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## Child Abuse Prevention



**VOLUNTEERS** with the Lauderdale County Exchange Club Carl Perkins Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse, from left, Renetta Garrison, Annette Maxwell, director, Deanna Pavletic, and Marilyn Chisholm, are distributing blue bows to businesses, schools, and government offices throughout Lauderdale County for National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The bows will be displayed through the month of April. If any business would like a bow, call the center, 635-7856.

## Service Awards Presented



**SERVICE AWARDS** were presented last week to employees at the Lauderdale County Health Department for their years of employment. Those recognized included, in front, Dr. Charlotte Coleman, center, 5 years, and Audrey Jones, right, 25 years, and in rear, Gail Gause, 30 years, Teresa Walker, 30 years, and Bridget Worlds, 10 years. They are pictured with in front, left, Mica Rudd, County Director for Health Department, and West Tennessee Regional Director, Marilyn Barnes, right in rear.

## Nurse Dies In Helo Crash



Misty Brogdon, 34, of Medina, step-mother of Kayla Brogdon, of Halls, died when a Hospital Wing helicopter crashed, just after 6 a.m. Thursday of last week, in a wheat field east of the Haywood Industrial Park in Brownsville.

Also killed were pilot Doug Phillips, 58, of Bartlett, and another flight nurse, Cindy Parker, 48, of Dyersburg.

Phillips had more than 2,400 hours of flight time. No trouble was reported by radio.

The 'copter was returning to its base in Brownsville after having flown a patient from Parsons to Jackson.

Another firm had declined, at 4:02 a.m., a flight from Parsons to Jackson because of stormy weather.

Hospital Wing operates five helicopters from Brownsville and Oxford, Miss. The Eurocraft A-Star which crashed was one of the newest in its fleet.

It was the firm's first crash since it was founded in 1986.

Eleven medical 'copter crashes in the U.S. since December, 2007, have taken 41 lives.

Rites for Misty were Sunday in West Jackson Baptist Church, with burial in Ridgecrest Cemetery.

Memorial services for the crash victims were held Wednesday in Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis.

Misty leaves grandparents, Charles and Marchie Oakley and Fred and Margaret Russell of Jackson; parents, Ronnie and Freda Oakley, of Jackson; her husband, Kevin Brogdon, and a son, Kenley, of Medina; a sister, Brandy (Mrs. Jamie) Moore, of Springfield; and a grandson, Austan Moore.

Memorial gifts may go to Kenley Brogdon, c/o Commercial Bank & Trust, 3093 N. Highland, Jackson, TN 38305.

--Jackson Sun Photo



Misty Brogdon

## Offices To Close Early April 2nd

The offices of *The Lauderdale County Enterprise* and *The Halls Graphic*, at 145 E. Jackson Ave., Ripley, will close at noon Friday, April 2nd for Good Friday. They will re-open at 8 a.m. Monday, April 5th.

provider a new official Tennessee Certificate of Immunization beginning July 1, 2010.

The required immunizations will be available, free of charge, at the Lauderdale County Health Department April 5th-9th. For an appointment, call 635-4661.

## New Daycare And School Immunizations Changes

The Tennessee Department of Health has announced that children enrolling in child care and school who start pre-kindergarten, Kindergarten, 7th grade or who are a new student in Tennessee for the first time, will be required to provide to the school or child care



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### Birthdays

April 1 - Carl Hoggard, Doug Ward, Vance Brewster, Alisa Parish, Gladys Crain, Emilee Anne Hartman, Jeannie Vickery, Anetta Boyd, Christopher Hardy, Ama'Jay Boyd, Teresa M. Ward, Jeff Weaver, Chris Carmack, Jim Clark, Betty T. Henson, Robin Hughes, Mary Beth Caldwell, Darlene Crowder, Ora Currin, James Mills, Zaylee Brown, Sarah Woodard, Mary Lattimore.

### Anniversaries

April 1 - Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fullen, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lawson.  
April 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Burlison, Mr. and Mrs. David Edwards.  
April 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Phil Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Childress, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Cohill.  
April 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Norman Layne, Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Hutcherson, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Ward.  
April 6 - Mr. and Mrs. James L. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Stanley.  
April 7 - Mr. and Mrs. Billy Gibbons.

### Land Transfers

March 21st - March 27th  
Michael Leggett and Lori Leggett to James Alan Gerald and Julie Gerald, Dist. 6, 5.0 acres.  
U.S. Bank NA to John E. Maxwell, lot.  
Lena N. Herron, Dustin C. Herron and Lena N. Kirby to Arycka Moore, Dist. 6, lot.  
Finance Venture Associates LLC to Susan Kathleen Matthews, lot.  
Jerry B. Hughes and Cathy L. Hughes to Charles M. Brown and Donna M. Brown, Dist. 16, 7.5285 acres.  
Homesales, Inc. to Richard Douglas, Dist. 6, lot.  
Valerie Lynn Ammons, Judy Carol Brown, and Eva Virginia Edwards Estate to Jerry Baggett and David Bivens, Dist. 2, lot.

### Marriages

March 20th - Timothy George Whitehead, 32, to Amaris Lane McGee Tucker, 24, by Tracy Henson.  
Daniel Edward Willis, 34, to Crystal Dawn Latham, 29, by Owen D. Lilly, Sr.  
Bobby Wayne Prescott, 39, to Kimberly Ann Davis, Payne Fullen, Matthew Swope, Michelle Jones, Karlee Rhodes, Annie Jones.

## HHS Nine Tops Humboldt, 13-0

Halls High School's baseball team led Humboldt Monday, 13-0.

The shut-out followed 2-2 and 1-2 records in early season tournaments.

In the Schuh Tournament in Ripley, Halls led Lake County, 18-5, and Covington, 14-8, losing to Brighton, 9-8, and to Ripley, 12-2.

In the Best of the West Tournament in Brighton, Halls led the Memphis Home Education Assn., 15-6, losing to Bolton, 5-2, and Munford, 4-2.

## Softball: Halls Tops RHS, 8-3

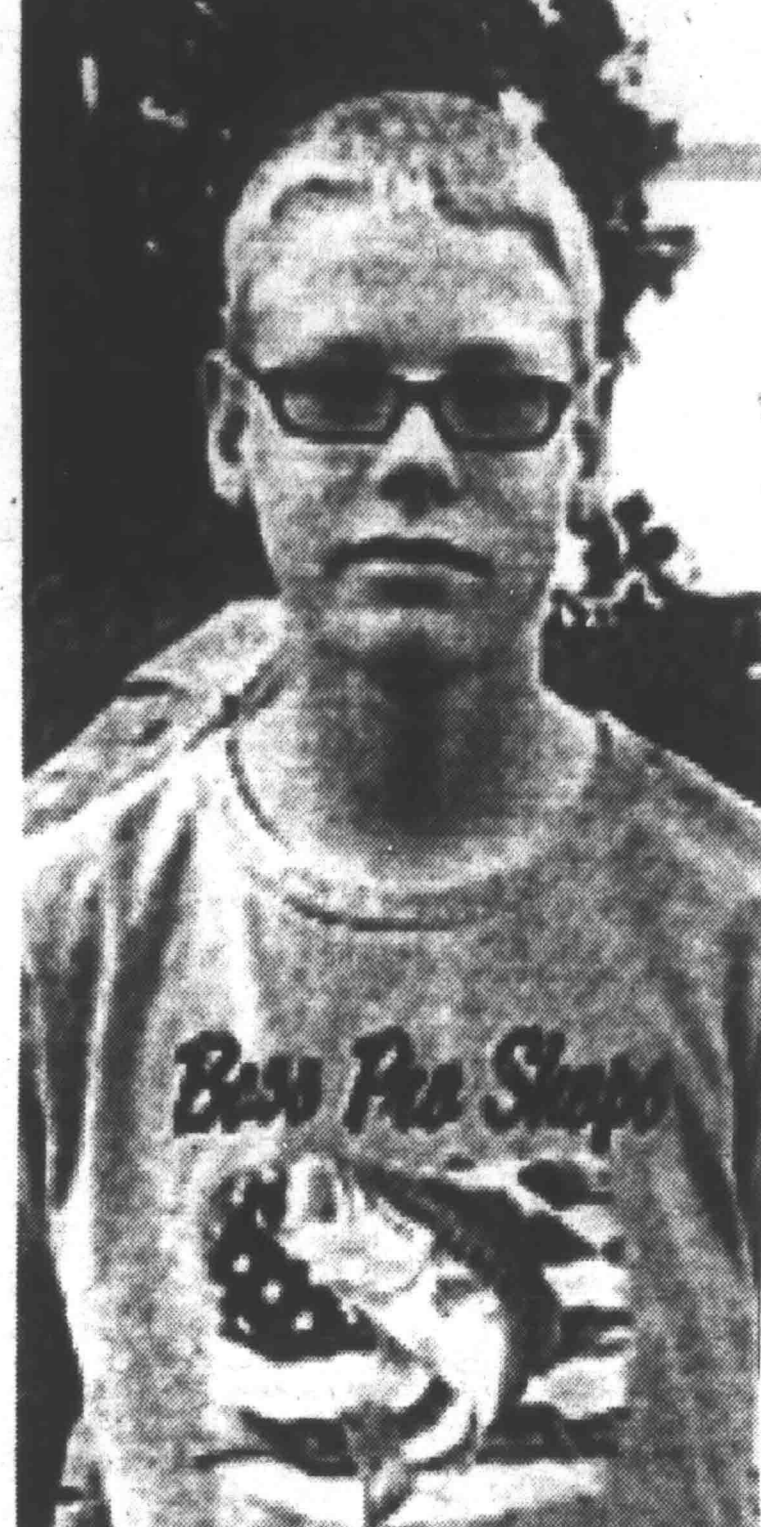
Halls High School's softball team led Ripley High School's girls Monday, 8-3.

It was RHS's second loss to Halls this season, much wider than its 2-1 loss in the Whitehead Tournament, in which Ripley High School also lost to Millington, 3-2, Dyer County, 4-0, and the University School of Jackson, 7-0.

HHS split the tourney, winning from Jackson Christian and Ripley, 2-1, losing to Hickman County, Ky., 2-1, and Camden, 5-1, and tying Camden 3-3.

Halls later lost to Munford, 3-2, and won from Union City, 3-2.

### Benefit



TYLER BARHAM, 14, son of Ginny Barham and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Barham, all of Ripley, is scheduled to undergo brain surgery in April, to help alleviate seizures. A fish fry and musical trip through the 50's and 60's will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, April 3rd at the Curve Community

You can fool all the people some of the time, and some of the people all the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time. -Abraham Lincoln

### 3rd Annual 5K And Fun Walk

Marvin Windows and Doors of Tennessee's 3rd annual 5K and Fun Walk is scheduled for 8 a.m. Saturday, April 24th, at the Ripley City Park with proceeds to benefit the Lauderdale County Relay for Life. Pre-registration must be received by April 7th to receive a T-shirt.

For more information, cost or to register, call Hal Williams, 635-6431, or Sharon Hargett, 221-3203.

24, by Raymond G. Malotte.

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**Obituaries**

**Daisy Campbell**

Daisy W. Campbell, 91, widow of William M. Campbell, died Tuesday of last week in Signature Health Care in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in the cemetery of Grace Baptist Church, west of Ripley.

She leaves sons, Glenn, of Memphis, Wayne, of Cordova, Jimmy, of Cottontown, Billy, of Clermont, Fla., and Larry, of Margate, Fla.; 13 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

**Lona Hall**

Lona Hall, 67, of Olive Branch, Miss., formerly of Memphis, died Tuesday of last week.

Rites were Friday in Forest Hill East Funeral Home in Memphis.

She was born at Ripley, Jan. 2, 1943, to the late Leon and Ruby Haynes Hall.

She was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church.

She leaves her husband for 39 years, A. F. Hall, a daughter, Stacie Hall, a step-son, Anthony Hall, and a step-daughter, Stephanie Anderson, all of Olive Branch.

Memorial gifts to St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis would be appropriate.

**Frances Seratt**

Frances Seratt, 83, of Dyersburg, sister of Lois F. Ward, of 721 W. Needmore Rd., Halls, died Monday of last week in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Wednesday of last week in Curry Funeral Home in Dyersburg.

She was the widow of Robert Seratt.

She leaves a son, Robert Houston Seratt, of Monroe, La.; daughters, Pam Doss, of Dyersburg, and Barbara Dotson, of Trenton; four grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

**Billy Wayne Baker**

Billy Wayne Baker, 77, of 330 Sharp, Halls, route salesman, died Thursday of last week in the Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were Monday in Concord United Methodist Church, east of Gates, with burial in its cemetery, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He was born at Halls, Feb. 10, 1933, to the late Joe David and Etta Mae Heath Baker.

He leaves his wife, Wanda Sue Health Baker, whom he married April 8, 1955; a son, David Wayne Baker, of Ripley; a daughter, Wanda Jean Douglas, of Halls; and a sister, Ruth Johnson, of Friendship.

Memorial gifts to the Diabetes Assn. would be appropriate.

**James R. Burks**

James Rhea Burks, 74, of 4307 Concord Road, Gates, who had been employed by Wright's Auto Parts and Metals in Gates, died Saturday, in his home.

Rites were Monday in Concord United Methodist Church, with burial in its cemetery, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He was born at Gates, March 28, 1935, to the late Werter and Willie Voss Burks.

He was a Navy veteran.

He leaves his wife, Betty; sons, Jimmy II, of Gates, Jeffrey Burks, of Jackson, and Josh Smith, of Trenton; daughters, Jasmine Wood and Stephanie (Mrs. Troy) Coley, of Ripley, Cynthia Smith, of Dyersburg, and Jessica Wakeham and Kimberly (Mrs. Randy) She-min, of Nashville; a brother, Pete, of Halls; four sisters, Mary Lou McMahan, of Ripley, Patsy (Mrs. Leonard) Meeks, of Halls, Julie (Mrs. Bill) Davis, of Dyersburg, and Bettye (Mrs. Gary) Howard, of Bartlett; and 10 grandchildren.

Memorial gifts may go to Le-Bonheur Hospital in Memphis or the Wings Foundation, 109 N. Humphreys, Blvd., Memphis.

**McElmurry Baby**

Jayden Antman McElmurry, son of Antwan McElmurry, of Halls, and Diondra Henderson, of 218 Northcrest, Ripley, was still-born Monday of last week in the Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Friday in the cemetery of St. Luke Baptist Church in Ripley, Thompson's Mortuary in charge.

He leaves grandparents, Charlene McElmurry, of Halls, and Kevin Gingery and Bernard and Sandra Pitts, of Ripley.

He leaves great-grandparents, James Henderson and Mary Sims, of Ripley, and Florida Gingery, of Henning.

**Hattie Mae Tates**

Hattie Mae Tates, 80, of Gates, died March 21st in the Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Saturday in the Fountain of Life Church of God in Christ in Halls, with burial in Old Chapel Cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

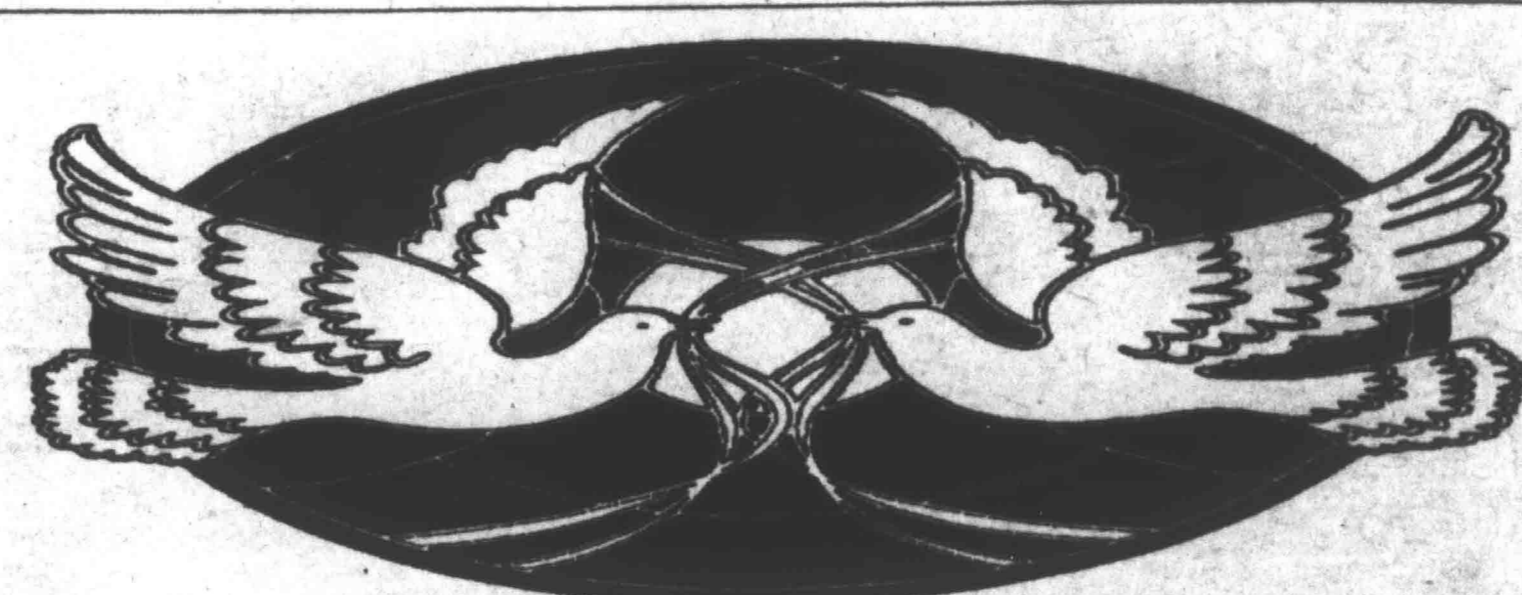
She leaves sons, Walter, of Gates, Eric and Willie Madison Tates, of Halls, and Elder Frederick Tates, of Kennett, Mo.; daughters, Cassandra Tates, of Gates, Emma Higginbottom, of Chicago, Ill., Mary McKinney, of Milwaukee, Wisc., and Shirley Tates, of Georgia; 14 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

**James Littles**

James Joseph Littles, 71, of 297 Joe Barfield Rd., Henning, died March 27th at Baptist Memorial Hospital Desoto in Southaven, Miss.

Graveside services were at 2 p.m. March 31st at Archer's Chapel Cemetery, near Halls.

He leaves his wife, Kaye Littles, of Henning; three sons, Larry Littles, of Brownsville, Brad Fuller, of Dyers-



**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.

Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 370 Poplar Grove Rd., Henning, will hold spring revival services at 7 p.m. nightly, April 5th through 7th, with guest evangelists. The Rev. John Payne and the Antioch Curve Baptist Church mass choir will be guests Monday; The Rev. Tom Terry, of Brownsville, along with members and the mass choir of his church, will be guests Tuesday; The Rev. Jodie Starks and members of the Eads First Baptist Church and mass choir will be guests Wednesday. The Rev. Willie Dyson, pastor, invites the public.

Halls Westside Baptist Church, 705 Sumrow St., will hold revival services beginning at 10:50 a.m. Sunday, April 11th with Dr. Joe Wright. Services will continue at 6 p.m. Sunday and at 7 p.m. nightly Monday, April 12th through Wednesday, April 14th. The public is invited.

Ripley's First Assembly of God Church, 233 Church St., will hold an Easter sunrise service at 7 a.m. Sunday, April 4th with breakfast to follow. Regular Sunday school services will be held at 9:45 a.m. and worship services to follow at 11 a.m. The Rev. Gary Green, pastor, invites the public.

Asbury United Methodist Church will hold its Easter musical and drama, "Because He Lives", at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 3rd. The public is invited.

Immanuel Episcopal Church will hold its Maundy Thursday service at 5 p.m., April 1st, and Good Friday service, April 2nd. Fountain of Life Ministries, in Halls, is announcing HYPE Night at 7 p.m. April 16th. Elder Dalton Jackson, youth minister, invites the public. For more information, contact Elder Jackson, daltonjackson@folministries.org.

Beacon Light Baptist Church, 197 Drake St., Ripley, will hold a gospel singing at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 10th with Faith-S, the Joyful Sounds, Cathy Joyner, and the Beacon Light Praise Team. Bro. Owen Lilly, pastor, invites the public.

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burg, and Fred Nordstrom, of Sterling, Conn.; two daughters, Dana Crook, of Dyersburg, and Ginger Crossen, of Brownsville; two sisters, Glenda Grugett, of Dyersburg, and Carolyn Davison, of Crockett Mills; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

**CORRECTION**

In the obituary of James Prater, Joe Prater was listed twice. Joe, of Mason, and what should have been Huey Prater, of Ripley. We regret inaccurate information.

Don't give cherries to pigs or advice to fools.

—Irish Proverb

**Easter Sunrise Service Scheduled**



**MEMBERS**, of Ripley First Assembly of God, 233 Church St. in Ripley, including, from left, Louis Ruff, Emily Ray, Kathy Ivy, Ronnie Ray, Leslie Ruff, Lora Ray, Bobby Ray, Gloria Prescott, Chris Shoemake, Stephen Ivy, Tammy Vickery, Mary Pittman, Annette Sanders, Ronnie Hunter, Brooklyn Phillips and The Rev. Gary Green, plus, not pictured, Angela Hunter, met Saturday at the church to distribute handouts announcing the Easter sunrise service. The service is scheduled for 7 a.m. Easter morning, Sunday, April 4th, in the parking lot at the church, with breakfast to follow. Other services scheduled, include Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship at 11 a.m. The public is invited to attend.

**Reader Speaks**

Editor,

In my third-grade reader there was a story about a little Old-World country of long ago that was famous for the valuable mushrooms that grew there. A blight, however, kept reducing the number of mushrooms the farms produced until they finally disappeared, and the country became poverty stricken.

Litter covered the country, and one farmer, having no mushrooms to gather, began picking up the litter that covered his place instead, and soon his was the only farm in the country where mushrooms grew again. On his travels through the country to see what help his subjects needed, the king spied the neat farm, and was so delighted at the sight and the return of the mushrooms there that he took the farmer to the castle where he heaped honors and gifts on him.

Lauderdale County is blighted with one of the highest unemployment rates in the state, and we need

a return of employment opportunities. I once heard that the representative of a company seeking a town in which to locate asked the official showing him around to take him to the cemetery, for his company felt that a town that didn't care about its dead couldn't be counted on to produce good employees.

The people who are littering our roadsides with drink bottles and cans, garbage from take-out meals, and even old chairs and couches, may see no connection between their careless acts and unemployment. But think about it! If we were seeking a place to invest our company's money in a new facility, wouldn't we prefer a county that had citizens with enough pride to keep the place they lived clean?

Litter is costly—costly to pick up and costly in the opinions formed by our visitors. The solution is so simple it doesn't even need to be said, but if our citizens would keep their bottles, cans, and take-out waste until they get home or pass a trash receptacle to dispose of it, we'd save money

and show our visitors our pride in ourselves and our county. It would pay dividends.

Bettie B. Davis  
Halls

**Readers Speak**

Editor,

Have you or your business been contacted by someone saying they are with the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD office asking you to renew your dues over the phone by credit card? I have received phone calls from local businesses stating they had received a phone call asking them to renew their membership and receive a discount if they put it on their credit card. This individual does not work nor represent our organization. If you are contacted by a representative saying they work for the local Chamber and they want you to put your dues on your credit card, please get as much information from them as possible and contact the Sheriff's Department at 731-635-1311. Contact the chamber, 731-635-9541, if you have been contacted.

Susan Todd  
Chamber Director  
Lauderdale Chamber/ECD

**Halls Talent Winners**



**WINNERS** of the Halls High School chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America talent show, held March 25th, include, from left, Katrina Yarbrough, third place; Jovita and Clarissa Stark, first place; and Logan Taylor, second place.



**School Lunches**  
Lauderdale County Schools

- Monday, April 5th**  
Hamburger  
Pizza  
French Fries  
Celery Sticks w/Dip  
Pear Halves  
Pineapple Tidbits  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, April 6th**  
Taco w/Trimming  
Corn Nibbles  
Grapes  
Banana  
Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, April 7th**  
Roasted Turkey w/Gravy  
Whipped Potatoes  
Green Peas  
Orange Sections  
Applesauce  
Roll  
Choice Of Milk
- Thursday, April 8th**  
Menu  
School's Choice
- Friday, April 9th**  
BBQ On Bun  
Turkey and Cheese Sandwich

- Fresh Broccoli w/Dip
- Baked Beans
- Peaches
- Pear Halves
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

**School Lunches**

- Ripley Primary School**  
Halls Elementary School  
Pre-K to 3rd
- Monday, April 5th**  
Pizza  
French Fries  
Pear Halves  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, April 6th**  
Taco w/Trimming  
Corn Nibbles  
Grapes  
Choice Of Milk
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Peaches  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk



# Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here!!! At the Club today, I am out with some of my Buds. Mr. Buddy lets my outside Buds run around with me. Snowman, the white terrier, that has special needs; Sam, the black lab that has been neutered and is house broken; Sadie, the shepherd; Rex, the shepherd mix that has one blue eye and one brown eye; and Duke, the Australian shepherd, are all running and playing. We all like it when Mr. Greg will throw the ball for us. We all chase the ball but usually Sam gets to it before the rest of us do. Boy, he sure can run fast. We still have some puppy and kitten four leggers out here so come out and see all of my good Buds.

I saw Mr. Buddy and Scooter getting in the truck and I ran over to them to see if they would let me go and Scooter told me to load up. I jumped up in the front seat with Mr. Buddy but Scooter told me that if I wanted to ride with them I would have to sit in the back. So I looked sad, but I jumped in the back seat. Mr. Buddy told us that we were going to see about some bird dogs. I like bird dogs. We rode for a while and then we stopped at a two legger house.

Mr. Buddy and Scooter and I got out of the truck and a bird dog came right up to us. I told her my name and that we would take her to the Club and that we would take good care of her. She jumped right up in the truck. Then Scooter found another bird dog and she jumped right up in the truck. Then we all saw another bird dog. Well, she did not jump up in the truck. Some skinny two legger was there to help. The skinny two legger tried to put her in the truck but she took off and ran up under the two legger house. The two legger house was not very high off of the ground. Mr. Buddy and Scooter just looked at each other then they looked at me. I knew just what they were thinking but no way was I going up under that two legger house so I went and got in the truck. Now all of the two leggers just stood there and I could tell that they were thinking because Mr. Buddy and Scooter were scratching their head.

The skinny two legger told Mr. Buddy and Scooter that he would go up under the house. I jumped out of the truck and all of us walked over to where the bird dog had gone under. The skinny two legger got on the ground and went right under the house. He stayed under there for a while and Mr. Buddy would stick his head under there to make sure that the two legger was okay. Then the two legger and the bird dog came out from under the house. Boy, the both of them were so dirty. The bird dog was so dirty you could not even tell what color she was and the two legger was so dirty that we all laughed at him. Finally, we got the third bird dog in the truck and we were all back on our way to the Club.

Have your four leggers spayed or neutered so that we will not have so many puppy and kitten four leggers out here at the Club. Take your four leggers to the Doc for their yearly checkup and shots. Miss Pam says that a healthy four legger is a happy four legger and a happy four legger makes a two legger happy.

Look for the Rabies Clinic in your area.

Send your two legger out to the Club with my Buds some food. We are always in need of food because my Buds stay hungry all of the time. If you do not want to come out to the Club just drop off your food donations at 51 Antiques and see Miss Sharon and she will call us and we will put it up. Come and see us at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, mail us some thing at P. O. Box 172 Ripley, or just give us a call a 836-PETS (836-7387).

Stephen Snow came out to the Club and took home the two dalmatians for the Fire Dept. Wendy McCloud, Pamela Atkinson, Angela Beard, Mary Hammock, Donna Barbee, Rachel Hammock, Nancy Stringfellow, Sabrina Lovette all came out to the Club and found four leggers to go home with them. Susie Turner came out to the Club and took Miser home. Madie Stephens, a little two legger came out to the Club with her Dad and found Jack and took him home with her. Heston and Dylan Sanders found a cute kitten four legger and took it home. Matthew Ray and his Nana came out to the Club to look at the kittens and took Puff home to live at Nana's. Randy and Phyllis Fisher brought my Buds some food and brought Scooter some cleaning supplies. Cub Scout Pack 63 came out to the Club and learned about rabies and animal control from Mr. Buddy. Before they left they made a donation to the Club. Thanks to all that adopted and donated this week.

Be as good as your four legger thinks you are. I sure was glad that the skinny two legger was there to help us with the bird dog because I think that Mr. Buddy was too old to get under the two legger house and Scooter was too... oh well.....

Zeek out!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

## Attends NJSA Bootcamp



CHAD AND CASSIE LEWIS, children of Allen and Tammie Lewis, of Gates, attended the National Junior Swine Association Bootcamp March 20th at the University of Illinois in Urbana, Ill. They attended workshops on selecting showpigs, showmanship, swine skillathon and judging. Chad is a seventh grade student at Halls Junior High School and Cassie is a second grade student at Halls Elementary. They have been showing pigs for 4 years.



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## Studies River System



NICK WINSTON, second from right, of Halls, and a student at the University of Tennessee at Martin, joined, from left, Josh Felker, of Etowah; Courtney Cox, of Clarksville; Dr. Bradley Ray, assistant professor of fisheries science; Andrew Young, of Franklin; and Danny Maness, of Trezevant, as they studied, March 25th, a river system, with the help of a small-scale physical model using recirculated flowing water and moveable bed material to demonstrate a wide range of river processes. They included sediment erosion, transport and deposition; meander development and movement; and floodplain formation. The ability to alter flow rates and river channel characteristics aids in student comprehension of river restoration and hydrology, as well as a greater understanding of the effects of impairments to rivers caused by land-use practices.

## Upward Bound Team Competes



MEMBERS of the Dyersburg State Community College Upward Bound Program, from left, Johnathan Johnson and Brian Brown, team captain, both of Peabody High School; Rebecca Nanney, Dyer County High School; Clarissa Stark and Leslie Patrick, Halls, High School; Hannah Evans, Dyer County High School; Marilyn Armstrong, Upward Bound counselor and Scholars Bowl coach; pictured with Stephen Hendrix, TASP President, East Tennessee State University, attended the Tennessee Association of Special Programs Scholars Bowl Competition at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Saturday, March 13th and placed second. Both DSCC and its competitor, Austin Peay State University, entered the final round of the competition undefeated. During the competition, teams were asked questions on computer science, literature, history, mathematics, sports, geography, biology, chemistry and medicine. Austin Peay won the final round and will represent Tennessee in the Scholars Bowl Regional Competition April 17th in Atlanta, Ga. The DSCC Upward Bound "B" team competed with two other teams and took first place honors in their division. This is the 15th year DSCC teams have participated in the state competition. Upward Bound provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their precollege performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. The program serves high school students from low-income families, high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree, and those with low-income who are preparing to enter postsecondary education. The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education. The program provides academic instruction in mathematics, laboratory sciences, composition, literature, and foreign languages. Tutoring, counseling, mentoring, cultural enrichment, and work-study programs also are supported.

## Disaster Education Training



PARTICIPANTS gathered Saturday, March 20th at the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD office for a Red Cross Community Disaster Education Training Seminar. The purpose of the disaster speciality course was to prepare those in attendance to present disaster education information in a fun and meaningful way to the community. They were taught that no matter the size of the group, from talking to large groups, one-on-one, senior citizens, or children, with the right information and presentation tools anyone can lead a powerful discussion. Participants attending the meeting were divided into three groups and were asked to select a disaster for a presentation to the entire group. Tornadoes, earthquakes and droughts were the selected disasters. Those in attendance felt those were some of the disasters that have and could effect the community.

## LCCOA Seniors Assisting Others



PARTICIPANTS at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging in Halls partnered with Caris Healthcare to provide a happy Easter for hospice families by filling baskets March 29th. Hospice care provides care for people in the last phases of incurable disease so that they may live as comfortable as possible. Through the generosity of the Seniors and local citizens, the baskets were filled with goodies, in hopes to brighten someone's day. Natassha Works, Volunteer Coordinator for Caris Healthcare, plans to deliver the baskets to 40 hospice families. Lauderdale County Commission on Aging is planning to provide goodies on a monthly basis, if anyone would like to participate or donate call 836-5444.

The seniors are also learning the ancient game of Mahjong on Mondays at the center, taught by Tilley Perry and Diane Cook. Mahjong is a four-player tile-based game of Chinese origin. Mahjong involves skill, strategy, and calculation, as well as a certain degree of luck. They are in the luck stage. Studies have also shown that the game is beneficial for individuals suffering from dementia or cognitive memory difficulties, leading to the development of Mahjong Therapy, thereby seniors are encouraged to play Mahjong as a brain exercise. It is the most common social activity in the Chinese culture. To invite a person to a Mahjong game is an indication of friendliness in Chinese culture. The games are played at 1 p.m. Mondays at the center. For more information, call 836-5444.



### READ ALL ABOUT IT

The weekly column provided by Pettus L. Read  
Director of Communications for Tennessee Farm Bureau  
**Ernest T. Voiced His Opinion**

My favorite television programs are the old reruns of the Andy Griffith Show. Not those in color but the black and white ones where Andy seems more of what I would call "rural relaxed" in the way he settles the situations that Mayberry residents present to him on each program. The colored ones are all right, but Andy just seems to be a little more up tight on those shows. You know, like folks are today when it comes to Congress and matters like that. I guess going from black and white TV put him more on the edge from modern day problems.

Over the years, Andy and Barney have taught several generations how to behave in life, as well as entertained us all. If I had to choose one of the characters from all of these programs that really was one of my favorites, it would have to be Ernest T. Bass. Everyone remembers him because Ernest was kind of weird. In fact, he was really weird. His major sport was wrestling and breaking windowpanes with rocks, which seemed to keep everyone on edge. His social graces were something to question and his singing is what kept him up in the hills. What I liked about Ernest T. was his poetry. It was simple and to the point. And, when he combined his poetry with drumming on a gallon can to give it rhythm, his performance may have been the first creation of rap.

A few years back I read a poem that had no author, but it could have come straight from Ernest T. himself. It dealt with the subject of taxes, which Ernest T. would have been totally against. Let me share the poem with you.

#### Taxpayer's Lament

Tax his cow, Tax his goat;  
Tax his pants, Tax his coat;  
Tax his crop, Tax his work;  
Tax his ties, Tax his shirt;  
Tax his chew, Tax his smoke;  
Teach him taxing is no joke.  
Tax his tractor, Tax his mule;  
Tell him, Taxing is the rule.  
Tax his oil, Tax his gas  
Tax his notes, Tax his cash;  
If he hollers, Tax him more;  
Tax him till he's good and sore.  
Tax his coffin, Tax his grave,  
Tax his sod in which he's laid.  
Put these words upon his tomb,  
"Taxes drove him to his doom."  
After he's gone, we won't relax.  
We'll still collect inheritance tax.

Just like this poem and Ernest T., none of us like taxes, but we do have to pay them. We all like certain government programs that benefit us. Good roads, schools, health care, police, and many more state funded items help us all. The real truth is we just don't like to pay for them.

Right now, my property tax notice containing a new appraisal of my property is being sent out and I'm sure it has gone up. Up in Nashville the governor and the state legislature are involved in another round of discussions concerning Tennessee's current financial problems and county governments across the state are facing budgets as tight as Dick's hatband.

On top of all of this, Washington just voted on health care, which has everyone in an uproar. Whether you are against it or for it, the interesting thing is it seems no one can really tell you why they hate it or love it because it seems no one really knows what it says other than those who are telling us why we should love it or hate it.

One of the great things about our government is the fact we all have

a voice in what happens. Now, before you go on an Ernest T. rant and say I'm a nut and don't know what I'm talking about, listen to what I have to say. Whether we are elected officials or just citizens, we have the opportunity to voice our opinions. As citizens our opinions are heard by the way we vote and election time is now upon us.

Ernest T. may have been a bit strange, but he did voice his opinion. We voice our opinions too, but usually just to each other or by complaining to our neighbors. Now is the time to let your senator, representative, or even the governor candidates know how you feel concerning important issues that face us all. It is time to let your opinion be heard one way or the other. Don't vote just to kick someone out because they are on a party you don't like, but vote for someone who will voice your opinion and make a difference. If you want government cuts, which programs should they be? Remember, it can't be everyone else's favorite programs, either. You may have to sacrifice something, too.

But, get involved!

As Ernest T. may have said on today's events, "They haven't heard the last from the voting class."

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### Rotary Guests



**GUESTS**, James Franklin Cherry, left, and Angelia Hanks, center, were named the recipients of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club's scholarships. James Smith, right, club president, presented the \$250 checks during the weekly meeting Monday. Their names and brochures were forwarded to the district level where another selection process will select two male and two female finalists who will each receive a \$3,000 scholarship. One male and one female can be forwarded to the district by each club.

### Baptist Named In Lauderdale To Top 100 Hospitals

Baptist Hospitals have been named among the nation's top 100 hospitals by Thompson Reuters, which recognizes hospitals based on their overall organizational performance. Baptist is a four-time top hospital.

### Lauderdale To Receive Grant

The Lauderdale County Department of Education will expand opportunities for students to enroll and succeed in courses by using the e<sup>4000</sup>TN program. This program provides support and resources in 60 school districts across the state.

These districts were awarded a \$10,000 grant for personnel and equipment, and another \$10,000 credit available to access current e4TN E-Learning courses.

### Native Inducted In Honor Society

Melissa Diane Rogers, of Halls, was inducted February 26th into the Phi Theta Kappa honor society at Dyersburg State Community College.

To be eligible for membership, students must have maintained a B average or higher and have completed 12 hours of college work.

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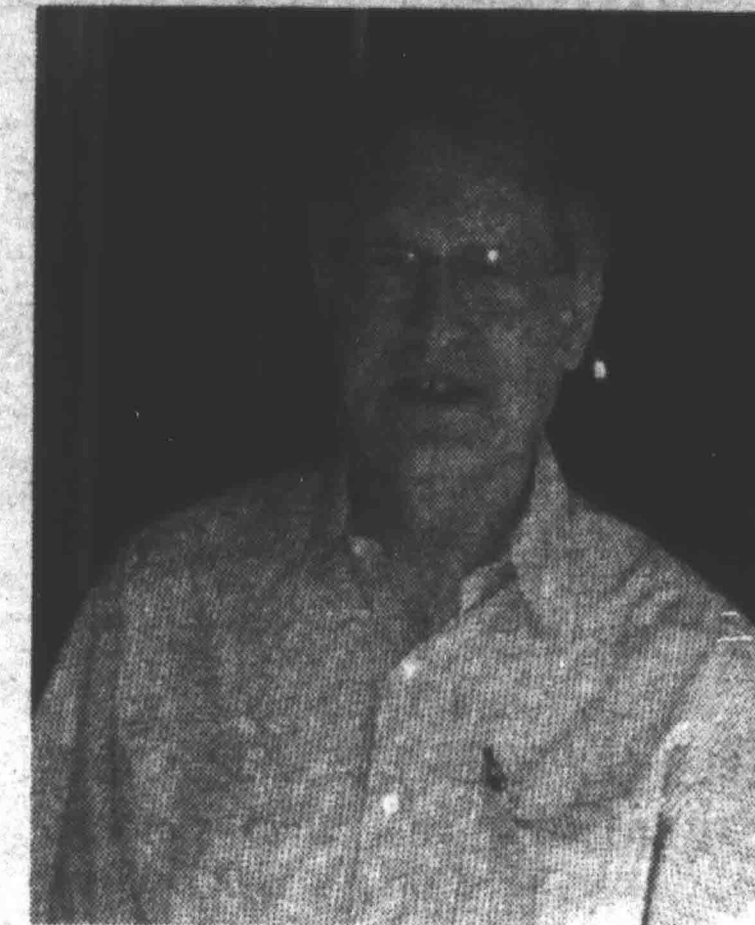
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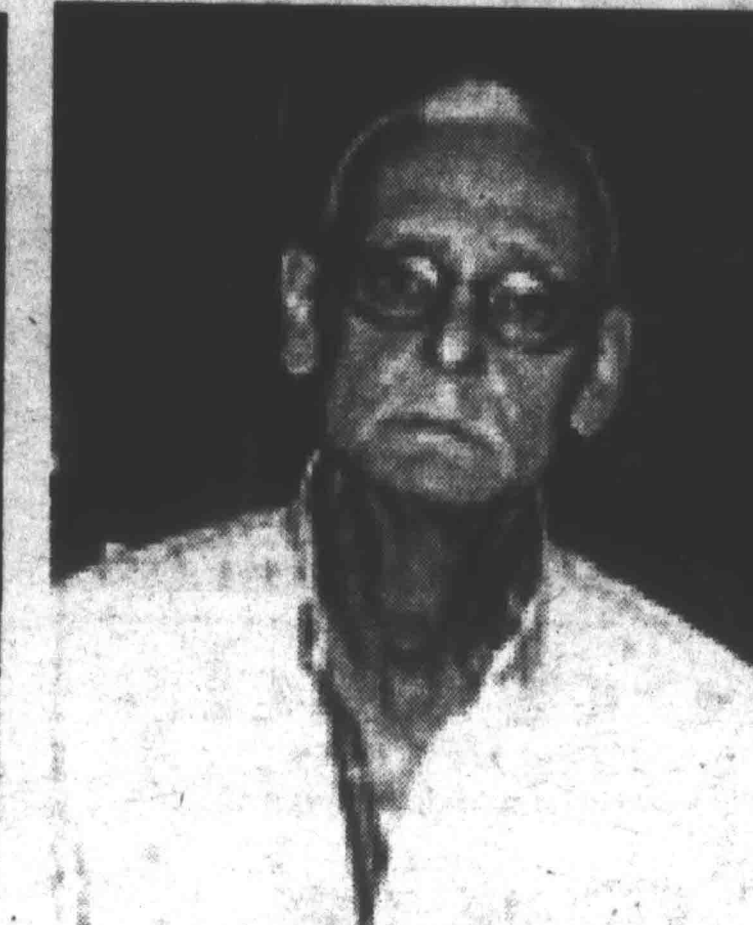
### Chairman



**DON CONNELL** is one of the honorary chairmen for the annual American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. He has survived cancer twice. The annual event will be held May 7th on the downtown square. Other co-chairmen include Jean Jackson, Hannah Ellis, and Eunice Washington.

Don's first bout with cancer was in 2004, when he consulted his dermatologist for a small, flat brown spot on his left shoulder. When he was younger, he ran around playing and working on the farm without a shirt or hat. He stated he was trying for a "good beach boy" tan. He realized his mistake when biopsies showed that he had a malignant melanoma, one of the worst kinds of skin cancer. The cancer had only penetrated the third layer of skin. He is now marked with a 4 to 5 inch long scar on his shoulder where the spot was removed. The cancer had extended under the skin and out about two inches on each side of the spot. If it had been in the fourth layer of skin, his doctor informed him that it could have metastasized to his lymph nodes or other organs in his body. He would have required chemotherapy

### Benefit



**ROGER "RABBIT" TERRY**, of Halls, suffers from lung cancer. His family and friends will hold a benefit at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 10th at the Garden Cafe in Halls featuring Walk Down Memory Lane. An auction will be held between singing. If anyone can not attend and wishes to make a donation, call Vicki, "the cleaning lady", 431-6805 or 836-5150. All proceeds will go toward his medical expenses.

and radiation. He has had other cancers removed since then, but none have been malignant. He had check-ups every three months, then twice a year, and now once a year. Don recommends that anyone wear a hat and shirt when in the sun, because innocent mistakes can show up as cancer in later years.

In January 2007, he underwent his annual prostate specific antigen test, a routine test he has had since 1974. His levels have always been within the normal range, 1.2 to 2.5. Any number below 4 is normal. His test result was 4.2, which was not unusually high, but still concerned doctors, since the number had increased more than two points since the previous year. His urologist performed a biop-

### Dire Need For Foster Families

Youth Villages has a huge and immediate need for foster families in West Tennessee. They are offering a free training at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 22nd, at Youth Villages office, 24 Weatherford Square in Jackson, for people of all ages who are interested in becoming a foster parent. Over 500 children enter foster care every year in rural West Tennessee because of abuse, neglect or abandonment.

"There are so many children who need loving homes in West Tennessee," said Nicholas Tyler Scott, foster parent recruiter of Youth Villages for West Tennessee. "We are desperately looking for families who can take in one child or a group of siblings. Basically, if you feel a true calling for being a foster parent, we want you to give us a call. It's not important that you have a lot of money, a large home or a new car. Foster parenting is about love and caring."

To become a foster parent, individuals must be at least 25 years of age, be single or legally married for at least one year, have income above the poverty level, pass a criminal background check, have adequate space in their homes and complete a foster parenting class.

For more information, call Tyler Nicholas Scott, 731-660-6767, or email [nicholas.scott@youthvillages.org](mailto:nicholas.scott@youthvillages.org); or visit [www.youthvillages.org](http://www.youthvillages.org).

sy in six different areas. Five of the six areas were positive for cancer. He was scheduled for a bone density and other tests to determine if the cancer had spread to his bones and lymph nodes. "Of course I was scared of what the results might be. Fortunately,

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### Guest Speaker



**MOLLY BARCROFT**, center, was the guest speaker Monday at the meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club. She was the guest of Rotarian Elton Jones, left. Molly is director of marketing and admissions at Ripley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center. This local facility specializes in rehabilitation for orthopedic surgery patients with other concerns such as high blood pressure, history of stroke, cardiac disease, diabetes, osteoporosis, age-related de-conditioning, and/or arthritis. James Smith, right, club president, is pictured with them.

### TCAP Testing For Lauderdale County Schools Is Scheduled

Students in Lauderdale County, third through eighth grades, will take the TCAP Achievement Test April 12th-16th as part of the Tennessee Comprehensive Assessment Program (TCAP). The test is a multiple choice test designed to measure student achievement by certain skills in five subject areas: Reading, Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies and this year the test will measure achievement of skills based on the new Tennessee Curriculum Standards. The criterion-referenced test was implemented in order to comply with federal mandates of "No Child Left Behind". It assesses how well a student has mastered grade level objectives and skills.

Testing is vital to structuring effective educational programs; however, it is only one part of the overall assessment. Parents can help their children during test time by seeing that your child arrives at school on time and is relaxed, ensuring that your child gets plenty of sleep the night before each test day, eating breakfast, making your child aware of the importance of the test, encouraging your child to do the best work possible and by not removing your child from school on test days for appointments.

### MISS HJH PAGEANT

The 2010 Miss Halls Junior High School pageant is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, April 17th, at the school. Contestants must be in the 6th, 7th, or 8th

grade and attend a school in Halls. Applications are available at Halls Junior High and Halls Elementary schools.

For more information, call Tammy Brasfield, 731-413-0758.



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**MEMBERS** of the Halls High School Ag Learning Center, from left, Katy Cherry, Future Farmers Of America Chapter reporter; Kirby Cherry, chapter treasurer; Matt Newman, chapter vice president; Taylor Jacobs, chapter historian; and Barbara Joyner, chapter secretary; accepted a donation February 22nd from representatives of Farm Credit Services, in rear, Rick Nelson, left, senior financial service officer; Tim Williams, third from left, regional vice-president; and Andrew Melton, right, financial services officer. Farm Credit Services has donated a total of \$10,000 to the project. They are pictured with FFA advisors, Missy Hammond, second from left, in rear, and Windy Willette, second from right, in rear. "Missy had a vision of a place where our kids could get some very practical, hands-on experience with livestock," explained Windy. "So we looked first at what our kids needed." The result of their vision and planning is an Agricultural Learning Center, located on the campus of Halls High School, in Halls. The unique facility, which resembles a "big red barn," is nearing completion after almost two years of construction. Highlights include a large show/demonstration arena and a multi-purpose classroom/meeting room, complete with state-of-the-art audio-visual technology.

The center will not only enhance the learning capabilities for Halls vo-ag classes and the FFA Chapter, it will also provide opportunities for similar classes and 4-H clubs from neighboring high schools and surrounding communities. One particularly significant feature is the ability to offer dual-credit agricultural laboratory classes in partnership with the University of Tennessee at Martin.

Additionally, it will accommodate the needs of a multitude of adult ag-related organizations for a wide variety of shows and meetings, as well as non-agricultural civic and community groups. Willette stressed that she wanted the facility to be first-rate.

To make the dream come true, Willette and Hammond first obtained grants from the Tennessee Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Rural Development. Then they challenged the community to help them do the rest.

One of those area businesses stepping forward was Farm Credit Services of Mid-America. Willette used the gift to create a meeting room that would be both attractive and highly functional.

"FCS's donation has allowed us to step up our game

from what we could've done otherwise," said Willette. "We've been able to upgrade our tables, chairs, and lighting, and we've been able to line our walls with cypress. It's going to have some character."

Tim Williams, FCS regional vice-president, first learned about the project from over-hearing enthusiastic conversations around his office. "It seemed like a perfect fit for a grant from our corporate stewardship program," said Williams. "As an agricultural lending cooperative, we do business with the people who own us, and part of our mission is to give something back by providing resources in our local communities. This was a great opportunity to do that. It will benefit young people, young farmers, and the community as a whole."



## School Lunches

### Lauderdale County Schools

- Monday, April 12th**  
Hot Dogs  
Pizza  
Tater Tots  
Garden Salad w/Dressing  
Applesauce  
Pineapple Tidbits  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk

- Tuesday, April 13th**  
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy  
Steak Fingers  
Broccoli Bites w/Cheese  
Black Eyed Peas  
Banana  
Orange Sections  
Roll  
Choice Of Milk

- Wednesday, April 14th**  
Chicken Tenders  
Whipped Potatoes  
Green Peas  
Grapes

# Ripley Nine Wins From Halls, 11-2

Ripley High School's baseball team led Halls High School's nine, Friday, 11-2.

RHS had won Tuesday from Obion Central, 8-6, and Thursday, from Advance, Mo., 4-1, before losing to Dyersburg, 5-0.

RHS won Monday from Covington, 12-11. HHS had won Tuesday from Humboldt, 10-0, and Thursday from Advance, Mo., 14-6.

Halls lost Monday to South Fulton, 6-3.

## HHS S'ball: Two Romps

Halls High School's softball team led Trenton, 11-1, Tuesday of last week, and Humboldt, Monday, 19-0.

The team lost to Munford, Thursday of last week, 2-0.

- Tater Tots
- Applesauce
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

- Tuesday, April 13th**  
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy  
Broccoli Bites w/Cheese  
Orange Sections  
Roll

- Choice Of Milk

- Wednesday, April 14th**  
Chicken Tenders  
Whipped Potatoes  
Grapes  
Roll

- Choice Of Milk

- Thursday, April 15th**  
Chili Pie  
Corn Nibbles  
Pear Halves  
Choice Of Milk

## School Lunches

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

- Monday, April 12th**  
Hot Dogs

- Friday, April 16th**  
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Fresh Veggie Cup w/Dip  
Peaches  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk

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## Obituaries

### Delashmit Baby

Erin Linley Delashmit, infant daughter of Fletcher De-nal and Evelyn Jones Delashmit, of Henning, died Tuesday of last week in the Baptist Women's Health Center in Memphis.

Rites were Monday in Covington Memorial Gardens.

She leaves brothers, Fletcher and Niklas Delashmit, and sisters, Elizabeth and MacKenzie Delashmit, of Henning.

### William Nelson

William Nelson, 81, retired policeman and electronics instructor, died Monday of last week in the Lauderdale Community Living Center in Ripley.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Ripley Memorial Gardens, Garner Funeral Home in charge.

He was an Army Air Corps veteran.

He leaves a son, Lee, of Memphis; brothers, Tom, of Clarksville, and Norman, of Hayti, Mo.; a grandchild; and a great-grandchild.

### Mrs. Robinson

Betty Robinson, 74, of Gates, widow of Willie Jes-ter and Don Robinson, died Saturday in Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville.

Services were Tuesday in Gates Cemetery, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

She was born at Friendship, Nov. 1, 1935, to the late Grover Riddick and the late Jeanie Wright Riddick.

She had been a state correctional officer.

She leaves daughters, Tammy (Mrs. Dennis) Henson, of Gates, and Tina (Mrs. Roger) Kemerling, of Pleasant Hill, Mo.; a brother, Grover Riddick, of Longview, Tex.; and a sister, Mose Thies, of Maury City.

## Patrick Jones Dies In Swift 2nd Crash

Patrick Jermaine Jones, 29, of Mason, foster father of Tyler Pierce, of Henning, survived a crash on Hwy. 59, west of Covington, just before 5 a.m. March 28th, only to be fatally injured, within minutes, when struck by another vehicle.

Jones, 2-tour veteran of the Iraq War, was driving a 2008 Honda Civic north when it left the west side of the road, struck a concrete culvert, and came to rest on its roof.

The *Covington Leader* says witnesses saw Jones walking onto the highway, speaking on a phone, when he was struck by a Chevrolet Trailblazer driven by Myron Jones, 28, of Mason (no relation), not injured.

Rites were Saturday in Fredonia Baptist Church at Stanton, with burial in Fredonia Memorial Gardens in Mason.

### Jerald Bowman

Jerald James McNeal Bowman, 61, of Brownsville, father of Jerald McNeal, Jr., of Ripley, died Saturday in the Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

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

A farmer, he was the widower of Judy McNeal.

He leaves another son, Justin McNeal, of Nashville; daughters, Jenetta Michelle Sills, of Brownsville, and Jennifer Lynn Morales, of Sebastian, Tex.; brothers, Joe Bowman and Frank McNeal, of Spartanburg, S.C., and Johnny McNeal, of Florida; sisters, Ann Davis and Wilma Brubaker, of Baytown, Tex., and Nancy Ross, of Austin, Tex.; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

### Calvin Barlow

Calvin Coolidge "Coot" Barlow, 85, of 159 Oak, Ripley, an Army veteran of World War II who had worked for Volz Construction, of Ripley, died Friday.

Visitation will be at 7 p.m. Friday in Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church in Ripley, where he was a member, and from 10 until 11 a.m. rites Saturday in the Ripley High School gymnasium.

He leaves sons, Terry, Ronald, and Will, of Ripley, Ezz-ward, of Brighton, John, of Memphis, Calvin, Jr., Barry, and Joseph, of Nashville, and Donald, of Hampton, Va.; daughters, Linda (Mrs. Willie) Miller, of Memphis, Brenda (Mrs. Douglas) Martin, of Jacksonville, N.C., Annie (Mrs. Robert) DeBerry, of Rocky Mount, N.C., and Mildred Coretta and Shelia (Mrs. Nelson) Tyus, of Southfield, Mich.; a brother, Joe Eddie Barlow, of Augusta, Ga.; 37 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren.

### Marjorie Currie

Marorie Jones Currie, 89, formerly of Henning, died Saturday in Saints Mary and Elizabeth Hospital in Louisville, Ky.

Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Saturday in New Hope Baptist Church at Cherry, west of Henning, with rites at 11, burial in the cemetery of Pilgrim's Rest Baptist Church, at Three Points, west of Henning, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

She leaves a grandson, Eric Curry, of Louisville.

### Mrs. Archibald

Shirley Ann Archibald, 72, of Halls, wife of Ray Archibald, died Wednesday of last week, at home.

Rites were Friday in West Side Baptist Church in Halls, with burial in Halls Cemetery, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

She was born at Tompkinsville, Ky., to the late Elmer and Mary Cleary Scott.

She enjoyed quilting, flower arranging, and interior decoration, and long supported Habitat for Humanity.

Survivors include sons, Eric and Shane Archibald and Mark Pitcock, of Halls, and Douglas Pitcock, of La Grange, Ky.; daughters, Joey Rae Klutts and Regina Stutts, of Halls, and Felicia James, of New Braunfels, Tex.; brothers, Billy and Keith Scott, of Indianapolis, Ind.; sisters, Maydell Basso, of Dyersburg, Bonnie Jobe, Callie Cole, and Mary Rhodeback, of Indianapolis, and Frances Triplett and Glay Holbrook, of Longview, Tex.; 16 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

### Leamon Ware

Leamon Ware, 101, of Millington, father of Patsy Estes, of Henning, died Monday in Methodist Hospital North in Memphis.

Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m. Friday in Currie's Funeral Home in Henning, where rites will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, with burial in the Morrow Cemetery, near Henning.

He leaves another daughter, Para Ware, of Memphis; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

### Madgie Gilliland

Madgie Lurine Gilliland, 84, of Halls, died Friday in the Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were set at 1 p.m. Thursday in the Dyersburg Funeral Home, with burial in Fairview Cemetery in Dyersburg.

She was born Oct. 21, 1925, to the late William A. and Effie,

### Emmitt Barbee

Emmitt "Sonny" Barbee, 74, of Henning, died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

Rites were Saturday in St. Mark Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in the Morrow Cemetery, near Henning, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

He leaves his step-mother, Harriet Barbee, of Henning; sons, Emmitt, Jr., and Timothy, of Gates, Robert and Thomas, of Covington, and Jessie, of Merrillville, Ind.; daughters, Syrivine Barbee Delois Deberry, and Martha Benard, of Ripley, Connie and Stephanie Barbee, of Gates, Alice Campbell, of Covington, and Gloria McCall, of St. Paul, Minn.; a brother, Johnny Barbee, of Gary, Ind.; sisters, Hannah Bolton and Molly Brandon, of Henning, Rachel Lesley, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Ann Washington, of Milwaukee, Wisc.; 34 grandchildren; and 39 great-grandchildren.

### Mr. Ethridge

Nathan Ray Ethridge, 23, of St. Louis, Mo., great-grandson of Effie Davis, of Gates, died March 20th, in his home.

Rites were March 24th in Kutis South County Chapel, with burial in Shepherd Hills Cemetery.

He leaves grandparents, Ray and Joyce Ethridge, of Tiptonville, and Patsy White, of Imperial, Mo.; his father, Stanley Ray Ethridge, of St. Louis; his mother, Eunice (Mrs. Mark) Downey, of Imperial; brothers, Chris, of Imperial, and Brian, of Potosi, Mo.; and sisters, Alisha (Mrs. Ryan) Macke, of Villa Ridge, Mo., and Kristen (Mrs. Kelly) Downey, of Kansas City, Mo.

### Hilliard Sipes

She was a member of the Oak Grove Church of Christ.

She leaves a son, Edward D. Gilliland, of Halls; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

### Lillie Taylor

Lillie Mae Taylor, of Atoka, sister of Jessie and Eugene Starks and Lessie Barnes, Mammie Walker, and Mary Haliburton, all of Ripley, died March 22nd, in her home.

Rites were March 28th in Laughter Baptist Church in Covington, with burial in the Garden of Everlasting Life north of Covington.

She was the daughter of the late John and Florence Whitley Starks.

She leaves her husband, Eddie; children, Roy Starks and Gillette Palmer, of Covington; other brothers, Joe Starks, of Mason, and Edgar Williams, of Covington; other sisters, Donna Sherill, Elnora Harvey, and Susan Dean, of Covington, Willie Mae Johnson, of Mason, and Eliza Starks, of St. Louis, Mo.; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

### Johnnie Hargett

Johnnie Faye Hargett, 82, of Olive Branch, Miss., widow of C. E. Hargett, Jr., and sister of Jayne Koonce-Bane, of 294 Jordan, Ripley, died Sunday in the Baptist Hospital in South-

aven, Miss. Rites were Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Grace Cemetery at Central.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Horn Lake, Miss.

She leaves a daughter, Diana (Mrs. James) Shreeve, of Olive Branch, Miss., and another sister, Barbara Patterson, of Collierville.

### Mr. Dickerson

Tommy Louis Dickerson, 68, of Memphis, father of Tony L. Dickerson, of Ripley, died Friday.

Rites will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Princeton Ave. Baptist Church in Memphis, with burial at 1 p.m. in the West Tenn. Veterans Cemetery.

He leaves his wife, Johnnie; other sons, Tommy, Jr., Alonzo, David, and Michael, and daughters, Deanna, Maurionno, and Zenora Dickerson and Vivian Y. Scullark, all of Memphis; another daughter, Tomanita Whitehorn, of Chicago, Ill.; and brothers, Norfleet Dickerson and James Exum, and a sister, Kissie Robertson, all of Memphis.

Rites were Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in Grace Cemetery at Central.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Horn Lake, Miss.

She leaves a daughter, Diana (Mrs. James) Shreeve, of Olive Branch, Miss., and another sister, Barbara Patterson, of Collierville.

### Victoree Johnson

Victoree Johnson, 75, of Maury City, mother of Lorenzo Johnson, of Ripley, and Angela Norfolk, of Henning, died March 21st in the Jackson-Madison County Hospital.

Rites were March 27th in the Community Church of God in Christ in Maury City, with burial in Alamo Memorial Gardens, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

She was the widow of LeRoy Johnson. She leaves four other children, four siblings; 18 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

### PAGEANT

The King and Queen of Spring Time pageant is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, April 17th, in the Bank of Ripley Performing Arts Theater at Ripley High School with registration beginning at 9 a.m. The deadline for early registration is April 15th. This is preliminary pageant for the Strawberry Festival pageant.

For more information or an entry form, call Rachel Erwin, 635-9551, or email rerwin@utk.edu.

The public is invited.

Fountain of Life Ministries, in Halls, is announcing HYPE Night at 7 p.m. April 16th. Elder Dalton Jackson, youth minister, invites the public. For more information, contact Elder Dalton Jackson, daltonjackson@folministries.org.

Beacon Light Baptist Church, 197 Drake St., Ripley, will hold a gospel singing at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 10th with Faith-S, the Joyful Sounds, Cathy Joyner, and the Beacon Light Praise Team. Bro. Owen Lilly, pastor, invites the public.

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

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

## Making Simple Machines



STUDENTS in the fourth grade science classroom of Richard Dawson at Halls Elementary School made simple machines for an extra credit project. The students were learning how simple machines and compound machines are used to help make work easier. The students had a choice of making levers, inclined planes, gears, pulleys, along with wheels and axles. The simple machines were on display at the school and several other classes had mini lessons on the simple machines.

**SAFE DIGGING MONTH**  
The Common Ground Alliance (CGA), its stakeholders and Tennessee 811 announced April is National Safe Digging month.

"Many utilities are placed underground for aesthetic and safety reasons, states Sara Kyle, chairman of Tennessee

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## Readers Speak

Editor,

Marvin employs approximate 800 people at its door factory in Ripley. The topic of this commentary is how layoffs are hurting American workers, companies, and communities.

## We Can't Cut Our Way to Success

By Susan Marvin  
President,  
Marvin Windows and Doors

Last year, I stood before more than 1,000 workers at our company's flagship factory and told them we were reducing their weekly hours from 40 to 32.

They cheered.

Why? Because they were keeping their jobs. With the housing industry in the worst downturn of our lifetime, our workers feared for their future. They'd seen others in our business cut jobs and even close plants in response to the prolonged housing slump. When they learned we wouldn't be following suit, it was an emotional moment.

In today's global economy, we've lost sight of what jobs mean to workers, companies and their communities. Economists and politicians discuss jobs in the abstract, as numbers. They measure the unemployment rate; they track jobs lost and gained; they project when the slow crawl to recovery might yield a few tenths of a percent in employment gains.

But look behind those numbers and you'll find the real lives of workers and communities — and the profound effects of lost jobs.

Jeffrey Pfeffer, a professor at Stanford University's graduate business school, has made a powerful case against job cuts. Citing decades of research, Pfeffer lays out a host of ills associated with layoffs, including:

- Lower worker productivity
- Lower company profits
- Damaged employee morale
- Loss of institutional knowledge
- Increased rates of alcoholism, drug abuse, mental health problems and other health issues

As third-generation leaders of a family business, my three brothers and I believe we'd do more long-term damage to our company and our communities by cutting jobs than by toughing out a lean

year or two. With more than a dozen fourth-generation family members preparing for leadership roles, we'd risk leaving them a permanently weakened company.

There will be times in the life of any business when drastic measures are required to ensure a healthy future. But I'm not sure that's the reason for the millions of layoffs we've seen across our nation in the past few years. Is the viability of these companies really threatened? Or is it a case of leadership and/or public shareholders putting short-term profits ahead of the true long-term interests of companies and communities?

We share the profits of our business with employees when times are good. In the past 53 years, only four times have our workers missed an annual profit-sharing bonus. In 2009, we faced a choice: cut workers and show a profit for the year, or take a loss and keep our 5,000 employees in five states on the job. We took the loss, asking our employees — both hourly and salaried — to share the burden.

My late father, Bill Marvin, embraced the notion of stakeholders. He believed that the success of a company was inseparable from the success of the stakeholders who were crucial to the company's viability — in particular, employees, customers and communities.

In recent years, business too often has put the interests of shareholders above all else. In doing so, we're damaging the other stakeholders that we'll need to create value for our companies and our communities in the future.

Our business relies on skilled workers to craft quality products. If we cut workers now, what effect would it have on quality and innovation in our business? And where will we find those skills when business heats up again?

How would our community benefit from fewer jobs, more empty homes and fewer kids in the schools? What would happen to our churches, our community organizations and our extended families?

Our workers aren't taking this lightly. They have less money in their pockets and they've had to make some tough decisions about their own family budgets. But they've also got hope for the

future — hope that would be shattered if we put them on the street in the worst economy since the Great Depression.

In letters, e-mails and in person, they've told my family that they appreciate the path we've chosen as a company. They know we're in this together. And when we come out of it, they'll know that our company — our family — honored their value by sticking with them when times were tough.

We realize that as leaders of a family owned and operated company, we're insulated from some of the demands faced by our counterparts at publicly traded firms. But we're not insulated from the realities of making a payroll, satisfying our customers and ensuring our company's future.

And we believe the way to do that is by looking out for the interests of all the stakeholders that helped build our company. They got us where we are today, and we're not going to cut them loose without a fight.

So send us your orders — we're fully staffed and ready to go.

## Anniversaries

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

April 9 — Mr. and Mrs. Ned Lewis.

April 11 — Mr. and Mrs. Tony Fragale.

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

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

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

## Birthdays

April 8 — Andrew Belton, Ouida Belton, Thomas Terry, Tyler Hyde, Cheryl Reynolds, Devona Temple Shaw, Greg Coughlan, William Massengill, Joseph Henson, Ryan Reynolds, Milford Durham, Genetta Parish.

April 9 — Chris Watson, Gerald Thurmond, Susan Chavers,

## Marriages

March 27th — Brian Scott Murphy, 32, to Tiffany Ann Leek Bradley, 28, by Jon Pavletic.

Robert Adam Brown, 20, to Wynonna Lee Ray, 17, by Owen Lilly, Sr.

Terry Lee Webster, Jr., 31, to Casey Elaine Luttrell, 21, by Tom Perkins.

Phillip Ray Harris, 48, to Chanelle Delois Deberry, 42, by Felix Moore.

March 28th — Michael Dean Olds, 54, to Karen Lynn Meadows Simpson, 46, by Tom Perkins.

April 1st — Eddie Parnell Martin III, 49, to Willia Mae Toomes, 40, by Rod Schuh.

Randy Thomas Pratt, 50, to Patricia Gail Pilgrim Cross, 54, by Rod Schuh.

Antonio Cortez Shaw, 24, to Julia Blue, 41, by Rod Schuh.

April 2nd — Matthew Clark

Jessica Danley, Lynn Grantland, Robbie Lowrance, Mitch Anderson, McKenzie Heath, Mitchell Dziedzic, Beth Cunningham, Gary Crowson, L.M. Meadows, Jewel Brown.

April 10 — Dr. Joe Hunt, Deborah Morris, Katherine Anthony, Mackenzie Haislip, Joe Mason McDowell, II, Kim McAdams, Tracie Taylor, Penne Pickard, Scotty Holcomb, Cathy Hughes, Jack Baker, Lynda Lewis.

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April 13 — Kathy Spoon, Jerry Temple, Jr., Deana Gammon, Dennis King, Jean Belton, Jonathan Searce, Nancy Brewster, Julie Pickard, James Beasley, Luke Caldwell, Phyllis Schwinn.

April 14 — Doug Nelson, Kathy Sills, Jan Holder, Jessie

## Land Transfers

March 28th — April 3rd

Fannie Mae and Federal National Mortgage Association to Ryan Whiteside, Dist. 7, lot.

Danny R. Goodman to Timothy G. Reece, Dist. 12, lot.

Ewell L. Johnston and Anna M. Johnston to Danny Battles and Sarah Battles, Dist. 16, 0.1552 acre.

Ann Lazure, John Lazure, Glenn Lazure and Walter Lazure to Danny Battles and Sarah Battles, Dist. 16, 0.1113 acre.

Martha Maclin-Reynolds, TR, Martha Maclin-Reynolds, Trust Number 101, Martha Maclin Reynolds, and Martha Maclin Reynolds, Trust Number 101, to Robert Shettlesworth, Dist. 3, tract.

Sec. of Housing and Urban Development to Gary N. Konkle, 0.233 acre.

Jerald Bridges and Carolyn Bridges to Floyd Crain and Steve Crain, Dist. 2, lot.

Catherine Kirkpatrick Dean to Mike Douglas and Leigh Douglas, Dist. 2, lot.

Donna M. Green to Cory Dwayne Willis, Dist. 10, 1.0 acre.

Calvin M. Cooper and Clara L. Cooper to J.C. White and White's Salvage, Dist. 2, 2 tracts.

Joey Eugene Conrad and Hilda Conrad to Andy L. England and Kelly England, Dist. 6, 2 tracts.

Ryan Whiteside to Matt Spraker, Dist. 8, lot.

William C. Dunaway to Judy Dunaway Anderson, Dist. 6, 1.4 acres, and Dist. 14, 23.15 acres.

Mike Douglas and Leigh Douglas to Mike Douglas, Leigh Douglas, Stephen M. Fullen and Carrie W. Fullen, Dist. 2, lot.

Belton, Lila Waninger, Hunter Ractliffe, Cyndi McFall, Steve Sanders, Donna Galloway, Brandon Harrison, Kamryn Pennington, Dee Wright, Michael Johnston, Terisa Holcomb, Meg Fullen.

## Yesteryear

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We hear occasionally from people who have not yet used the Tennessee Electronic Library for their historical and genealogical research. Many things are available on it—censuses from every existing state from 1790 through 1930, many books, and Congressional bills, among other valuable resources—that can be accessed by just a few clicks of the mouse on your computer at home—for free!!!

For example, in a very few clicks, we found House Bill No. 275 of February 16, 1854 which reported on the petition of James M. Lewis for an invalid pension. The report showed that Mr. Lewis had served two years in the Creek War in 1812 with Andrew Jackson after two years as a midshipman in the Navy. He was in the battles of Tallahatchie, Talladega, and the battle of Horseshoe Bend in central Alabama where he was wounded. Soon afterward he was thrown from his horse while carrying a message from the army to Nashville and his wrist was injured. His petitions began as early as 1844 with certificates from two doctors showing that his injuries resulted in his total disability. The House Committee on Invalid Pensions found in his file a letter from Andrew Jackson sent to him at Ripley, Tennessee:

Hermitage, October 10, 1844

Dear Sir: I have received your favor of the 24 ult., and it affords me pleasure to say that I have a distinct recollection of your having received two wounds in the battle of the Horse Shoe in 1813; and that you were at all times, while under my command, a faithful and gallant soldier.

Please to accept my kind regards and best wishes for your welfare.

ANDREW JACKSON

We found one James Lewis in the 1840 census living alone in Lauderdale County, but while his last petition was made in 1852, he did not appear in the 1850 census here.

A report from the Senate Committee on Military Affairs of 1891 showed that William H. Bell, a member of the Seventh Tennessee Cavalry (U.S.) had been captured at Ripley on June 10, 1863, and died at a hospital at Richmond, VA the following November. His widow, who applied for a pension in 1890, had to prove that he wasn't AWOL when he was captured; he was, she said, on a "sick furlough," and was captured at the home of his captain who was taken also. Apparently, Bell lived in Carroll County, but had come to Ripley as commanded by his captain who was not named.

Numbers of books giving the ancestry of many who lived in Lauderdale County may also be accessed on Tennessee Electronic Library. "Benjamin and Ambrose Powell of Culpeper Co. VA" (1971) has an abundance of material on the Gaines family, as well as the Sinclair, Baynes, Chapman, Powell, Rush, Wadsworth, Thompson, Grimes, and Alston families. "A Family Ge-

nealogy" (1957) lists members of the Sapp, Spaine, Anderson, Miller, Campbell, Hedgepeth, Sloan, and White families; the book includes information on the Rice, Keller, Conner, and Evans families who married into the White family. "The Lindsays of America" (1889) gives information on the Lindsays of Fulton and the Oldhams of Ripley. "The Bibb Family in America" (1941) includes Bibbs of this county, and Lauderdale Countians will find many relatives and their histories in "Lewis of Warner Hall" (1937) and "The Taylors of Tabernacle" (1957). The books mentioned here in no wise exhaust the possibilities that you may find your family on this valuable source.

If you have a problem accessing material on Tennessee Electronic Library, call me at the phone number above for click-by-click assistance in finding the information you seek.

We love getting additions and corrections to material we have written in "Yesteryear." Arthur Childress tells us that a Joseph Hale, apparently the son of Parmelia Wardlaw who married John Hale of the Hales Point family, built a house near Arp where generations of Hales lived as late as the 1950's. It's the house now owned by Mrs. Evelyn Green on Highway 19 West.

Also, Mrs. Gordon Patrick of Royal Oaks, Michigan, writes that we mixed up the husbands of Rowena Wardlaw (Mrs. John E.) Gray's daughters; it was Alice Rowena Gray who married Lewis Lee Elgin (in 1903), and Mary Eva Gray who married Harry Alexander Yost (in 1897). The sisters, she said, were inseparable and lived side-by-side in Hopkinsville, Kentucky where Rowena, their mother, lived the last years of her life before making her Christmas visit to Memphis where she died in 1913.

## Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek Here!!! A Junior Girl Scout Troop # 40184, from Halls, came out to see my Buds and to help. They saved their money from selling cookies and brought my Buds some food, collars, and blankets. The girls washed my Buds dishes, fed puppies and walked some of my Buds. They got puppies out and let them play in the grass and sun. They walked Brownie, the black and white feist mix, Flower, the white wire terrier, Flossie, the brindle mix, Sam, the black lab that has been neutered and is house broken, Rex, the shepherd mix with one blue eye and one brown eye, and Duke, the Australian shepherd. Girl Scouts sure are fun to have out at the Club.

Miss Pam told me on the way home from the Club that the Easter Bunny would be coming to see us tonight at home. Now, I did hear her talking to Mr. Pam about this the other day but I really didn't know that he would come and see us four leggers at home. When we went to bed that night, she told us that in the morning when we woke up that we would have baskets from the Easter Bunny. I was really excited, but Rusty just went on and went to bed. I tried to sleep but I just kept on looking and trying to smell the Easter Bunny. I waited for a long time but I decided that he must have passed our house so I went to sleep.

The next morning, Miss Pam told us all to get up and to look what the East Bunny had brought us. In the other room was three baskets with stuff in them. Rusty, Little Girl and I ran over and started smelling in the baskets. I jumped and was so happy. In the baskets were new treats, new toys and new collars. Miss Pam and Mr. Pam were happy too. Miss Pam told us that the Easter Bunny just knew that we all needed new collars. I love the Easter Bunk.

Clayton Morris came out to the Club and took home a husky mix. Susie Curtis took home a spitz mix. Where were the rest of you two leggers? No one brought food this week. The weather is warm and the sun is shining so ya'll come out and see us.

Mr. Gene knows a two legger that has two Chihuahuas and a Shih tzu that are free to a good home. Just give Mr. Gene a call out here at the Club or at the Doc's office.

Have your four leggers spayed or neutered so that we don't have so many puppy and kitten four leggers out here at the Club. Take your four legger to see the Doc for their yearly check up and shots. Miss Pam says that a healthy four legger is a happy four legger and a happy four legger makes a two legger happy.

We take food donations so send your two legger out to the Club with some food. If you do not want to come out to the Club, just drop off your food donation at 51 Antiques and see Miss Sharon. She will call us and we will pick it up. Come see us at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, mail us something at P. O. Box 172 Ripley or just give us a call at 836-PETS (836-7387).

Be as good as your four legger thinks you are. Maybe I can catch the Easter Bunny next year. Gotta go...we are going to Grandma's house to hunt for Easter eggs.

Zeek out !!!!



### Tourism And Retail Day



**MEMBERS** of the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD Youth Leadership Lauderdale Class held their annual session Friday, March 26th focusing on Tourism and Retail in Lauderdale County. The class traveled to the Veterans' Museum in Halls, where they learned about upcoming events at the Airbase, the history of the museum and toured the facility viewing various items of particular interest. The group then traveled to Charlene's and Just Divine Tea Room, where Tonya Farley spoke to the group about the Colony of Shoppes and the history of the buildings. The group toured the shops before returning to Ripley. The next stop was in Ripley at Merle Norman, where they spoke with owner, Regina Hutcherson, about her business and were given the opportunity to tour the business. The group then traveled to Pizza Hut for lunch, sponsored by Bank of Ripley. After lunch, the group traveled to Bethlehem Cemetery, where they visited the final resting place of Chicken George and other relatives of Alex Haley. Afterwards, they toured the Alex Haley Home Museum, where they were told personal anecdotes of Alex's life growing up in Henning by staff members. The group then traveled to Fort Pillow State Park, toured the museum and learned about the park's history from Robby Tidwell, museum manager. The last stop of the day was at Barcroft's Buffalo Farm. Bennie and Elaine Barcroft spoke to the group about their business and participants were given the opportunity to tour the farm.

### Destination Imagination Teams



**MEMBERS** of the Halls Elementary School Destination Imagination teams include, from left, Myles Clark, Brecken Beasley, Lauren Coonts, Whit Hurt, Joseph Meeks, Ben Harris, Tarrah Coonts, Grant Ream, and Tanner Ream, in middle, Connor Wright, Alex Hutcherson, Sarah Kissell, Camryn Blackwood, Andrew Harris, and Landon Carmack, and, in rear, coaches, Richard Dawson, Ali Hurt, Cindy Ream, Beth Meeks, and Mandy Bushart. The two, elementary level, Destination Imagi-

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my cancer was contained and had not spread," said Connell. "The cancer was detected in its earliest stages, thanks to my doctor's insistence." He requested a second opinion from doctors at Vanderbilt University Hospital in Nashville. They agreed with the initial findings and suggested several options. He chose the laparoscopic robot surgery, which was performed in May of 2007. He was released after an overnight stay and dismissed to return home.

He resumed his regular working schedule after seven weeks of recovery. After regular check-ups with his doctors in Nashville, he has been released to see his regular doctors and his annual PSA levels remain at 0.01.

"I am thankful to be alive, thanks to my alert urologist, who found the cancer; to my Vanderbilt doctor, who did the surgery, and the staff; my family; my church family; and the community for their encouragement and support, along with prayers for my recovery. I would advise all men over the age of 45, or even younger, to have an annual test. Early detection is the key to a successful recovery," said Connell.

### RELAY'S GOT TALENT

Relays's Got Talent will be held May 7th at the downtown Ripley Square to benefit Relay For Life. The deadline to register is April 23rd.

For more information, call 731-635-0997 or 731-635-9541.

nation teams are challenged to "think outside the box" to solve problems by building props, creating skits, and using creative thinking skills. Both teams competed in the Regional competition in Milan, where they will both advance to the state competition, scheduled for April 17th.

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## EARTH DAY

April 22nd

### Honorary Chairman

### Chamber Host Planning Workshop



**JEAN JACKSON**, of Ripley, was selected as an honorary chairman for the annual Lauderdale County's Relay for Life. The event will be held May 7th on the downtown square. She will serve as honorary chairman with Don Connell, Hannah Ellis, and Eunice Washington.

Jean, like most women, breathed a sign of relief in January 2008, when her annual mammogram showed no sign of breast cancer. However, she is a strong believer in monthly self-exams. In March, just two months later, she felt a lump in her right breast. "I have friends who don't do the self-exams, but I have always felt I should," said Jean, who has a sister who was a victim of cancer. Turns out she was right, because her diagnosis showed aggressive breast cancer. A mastectomy was performed May 20th, followed by eight chemo treatments and 33 days of radiation.

"This has been a journey, not a real hard one, but a stressful one. My husband, Phillip, was right there for me every step of the way, going with me to the doctor and just giving me all the support I needed. I also felt the support of friends and my church family," said Jackson. "Thirteen of my friends wore a little pearl bracelet, made of white and pink pearls all through my treatment." She still wears the bracelet in support of Tina White, a close friend, who is undergoing treatment for breast cancer at the present time.

Good friends allowed Phillip and Jean the use of thier condo in Memphis while she was having the radiation treatments. "What a help that was, driving to Memphis everyday for 33 days would have added a tremendous amount of stress. We will always be grateful," said Jackson.

Herceptin, a relatively new cancer drug, which is used along with chemotherapy, is her medication for the next year. Research has added so many new things to cancer treatment. "They have seen much success with this drug in fighting a re-occurrence of the cancer," added Jackson.

"I will never forget the wonderful support we had from everyone. All the food, phone calls, and cards meant so much



**STAFF MEMBERS** of the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD hosted a Strategic Planning meeting Tuesday, April 6th to update the county's five year Strategic Plan as mandated in the Three Star program. The Facilitator for the planning session was Kristi Brown, Project Manager in Community Development with TVA. Twenty-five business and community leaders were present to participate in the planning session. Brown said, "Communities that participate in the Three Star program are "raising the bar" for economic development issues in the state of Tennessee and are committing to answering their development questions with "new" answers instead of doing the same remedies of the past". The Three Star program of work is not without risk or hard work. Updating the Strategic Plan provokes debate and the leaders must build consensus and determine the best development issues to tackle. This planning session

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and let me know that I wasn't in this battle by myself. Thank God for good friends and a wonderful church family," said Jean.

Her positive attitude has helped her cope with the dreaded "C". She never stopped doing all the things she enjoys. Her doctors are thrilled that she can still walk a mile several times a week. She keeps busy teaching her Sunday school class at First United Methodist, the Loyal class, has served as president of the Retired Teachers Association, vice-president of the Thursday Evening Musicale, an active member of the Ada Nixon Book Club, and a good bridge game anytime she can. She is full of energy and has a don't quit outlook

### 2010 Tennessee Maps Available

The official 2010 Tennessee Transportation map is available to assist travelers in their planning efforts. The map is formatted with large, easy to read information. The map can be downloaded from the Tennessee Department of Transportation's website, [www.tn.gov/todt/maps.htm](http://www.tn.gov/todt/maps.htm) or mail a request to Tennessee Department of Transportation, Map Sales Office, 505 Deaderick St., James K. Polk Building, Suite 300, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0345. Individuals may request up to five free maps or organizations and schools can request up to 100.

### Pilot Lost Race With A Storm

Federal investigators have found that Doug Phillips, 58, of Bartlett, pilot of the Hospital Wing helicopter which crashed March 25th, near Brownsville, knew before leaving Jackson that internet radar showed a front moving north from Memphis at about 25 miles an hour.

Phillips said by radio to his Brownsville base that he had 18 minutes for the 8.5 minute flight there.

Internet radar lags actual radar by 10 to 15 minutes. On-board radar (not known to have been aboard the helicopter) lags actual radar by three to five minutes.



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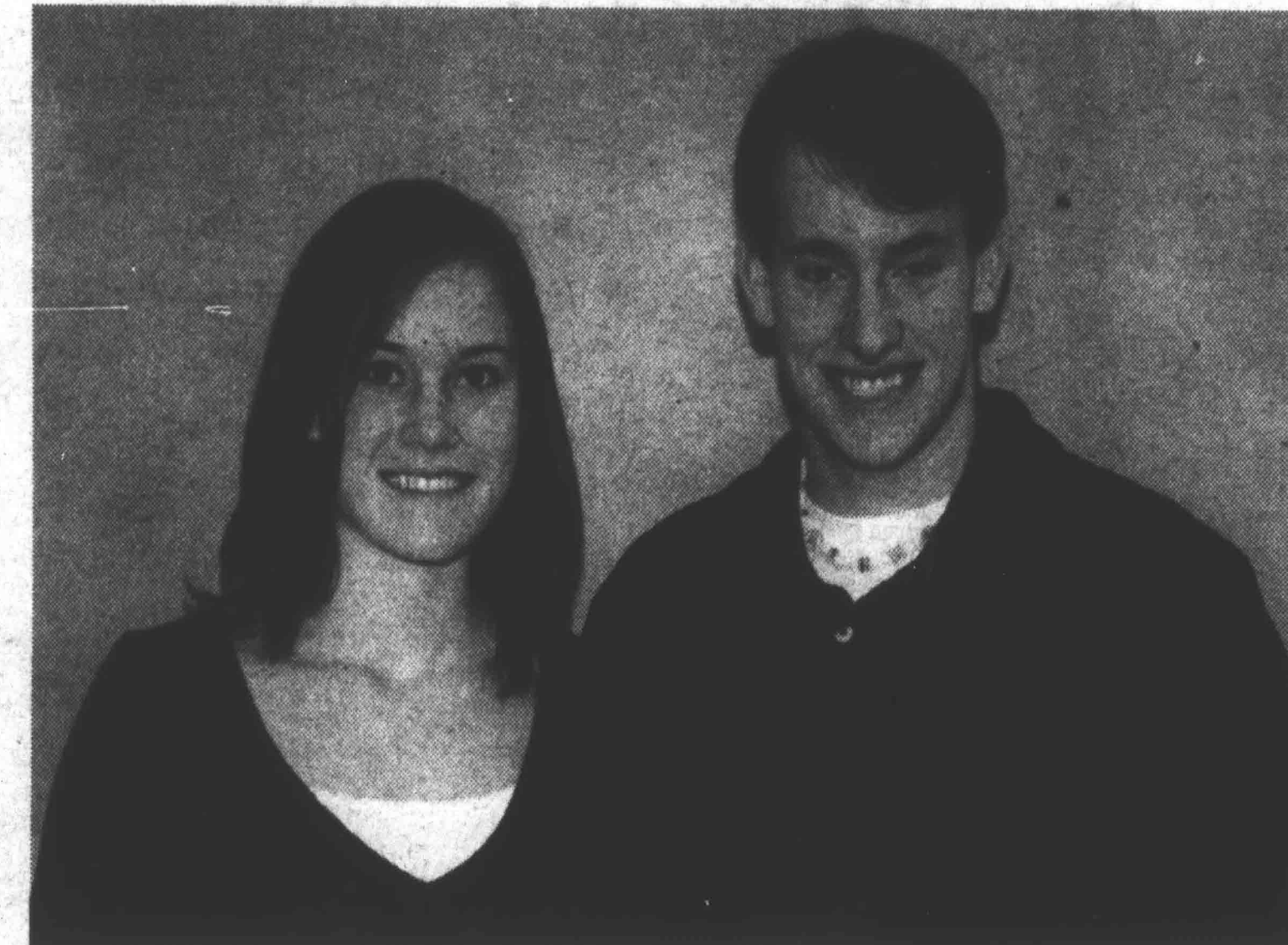
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sion requires compromise at all levels and an honest assessment of the community. Accomplishments in Lauderdale County in the past three to five years were discussed including the new library, UT Martin Ripley Center, Regional Economic Development Group (HTL), Certified Industrial Sites, Fiber Optic/Broadband, School. Improvements and Grants, Books from Birth, WTN Retail Alliance, Additional Fire Protection, STEP Program, Secondary Education Graduation Academy, Downtown Revitalization, Alex Haley Exhibit, Carl Perkins Center, Gates Community Center, Gates Downtown Festival, Career Readiness Certificate, Litter Program, Farmers Market, Dialysis Clinic and the Ripley City Center.

Susan Todd, Chamber director, said, "The development of a strategic plan is important to the direction a community will take in the future. There is a real need for strategic planning, if you don't know where you want to go you have no idea how to get there. The final draft of the Strategic Plan will be submitted to the cities and the county for approval.

## Attends Conference



STUDENTS, Chelsea Gwaltney, left, of Ripley High School, and Logan Campbell, right, of Halls High School, attended the Student Congress on Policies in Education (SCOPE) Conference March 12th in Nashville at Tennessee State University. They were asked questions such as Should students be forced to receive vaccinations for projected pandemics? or Should early graduation be allowed through taking courses offered through non-traditional methods? These questions and others were debated by nearly 400 of the state's top high school students. SCOPE, an annual event since 1982, allows students to learn about the vital role played by school board members and share their opinions about education issues.

After an opening session, that included remarks from 2010 SCOPE officers, students broke into small groups to participate in mock school board meetings. The meetings focused on the value of art and music education in grades K-8, and participants debated the merits of arts instruction versus budgetary constraints.

After lunch, groups chose

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## Annual Tree Day



DAVID AND JANE SNELL, second and third from right, received trees from County Mayor Rod Schuh, right, at the annual tree give-away Friday, April 2nd, at the USDA Service Center. Mayor Schuh and Steve Brabec of the Tennessee Division of Forestry were successful in obtaining several species of trees for this year's give-away. The trees were distributed by the Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District, represented by supervisors, Vernon McBride III, left, and Guy Bentley.

was given a pre-assigned topic and position to debate. Participants then elected 2011 SCOPE officers.

Chelsea and Logan will serve as student board members on the Lauderdale County Board of Education for the 2010-2011 school year. They will report to the board on issues and/or progress witnessed at their schools.

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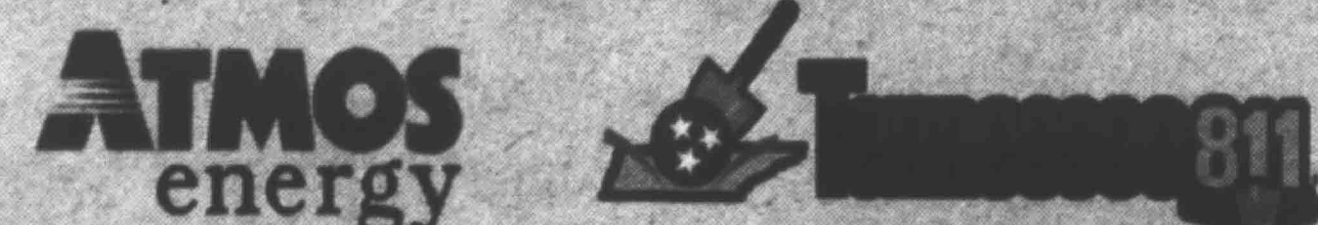
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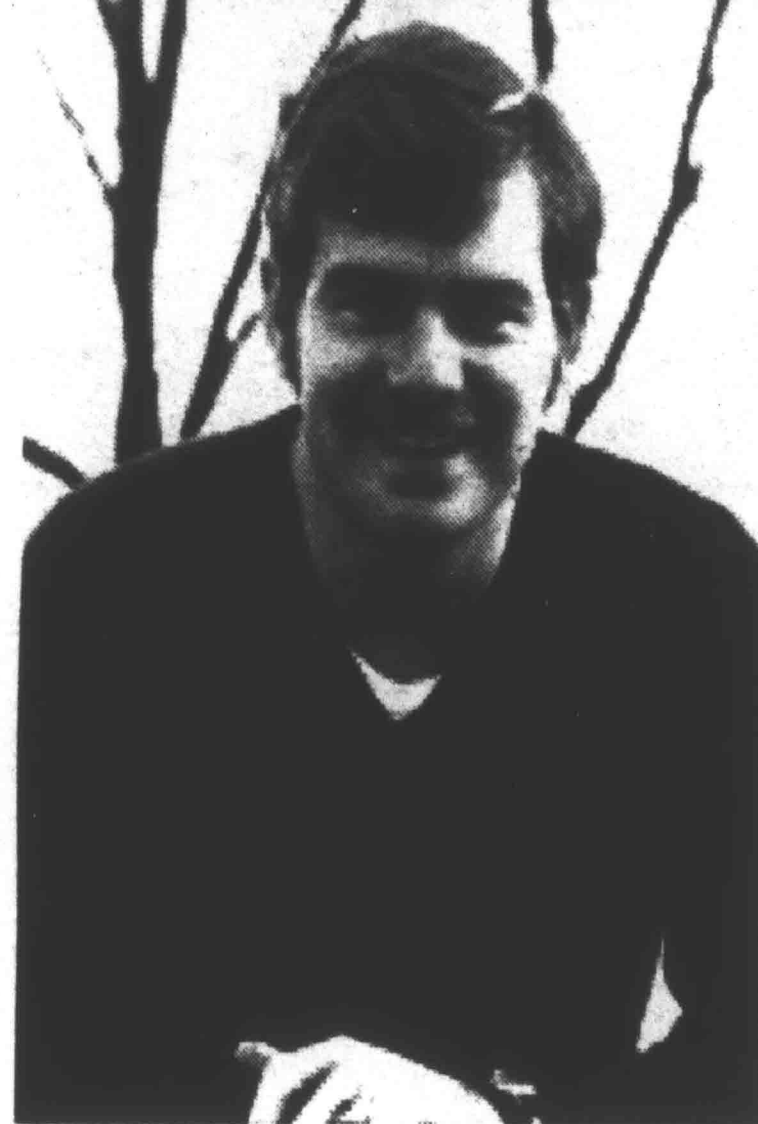
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## Obituaries

## Taught Here



**Robert Max Lewis**, 65, who taught biology in Ripley High School, 1970-73, died Thursday of last week in Bradenton, Fla. his home since retiring in 2005.

Reared in Trenton, he was graduated from Lambuth College in Jackson and taught in Jacksonville, Fla. before coming to Ripley.

He left Ripley to teach for the Dept. of Defense in Newfoundland, Germany, and Japan.

## Ruby Howard

Ruby Hazel Howard, 89, widow of Paul William Howard, died Sunday in Lauderdale Community Hospital in Ripley.

Rites were held Tuesday in Macedonia Baptist Church at Edith, where she was a member, with burial in its cemetery, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

She leaves sons, Larry and R. C. Howard, and a daughter, Connie Sue Cox, of Ripley; another daughter, Molly Troup, of Chapel Hill; eight grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

## CORRECTION

Wanda Sue Baker, widow of Billy Wayne Baker, of Halls, was incorrectly identified in his obituary, published April 1st. We regret incorrect information.

## Countian's Mother Dies In Ala. Crash, Daughter Trailing

Mary Ann Short, 65, mother of Kevin S. Short, of Ripley, died Monday of last week in the Baptist Hospital in Alabaster, Ala., to which she was flown by helicopter after an accident on Interstate Highway 65, in Chilton County, Ala., a few miles from her home in Jemison, Ala., half-way between Birmingham and Montgomery.

Alabama state police report:

Her husband, William Amos "Pete" Short, Jr., 65, was driving a 2006 Lincoln Town Car north on I-65, from a vacation in Orange Beach, Ala., when, at 12:15 a.m. the car, with no evidence of braking, left the road, struck a tree and a ditch, and overturned, but came to rest right side up.

"Pete" went by ambulance to the University of Alabama Medical Center in Birmingham.

The couple's daughter, Mary Ann (Mrs. Cody) McLeod, of Ozark, Ala., with her children, Oliver and Mary Annabella, had been following the Town Car from Orange Beach and saw the accident.

Mrs. Short was the daughter of the late James and Mildred Snow.

A certified registered nurse anesthetist, she was a Salvation Army volunteer.

Other survivors include sons, William A. "Trey" Short III, Christopher Short, and Jonathan Short; a sister, Carol Jean (Mrs. Donald) Quinn, of Birmingham; and two other grandchildren.

Rites were Friday in the Garywood Assemby of God Church in Bessemer, Ala., with burial in Forest Grove Memorial Gardens in Pleasant Grove, Ala.

## Sam Payton

Sam Payton, 92, of Ripley, died Monday, in his home.

Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m. Friday in Currie's Funeral Home, in Henning, and from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. rites Saturday in Elam Missionary Baptist Church at Durhamville, with burial in its cemetery.

He was the widower of Eva Payton.

He leaves sons, Jerry and Mablon Payton, of Ripley, and Willie R. Cogshell, of Pasadena, Calif.; daughters, Sally Moore, of Ripley, and Ruth Cogshell and Betty Thomas, of Ormond Beach, Fla.; brothers, Dan and Herman, of South Bend, Ind.; sisters, Verlene

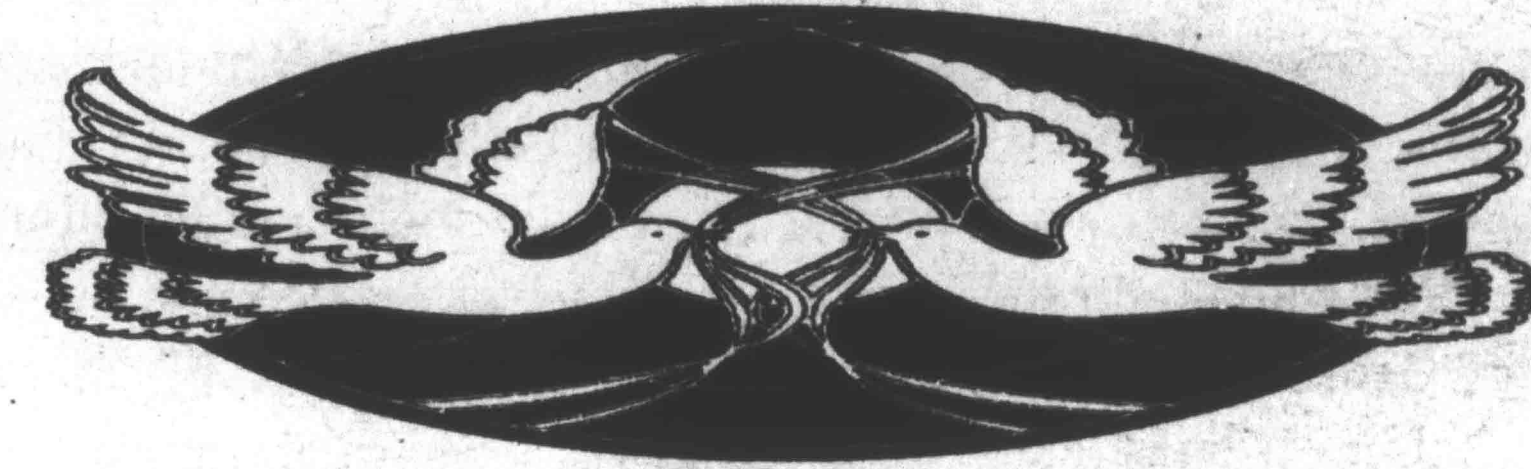
## Billy Shahan

Billy Wayne Shahan, 61, of Brighton, brother of Ruth Taylor, of Henning, died March 25th.

Rites were March 29th in Mount Lebanon Cemetery in Tipton County.

Survivors include another sister, Sue Austill, and brothers, Ronnie and Vernon Shahan, of Covington, and another brother, Wesley Shahan, of Brighton.

Campbell, of Jackson, Bernadine Green, of South Bend, and Princess Powell, of Detroit, Mich.; 15 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and 18 great-great-grandchildren.



## Church Happenings

The Women's Ministry of Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, at Three Points, will hold a prayer breakfast beginning at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, April 17th with Evangelist Lera Lee, as guest speaker. The theme is Ask, Believe, and Receive. All women of the community are invited. A workshop, focusing on the family, will be held from 7 to 8:15 p.m. beginning April 26th through 29th with The Rev. James McNeil as guest speaker. The public is invited.

Ashport Baptist Church, 6742 Highway 19 W., Ripley, will hold a spring revival April 25th through 28th with Mike Melton as guest evangelist. The public is invited.

Members of the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ, 216 Watkins St., Ripley, invite the public to a Sunday School celebration at 5 p.m. April 18th.

Fountain of Life Ministries, in Halls, is announcing HYPE Night at 7 p.m. April 16th. Elder Dalton Jackson, youth minister, invites the public. For more information, contact Elder Jackson, daltonjackson@folministries.org.

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.

## Mary Burwell

Mary Elizabeth Burwell, 81, mother of Grace (Mrs. Neal) Caldwell, of 705 Lynn School Rd., Ripley, died Sunday in Belhaven Senior Care in Jackson, Miss.

Rites were Tuesday in the Ebenezer, Miss., United Methodist Church, where she had been an active member, with burial in its cemetery, Southern Funeral Home in charge.

She was born in Leake County, Miss., Jan. 25, 1929, to the late Hester and Onidee Majure Wright.

She had been the office manager for Petrolane Gas.

She leaves a son, Billy, of Ebenezer, another daughter, Mary Frances (Mrs. Keith) Waters, of Sumrall, Miss.; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial gifts to the Pax Hospice, 129 Executive Drive, Madison, MS 39110 would be appropriate.

## Mrs. Ferrell

Martha Nell Braddock Ferrell, 60, of Apt. 3, 550 S. Church, Henning, died Thursday of last week in Lauderdale Community Hospital.

Rites were held Tuesday in Munford Chapel.

She leaves sons, Jerry McCulley, Billy Martinez, and José Seise; brothers, Hollis Wayne Braddock and Ronald Eugene Braddock, of Covington; sisters, Mary Sue Braddock, Donna Marie Keith, Mary Lynn Fultz, and Teresa Beatrice Alferez; and four grandchildren.

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## 2010 Tomato Festival Royalty Crowned



**SAMMI JO LEWIS**, daughter of Alan and Pam Lewis, of Ripley, was crowned Miss Lauderdale County Saturday. Her court included Kacie Land, first maid, daughter of Mike and Kathy Land, of Ripley; Chelsea Pruitt, second maid, daughter of Ben and Leigh Ann Pruitt, of Ripley; and Hailee Brown, third maid, daughter of Gary and Alice Brown, of Ripley.



**MADISON MOUNTJOY**, daughter of Jamie and Tammy Mountjoy, of Gates, was crowned Miss Lauderdale County Teen. Her court included Alexis Bolden, first maid, daughter of Michael and Christy Woodard, of Ripley; Ambria Platzke, second maid, daughter of Travis and Gail Lane, of Ripley; and Taylor Brasfield, third maid, daughter of Ty and Tammy Brasfield, of Halls.



**SARA ANN DAVIDSON**, daughter of Keith and Melissa Davidson, of Ripley, was crowned Lauderdale County Junior Miss. Her court included Julia Nicole Kent, first maid, daughter of Todd and Jennifer Kent, of Ripley; Gracie Francis, second maid, daughter of Dave Francis and Valery Nipp, of Ripley; and Kayla Nycole Brogdon, third maid, daughter of Billy and Missy Rogers, and Kevin and the late Misty Brogdon, of Halls.



**PAYTON CLEMENT**, son of Corey Walker and Karen Clement, of Henning, and Callie Jo Young, daughter of Donald and Stephanie Young, of Gates, were crowned king and queen in the Lauderdale County Junior King and Queen division. Their court included Georgia Friend, princess, daughter of Lowell Friend and Valery Nipp, of Ripley, and Emma Claire Smith, maid, daughter of Randy and Amy Smith, of Halls.



**CHRISTOPHER BLAKE KIRBY**, son of Trey Kirby and Jessica Kirby, of Henning, and Jaycie Brooke Carroll, daughter of Rusty and Jennifer Carroll, of Ripley, were crowned king and queen in the Little Mr. and Miss Lauderdale County division. Their court included Brandon Anthony Eastep, prince, son of Steven and Marissa Eastep, of Halls; Abby Sondgeroth, princess, daughter of Aaron and Kristy Sondgeroth, of Ripley; and Makenzie Hope Vowell, maid, daughter of Brian and Kimberly Vowell, of Ripley.



**BROCK MASON KIRKPATRICK**, son of David and Cynthia Kirkpatrick, of Henning, and Carlee Marie Hutchins, daughter of Nathan and Neally Hutchins, of Ripley, were crowned king and queen in the Little Mr. and Miss Tomato pageant Saturday. Their court included Tate Russell Chalk, prince, son of Davey and Jessica Chalk, of Ripley; Cali Brooke Roberson, princess, daughter of Travis and Mallory Roberson, of Halls; and Caylyn Hobson, maid, daughter of Corey Hobson and Danielle Stephens, of Ripley.



# Halls, S. F'lton Trade 2-1 Tilts

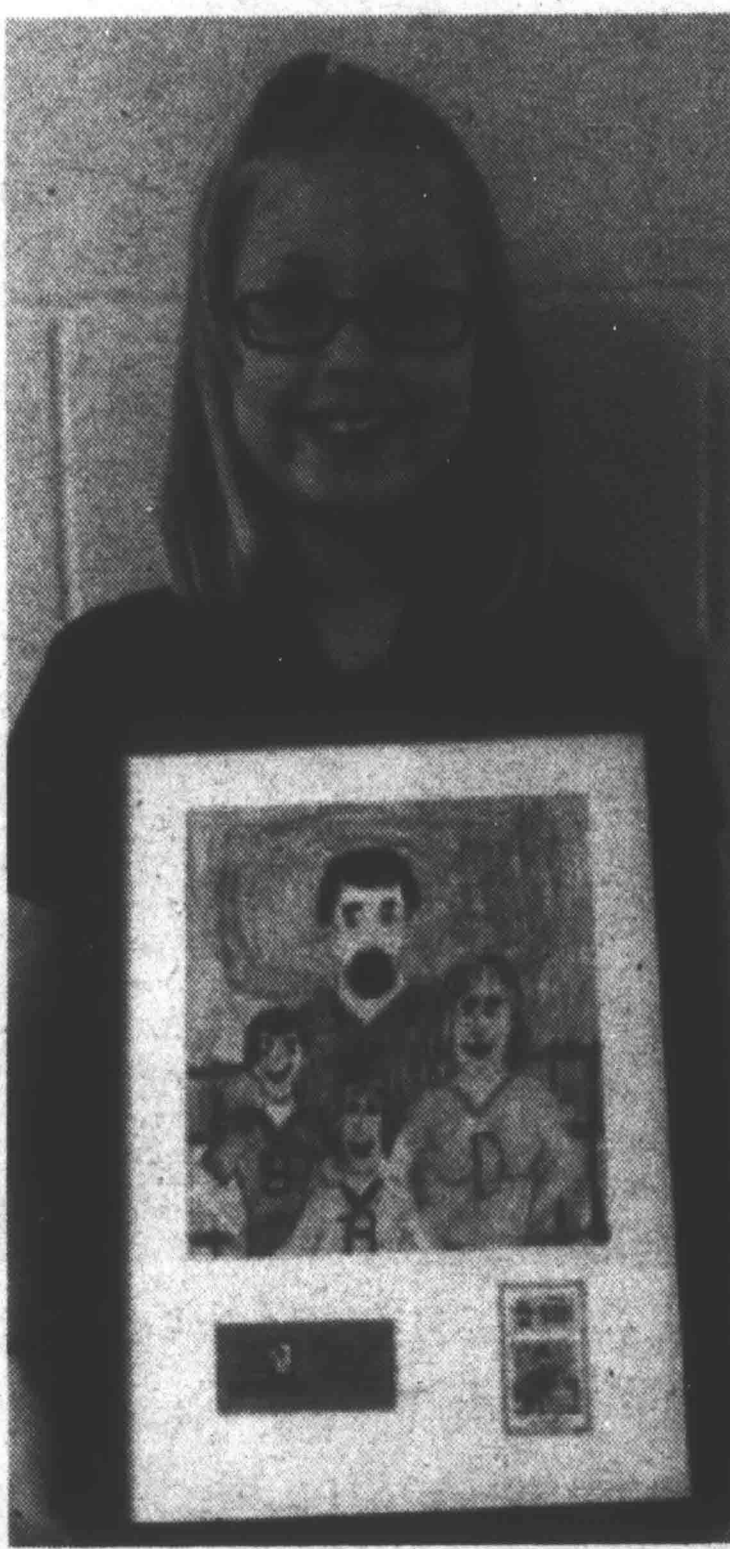
After double header wins at Humboldt, Monday of last week, 20-0 and 16-1, Halls High School's softball team traded 2-1 games with South Fulton's Devilettes.

Thursday of last week, in South Fulton, Halls won 2-1, in 11 innings.

Devilette pitcher Haley McK-inney went the distance, striking out six and allowing eight hits, but five errors gave Halls the win, breaking a 6-game win streak for South Fulton, leaving it 13-3.

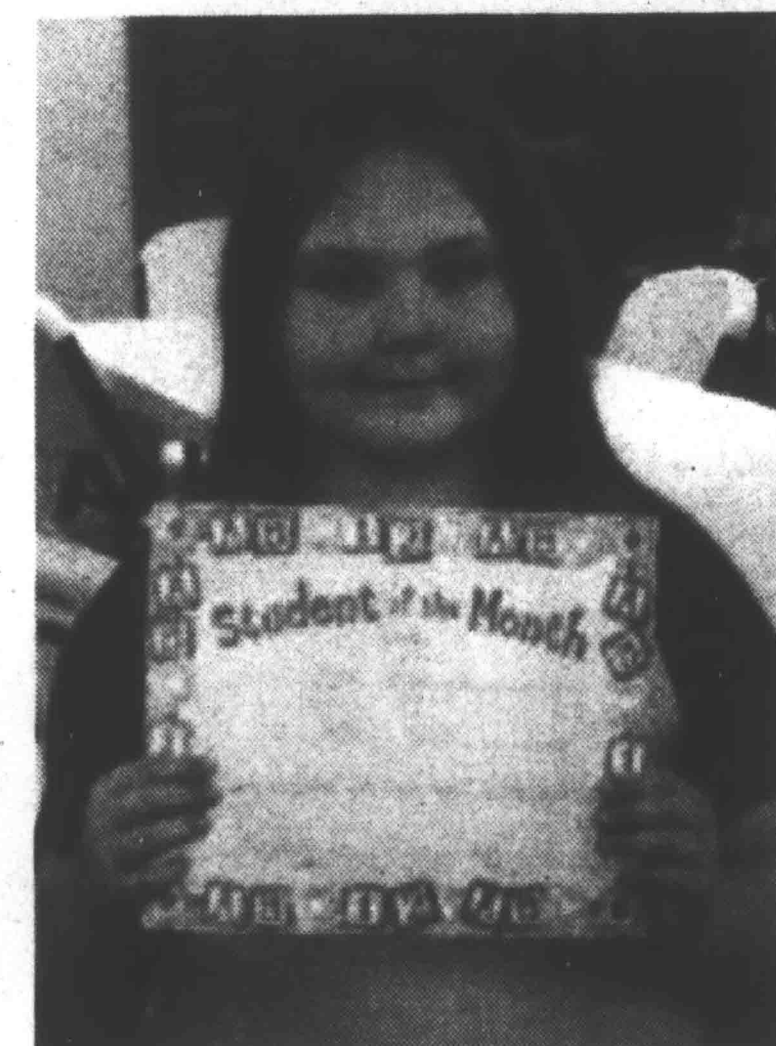
Revenge came Saturday in the Covington Tournament, when South Fulton won from Halls, 2-1.

## Art Winner



**BROOKLYN WARD**, a third grade student at Halls Elementary School, was notified last month that she is the winner of the 2009 National Artistic Achievement Award. Halls Elementary School PTO sponsored the "Art Stamps" contest. This prestigious award is only presented to a select number of students nationwide. Brooklyn's artwork will be displayed at the school in a frame with the date of her achievement and postage stamp. Winners in the national Art Stamps program may buy their artwork on special postage stamps at the local post office and use them in the mail. Brooklyn is the daughter of Paul and Dawn Ward and is a student in the classroom of Mrs. Tabatha DePriest.

## Selected



**KARLI BURNS**, daughter of Jeremy and Keri Burns, of Gates, was selected as the Student Of The Month at Apostolic Academy, where she is in the first grade.

- Peaches
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk
- Friday, April 23rd**
- Corn Dog
- Turkey & Cheese Sandwich
- Carrot Sticks w/Dip
- Potato Triangles
- Applesauce
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

## School Lunches

- Ripley Primary School**
- Halls Elementary School**
- Pre-K to 3rd**
- Monday, April 19th**
- Cheeseburger
- French Fries
- Pear Halves
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, April 20th**
- Oven Baked Ham
- Corn Nibbles
- Apple Slices
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, April 21st**
- Spaghetti
- Green Beans

## HES' Project L.E.A.D.



**STUDENTS** in the Project L.E.A.D. program at Halls Elementary School work on art projects and also find time to play with the neighborhood puppy.

## Simple Machines



**STUDENTS** in the fourth grade science classroom of Richard Dawson at Halls Elementary School made simple machines for an extra credit project. The students were learning how simple machines and compound machines are used to help make work easier. The students had a choice of making levers, inclined planes, gears, pulleys, along with wheels and axles. The simple machines were on display at the school and several other classes had mini lessons on the simple machines.

## Litter Committee Meets



**MEMBERS** of the Keep Lauderdale County Beautiful litter committee, local officials, and community volunteers met March 5th with members of the Keep Tennessee Beautiful committee for a luncheon presentation at the Just Divine Tea Room in Halls. One topic discussed was The Great American Cleanup, which is scheduled in Lauderdale County for Saturday, May 15th, with a raindate of Saturday, May 22nd. KTnB representatives, Howard Cobb, right, in rear, community development coordinator, and Stine Cooperwood, second from left, in front, project assistant, stated that the meeting was one of the most broadly represented meetings they had conducted across the state. Attending were, in front, from left, Ann Tate and Pamela Cherry-Kerby, coordinator for Lauderdale County, and in rear, Rod Schuh, County Mayor, Eugene Pugh, Halls mayor, Michael Bursey, Henning mayor, Commissioner Tommy Sanders, and Commissioner Dennis King, plus, not pictured, Commissioner Lynnwood Shoemaker.

## Recognized



**MARY LATTIMORE** was recognized April 1st by staff members of the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging after she spent her 70th birthday delivering meals to participants of the MIFA Meals on Wheels program. Mrs. Mary said, "I plan to be delivering meals for the next 70 years". She comes into the center each morning with a smile and a pleasant word for everybody as she packs out the meals to be delivered on her route of 24. Mrs. Mary delivers rain or shine five days a week to home bound seniors, who are happy to see her each day, not only for the hot meals, but for her smile and kind words.

It is also a communication tool for the seniors. If they have not notified the center that they would not be home, Mary alerts the staff that there might be a problem and a follow up is conducted.

April 19 - Celeste Kiestler, Hannah Kelly, Lisa Dunham, Houston Haynes, Martha Land, Laura Layne, Beverly Taylor, Dennis Jones, David King, Jack Oates, Sam Cannon, Jamie Jones, Alex Dunaway, Jane Burnett, Mark Hargett, Beck Pipkin, Helen Tackett, Shelby Drumwright, Brian Bain, Amy Stanton, Randy Schwinn.

April 20 - Beverly Hutcherson, Derry Newman, Don White, June Sapp, Sarah Brassfield, Sparkle Pitts, Donna Burns, Rev. Randy Jetton, B. J. Graham, Shirley Braden, Cecil Crowder, Sr., Irene Savage, Linda Edwards, Paula Buckner, Chandler Bolton, Jeff Hamilton, Brooke Burton, Ashton Platzke, Billy Glen Chisholm.

April 21 - Dora Colvin, Shannon Ray Walker, Paul Meadows, Lee Smalley, Bill Caldwell, Paige Murray, Keith Jackson, Jean Ward, Jeff Lawrence, Heath Elmer, Dona Canada.

April 17 - Michelle Vaughn, Robin Porter, Brandon Vowell, Pat Smith, Rusty Kesler, Brit-tany Lane, Faye Braden, Cynthia Holland, Autumn Crowder, Dalton Crowder, Ryan Crowder, Mary Lou Rogers.

April 18 - Jean McDearman, Rickie Kerley, Laura Jennings, Patricia Turner, Brian Bailey, Jo Turner, Beth Poyner, Linda Turner, Shelbi Stewart, Scotty Oates, Patience Correll, Blaine Smith, Tommy Adkins, Ginna Lee Cherry, Camdyn McLemore, Joe Hardy.

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

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

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## Plaque Presented



**LISA HANKINS**, center, was recognized Friday March 12th by Mike Dunavant, second from right, District Attorney General, and members of the 25th Judicial District Drug Task Force, including, from left, Brian Kelley, Lauderdale County Sheriff's Deputy; John Thompson, Drug Task Force Director; and Garrison Taylor, DTF Assistant Director, with a plaque of recognition and appreciation for her years of service to the community as director of the Lauderdale County Chamber of Commerce. Specifically, members of the Drug Task Force wanted to recognize and thank Hankins for her support and sponsorship of the ongoing public education efforts of the Drug Task Force about the dangers of the use and manufacture of illegal controlled substances, by her inclusion of the DTF as presenters in the respective curricula of the annual Leadership Lauderdale and Youth Leadership Lauderdale classes.

## Anniversaries

- April 15 - Mr. and Mrs. James Sylvester.
- April 16 - Mr. and Mrs. Randy Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Britt, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Jenkins.
- April 17 - Dr. and Mrs. Roy Crowder, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George Vaughn.
- April 18 - Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Smith.

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## BINGO AND SCREENING

The Lauderdale County Commission on Aging will play Bingo at 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 27th, at Nelson Street Center in Ripley. Other activities include, a cake walk, refreshments and free health screenings provided by CareAll Home Care Services.

For more information, call 836-5444.

## Marriages

April 3rd - Delbert Clay Harrison, 23, to Amanda Clarine Smith, 27, by Billy P. Brandon.

Eric Dwane Brooks, 28, to Lindsay Jo Harris, 32, by Melvin L. Orr.

## Divorces

Nicole Renee Buckner vs. Christopher Marvin Buckner. Amanda Tennessee Taylor vs. Jason Todd Colvin. Jana Jobeth Choat vs. James Neal Choat.

Amanda Elizabeth Harris vs. Alex Shane Harris. Phillip Wayne Max vs. Charlene Rae Max.



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- Garden Salad w/Dressing
- Grapes
- Banana
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk
- Thursday, April 22nd**
- Chicken Nuggets
- Whipped Potatoes
- Green Peas
- Pineapple Tidbits



### Service Pin Presented



D. MICHAEL DUNAVANT, left, District Attorney General, presented Bertha Graves, right, Program Administrator in the Child Support Enforcement Division, with a State of Tennessee 5-year employee service pin for her years of service for the 25th Judicial District of Tennessee. Bertha serves the entire 25th Judicial District, in both the Covington and Bolivar branch offices of the Child Support Enforcement Division, which manages child support cases in Lauderdale, Tipton, Fayette, Hardeman, and McNairy counties.

### Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here!!!! Miss Pam and I are out at the Club. We have been spending a lot of time out here since the sun has been shining and it is warm outside. Miss Pam says that we need to get more exercise. Mr. Greg has been getting a lot of my Buds out for walks. He must think that my Buds need more exercise. I have been running around and playing with Brownie, the black and white mix; Flossie, the brindle feist mix; Angel, the yellow lab, that is house broken, and has had all of her shots; and some of the beagles. Sam, the black lab, that has been neutered, and is house broken, and Duke, the Australian shepherd, were out playing by the big tree. They were looking up, so I went over to see what they were looking at.

When I got over by the tree, Duke told me that there were things flying up in the tree. I looked up and there were bees everywhere. The big tree has pretty flowers on it and I guess the bees here at the Club like the flowers like they do at my house. I jumped and told Duke and Sam that the things flying were bees and that they tasted really good. I jumped up and caught one and ate it. Duke and Sam both tried to jump and catch one but they were too slow. I laughed at them and told them that they would have to jump and be fast to catch a bee. Duke jumped up and caught one and he started to eat it. He yelped out loud and spit out the bee. I told him that sometimes it hurt really bad to eat bees. Sam and I ate a few bees and then my mouth was really hurting bad and I needed some cold water.

I went into the office and went straight for the water. Miss Pam knew exactly what I had been doing. At home, Miss Pam will not let me go out and stand under the flowers and eat bees because sometimes it makes me sick. She really fussed at me and I just kept on drinking water. Boy, the cold water sure does make eating bees feel better.

Then, she told me to come outside with her. We walked out under the tree. Sam and Duke were still there jumping and trying to eat bees. She even fussed at Sam and Duke. She told them the same thing that she tells me at home (don't eat bees because they are not good for you and they make your tongue swell up). So Sam and Duke just went on over to the Barn to see the girl four leggers.

Mr. Greg and Miss Pam told me to go look at the puppy four leggers with them. We have Trixie, the white lab mix, and she has white puppy four leggers; Betsy, the tri colored feist mix, has puppy four leggers; and we have black lab puppy four leggers and one of their name's is Chocolate. We have some 3 month old heeler mix puppy four leggers. All of the puppy four leggers are really cute.

Breanna Lovelace came out to the Club and took home Snowflake, the white cat. Katrina and Trent came out to the Club and took Snowflake, the white terrier, home with them. Caleb Wright reclaimed his big friend, Timber. Karissa Warden brought my Buds some food out to the Club. Miss Mary Conner made a generous donation to the Club so we can buy some food. Thanks, Miss Mary.

Have your four legger spayed or neutered so that we don't have so many

puppy and kitten four leggers out here at the Club. Take your four legger to see the Doc for their yearly checkup and shots. Miss Pam says that a healthy four legger is a happy four legger and a happy four legger makes a two legger happy.

Send your two legger out to the

Club with some food for my Buds. We always need food because my Buds are always hungry. If you don't want to come out to the Club, just drop off your food donation at 51 Antiques and see Miss Sharon. She will call us and we will come and pick it up. Come see us at 3265 Curve Nankipoo Road, mail

us something at P. O. Box 172 Ripley, or just give us a call at 836-PETS (836-7387).

Be as good as your four legger thinks you are. I still think that bees taste like chicken. I just wonder - does eating chicken hurt bad?

Zeek out!!!!

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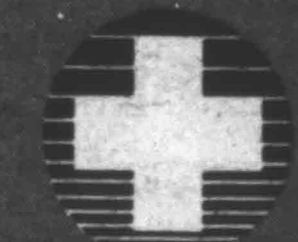
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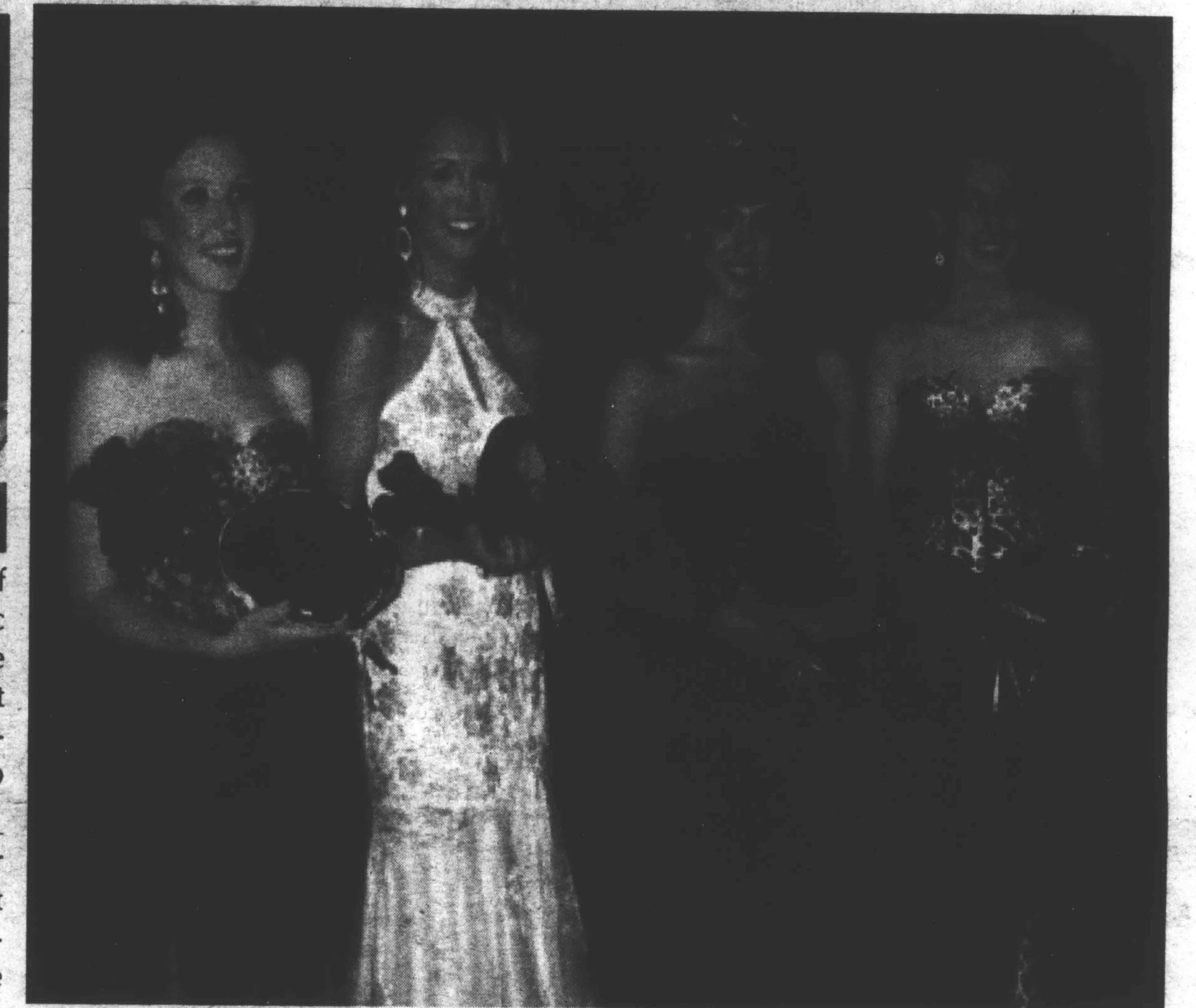
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### Locals Release Album



THE MUSICAL GROUP, "Lauderdale County", comprised of Quincy Sims, aka Quin Dot C, and Eric Brown, aka Mac Sug, who were both born and reared in Halls, will release their debut album, *Welcome To Lauderdale County*, due out May 1st. Bridge the Gap Entertainment released the first official single, *Why You Mad*, featuring Lil Scrappy, to all radio and media outlets earlier.

### Miss Halls Crowned



SHELBY PARSONSON, second from right, daughter of Robert and Kim Parsonson, was crowned Miss Halls March 27th. Her court included, from left, Hollie Wilson, third maid and Miss Congeniality, daughter of Gary and Kim Wilson; Ashlee Nichols, second maid, daughter of Tim and Tracy Nichols; and Kelsey Layne, first maid, daughter of Jim and Veronica Layne.

### Candidate

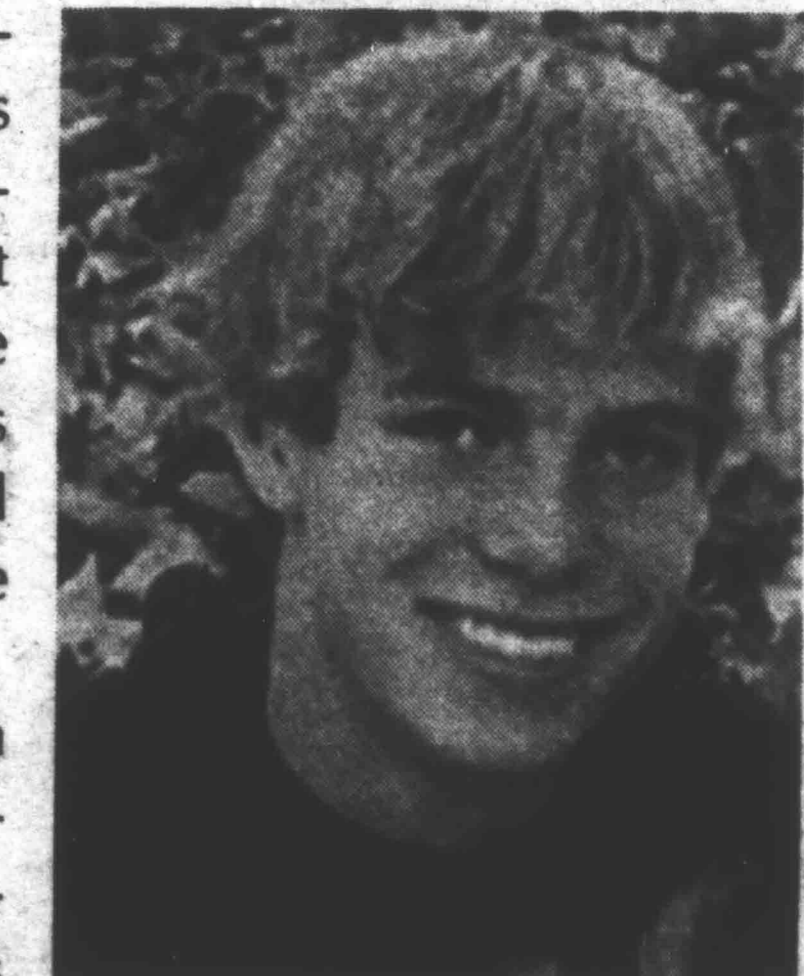


BRIAN KELLEY has announced his intention to seek the office of Lauderdale County Sheriff. He began his law enforcement career as an officer in adult security with the Tennessee Department of Corrections in 1989. Brian attended Dyersburg State Community College receiving his state certification as an Emergency Medical Tech-

nician (EMT). As an officer and EMT, he served as a unit supervisor and tactical medic under assignment to the Tactical Unit. While attending various training seminars from the State, he acquired an interest in drug law enforcement. In 1998, Brian took a position as a deputy sheriff at the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department, where he learned the duties of process serving, answering calls and assisting the department in needed capacities. In 1999, Brian was assigned as a drug investigator. He was assigned to the DEA/OCDETF, Drug Enforcement Agency/Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force, that led to the arrest and conviction of 77 individuals in the United States District Court for Western Tennessee.

Brian was selected as the Lauderdale County Exchange Club Officer of the Year in 2004 and has helped to educate the county in the hazards

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### WEATHER ALERT

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on the piano for the contest. His music teacher is Mrs. Martha Miller. A student at Halls High School, he plays baseball, behind his older brother, Leamond Arthur II. Freeman is the grandson of Betty Arthur, of Ripley, and Leamond Arthur, of Halls.



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

April 25 - Barbara Jennings,

Becky Hilliard, Beth Deaton, Brenda Newman, Margie Haliburton, Becky Fain, Nathan Smith, Mike Fuller, Ruby Taylor, Kyle Loving, Teresia Walk, Yvonne Clay, Cindy Rosson, Gary Turner Jr., Addy Hume.

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

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

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

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# Obituaries

## J. B. Bonds

J. B. "Bo" Bonds, 98, of the Pleasant Hill - Glimp Road, west of Henning, died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Sunday in St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in the Garden of Everlasting Life, north of Covington, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

A retired farmer, he leaves daughters, Lessie Bonds and Velma Siner, of Henning, Lillie Davis, of Chicago, Ill., and Judy Johnson, of Pontiac, Mich.; sons, Eddie, of Pontiac, Mich., and Freddie, of Auburn Hills, Mich.; a sister, Rona Kate Fields, of Mason; 27 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and 18 great-great-grandchildren.

## Chasity Higdon

Chasity Lynn Higdon, 29, of Park Hills, Mo., who married Shannon Pittman, of 274 Ford Store Road, north of Ripley, died April 11th in the Regional Medical Center in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in Covington Memorial Gardens, Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in charge.

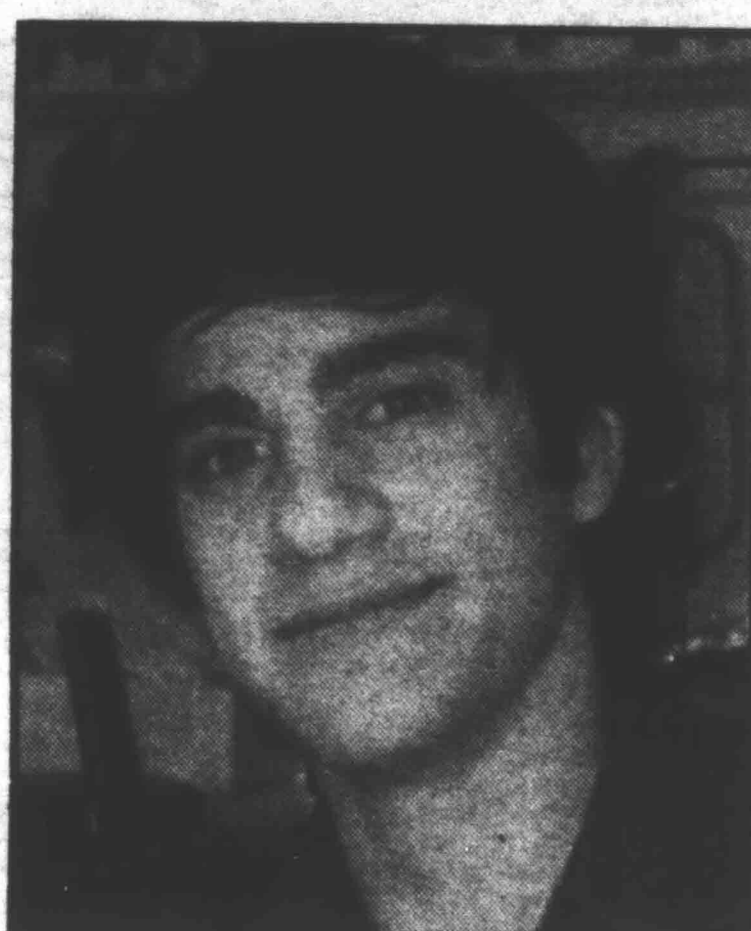
She was born in Memphis, April 28, 1980, to Joe Higdon, of Burlison, and Judy Arndt Higdon, of Park Hills.

She was a machine operator for the Gilster - Mary Lee Corp., private label food manufacturers, in Perryville, Mo.

She resided with her fiancé, Jason Powell, and her sons, Blake and Haston Pittman.

Survivors include her great-grandmother, Rosemary Hindrichs, of St. Genevieve, Mo.; grandmothers, Faye Higdon, of Covington, and Arlene Arndt, of Bonne Terre, Mo.; brothers, Joe Higdon, Jr., of Brighton, and Shawn Higdon, of Park Hills; and three step-sisters, of Tennessee.

## Cycle Victim



**Jerry Benjamin Yon II**, 16, of Covington, grandson of Ripley native Benjamin Edward Yon, was fatally injured Tuesday morning of last week, riding a motorcycle.

Officers who were called at 9:40 a.m. to the intersection of Hwy. 59 and Walton Loop, west of Covington, said Ben's motorcycle, west-bound, struck the rear of a vehicle which had stopped to turn left onto Walton Loop. Ben was thrown into the east-bound lane, where he was struck by an east-bound truck.

He was born in Memphis, Aug. 6, 1993, to Jerry Benjamin Yon and Amanda Smith Yon, of Covington.

He had been an All-Star Dixie Youth baseball player.

His grandfather Yon, born at Ripley, March 28, 1928, to the late Harrison and Louise Lock McBroom Yon, died Jan. 24th, of cancer.

Rites were Friday in the gymnasium of Covington High School, where he was a sophomore, a member of the Future Farmers of America and the

Distributive Education Club. Burial was in Magnolia Gardens.

Ben leaves his grandmother, Mildred Yon, of Covington; other grandparents, Jerry and Brenda Smith, of Horn Lake, Miss.; and a sister, La-cey Yon, of Covington.

Memorial gifts to his FFA chapter would be appropriate.

## Elaine Sweat

Elaine Wood Sweat, 81, widow of J. W. Sweat, died Thursday of last week in Asbury Cove Assisted Living Center in Ripley.

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

She leaves a daughter, Laurie Widen, of 11944 Hwy. 19 west of Ripley; sons, Donald W. Sweat, of 95 Turkey Hill Road, Ripley, William F. Sweat, of 1915 Edith-Nankipoo Rd., manager of the First Citizens Bank branch at 316 Cleveland in Ripley, and Wade Sweat, of Madison, Miss.; a sister, Sharon Evans, of Casper, Wyoming; 10 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorial gifts to the American Cancer Society would be appropriate.

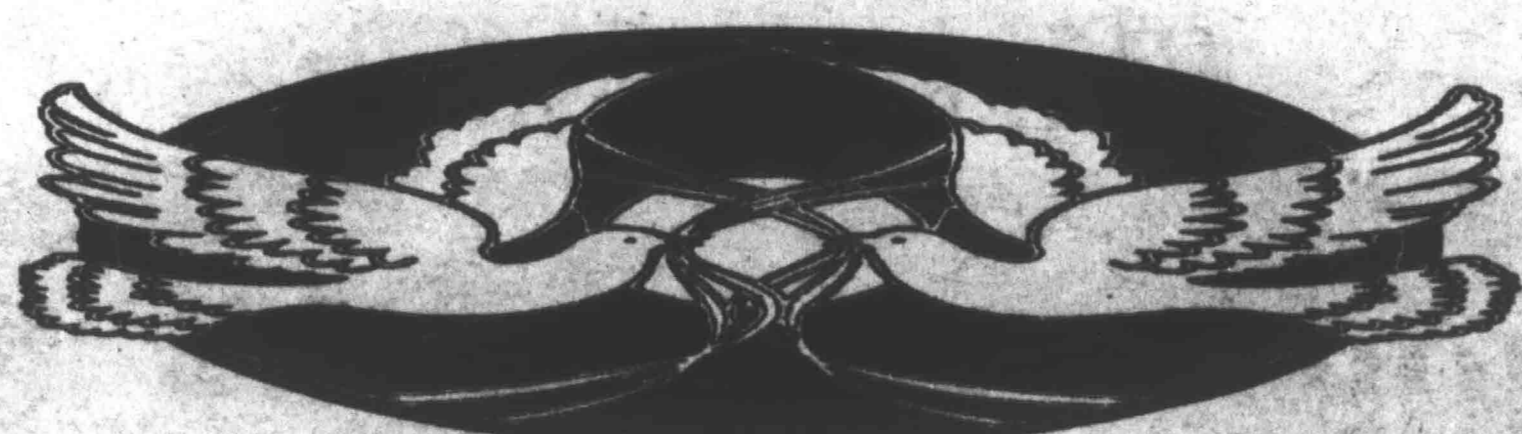
## Mr. Clendenin

Jeremy "Bubba" Clendenin, 29, of Halls, died Friday in Dyersburg.

Rites were Monday in Curry Funeral Home in Dyersburg, with burial in Friendship Cemetery.

He was an active hunter. His show dogs won awards.

He leaves his parents, Tony



## 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.

Spirit of Deliverance Ministries, 629 S. Washington, Ripley, will observe its third anniversary at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 25th with Superintendent Alvin Williams and members of the St. James Church of God in Christ, of Brownsville, as special guests. Bobby Treadway, pastor, invites the public.

Hutcherson Chapel Church of God, 1255 Dry Hill Rd., E., will hold revival services at 7 p.m. nightly April 26th through April 29th. Tony Richey will deliver the message. Tommy Morgan, pastor, invites the public. For more information, call 635-7780.

Forerunner Baptist Church, 369 Eastland Ave., Ripley, will hold evangelism training from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, April 24th. The public is invited.

Ashport Baptist Church, 6742 Highway 19 W., Ripley, will hold a spring revival April 25th through 28th with Mike Melton as guest evangelist. 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.

and Sheila Clendenin, of Halls, and three sisters, Ronda (Mrs. Rob) Eisom, of Halls, and Melissa (Mrs. Joe) Nichols and Missy (Mrs. Charles Willoughby, of Dyersburg.

I thought growing up was something that happened automatically as you got older. But it turns out it's something you have to choose to do.

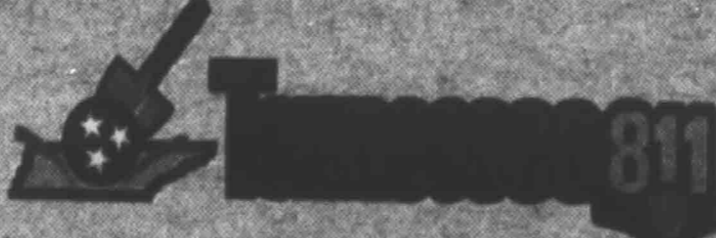
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# Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here!!! I got to take a ride with Mr. Buddy and Scooter today. We went to a two legger house that looked like two leggers had not lived there in a long time. We were looking for a momma four legger and some puppy four leggers. We walked around for a while and finally I spotted them. I walked over to the momma four legger and she sure was glad to see me. I told her my name and that I was Top Dog at the Club. I laid down beside her and told her all about the Club. I told her that at the Club, two leggers took good care of four leggers. Her puppy four leggers woke up while we were talking and were all running around and playing. She told me that her name was Betty and that she was really tired of taking care of all of these puppy four leggers by herself and wanted to go to the Club with us. I barked for Mr. Buddy and Scooter and they came over to where we were and starting picking up puppy four leggers.

Betty and I went over to the truck and she jumped up in the back seat with me. All of her puppy four leggers got to ride in the back of the truck and they loved it.

Betty told me that she really didn't have a two legger that she had found this house and she thought that it would be a good place for her puppy four leggers. She was hungry and tired, so she slept most of the way back to the Club.

When we got to the Club, some of my Buds came out to meet Betty.

Mr. Greg was walking Trixie, the white lab mix with white puppy four leggers, and she told Betty that she would be all right at the Club. Betsy, the tri colored feist mix, Roxie, the terrier mix that has the cutest puppy four leggers, Angel, the one year old yellow lab that is house broken, and Flossie, the feist mix, all told Betty that she was all right out here at the Club. Outside, Bruno, the Akita mix, Duke, the Australian shepherd, Sadie, the black and silver German shepherd, and Queen, the Belgium shepherd, all were happy to see Betty once the news got around at the Club that she was a momma four legger in need of help. Even the beagles and shepherd husky mix were glad to see Betty. I have such good Buds out here at the Club.

Abigail Englert came out to the Club and found a friend and took a black lab puppy four legger home with her. Cathey Jackson took home Coco, the chocolate chihuahua. Thurman Treadwell reclaimed his four legger. Brandon Conrad came out and took home black lab puppy four legger. Mr. and Mrs. Pipkin made a donation to the Club and brought us some cat food. Thanks to all of ya'll.

Have your four leggers spayed or neutered so that we don't have so many puppy and kitten four leggers out here at the Club. Take your four legger to see the Doc for their yearly check up and shots. Miss Pam says that a healthy four legger is a happy four legger and a happy four legger makes a two legger happy.

Come out to the Club and bring my Buds some food. We are always needing food because my Buds stay hungry all of the time. If you don't want to come out to the Club, just drop off your food donation at 51 Antiques and see Miss Sharon. She will call us and we will come and pick it up. Come see us at 3265 Curve

# Cousins Serve FFA Chapter



**COUSINS**, Leah Jayne Cherry, second from left, a member of the Dyersburg High School Future Farmers of America chapter, and Kirby Cherry, second from right, Halls High School FFA, were elected last month to the 2010-2011 West Tennessee Regional FFA Officer team. The girls will serve together alongside representatives from Munford, Trenton-Peabody, Lexington and Covington. They are pictured with their fathers, Fred R. Cherry, of Dyersburg, and Kent Cherry, who serves as FFA advisor at Ripley High School. In lower photo, they are pictured with members of the team including, from left, Peyton Graham, of Munford "Big Boll" FFA Chapter; Kirby; Olivia Fernandez, of Trenton Peabody; Carrie Phillips, of Lexington; Lindsey Turner, of Covington; and Leah Jayne. The candidates were selected from a field of 18 from chapters across West Tennessee, after several hours of interviews and evaluations.

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

Be as good as your four leg-

ger thinks you are. It almost made water come out of my eyes when I heard Scooter's talk change when he was picking up Betty's puppy four leg-

gers. Miss Pam calls it puppy talk.

Zeek out!!!!

When you lose, don't lose the lesson. -Author Unknown



# Halls 9 Tops Ripley, 14-4

Halls High School's baseball team, hosting Ripley Friday, posted a 14-4 victory.

The win came off two wins and a 1-point loss.

Halls lost April 5th to South Fulton, 6-3, but led SF next day, 11-5.

Monday of last week, Halls led Union City, 13-2, on the mercy rule.

Five Halls runs in each of the second and third innings, and three in the fifth, invoked the rule.

Next day, Union City edged the Tigers, 10-9.

Down 9-8 at the top of the seventh, UC's Tyler Steward reached on an error and scored when Drake Parker tripled.

UC catcher Stevie Gossett knocked his second double of the day to plate Parker for the winning run.

Ripley came into the game off a win from Crockett, 10-4, and a loss to Brighton, 6-5.

## Victories Monday

Halls defeated Bradford, Monday, 11-0.

Ripley defeated Haywood, Monday, 10-7.



## School Lunches

Lauderdale County Schools  
Monday, April 26th  
Hamburger

### Choice Of Milk

Wednesday, April 28th  
Roasted Turkey w/Gravy  
Whipped Potatoes  
Orange Sections  
Roll

### Choice Of Milk

Thursday, April 29th  
Menu  
School's Choice

### Friday, April 30th

BBQ On Bun  
Homemade Baked Beans  
Pineapple Tidbits  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk

## Land Transfers

April 11th - April 17th

Federal National Mortgage Association to Pat Blackwood, lot.

Rickey Bridgewater and Rebecca Bridgewater to William Donald Bridgewater, Dist. 2, 1.0 acre.

Manson Younger to Maxine Forsythe, Dist. 7, 2 tracts.

Arp Companies, Inc. to James G. Latham, 18.0 acres.

Mid-South Fibers LLC to James G. Latham, Dist. 1, 3.2, 10.0, and 3.4 acres.

Doris J. Cox to Cynthia E. Parker, Dist. 2, lot.

Ronald N. Carmack and Barbara A. Carmack to Ronald Neal Carmack, Jr., Dist. 17, 7.0773 acres.

Samuel Nelson and Irene Nelson to Brian Cotton and Donna S. Cotton, Dist. 12, tract.

Brian Cotton and Donna S. Cotton to Emily Wright and

## Kills First Turkey



NATHAN OLDS, 8, son of Jerry and Melinda Olds, of Halls, killed his first turkey April 4th, while hunting in Lauderdale County with his father and Joe Agee. The turkey weighed 21 pounds and sported a 9 inch beard.

Teresa Wright Webb, lot. lot.  
Norene Douglas to Christopher Allison, Dist. 2, 1.0 acre.  
S.N. Anthony, Jr., Randy Phelps, Dist. 6, 1.1 acres.  
Jimmy Walter Churchill and Jacqueline J. Churchill to Karen A. Jones, Dist. 2, lot.  
Don Irvin Paris to Kenneth A. Jones, Dist. 2, lot.

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# Halls Sweeps RHS Tennis

Hosting Ripley High School's tennis team, Thursday of last week, Halls High won 11 of 13 matches.

Ripley's Tellvin Jones led Matt Newman, 8-4.

Ripley's Ebonie Harrell and Amber Coss led Kirby Cherry and Raissa Mello, 8-2.

Halls winners--

**In boys' singles--**

Drew Blakely led Nick Bonds, 8-6; Devon Castelli led Michael Savage, 8-4. Cody Peery led Justin Davis, 8-1; Tommy Wright led Jay Green, 8-1.

**In girls' singles--**

Jessie Ellison led Ebonie Harrell, 8-1; Shelby Hurt led Tara Meadows, 8-2; Codie Smith led Davonna Haley, 8-2; Amber Worley led Kateria Rogers, 8-1.

**In boys' doubles--**

Jeff Lents and Trey Rogers led Antonio Bonds and Jay Green, 8-1; Brad Cain and Mason Joyner led Justin Davis and Tellvin Jones, 8-4.

**In girls' doubles--**

Shelbie Hurt and Amber Worley led Kateria Rogers and Tara Meadows, 8-0.

Halls' previous foes--

Covington, March 23rd - Tommy Wright led Chris

Sullivan, 8-4; Brad Cain led Gerald Dyson, 8-1, and Amber Worley led Rachel Nance, 8-6.

Ripley, March 25th -- Halls boys (Drew Blakely, Devin Castelli, Mason Joyner, Jeff Lents, Matt Newman, Cody Peery, Trey Rogers, Dewayne Sparks, Tommy Wright) were unbeaten.

Jessie Ellison led Tara Meadows, 8-4; Shelby Hurt led Ebonie Harrell, 8-0, Chasity Street led Davonna Haley, 8-4, and Worley led Amber Coss, 8-0.

Hurt and Worley led Hodge and Rogers, 8-4; Kirby Cherry and Codie Smith led Harrell and Meadows, 8-4.

Haywood County, March 29th -- In two tie-breakers, Peery led Sellari, 8-3, and Rogers led Greene, 8-6.

Cain led Eubanks, 8-6; Newman led Tillman, 8-3; Joyner and Wright led Houghton and Tillman, 8-4; Worley led Yoder, 8-5.

Gibson County, April 1st -- boys' and girls' teams won.

Crockett County, April 8th, boys' and girls' teams won. Jessie Ellison led Elizabeth

### UT-K GRADUATES

Lauderdale County students at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville listed among graduates include Jennifer Leigh Buntin, of Halls, with a bachelor of science degree in business administration; Joel Mooney Cummings, of Ripley, a bachelor of arts degree; and Derrica Latrese Simmons, of Gates, a bachelor of arts degree.

Cook, 8-6, Shacuria Foster won a tie-breaker, 9-7, Worley led Elena Dena, 8-1, and Ellison and Smith led Cook and Yearwood, 8-4.

Trenton, April 12th -- Lents and Peery led Hinson and Coleman, 8-5.

Cherry led Madison Maitland, 9-7; Foster led Morgan Esdale, 8-5; Emilee Moore led Kirby Lancaster, 6-3; and Smith led Shayla Smith, 9-7;

Wednesday of last week, Ripley players lost 16 matches at Haywood County.

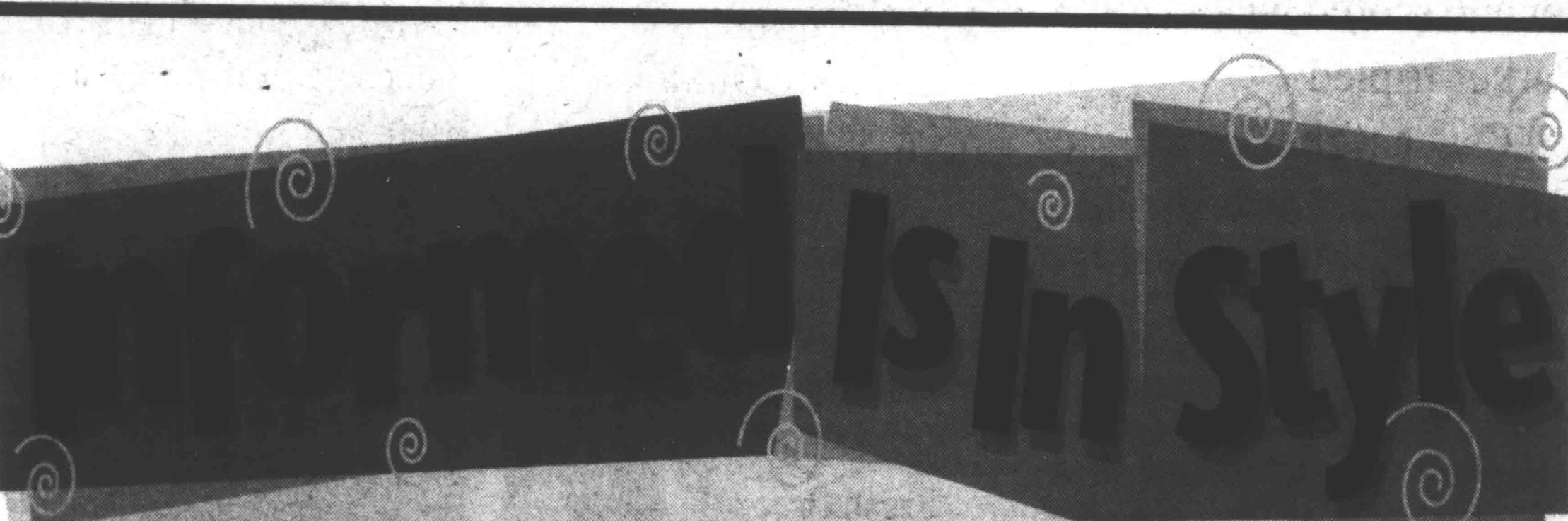
# Halls Softball: Five Victories

After a 2-1 loss to South Fulton in the Covington Tournament, Halls High School's soft ball team has posted five consecutive wins -- from Dyersburg, 4-3, and Ripley, 7-1, in the tournament, then Trenton, 11-1, Lake County, 3-1, and, Monday, Lake County, 11-1.



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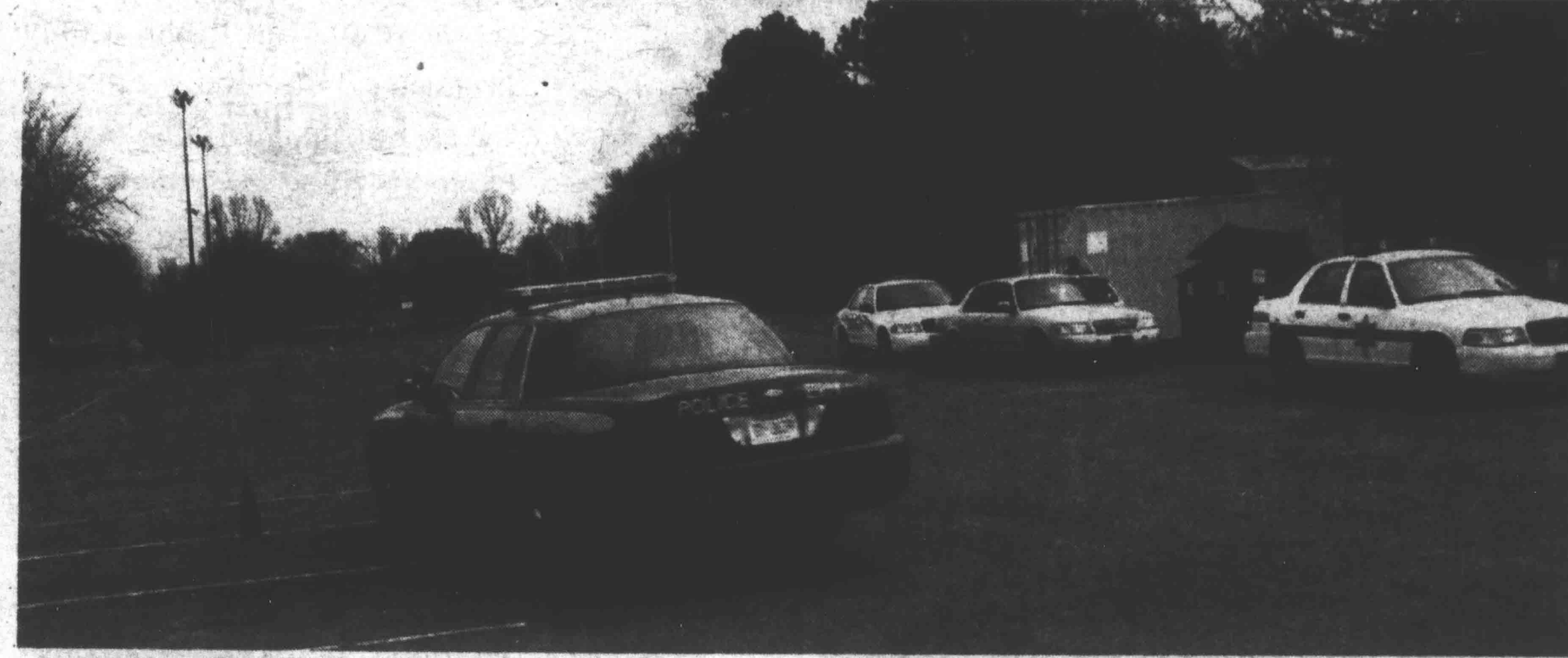
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## Notice

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Town of Halls Board of Mayor and Aldermen Monday, May 3, 2010 at 6:45 pm at the City Hall, concerning an ordinance to renew the non-exclusive cable franchise of Telecommunications Management, LLC d/b/a Newwave Communications. The regular business meeting is scheduled at 7 p.m. The public is invited to attend.



# Deputies Complete Annual In Service Training



DEPUTIES with the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department completed the annual in-service training April 16th. Each year, law enforcement officers must complete a minimum of 40 hours of training. They have mandatory training in Child Sexual Abuse, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Firearms Training, as well as, other law enforcement related topics. Deputy James Jones completed a course in Emergency Vehicle Operations while Halls Police Officer Jason Colvin

participated in the course. Halls Officer Tracy Jones and Deputy Sam Fitzpatrick trained on the firing range, along with Investigator Tommy Simpson. Investigator Clay Newman and K9 Rebel participated in tracking and K9 operations.

### Anniversaries

April 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thebeau, Mr. and Mrs. Joey Ing. April 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Stan Matras.

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

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

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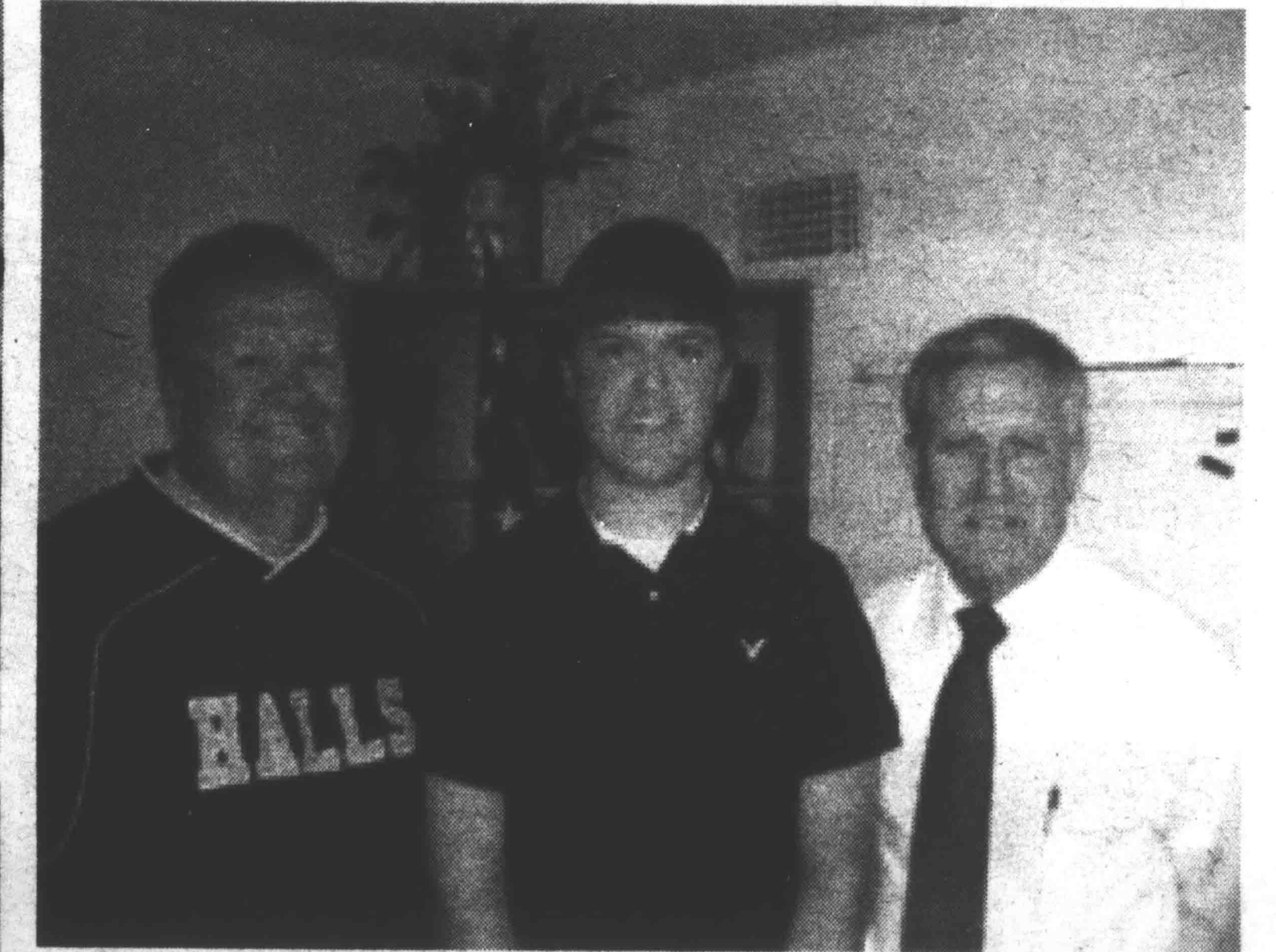
## Annual Chamber Banquet Held



EMPLOYEES of Marvin Windows and Doors of Tennessee accepted the Large Business of the Year award, presented by

Keith Davidson, during the annual Lauderdale Chamber/ECD membership banquet April 22nd, held at Rolling Hills Country Club. City of Ripley Mayor Jon Pavletic presented the small business of the year award to Asbury Cove Assisted Living Center, who also won the centerpiece contest, with a decoration representing Japan. The two awards represent businesses who are leaders in community service, have been recognized for excellence within their industry, support local organizations, promote economic growth, demonstrate growth and staying power and show excellence in management. A large business is any business that employs over 100 people. The theme for the annual banquet was "Around the World" with members dressing in appro-

## Rotary Guest Speaker



JIMMY CLENDENIN, left, Halls High School head baseball coach, was the guest speaker Monday for the meeting of the Halls-Gates Rotary Club. He was the guest of Nick Nunn. Coach Clendenin spoke about their goals and hopes for the season and speculated on a winning season. Team captain, Hollis Belton; center, who plays short stop, was also a guest. They are pictured with James E. Smith, club president.

## Cancer Survivor Luncheon Slated Computer Classes Offered In County

The annual Cancer Survivor luncheon will be held at noon Wednesday, May 5th in the activities building of Ripley's First United Methodist Church. All survivors are encouraged to attend this luncheon in their honor.

Call 635-6888 if anyone plans to attend.

The annual Relay for Life event will be held on the downtown court square in Ripley Friday, May 7th.

Computer classes are available for any Lauderdale County resident at the old Nankipoo school building Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. This will be the second six-week course and will teach computer basics for beginners and those interested in learning computers. For more information, contact the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD, 635-9541.

## National Day Of Prayer Announced

The National Day of Prayer is scheduled for 12 p.m., noon, Thursday, May 6th, at the Lauderdale County Courthouse in Ripley and Halls City Hall in Halls. The public is invited to attend.

Volunteer. The awards focus attention on individuals and businesses and encourage

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### Divorces

Brian Emerson Smith vs. Wendy Sue Smith.  
Bobby Lynn Scott vs. Sheena Scallions Scott.  
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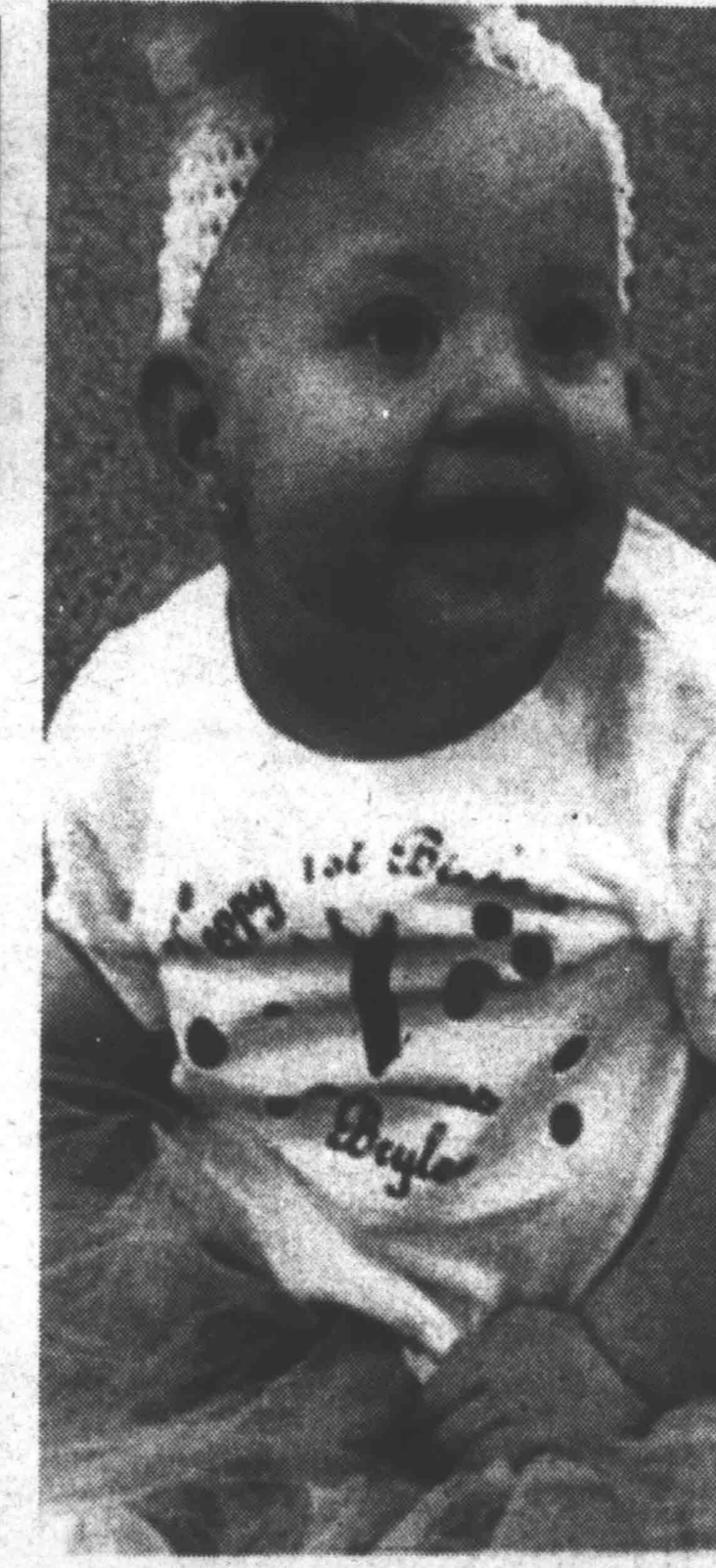
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## Celebrating She's One



**ADRIAN TERRY**, son of Robert and Shan Dennis, Emily Terry, and Vincent Adams, all of Halls, celebrated his 13th birthday with a trip to the Monster Energy Dub City Car Show, April 18th at the Cook Convention Center in Memphis with his family. He enjoyed viewing the cars and a concert featuring Kia Shine and YoGotti.



**BRYLEE GRACE ADAMS**, daughter of Bradley and Krystal Adams, of Nankipoo, celebrated her first birthday April 24th with a princess party in the fellowship hall at Enon Baptist Church. Born April 23rd, she is the granddaughter of Brandon and Tammy Ward, of Nankipoo, and Buck and Robin Mathis, of Halls, and the great-granddaughter of J.H. and Buton Ward, of Nankipoo, Bessie Spoon, of Porter's Gap, Doris Puckett, of Friendship, and Pazetta Adams, of Dyersburg. Crowson.

### Birthdays

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

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

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

May 2 - Sarah Beth Craig, Billie Jane Gray, Amy Vaden, Auzie Harrell, Joanne Scott, Shira Parish, Jamie Summar, Shakandra Whitelaw, Leon Pattat, Libba Shoaf Burns, Barbara Thomas.  
May 3 - Max Hutcherson, Bill West, Charlie Cherry, Louise Best, Barbara Anderson, Stacy Warren, Chris Burrough, Garret Steelman, Jesse James, Zachary Vaughan, Florine E. Crowder, Steven Hensley, Molly Barcroft, Alan Swope, Dr. Lee Mockrin.  
May 4 - Harley Patterson, Grant Caldwell, Tina Shands, Marshall Jennings, Paul Reyn-

## Marriages

April 17th - Phillip Wayne Max, 35, to Stacy Nicole Bowens, 29, by Tom Perkins.

April 18th - John Christopher Holcomb, 34, to Mary Ellen Mitchell, 32, by Robert J. Sims, Jr.

April 20th - Jessie James Reditt, 59, to Earnestine Lewis, 48, by Dorothy Garrison.

April 21st - Eladio Loreda, 43, to Ronnie Nickole Hargett, 30, by Rod Schuh.

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## Land Transfers

April 18th - April 24th U.S. Bank NA to Charles Robert Smith, 4.35 acres.

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Jean W. Fisher to Johnathan Ryan Fisher, 195.0 and 30.0 acres.

Ray C. Archibald to Roger D. Criner and Judy A. Criner, Dist. 7, 2 tracts.

Gerald R. Smith and Mari-

an K. Smith to Charles V. Wilson and Bobbie J. Wilson, Dist. 3, lot.

James H. Reviere and J.H. Reviere to William C. Criner and Rita D. Criner, Dist. 2, 4 lots.

Loren C. Vaughan and Carrie Vaughan to Anita Trospier, Dist. 6, lot.

Mark A. Baggett and Mary F. Baggett to Michael T. Zoellner and Cathy Zoellner, Dist. 8, 2.43 acres.

Jerry B. Hughes to Wesley Moore, Dist. 15, 10.446 acres.

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**Obituaries**

**Gates Police Chief Passes**

Officers called to the home of Gates police chief Marvin Brown, 49, at 324 Sumrow, Halls, about 10 p.m. Thursday of last week, found Brown dead of a gun-shot wound, apparently self-inflicted.

He was being investigated for possible pay-roll irregularities with the Town of Gates and the Lauderdale County school system.

He leaves his mother, Jewell Brown, of Halls; two daughters, Summar Brown and Constance Currin, of Ripley; sons, Marvin, Jr., of Martin, and Zion Thomas, of Maury City; brothers, Joe Brown, of Gates, Kollis Brown, of Ripley, Jeffrey and Keith Taylor, of Halls, Tyrus Brown, of Clarksville, and Derrick Watson and Alvin and Daryl King, of Chicago, Ill.; sisters, Julius A. Brown, of 504 Silver Cove, Ripley, Deborah Person and Audrey Williams, of Gates, Rhonda Person and Paula Taylor, of Halls, and Rosalind Brown, of Millington; and two grandchildren.

**Betty Hooper**

Betty J. Hooper, 74, of Ridgely, sister of Judy Prater, of Halls, died April 13th in the Delta Medical Center in Memphis.

Rites were April 17th in Curry Funeral Home in Dyersburg.

She was born at Dyersburg, July 10, 1935, to the late Jim and Lena French Carroll.

She was the widow of George Hooper, who died in 1983.

She leaves sons, Gordon, of Trezevant, and Jeff, of Miston; a daughter, Bonnie. (Mrs. Danny) Bures, of Miston; a brother, Jim Carroll, of Georgia; three other sisters, Shirley Carroll, of Waynesboro, Brenda Byrum, of Jackson, and Linda Byrum, of Medon; five grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

**Cook's Tire Owner Dies**

Felix Malcolm "B.R." Cook, 57, of 211 S. Church, Halls, owner and operator of Cook's Tire & Service Center at 231 S. Church, a family business for more than 50 years, died Wednesday of last week in Lauderdale Community Hospital in Ripley.

Rites were Sunday in First United Methodist Church in Halls, with burial in Poplar Grove Cemetery near Halls, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He was born at Halls, to the late Harold and Lillian Richardson Cook.

He was a member of Haller Masonic Lodge.

He leaves his wife, Joni Savage Cook; a daughter, Katie Brown, of Las Vegas, Nev.; a brother, Daniel, of Ashland City; and one granddaughter.

**Martha Everett**

Martha Jonakin Everett, 88, mother of Joy (Mrs. Danny) Beard, of 131 Tucker, Ripley, died Tuesday morning of last week in Ripley Healthcare.

She had resided there since October.

She and her husband, Edwin Everett, were from Hickman, Ky., but reared their children in Tiptonville and Friars Point, Miss.

They lived their retirement years in Lakeland, Fla. Edwin died in 1998.

Martha leaves another daughter, Bernadeane Edwards, of Carthage, Miss.; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial gifts to the Breast Cancer Assn. would be appropriate. She was a survivor.

**Doris Hines**

Doris Lorene Hines, 97, who was born at Halls, April 13, 1913, died Wednesday of last week in Dove Health in Collierville.

Rites were Saturday in Halls

**Air Veteran**



Lynnwood Grammer, 93, of Ripley, World War II Army Air Corps instructor in the B-26 Marauder and the oldest active licensed pilot in the Memphis area, died Saturday in Lauderdale Community Hospital in Ripley.

He had flown his Cessna 150 off the air-strip on his farm as late as January.

He was born April 14, 1917, to the late Edwin Lee Grammer and the late Irene Keltner Grammer, and was reared on the family farm, where he pastured cattle and enjoyed his horses.

Though he never finished high school, he was commissioned in the Army Air Corps as a first lieutenant.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Ripley.

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

Survivors include his wife, Nancy Warren Grammer, whom he married March 20, 1943; a son, Warren Lee Grammer, of 115 Thompson Drive, Ripley, and a grandson, Ed Grammer, of Jackson.

Funeral Home, with burial in Halls Cemetery.

She was the widow of Virgil Hines.

She leaves daughters, Lisa Noe, of Collierville, and Patricia Cox, of Memphis; a son, Bobby Hines, of Alabaster, Ala.; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

**Johnnie Jackson UTM Students Receive Award**

Johnnie "Smokey" Jackson, 88, of Tupelo, Miss., was buried Tuesday in Concord Cemetery, east of Gates, after rites in the Tupelo Chapel of Holland Funeral Directors.

He was born near Humboldt, March 1, 1922.

An Army veteran, he had resided for many years in Memphis, long employed by Fruehauf Trailer Mfg. Co.

He had moved to Lee County, Miss., in 1997.

He was a Baptist.

**FUNDRAISER**

The 17th annual Health and Heritage Day is scheduled for 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Friday, May 21st, at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging, 605 Airport St. in Halls.

For more information, call 836-5444.

Students, who received awards during the 46th annual Honors Day at the University of Tennessee at Martin, include, Judy K. Davis, of Halls, Outstanding Accounting, Finance, Economics and Political Science; Constance M. Bonds, of Gates, Cunningham Outstanding Freshman Award of \$2,000 which is earned by a freshman student who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance, leadership skills and involvement in campus activities; and Summer N. Edwards, of Ripley, Faculty Women's Club Scholarship of \$500 is earned by the recognition of the academic excellence of students who have achieved senior status.



**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.

Grace Bible Baptist Church, located three miles south of Halls on Highway 51, will hold a missions revival May 2nd through the 5th with Bro. Chad Sellers and family, missionaries to Nepal. Services will begin at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday, and continue at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. If anyone needs a ride, call 836-5501. Jerry Hickson, pastor, invites the public.

The National Day of Prayer will be held at noon May 6th at Halls City Hall. The public is invited to participate.

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.

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**Earth Day Celebration**



STUDENTS in the pre-kindergarten classrooms at Halls Elementary School planted flowers in the greenhouse at Hall's High School April 22nd to celebrate Earth Day. The visit was sponsored by Windy Willette's AgriScience class. The AgriScience students helped the children plant a flower to take home to remember Earth Day, answered questions about Earth Day and explained it's importance.

**Dry Hill Dog News**



By Zeek

Zeek here!!! Miss Pam and I are out at the Club today. I have been having fun playing and talking to all of my Buds out here. I checked on all of our momma four leggers - Trixie, the white lab mix and her white cute puppy four leggers, Betsy, the tri colored feist with tri colored puppy four leggers, Roxie, the wire terrier with the cute puppy four leggers and Betty and her puppy four leggers. They are all doing great. Angel, the one year old yellow lab that is house broken and has had her shots and Duke, the Australian shepherd were out running and playing. Bruno, the Akita mix and Queen, the Belgium shepherd were out chasing around Sadie, the black and silver German shepherd. Talk at the Barn says that Queen thinks that she is the Top Dog of the Barn. Well she sure is big and I am not going to tell her any different. The beagles are all together and they are having fun in the sun today.

I decided to go to the Cat room for just a little look and I saw some cute gray striped kitten four leggers. They were all playing and jumping on each other and did not even see me. I sure was glad.

I went into the office and looked around and all of the two leggers were out side so I decided to take a little nap. I was just about asleep when some two leggers came to the door and looked in. They were all holding puppy four leggers. I jumped up and went and found Mr. Buddy, Scooter, Mr. Greg and Miss Pam. Mr. Buddy talked to the two leggers while Miss Pam, Mr. Greg and Scooter took the puppy four leggers and put them in a pen. Mr. Greg went and got them some water and food. Boy, did those little four leggers eat fast.

I heard the two leggers tell Mr. Buddy that they had found

the puppy four leggers on the side of the road. I sure do like these two leggers for stopping and picking up the puppy four leggers and bringing them out to the Club. I looked up at Miss Pam and turned my head and she knew just what I was asking. Miss Pam says that some two leggers are not good to four leggers and when they do not want puppy four leggers they just drop them off on the side of the road. What BAD two leggers. So, if you are a BAD two legger and you do not want any kind of puppy or kitten four legger, DO NOT drop them off at the side of the road. Bring them out to the Club and we will take good care of them and try to find them a good home. All four leggers deserve a good home.

I went to the pen with the drop off puppy four leggers and Mr. Greg let me in with them. I told them that every thing would be alright now that they were out at the Club. I also told them that all of the two leggers out here would be good to them and that we would find homes for them. I looked around and all of the puppy four leggers

were all taking a nap. I got out of the pen and decided that I needed a nap now too.

In the office with all of the two leggers, I laid down on the floor because Scooter was in my seat and took a nap.

Mr. Buddy said that Debra Neal came out to the Club and took home a wire terrier mix.

Where were all of the rest of you two leggers. Nobody

brought us some food out this week. Mr. Greg said that maybe all of the two leggers were busy working in their yards. We need food so you two leggers come on out with us some food because my Buds are always hungry. If you are busy and don't want to come out to the Club just drop off your food donation at 51 Antiques and see Miss Sharon. She will call us and we will go pick it up.

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

Have your four leggers spayed or neutered so that we don't have so many puppy and kitten four leggers out here at the Club. Take you four legger to see the Doc for their yearly check up and shots. Miss Pam says that a healthy four legger is a happy four legger and a happy four legger makes a two legger happy.

Be as good as your four legger thinks you are. Oh yeah, Miss Pam says that BAD two leggers would not drop off puppy four leggers on the side of the road if they would have their four leggers spayed and neutered.

Zeek out!!

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# Halls 9 Tops RHS, Again

Ripley High School's baseball team led Haywood County, 10-7 and 10-0, last week, before losing, Thursday, to Halls, 7-5.

RHS had lost to Halls, 14-4, April 16th.

Halls went into the game off wins from Bradford, 11-0 and 11-1.

Friday, Halls led Obion County, 11-7, scoring seven runs in the first inning off Nathan Ashley, who failed to retire a hitter, and Dustin Smyth.

Monday, Halls led Trenton, 9-4.

## HHS S'Ball: UC Led 5-1

Halls High School's softball team led Union City, Monday, 5-1.



### School Lunches

#### Lauderdale County Schools

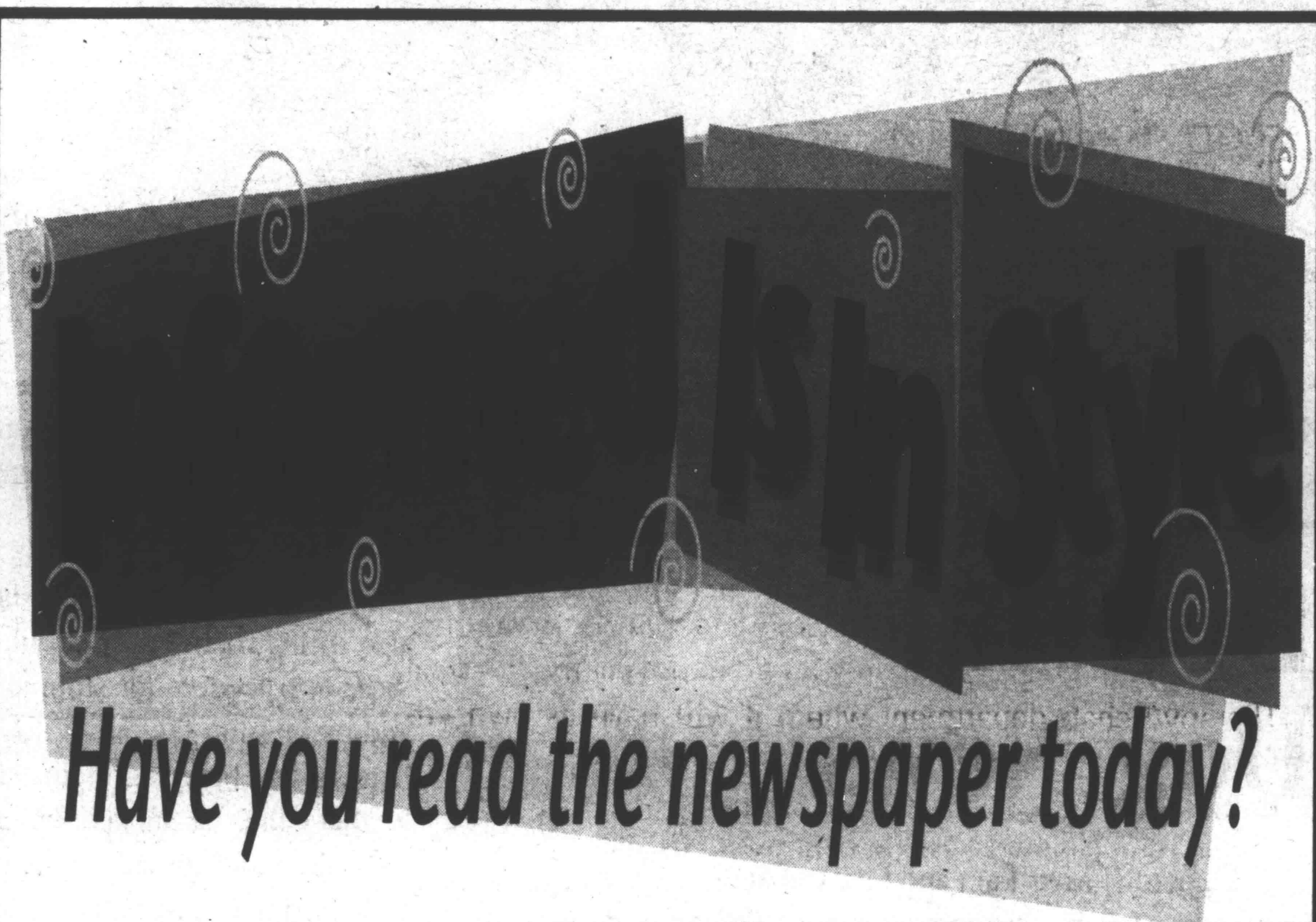
- Monday, May 3rd**
  - Hot Dog
  - Pizza
  - Tater Tots
  - Garden Salad w/Dressing
  - Applesauce
  - Pineapple Tidbits
  - Cookie
  - Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, May 4th**
  - Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
  - Steak Fingers

- Green Beans
- Broccoli Bites w/Cheese
- Banana
- Orange Sections
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, May 5th**
  - Chicken Tenders
  - Whipped Potatoes
  - Green Peas
  - Peaches
  - Grapes
  - Roll
  - Choice Of Milk
- Thursday, May 6th**
  - Chili Pie
  - Corn Nibbles
  - Carrot Sticks w/Dip
  - Pear Halves
  - Applesauce
  - Choice Of Milk
- Friday, May 7th**
  - Deli Wrap
  - Grilled Chicken Sandwich
  - Fresh Broccoli w/Dip
  - Lettuce & Tomato Cup
  - Pineapple Tidbits

- Peaches
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk
- School Lunches**
- Ripley Primary School
- Halls Elementary School
- Pre-K to 3rd
- Monday, May 3rd**
  - Hot Dog
  - Tater Tots
  - Pineapple Tidbits
  - Cookie

- Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, May 4th**
  - Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
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  - Banana
  - Roll
  - Choice Of Milk
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  - Choice Of Milk
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  - Grilled Chicken Sandwich
  - Fresh Broccoli w/Dip
  - Peaches
  - Cookie
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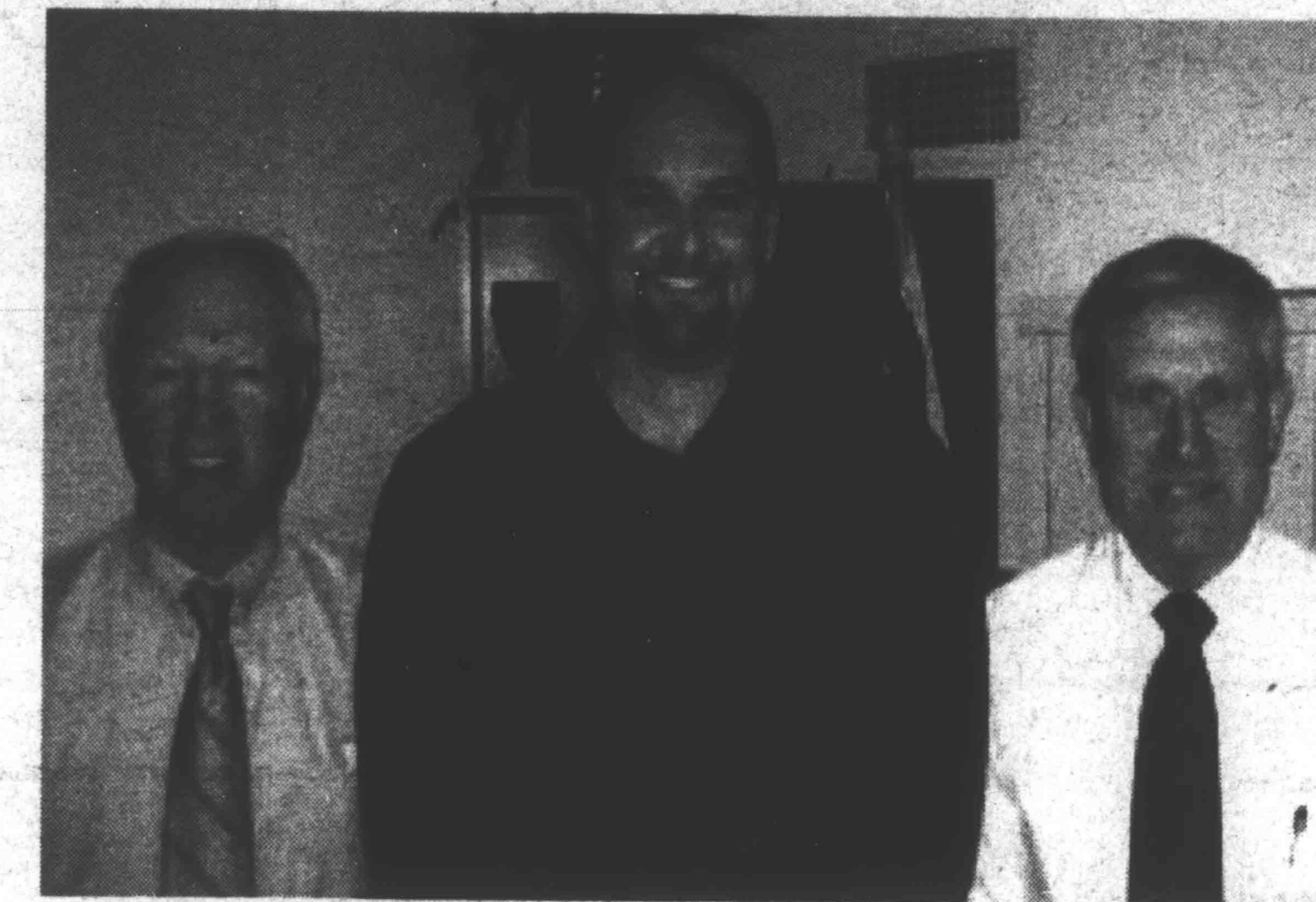
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## Halls Rotary Meeting



**SCOTT TONGATE**, center, was Rotarian Warren Nunn's guest speaker during the April 19th, Rotary Club of Halls-Gates meeting. Scott has been working in healthcare since 1991 and prior to coming to the Lauderdale Community Hospital, he was Chief Executive Officer to the Riverview Regional Medical Center-South in Carthage, which was named a Top 100 hospital in the United States three times. Mr. Tongate has every confidence that this hospital will become a Top 100 hospital as well.

HMC/CAH Consolidated, Inc. purchased Lauderdale Community Hospital on April 1st of this year. They are making a few changes such as moving the laboratory draw station up by the registration area and are moving the Physical Therapy/Rehab department where it will have its own entrance into the hospital building. A new hospital facility will be built on the current campus and hope to break ground on the new facility before the end of 2010. The new facility will be closer to Highway 51 but will still use the present entrance to access the new hospital.

GI physicians have been recruited to the facility and

## Anniversaries

April 30 - Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Matthews.

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

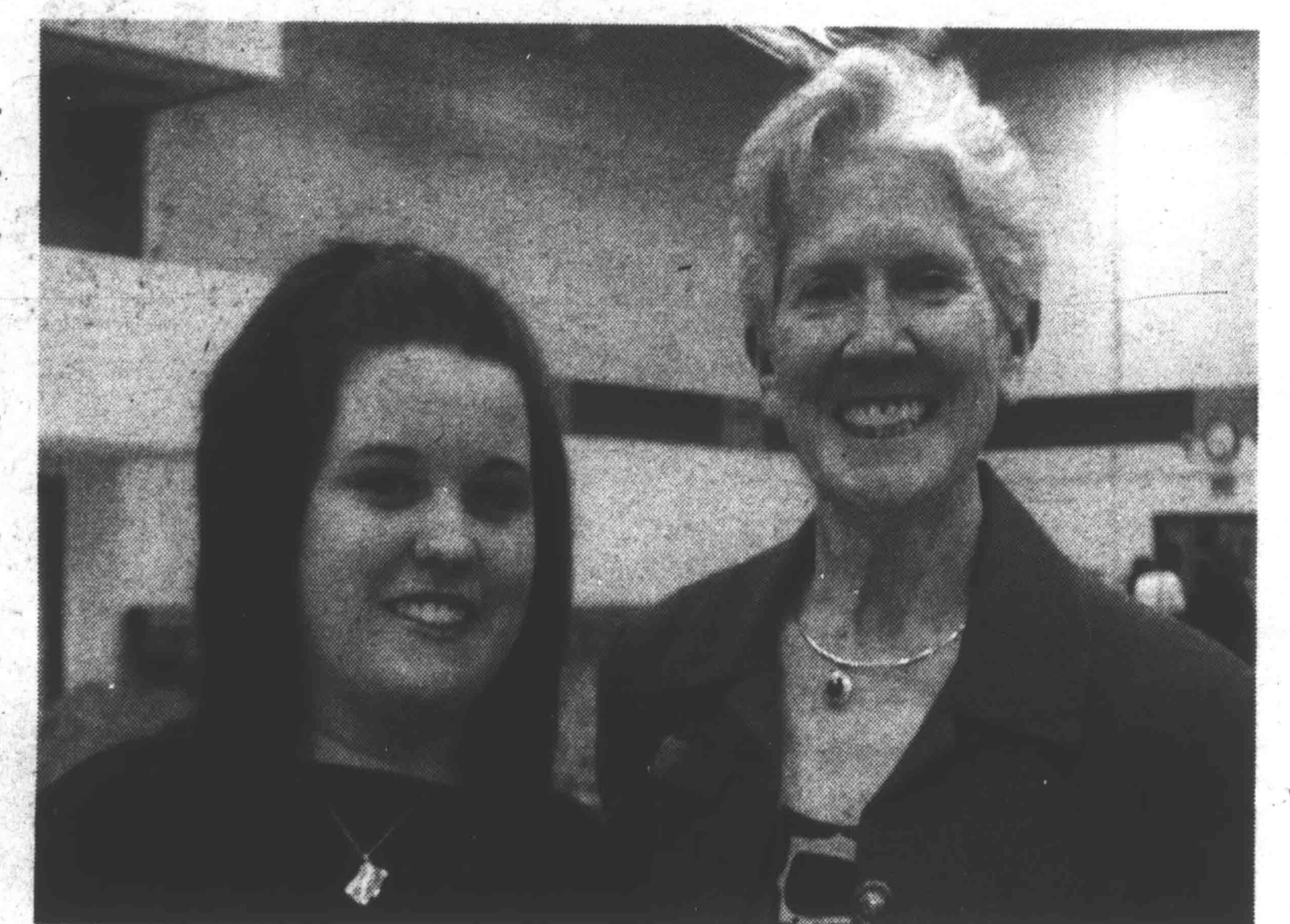
May 2 - Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barnes.

May 3 - Mr. and Mrs. Coy Summar.

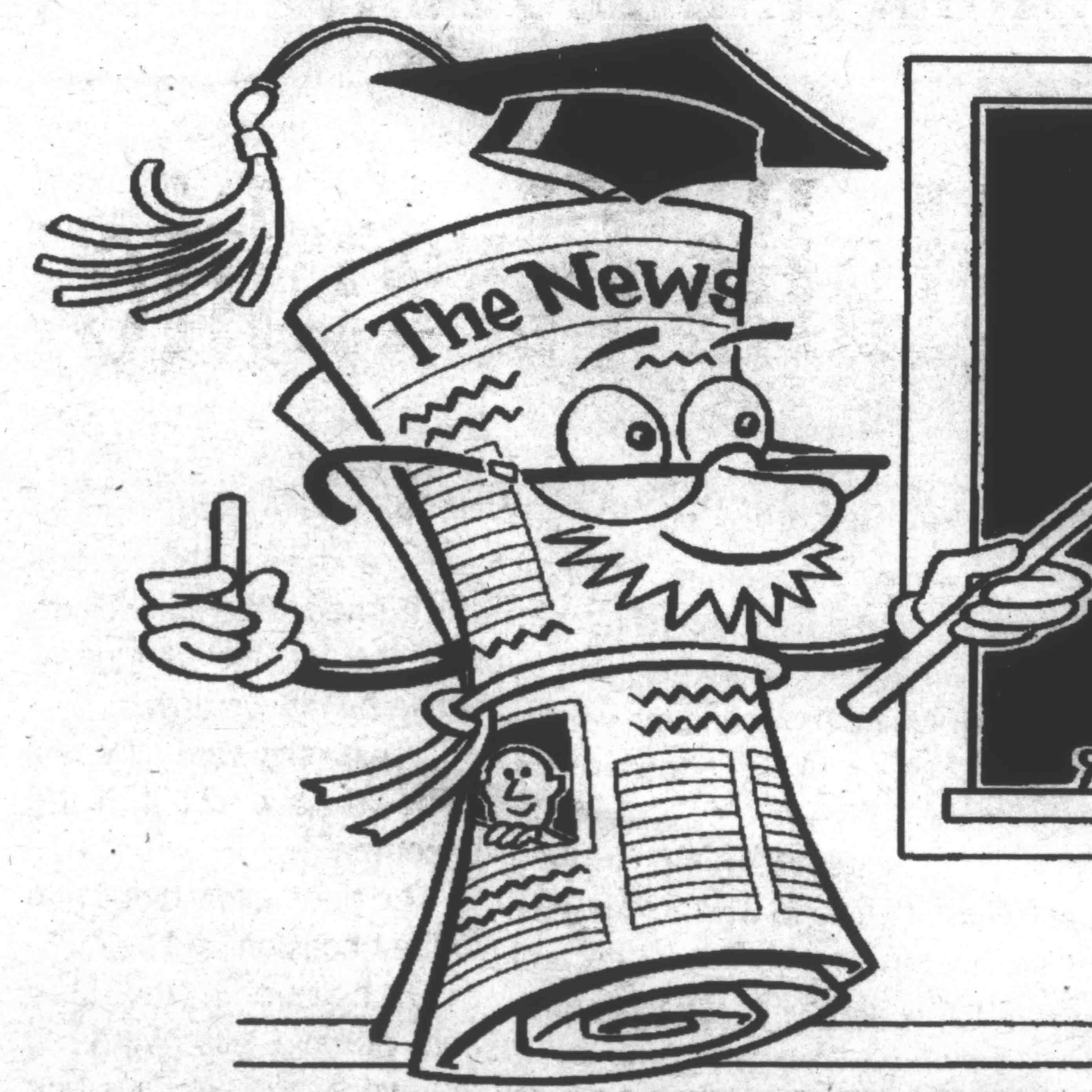
May 4 - Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Kiestler.

May 5 - Mr. and Mrs. Paul Spoon.

## DSCC Honors Presented



**ASHTON NOLEN**, left, of Halls, pictured with Karen Bowyer, Dyersburg State Community College's president, received the Karen A. Bowyer Scholarship to the University of Memphis during the annual awards convocation April 22nd. Other awards included Associate Professor of Biology, Rob Martin, of Halls, was recommended for tenure; Linda Caldwell, of Henning, distinguished service award; Tracie Langley, of Ripley, Phi Theta Kappa service award, student ambassador award, and named to the Dean's List for three semesters; Melissa Aton, Martha Cabay, Patti Heinemeyer, Betty Jackson, Amanda Lane, and Cheryl Miller, all of Ripley, Rebecca Cherry, Jason Dukes, and Kelly Moore, all of Halls, and Dana Ezekial, of Gates, named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges; Joshua Ward, of Ripley, Alexander Atkin, of Halls, and Girtha Miller, of Henning, named to the Dean's List for two semesters; and Patti Heinemeyer, of Ripley, Rachel L. Clark, Rebecca Cherry, and Gary King, of Halls, and Ashley Johnson, of Henning, named to the Dean's List for three semesters.



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## Students Tour Center

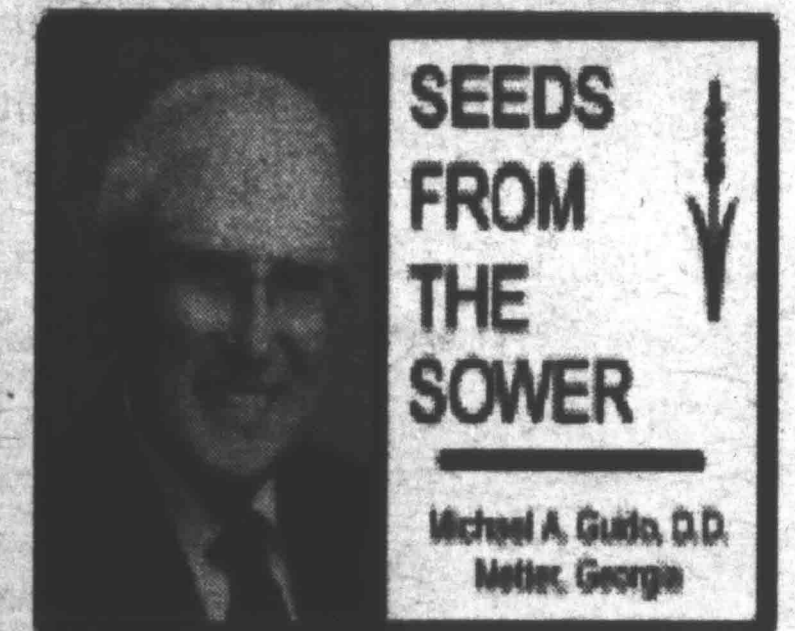


**STUDENTS** from the building trades classes at the Tennessee Technology Center in Ripley toured Marvin Windows and Doors Thursday, March 25th. This dual enrollment class is a partnership between Ripley High School and TTC Ripley. Next year, they hope to include Halls High School in the class as well, which consists of 30 juniors and seniors. Marvin Windows and Doors has been instrumental in partnering with this class for the last two years. The Building Trades class was originally implemented because of the demand of carpentry skills in Lauderdale County, mainly due to the Marvin Windows and Doors industry. During the tours, the students learned about the facility, including the other locations around the world. They toured all three assembly lines including in-swing, out-swing, and slider and watched a test wall video to see how the doors can withstand weather. Afterwards, the students had a time of questions and answers. Clay Weaver, a senior at Ripley High School and a building trades student, commented that the tour was interesting. "It is a good job opportunity for men and women to learn about windows and doors. Everyone was nice. It seems like a good place to work." Another student, Logan Crook, commented on the tour saying that he had been there several times, but this was his first tour. Todd Dunavant, building trades instructor at Tennessee Technology Center at Ripley, said "We are thankful for Marvin's continued support of the dual enrollment building trades class and look forward to touring Marvin every semester with each class. We have enjoyed working with Denny Hall, who helped start the partnership, and we look forward to working with Emily Land and Paul Williams in the future."

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excellence in the community. Joey Hassell presented the Chamber Citizen of the Year Award to Annie Laura Jennings, which was accepted by Judy Tyree on her behalf. The award is presented to an individual who is dedicated to family, community and business, showed leadership ability, demonstrated excellence in business, profession and/or avocation, is active in community organizations and has made or is making a lasting contribution to the community. Joey told attendees that Annie Laura fills all of these requirements and then some. She has been a tremendous support to both the chamber and the community. Her involvement over the years in Lauderdale County has been tremendous and varied. She is continually working to make the community a better



An old rascal was dying. He handed his wife a jar of money and said, "Sara, when I die, I'm going to take this money with me. Put this jar by the attic window. I'll get it as I go by on my way to heaven."

She followed his instructions, and after the funeral she hurried to the attic. There was the jar, full of money, sitting by the window.

"Well," she said, "I knew I should have put it in the basement."

The poor fellow didn't rise to the occasion, did he?

O, believe in the Lord and behave His word so that when you die, you'll go to heaven. Won't you?