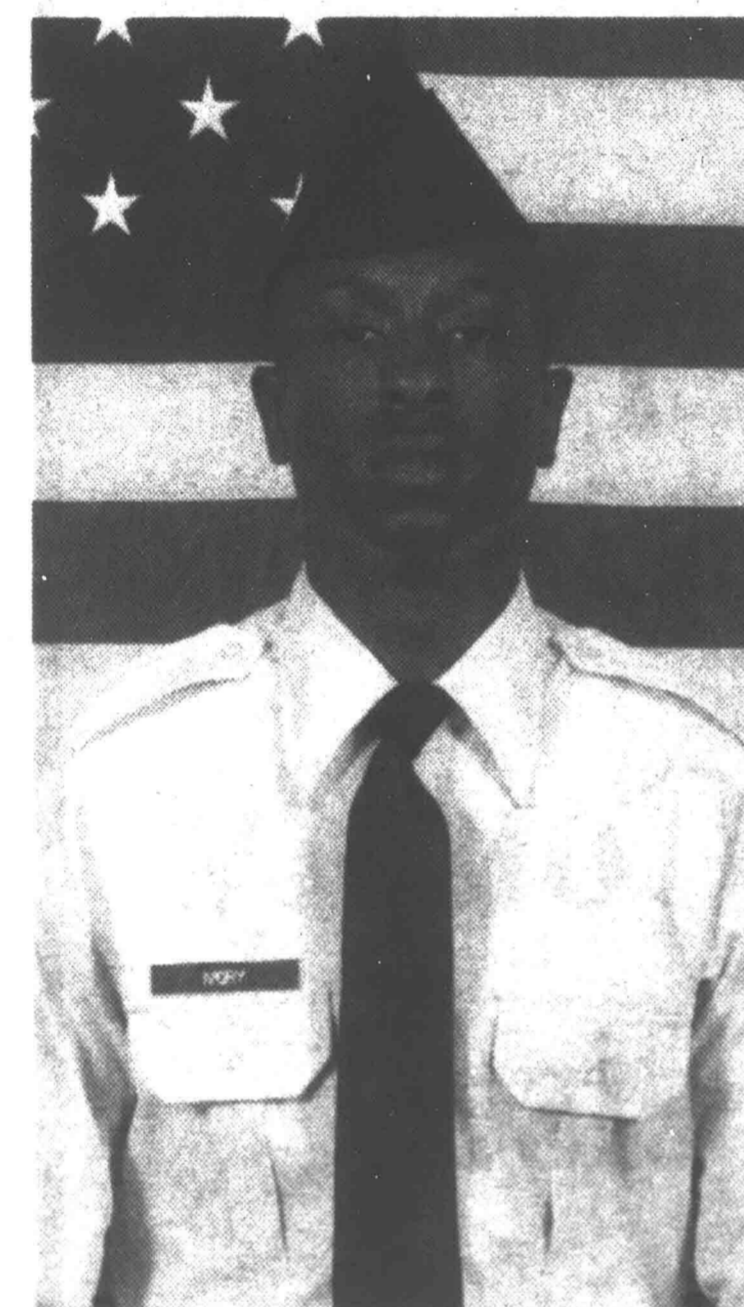
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Grapes
Roll
Choice Of Milk

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Whipped Potatoes
Peaches
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Choice Of Milk

Friday, February 20th
Deli Wrap

Graduate



DARIUS S. IVORY, Air Force Airman, son of Beverly Ivory, of Halls, graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Tex. During the six weeks of training, he studied the Air Force mission, organization, core values, and military customs and courtesies, performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations. Ivory is a 2008 graduate of Halls High School.

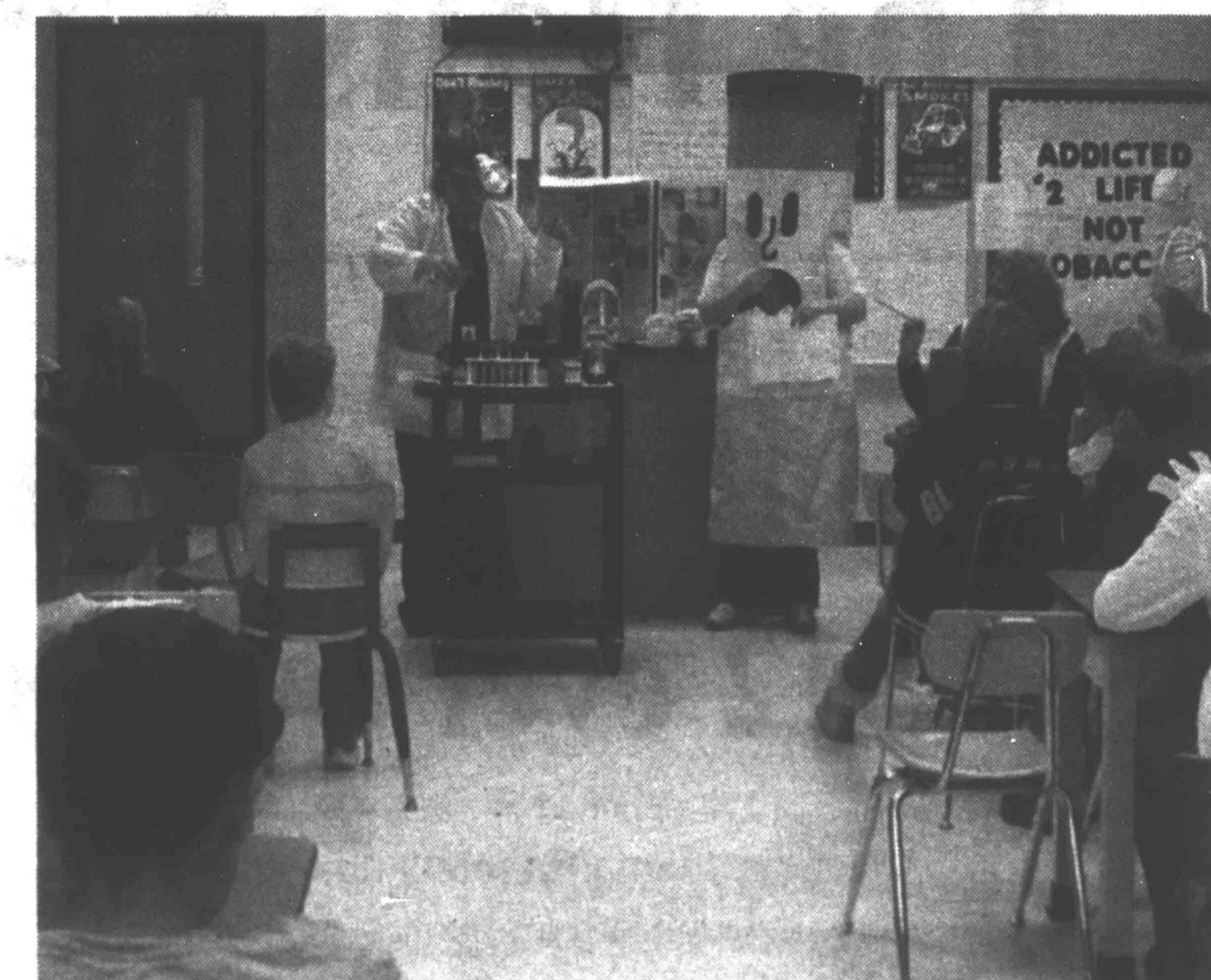
Vegetable Soup
Orange Sections
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Solar System Project



STUDENTS in the sixth grade classroom of Mrs. Kim Webb at Halls Elementary School studied the solar system. As part of their unit, some of them submitted projects for extra credit, including, in front, from left, Julie Hill and Kelsey Lents, and in rear, Chad Lewis, Grayson Morris, Jordan Thompson, and Jacob Walters, plus, not pictured, Averyon Gillette.

Be Smart, Don't Start



STUDENTS in the fourth, fifth, and sixth grade classrooms at Halls Elementary School were presented tobacco-prevention program, entitled "Be Smart, Don't Start." They witnessed a "mad scientist" mixing ingredients to make a cigarette, and there was also a walking, talking cigarette. Presenters were Katie Wyatt, Rachel Erwin, and Rachel Parker, UT Extension office, Kathy Robinson, Lauderdale County Health Department, and Fran Harper, Professional Counseling Services. Coordinated School Health and school counselors provided assistance and materials.

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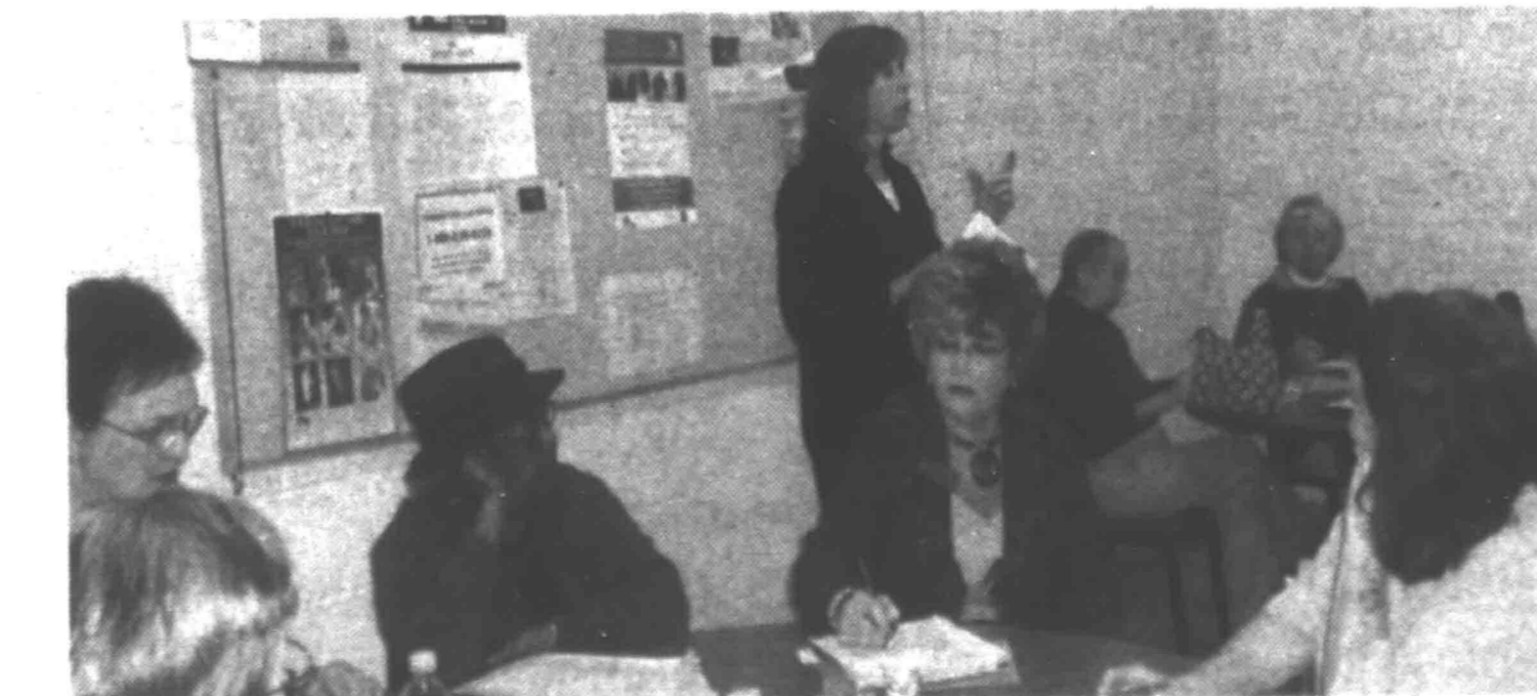
Dining with Diabetes



RACHEL ERWIN, left, UT Extension Agent, Rachel Parker, right, TSU Extension Agent, Christie Jones, center, Lebonheur Community Outreach, and special assistant, Caleigh Erwin, second from left, provided information and free pre-health screening to participants at Lauderdale County Commission on Aging January 30th during the session of Dining with Diabetes. Samples of nutritious dishes were prepared and shared with those in attendance.



AMANDA HARRIS, left, pharmacist from Arnold's Drug Co., and Kathy Robinson, right, Lauderdale County Public Health Educator, discussed health issues with participants at the Dining with Diabetes session at Lauderdale County Commission on Aging in Halls. Amanda spoke on the different types of diabetic medications, the side effects and drug interactions. She presented those in attendance with a folder that contained diabetic information and a goodie bag that also included a free blood glucose meter, compliments of Arnold's Drug Company. Kathy demonstrated chair exercises promoting the importance of physical activity as a means to preventing diabetic complications and even preventing some types of diabetes.



GAIL MARTIN, Baptist Memorial Hospital Dietician, shared ideas on new cooking techniques, serving size and more information on healthy diet and meal preparation during the Dining with Diabetes session at Lauderdale County Commission on Aging in Halls. Recipes and other handouts were available to all.

Student of the Month



CHARLIE HAMMOND, second from right, son of Tom and Missy Hammond, second and third from left, was recognized as the Lauderdale County Exchange Club Student of the Month at the February 5th meeting. A senior at Halls High School, he is the Future Farmers of America regional president and the student council vice-president. He is also a member of DECA, FFA parliamentary procedure team, and the livestock judging team. He plans to attend Mississippi State or the University of Tennessee at Martin upon graduation. He is pictured with Kenny Stowe, left, club president, and Exchange Angie Phillips, right.

Deadline Nears For Candidates

Candidates for the Halls mayor and alderman elections have until noon February 19, 2009 to qualify and noon February 26th to withdraw in the May 7, 2009 election.

Eugene Pugh and Trent McManus have returned petitions for Halls Mayor. Bobby (Roho) Jacobs, Jennifer Moore, Regina A. Nash, James L. Tyus, Owen D. Lilly, Wayne Belton, Matthew Henderson, David Jennings, Cynthia Lacy-Jane, Leslie M. Shands, Stan Young, and Tommy Hansbrough have picked up petitions for alderman. Lilly, Belton, Jennings, and Lacy-Jane have returned their petitions.

Candidates for the Henning and Gates mayor and alderman election have until noon March 19, 2009 to qualify and noon March 26th to withdraw in the June 4, 2009 election.

Baris C. Douglas, Thomas R. Harris, Charles V. Wilson, Michael Bursey and Marva D. Temple have picked up pe-

Glaucoma Screenings



DR. DAVID ORWIG, center, optometrist and Megan Gay, left, Clinical Technician, at the Eye Care Group of Ripley conducted free glaucoma screenings January 26th for participants at Lauderdale County Commission on Aging in Halls. These screenings provide useful knowledge to maintain good eye health by early detection. Gertrude Jones, seated, is pictured taking advantage of the screening and information provided.

Jeffrey Crowder, Sr., Cleve Douglas, Wilson, Bursey, and Pike, and Booker J. Nance, Sr. Temple have returned their petitions. Deborah Bates Taylor, Vanora Allen, Ross N. Bates, Kathryn Farmer, Ella Weber, Jerry Holland, and Charles Culbreath have picked up petitions for Henning alderman. Allen, Taylor, and Farmer have returned their petition. Jeffrey Crowder, Sr., Cleve Douglas, Wilson, Bursey, and Pike, and Booker J. Nance, Sr. Temple have returned their petitions. Deborah Bates Taylor, Vanora Allen, Ross N. Bates, Kathryn Farmer, Ella Weber, Jerry Holland, and Charles Culbreath have picked up petitions for Henning alderman. Allen, Taylor, and Farmer have returned their petition.

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point grant.

The capital outlay project is related to the \$1,000,000 Tennessee Municipal Bond held in a bank in New York and the county only pays interest as the debt is incurred. The county requested \$435,000 for its portion of the DEVCO Courthouse Building and Grounds Improvements and the TDOT matching grant portion addressing new sidewalks and grounds enhancements.

The Lauderdale County commissioners voted unanimously to sell bonds to guarantee the county's half of the Ripley Revitalization loan. The mayor stated that selling bonds will make the interest rate a fixed 3.5 percent, otherwise it will be a variable rate such as a balloon note.

It was unanimously approved to hire Larry Russell, a consultant, to complete a study in every department throughout the county to organize job descriptions and salary plans of each employee for the budget committee. The study will take approximately two months with the cost of \$16,800.

DSCC To Offer Spring Classes

Dyersburg State Community College Continuing Education program will offer classes for adults and children this spring. These opportunities range from learning new skills and languages to a spring break program for kindergarten through fifth graders. Registration for classes in Cake Decorating for beginners and advanced students, Conversational Spanish, and Ballroom Dancing Classes

Activity Center Meeting Planned

A meeting of the Northside Advisory board will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, February 15th at Halls City Hall for those interested in the new activity center, scheduled to be built in Kevan Ward Park. For more information, call Town of Halls Mayor Trent McManus, 836-9653.

I and II is now open.

Spring Into Action, Spring Break 2009 will entertain children in kindergarten through the fifth grade for the week of March 23rd through 27th. Children will be fed lunch and snacks, play sports, and take trips to the park. Children can be dropped off between 7:30 to 8:15 a.m. and picked up between 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. All registration must be complete by March 13th. Space is limited.

Learn to decorate and design beautiful cakes for all occasions in the Cake Decorating I class. Classes, taught by Specialty Cakes owner, Sharon Enochs, will take place every Tuesday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. beginning February 17th and continuing through March 10th.

Already versed in basic cake decorating skills? Take the Advanced Cake Decorating class to improve skills and creativity in decorating. Classes will be held every Tuesday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. beginning April 7th and continuing through April 28th. Additional supplies may be required.

Conversational Spanish classes taught by Martha Schott will be held in Dyersburg and

LCSCD To Hold Group Meeting

The Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District will hold a meeting of the Local Work Group at 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, February 25th at the USDA Service Center in Ripley. Participants will consider input received from the Stakeholder Input Meeting to prioritize local resource concerns.

The Local Work Group is convened by the Conservation District and led by the local USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service District Conservationist. The local work groups address county-based funding for fiscal year 2009 Environmental Quality Incentives Programs. The LWG will make recommendations on resource concerns to be addressed, eligible practices, cost share rates, and ranking for county-based funding.

For more information, call Richard Cooke, USDA Service Center, 635-7686, ext. 101.

Covington locations. The cost includes an instructional book. The class will cover common questions, simple sentences, greetings, customs, the Spanish alphabet, numbers, and more. Dyersburg classes will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. beginning Monday, March 16th and will run through May 18th. Covington classes will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. every Thursday beginning March 19th through May 21st.

Interested in learning the dances featured on Dancing with the Stars? Enroll in a five-week beginning Ballroom Dancing Class and learn the waltz, swing, foxtrot, rumba, and cha-cha from instructors Fran and Richard Robinson. Classes will be held every Tuesday beginning March 17th and will conclude April 14th from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Couples who have already taken Ballroom Dancing I are invited to a five-week advanced Ballroom course where they can learn new dances like the tango and salsa, while improv-

Guest Speaker



STAN ANDERSON, center, manager of Tipton Area Co-Op, was the guest speaker for the February 9th meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club. He was the guest of Rotarian John Compere, left. Rotarians were brought up to date on current activities at the Co-Op. James E. Smith, right, club president, is pictured with them. The club will not meet next Monday due to the President's Day holiday.

Recycle It's Not Garbage



RECYCLING CONTAINERS are back at their locations, UTM Ripley campus, Gates, and Halls. Nick Wright, owner, said, "The cooperation of the public is critical to the success of recycling in Lauderdale County. Throwing improper items into the containers will result in failure. Also, food containers must be washed due to bacterial contamination which is unacceptable and causes these items to not be recyclable. We strictly need the cooperation of everyone. We want to see this succeed in our county." Below are guidelines to follow.

PAPER - Recycle your newspaper and everything that is delivered with it, including inserts, coupons, etc.

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RECYCLING DON'TS - Absolutely no household trash. No plastic bags, styrofoam, glass, ceramics,

and soft soled shoes.

Classes will be held every Tuesday evening from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. beginning March 17th and ending April 14th. Couples are asked to wear comfortable clothing

Contact Teresa Evans, Continuing Education office, at DSCC, 731/286-3267, for more information or to register.

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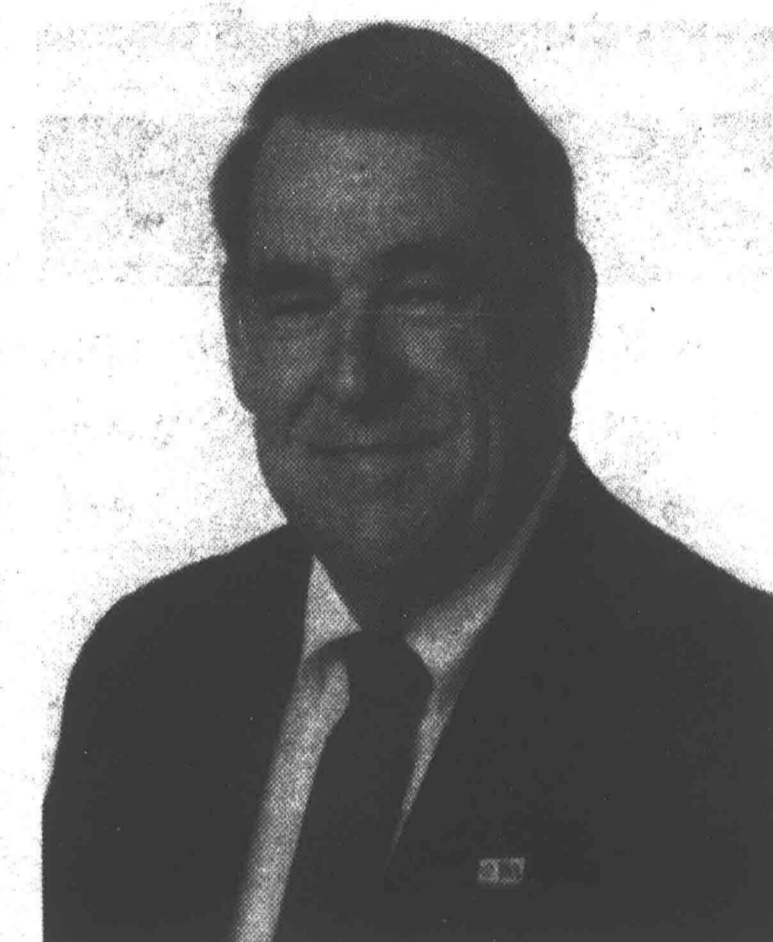
MIKE ARGUELLO, left, in rear, in lower photo, Tennessee State Trooper and D.A.R.E. Officer, participated in D.A.R.E. graduation ceremonies Thursday of last week at Halls Elementary School, along with Lauderdale County Sheriff Steve Sanders, right, in rear. The 12 week program, for fifth grade students, teaches confidence to help them make their own decisions and resist peer pressure. Essay winners from Halls include, in front, from left, Tiarra Thompson, Chase Ward, Kaitlyn Warden, Drew Whiteside, Nikel Harris, and Lauren Kissell, and in rear, Dekenan Wright, Zach Wilson, Ally Cherry, Alison Webb, Noelia Hernandez, and Brooklyn Langley. The students, in upper photo, surprised "Trooper Mike" with an engraved money clip and a sock puppet as a gag gift related to a joke made in class.

Stolen Car Recovered



A STOLEN CAR was recovered from Crutcher Lake over the weekend with approximately 50 members of the West Lauderdale Fire Department, Sheriff's deputies, Ambulance Author-

Elected



LARRY MCCOY, of Ripley, was elected Tennessee Cattlemen's Association President-elect during the 2009 Convention, held in Pigeon Forge. McCoy is a retired police officer and a past president of the Lauderdale County Cattlemen. Nearly 350 cattlemen from across the state attended the event.

Steve Scott was elected president for the 2009-2010 term. He thanked TCA members for the opportunity to serve and expressed great optimism for the year ahead. Scott stated, "The involvement of our youth is a priority. This group will be the future members of our association." He is a native of Prospect and is owner and operator of Scott Farms. He also serves as a Director of the Tennessee Beef Industry Council, is a past president of the Tennessee Livestock Network, is a member of the Giles County Cattlemen, and is in the Giles County Beef Marketing Association.

This convention marked the 23rd anniversary for TCA. The association also recognized the contributions of outgoing TCA President Dick "Doc" Daugherty, retired veterinarian and cattle producer from Louisville.

South Fork Projects Set

Of five bank stabilization projects the West Tenn. River Basin Authority plans to start this year, two affect Lauderdale County, on the South Fork of the Forked Deer River -- at Unionville and at Owl City Road.

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Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here! This has been a great week at home. Mr. Pam brought home pretty flowers and some good smelling two-legger food. Miss Pam was so happy. I really didn't know what all this was about so I turned my head to Miss Pam and she told me that it was Valentine's Day. She told me that two-leggers give each other presents when they love each other. She also told me that I was her favorite Valentine. Where were my presents? Rusty must have known all about Valentine's Day because he never got off of the couch to see what was going on.

This Valentine thing must really be important to two-leggers. When we went to the Club, Mr. Buddy and Scooter were talking about flowers and candy in boxes. I would like to have two-legger candy in a box, but I know Miss Pam would say no. I went to see my Buds and to tell them all about this Valentine thing. Dodger, the basset, was taking a nap. I woke him up and told him that all of the two-leggers were talking about love. Dodger said that he once was in love. He said that he loved his two-leggers but that he did not know what had happened to his two-leggers. Fuzzy, the big black fuzzy shepherd mix, said that he was in love one time with a girl four-legger. He said that they use to run around the yard at his two-leggers house and have real fun. All of this love stuff was making me sad so I went to the cat room. I walked in the cat room and even all of the cats were talking about love. What was going on at the Club. Had some two-legger put something in the water around here? Even all of the two-leggers that came out to the Club were in a Valentine mood.

Whitney and Jordan Saylor fell in love with a little black curly puppy, named Ruby and she went home with them. She was one happy curly girl. McKenzie and Marley Heath came out and loved the black and white basset mix, so they all went home together. Jimmy Stockdale took home Duke and brought my Buds some food. Tracy King took home a German shepherd and Crystal and Jonathan Barnett took home a lab mix. Bill Williams brought my Buds some food and talked Snowflake into going home with him. Cute fluffy puppies went home with David Bartlett and Ashley Terry. David and Silas Cook took home a black and white cat. Diana Burns brought out some food to the Club. Mocha Latte and Cinnabon sent their two-leggers out with some food and cleaning supplies. My friends from the Halls Co-Op sent out some food for the cats.

My two-legger family member, Bayleigh, also brought out some cat food. Rose and Bernie and Bayleigh love cats. Thanks so much for the cat food because the cats always scratch my nose and tell me that I never ask for cat food. Wonder why?

Miss Pam told me that it was time to go because we needed to go to the Post Office. I like to go to the Post Office. Miss Pam goes in and comes out with a big smile on her face. She told me that I get fan mail. I don't know for sure what that is but it sure makes Miss Pam happy. She opened a lot of two-legger paper and she reads me all of the letters. Marty Gaha sent my Buds a donation from Big Sandy, and told me to make sure and get a sucker at the Bank. Bernice Haas from New Jersey sent my Buds a donation and puts my letters in her scrapbook. That really makes Miss Pam happy because she loves scrapbooks. A Pekinese four-legger named Wan Fu from Texas sent me a letter and some paper with money on it. His Mommy, Miss Dawn, had to type it for him. He has not yet learned how to type. Keep on trying Wan Fu. That is okay because Miss Pam has to help me spell words sometime. Mr. Bill and Miss Ann Tate sent my Buds a generous donation. Thank ya'll.

The Big Lick this week goes to my favorite Valentine - my Aunt Shirley. My Aunt Shirley sent my Buds a generous donation again. I love you, Aunt Shirley and I will give you lots of kisses next time I see you.

I really like this Valentine thing. Miss Pam and I went to the Bank.

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

The VFW Post in Ripley is accepting donations for Operation Uplink to buy phone cards for the troops overseas. Mail donations to V.F.W., P.O. Box 324, Ripley, TN 38063. For more information, call Jack Tillman, 731-635-4395, or 731-612-9180.

Marriages

Feb. 6 - Quincy Lamont Reed, 24, to Traketha Falland Jacox, 25, by Rod Schuh.

Feb. 11 - Alan Dean Marbury, 38, Wendy Lynn Wilson Blake, 40, by Rod Schuh.

Anniversaries

Feb. 19 - Mr. and Mrs. David Jennings.

Feb. 20 - Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Whittemore, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Vaughn.

Feb. 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Jason Scallions.

Feb. 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Climer, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hargett.

Feb. 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Gary Scheiblein, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Patterson.

The Bank two-legger was even in the Valentine mood because when she saw how much two-legger paper we had this week she gave me two-suckers.

Don't forget to be as good as your four-legger thinks you are. Come see Scooter and Mr. Buddy at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, send us something at P.O. Box 172, Ripley TN 38063 or call us at 836-PETS (836-7387).

Don't forget to take care of your four-leggers in the cold weather. Don't forget to spay and neuter your four-leggers so we will not have so many puppy four-leggers.

You can drop off some food for my Buds at Beasley Treasures (Antique Mall) on Hwy. 51 if you don't want to come out to the Club. Mr. Dan, I'm sure that you did not forget about Valentine's Day because Miss Mary Lou has been your Valentine for a long time. Gotta go for now, reading fan mail makes me tired, I need a nap.

Zeek Out!!!!

PROGRAM AVAILABLE

The Tennessee Veterinary Medical Association will host a Disaster Preparedness Response Seminar from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday, February 26th at the Franklin Marriott Cool Springs, Franklin, sponsored by the American Veterinary Medical Foundation.

Speakers include state and national authorities in biosecurity, proper handling of animals, emerging and foreign animal diseases, the Tennessee Emergency Response Plan (TEMP) and the Emergency Support Function (ESP 16).

Dr. Sebastian Heath, of the Department of Homeland Security, will be the keynote speaker. There will be two levels of credentialing to choose from, Credentialed Preparedness Responder or Tennessee First Responder.

For more information about registration fees, visit the TVMA website at www.tvmanet.org.

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools
Monday, February 23rd

- Hot Dog
- Pizza
- Tater Tots
- Carrot Sticks
- Peaches
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, February 24th

- Tacos w/Trimming
- Chicken Fajita w/Trimming
- Corn Nibbles
- Grapes
- Banana
- Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, February 25th

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- School's Choice
- Friday, February 27th**
- Grilled Chicken Sandwich
- BBQ Pork Riblet On Bun
- Fresh Vegetable Cup w/Dip
- Baked Beans
- Pear Halves
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

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Obituaries

Gloria Ponders

Gloria Jean Ponders, 62, of Dyersburg, sister of Pat Martin, of 1643 Curve-Nankipoo Road, died Saturday in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Monday in City Gate Church, where she was a member, with burial in in Fairview Cemetery.

She was the daughter of the late Clint Harber and the late Georgie Harber Sorrell.

She had worked at Dyersburg Fabrics and as a state probation officer.

Survivors include a son, Brad, daughters, Amy Bradley and Jeanie McCommon, and a sister, DeLores "Corkey" Clanton, of Dyersburg; other daughters, Connie (Mrs. Donnie) Bryant, of Newbern, and Lisa (Mrs. James) Howard and Tammy Runions, of Trumble; another sister, Donna Simpson, of Oakland; 14 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Tyrus Wright

Tyrus Ray 'Spoon' Wright, 58, of Henning, a correctional officer at West Tennessee State Penitentiary, died Monday at Regional Hospital of Jackson.

Services are set for 1:30 p.m. Sunday, February 22nd, at Morning Star Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in Garden of Everlasting Life in Covington, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn W. Wright; five sons, Casey Wright, of Ripley, Kelly Wright, of Dyersburg, Tyrus Wright, Jr., of Nashville, Quincy Wright, of Lansing, Mich., and Tracey Wilson, of Chicago, Ill.; three daughters, Adriene Denise Glenn, of Ripley, Michelle Jones, of Newbern, and Candice Funchess, of Clarksville; four brothers, Donald B. Wright and Clyde Hawkin Wright, of Ripley, Myron Wright, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Will Wright III, of Maryland; a sister, Lillie Sanders, of Ripley; 21 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

George Booker

George Booker, 69, brother of Clara Cooper, of Henning, and Mae Kiestler, of Ripley, died Monday of last week in Golden Living Center in Ripley, Miss.

Rites were Thursday of last week in McBride Funeral Home in Ripley, Miss., with burial in Lowry Cemetery.

He was the son of the late Benjamin and Rosie Emily Cornelius Booker.

Survivors include a son, Joel, of Bristol; daughters, Natalie Bishop, Sandy Zimlich, and Stacy Poff, of Memphis, and Connie Turnage, Donna Ann Smith, and Pamela Booker, of Mississippi; another sister, Stella Smalling, of Tucson, Ariz.; and 11 grandchildren.

Sylvia Lawson

Sylvia Ann Davis Lawson, 74, of Cincinnati, Ohio, a clerk at the United States Post Office, died Tuesday, February 17th, in Cincinnati.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Saturday at Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Trinity Cemetery.

She leaves her husband, Bill Lawson; son, Steve Lawson, of Jackson, Miss.; daughter, Cheryl Thomas, of Cincinnati; brother, William Davis, of Memphis; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Herbert Gray

Herbert Earl Gray, of 332 Keltner, Halls, died Saturday in Halls.

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

He was born at Glasgow, Ky., Jan. 22, 1923.

Survivors include his wife, Elisha Chadelle Gray, and a step-daughter, Melissa Archibald, of Halls; daughters, Bonnie Pusser, of Rossville, and Nancy Knowles, of Pennsylvania; a brother, Jasper Gray, of Memphis; sisters, Betty Stafford and Mary Crowder, of Ripley; seven grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and a step-great-grandchild.

Gloria Ward

Gloria Ann Ward, 58, of Ripley, employed by Meals on Wheels, died Sunday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites are set at 1 p.m. Saturday in Fountain of Life Church of God in Christ in Halls, with burial in Canfield Cemetery in Ripley, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include her mother, Clara B. Moore, sons, Jermaine Crawley and Quinton Ward, brothers, Felix and Gregory Moore, and sisters, Annie Lee and Mary Miles, all of Ripley; another brother, Jerry Moore, of Jackson; other sisters, Malinda Smith, of Dyersburg, Billie Manns, of Milwaukee, Wisc., and Deloris Bradford, of Tacoma, Wash.; and a grandson.

Mr. Whitenton

Dewey C. Whitenton, 74, of Bolivar, who served Lauderdale County as Chancellor in the 25th Judicial District, died Thursday of last week.

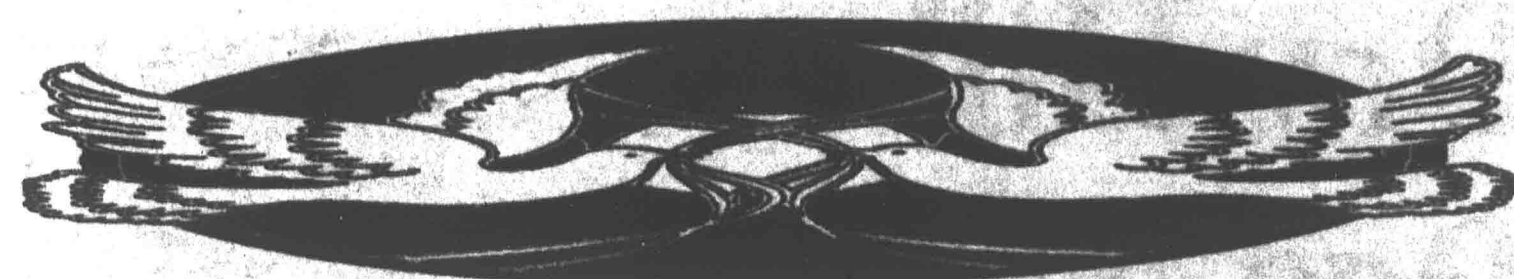
A past president of the Bolivar Rotary Club, he often visited the Ripley club, when holding court here, and had 26 years of perfect Rotary attendance.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret; three children; and five grandchildren.

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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.

Ripley Church of God, 133 Halliburton St., Ripley, will hold youth night at 7 p.m. February 25th. For more information, call 731-413-0015. The public is invited.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, in the Frog Jump Community, will host the Dove Brothers in concert at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 26th. No admission, but a love offering will be accepted. Call 731-414-8277 for more information. The public is invited.

Mt. Zion C. M. E. Church, at 6100 Durhamville Rd., in the Orysa Community, will hold a musical, *100 Youth in Black and White*, at 2:15 p.m. Sunday, February 22nd. Deborah Washington, pastor, invites the public.

New Hope United Methodist Church, at Central, will hold a spaghetti supper and singing beginning at 4:30 p.m., Saturday, February 21st. The Reed Family will perform at 6:30 p.m. For cost or more information, call Nancy Peek, 635-3494. 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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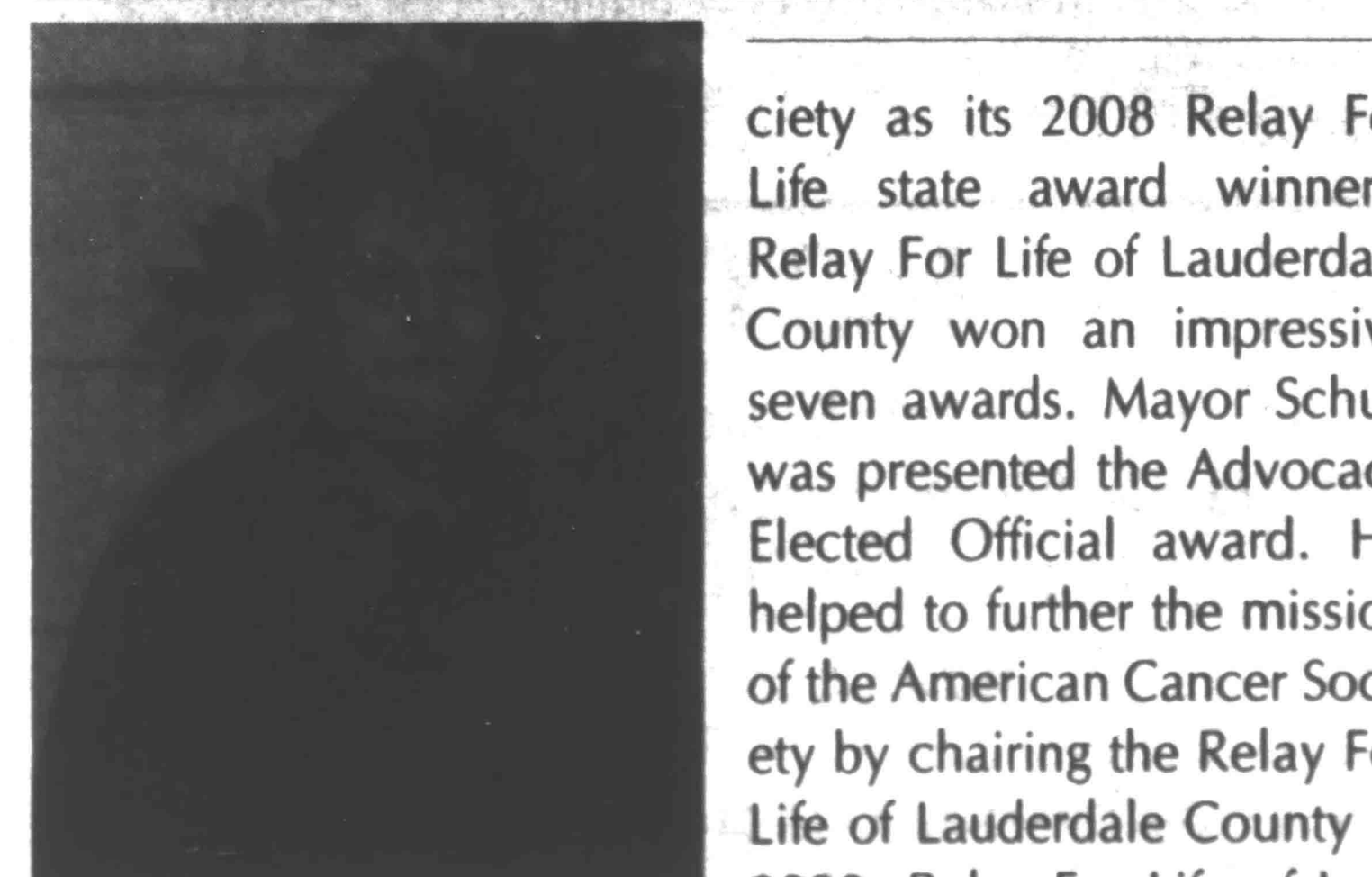
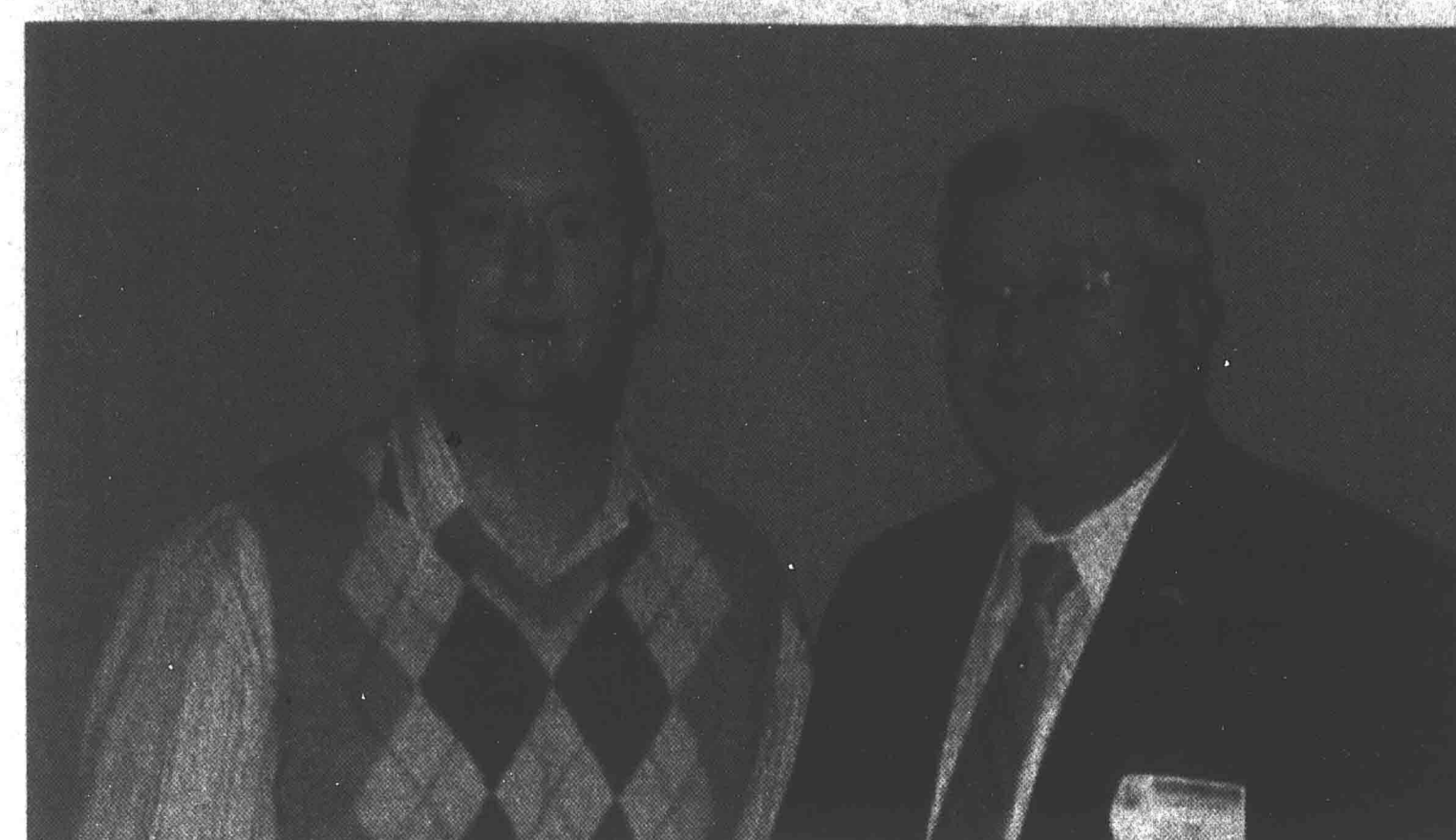
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State Awards Presented



ROD SCHUH, right, in upper photo, Lauderdale County Mayor, was among those from Lauderdale County recognized week before last by the American Cancer So-

Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Day Set

Lauderdale County will hold a day to drop off household hazardous waste from 8 a.m. to noon, Saturday, May 9th at the Lauderdale County Justice Center. More information will be released at a later date. Mark your calendars.

Bragg, left, and Cindy Jones, right, representing Komatsu America Corp. team, which raised over \$10,000 in 2008, accepted the Society award. The Society award is given to a corporation that sponsors over \$10,000 to its local Relay For Life.

In third photo, Marvin Windows and Doors, led by Lana Hammons, left, and Jennifer Blackwood, not pictured, raised over \$25,000 in 2008. Marvin was recognized for having multiple teams, five within the corporation. Lana is pictured with Littlepage, right.

June Hatch, in lower photo, was only one of two individuals in West Tennessee to raise over \$10,000.

"The American Cancer Society is honored to publicly recognize these winners. The commitment each Relay volunteer exhibited in 2008 has brought the American Cancer Society closer to its goal of eliminating cancer as a major health risk. Whether a team or individual, the diligence, passion, and fun-loving spirit of our Relay volunteers are what makes Relay For Life a phenomenal success year-after-year. Although the American Cancer Society could not recognize every team, committee member, and individual volunteer, we want to take this opportunity to say thank you. Strives in cancer research, education, advocacy, and local service would not be made possible without your support," said Littlepage.

Halls Tigers Win Tourney Opener

Halls High School's Tigers led Gleason, Saturday, 73-62, in the first round of the District 14-A cage tournament in Trenton.

HHS had led Gleason, 66-21, and lost to Gleason, 67-66, in regular season play.

The Tigers' win pitted them, Tuesday, against Humboldt (26-0), state leader in Class A (score too late for this issue).

Humboldt led the Tigers 88-52 and 85-45 in regular season play.

Trenton Ousts Girls

Trenton cut Halls girls from the tourney, 58-21.

Trenton led, by quarters, 15-8, 20-11, and 41-14.

Lateia Humphrey, Ashlee Nichols, and Nekeysha Wilson scored 4 points each for Halls; Jessie Ellison and Kayawna Parker, 3 each; Becki Lents, 2; and Cassidy Hardee, 1.

Halls girls closed their season 0-20.

Land Transfers

February 8th-February 14th

Martha Jackson Drumwright to Dennis Drumwright, Jr., Dist. 3, lot.

Ronald N. (Ronnie) Carmack and Barbara A. Carmack to William Josiah Carmack and Patsy Justine Blount Carmack, Dist. 17, 98.4061 acres.

William Josiah Carmack and Patsy Justine Blount Carmack to Leland Russell Meeks, Beth Brigrance Meeks, Scott Meeks and Carol Meeks, Dist. 8, 108.08 acres.

Jimmy Carroll, Sr., Connie Carroll and Jimmy Carroll, Jr., to Steve North and Sheena North, Dist. 5, 90.0 acres and 63.28 acres.

Jimmy Carroll and Connie Carroll to Steve North and Sheena North, Dist. 5, 3 tracts.

Don Paris, Exec., and Sarah Parrish, Paris Estate, to Charles Michael Simpson and Christie H.

DSCC DEAN'S LIST

Dr. Mary Ann Sellars, Vice President for Dyersburg State Community College, recognized students last week for their scholastic achievements. To be included on the dean's list, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours of college level courses during the semester and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for the semester. Lauderdale County students on the dean's list for the 2008 fall semester include Girtha Miller, Megan Robison, Janica Humphrey, Rachel Clark, Sarah Cherry, Gary King, Alexander Aitken, Rebecca Cherry, Sabrina Edwards, Michelle Ross, Joshua Ward, Tracie Langley, Krystle Holmes and Patti Heinemeyer.

Students on the honor roll must complete at least 12 semester hours of college level courses during the semester and earn a grade point average between 3.0 - 3.49 during the semester. Lauderdale County students on the honor roll for the 2008 fall semester include Laura White, Whitney Beaird, Mildred Lanier, Joseph Miller, Ashton Nolen, Thomas Eakin, Mariah Pahl, Bianco Perry, Stephanie Shoemaker, Lindsey Jackson, Gary Mason, Tabitha Starnes, Lauren Rushing and Ashley Conrad.

Simpson, Dist. 1/2, 3 tracts.

Donald Ervin Paris to Charles Michael Simpson and Christie H. Simpson, Dist. 2, 45.7678 acres.

Carter Custom Homes, LLC, to Keith D. Parker, Dist. 2, lot. Homesales, Inc., to Paul Morris, Dist. 6, 2 tracts.

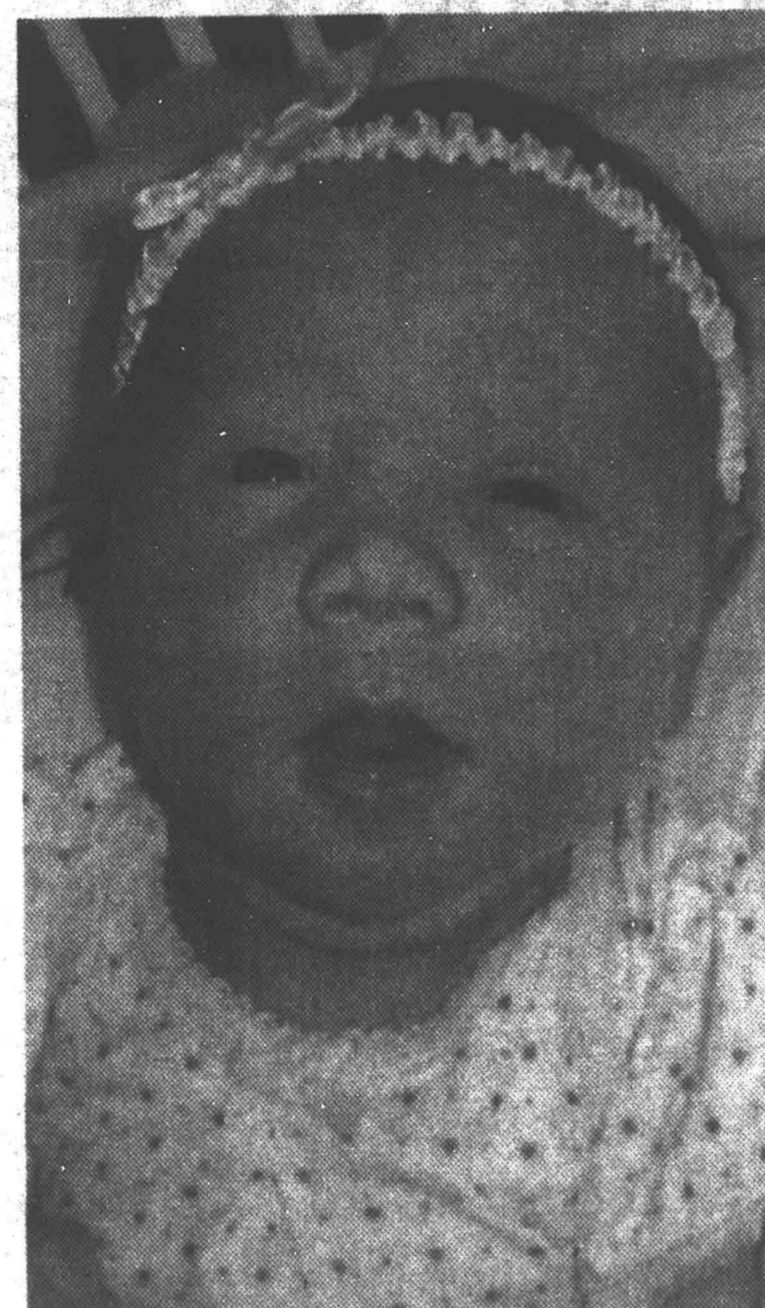
Charles K. Hendrix to Vena Powers, Dist. 8, 0.96 acres.

Birthday Celebrated



JORDAN LEA YOUNGER, pictured in front, right, celebrated her 5th birthday Saturday, February 7th, with a tea party at the Just Divine Tea Room at Charlene's Colony of Shops in Halls. She is the daughter of Jessica Arwood and granddaughter of James and Johna Arwood. Attending were family and friends including, in front, left, Macie Williams; second row, from left, Alexis Younger and Paige Hardee; third row, from left, Bri Beyerbach and Heather Tims; and back row, Lexi Beyerbach and Elizabeth Warden.

Newborn



LYDIA ELAINE LEE, 7 lb. 15 oz. daughter of Todd and Whitney Lee, of Halls, was born January 30th at Jackson Madison County General Hospital in Jackson. Measuring 20 inches, she is the sister of Kent Lee, the granddaughter of Glyn and Janice Keel and the late Butch Lee, of Halls, and Kathy Lee, of Milan.

Birthdays

Feb. 19 - Tammy Connell, Wayne Barnard, Ray Anderson, Carol Keen, Kevin Kesler, Randy Jones, Linda Bernard, Noah Fletcher Stanford, Scott Dunavant, Holly Crews, David Burnham.

Feb. 20 - Roger Charest, Hannah Moore, Linda Daum, Betty Klutts, Carolyn Polk, Jack Baynes, Don Smith, Richard Halpain, Dustin Gordon, Drae Ross, Jason Kiestler, Chad McAlister.

Feb. 21 - Celina Colvin, Clarence Delk, Lee Jennings, Dawn Platzke, Pat Carmack, Vicky Emerson, Robert Crutchfield, Brady Fleming, Taylor Carney, Nick Powers, Eric Scoggins, Rev. Doris Crawley.

Feb. 22 - Courtney Johnson, Louise Savage, Jessica Broglin, Janice Terrell Kee, Vence Carmack, Jimmy Meeks, Jacob Brazier, Laura Mueller, Christina Blakley, Billy Drew, Rick Vandergriff, Tristan Jackson.

Feb. 23 - Darla Johnson, Carolyn Bradford, Michelle Haislip, Diane Akin, Joe B. Arwood,

Girl Scouts Visit Center



AMBASSADORS Girl Scout Troop 167, from left, Carley Cherry, Shelby Gean, Nicole Hinsley, Logan Buckner, Kirby Cherry, Angela Vaughn Murphy, Troop Leader, and Ebone Pearson, pictured with Joni Cook, LCCOA Director, brought the participants at Lauderdale County Commission on Aging hand-made valentines February 11th. This troop has been together for ten years under the direction of Angela Vaughn Murphy. The troop is the only active troop of this age in West Tennessee. They participate in many community services projects to earn Tennessee Scholarship hours in addition to fulfilling Girl Scout badge requirements.

Austin Monroe Ward, Donna Lynn Hawks, J. W. Warren, Jr., Jason Raines, Jason Searce, Timmy Bryant, Butch Latham, Brenda Kiestler, Luke Elder, Brian Latham, Bill Miller, Monica Madison, Robbie Binkley.

Feb. 24 - Perry Garrett, Jr., Jerry Temple, Sr., J. C. Hendren, Sandra Carter, Terry Cook, Carol Caldwell, Marvin Land, Kevin Haislip, Brent Prescott, Dennis Weaver, Sr., Sarah Cherry, Doyle Moss, Paul Galloway, Eddie Evans, Anna Read Kennedy, Ellen Parker, Beth Fincher.

Feb. 25 - Bruce Little, Kaye Connor, Angela Oswald, Rubin Jones, Ricky Rose, Nicolas Smith, Katlyn Moffatt, Charles Robbins, Kim Williams, Adam Houston.

Anniversaries

Feb. 19 - Mr. and Mrs. David Jennings.

Feb. 20 - Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Whittemore, Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Vaughn.

Feb. 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Jason Scallions.

Feb. 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Climer, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hargett.

Feb. 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Gary Scheiblein, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Patterson.

Divorces

Dareina Nabors Johnson vs. Courtney Terrell Johnson.

Mattie Mae Holloway vs. Johnnie Lee Holloway.

NOTICE

The Town of Halls Board of Mayor and Aldermen adopted the following ordinances at the regular business meeting Monday, February 9, 2009.

Ordinance No. 09-03

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING AN ELECTRIC FRANCHISE TO RIPLEY POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY (20) YEARS.

Town of Halls
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History Roundtable Deadline Nears For Candidates



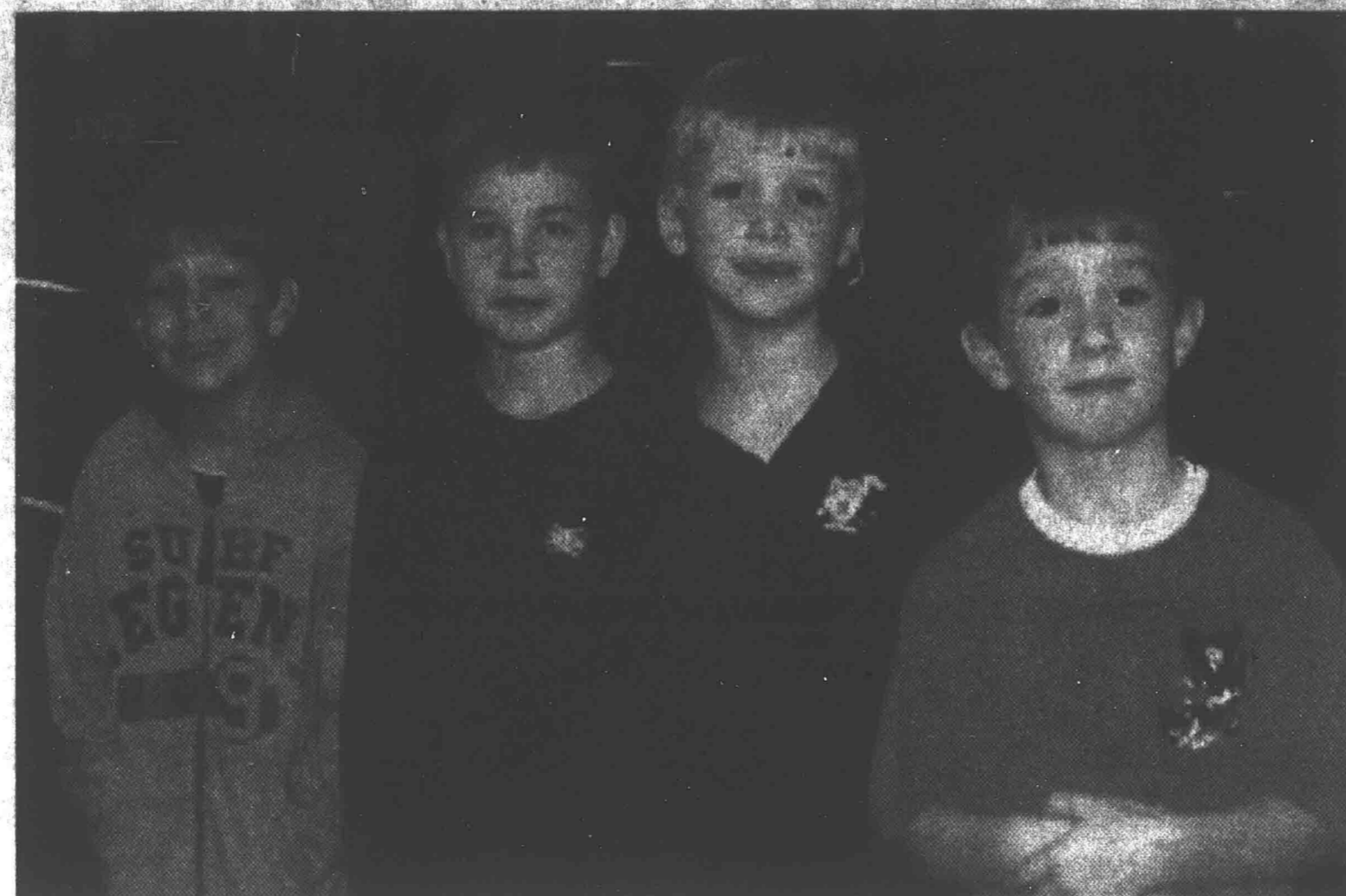
PARTICIPANTS, from left, Wallace Milam, discussion leader, Ronnie Roberts, Lisa Godsey, Rosie Lemons Dale McCaslin, Sonny Higdon, and Bob Little, plus, not pictured, Pat Higdon, of the History Roundtable Discussion at the Veterans' Museum continued February 12th. The second in the series completed the topics concerning World War II in Germany and Japan. Bob listened as the rest of the group discussed various aspects of the war. Finally he said, "This is wonderful." He shared that he was in WWII but basically only knew what he was doing. Bob was pretty busy flying 72 missions in the Pacific as a B-17 pilot and then coming to Dyersburg Army Air Base as an instructor. He also told the group that the history books he studied were pre-WWII. That was something that sparked more discussion. At one point the group was talking about Toyko Rose, and he said he listened to her because that was the clearest radio reception they could get, and the music was good. Sometimes he become the expert even though the other participants had excellent book knowledge. Ronnie shared some unusual German objects, and Bob was encouraged to bring history books for the Thursday, February 19th, Roundtable. The next discussion will begin with Franklin Delano Roosevelt in the pre-WWII era and follow through to 1945. Predictably, that topic may take more than one session. The session begins at 3 p.m., or shortly thereafter, and ends at 5 p.m. The public is invited.

TVA Reduces Rates For P&L Customers

Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) has announced the second consecutive decrease in its quarterly fuel cost adjustment for billing periods beginning April 1st, according to Mike Demeris, of Ripley Power and Light. For Ripley Power and Light customers, because the fuel cost adjustment is a per kilowatt-hour charge, amounts that they could save will depend on the amount of energy used. While savings will vary across the Tennessee Valley, residential consumers can expect a decrease that ranges from about \$4 to \$9 in their monthly power bills. Retail billing periods for TVA power distributors also vary, so some April bills will include March usage at the lower rate. Overall, the decrease for the quarter will be about a 7-percent reduction on total average wholesale rates, and is a reduction of almost 40 percent from the current quarter's fuel cost adjustment amount. For the quarter beginning April 1st, the fuel cost adjustment will decrease about 0.5 cents per kilowatt-hour, from more than 1.3 cents to 0.8 cents per kilowatt-hour.

Jeffrey Crowder, Sr., Cleve Pike, and Booker J. Nance, Sr. have picked up a petition seeking the position of Gates Mayor. Pike has returned his petition. Cindy Marvel, Wymond D. Walpole, Terry Janda, and Bobby Vaughn have picked up petitions for Gates alderman. Marvel and Walpole have returned their petitions.

Scouts Visit Museum



CUB SCOUTS, from Halls Den 007, Pack 167, visited The Veterans' Museum Tuesday, February 10th, as they continue to work on their "Go and See" projects.

LCCOA Receives TN Arts ABC Grant

The Lauderdale County Commission on Aging has been awarded an ABC (Art Builds Communities) Grant from the Tennessee Arts Commission, a state agency that funds and supports quality arts experiences that add value to the lives of every citizen, and enhances the quality of life in Tennessee communities.

Providing the opportunity for exposure to different art forms, LCCOA will be holding a series of five workshops, hand bells, basket weaving, beading, watercolors and knitting, to the 60+ population at no cost to the participants.

Through this program, these workshops will not only enhance quality of life, but also provide seniors with new skills as well as exposure to different cultures, such as working with the local Native Americans with basket weaving and beading. This program will be invaluable to our community by establishing a sense of unity through the arts among diverse populations.

A knitting class, with Tillie Perry as instructor, will be offered from 1 to 3 p.m. March 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd at the center at no cost to the participant. Class sizes are limited.

If anyone is interested in participating in any of these workshops, please contact LCCOA at 836-5444 for more information.

DSCC Offers Online AASN Degree Program

The Tennessee Board of Regents Online Degree Program (RODP) is offering an Associate of Applied Science in Nursing (AASN) degree program and Dyersburg State Community College will be participating in this degree program. An informational meeting will be held on the Dyersburg campus at 6 p.m. February 23rd in Glover building, room 204, for those interested in a nursing career and this new opportunity. There are two steps in applying for this program. Those interested must first apply and meet the admission criteria for the RODP AASN degree program. Next, they must apply for admission to DSCC and be accepted to DSCC RODP nursing program. The deadline for both steps of the application process is March 1st. The RODP AASN application can be found at www.rodop.org/aasn/eligibility.htm and DSCC applications can be found at www.dsc.edu. More information is also available at the DSCC nursing website.

To learn more about the HESI preadmission test, visit www.hesitest.com or contact Doug Hodge on the Covington campus at 901-475-3151 or Ginger Dozier on the Dyersburg campus at 731-286-3355. Test information can also be found in the Student Services section at www.dsc.edu.

For a schedule of courses, more information, or questions contact Dr. Faye Sigman, Dean of Nursing and Allied Health by email at sigman@dsc.edu or at 731-286-3390.

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Halls' FFA Sweetheart



KAYLA HEATH, third from right, daughter of Zach Heath and Vicky Alston, was crowned the Halls High School Future Farmers of America Sweetheart Saturday. Her court included, from left, Natalie Grantland, daughter of Janie Grantland, Best Interview; Carley Cherry, daughter of Kent and Cathy Cherry, 3rd maid; Ashton Smith, daughter of Johnny and Stacey Alley, 1st maid; Paige Ellison, daughter of Angela and Owen Thurmond, 2nd maid; and Brenna Deaton, daughter of Dickie and Kristin Deaton, 4th maid.

Accident Claims Life



A TRACTOR TRAILER DRIVER died Tuesday afternoon after his rig struck the bridge and overturned near the Dyer County Line on Hwy. 210, old Hwy. 51, near Halls. The trailer was believed to be hauling bags of fertilizer, which dumped into the water. The identity of the driver and additional information was unavailable at press time.

Deadline Nears Miss Halls To Be For Candidates Crowned Saturday

Candidates for the Halls mayor and alderman elections have until noon Thursday to withdraw in the May 7th election.

Eugene Pugh, Trent McManus, and James Fitzhugh have qualified to seek the position of Halls Mayor. Jennifer Moore, James L. Tyus, Owen D. Lilly, Wayne Belton, Matthew Henderson, David Jennings, Cynthia Lacy-Jane, Leslie M. Shands, Stan Young, Tommy Hansbrough, and Ty Brasfield qualified to seek the position of Halls alderman. Bobby (Roho) Jacobs and Regina A. Nash did not return petitions to qualify as candidates.

Candidates for the Henning and Gates mayor and alderman election have until noon March 19, 2009 to qualify and noon March 26th to withdraw in the June 4, 2009 election.

Baris C. Douglas, Thomas

The Miss Halls pageant will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, February 28th at Halls Junior High School. The event is sponsored by the Halls-Gates Rotary Club.

Retired Teachers To Meet March 4th

The Lauderdale County Retired Teachers will meet at 2 p.m. March 4th at Ripley Elementary School. Gail Martin, nutritionist at Baptist Hospital Lauderdale, will be the guest speaker. All retired teachers are urged to attend.

R. Harris, Charles V. Wilson, Michael Bursey, Marva D. Temple, and John E. Wilson have picked up petitions for Henning Mayor. Douglas, Wilson, Bursey, and Temple have returned their petitions. Deborah Bates Taylor, Vanora Allen, Continue on page 8.

Team Champions At Tournament



MEMBERS, of the Lauderdale County Boxing Club, pictured in front, from left, Blake Maynard, Brandon Smith, Dimengo Rogers, Grant Chipman, and Deondre Smith, and in rear, from left, Sportez Currie, Steve Garrison, Frank Dees, Chuckie Driver, Heath Conrad, coach, Kani Coleman, Treveon Taliaferro, and Clay Conrad, coach, traveled to Covington Saturday night to Continue on page 8.

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Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here! Miss Pam and I spent the day at the Club today. While Miss Pam was in the office talking to everybody, Mr. Buddy and Scooter told me to get in the truck. Now it seems to me that every time I go for a ride, I always end up in trouble. We went down the road and Mr. Buddy told me that we were going to feed the donkeys. I don't know what a donkey is but I am always in the mood for a ride. We went to a place back in the woods, and Scooter said something about riding in the middle so you don't have to get out and open the gate. Scooter said some words where I could not hear him but it was about opening the gate. I guess the gate was the door that he had to open for us to get in this place. When Scooter got back in the truck, we went a long way back in the woods. Mr. Buddy stopped the truck and we all got out and he started calling some names. I have heard some of these names before. About that time three of the weirdest four-leggers came running. Mr. Buddy had a bucket with some good smelling food in it. He poured it into the biggest bowl that I had ever seen. I went over to smell it and to see if I wanted a bite when the four-leggers came up to me and one of them even kicked at me. I ran around to get behind Scooter and they both laughed at me. I really didn't think that it was funny.

The four-leggers started eating the food out of the big bowl. While they were eating and not looking at me, I really got a good look at them. They all had the biggest ears that I had ever seen on a four-legger. They also had some funny looking paws. Mr. Buddy asked me how did I like the donkeys. I stayed behind Scooter and only looked around at them. Mr. Buddy was rubbing and talking to them. He told me that one was a boy four-legger, one was a girl four-legger and the little one was a baby four-legger. He told me that the baby's name was Hot Rod. He also told me to come out from behind Scooter and get to know them. I walked out from behind Scooter and the boy four-legger raised his head and made the loudest sound that I have ever heard. I ran as fast as I could back to the truck and jumped in. I really wanted to go back to the Club. Mr. Buddy and Scooter laughed at me again and I heard them say something about being the Top Dog. Top Dog or not I just wanted to go back. They finally got back in the truck and we went back thru the gate and then back to the Club.

When we got back to the Club, Mr. Buddy and Scooter were still laughing at me and they just had to tell everybody at the Club what had happened. Miss Pam kissed me and told me that everything would be okay and she fussed at Mr. Buddy and Scooter for letting the donkey four-legger kick at me. I knew that she would take up for me. I went into the Club to see my Buds and I decided not to tell any of them about the donkey thing. I looked around at all of the new Buds that had come to the Club. There were three-basset mix four-leggers named Buddy, Rashcal and Marie. They all came out to the Club together. I think they said that they are all brothers and sisters. Snow, a heeler mix, said that she came out to the Club to find a new family of two-leggers. We also have two-black and tan hounds, named Patsy and Belle.

A two-legger came by and said that he had puppy four-leggers at his house. He told us that these puppy four-leggers were half Boston Terrier and half Golden Retriever. Mr. Buddy and Scooter laughed when they heard this. Boy, they must be in a good mood today because they had laughed all day. A little boy four-legger, named Peanut, was found in Ripley walking around. He said that he had gotten away from his two-legger and he sure hoped that they came out to get him soon.

Addison and Nicholas Colvin came out to the Club and took home a Golden Retriever, named Lucky. Ralph Newman adopted the office cat, named Smokey. Jodi Yates took home two cats. Thank ya'll for taking the cats. Jill Joyner adopted Champ, the shepherd. Rocio Molina and Ricky Jackson both took home puppy four-leggers. Thanks to Tipton County Club, this week we got lots of food for my Buds. Jennie

HISTORY ROUNDTABLE

The final session for the History Roundtable will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday, February 26th, at the Veterans' Museum in Halls. The topic is "completing the Franklin Delano Roosevelt era." During the February 19th meeting an inordinate amount of time was taken to discuss Eleanor Roosevelt and her influence on the Nation.

TOMATO PAGEANT

The 2009 Lauderdale County Tomato Festival pageant will be held Saturday, March 7th, in the Bank of Ripley Performing Arts Theater at Ripley High School. The deadline to register is March 2nd.

For more information, call the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD at 635-9541.

Land Transfers

February 15th-February 21st William Doop to Angela Smith, Dist. 17, 2 tracts.

Anna Louise Trumbo to Jerry B. Hughes and Cathy L. Hughes, Dist. 17, lot.

Kendell Newman to Terry Caviness and Denise Caviness, Dist. 6, lot.

Rufus Arthur and Rita Gray Arthur to Rufus Arthur and Roger W. Gray, Dist. 2, lot.

Phillis Marshall and Rickey Ray Marshall to Charles Russell Bryant and Linda Dianne Bryant, Dist. 2, lot.

Claudis Lackey to Angela Lacy, Dist. 3, 0.914 acre and 0.436 acre.

Nunn made a donation in memory of Thunder's twins.

Come out and see Mr. Buddy at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road or send us something at P.O. Box 172, Ripley or call us at 836-PETS (7387). Don't forget to send your two-legger out with us some food and cleaning supplies. Don't forget to spay or neuter your four-legger so we won't have so many puppy four-leggers out here at the Club. Take good care of your four-leggers in the cold weather. Be as good as your four-legger thinks you are. Gotta go. I have to go find Miss Pam and let her know that I am ready to go home because I think that I just heard Mr. Buddy and Scooter planning something else for me.....

Zeek Out !!!!

Power U Program



STUDENTS in Project L.E.A.D. at Halls Elementary School are participating in the Lauderdale County Extension Agency 'POWER U' program. Extension agents teach a brief lesson on ways to live healthy and complete each lesson with a short exercise program.

Canned Food Drive



4TH GRADE STUDENTS at Halls Elementary participated in a canned food drive last week to help each class gain points for their 4-H Banner Club and to show that the students can help others. The students built a castle with all the cans which will be donated to the local union mission. Pictured with the castle are students, Trace Leath, Hunter Dunger, Britnie Tustin, and Julia Kent.

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Obituaries

Ruth Wadsworth

Ruth Wadsworth, 90, former Ripley area resident, died Monday in Covington Care Nursing Home.

Rites were held Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in the cemetery of Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church at Arp, where she had been a member.

She had been a member of the Make and Mend Club and of the Good Sams Camping Club.

At her death, she was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Covington.

She was the widow of Thompson Wadsworth, to whom she was married for 64 years.

Survivors include a son, Paul, of Burlington; brothers, Van Bettis Montague, of Franklin, and Bill Montague, of Havana, Fla.; a sister, Elise Clark, of Tallahassee, Fla.; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Cathy Bailey

Cathy Bailey, 56, of Pine Bluff, Ark., daughter of Katie Sue Wilson, of 165 Ross Rd., Ripley, died Saturday in Jefferson Regional Medical Center in Pine Bluff.

Rites are set at 1 p.m. Saturday in New Covenant Church of God in Christ in Pine Bluff, Brown Funeral Home in charge, with Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, assisting.

Survivors include her father, Roy Robinson, of Indiana; her husband, Charles; one daughter, Deirde Bailey, of Pine Bluff; a brother, Joseph Kirby Wilson, of Maryland; sisters, Stephanie Reed, of Jackson, Brenda Ingram, and Michelle Wilson, of Nashville, and Andrea Robinson and Vicky Young, of Indiana; and two grandchildren.

AMPLIFICATION

James Keith Webb, of Halls, was omitted from the obituary of his sister, Patricia Collins, of Memphis, which was published in last week's issue. We regret inaccurate information.

Mourned



MASTER SGT. DAVID L. HURT, 36, died February 20th of wounds sustained from an improvised explosive device during a mounted combat reconnaissance patrol. He was a Special Forces Operational Detachment-Alpha operations sergeant assigned to Company B, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne).

He deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in January 2009 as a member of the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force - Afghanistan in support of the Global War on Terror.

Hurt, a native of Oak Park, Ill., volunteered for military service and entered the Army in November 1992, as a Combat Engineer trainee. After basic and advanced individual training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., he was assigned to Co. C, 307th Engineer Bn., 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C. from the rank of private to Staff Sgt. He then was assigned to Co. C, 37th Engineer Bn., 20th Engineer Brigade at Fort Bragg.

Hurt completed the Special Forces Assessment and Selection prior to being assigned to the John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School at Fort Bragg, N.C., in August 1999 for Special Forces training. He earned the coveted "Green Beret" in May 2000 and was assigned to 2nd Bn., 3rd SFG(A) at Fort Bragg, N.C., as a Special Forces engineer sergeant. Hurt was then assigned to the USAJFKSWCS Non-Commissioned Officer Academy. He served as a Small Group Leader at

Mrs. Abernathy

Cathy Mae Bartlett Abernathy, 46, of Red Banks, Miss., formerly of Ridgely, mother of Joshua Keith Stewart, of Henning, and sister of Jacqueline Bartlett, of Henning, died Feb. 14th, in her home.

Rites were Wednesday of last week in the Ridgely Chapel of Curry Funeral Home, with burial in New Haven Cemetery in Ridgely.

She attended the Byhalia, Miss., Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include her husband, Marvin Abernathy; one daughter, Jennifer Ruth Swearingen, of Dyersburg; six brothers, David, of Covington, Jonathan, of Hornbeak, Gary, of Mountain Home, Ark., Kenny, of Walls, Miss., Mark, of Searcy, Ark., and Tim, of Parma, Mo.; and five grandchildren.

the Basic Noncommissioned Officer and Warrior Leader Course from March 2005 to March 2008. Hurt returned to the 3rd Special Forces Group and was assigned to Co. B, 1st Bn., as an operations sergeant in March 2008.

Hurt's military education includes the Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Course, Sniper Course, Basic Airborne Course, Air Assault Course, Pathfinder Course, Ranger Course, Jumpmaster Course, Sapper Leader Course, Combat Life Savers Course, Special Forces Advanced Recon and Target Exploitation Course, Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Warrior Leaders Course, and Special Forces Qualification Course.

Some of his awards and decorations include the Bronze Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Meritorious Service Medal with one OLC, the Joint Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with a three OLC, Joint Achievement Medal, and Army Achievement Medal with four OLC, the Combat Infantry Badge, Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, Sapper Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Drivers Badge, the Valorous Unit Award, Joint Meritorious Unit Award.

Hurt is survived by his wife Kelly, son Wyatt, and daughter Avery, all of Grays Creek, N.C.; mother, Bonnie Hurt, and sister, Deborah Hurt, both of Hope Mills, N.C. and his father, Joe Hurt, of Memphis, formerly of Ripley.

Margie Walton

Margie Kathleen Walton, 86, of Woodland Mills, mother of Brenda (Mrs. James) Sanders, of 3260 Lightfoot-Luckett Road, died Feb. 15th in Union City Manor Nursing Home.

Rites were Tuesday of last week in Edmaiston-Mosley Funeral Home in Union City, with burial in Obion County Memorial Gardens.

She was born in Arkansas, June 26, 1922, to the late Nolly Jerome "Jack" and Carrie Kathryn Chaney Bradshaw.

She had been a seamstress for Salant and Salant in Union City and for Henry I Siegel Co. in Tiptonville.

She was a Baptist.

Survivors include sons, Don "Bo" Bradshaw and Randy Walton, of Union City; other daughters, Donna (Mrs. Keith) Thompson, of Union City, Martha (Mrs. Donald) Bloxon, of Obion, and Teresa Gail (Mrs. Steve) Wagner, of Mena, Ark.; brothers, Charles Bradshaw, of Forrest City, Ark., and Tom Bradshaw, of Hickman, Ky.; sisters, Sue Bradshaw and Jean Decker, of Hickman; 16 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

Helen Jackson

Helen Jackson, 94, of Ripley, widow of George Jackson, died Tuesday of last week, in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were Friday in Conner Assembly of God, with burial in Mary's Chapel Cemetery, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include a son, James D. Jackson, daughters, Georgia Bridgewater and Martha Crowder, and a brother, A. L. Land, all of Ripley; another brother, George Land, of Union City; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

K.H. Blackwood

Kenneth Harley Blackwood, 82, a farmer, the father of Harold Blackwood, of Ripley, died Sunday at Dyersburg Regional Medical Center in Dyersburg.

Rites were at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Memorial Park in Malden, Mo.

He was a member of New Life Fellowship.

Other survivors include another son, Carl Blackwood, of Portageville, Mo.; a daughter, Judy Sartin, of Lenox; brothers, Claude, of Memphis, and Don and Lindell Blackwood, both of Ripley; sisters, Edna Lee Wise and Marie Davis, both of Flint, Mich., and Louise Barnett, of El Paso, Tex.; eight grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

'Lizzie' Beard

Elizabeth Faye "Lizzie" Beard, 83, of Brownsville, died Saturday in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Spring Hill Baptist Church, east of Ripley, with burial in its cemetery, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include a brother, Huyle Johnson, of Gary, Ind., and sisters, Glendora Lard, of Chicago, Ill., and Jessie Hense, of Alabama.

Mrs. Stringfellow

Susan Kidd Stringfellow, 56, of Ripley, died Saturday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

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

Survivors include sons, Billy Smith and Brandon Stringfellow, a sister, Amy (Mrs. Terry) Gower, and a granddaughter, Kinley Grace Smith, all of Ripley.

James Payne

James Herman Payne, 67, of 279 Dr. Parks Road, Gates, died Monday of last week in Baptist Hospital Tipton in Covington.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in Dry Hill Cemetery.

He was born at Tullahoma, April 16, 1941, to the late Martin L. and Lucy Wilson.

Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth, and, in this county, a brother, Leonard Payne, of Halls, and sisters, Margaret Kiestler, of Gates, and Nancy Murphy, of Ripley.

Other survivors include sons, Gary A. Thomas and Gary D. Thomas, of Jasper, Larry Thomas, of Dunlap, Thomas E. Hess, of La Porte, Ind., and James L. Hess, of Chicago, Ill.; daughters, Pam McCune and Tammy Eddington, of Jasper; other brothers, John L. Wilson, of Memphis, and Benjamin J. Payne, of Fredericksburg, Va.; other sisters, Jane Spencer, of Brighton, Shirley Hargett, of Murfreesboro, and Kathy Payne, of Alabama; and 26 grandchildren.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Rose Mary Potter would like to say thank you for all the acts of kindness including, flowers, food, phone calls, visits and cards. A very special thank you for Bro. Eugene Nichols for his kind words of encouragement; Halls Funeral Home for their kindness and professionalism; Judy Burroughs Vair for the beautiful music and the pallbearers. God bless you all.

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Thelma Taylor

Thelma Jane Taylor, 68, of Troy, mother of Rhonda (Mrs. Wayne) Caviness, of Gates, died Feb. 15th in Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were Thursday of last week in White & Mahon Funeral Home in Troy, with burial in Ebenezer Cemetery, near Troy.

She was born in Obion County, May 7, 1940, to the late James and Nellie Stone Puckett Taylor.

She had been employed by the Town Square Restaurant in Troy.

She was a member of Troy's Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Survivors include two other daughters, Audrey (Mrs. Keith) Chance, of Friendship, and Christie (Mrs. Willie) Pendergrast, of Union City, sisters, Sheila Walker, of Troy, and Hazel Tankersley, of East Prairie, Mo.; and 10 grandchildren, including Jasmine Caviness and Jasper Swanson, of Gates.

Wilma Graves

Wilma Mae Graves, 82, of Grand Junction, mother of Brenda Eison, of Halls, died Friday, in Jackson.

Rites were Sunday in Grand Junction's First Baptist Church, where she was a member.

She was born in Saulsberry, March 14, 1926, to the late Linly and Emma Lee Evans Black.

She retired in 2001 after 22 years as a hostess at the Manor House on the Ames Plantation.

She was the widow of Harold Hobart Graves, whom she married Aug. 16, 1947. He died Jan. 16th.

Survivors include a son, Duane A. Graves, of Maryville; a sister, Flora Garey, of Savannah; and four grandchildren.

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Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, Three Points, will hold a marriage enrichment month during March, designed to strengthen and improve marriages. Sunday worship services will consist of sermons on marriage and all Bible study session will consist of studies on marriage. The Rev. John R. McBride, pastor, invites the public.

Archer's Chapel United Methodist Church, in the Frog Jump Community, will host the Dove Brothers Inconcert at 7 p.m. Thursday, February 26th. No admission, but a love offering will be accepted. Call 731-414-8277 for more information. The public is invited.

Gates Baptist Church, 85 Wardlow and 4th St., Gates, will hold revival services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, March 1st and continue at 7 p.m. nightly Monday, March 2nd through Wednesday, March 4th with The Rev. John Yates along with Mrs. Patty and all the Gang, of Enterprise, Ala., as guest evangelist. For more information, call Bro. Jerrell Dawson, pastor, 836-9887. The public is invited.

Fountain of Life Ministries, 748 E. Tigrett St., Halls, will present the 2009 Family Conference beginning at 7 p.m. March 6th and at 10 a.m. March 7th. The theme is "Building Families God's Way". Featured guest speakers include Pastor Willie Wright and First Lady Brenda Wright, of Christian Love Fellowship Church, Memphis, and Evangelist Barachias Irons, Pentecostal Assembly, COGIC. Free registration. For more information, call Dalton Jackson, 731-635-8639, or Ollie Fields, 731-612-0121.

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Halls Boys Topped By State Stars

After a first-round win, from Gleason, 73-62, in the District 14-A cage tournament in Trenton, Halls High's Tigers lost Tuesday of last week, 97-53, to Humboldt, 27-0 and top Class A team in the state.

Humboldt led, by quarters, 19-16, 31-11, 33-15, and 14-11.

Qaylon Smith scored 20 points for Halls; Reginald Glass 9; Nathan Smith 6; Emmitt Henning and Cory Walker, 4 each; Hollis Belton, a 3-pointer; Kenneth Bishop 3; and Shamari Cooper 1 (3 points not attributed).

Humboldt later led Trenton, 87-45, to defeat Lake County in the final, Monday, 72-62.

Lake was ahead 18-10 after the first eight minutes and led 29-25 at the half.

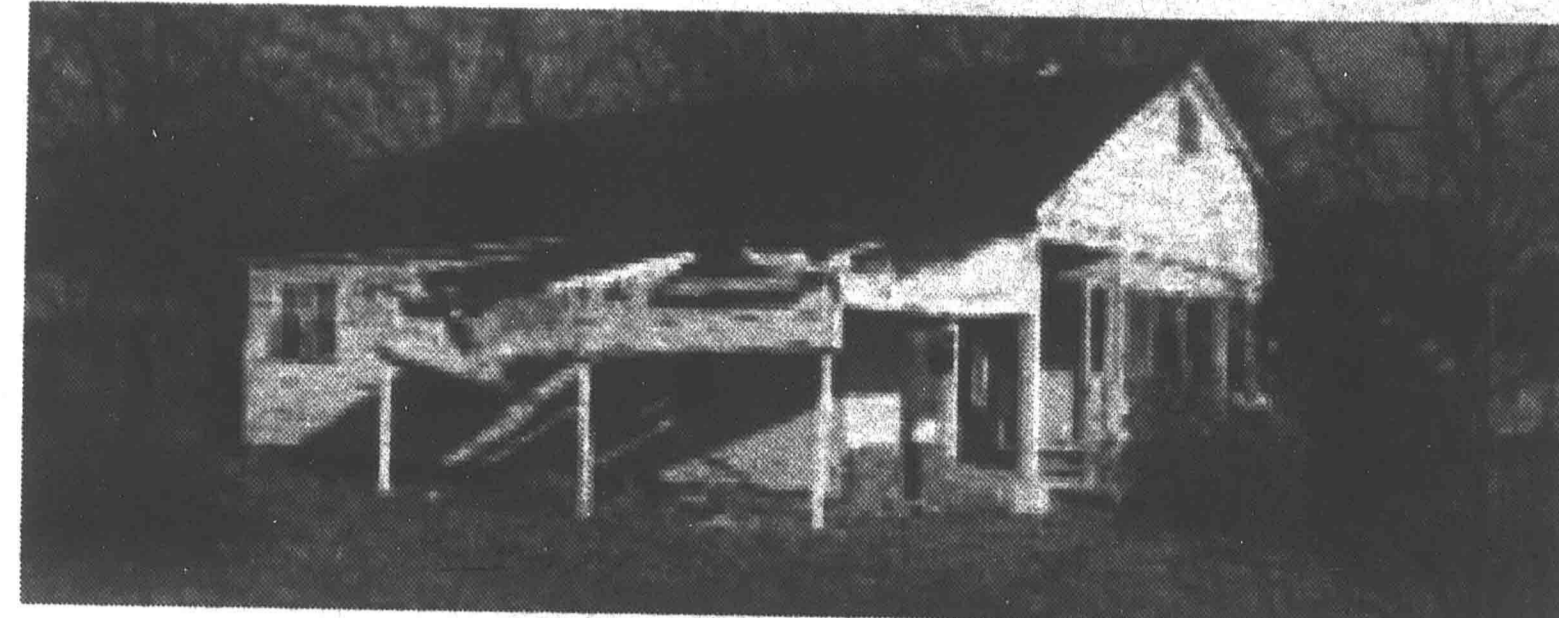
The game was Humboldt's third contribution to Lake County's 27-3 record.

for the full list of certified counseling agencies. THDA obtained a federal grant to pay for these agencies' counseling services.

A recent Realty Trac® report indicated that 2008 Lauderdale County foreclosure filings increased 92% from 2007 and 65% from 2006. There were 173 Lauderdale County properties with 2008 foreclosure filings which placed the county 17th in the state for foreclosure filings.

Tennessee is 12th in the nation with one foreclosure filing for every 61 households. Additional foreclosure filing information can be located at <http://www.thda.org/Research/ftrends/cy08.pdf>.

Halls Removes Houses



TWO HOUSES, located at 113 Cedar St. and 510 N. College Ext., in Halls, were removed February 14th by Hutcherson Metals as part of an ongoing effort to rid the Town of Halls of blighted property. Mayor Trent McManus stated that 12 dilapidated houses have been removed and other projects designed to make the town more attractive to industry and people looking to re-locate to Halls. Hutcherson Metals agreed to remove five more houses at no cost to the Town of Halls or the homeowners.

Birthdays

Feb. 26 – Stephanie Young, Jean Hansford, Anna Beard, John Paige Hendren, Erica Deberry, Barbara Mann, Shirley Holley, Christie Belton, Johnny Marvel, Ronnie Crawford.

Feb. 27 – Jennifer McNeill, Roque Rubio, Martha Lee Hunter, Cindy Schuh, Bobbie Wilson, Bobby Cain, Jon Hargett, Neil Dyer, Dena Harden, Bryan Bomar, Will McCullough, Phillip Glenn, Shirley Garton, Valerie Stephenson, Violet Williams.

Feb. 28 – Jeff Shelton, Nadine Cannon, Bennett Bailey, Rhonda Edmondson, Allyson Hartman, Scott Mayfield, Brooklyn Simpson, Sallye Rae Hartman, Carley Cherry, Beth Avery Dancy, Jenny Clark, Murrey Wakefield, Gregg Brown, Melissa Hurt, Jeanette Hamby, Jim Locks Schmidt, Anthony Binkley.

Feb. 29 – Kim Rhodes, Sandy McLemore, Charlotte Matthews, Paul Duncan.

March 1 – Chris Rhodes, Danny Young, Christopher Reynolds, Billy Green, Ricky

DeSpain, Nick Nunn, Brooke Cole, Leon Hargett, Will Glenn, Terry Garrett, Brandi Smith, Chip Scott, Zoe Carmack.

March 2 – Carolyn Hunter, Bryan Harris, Kelly Harrison, Michael L. Gaines, John Austin, Susan Scott, Kay Steelman, Kenny Parham, Felicia Klutts, Kaleb Hamlet, Jack Newman, Clois Spray, Harrell Nation, Guilford Williams, Maxie Ferguson, Jonathan Lee Randolph, Shem Charles Campbell, Allie Moss, Jeff Edwards, Alan Davis.

March 3 – Kim Young, Larry Hawks, Ashley Hamby Burnham, Stacy Beard, Charlotte Cooper, Van Thompson, Taylor Rai, Geraldine Chipman, Seal Elder, Denise Prescott, Crystal Belew, Ivan Criner, Sharon Permenter, Kimberly Wood, M. L. Hudson, Bobby Butner.

March 4 – Dana Freeman, Delene Johnson, Loretta Hammock, Harley Patterson, Jo Middleton, Linda Graves, Ronnie Ferguson, Jane Coleman, Rodney Ervin, Billie Faulk, Scott Hume.

School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, March 2nd
Cheeseburger
Pizza
French Fries
Tossed Salad w/Dressing
Applesauce
Banana
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, March 3rd
Baked Ham
Chicken Breast Fillet
Green Beans
Orange Sections
Grapes
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, March 4th Roasted
Turkey w/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Green Peas
Apple
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Thursday, March 5th
Chili Pie
Corn Nibbles
Pineapple Tidbits
Peaches
Choice Of Milk

Friday, March 6th
BBQ On Bun
Deli Sandwich
Baked Beans
Carrot Sticks w/Dip
Pear Halves
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

School Lunches

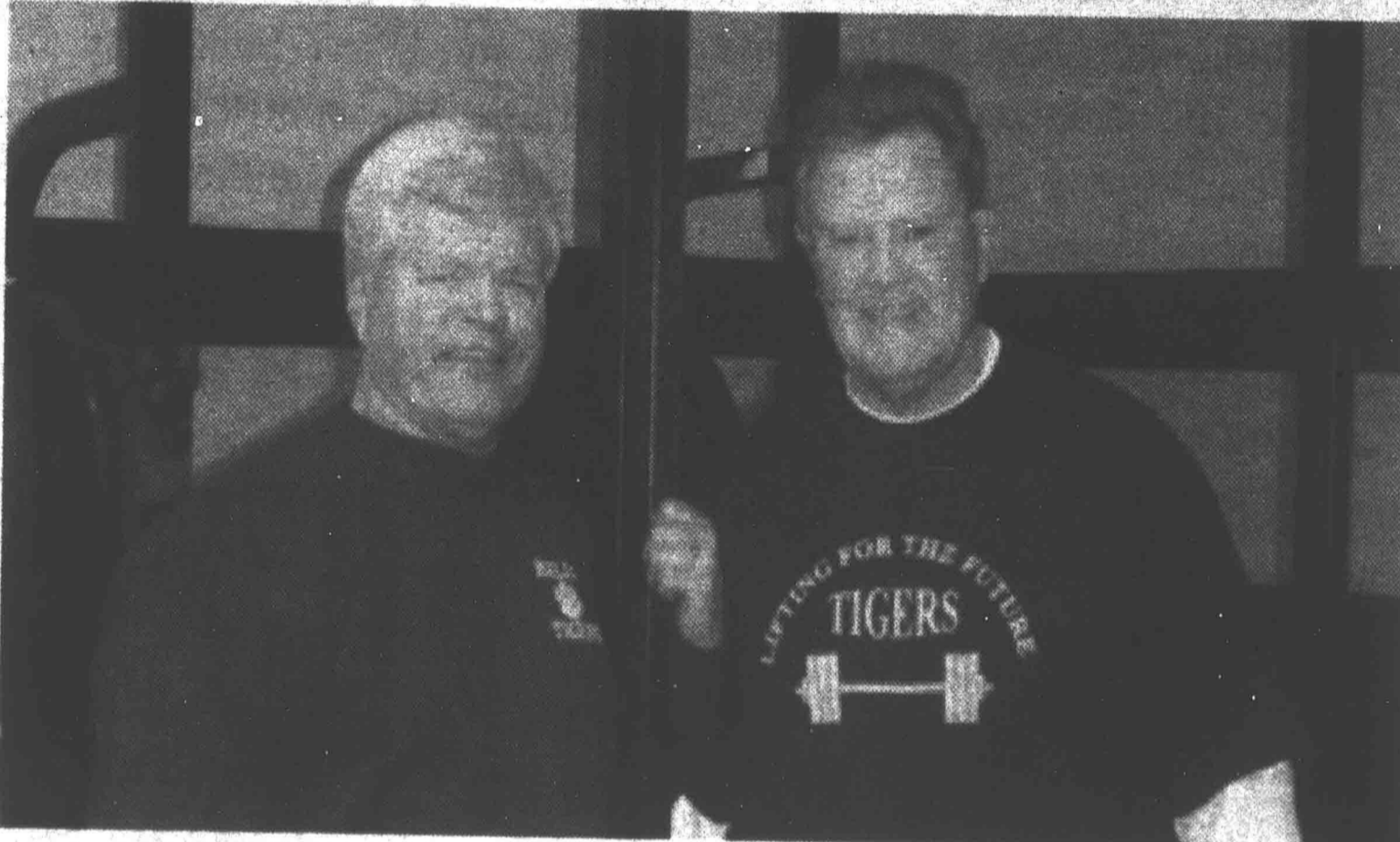
Ripley Primary School Halls Elementary School Pre-K to 3rd

Monday, March 2nd
Cheeseburger
French Fries
Applesauce
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Tuesday, March 3rd
Baked Ham
Green Beans
Orange Sections
Roll
Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, March 4th Roasted
Turkey w/Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Apple
Roll
Choice Of Milk

HJH Weightlifting



PAUL HENDERSON, Halls Junior High School eighth grade science teacher, and Phillip Crihfield, athletic community volunteer, began a weightlifting program five years ago for eighth grade students intending to play football in high school. The program kicked off this year in January with 25 students participating and will run throughout the remainder of the school year. Mr. Henderson and Mr. Crihfield meet with the boys twice a week to introduce proper weight lifting techniques that will build the foundation of fitness the students can carry with them throughout their high school careers.

Thursday, March 5th

Chili Pie
Corn Nibbles
Peaches
Choice Of Milk

Friday, March 6th

Deli Sandwich
Carrot Sticks w/Dip
Pear Halves
Cookie
Choice Of Milk

Anniversaries

Feb. 26 – Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Tutor, Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Rivera, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Everett.

Feb. 27 – Mr. and Mrs. Jer-

ry Crain, Mr. and Mrs. Larry McWilliams, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Todd White.

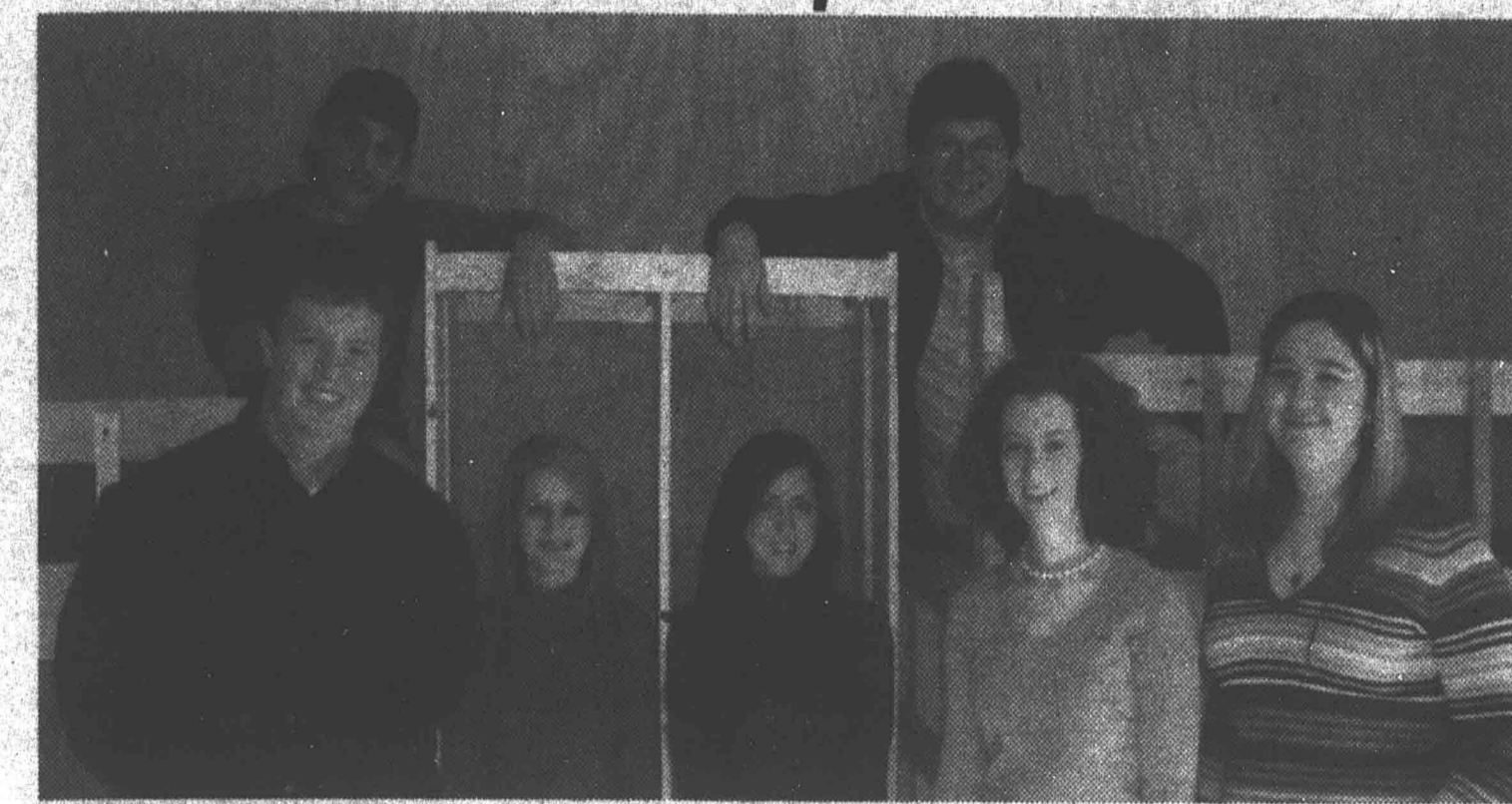
Feb. 28 – Dr. and Mrs. Art Poisal.

March 1 – Mr. and Mrs. Don Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Horner.

March 2 – Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Connell, Rev. and Mrs. Jessie Kiestler.

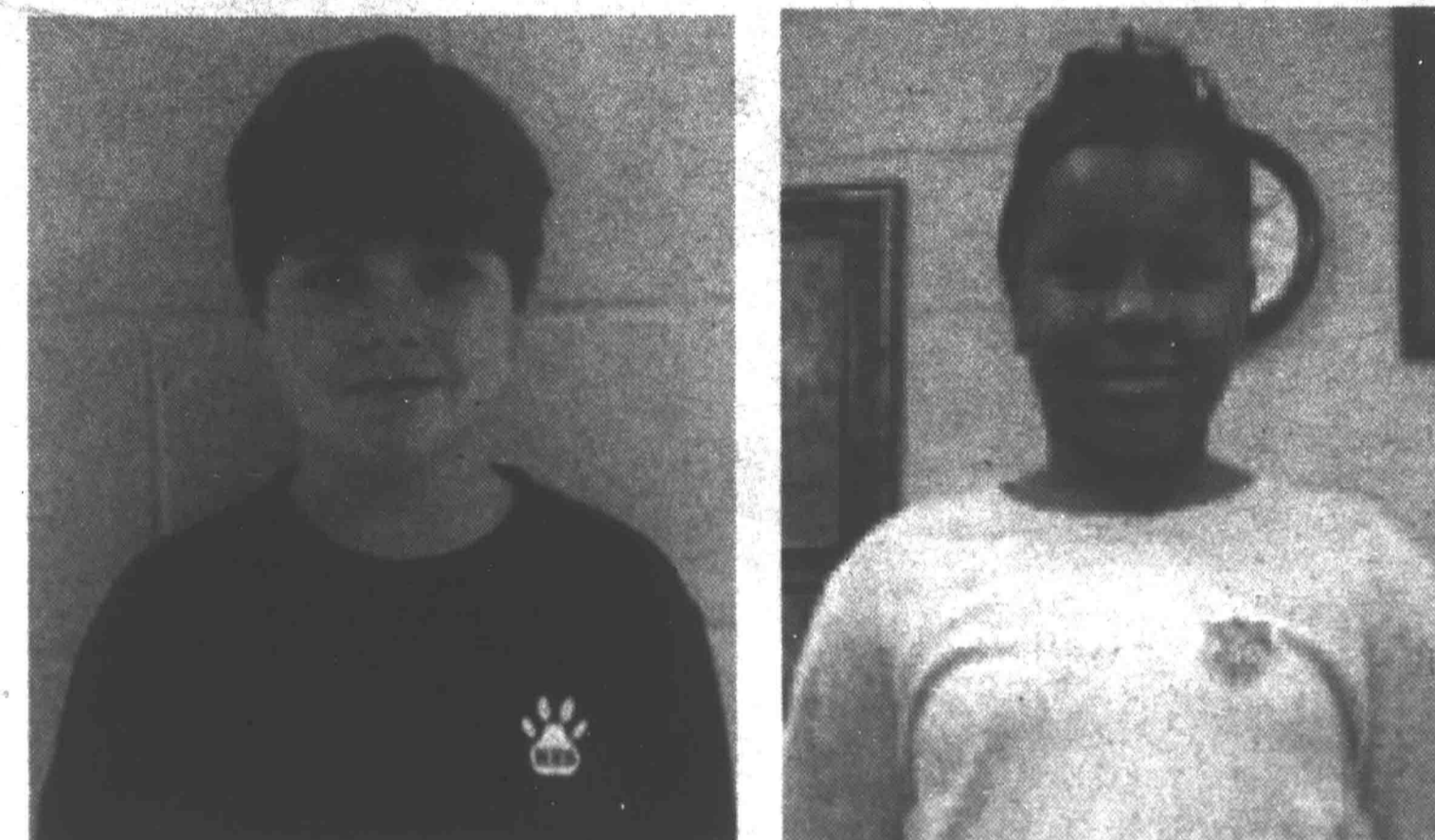
March 3 – Mr. and Mrs. John Blakley.

Fellowship Retreat



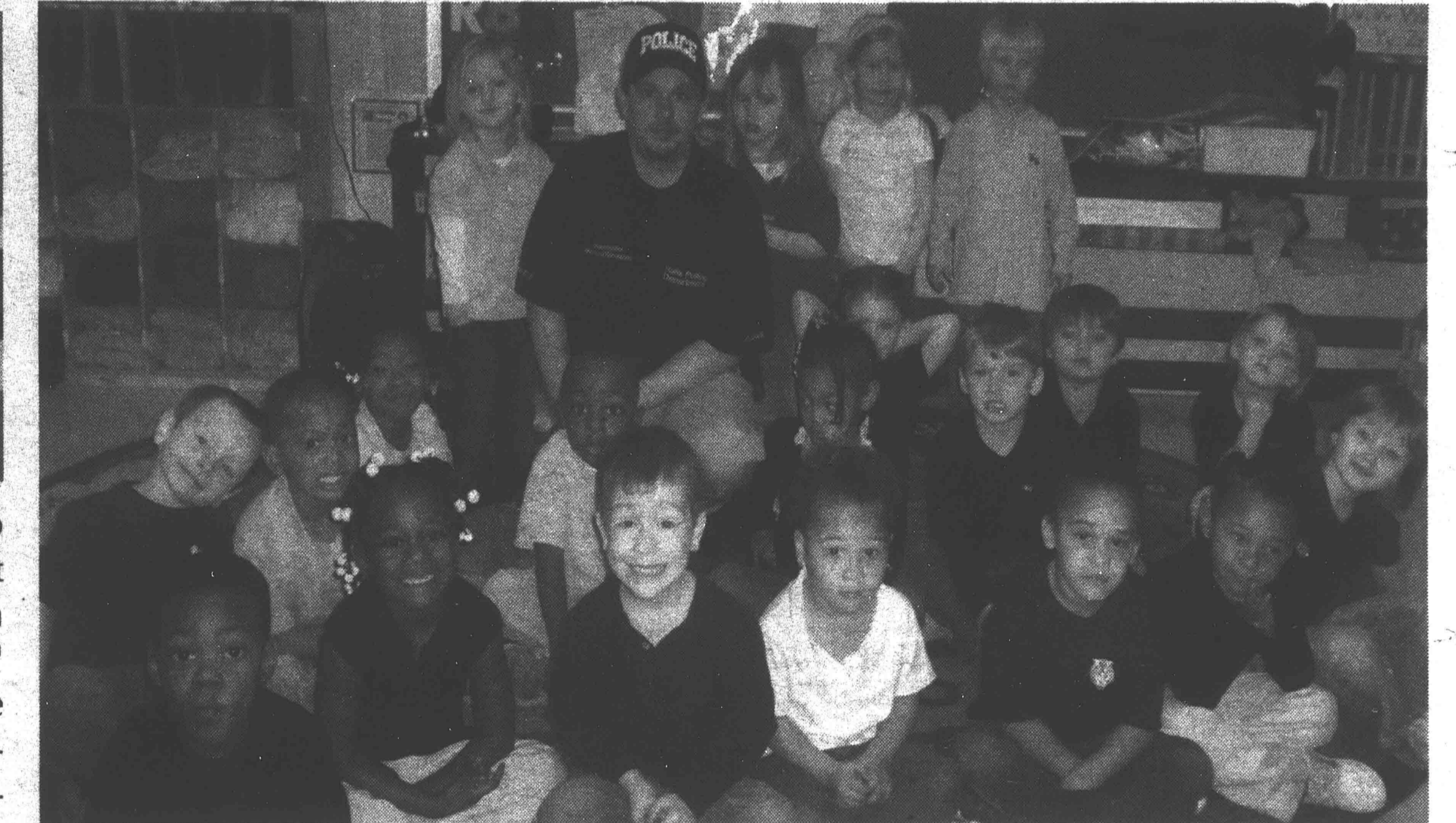
MEMBERS of the Halls First United Methodist Youth Fellowship participated in a retreat at New Life Youth Camp's new retreat center, in Halls, January 31st. The day began at 10 a.m. when the group donated their time to make 12 cubbies for the boys' and girls' bedrooms. These cubbies will allow the kids to have somewhere to hang their clothes and store their belongings during the summer camps and retreats. Once the cubbies were completed, the group enjoyed pizza and watching a movie, "Facing the Giants" with discussion afterward. NLYC serves underprivileged and at-risk kids by providing camps in the summer. Halls MYF meets at 5 p.m. Sunday nights in Halls First United Methodist Church and is open for all kids in grades 7 through 12. The group is led by Kathlene Meyer. Pictured with the cubbies are, in front, from left, Robert Hill, Alex Stanley, Shelby Parsonson Heather Hill and Shelby Gean, and in rear, Garvin Ferguson and Clint Vickery, plus, not pictured, Marla Haynes.

Spelling Bee Winners



ALEX HUTCHERSON, left, son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Hutcherson, of Halls, and a 3rd grade student at Halls Elementary School, won first place in the Primary Spelling Bee of the Lauderdale County Spelling Bee, held February 3rd at Lauderdale Middle School. Joecarius Washington, not pictured, son of Mary Washington, of Ripley, and a student at Ripley Elementary, won second place. Abby Henderson, not pictured, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chad Henderson, of Halls, and a student at Halls Elementary, won third place. Brittany Taylor, right, daughter of Norisa Jones, of Ripley, and a 4th grade student at Ripley Elementary School, won first place in the Intermediate Spelling Bee. She is scheduled to represent Lauderdale County in the Mid-South Spelling Bee March 7th at the Al Chymia Shrine Temple in Memphis. Matthew Palmer, son of Denise Clenna, and a student at Lauderdale Middle, won second place. JaKobe Johnson, son of Guanita Cork, and a student at Ripley Elementary, won third place. The Lauderdale County Spelling Bee was sponsored by the Bank of Ripley, BankTennessee, Lauderdale County Bank and Bancorp-South Bank of Henning. Phillis Barlow, instructional and materials supervisor was the coordinator.

Officer Visits



RICHARD MAUPPINS, Halls Police Officer, visited students in the pre-kindergarten classroom of Mrs. Janet Baker at Halls Elementary School to talk about his job. He also helped the children review the safety lessons they have learned this year.

Between The Barrels



STUDENTS at Halls High School, including, in upper photo, Brittany Ward, Kelli Reynolds, and Shamona Wells, and in lower photo, Curit Latham and Kenny Bishop, are working on a video as part of the Tennessee Highway Patrol "Between

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

A pancake breakfast will be held from 7 to 11 a.m. Saturday, February 22nd at Halls Westside Baptist Church, 705 Sumrow St. All proceeds will go to the Amber Woodard Mission Trip Fund. Amber is preparing to go on an 8-1/2 month mission trip to Reynosa, Mexico. Donations will be taken. The public is invited.

Marriages

February 13th – Robert L. Helm, 51, to Shirley Jackson Deberry, 42, by Xavier Lawrence Andrews.

February 14th – Paul Charles Morris, 43, to Cynthia Carmen Gay Durham, 43, by Mark Kirkpatrick.

Martress Shaw, 29, to Celena Donyette Whitley, 32, by William H. Jarrett.

L. C. McBroom, 63, to Susan Ann Evert McBroom, 52, by Harold Blackwood.

February 19th – Jim Wesley Goodman, Jr., 41, to Tracy Lynn Allen Gatlin, 36, by Rod Schuh.

the Barrels" video competition. The winner will be featured on television in commercials. Brittany and Kelli are paramedics, Shamona and Curit are victims, and Kenny served as a police officer. Vote for Halls High School at www.between-the-barrels.com and help them to be recognized on television.

Deadline xxx

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Ross N. Bates, Kathyne Farmer, Ella Weber, Jerry Holland, Charles Culbreath, and Thelma B. Winbush have picked up petitions for Henning alderman. Taylor, Allen, Farmer, Weber, and Culbreath have returned their petitions.

Jeffrey Crowder, Sr., Cleve Pike, and Booker J. Nance, Sr. have picked up a petition seeking the position of Gates Mayor. Pike has returned his petition. Cindy Marvel, Wymond D. Walpole, Terry Janda, Bobby Vaughn, and Windy Willette have picked up petitions for Gates alderman. Marvel and Walpole have returned their petitions.

Champions xxx

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compete in the 8th annual Kid Gloves Tournament sponsored by the Covington Fraternal Order of Police (FOP).

D. Smith, 10, was awarded the most outstanding Junior Boxer trophy as he outskilled his Rock Port, Ind., opponent.

B. Smith, 11, did a great job against his Chattanooga opponent.

Taliaferro, 10, won by referee stopping contest (RSC) in the first round in his debut.

Kani Coleman, 15, showing tremendous improvement in skill, as well as conditioning, simply outboxed his more experienced Arkansas opponent.

The Lauderdale County Boxing Club won the Team Trophy for the tournament for having the most champions.

The coaches, Heath and Clay, were presented an award for the outstanding coaches of the 2008-2009 season.

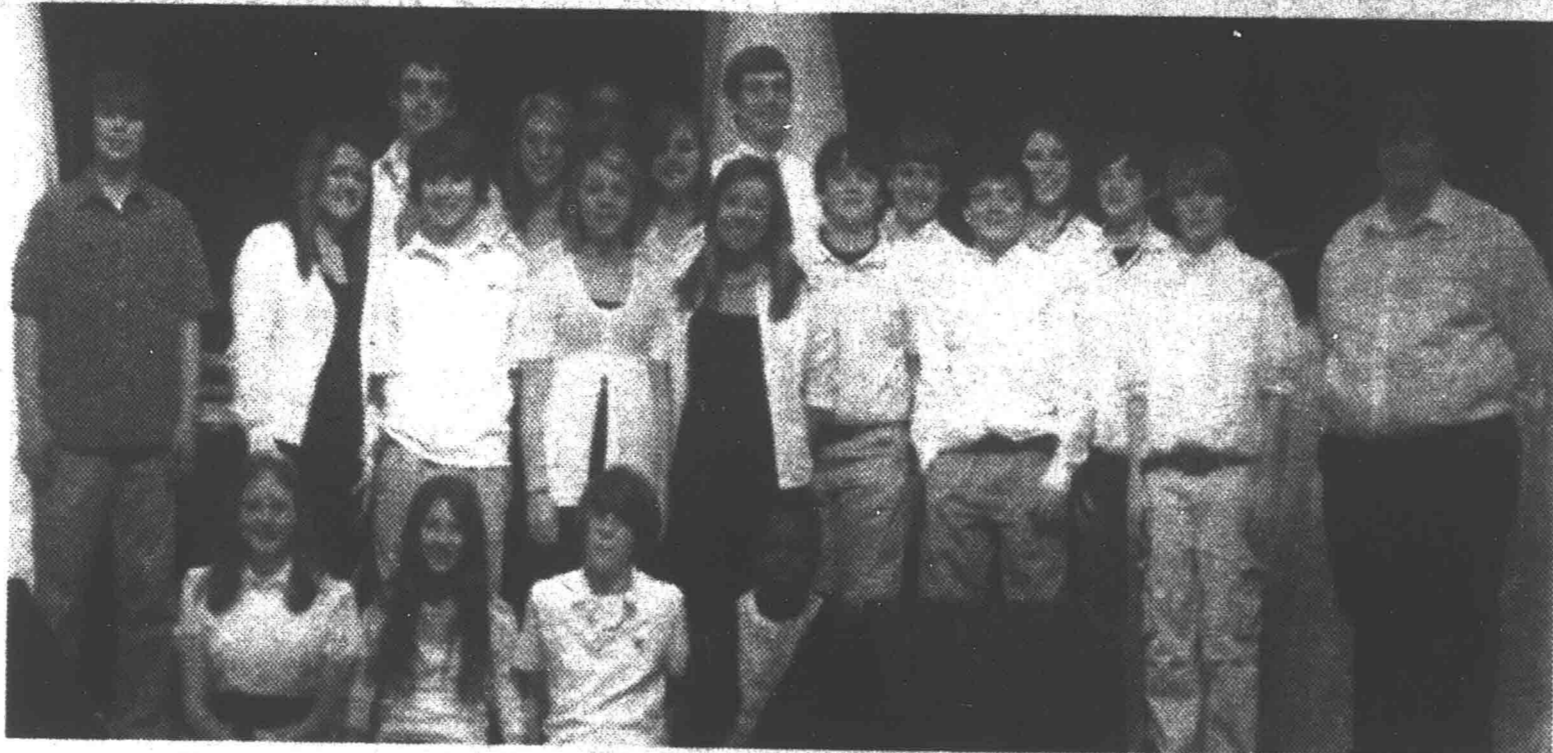
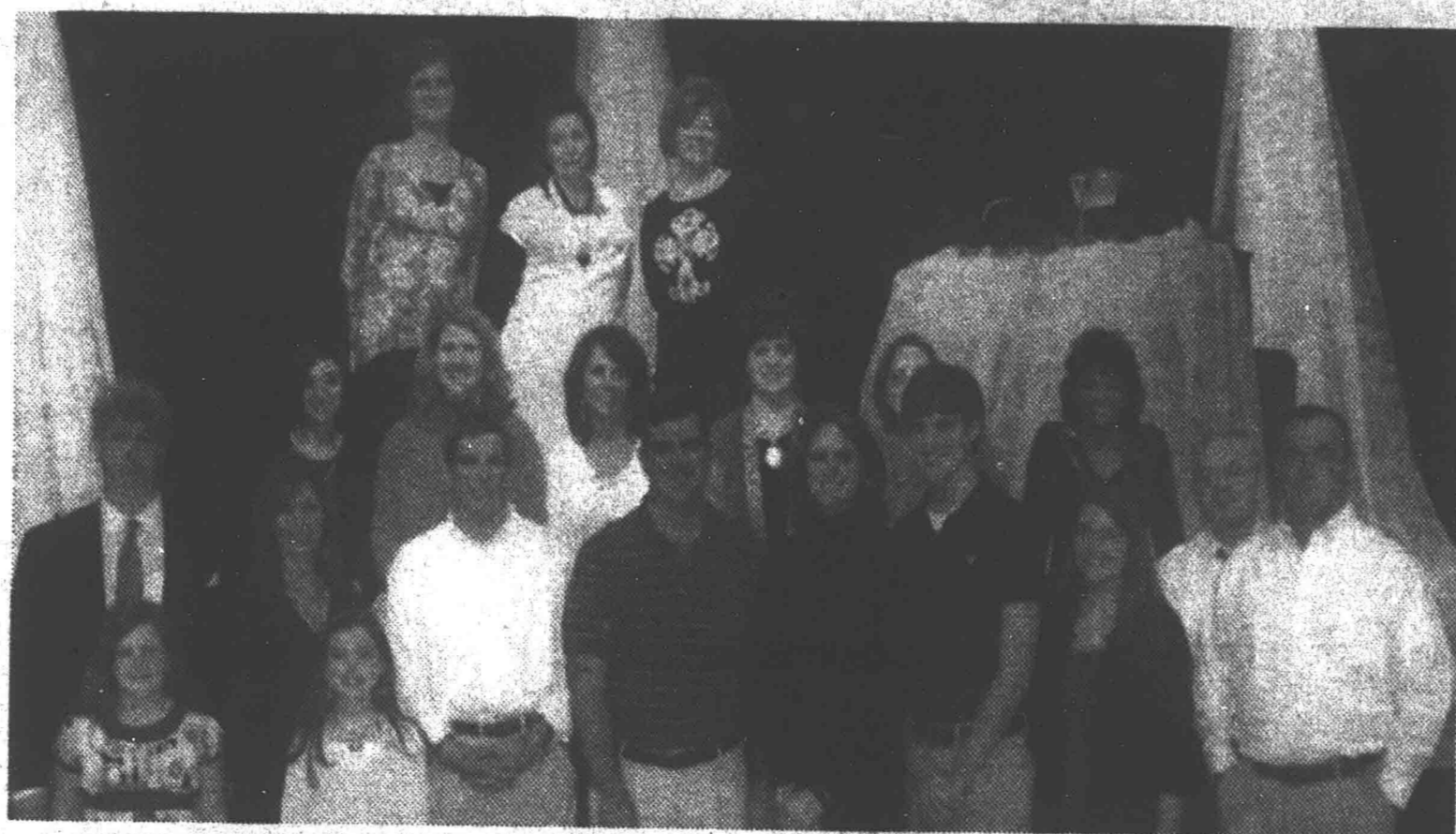
Divorces

Douglas Leon Lovette vs. Sabrina Lee Bates Lovette.

Gary Daniel Flowers vs. Mandy Jo Flowers.

William M. Scifres III vs. Glenda C. Scifres.

Love Notes Fundraiser



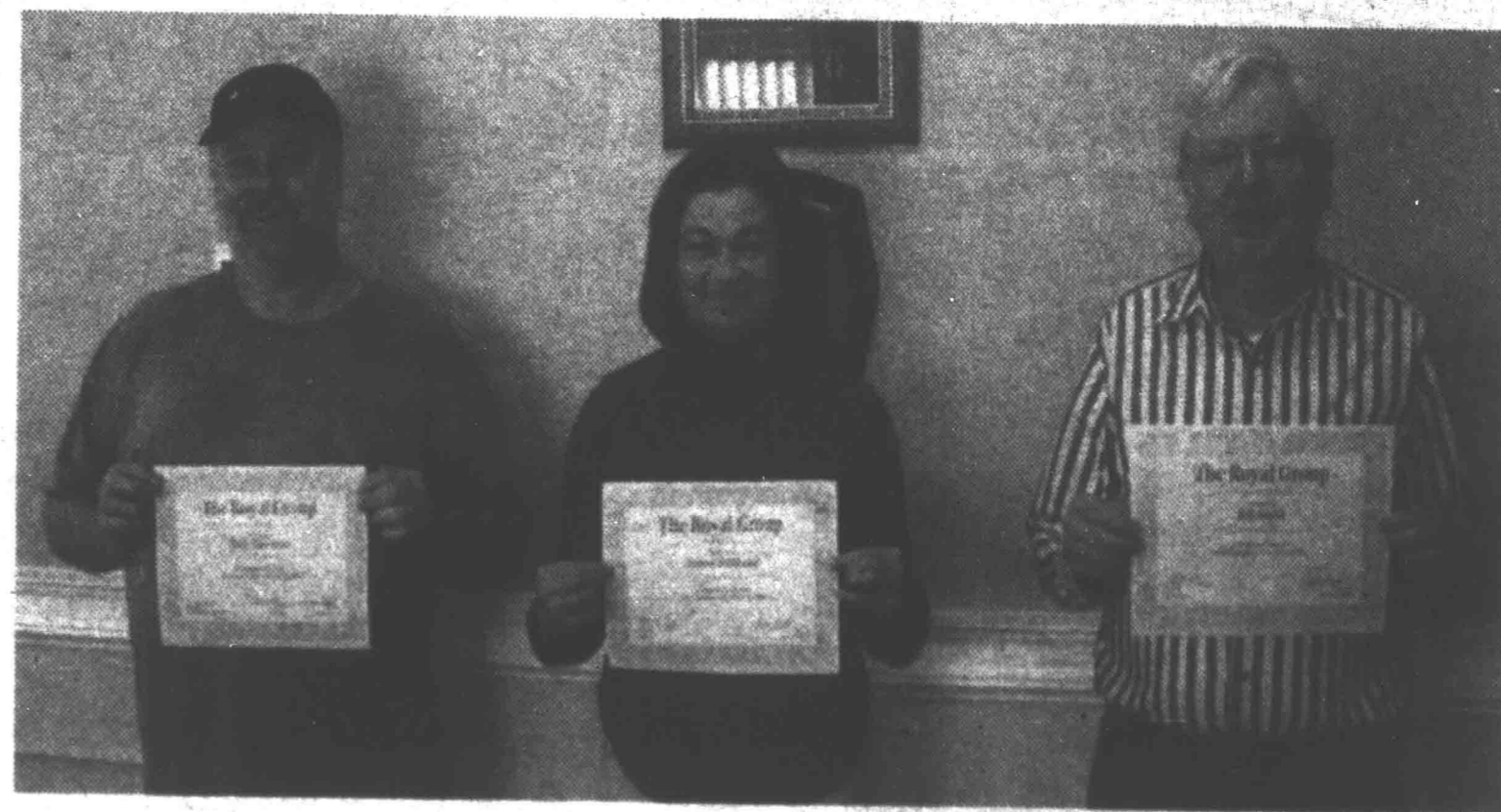
PARENTS, in upper photo, including Elizabeth and Ben Goodwin, Tania and Barry Farley, Kim and Clay Dew, Jennifer and Allan Jordan, Rhonda and Rob Harris, Shawna Moore, Tonya and Trey Hurt, Lee Anne and Dino Harrison, Jamie and Mark Reynolds, Scott Meeks, Gladys Nance, Shannon Blackwood, Tammy and Rodney McClellan, Melissa Archibald, Lesa Hughes, Jonathan Yarbrough, Hillary Agee, and Leslie Shands, of students, attending Halls Junior High School participated in "Love Notes" Friday, February 13th, for the Town of Halls and the school. It was an elegant evening of musical entertainment and tasty delicacies provided by parents, teachers, and supporters of the school. In middle photo, Halls Junior High School student helpers included Jessie Belton, Amanda McBroom, Clayton Dew, Devin Pitts, Garrett Gooch, Destiny Street, Trevor Belton, Alexa Jordon, Lindsey Elmore, Logan Edwards, Chisholm Vaughan, Carson Reynolds, Hunter Farley, Cole Nichols, Mandy McClellan, DeShawn Hildreath, Shelbie Hurt, Zach Harris, Skylar Harrison, Kelsey Latham, and Noah Goodwin. Performers included, in lower photo, Bill Kelly, Jana Parnell, Bill Butner, Mario Hayslett, Tommie Currie, Keith Gambill, Lori Morris, Jovita Stark, Laura Leigh Short, Carla Evans, and Makia Reynolds. Brian Vaughn, of BV's Electronics, and James Murphy, provided the sound system equipment. The purpose of the evening was to raise funds for the HJH Spirit Fund which seeks to meet student and school needs and is currently endeavoring to purchase a sound system, for the school, a definitive need for both junior and senior high functions. HJH houses the only stage in the immediate community, and the system would be utilized for dramatic, athletic, and "program" functions.

Visiting Museum



CARLA KELLY, right, and members of Beta Sigma Phi, from Atoka and the Memphis area, visited the Veterans' Museum February 14th. One of the members, fourth from left, was presented an Appreciation Medallion. A World War II Veteran, she was a Navy Medic in the Pacific. Although she enjoyed the Museum and appreciated the medallion, she stated the highlight of her day was visiting with WWII Navy veteran, Wymond Moore, who also served in the Pacific. The sparkle in her eyes was definitely contagious. She also shared experiences with Bob Little, WWII B-17 pilot in the Pacific.

Perfect Attendance



EMPLOYEES of Allen-Stone Box/The Royal Group, in Halls, from left, Dale Thornton, Teresa Gilliland, and Bill Smith, were recognized February 4th during a "Celebration" luncheon for having perfect attendance during 2008. Barry Britt, operations manager, presented each of the recipients with a Certificate of Award for Perfect Attendance and a VISA gift card.

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