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## Elderly Neighbors!

### Sheriff Warns Citizens Of Severe Cold Temperatures

Lauderdale County Sheriff Steve Sanders warns citizens to dress properly during the severe cold temperatures and requests that those, who are able to, keep a watch on their neighbors. The elderly are more vulnerable to hypothermia than younger people. They may not be aware that they are becoming cold as readily as the younger population. Hypothermia is caused by short exposure to extreme cold or long exposure to mild cold. It is a medical emergency requiring immediate attention. Most people who are affected are often at risk outside or inside their homes because they lose body heat faster, may have complicated medical conditions or take certain medications that affect their ability to gauge how cold they are. Signs of hypothermia include, sleepiness, confusion, cold hands or feet, pale skin, slurred or slow speech, slow or shallow breathing and clumsy or unsteady movements.

Cold weather precautions include wearing layered clothing; stay indoors as much as possible and try to keep at least one room at 70 degrees or higher. Those using fireplaces, stoves or space heaters should use extreme caution, for dangers of fire or carbon monoxide poisoning.

check on elderly friends, family or neighbors, especially those who live alone;

Sheriff Sanders said, "Call and check on elderly family members, friends or neighbors, if you are not able to visit them. Deputies will check on citizens if a family member is unable to contact them."

Drivers, who are stranded, should call for assistance.

To contact the sheriff's department call, 731-635-1311.

### Hatchie River Basin Landowners Sign-Up For Cost Share Assistance

The Lauderdale County Soil Conservation District in cooperation with the Chickasaw-Shiloh RC & D Council announced the sign-up for cost share assistance to begin Monday, January 4, 2010, through Friday, January 15, 2010, at the United States Department of Agriculture Service Center, 301 Lake Dr. in Ripley. The cost share rate is 75 percent of the actual cost, not to exceed a specified amount of cost share offered. It is provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

Applications are not accepted by phone.

For more information, call Richard Cooke, 731-635-7686.

### Petitions Picked Up For August Election

The Lauderdale County Election Commission has released the petitions for the August 5th election of county commissioners, school board members, District 1, 3, 5, and 7, constable District 1 governor, U. S. and Tennessee House of Representatives, and state executive committee man and woman.

Candidates, who have picked up petitions for county commissioner, include Dennis King for District 3, Jesse Edwards and Rob Reviere, District 6, and David Caldwell, District 7.

School board candidates include Eva Drain, District 1.

Candidates have until noon, April 1st to qualify; noon, April 8th to withdraw; and the last day to register to vote is July 7th. Early voting will begin July 16th through 31st.

The Lauderdale County mayor, trustee, sheriff, clerk, and register of deeds, and the circuit court clerk will also be on the ballot with different qualifying deadlines. Winners of the Democratic primary, to be held May 4th, will also be included on the ballot.

gin at 10:30 a.m. with Get Fit, Stay Fit; 11 a.m. Rachel Parker; 12:30 p.m. January birthday party and bingo.

Monday activities include Tai Chi for arthritis at 9:30 a.m., then at 10:30 a.m. Get Fit, Stay Fit.

Tuesday activities include white elephant bingo at 10:30 a.m., then at noon soup and cornbread for a small fee.

Wednesday, a devotion is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. with The Rev. Jerry Hickson.

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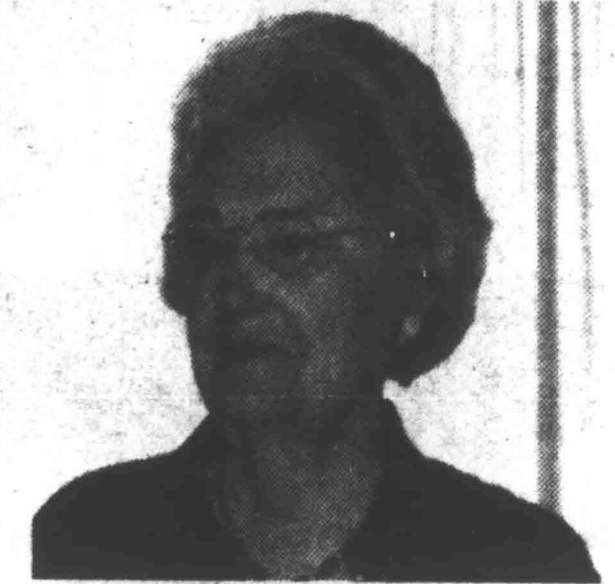
### Commission On Aging Scheduled Activities

The Lauderdale Commission on Aging has scheduled events for Thursday and Friday, January 7th and 8th, and Monday through Wednesday, January 11th-13th, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Thursday with chair dancing; 10 a.m. line dancing; and 11 a.m. crafts with Rosie Lemons.

Friday activities will be-

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Our school building at Gates was heated by wood/coal stoves in each room. The "big boys" were always stuffing someone's galoshes or sling-shot rubber or some other awful-smelling something into the stoves. It would always be on the very coldest days; everyone trying hard not to giggle while waiting outside in freezing weather or in the cloakroom until the smell subsided. The cloakroom was where we hung our coats and galoshes, and we girls would hide our heavy brown cotton stockings and often our overalls there on colder days until time to get ready to go home. I suspect now that my skirts must have been terribly wrinkled from stuffing them inside the overalls that kept us warm on the three-mile journeys to and from school!

There was no running water in the school in those days, but there was an iron pump just outside the back door with several connected fountains, made sort of like a long trough, allowing more than one of us to drink at the same time. Of course, someone had to man the pump handle in order for anyone to drink. And never, never, never will anyone forget it if they touched their lips to the bare metal around the fountains during wintry weather!

There were out-door toilets, too. One for the boys and one for the girls. I can remember NOW how clean they were, but I don't know who kept them clean. The toilets were separated, one located on the far left side of the back playground, one on the far right of the same playground.

Our school district was probably considered "disadvantaged" (although I don't know if that was the word used back then), because we were given free commodities to eat during the day. I especially remember the raisins that our teachers would put on a course brown paper towel on each of our desks. I suppose we got a lot of iron from those raisins. Sanitation? Maybe not, but evidently there was no sickness from the procedure, and the raisins were awfully good.

At one time there must have been a tremendous library in the school building. In about seventh grade, some of us found an upstairs back room literally filled with books—I'll never forget that we all read and re-read and giggled and talked about such books as "Forever Amber," "Heaven Can Wait," and "Tonight or Never." What shockers to naïve young minds! Compare that to nowadays where nothing shocks.

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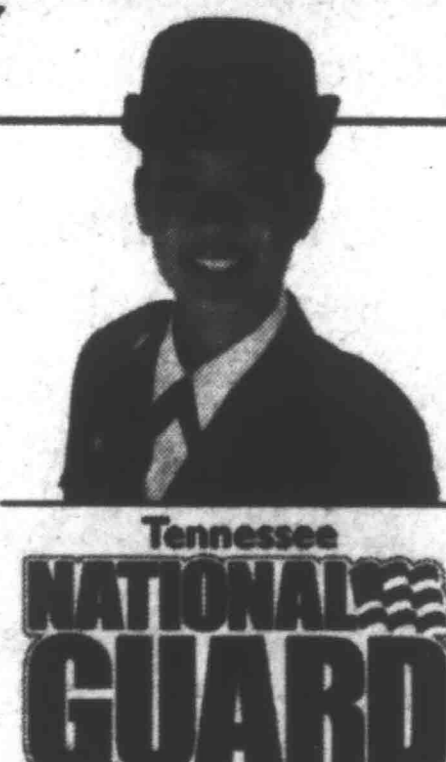
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### UTM GRADUATES

Lauderdale County residents, who were among students receiving undergraduate degrees from the University of Tennessee at Martin during the December 19th fall commencement include James Adam Akin, Rebecca Ann Carmack-Summar, and Anna L. Tetteleton, of Halls, and Crystal Jean Aury, Shanika Phonchet Craig, Heather Michelle Day, Emily Jones, Jessica Nichole McLemore, Elizabeth Kate Patterson, Jeremy Andrew Rhoads, and Elvy Rorie, of Ripley.

Leslie White, of Halls, received a graduate degree. The ceremony was held in Kathleen and Tom Elam Center on the UT Martin campus.

Ford Little, Knoxville attorney and past president of the University of Tennessee Alumni Association, was the commencement speaker. UT Martin Chancellor Tom Rakes presided and conferred degrees.

Jan. 7 - Jennifer M. Webster, Kelly Carmack, Samantha Novie Price, Jennifer Fee, Landon Carmack, Jenny Hendren, Irene Chambers, Isabella Houston, Betsy Barfield.

Jan. 8 - Shane Morgan, Er-

Anniversaries  
Jan. 8 - Mr. and Mrs. Donald Young, Mr. and Mrs. Jon Hargett, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rose.  
Jan. 9 - Mr. and Mrs. Alan Jordan.  
Jan. 10 - Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dean.  
Jan. 11 - Mr. and Mrs. Alan Kiestler, Mr. and Mrs. Rob Burks.  
Jan. 13 - Mr. and Mrs. Bill Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Wood.

ika Alexis Lane, Zina Hamlet, Lisa Hendren, Jerri Langley, William E. Moore, Heather Davis, Bronwynne Bain, Vance Brewster, Jr., Lindsey Carlington, Molly White, Felton Adams.  
Jan. 9 - Monica Burlison, Christopher Morris, Annette Maxwell, Summer Scott, Randy Lankford, Annie Summar, Benjie Moore, Dana Moore, Phyllis Mayfield, Hope Smith, Dena Dew, Tanner Christian Patterson, Amber Shands, Tanner Savley.  
Jan. 10 - Amanda Powers, Sara Pilcher, David Dunaway, Carmon Reece Belton, Robert Steelman, Sheryl Belton, James Balton, Jason Baynes, Ronnie Rickard, Amber N. Dowling, Linda Warren, Kim Douglas,

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Marriages  
December 24th - Robert Johnson, Jr., 42, to Crystal Lynette Jones, 37, by L. C. Hayslett.  
December 26th - James Allen Farrow, Sr., 47, to Shanda Lorraine Williams Edwards, 32, by Olive J. Allen.  
December 27th - Jason Michael Brown, 18, to Mateasha Marie Shrader, 18, by Barbara E. Blackman-Fortune.  
December 29th - Christopher Breyon Maclin, 19, to Autumnn Mauryce Brown, 20, by Rod Schuh.

Land Transfers  
Dec. 27th - Jan. 2nd  
Ballard Family, LLC, to JHCH Properties, LLC, lot.  
Dana Clement Parmenter and Dana Clement Rose to James Clement and Benny Clement, Dist. 15, 1.5 acres.  
Candace Land and Candace Curtis to Jason Bricco, Dist. 6, lot.  
Judy W. Scott to Teresa G. Jackson, Dist. 2, lot.  
Brad Simpson and Barbara Wilson to Tina Shaw, Dist. 2, lot.  
Allied Properties, LP, to Tommy White and Annie White, Dist. 7, lot.  
Federal National Mortgage Assoc. and Fannie Mae to Lakeisha Currie, Dist. 2, 1.0 acre.  
Sylvia A. Smith to Vicky S. Elder and Donald S. Smith, Dist. 2, 13.29 acres, two parcels and two tracts; and Dist. 6, two lots.  
Jo Baker, Walt Nichols, Nicole Griggs Buckner.  
Jan. 13 - Gloria Lake, Janet Brasch, Susan Patterson, John

Jan. 11 - Lori K. Finney, Memory Gaines, Stephanie Etheridge, Jeff Ezekiel, Rachel Clark, Mary Bernard, Kim Sweat Patterson, Taylor Rice, Nell Miller, Rob Cherry, Lily Kate Carmack.  
Jan. 12 - Greg Summar, Jeff Maclin, Crystal Land, Preston Gilliland, Tim Vincent, Wayne Alley, Kenneth Daniels, Gary Scheiblein, Melissa Stutzman, Carley Mills, Joyce Mills, Jody Murphey, Rodney McBroom,

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### Jan. 1st Baby

WILSON A. FERGUSON, 6 lb. 3 oz. son of Michael and Angel Ferguson, was born at 2:52 p.m. January 1st in Jackson Madison County General Hospital. Measuring 18 inches long, Wilson Alexander is the brother of Christian Davis, the grandson of Jane Coulston and Brenda Gail Maharry, and the great-grandson of Louise Ferguson and Winnie Grimes, all of Ripley.

He is the first known baby born in Lauderdale County this year.

Whitley Francis, Cheryl Follis, Sharrion Cox, Hutch Dunavant, Charles Buckley Gooch.

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## Obituaries

### Mrs. Holcomb

Flossie May Holcomb, 91, of 2515 Old Brownsville Road, Ripley, widow of James Wilbert Holcomb, died Monday, in her home.

Rites were held Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley, with burial in the cemetery of Mary's Chapel Baptist Church, of which she was a member.

Survivors include sons, David Lynn Holcomb, of the home, and James Don Holcomb, of 1967 Walnut Grove Road, Ripley; a daughter, Louise Newman, of Plainfield, Ill.; a sister, Mary Younger, of Ripley; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

### Shirley Stover

Shirley Ann Stover, 60, of Dyersburg, sister of Andy A. Seat, of 1286 Gates Rd., died Dec. 26th in the Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Thursday of last week in Dyersburg Funeral Home, with burial in South Fork Cemetery in Crockett County.

She was the daughter of the late Calvin "Cowboy" Seat and the late Lorene Johns Butts.

A former real estate agent, she had worked in Kroger's meat department.

Survivors include her step-father, Earl Butts, of Dyersburg; a daughter, Amy Critchfield, of Discovery Bay, Calif.; other brothers, Calvin and David, of Dyersburg; and two Critchfield grandchildren.

### Baby Hennings

Princess Hennings, five month old daughter of Rekeya Herbert, of Dyersburg, and Preston Hennings, of Ripley, died December 24th at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were Saturday,

### Mr. Daugherty, Medal Winner

Hertis Howard Daugherty, 81, of Dyersburg, father of Christopher Daugherty, of Ripley, died Sunday, in his home.

Services were Tuesday in Halls Funeral Home.

Son of the late Hubert and Veona Daugherty, he was graduated from Halls High School in 1949.

In Army service during the Korean War, he won the Bronze Star for heroism in combat.

He was a mechanic for Trunkline Gas until his retirement in 1983.

Survivors include his wife for 27 years, Betty; a daughter, Pamela Smith, of Cordova; a step-son, Gary Paris, of Clarksville; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

### Mary Atkins

Mary Frances Atkins, 86, mother of Melba (Mrs. Robert) Sutton, of 1065 Hyde Rd., Ripley, and sister of Charles Wyrick and Iris Jones, of Halls, died Wednesday of last week in Ripley Healthcare.

Rites were Saturday in Fowlkes Baptist Church, with burial in South Fork Cemetery in Crockett County, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

She was born at Halls, July 21, 1923.

Survivors include a son, Ricky, and a brother, Eugene Wyrick, of Dyersburg; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Other survivors include, grandparents, Carol Hennings Richard, of Ripley, Shinita Herbert, of Dyersburg, Marcus Burchett, of Memphis, and Maurice Anderson, East Chicago, Ind.; and great-grandparents, Peggy Lawson, of Dyersburg, and Shirley Henning, of Mason.

### Born Here



**Lewis Ben Colvin III, 41,** who was born in Ripley, Sept. 2, 1968, died Wednesday of last week in his home in Nashville.

Rites were Sunday in Arlington Funeral Directors in Jackson, with burial in the cemetery of Bethel Baptist Church near Humboldt.

"Bennie" was the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ben Colvin and the late Mr. and Mrs. Albert Parker, Ripley, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ben Colvin, Jr., of Ripley.

A graduate of Memphis State University, where he was a member of Kappa Sigma, he had worked for the Lauderdale County's sheriff's department and as a special agent for the state Department of Revenue.

A member of Bellevue Baptist Church in Nashville, he was a Mason.

Survivors include his wife, Audra Hope Scarbrough.

### Tom Johnson

Tom Johnson, 94, of Jackson, La., formerly of Ripley, a retired construction worker, died December 20th at Lane Regional Medical Center in Jackson.

Services were December 29th at Thompson's Mortuary, with burial in Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Cemetery.

He leaves nieces, Minister Rosie Manns, Marcelene Parr, and nephew, Pharris Wright, all of Ripley, who cared for him.

### Ca'Liyah Jelks

"Baby Girl" Ca'Liyah Nikole Gingery Jelks, daughter of Candace Gingery Jelks, of Ripley, died December 29th at Regional Hospital in Jackson.

Services were Sunday at Canaan Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in its cemetery, Thompson's Mortuary had charge.

Other survivors include, her grandmother, Schanta Gingery, grandfather, Kevin Gingery, great-grandmothers, Alice Williamson and Florida Gingery, great-grandfather, James Earl Williamson, and great-great-grandmother, Marie Williamson, all of Ripley.

### Martha Morgan

Martha Mae Morgan, 85, widow of Columbus Morgan, died Monday of last week in Merrillville, Ind., home of her daughter, Martha Louise Morgan.

Rites were Saturday in Burns Funeral Home in Crown Point, Ind., with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery at Henning, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

She was born at Henning, Feb. 15, 1924, to the late George Taylor and the late Eliza Taylor Dewalt.

Survivors include sons, Larnell Morgan, of 3890 Chicken George Trail, Henning, Nathaniel Morgan, of 46 Martha Cove, Henning, and Charles

### Linda Reditt

Linda Reditt, 58, of Ripley, died Tuesday of last week at Baptist Memorial Hospital Lauderdale.

Services were Saturday, January 2nd, at Thompson's Mortuary in Ripley, with burial in Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Cemetery.

She leaves her husband, Jessica Reddit, daughter, Jessica Yates, father, James Buddy Barnes, brothers, Paul and Lloyd Barnes, sisters, Georgia Horton and Gladys Dean Jones, and two grandchildren, all of Ripley.

### Robert Alston

Robert Gaylon Alston, 43, of 219 So. College, Halls, died Thursday of last week in St. Francis Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were Saturday in Green Hill Memorial Gardens, north of Halls, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

He was born at Charlotte, S.C., April 9, 1966. His mother was the late Rita Renée Rambow.

Survivors include a grandmother, Mrs. Warlene Smith, of 344 Smith Rd., Halls; a daughter, Brittany Renée Alston, of Halls; and a sister, Lisa Renée Vinson, of Dallas, Tex.

Yanders, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; a step-son, Carl Morgan, of Dayton, Ohio; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

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Director of Communications for Tennessee Farm Bureau

### You Have Got To Be Kidding

Everyday that you pick up the newspaper or turn on the TV, there is a story about climate change, carbon footprints and someone demanding somebody else to do something about the world coming to an end. It is always your fault for causing all of the problems and never those who are gripping about the polar ice cap becoming the next retirement spot to move to for winter warmth. Everyone knows that it was always colder, the snow deeper and we were all poorer back when a person was growing up. If that is the case, then all you have to do to make yourself profitable, the winters warmer and it to rain rather than snow is to grow up.

For a couple of years now I've heard nothing but complaints from some groups attempting to promote vegetarian diets on how cows in this country are destroying the planet with their carbon footprints. I've seen a lot of cow footprints in muddy barn lots over the years working with cattle and I've never noticed a lot of carbon on them, but if cows are doing so much damage, maybe we need to take a look at what other animals are doing as well. I know cows are pretty large animals, but could not the shear number of some other animals do greater harm?

Thanks to a French news source of AFP, I have now seen some information that sort of backs the theory that even dogs and cats have some fairly large carbon footprints as well. In a story entitled, "Polluting Pets: The Devastating Impact of Man's Best Friend," Isabelle Toussaint and Jurgen Hecker discuss some interesting results that a couple in New Zealand have discovered in analyzing popular brands of pet food eaten by medium size dogs and the carbon footprint required to feed the animals.

The article reports that Robert and Brenda Vale, who are specialists in sustainable living at Victoria University of Wellington, have determined that a medium size dog has an annual footprint of land requirement around 2.07 acres to provide its food. The article went on to say for a 4X4 driving 6,200 miles, its land requirement, including the energy to build the car, is twice as less as that for dogs. And, the Vales also say that other animals aren't much better for the environment. Cats, hamsters, and even goldfish have carbon footprints that add to environment woes says the Vales. I'm still trying to understand a footprint from a goldfish, but if you look at the number of dogs and cats just around Tennessee, that is a lot of acres needed to keep them fed along with the carbon footprint messing up the environment.

For years we have had agriculture accused of environmental problems, but now out of France, farms are taking the back seat in being the bad guy in the news and dogs are being seen as dangerous polluters in the recent article from AFP. They are talking about how their waste increases high bacterial levels, damaging streams and killing aquatic life in France. Sound familiar?

But, the dog and cat owners are not taking kindly to the Vales reports and a new book they have written. It seems they are taking offense to the suggestions of Fido polluting and melting the North Pole. However, the Vales seem to suggest that



### School Lunches

#### Lauderdale County Schools

##### Monday, January 11th

Hot Dog On Bun  
Pizza  
Tater Tots  
Celery Sticks w/Dip  
Apricots  
Cookie

##### Choice Of Milk

##### Tuesday, January 12th

Hamburger Steak w/Gravy  
Steak Fingers  
Broccoli Bites w/Cheese  
Black Eye Peas  
Banana  
Orange Sections  
Roll

##### Choice Of Milk

##### Wednesday, January 13th

Chicken Tenders  
Whipped Potatoes  
Green Peas  
Pineapple Tidbits

Roll  
Choice Of Milk  
**Thursday, January 14th**  
Chili Pie  
Corn Nibbles  
Grapes  
Pear Halves  
Choice Of Milk

##### Friday, January 15th

Cheese Toast  
or Deli Ham Wrap  
w/Chicken Noodle Soup  
Carrot Sticks w/Dip  
Peaches  
Applesauce  
Cookie  
Choice Of Milk

### School Lunches

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

##### Monday, January 11th

Hot Dog On Bun  
Tater Tots  
Apricots

Cookie  
Choice Of Milk  
**Tuesday, January 12th**  
Hamburger Steak w/Gravy  
Broccoli Bites w/Cheese  
Orange Sections  
Roll

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Chicken Tenders  
Whipped Potatoes  
Pineapple Tidbits  
Roll

##### Choice Of Milk

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Grapes

##### Choice Of Milk

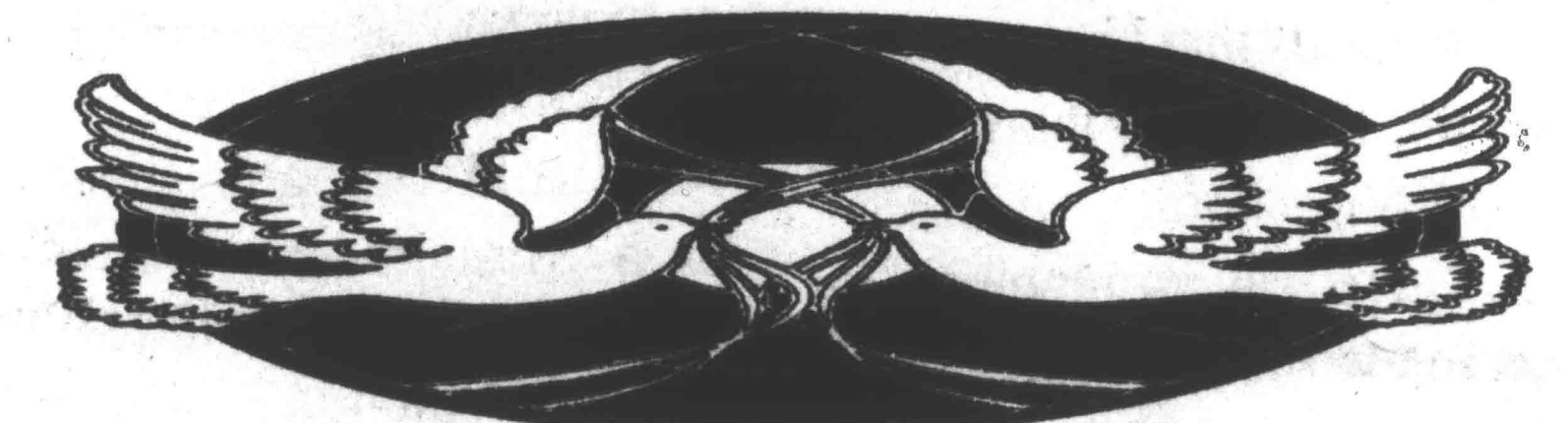
##### Friday, January 15th

Cheese Toast  
Chicken Noodle Soup  
Carrot Sticks w/Dip

##### Applesauce

##### Cookie

##### Choice Of Milk



## 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.

Faith United Methodist Church, 8301 Hwy. 87, near Henning, is the host site for Angel Food Ministries and are accepting orders for January through January 14th. For more information, call The Rev. Barbara Blackmon Fortune, 413-5754, or Linda Biggs, 738-0085. The website is [www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com).

The Women of Purpose at Elam Baptist Church will hold their fourth annual women's conference from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, January 24th with the theme, "Broken Vessels and Cracked Pots". The main speaker will be Renica Yarbrough and Ellena Gooch. Sister Yarbrough will speak exclusively to teen girls about issues which concern teens today. For more information, call 612-2717.

The West Tennessee Baptist Missionary and Educational Association will meet at 11 a.m. January 9th at the Holly Grove Baptist Church with The Rev. Meade Walker as moderator. Mrs. Beverly Garrett succeeded Mrs. Ethel Hayes as president of the women's department of the association. Mrs. Garrett wishes to make plans for the quarterly board meeting, which is scheduled for Holly Grove in February. The public is invited.

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

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



## Yesteryear xxx

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Our school building at Gates was heated by wood/coal stoves in each room. The "big boys" were always stuffing someone's galoshes or sling-shot rubber or some other awful-smelling something into the stoves. It would always be on the very coldest days; everyone trying hard not to giggle while waiting outside in freezing weather or in the cloakroom until the smell subsided. The cloakroom was where we hung our coats and galoshes, and we girls would hide our heavy brown cotton stockings and often our overalls there on colder days until time to get ready to go home. I suspect now that my skirts must have been terribly wrinkled from stuffing them inside the overalls that kept us warm on the three-mile journeys to and from school!

There was no running water in the school in those days, but there was an iron pump just outside the back door with several connected fountains, made sort of like a long trough, allowing more than one of us to drink at the same time. Of course, someone had to man the pump handle in order for anyone to drink. And never, never, never will anyone forget it if they touched their lips to the bare metal around the fountains during wintry weather!

There were out-door toilets, too. One for the boys and one for the girls. I can remember NOW how clean they were, but I don't know who kept them clean. The toilets were separated, one located on the far left side of the back playground, one on the far right of the same playground.

Our school district was probably considered "disadvantaged" (although I don't know if that was the word used back then), because we

were given free commodities to eat during the day. I especially remember the raisins that our teachers would put on a course brown paper towel on each of our desks. I suppose we got a lot of iron from those raisins. Sanitation? Maybe not, but evidently there was no sickness from the procedure, and the raisins were awfully good.

At one time there must have been a tremendous library in the school building. In about seventh grade, some of us found an upstairs back room literally filled with books—I'll never forget that we all read and re-read and giggled and talked about such books as "Forever Amber," "Heaven Can Wait," and "Tonight or Never." What shockers to naive young minds! Compare that to nowadays where nothing shocks.

The old upright piano was a constant joy. One of my classmates, Joe Conyers, could play anything on it. I remember in the eighth grade he would play and sing "My Ideal." Those words sounded especially romantic to a young romantic mind—"Just around the corner lies MY i-deal."

We planted trees on Arbor Day, we washed the glass in the front double doors, we cleaned blackboards, the bigger boys brought in coal for the stoves and carried out the ashes. Maybe we grumbled some about these chores, but I don't recall it. We played hopscotch on the sidewalk and jumped rope with much competition about who could stand the most "hot pepper." We played jacks and pick-up-sticks during the long winter recesses. Snowball fights were big events, too, for those brave enough to venture outside. The boys had their wooden top contests, and they spent hours and hours down on one knee, wearing out the

knees to their britches, playing marbles. Playing marbles "for keeps" was not allowed, but nevertheless that was their game of the day.

We had a visiting music teacher, a Mrs. Wilkes, who attempted to teach us the rudiments of music. I do remember learning the do-re-mi's, and one song sticks in my mind, "Down at the Station." Although some of the students must have had musical backgrounds at home, I'm sure Mrs. Wilkes did not enjoy the same success that Julie Andrews did with the VonTrapp children in the movie, "Sound of Music."

We had spelling bees which I happened to enjoy and was good at. The teacher would appoint two leaders who would in turn choose their teams, one person at a time. It must have been heart breaking to be such a poor speller as to be the last one chosen.

Fifteen of us graduated from Gates Grammar School in 1945. I can close my eyes even today, and visualize each of our young faces as we looked back then: Pat Avery, the Valedictorian, had pretty black hair, and was probably the most "cultured" of us all; Helen Paige, the Salutatorian, was one of the most liked; Margaret Jo Benefield had gorgeous golden-red shoulder-length hair and enjoyed the most attention from the boys of any of us girls; Inita Johnson and Ruby Thurmond both lived in front of the school house; Juanita and Aunita McNeil, my nearest playmates and life-long friends were twins, but they were and are, as different as daylight and dark; Martha Alice Haynes, also a close classmate; Earl Street, the dare devil; Pete Burks, my first cousin; Joe Conyers, the doctor's son; Hal Pennington, the "good-looking" boy; Lewis Hunt and Leroy Har-

ris, friends to all. Seven of us went on to graduate from the twelfth grade at Halls High School in 1949.

Eighth grade graduation night finally came. And so did the rain—in buckets! That was during World War II and Daddy was with the Army overseas. We had no car (Mother didn't drive, anyway). Luckily the Twins' father, Mr. Archie McNeil, had an old flat-bed truck, and that's how Mother and I got to eighth-grade graduation. My hair, always a problem, even when I twisted it up at night on coffee can tins, was dripping wet. My newly-made white net dress—a vision of white ruffled froth with pink satin ribbons—was almost as limp as my hair. And the straps of my new, white, store-bought sling-back sandals kept slipping from my heels. A cousin, Mary Lou Burks McMahan, still laughs at my taking two steps forward, then bending down to pull up my shoe straps during the procession up those stairs, through the auditorium aisle, and on to the stage.

But graduate we did! And so, on to four years at Halls High School in Halls, Tennessee. This was a completely foreign world to this little country girl. I was probably the most wide-eyed freshman to enter those higher halls of learning. I think I loved every minute of it. Literature, especially, was pure joy, and I was encouraged by first Mrs. Steelman who was a stern taskmaster, and then by Mary Martha Hemby who seemed to recognize my love for, if not necessarily any talent for, writing.

We wore penny loafers and saddle oxfords during those four years, with eight-gored felt poodle skirts over voluminous crinoline petticoats, bobby socks, and page-boy hair-do's. We learned to jit-

terbug.

We had some really BAD (meaning WOW/GREAT) girls' basketball games during those years. Some of the players that I remember besides my sisters are: Carrie Lee Bur-lison, Aunita McNeil, Marian Norman, Pat Pennington, Jenny Lou Thompson, and Mary Buford Ward. Coach Peery and Mr. McCorkle, the Principal, enthusiastically coached and supported the teams' efforts along with our parents who encouraged participation in the school activities. Daddy tried always to make sure we got to the ballgames, especially those that my sisters, Betty Jo and Sue, and my brothers, Donald Wayne, Benny, and Phil, played in. If we went to the games on the school bus, he would always be there to meet us at the red light at Gates on our return, no matter if it was midnight or past, as was often the case. Mother usually stayed at home with the younger children, but was always up with a late-night snack and eager ears to hear the details of each game.

Coach Peery's wife was my Home Economics teacher and tried very hard to instruct us in two of my very worst subjects, sewing and cooking. I'm not sure the apron which should have taken about an hour to sew up was ever finished. The electric sewing machine in the classroom, the first one I'd ever seen, was a monster never mastered. Years later I attained some degree of competence with one I discovered that had pictures of the stitches right on the machine that required me only to dial my stitch and press the foot piece.

Mother was an accomplished seamstress using only her old Singer treadle sewing machine that had been bought many, many years before by

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## Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here!!! Mr. Pam and Miss Pam told all of us to get our sweaters on that we were going to Grandma's house for supper. Rusty didn't want to go, so he went and got in his house. Miss Pam helped me and Lil Girl with our sweaters and out the door we went. Mr. Pam was already in the truck and it was good and warm. So off to Grandma's we went.

When we got to Grandma's house, I walked in the door and I smelled something that I really didn't like. Then I remembered. I walked into the two-legger room where the food is. I looked on the table and there they were. I knew that I remembered that smell. There was round things and grassy looking things on the table. I turned and went back to Grandma's couch. All of the two-leggers got around the table and asked for the food to be blessed. Then, they all set down.

Miss Pam called me into the room with her. She had made me a bowl. She put it on the floor and told me that I could eat this two-legger food, just today. I looked at the bowl and then I looked at Miss Pam. She laughed at me and told me to eat it. I looked back up to her and I went back to the couch. Now I don't ever not eat two-legger food, but this is gross. Miss Pam called me back into the room where two-leggers eat and began to tell me a two-legger history story.

Miss Pam told me that this was food that two-leggers ate on New Year's Day for good luck. She told me that two-leggers ate collard greens because it represents folded money and are symbolic of economic fortune. The black eye peas are to represent coin money that swell when they are cooked. Some two-leggers believe that eating one pea for each day of the year (365) is considered lucky. This is a tradition that dates back to the Civil War, when a town ran out of food and the two-leggers found black eye peas. Then whole town was fed with the peas.

I looked at the bowl again and I decided that I would take just one little bite to make Miss Pam happy. I looked over at Lil Girl and she had a bowl and she was almost finished with her bowl. With just one bite, I took off for the couch.

Today, Miss Pam and I are out at the Club. I made my rounds to see all of my Buds, then I went right into the office to stay warm. All of the two-leggers were in the office talking about some of my Buds. Mr. Buddy and Mr. Gene were talking about Georgia, the pug mix, and Snowball, the wire terrier mix, that had been to see the Doc and were neutered and spayed. Now they just need a two-legger to take them home. King, the black and tan shepherd; Jersey, the yellow shepherd; Bell, the yellow lab; Katie, the red setter mix; Molly, the shepherd; Fred, the chocolate lab; and the schnauzer mix puppies all are really good four-leggers and need two-leggers. We even have a special four-legger out here. Miss Pam calls the four-legger a Lhasa Apso. That is one fancy name.

We have a four-legger that a two-legger found on Caldwell Road. The girl four-legger is tan and has on a pink collar and a

red sweater. If any of you two-leggers or four-leggers know who she is just give us a call.

Scooter told me that Robbie and Jennifer Coleman took Lucy home with them. Judith Galloway came out to the Club and found her a new four-legger to go home with her. Kayla Burns took home a shepherd with her.

We need some leashes out here for my Buds. We also need food because my Buds are always hungry. So send your two-leggers out to the Club. If your two-legger doesn't want to come out to the Club, they can drop off their food donation at 51 Antiques and see Miss Sharon and we will come and 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 and 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 shots and check-up. Miss Pam says that a healthy four-legger is a happy four-legger and a happy four-legger makes a two-legger happy.

Cold weather is here so make sure that your outside four-leggers have shelter to keep warm in. Miss Pam says that if it gets too cold outside, bring your four-leggers inside for the night time.

Be as good as your four-legger thinks you are. I really did not even need to eat that two-legger food for luck - I have a two-legger that loves me and a home. Maybe I should get Grandma to fix enough of the two-legger lucky food for my Buds at the Club. My eyes have water in them now.....

Zeek out!!!!

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her mother for \$5.00 from a lady who had been flooded out. Alas, I never managed to master the treadle, either. I marvel still at those ladies of my mother's generation who sewed clothes for the entire family on those old treadle machines. In our case, we would often pick out a dress, or shirt, or coat, or whatever, from the Sears, Roebuck catalog which was kept on the treadle of the Singer. The fabric was many times from printed flour sacks, or maybe a remnant from Berg & Schaeffers in Ripley, or cut down from something Mother already had around the house. Usually, she sewed the garment at night while we slept, and it was ready to wear the next morning. Her eyesight did not begin to fail until she reached 83, a miracle in itself considering the many years of labor by coal-oil lamps and the millions of stitches she had made not only on the clothing, but curtains, slipcovers for the furniture, and especially quilts. I learned the basics of quilt making from her and my Grandmother Nana and my Aunt "Bill" (Willie) Burks. Amazingly, they pieced and quilted one for each of us children when we married plus dozens and dozens more. I still have mine; the pattern is Grandmother's Flower Garden. It is more than 55 years

old and a beautiful treasure. I have pieced and quilted a few over the years, but it is a slow and painstaking process. How they managed is beyond my comprehension. The enormity of their daily workload with so few conveniences is truly overwhelming to consider.

I returned to the High School recently. The old school is no longer there, but right there in the Library of the new school was a picture of the Class of '49. What memories that brought back.

The Library/Study Hall/Assembly Room combination back then was the domain of Miss Hazel Griffin, the sister of Miss Pansy Griffin, my first grade teacher at Gates. It must have been dear Miss Hazel who taught us the amazing Dewey Decimal system of library filing. I've used and enjoyed libraries quite a bit over the years, but never without remembering the one at Halls High with Miss Hazel answering our questions. I would wish for all you students now passing through the school to soak up all the learning you possibly can, and to respect the teachers who try so hard every day to impart their knowledge to you. And for ALL of you readers, I hope your memories of growing-up days are as sweet, and as vivid, as mine.

—Margaret Voss Allen

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### UT Martin Receives \$500,000 Transition To Teaching Award

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For more information, contact Hollianne Carver, program coordination, 731-881-7686 or [hcarver@utm.edu](mailto:hcarver@utm.edu), or visit [www.TNt2t.com](http://www.TNt2t.com).

### Petitions Picked Up For August Election

The Lauderdale County Election Commission has released the petitions for the August 5th election of county commissioners, school board members, District 1, 3, 5, and 7, constable District 1, Governor, U. S. and Tennessee House of Representatives, and state executive committee man and woman.

Candidates, who have picked up petitions for county commissioner, include Gene Edwards, District 1; Lynnwood Shoemake and Coy Summar, District 2; Walker Ferrell, Dennis King and Carol Walker, for District 3; Jesse Edwards, Rob Reviere, Dwight Shoemake, Terry Uselton, Sr., District 6; David Caldwell and Raymond Edwards, District 7; and Don

Fisher and Eugene Pugh, District 8. King has returned his petition.

School board candidates include Eva Drain, District 1; Sheila Ferrell, District 3; and Melinda Hutcherson, District 5.

Walker Ferrell has picked up a petition for Republican State Executive committeeman.

Candidates have until noon, April 1st to qualify; noon, April 8th to withdraw; and the last day to register to vote is July 7th. Early voting will begin July 16th through 31st.

The Lauderdale County mayor, trustee, sheriff, clerk, and register of deeds, and the circuit court clerk will also be on the ballot with different qualifying deadlines. Winners of the Democratic primary, to be held May 4th, will also be included on the ballot.

### Halls Project Receive Funds



US. REPRESENTATIVE JOHN TANNER, third from left, and USDA Rural Development State Director Bobby Goode presented a check to the Town of Halls for the development of a master plan for an adaptive re-use of the historic World War II era air base. Halls Mayor Eugene Pugh, second from left, stated the \$33,500 Rural Development grant and \$24,500 from the city and county will be used to provide a heritage destination to increase the number of people traveling to the area and to increase the time and money they spend with area businesses. The facility will provide a memorial for Veterans and educational opportunities at the authentically refurbished training facility. Harriett Cannon, local USDA Rural Development official, members of the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD, Perry Williams, executive director of the Downtown Development Corp., and local citizens attended the presentation. County Mayor Rod Schuh, right, was on hand for the presentation.

### Democratic Primary Petitions Returned

Trent McManus (I) picked up a petition for County Mayor and Steve Sanders (I) for Sheriff in the May 4th election during the Lauderdale County Democratic Primary. They had not returned their petitions by 5 p.m. Tuesday. Other candidates include Charletta Campbell (D) seeking the trustee's seat; Jimmy Johnston (I) and Gary L. Wilson (I), register of deeds; Brian Kelly (I) sheriff; and Richard Jennings (D), circuit court clerk. Wilson has not returned his petition.

Candidates have until February 18th to qualify and February 25th to withdraw their petition.

### Commission On Aging Scheduled Activities

The Lauderdale Commission on Aging has scheduled events for Thursday and Friday, January 14th and 15th, and Tuesday and Wednesday, January 19th and 20th, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Thursday with chair dancing; 10 a.m. line dancing; and 11 a.m. quilting.

Friday activities will begin at 10 a.m. Blood pressure checks by Cindy Johnson; 10:30 a.m. Get Fit, Stay Fit; 11 a.m. crafts with Sharilyn Forcht; 12:30 p.m. Martin Lu-

Early voting will begin April 14th through 29th. Voters must be registered by April 5th to cast a ballot.

### Love Notes Presented By HJHS Spirit Club

Love Notes will be presented the evening of February 13th by Halls Junior High School Spirit Club featuring world renowned talent, as well as local talent. This event is a fundraiser to help support the cost of needed supplies and equipment for the school. For more information or tickets, call 731-836-5579.

ther King test and bingo.

Tuesday activities include family stories at 11 a.m. with Linda Weeks.

Wednesday, at 10 a.m. health screenings at Palmer-Turner Center with CareAll and bingo.

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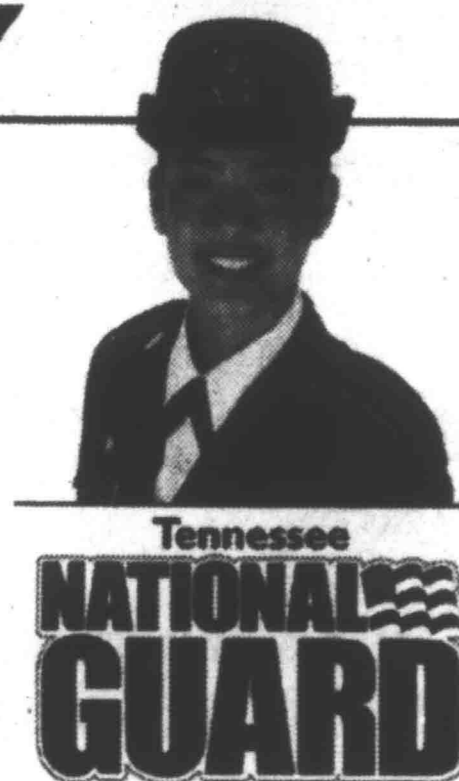
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Pre-K to 3rd

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Martin L. King Jr. Day  
Tuesday, January 19th  
Baked Ham

Fish Fillet  
Green Beans  
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Pineapple Tidbits  
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Wednesday, January 20th  
Spaghetti

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## VACCINATIONS

The Tennessee Department of Health announced it was not too late to get the influenza (flu) vaccine. According to estimates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, approximately 60 million people in the United States have already received their dose of an estimated 108 million total available doses of the H1N1 flu vaccine. Tennessee has distributed more than 2.4 million doses of the H1N1 vaccine to health providers across the state.

Cooper, Kendrek Stowe, Parker Webster, Gayle Cooper, Pam Sumrow.

Jan. 19 - Deborah Demeris, Dianne Yarbrough, John James, Lynette Currie, Annie Louise Adams, Martha H. Kirkpatrick, Frank Evans, Joyce Lee, Ann Lazure, Carolyn Horner, Gloria Burrough, Krista Hardy, Verma Alexander, Leona Herron, Holly Crews, Joe Brown Barfield, Jr., Gannon Davis, Ken Tyler, Steven Brogdon, Kate Conner, Perrilyn Cherry, Walter Smith, Kaleb Northcott, Cliff Fox.

Jan. 20 - Jamie Gray, Jamie

sell Langley, Jr., Bonnie Sanders, Alma Ward, Danny Bailey, Krishenna Patrick, Jerry W. Colvin, Brian Woodard, Paul Buckner, Charlotte Bartlett, Cheri Baynes, Doris E. Brown, Elaine McCoy, Brian Fiedler, Charlotte Hamilton, Stacy Manley, Aaleigha Buck, Gail Griffin.

Jan. 17 - George Rose, Leatha Nelson, Lucy Mullins, Alice Meeks, Connie Hutcherson, Reid Hilliard, Terry Troutt, Lloyd Bernard, Drew Wright, James R. Weir, Barbara Savage, Melanie Jones, Tony Dew, Suzanne Hamby, Jon Ashton Welch, Rachel Criner, Faye Stokes.

Jan. 18 - Mary Nell Chisholm, Matthew Cutlip, Kenny Pilcher, Debbie Lloyd, Matthew Moore, Mary Jo Stanley, Pam Jones, Shelia Jurdak, Calvin

## He's Ten



BRYSON RILEY MICHAELS,

son of Ricky and Diana Michaels, of Ripley, celebrated his 10th birthday December 5th with a party at his home. He is the grandson of Oliver and Mary Ann Voss, of Ripley, and the late Butch Michaels, of Henning, and the great-grandson of Daisy Stewart, of Halls, and Margaret Nolan, of Covington.

Maples, Jerry Sellers, Krista White, Joyce Dunaway, Jay Jordan, Deteria Wilder, Linda Daum, Jason L. Jones, Brittany Bing, LaTasha Taniel Wright, Dwayne Dixon, A. J. Watkins.

## Marriages

December 29th - Christopher Breyon Maclin, 19, to Autumn Mauryce Brown, 20, by Rod Schuh.

December 31st - William Ben Saveley, Jr., 31, to Casey Leanne Hargett, 21, by Rocky Gilliam.

Princeton Lawrence Bates, 21, to Stacy Lavette Campbell, 35, by Oscar Webster.

January 7th - Jerald Dewayne McNeal, 22, to Stacey Michelle Beard, 24, by Jon Pavletic.

## Anniversaries

Jan. 14 - Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Heath, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gabbard.

Jan. 15 - Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Sneed, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Crihfield, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Kiestler.

Jan. 17 - Mr. and Mrs. Randy Lankford.

Jan. 19 - Mr. and Mrs. Charley Cherry, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Duncan.

Jan. 20 - Mr. and Mrs. Terry Johnson.

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**Obituaries**

**Mrs. Harrison**

Louise Harrison, 87, of Bella Vista, Ark., aunt of Almeda Baily, of Ripley, died Thursday, January 7th, at the Circle of Life Hospice Center in Springdale, Ark.

Funeral services were at 10 a.m. Wednesday, January 13th at Memphis Funeral Home Popular Chapel in Memphis.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Midwest City, Okla., and attended Macedonia Baptist Church in Ripley.

Louise is survived by two sons, John Harrison, of Bella Vista, and Vincent Harrison, of Wichita, Kan.; 14 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and six great-great grandchildren.

**Mr. Sternberger**

Richard Sternberger, 83, of Falls Church, Va., who in his youth spent many summers in Ripley with his first cousins, Sam Berg, Jr., and Betty Berg (later Mrs. Herbert Feist), died Monday in the Fairfax, Va., Hospital, of injuries from a fall.

Rites will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Temple Adas Israel in Brownsville, with burial there.

Born Aug. 10, 1926, he grew up in Philadelphia, Pa., was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, and was ordained as a rabbi, in 1952, from the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, Ohio.

He served as a Navy chaplain in Korea until 1954 and remained in the Naval Reserve for 30 years, retiring as a captain.

He later served various Jewish congregations and organizations and was arrested, Oct. 26, 1964, among 26 other ministers and civil rights workers staging a sit-in on the steps of the McComb, Miss., court-house.

He helped found Temple Bat Yam on Maryland's Eastern Shore and served as its rabbi until 1999.

**Mrs. Thompson, Former Teacher**

Dorothy Davis Thompson, 94, of Ripley, widow of Francis L. Thompson, died Friday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites were Sunday in the cemetery of St Paul United Methodist Church at Durhamville, east of Ripley, where she was a member.

Survivors include sons, Frank Thompson, of Ripley, and James W. Thompson, of Union City; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

**Valena Franklin**

Valena Franklin, 58, the daughter of Franklin A. Rhodes, of 322 Myers, Halls, and the late Mary Julia Rhodes, died Sunday in her home in Fairburn, Ga.

Rites will be at noon Saturday in Hillside International Truth Center in Atlanta, Ga., with burial in Forest Lawn Memorial Park in College Park, Ga., Murray Brothers Funeral Home, of Atlanta, in charge, assisting Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning.

She was a fire department administrator.

Survivors include a daughter, Vaneka Franklin, of Fairburn, and brothers, Jacob Rhodes, of Fayetteville, Ga., and Leon Rhodes, of Lithornia, Ga.

**Ethelene Maxcy**

Ethelene Maxcy, 86, of Cordova, grandmother of Mitzi G. Riddick, of Halls, died Friday in the Baptist Hospital in Memphis.

Rites were private, with Forest Hill East Funeral Home in charge.

She was the daughter of the late Joseph and Ethel Forrister.

She was a member of the Highland St. Church of Christ.

She was the widow of Glen Maxcy.

She leaves daughters, Nancy (Mrs. Al) Richie and Gail Riddick; another grandchild; and six great-grandchildren.

**Ran Hospitals**



**William 'Tate' Moorner, 66,** of Covington, former administrator of Baptist Hospitals Lauderdale and Tipton, died Sunday in Methodist Hospital North in Memphis.

Rites were Wednesday in the Maley-Yarbrough Funeral Home in Covington, with burial in the West Tenn. Veterans Cemetery.

As an Army captain in Viet Nam, he won numerous honors, including Bronze and Silver Stars, for heroism in combat, and a Purple Heart for combat injuries.

He was a member of Covington's First Baptist Church

Survivors include his wife, Jane N. Moorner; a daughter, Tatum Jeanette Moorner, of Denver, Colo.; a step-son, Wade Norris, of Jackson; a brother, Lewis, of Franklin; sisters, Emily Suggs and Mariann Worthington, of Murfreesboro; and two grandchildren.

**Donald Crafton**

Donald Lee Crafton, 37, of Newbern, grandson of Flossie Hoye, of Ripley, died Sunday in his home.

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

He was the son of Donnie Crafton, of Saulsburg, and the late Deborah Crafton.

He was employed by Briggs & Stratton.

He leaves his wife, Sonya; four children; and a sister.

**Dalton Wesson**

Dalton Austin Wesson, 85, died Sunday in Highlands of Dyersburg.

Rites were Tuesday in Maranatha Baptist Church, east of Ripley, where he had taught Sunday School for 55 years and had been a deacon and treasurer.

Burial was in the Eureka Cemetery, Garner Funeral Home in charge.

He was born in Haywood County, Sept. 28, 1924, to the late D. A. Wesson and the late Minnie Akin Wesson.

He was six when his father died of World War I injuries, and 14 when his mother died.

A graduate of Haywood High School, he attended the University of Tennessee in Martin for two years before Army service in World War II as a medic, including service in the Battle of the Bulge.

He farmed and in 1948 became a rural mail carrier, serving as such for 40 years.

Survivors include his wife, Billie Bain Wesson, of 83 Woodville Rd., whom he married Dec. 29, 1946; daughters, Anne (Mrs. Royce) Short, of Greenville, S.C., and Nancy (Mrs. James) Gaston, of Americus, Ga.; a sister, Mary Sue Townsend, of Knoxville; and four grandchildren.

**Doris Land**

Doris Marie Land, 70, widow of Billy Land, died Saturday in the Covington Care Center.

Rites were held Wednesday in Garner Funeral Home in Ripley.

She was a member of Faith United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, Dennis Land, and a daughter, Becky Spray, of Ripley; another son, David Land, of Covington; a brother, James Weston, of Michie; sisters, Betty Carter, of Germantown, Lois Cowell, of Memphis, Elaine and Margaret Fiveash and Glenda Parker, of the Corinth, Miss., area, and Shelby Royal, of Forrest City, Ark.; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**Nelson Wilkins**

Nelson Wilkins, 90, of Knoxville, whose wife for 51 years, Celeste, formerly of Lightfoot, is the sister of Joe B. O'Steen, of 2156 Wadsworth Rd., Ripley, died Wednesday of last week in a Knoxville hospital.

Rites have not been set.

Born in Memphis, he was a botanist who taught in the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and was a tour guide in the Appalachians.

Survivors include daughters, Sandra Wilkins, of Knoxville, and Norma Gross, of Merzen, Germany.

**William Carter**

William Carter, Sr., died January 12th at Jackson Madison County General Hospital in Jackson.

Services are set for 1:30 p.m. Saturday, January 16th, at Halls First United Methodist Church, 110 Gate 6 Road, with burial in Old Chapel Cemetery, Halls. Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, has charge.

The husband of Luella Hudson Carter for 70 years, he also leaves children, Willie Mae Graham, of Halls, Lucille Seibert, Cleo Carter, Kenneth Carter, Rose Ballard and Jannie Williams, of Brentwood, Geraldine Pitts, of Jackson, Aline Greer, of Tampa, Fla., William Carter, Jr., of Lawton, Okla., Dennis Carter, of Murfreesboro; a sister, Ovallie Thurmond, of Gary, Ind., 23 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren.

**John Hammond**

John Hammond, 81, of 91 Huntington, Gates, died Saturday.

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

He was born at Wirt, Ind., May 23, 1928.

Survivors include his wife, Shelby; a son, Mike, of Bloomington, Ind.; daughters, Shelley Wright, of Alvin, Tex., and Mindy Hammond, of Grass Valley, Calif.; a brother, James, of Alabama; a sister, Miriam Griffith, of Florida; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**Betty Pipkin**

Betty Jean Pipkin, 79, of Ripley, wife of James R. Pipkin, died Friday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale.

She was a member of Halls' First Assembly of God.

Survivors include sons, Jimmy and Timmy Pipkin, daughters, Carol Broadstreet and Mary Katherine Meyer, brothers, David and Lynwood Shoemake, and a sister, Judy Hargett, all of Ripley; another brother, Billy Shoemake, of Southaven, Miss.; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

**L. E. Butts**

Leberon Earl Butts, 89, of Dyersburg, step-father of Andy Seats, of Gates, died Saturday in the Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were Monday in Dyersburg Funeral Home, with burial in South Fork Cemetery in Crockett County.

His 20 years in the Navy included service in World War II and the Korean War.

He later retired from Colonial Rubber in Dyersburg.

He was the widower of Grace Lorene Johns Butts.

Survivors include other stepsons, Calvin and David Seat, of Dyersburg; a brother, Leland Butts, of Southaven, Miss.; and a sister, Clydell Brown, of East Chicago, Ill.

**Mr. Brockway**

Robert Arthur Brockway, 87, of 1405 Central-Curve Rd., died Saturday in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

He was a disabled veteran of military service.

He was a member of Grace Baptist Church at Central.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanette; a son, James Alexander Brockway, of Albuquerque, N.M.; a brother, C. A. Brockway, of Tucson, Ariz.; and sisters, Flora Riopelle, of Allen

**CLASSES HELD**

Classes to answer questions pertaining to your health will be held at 11 a.m. February 8th and 26th, March 5th and 19th, April 16th and 30th, May 24th, June 11th and 18th, and July 16th and 30th at the Lauderdale Commission on Aging.

Some of the questions may include, "When is the right time to see your physician?", "Am I sick enough to visit the emergency room?", "Choosing the appropriate diagnostic testing?", "How to select a primary care physician?", "When to question your physician's recommendations?", "Using precautionary measures when using over-the-counter and prescribed medication appropriately?", and "What preventative services are available through your healthcare insurance?"

Rachel Parker Howell will also address managing your medications, making medical decisions, self-care check points, protecting your health, paying for your healthcare and working with your healthcare system.

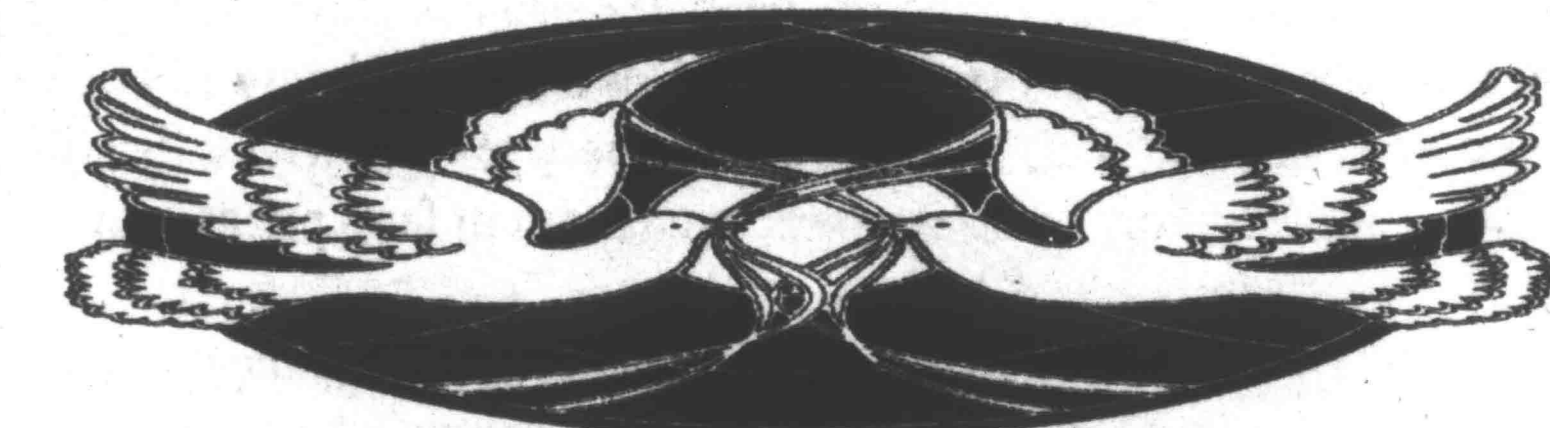
For more information, call Rachel at 635-3101.

Park, Mich., Mona Marie, of Clinton Township, Mich., and Helen Udell, of Modesto, Calif.

**Dining With Diabetes**



**RACHEL ERWIN**, UT Extension Agent, is preparing for the Dining with Diabetes class, scheduled to begin January 22nd at the Lauderdale County Commission on Aging Center in Halls. During the four week class, diabetics and their care takers will learn about nutrition, diabetic health issues, the importance of exercise, and how to prepare meals for a fit diabetic. The classes will conclude with a tasting of the recipes prepared for each class. Pre- and Post-screenings will be conducted. Free diabetic cookbooks will be awarded at the end of the four week class. The program is sponsored by Le Bonheur and is at no cost to participants. Class size is limited. Register by calling Rachel, 635-9551 or the center, 836-5444.



**Church Happenings**

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

The Women of Purpose at Elam Baptist Church have rescheduled their annual women's conference to Saturday, March 20th. The organization apologizes for any inconvenience. For more information, call 612-2717.

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## READ ALL ABOUT IT

The weekly column provided by Pettus L. Read  
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### Uncle Sid Finds Ballgame Food Expensive

As I pulled into the long gravel driveway of Uncle Sid and Aunt Sadie's the other day, I was already looking forward to sitting down at their kitchen table for a time of down-home discussion. And, of course, the chance of getting some of Aunt Sadie's homemade tea cakes had also helped lure me to their white clapboard house out near the county line as well.

Winter was making its presence known on that cold January day as I hurriedly moved from my car to the wide back porch of their farm house. The north wind was kicking up the last of winter's leaves from the large maple trees that surrounded the farmstead and just seeing Aunt Sadie through the kitchen window standing at her white porcelain cook stove was enough to warm the coldest winter day.

Just as I had hoped for, she had baked her famous tea cakes that morning and the aroma of their goodness still filled the air in the couple's kitchen. They were still warm and soft. She placed two on a china plate and handed them to me along with a cup of hot coffee from the percolator that had poured many cups of coffee for the couple. While trying to control my drooling, I took a place at the round kitchen table across from Uncle Sid who also was working on a cookie and a cup of coffee.

From across the room Aunt Sadie looked our way and made a suggestion to Uncle Sid. "Sid, won't you tell him about your trip to Nashville with cousin Hubert to see that college basketball game," she said. "Sid really had a rude awakening when it came to buying food at one of those big coliseums." I could almost hear a chuckle in Aunt Sadie's voice and I knew that this conversation was going to be one of interest.

Uncle Sid quit dunking his tea cake and swallowed what he had in his mouth. He kicked back in his wooden kitchen chair and with wide eyes started telling me about his trip to see the Vols play basketball in the Nashville arena. Uncle Sid has always loved basketball and the trip to Nashville was the first time he had ever set foot in a large sporting arena.

"I still can't believe how big that place is," he began our discussion talking about the Nashville facility. "You sure could store a lot of hay in that place." Uncle Sid always compares building sizes to barn sizes and their capacity to hold farm products. He also compares the cost of merchandise purchases with what he gets for the sale of livestock at the local stock barn. It is all based in the perspective of how you look at things I guess and my uncle's perspective is seen in farm prices.

"How was the game?" I asked.

"It was good, but we sat up a good ways from the floor and it wasn't as hardy as enjoyable as it is over here in our high school gym," he answered while stirring his coffee. "I like to be close enough to hear the action as well as see it. Plus, I got tired of those fellows walking around selling their wares. Seems just as a play was about to be made, some guy would come by trying to sell a slice of pizza. And, that stuff cost half of a beef." See what I mean?

"Yeah. When we got there we bought our supper," he went on to explain. "We got two little old hamburgers with nothing on them. You had to go over to a place among all the people to put salad dressing on them. Hubert got a paper cup of fried taters and we each got two bottles of water. All of that cost us \$25.00! If I could sell my beef for what they get for a hamburger, each cow on this place would have to be kept at the bank because they would be worth a fortune."

I could tell Uncle Sid was not impressed with the food at his sporting event. By his comments, the cost especially got his attention.

"Later that night, I had a hankering for something sweet and I really like to eat those M&M peanuts at ball games," he said. "I found a

## TTC Graduation Ceremony



**STUDENTS** of the Tennessee Technology Center at Ripley celebrated graduation December 11th. In addition to the 117 graduates, 20 students attained a program certificate indicating mastery of skill. Approximately 80% of the graduates and certificate awardees secured employment in their field of study. An average of 5% of the graduates will continue their education to pursue an advanced degree. Some of the graduates include Jessica Amador, Sharon Cowan, and Beth Kail, Business Systems Technology - Alamo Campus; Sharon Brinkman, Shemeka Maclin, and Linda Quick, Business Systems Technology - Ripley; Clyde Moore, Computer Operations Technology; Avery Cobb, Kia Ewer, Tim French, James Jones, Joseph Smith, and Joseph Vowell, Industrial Electricity; Felicia Lewis, Patient Care Technician; Britney Bane, Misty Barbee, Deanna Burks, Robin Cashion, Amber Caspersen, Kelly Dicus, Jessica Elder, Paige Emerson, Ashley Ferguson, Erica Ferguson, Cassidy Howard, Shannon Ingram, Mandy Lovette, Queimeka Rogers, Stephanie Rogers, Tabitha Rogers, Kellie Smith, Casey Snow, Kiandrea Taylor, Lakesha Tipton, and Brittany Vaden, Practical Nursing; and Charles Harris and James D. Jones, Truck Driving - Alamo.

## Capping And Pinning Ceremony



**PARTICIPANTS** of the Four Rivers Regional Practical Nursing Program, in front, from left, Robin Cashion, Jessica Elder, Kiandrea Taylor, Kelly Dicus, Mandy Lovette, Britney Vaden, Deanna Burks, Cassie Howard, and Paige Emerson, and in rear, Lakeisha Tipton, Casey Snow, Kellie Smith, Stephanie Rogers, Tabitha Rogers, Amber Caspersen, Queimeka Rogers, Shannon Ingram, Misty Barbee, Erica Ferguson, Ashley Ferguson, Britney Bane, at the Tennessee Technology Center in Ripley held the capping and pinning ceremony December 4th at Whitefield Assembly of God Church. The students represent Lauderdale County and several surrounding counties including Tipton, Dyer, Haywood, and Crockett.

concession stand that had a pretty good size box of my favorite candy for \$4.00. That seemed sort of high, but the box looked pretty big and knowing where I was at, figured it just might be a pretty good deal. I bought it and took it back to my seat. Boy, was I surprised."

From the cook stove I heard Aunt Sadie giggle. That was my cue to ask, "What happened?"

He put his thumbs in each of his overall gulluses and said,

"There was only 45 of those little candies in that great big old box. That made each one of them cost around nine cents each," he exclaimed. "So, not to be out done, I got even."

"And how did you do that?" I asked.

While getting up to get another tea cake, he answered me saying, "I made them last the entire ball game. I timed each one by the

half and minutes of the game. By

sucking the chocolate off the peanut very slowly and wallowing the peanut around for a while, that box of candy lasted me to the last second shot. It pays to be a farmer these days if you are going to sale wholesale and buy retail. Only a farmer has enough patience to make a chocolate covered peanut last 40 seconds of game time per nut, plus timeouts and halftime."

Yeah. Only a farmer like Uncle Sid would even attempt it.

# POOR COPY

## Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here!!! Miss Pam took me to the Club and told me that she would be back later. She could have left me at home because it is so cold but she told me that I needed to spend some time with my Buds. I walked around the Club and saw all of my Buds then I went straight to the office. I knew that all of the two leggers would have it good and warm in there and my chair was empty because I saw Scooter out working. So I knew that it would be a good time for a warm nap.

While I was sleeping and all of the two leggers were talking. A girl two legger came into the office to talk to Mr. Buddy and Mr. Greg. She told them about being with a Rescue Group and that she would like to send some of our four leggers up north. I opened just one eye and listened to her. The girl two legger, Mr. Buddy and Mr. Greg talked a lot and then they went to look at my Buds. They stayed gone for a little while and then they came back into the office. When they came back into the office, they had Snowball, Georgia, Jack and Katie with them. I woke up so I could see what was going on. All of the four leggers were running around and playing in the office. I didn't get out of my chair because I knew that Snowball was really looking at my chair. He even walked over to me and I think that he wanted me to scoot over so he could get up in my chair with me. I just looked at him.

Now if Miss Pam would have been here, she would have made me share with Snowball, but she wasn't here. The two leggers kept on talking and the girl two legger got ready to go and she told all of my Buds to tell everybody bye and let's get in the truck. She went over to Mr. Buddy and Mr. Greg and shook their hands and then they all went out of the door to get in the truck. She looked at me and asked me if I wanted to go up north with them. I jumped up and ran over to Mr. Greg so that she would not take me. Mr. Greg patted my head and laughed and told me that she was only kidding. Kidding or not - I was scared. Where was Miss Pam when I needed her the most?

After the girl two legger left with four of my Buds, I was kinda sad but happy at the same time. When Mr. Buddy and Mr. Greg came back in the office they both patted me and laughed at me. I was ready for Miss Pam to come back and get me. I was ready to go home.

When Miss Pam got back, all of the two leggers talked about Rescue and up north. Mr. Greg told Miss Pam about the girl two legger asking me if I wanted to go up north. Miss Pam kissed and loved me and told me that I never had to worry about going to another house. I sure was glad.

Mr. Buddy told us that we have some really good four leggers out here that are in need of homes. Dakota, a male husky mix; Jersey, the female yellow shepherd; King, the male black and tan German shepherd; and puppy four leggers. We have some schnauzer mix puppy four leggers and some wire terrier puppy four leggers. So we really need some of you two leggers to come out to the Club and get yourself a four legger.

Send your two legger out to the Club with my Buds some food. We always need food because my Buds are always hungry.

### ACADEMIC HONORS

Lauderdale County students, who have earned academic honors at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, for the fall term include Jennifer Buntin and Zachary Kelley, both of Halls, Marley Sigman, of Ripley, and Hope Westall, of Henning.

Students whose term average is 3.8 through 4.0 earn *summa cum laude*; 3.65 through 3.79, *magna cum laude*; and 3.5 through 3.64, *cum laude*.

Buntin is a business administration major and received *summa cum laude* honors; Kelley, arts and sciences, *summa cum laude*; Sigman, arts and sciences, *magna cum laude*; and Westall, communication and information, *magna cum laude*.

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 then we will 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 legger spayed or neutered so that we do not have so many puppy and kitten four leggers out here. 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.

Cold weather is here so make sure that your outside four leggers have shelter, fresh water and food so that they will be okay in this weather. When it is real cold outside, bring them in to spend the night with you.

Thank you Miss Jenny Vaughan for your donation this week to my Buds. We sure do thank you.....

Be as good as your four legger thinks you are. I sure am glad that I am not going up north. I just want to stay here with my Buds and Miss Pam.

Zeek out!!!

### UTM DEAN'S LIST

Students named to the dean's list at the University of Tennessee at Martin for the fall semester include, from Halls, Lisa R. Cherry, Landon N. Evans, Timothy A. Myrick, and Anna V. Spence, highest honors; Michelle L. Adams, Mary J. Belton, Steven A. Dannelley, Judy K. Davis, Tina M. Farris, Devlyn D. Green, and Quila A. Smith, high honors; and Alfonso Abernathy, Ravan Adams-Arnold, Kayla L. Heath, and Jessica N. Laws, honors; from Gates, Rachael L. Anderson, Constance M. Bonds, Britney S. Eison, Sarah K. Sorrell, and Kayla L. White, highest honors; Brittany L. Crawley, high honors; and Megan E. Robison and Tania M. Steel, honors; from Henning, Anisha N. Baldon and Jodie L. Garrett, highest honors; Angela E. England, Ruth C. Harris, David A. Paschall, and David C. Wehrer, high honors; and Kasie E. Barnett and Kimberly S. Wakefield, honors; and from Ripley, JaVonne M. Bennett, Brandon N. Bringle, Anthony B. Buchignani, Virginia A. Cherry, William D. Crawford, Heather M. Day, Cameryn L. Gaines, Melissa H. Goforth, Tamara L. Hughes, Walter E. Hunt, Hayley B. Jankovsky, Tiffany P. Madsen, Sara A. McBroom, Anna L. Mills, Elizabeth K. Patterson, Jeremy A. Rhoads, Do-reen K. Voorhees, and Danita L. White, highest honors; Kimberly A. Adams, Sandra G. Benjamin, Candace D. Brudnicki, Roger B. Burns, Zachary L. Caldwell, Summer N. Edwards, Amber M. Helton, Judy W. King, Constance Y. Mason, Joshua B. McBroom, Anita J. Medford, Tonya A. Paris, Lisa D. Patton, Frank Robles, Elvy Rorie, Jonathan Russell, Rachel L. Savage, Peggy A. Smith, Terri R. Sonderman, Lucinda R. Taylor-Cox, Jenny L. Vaughan, and Sarah V. White, high honors; and Annie M. Barnes, Devin L. Blankenship, Charles L. Brown, Michael L. Champagne, Taylor I. Hannah, Karly M. Hines, Kelli R. Hytinen, Candace C. Land, Catelyn D. Meadows, Lyle S. Morris, James R. Simpson, Emily A. Sorrell, Brenda F. Sullivan, and Denise L. Voorhees, honors.

Students named to the honor roll include Thomas Eakin, Caleb Hamrc, Ashley Hutcherson, Danielle Smith, and Melanie Sykes, of Halls; Morgan Latham and Charles Newman, of Gates; Jasmine Bonds, Christy Simpson, and Sharon Tippitt, of Henning; and Jessica Borowski, Patrick Crowder, Carrie Goforth, Brett Heinemeyer, Paul Pilcher, and Lena Williams, of Ripley.

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recognition, a student must take at least 12 hours of credit and achieve a 3.2 grade point average based on a 4.0 scale. Students can make the dean's list with honors (3.2 through 3.49), high honors (3.5 through 3.79) or highest honors (3.8 through 4.0).

To be eligible for dean's list

### GARDENING

"This 'n That" gardening is scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, January 21st, at the Lauderdale Commission on Aging, 605 Airport St. in Halls. Bird feeder wreaths will be made to help feed birds during the cold winter months.

For more information, call 731-836-5444.

### DSCC HONORS STUDENTS

Dyersburg State Community College recognizes students for their scholastic achievements each semester. To be included on the dean's list, a student must complete at least 12 semester hours of college level courses during the semester and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for the semester. Students named to the dean's list include Elisha Uselton, Rebecca Cherry, Gary King, and Ashton Nolen, of Halls; Holly Sissum, of Gates; Sheila Harris, of Henning; and Barbara Brown, Amanda Conrad, Patti Heinemeyer, Bradley Johnson, Tracie Langley, Stephanie Shoemake, and Shana Whitley, all of Ripley.

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# HHS Boys Lead Bradford, 68-46

Halls High School's boys' basketball team led Bradford, Saturday, 68-46.

HHS 18 14 14 22 - 68  
Brd 6 13 8 19 - 46

Halls' first period lead survived a tight second quarter for a coast to the victory.

Qaylon Smith led Halls scoring with 26 points.

Hollis Belton added 13, Emmit Henning 10, T. J. Reed 6, Frank Bales 5, Cory Walker 4, and Shamari Cooper and Preston Roberts, 2 each.

# HHS Girls Led Twice

Halls High School's girls' basketball team lost two games last week.

A game scheduled Thursday at South Gibson was cancelled.

Tuesday, Memphis Home Education Assn. won, 52-34.

Saturday, Bradford won, 50-31.

Bdf 8 16 19 7 - 50  
Hls 8 9 2 12 - 31

After a tied first period, the third was a disaster for HHS.

Lateia Humphrey led Halls scoring with 15 points.

Keyawna Parker and Nakeysha Wilson added 5 each, Jessie Ellison 3, Cassidy Hardee 2, and Laura Bell 1.

## TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION PROGRAM

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### Tips for Better Brown Bag Lunches

A whole lot of people eat brown bag lunches . . . and if

you don't brown bag it yourself, but you may make lunches for your kids, spouse or just on an occasional basis. List below are some tips to make brown bag lunches more exciting, safer and more convenient.

• Zip Those Chips: Instead of costly pre-made single serving packs, use sealable plastic bags and even mix up your favorites. Some of them, like those tasty bean chips, vegetable chips and garlic bagel chips, don't come in single server packs.

• Stop the Sog: If you are using moist vegetables or condiments, bag them separately then add them to a sandwich at lunch. No more yucky bread.

• Fast food packets: Next time you eat fast-food (and we know you do), pick up extra packets of ketchup, mustard, salt, pepper, salsa, etc. They are handy for adding flavor to your meal. Condiments can make a sandwich soggy, so adding them fresh from the packet will make your meal tastier.

• Baby-wipes: Those pre-moistened wipes can clean messy hands gently. Keep a box at work or in your kid's desk or locker. Also good for wiping up your desk.

• Don't Forget Your Lunch: Drop your car keys in the bag. You'll never get to work without them.

• Wash your lunch box: Bacteria can grow anywhere, so be sure to clean your box or bag out regularly. Safety first.

• Ice packs: a number of reusable ice packs exist, but you can also freeze those little individual juice containers and let them thaw until lunch time.

## Community Reminder

Early voting will begin April 14th through 29th for the May 4th Democratic Primary. Voters must be registered by April 5th to cast a ballot.

Early voting will begin July 16th through 31st for the August 5th election of county commissioners, school board members, District 1, 3, 5, and 7, constable District 1 governor, U. S. and Tennessee House of Representatives, and state executive committee man and woman. The last day to register to vote is July 7th.

• Cookie cutter sandwiches: Make these with your kids. Slice the crusts off the bread and use cookie cutters in fun shapes. Pack a few extra to share with friends.

• Mail Bags: This is fun for kids: include some mail for them. A note from you, a newspaper clipping, even a piece of junk mail you don't plan on opening (kids love to open things!) How about printing out something fun from the Web and including it?

• Stickers: If you use brown paper bags, decorate them with stickers, especially at holidays. This is not just for kids, because adults love to show off that something special sent from home, too. And there's such a variety of theme-oriented and playful stickers these days.

• Joke-a-Day: Do you have one of those joke a day calendars? Keep the old ones and throw 'em in your family lunch bags. The day may be gone but the joke's still good.

• Silly Pasta Salads: Pasta now comes in all sorts of fun shapes: basketballs, grape clusters, Christmas trees... Make pasta salads using these silly shapes, and the kids will especially love them.

• REMEMBER . . . Always keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold!!

## Locks Of Love Donation



JILL PEARCE, left, donated 10 inches of her hair, which was cut during the Thanksgiving weekend for Locks of Love, in honor of her mother, Jean Jackson, right, who has finished her cancer treatments. Jill's hair will be used in wigs for children undergoing cancer treatments.

## Graduate Scholarships Available From National Association Of Junior Auxiliaries

Applications for the Greenville, Mississippi-based National Association of Junior Auxiliaries, Inc., are being accepted for its Graduate Scholarship program. Applicants must be a permanent United States citizen, residing in Tennessee, Mississippi, Arkansas, Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Missouri or Texas and pursuing graduate-level studies for one year in fields including, but limited to, counseling, psychology, mental development, special education, speech pathology, exceptional children, remedial skills development, hearing impaired and gifted and talented for children and youth. Scholarships are not awarded for graduate work in administration or in general education. Scholarship grants are awarded annually to persons who work or plan to work directly with children.

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## Neighborhood Watch



RESIDENTS, Bobbie Jean Emerson and Jack Lynn Walden, Jr., are holding two of the 50 Neighborhood Watch signs that were installed Saturday in the Forked Deer, Toulon, and Woodville communities. The newly formed organization has approximately 50 volunteers giving their time to keep watch over their neighbor's property. To start a Neighborhood Watch in your area, contact the local sheriff's department.

## HHS FAFSA Night



STAFF MEMBERS at Halls High School will host a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) night from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the school library as part of County Mayor Rod Schuh's STEP program. The program is an initiative to help students take the next step in education and in life. It is an opportunity for mentors to assist students and parents in filling out the FAFSA application, which is a requirement for post secondary education. Seniors, Cody Wilson, Tori Pease, and Ikia Bennett, seated with her mother, are pictured with mentors, Amanda Lane, Misty Reynolds, and Mike Blackwood.

## Petitions Returned

The Lauderdale County Election Commission has released the petitions for the May 4th and August 5th elections.

Candidates who have picked up petitions for the May 4th primary include Trent McManus (I) and Rod Schuh (I) for County Mayor; Charletta Campbell (D), Trustee; Steve Sanders (I) and Brian Kelly (I), Sheriff; Linda Summar (I), County Clerk; Richard Jennings (D), Circuit Court Clerk; and Jimmy Johnston (I), Gary L. Wilson (I), and J. B. Haynes (I), Register of Deeds. Campbell, Kelly, Summar, Jennings, and Johnston have returned petitions.

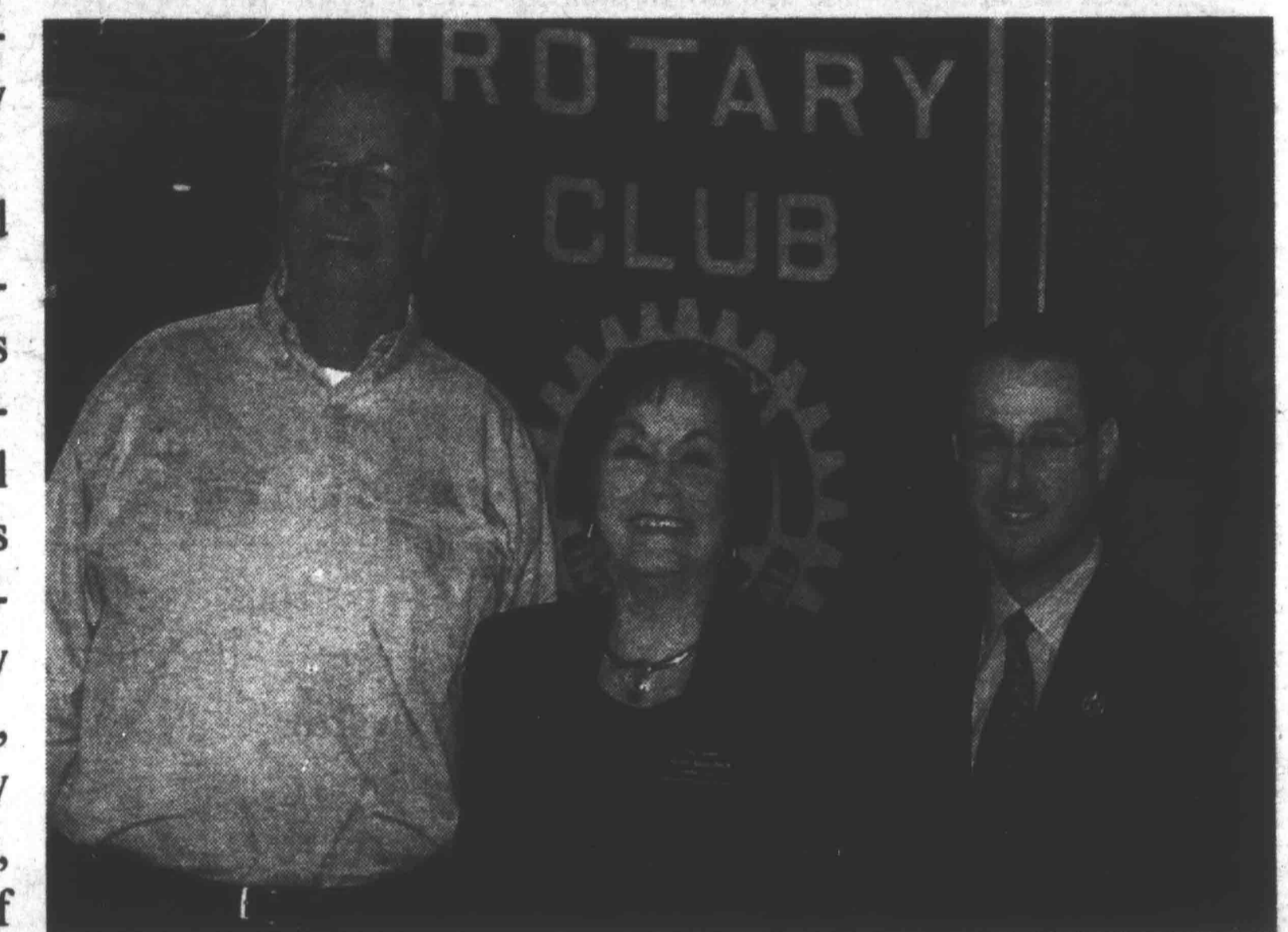
Candidates have until February 25th to withdraw their petition. Early voting will begin April 14th through 29th. Voters must be registered by April 5th to cast a ballot.

Candidates, who have picked up petitions for county commissioner, include Gene Edwards, District 1; Lynnwood Shoemake, Coy Summar, and Andy Vaughan, Sr., District 2; Tommy Dunavant, Walker Ferrell, Dennis King and Carol Walker, for District 3; Tommy Ray Sanders, District 4; Jesse Edwards, Rob Reviere, Dwight Shoemake, and Terry Uselton, Sr., District 6; Clark Buckner, David Caldwell and Raymond Edwards, District 7; and Don Fisher and Eugene Pugh, District 8. Shoemake, King, and Reviere have returned their petitions.

School board candidates include Eva Drain, District 1; Sheila Ferrell, District 3; and Melinda Hutcherson, District 7. Walker Ferrell has picked up a petition for Republican State Executive committeeman.

Candidates have until noon, April 1st to qualify; noon, April 1st to qualify; noon, April 1st to qualify. Continued on page 8.

## Rotary Guest Speaker



PAT HIGDON, center, was the guest speaker at the noon meeting January 12th of the Ripley Rotary Club at Rolling Hills Country Club. She was the guest of Danny Beard, left. She spoke about the upcoming projects at the World War II Dyersburg Army Air Base. A matching grant has been given to the Town of Halls to draw up a master plan for the resurrection of the Air Base as a major tourist attraction in Lauderdale County. Current plans for the project call for Phase 1 to be completed in five years with the main thrust of this phase being the renewal of the Air Show. Pat estimated the Air Show attendance to be between 15,000 and 30,000 depending on the weather. Phase 1 also would include restoration/revival of representative buildings on the base. Phase 2 is set to be completed in the next 15 years and include a nature trail, walking track and full restaurant. Phase 3 is expected to be completed in the future and would include a hotel and IMAX amphitheater. Private funds and donations will be needed to fund the project as the grant will only fund the initial Master Plan. Higdon stressed the fact that a major tourist attraction will bring jobs, private enterprises, customers for area restaurants and retail stores and add to the tax base. Mike Dunavant, right, Rotary president, is pictured with them.

## FAFSA Session For UT At Martin Ripley Center

The University of Tennessee at Martin Ripley Center has scheduled a session Wednesday, January 27th from 6 until 8 p.m. to receive help filling out the free application for federal student aid (FAFSA). Those who plan to attend need to have completed 2009 tax returns for both the student and parents, W-2 forms from 2009 for both the student and parents, and if available, their personal identification number (PIN) for electronic signature. To apply for a PIN, visit [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov). For more information, call 731-881-7040.



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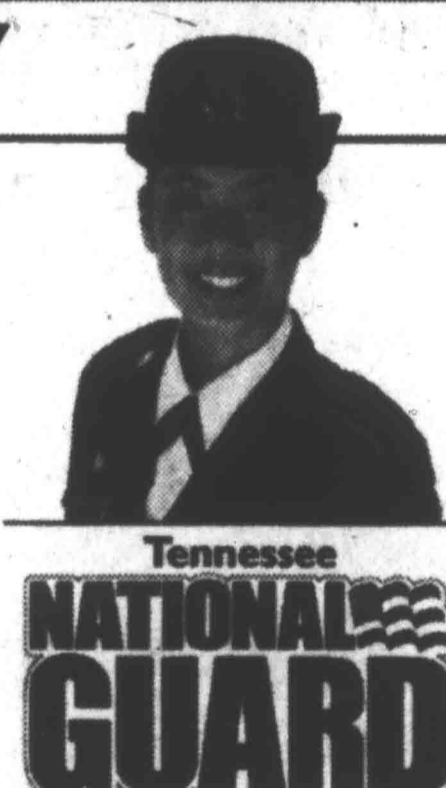
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Students named to the principal list at Halls Elementary School for the second nine-week period include 3rd grade, Nick Akin, Noah Bailey, Molly Clark, Grant Crihfield, Jacob Hartsfield, Jacob Hearn, Abby Henderson, Rachel Hill, Alex Hurt, Morgan Kestler, Hayden Kimble, Hannah King, Kylee Layne, Dylan Murray, Hunter Pounds,

Ashlie Pruitt, Will Rasp, Maggie Sanders, Julian Sanks, Seth Sumrow, Emily Tillman, Brooklyn Ward, and Abigail Webb; 4th grade include, Erin Adkerson, Bethanie Buckner, Landon Carmack, Morgan Cates, Myles Clark, Mackenzie Dew, Maranda Frazier, Andrew Harris, Logan Hurt, Tabor Hurt, Alex Hutcherson, Madison Johnson, Savannah Pham, J.R. Prater, Tanner Ream, Evan Taylor Rodgers, Molly Shands, Jamiah Somerville, and Brian Terry; 5th grade include, Jonathan Barham, Cade Booker, Hunter Burks, Ben Click, Mary Cox, Hailey Dale, Ryan DePriest, Lucy DeSpain, Keayshia Harrell, James Ryan Hilliard, Alee Jones, Kaylee Moore, and Macayla Shapiro; and 6th grade, include, Mariah Carmack, Ally Cherry, Lauren Crews, Addison Meeks, Evan Reaves, Cameron Ward, Chase Ward, Allison Webb, and Erin Young.

Honor roll students include 3rd grade, Kianna Arnold, Anton Bennett, Sam Cannon, Bailey Crook, Wes Crowder, Gracie Dupree, Chris Fisher, Curtis Fisher, Justin Gammons, Paige Gitchell, Nate Greer,

Jarvis Haley, Thad Harrell, Zoe James, Scott Littles, Brooklyn Mayfield, Cyrus McGammon, Peyton Moeller, Jace Moore, Justin Moore, Aleigha Mudd, Chandler Nichols, Nathan Olds, Carlos Padron, Leamon Pennington, Jeremy Pignato, Jarrett Somerville, Cameron Spires, Jaylan Tate, Chance Terry, Preston Terry, and Regan Whiteside; 4th grade, include, Kelsey Bane, Cameron Barlow, Tyler Barnes, Cassidy Beal, Noah Bing, Cameron Brown, Zaylee Brown, Tobie Caviness, Grant Chipman, Sydney Clem, Houston Dew, Raynee Doop, Thomas Fitzpatrick, Fletcher Gillion, Laurn Harp, Britney Harris, Will Hartman, Ryan Hilliard, Destinee Humphrey, Cassidy Hurt, Lindsey Jones, Ryan Jones, Justin King, Cody Kissell, Sarah Kissell, Hailee Lawson, Shania Matthews, Jordan Medford, Enrique Mendiola, Jackson Millner, Madison Mires, Cade Moore, Garrett Morris, Magen Nelson, Atlanta Royster, Kytana Sapien, Caleb Sellers, Alyssa Taylor, Alexis Terry, Tristan Terry, Hunter Tippett, Brooke Wallace, Breanna Walters, Quintaya Wilder, and Connor Wright; 5th grade, include, Kolton Agee, Brie Bluew, Kayla Brogdon, Victoria Cain, Gracie Carter, Skyler Caviness, Blake Colvin, Hope Comeaux, Anyzha Dennis, Alexis Dixon, Jordan Eno, Rhett Gibson, Te'Asha Glenn, Ashley Haley, Matthew Henderson, Camryn Hudson, Greyson Jones, James Jones, Julia Kent, Trevon Lewis, Alexis McCord, Robby Parsonson, Lakesha Patrick, Olivia Patrick, Alee Pilcher, Noah Reaves, Mathew Richmond, Courtney Spires, Maurie Tate, Alena Thayer, Britnie Tustin, Ben Vawter, Cody Walters, Payton Walton, Drew White, and Olivia Woodall; and 6th grade include, Claiborne Baynes, Brianna Burse, Brianna Castleman, Chelsea Cox, Keely Fowler, Kayla Glynn, Keana Gooch, Shakyra Gooch, Cheyenne Goodman, Matt Greer, Adrian Haley, Nikel Harris, Ja-keen Kincaid, Lauren Kissell, Millner, Madison Mires, Cade Moore, Garrett Morris, Magen Nelson, Atlanta Royster, Kytana Sapien, Caleb Sellers, Alyssa Taylor, Alexis Terry, Tristan Terry, Hunter Tippett, Brooke Wallace, Breanna Walters, Quintaya and J.T. Wright.

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**Obituaries**

**J. W. Lovelace**

James Walter Lovelace, 81, of Ripley, died Thursday of last week, at home.

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

He was the son of the late Kelly and Gladys Lovelace.

Survivors include his wife, Eunice Sellers Lovelace; a son, Jimmy, of Bartlett; a daughter, Pam George, of Germantown; a brother, Louis, of Fillmore, Calif.; sisters, Barbara Wood and Inez Blakley, of Glimp, Lois Sansone, of Memphis, and Videll Miller, of Tulsa, Okla.; and five grandchildren.

**Genenda Clark**

Genenda Lee Clark, 61, of Medina, mother of Carol (Mrs. Scott) Meeks, of 5988 Hwy. 88 west of Halls, died Tuesday of last week, in her home.

Rites were Wednesday of last week in Dyer County Memorial Gardens.

She was the daughter of the late Nelson and Madelina Clark.

A retired beautician, she had been a market researcher for LHK Partners.

She was a member of The Lighthouse in Jackson.

Survivors include a son, Dale Dykes, and brothers, Ivy and Sam Clark, of Dyersburg; a sister, Frances Young, of Newbern; and five grandchildren.

**Louise Ladd**

Louise Ladd, 91, of Yorkville, great-grandmother of Chisholm Vaughan, of Halls, died Saturday in the Gibson County Hospital in Trenton.

Rites were held Monday in the Johnson-Williams Funeral Home in Newbern, with burial in Fairview Cemetery in Newbern.

She was the daughter of the late Will and Lillian Nunnery

**Mrs. Swearingen**

Virginia Swearingen, 89, of 5136 N. Charlotte Circle, Memphis, born at Ripley, Nov. 25, 1921, to the late Isaac Milton and Helen Burgess Steele, died Wednesday of last week, after lengthy illness.

Rites were Saturday in Memorial Park Cemetery in Memphis.

At the University of Tennessee, "Jackie" met James David Swearingen. Soon after they were married, March 14, 1943, in Jacksonville, Fla., he went to Rackheath, England, as a bomber pilot.

Before his return, Jackie earned a bachelor of science degree and taught school in Ripley for a year.

After his return, they resided in Knoxville while Dave earned a degree.

She was a member of Mul-lins United Methodist Church.

She had five children, five grandchildren, and a great-grandchild.

**Grady Battles**

Grady James Battles, Jr., 38, of Dyersburg, brother of Kevin B. Flagg, of 132 Skyline Drive, Ripley, died Jan. 9th in Center-ville.

Rites were Saturday in Fountain of Life Ministries in Halls, with burial in Memorial Park Cemetery in Dyersburg.

Survivors include his father, of Memphis, and his mother and step-father, Emma Lee Clay Mullin and Bobby Mullin, a daughter, Kaila Cymone Battles, another brother, Grady James Battles II, and sisters, Brandi Dismuke and Misti Lynn Clay, all of Dyersburg.

Heathcott.

She had been employed by Colonial Rubber in Dyersburg.

Survivors include three sons; two daughters; 13 grandchildren, including Carrie Vaughan, of Dyersburg; and seven other great-grandchildren.

**Martha Tickle**

Martha Frances Tickle, 97, of Dyersburg, mother of Jen-nie (Mrs. Bill) Tucker, of Ripley, died Monday after-noon in Dyersburg Regional Medical Center.

Rites were set at 1 p.m. Thursday in Fairview Cem-eterly in Dyersburg.

She was born Nov. 26, 1912, to the late William Hall "Hal" Craig and the late Martha Ann Smith Craig.

She retired from Dyersburg Fabrics in 1979.

She was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Dyersburg, to which memorial gifts would be appropriate.

Survivors include oth-er daughters, Frances Corinne (Mrs. Bob) Leg-gett, of Knoxville, and Martha Lynn (Mrs. Joe) Templeton, of Perdido Key, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

**Avis McWilliams**

Avis McWilliams, 93, formerly of 484 Best, Ripley, died Saturday in Ripley Healthcare.

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

She was born at Bolivar, Oct. 15, 1916.

She leaves nephews and nieces.

**Alonzo Pickett**

Alonzo Pickett, 61, died Wednesday of last week in Covington Manor.

Rites are set at 11 a.m. Sa-turday in New Beginnings Baptist Church in Ripley, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery at Henning, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include his moth-er, Mary Scott, a brother, Walter C. Pickett, and a sis-ter, Mary Pickett, of Ripley; daughters, Kimberly and Ma-ry Dennis, of Halls; two sons; seven other daughters; two other brothers; two other sis-ters; and three grandchildren.

**Mr. Treadway**

Robert Earnest Treadway, 52, of Milan, formerly of the Ripley area, died Wednesday of last week in Gibson County Hos-pital in Trenton.

Rites were Monday in St. Mark Baptist Church in Hen-ning, with burial in Bethlehem Cemetery at Henning, Currie's Funeral Home, of Henning, in charge.

Survivors include his mother, Laura Wells, formerly of Hen-ning, and a son, Robert, Jr., of Milan, and brothers, Anthony and Vincent Howard, of Cov-ington, Billy Williams, of Mil-lington, Robert D. Howard, Jr., of Detroit, Mich., Willie Wells,

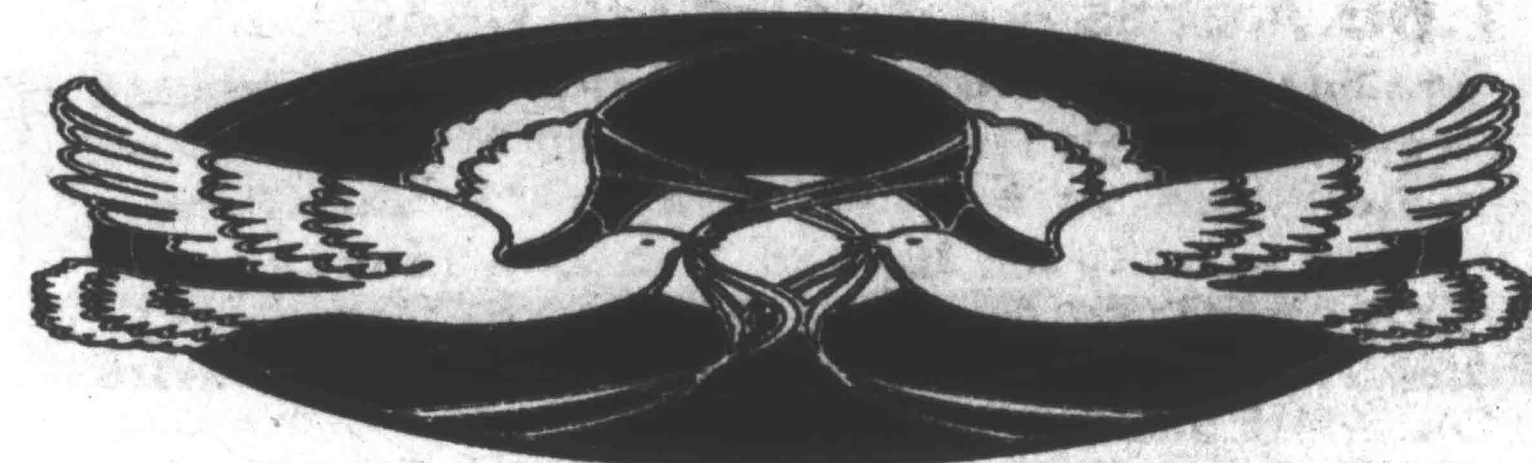
**Mrs. Conrad**

Mary Ann Conrad, 58, of Ripley, died Tuesday of last week in Baptist Hospital Tipton in Covington.

Rites were Saturday in the cemetery of Asbury United Methodist Church.

Survivors include sons, Al-fred Conrad, Jr., of Ripley, and Brad Kirby, of Anderson, Ind.; brothers, James and Rocky Gil-liam, of Ripley; sisters, Alice Gilliam, of Ripley, and Clara Gray, of Covington; five grand-children; and a great-grand-child.

of Kingwood, Tex., and Cecil Wells, Jr., of Kirkland, Wash.



**Church Happenings**

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

The Frog Jump Quartet will present a free concert at 11 a.m. Sunday, January 24th in Victory Baptist Church, 275 Faye Barfield Rd., near Henning. The group will lead the wor-ship service and bring the morning message. A love offering will be taken. The public is invited.

New Hope United Methodist Church, on Edith Nankipoo Rd., near Central, will hold a spaghetti supper beginning at 4 p.m. January 23rd. A gospel singing, featuring Derrick Mc-Daniel, will begin at 6 p.m. The public is invited.

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

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**HJH Teachers' Inservice Training**



**TEACHERS** at Halls Junior High School returned to work, after Christmas break, on inservice day with training by principal, Ned Lewis, on ways to approach literacy issues in the class-room. Mr. Lewis attended training on the topic in early December and brought back infor-mation, statistics, and helpful tips to promote literacy advancement in all content areas.

**Juvenile Hunters**



**ZACH PARKER**, 8, son of Wendy and Junior McCloud, of Halls, and Andy Parker, killed his first deer, a doe, January 16th during the juvenile hunt, while hunting with his step-father, Mr. McCloud, on a farm in Lexington.

**What's for Lunch?**

**School Lunches**  
Lauderdale County Schools

Monday, January 25th  
Hamburger  
Pizza

- French Fries
- Garden Salad w/Dressing
- Apricots
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, January 26th
- Chicken Fajitas w/Trimmings
- Tacos w/Trimmings
- Corn Nibbles
- Grapes
- Pineapple Tidbits
- Choice Of Milk

**Selected**



**TREVOR BELTON**, son of Stephen and Virgie Belton, of Halls, was selected as first chair in the Gold band at the All-West Junior High Band competition, held at the Uni-versity School of Jackson, Saturday, January 9th for his performance on the trump-et. Trevor is a member of the Halls Junior High School Band.

- Wednesday, January 27th
- Roasted Turkey w/Gravy
- Whipped Potatoes
- Green Beans
- Banana
- Applesauce
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk

**HHS Boys Lose Two 14-A Tilts**

Halls High School's boys' basketball team won last week from South Gibson, 57-25, but dropped two Dist. 14-A games, to Union City and Lake County.

**Tuesday**, hosting Union City, Halls boys led 33-30 at the half, then slumped: UC 30 25 16 - 71 Hls 33 9 7 - 49

UC took the third period with only one turn-over. An 8-0 Union City run opened the final period.

**Thursday**, Halls boys led South Gibson, 57-25: HHS 13 25 17 2 - 57 SGb 7 9 4 5 - 25

Qaylon Smith led Halls scor-ing with 18 points. Hollis Bel-ton added 14, Kenny Bishop 9, Emmit Henning 7, Will Powell 5, and Frank Bales and Cory Walker, 2 each.

**Friday**, Halls boys lost to Lake County, 70-52.

The Tigers are 6-8 for the season, having scored 836 points to foes' 910.

- Thursday, January 28th
- School's Choice
- Friday, January 29th
- Grilled Chicken Sandwich
- BBQ On Bun
- Fresh Broccoli w/Dip
- Homemade Baked Beans
- Peaches
- Pear Halves
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

**School Lunches**

- Ripley Primary School
- Halls Elementary School
- Pre-K to 3rd
- Monday, January 25th
- Hamburger
- French Fries
- Apricots
- Cookie

**HHS Girls: 3 Tilts Lost**

Halls High School's girls' basketball team lost three games last week:

**Tuesday**, Union City, visiting Halls, led 31-7 in the first period and 53-14 at the half, to win, 77-22.

**Thursday**, South Gib-son led Halls, 44-29:

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Lateia Humphrey led Halls scoring with 13 points.

Cassidy Hardee added 5, Keyawna Parker 4, and Lau-ra Bell, Destiny Harrell, and Becki Lents, 2 each (one point not attributed).

Hardee and Humphrey post-ed 3-pointers.

**Friday**, Halls girls lost, at home, to Lake County, 65-27.

- Choice Of Milk
- Tuesday, January 26th
- Chicken Fajitas w/Trimmings
- Corn Nibbles
- Grapes
- Choice Of Milk
- Wednesday, January 27th
- Roasted Turkey w/Gravy
- Whipped Potatoes
- Banana
- Roll
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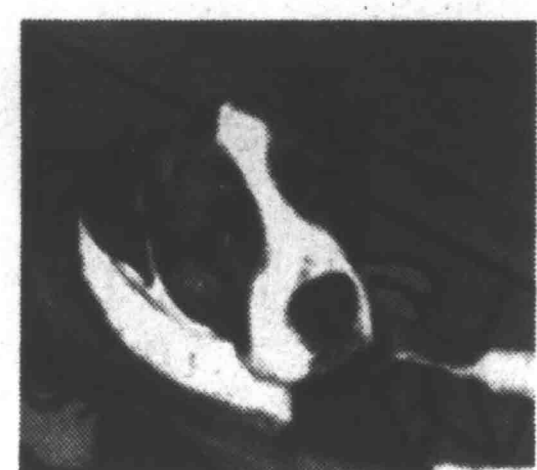


## Toothpick Catapults



**STUDENTS** in the seventh grade classrooms of Mrs. Mandi Bushart and Mattie Morris at Halls Junior High School researched catapults, bridges, and egg drops last week. Afterwards, based on their findings, made replicas out of toothpicks.

## Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here!!! Since the weather has been warmer, Miss Pam said that we had to spend more time out here at the Club. I have really had a fun week out here with my Buds, but there is one thing that bothers me and her name is Blaze. Blaze was brought out here to the Club by a two legger that had to move to another two legger house and Blaze could not go with her. Mr. Buddy kinda got a real liking to Blaze. She got to spend a lot of time in the office. Then Mr. Buddy took her to see the Doc and she got all of her shots and she had to have surgery. Miss Pam says that surgery is when a four legger is spayed or neutered. I know all about that. So she stayed with the Doc for a few days and then she came back to the Club. Every day she has been going home with Mr. Buddy and then she comes back to the Club with Mr. Buddy every day. So I guess that she now lives with Mr. Buddy.

Blaze is a pretty girl four legger and I like her - but this is the problem. She needs to know that I am Top Dog out here at the Club and the chair in the office is mine. Every time I go into the office, she is in my chair. All of the two leggers out here have laughed at me when I have to lay on the rug on the floor. Scooter has even got him another chair to sit in out here. So I thought a lot about it and I decided that I would wait till Blaze had to go out and do her business then I would get in my chair. I decided that I would pretend to be asleep when she came back in.

So Blaze got out of my chair and went to the door. She is one smart girl four legger, because she can open the door by herself. So out she went. I jumped up in my chair and waited. In a few minutes, Blaze came back to the door and one of the two leggers let her back in. She walked over to my chair and I pretended to be asleep. I even snored a time or two. She stood there for a few minutes and then she went to lay on the rug on the floor. I opened one eye just to look over at her and I felt sorry for her. About that

## Youth Visit Family Fun Center



**YOUTH**, including Ashley and Jeremy Prescott, Charles Mooney, Katie and Caleb Arnold, Toni Jo and James Paul Pittman, Taylor and Trevor Nelson, Chaisson Ferguson, J.T. Land, Jay Green, Chelsea Hill, Jessica Shoemake, Bailey Stewart, plus several others not pictured, at Ripley First Assembly of God Church traveled to the Family Fun Center in Jackson Friday night. Their entertainment included bowling, skating, laser tag, the roller coaster simulator, mini-golf and the video arcade.

time Miss Pam came into the office. I really thought that she would make me get up and let Blaze get back up in my chair. All of the two leggers were laughing and they all said that they now knew that I was Top Dog because I had got my chair back. I felt kinda bad for Blaze since she had been to see the Doc and had to have surgery so being the good four legger that I am - I got out of the chair and went out to do some business. While I was out, Blaze got back in my chair.

I decided to go see some of my Buds while I was outside. We really have some good looking four leggers out here. Shelly and Boots are border collies and need a farmer to take them home. King is a black and tan German shepherd. Sheba is a white German shepherd. They both need homes with a big yard. I went on into the puppy four legger room and I saw the two full blooded pointer puppies. They need a bird hunter to take them home. Azhia is a husky that has some puppy four leggers that needs a good home in a few weeks. Molly is a shepherd mix that has been to see the Doc to be spayed and she needs a good home.

Mr. Buddy said that the

Rescue two legger came back to the Club and took some puppy four leggers and Big Benji. I thought that Mr. Greg was going to have water in his eyes because he was so happy for Big Benji. Scotty Hutcherson took home Oreo. Stacy Clark took home a white puppy four legger and Kathy Hill took home a brown and white collie mix puppy. Damon Goodman came out to the Club and wanted Fred to go home with him and Arrack Hutcherson took home one of the beagles. Patrick Clark took home a cat and Sherry Henderson took home some kitten four leggers with her to live in a barn. Mr. James Hall brought my Buds some food out here to the Club and so did Lisa Godsey. Thank ya'll.

Miss Pam says that a healthy four legger is a happy four legger and a happy four legger makes a two legger happy.

Come on out to the Club and bring my Buds some food. 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 and then we will pick it up. Come and see us at the Club at 3265

## Divorces

John Thomas Watson, Jr. vs. Tonya Ann Watson.

Shannon Stimpson Stewart vs. Joshua Keith Stewart.

Timothy Charles Vincent vs. Leslie Marie Childress Vincent.

Richard Alex Pipkin vs. Susan Carol Pipkin.

Tiffany Carol Cannon vs. James Bradley Cannon.

Dannie Earl Robinson vs. Anna Louise Dowell Robinson.

Gannon Sanford Chipman vs. Wendy Lee Lovelady Chipman.

Dawn Bryan Hyde vs. Jonathan Ray Hyde.

Larry Winbush vs. Cheryl Turner Winbush.

Vickie Lee Bell Prater vs. Gregory Lynn Prater.

Curve Nankipoo Road, or 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. When I got out of my chair, I really didn't have to do any business - I just wanted to let Blaze back in the chair without any of the two leggers knowing about it. I told you she is a good looking girl four legger.

Zeek out !!!!

## Four Rivers Nursing Program



**STUDENTS** of the Four Rivers Regional Practical Nursing Program at the Tennessee Technology Center at Ripley, in front, from left, Jessica Foster, Lottie Cook, Savannah Crowder, Laura Essary, Kristina Ortiz, Misty Smith, and Shana Cannon, and in rear, Jarvis Wilson, Deenine Boyd, Carrie Goforth, Luverry Young, Veronica Layne, April Thompson, Chelsea Maxwell, Victoria Green, Ashley Johnson, Sarah Cochran, Chase Montgomery, Nadia Philipp, Sarah Buckner, Douglas Matthews, Krystle Holmes, Haley Lyles, Samantha Morris, and Priscilla Waits, began its 2010 class January 4th. The 25 men and women are from Lauderdale, Haywood, Dyer, Tipton, Crockett, Lake, Madison, and Shelby counties and were chosen out of 97 applicants by the programs advisory committee. Beth Street, RN, is the instructor.

## Four Rivers Faculty Meeting



**MEMBERS** of the faculty of the Four Rivers Regional Practical Nursing Program held its December meeting December 19th at Charlene's Tearoom in Halls. Attending were, in front, from left, Beth Street, Ripley campus; Belinda Douglas, Four Rivers Coordinator; and Candace Stallings, Alamo Campus; in middle, Jenny Johnsonius, Martin campus; Debra Graves, Covington campus/weekend and night class; Dora Woody, Newbern campus; and Kathy Forrester, Union City PCT class; and in rear, Jolene Karol, Covington campus; and Shannon Miller, Union City campus; plus, not pictured, Beth Ray, Alamo PCT class.

**SCHOLARSHIP** The 2010 college scholarship application for the Cancer Care Centers of Jackson, Dyersburg, Paris and Union City, and also the Mid-South Division of the American Cancer Society, are available. Applicants for the Cancer Care

## The 18th Annual Writing Project

The West Tennessee Writing Project (WTWP) will host the 18th annual summer institute for teachers who want to become stronger teachers of reading and writing and a part of the on-going professional community of WTWP teacher consultants. Deadline to apply is April 16th.

For more information, call Linda Arant, 731-881-7012 or email larant@utm.edu.

## 2010 TURKEY HUNT

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are accepting applications for the 2010 turkey quota hunts scheduled for April 8th-11th, April 15th-18th and again April 22nd-25th at the Chickasaw and Lower Hatchie National Wildlife Refuges. Applications will be accepted if postmarked within the month of January 2010 and sent to Chickasaw National Wildlife Refuge, 1505 Sand Bluff Rd., Ripley, TN 38063 or Lower Hatchie National Wildlife Refuge, 234 Fort Prudhomme Dr., Henning, TN 38041 with a self-addressed stamped postcard in an envelope. Type or print clearly your name, address, phone number, which refuge and which season. Each application can have up to four hunters.

For more information, call 731-538-2481 or visit <http://www.fws.gov/Chickasaw> or <http://www.fws.gov/lower-hatchie>.

Center scholarship, ten to be awarded, must write a short essay concerning how cancer has affected their lives by knowing someone who has cancer or has lost someone to cancer. Deadline to apply is March 19th. For more information or an application visit [www.cancercenter.org](http://www.cancercenter.org).

Applicants for the Mid-South Division will be awarded \$1,000 scholarships to those

## Commission On Aging Scheduled Activities

The Lauderdale Commission on Aging has scheduled events for Thursday and Friday, January 21st and 22nd, and Monday through Wednesday, January 25th-27th, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Thursday with chair dancing; 10 a.m. line dancing; and 11 a.m. This 'n That Gardening.

Friday activities will begin at 10 a.m. with a pre-test for dining with diabetes and Get Fit, Stay Fit; 10:30 a.m. dining with diabetes; and 12:30 p.m. bingo.

Monday activities will begin at 9:30 a.m. Tai Chi for arthritis; 10:30 a.m. Get Fit, Stay Fit; 11 a.m. blood pressure checks with Cindy Johnson and Book Ends Book Club.

Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. participants of center will visit Lauderdale Community Living Center; and 11:15 a.m. visit the community center on Nelson St. in Ripley for blood pressure checks and bingo with CareAll.

Wednesday, at 10:30 a.m. a devotion with The Rev. Haley and at 12:30 p.m. Connie Dew with Amedisys.

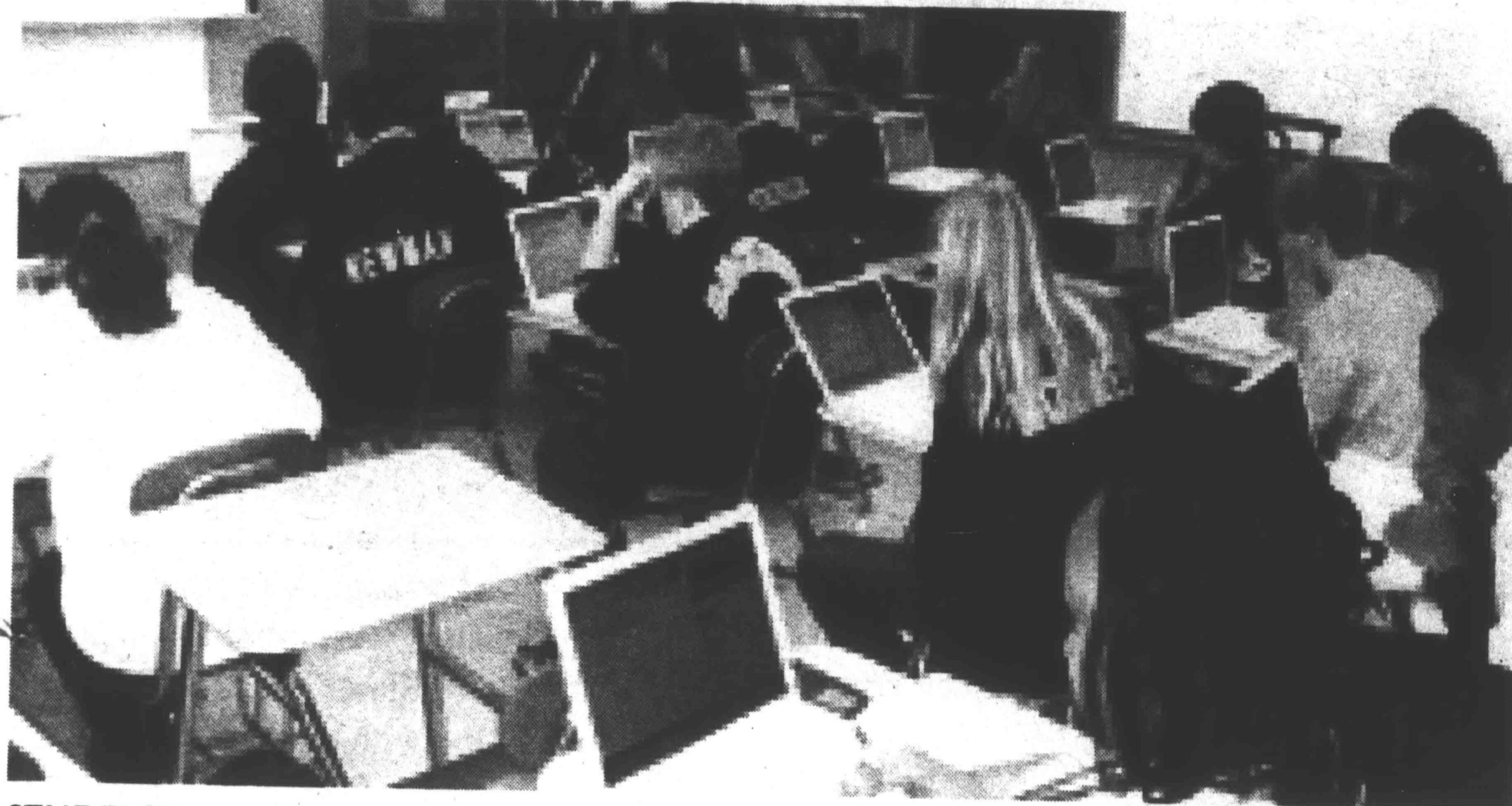
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who was diagnosed with cancer before the age of 19, are under the age of 25, attend an accredited university, college, or vocational/technical school, a resident of Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama, Louisiana, Kentucky, Mississippi, or Floyd or Clark counties in Indiana and citizen of the United States. Candidates must have a grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.5 or GED equivalent and been accepted to an accredited school. The deadline to enter is February 1st with scholarships awarded in April.

For more information or an application, call 800-227-2345 or visit [cancer.org/midsouth-news](http://cancer.org/midsouth-news).



## HJH Thinklink Test



**STUDENTS** at Halls Junior High School took the second Thinklink test last month. The test is a series of tests purchased through Discovery Education, which help teachers monitor the student's progress throughout the school year based on the standards that will be tested on the end-of-the-year TCAP test.

## Silver Glove Tournament Held



**MEMBERS**, of the Lauderdale County Boxing Club, including, from left, Wyatt Braden, 12, Kyle Emerson, 13, Deundre Smith, 11, Chuckie Driver, 13, and Brandon Smith, 12, competed in the Region 6 Silver Gloves tournament Thursday of last week, Friday and Saturday in Little Rock, Ark. Thursday's event was really intense as the first round of competition began with Deundre winning by a close, hard-fought bout against his Louisiana rival. Brandon lost to a very experienced, Texas opponent. Wyatt was unable to keep his stronger, Louisiana adversary on the outside, losing as well. Chuckie lost by a close decision to his Arkansas opponent. As Friday nights semi-finals took place, Deundre lost to a much stronger Arkansas competitor. Saturday afternoon in the finals, Kyle lost by a very close decision to his Arkansas rival.

## Birthdays

Jan. 21 - Gayle Miller, Elizabeth M. Brogdon, Barbara G. Ward, Allison Garner, Kevin Hardy, Velma Baker, Sylvia M. Todd, Wayne Woodard, Pat Watson, Stephanie McCaslin, Jimmy Garrett, Karen Duvall, Melissa Escue, Corey Gesford, Rabbit Buckner, Andrea Ammons, Myrtle Poe.  
Jan. 22 - Terry Ford, Brenda Moore Williams, Burnie Norman, Kamryn Lee Gitchell,

Lindsay Harris, Tracy Davis, Traci Hurt, Billie Chapman, Dolly Harrison, Kristin Scallions, Ayricka Moore, Jay Hopper, Rachel Durham, Andrew Adkins.  
Jan. 23 - Oliver Nelson, Cassidy Brummett, Amy Sonderoth Fisher, Levi Thompson, Allan Kiestler, Billy Lynch, Pamela Martin, Ree Cates, Jerry Tolene, Trevor Reece Belton, Austin Powell, Hailee Edwards, Crayton Rose, Colton Rose, An-

gela Duncan Smith, Laura Duncan Bivens, Billy Joe Herron, Barbara Bain, Suzanne Hogue.  
Jan. 24 - Rachel Best, Cindy Cherry, Maxine Hardy, Ed Allmon, Dennis Weaver, Jr., Will Bringle, Guilford Williams IV, Floyd Taylor, Sue Jennings, Alan Austin, Tyler Lynch, Carlisle Whitnel, Cheryl Leo, Alison Griggs, Jennifer Litles.  
Jan. 25 - Lindsey Thebeau, Randy Morris, Carolyn Vickery, Mary Demps, J. R. Reed, Yelon-

gela Lynch, Mark Weaver, David Jennings, Scotty Watkins, Justin McNeill, Paul Lague.  
Jan. 26 - John Yarbrough, Flossie Taylor, Jean Jackson, Kevin Gardner, Waurine Jordan, Julie Burton, Kevin Coulston, James R. Fitzhugh, Sarah Kiesel, Shanon Crowder, Caitlyn Harrison, Tim Adams, Georgia Carden.  
Jan. 27 - Linda Caldwell, Kristina Burks, Sandy Ward, Stan Anderson, Joe Williams,

## Readers Speak

**Editor,**  
I have enjoyed Margaret Allen's articles in the paper. I also enjoy the news from the 40's and 50's. It is nice to read them.

Thank you,  
Ginny Frisbie  
Germantown, TN

**Editor,**  
I just want to say how much I appreciated the article that Bettie Davis wrote about Margaret Voss Allen's memories of growing up in Lauderdale County. It was so refreshing to read something good and not about crime, killing, or drugs. I too lived back in that time where families worked and had fun together.

I always enjoy Bettie Davis' article about Lauderdale County. Thank you, Mrs. Allen.

Margaret Meeks  
Halls, TN

## Anniversaries

Jan. 22 - Mr. and Mrs. Roger Pease, Mr. and Mrs. William Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ross.  
Jan. 23 - Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Carmack.  
Jan. 24 - Mr. and Mrs. Rob Reviere, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crowder, Sr.  
Jan. 25 - Mr. and Mrs. Mel Gibson.  
Jan. 26 - Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gatlin.  
Jan. 27 - Mr. and Mrs. John Humphries, Mr. and Mrs. Bill McWhorter.

Jan. 28 - Mr. and Mrs. John Crowder, Sr.  
Jan. 29 - Mr. and Mrs. John Crowder, Sr.  
Jan. 30 - Mr. and Mrs. John Crowder, Sr.

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8th to withdraw; and the last day to register to vote is July 7th. Early voting will begin July 16th through 31st.

The Lauderdale County mayor, trustee, sheriff, clerk, and register of deeds, and the circuit court clerk will also be on the ballot with different qualifying deadlines. Winners of the Democratic primary, to be held May 4th, will also be included on the ballot.

## Land Transfers

Jan. 10th - Jan. 16th

Angela Lacy to Frank Reed, Dist. 3, 1.927, 0.914 acre, and 0.439 acre.

Donald W. Conrad and Judy J. Conrad to Reed Sanders and Joann Sanders, Dist. 11, 51.78 acres.

Bobby G. Tate and Virginia Tate to Robert Camper, Dist. 4, 5.0 acres.

Fannie Mae and Federal National Mortgage Association to Mark Shempert and Karen Shempert, Dist. 6, 5.62 acres.

BAC Home Loans Servicing LP and Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP to Ryan Whiteside, Dist. 6, lot.

Citimortgage, Inc., to Jeremy Helton, Dist. 12, lot.

Patrick Rouse, Darryl Rouse, Lendale Rouse, and Leonard Rouse, Jr., to Connie D. Lee, Dist. 2, lot.

Jerry Buckner and Jeff Buckner to Brad Simpson, Dist. 6, lot.

Debra Maness to Stephen Floyd and Randy Floyd, Dist. 5, 66.141 acres.

Jeff Durham to Norman Hendren and Lisa Hendren, Dist. 2, lot.

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company to Donald Graham, Dist. 2, lot.

American General Finance to Geraldine Maupin, Dist. 12, 2 tracts.

Craig Hutcherson, Clay Dew, Donna Ewell, Mary Younger, Eddie Rayner, Mary Gesford, James Grimes, Emma Bonds, Jason Latham.

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## Guest Speaker



**MRS. PAT HIGDON**, right, was the guest speaker at the noon meeting Monday, January 25th of the Rotary Club of Halls-Gates in the activities building of Westside Baptist Church in Halls. She was the guest of Paul Stout and spoke about upcoming projects at the World War II Dyersburg Army Air Base, home of the Veteran's Museum. The Town of Halls has received a matching grant to draw up a master plan for the resurrection of the Air Base as a major tourist attraction in Lauderdale County. The project would be completed in three phases. She stressed that a major tourist attraction would bring jobs, private enterprises, customers for area restaurants and retail stores and add to the tax base. James E. Smith, Rotary president, presented a check for \$250 for the Veteran's Museum.

## Petitions Returned In Up-Coming Elections

The Lauderdale County Election Commission has released the petitions for the May 4th and August 5th elections.

Candidates who have picked up petitions for the May 4th primary include Trent McManus (I) and Rod Schuh (I) for County Mayor; Charletta Campbell (D) and Judy Conrad (I), Trustee; Steve Sanders (I) and Brian Kelly (I), Sheriff; Linda Summar (I), County Clerk; Richard Jennings (D), Circuit Court Clerk; and Jimmy Johnston (I), Gary L. Wilson (I), and J. B. Haynes (I), Register of Deeds. Schuh, Campbell, Kelly, Sanders, Summar, Jennings, Johnston and Haynes have returned petitions.

Candidates have until February 25th to withdraw their peti-

tion. Early voting will begin April 14th through 29th. Voters must be registered by April 5th to cast a ballot.

Candidates, who have picked up petitions for the August 5th election include, county commissioner, Gene Edwards, District 1; Lynnwood Shoemake, Coy Summar, and Andy Vaughan, Sr., District 2; Tommy Dunavant, Walker Ferrell, Dennis King and Carol Walker, for District 3; Tommy Ray Sanders and Johnny D. Johnson, District 4; Danny Hartsfield and Louis Ruff, District 5; Jesse Edwards, Rob Reviere, Dwight Shoemake, Sr., Terry Uselton, Sr., and Earl Bohannon, District 6; Clark Buckner, David Caldwell, Raymond Edwards, and Kathy Alston, District 7; and Don Fisher and Eugene Pugh, District 8. L. Shoemake, Vaughan, King, Reviere, D. Shoemake, Uselton,

## Retirement



**DORIS MOORE**, pianist, of Halls' First Baptist Church, will retire January 31st, after giving over 60 years to the music ministry. A reception is planned in her honor at 5 p.m. Sunday night, January 31st, in the Family Life Center at First Baptist Church. Everyone in the community is invited to attend.

## Halls Man Found On Gum Flat Road

The Lauderdale County Sheriff's Department received a call Sunday, January 24th, at approximately 11:18 a.m. about a person facedown in a driveway just over the railroad tracks on Gum Flat Rd. in Halls. The person, identified as Finis Kirby, 84, of 57 Gum Flat Rd., Halls, was last seen when he was out with friends around 10 p.m. Saturday evening. When officers arrived on the scene, the man was unresponsive. According to Sheriff Steve Sanders, there was no evidence of foul play, however the body was sent for autopsy.

Bohannon, and Edwards have returned their petitions.

School board candidates include Eva Drain and Tammy Choat-Lambirth, District 1; Sheila Ferrell, District 3; Terry

## Allmand's Suit Nears Decision

U. S. Magistrate Tu M. Pham has called a conference of all parties concerned, March 3rd, in Memphis, to attempt to settle, without trial, a suit filed Aug. 31, 2006, by Mike Allmand, of 230 Hunter's Trace Drive, Ripley, against City of Ripley officials.

Allmand's suit included two elements--

- After Ripley aldermen cancelled a utility merger in 2005, Allmand sought about \$6,000,000 from the Lauderdale County Rescue Squad building, located in the old Nankipoo School at 6501 Curve Nankipoo Rd. This class is open to the public at no charge.
- For more information, call 836-5659.

## Computer Class Open To Public

An Introduction to Computers class is scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday, February 4th, at the Lauderdale County Rescue Squad building, located in the old Nankipoo School at 6501 Curve Nankipoo Rd. This class is open to the public at no charge.

For more information, call 836-5659.

## Republican Party To Host Fish Fry

Candidates for the United States 8th Congressional District of Tennessee and the office of the governor of the State of Tennessee are expected to attend the Republican Party of Lauderdale County fish fry at 6:30 p.m. February 18th at the Fraternal Order of Police building, 176 Viar Rd., Ripley. Each of the candidates will have an opportunity to express their positions on current issues facing the nation and the state. They will also be available for questions. Tickets are available by calling 731-635-8878.

Sellers, District 5; and Melinda Hutcherson, District 7.

Walker Ferrell has picked up a petition for Republican State Executive committeeman.

Candidates have until noon, April 1st to qualify; noon, April 8th to withdraw; and the last day to register to vote is July 7th. Early voting will begin July 16th through 31st.

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## Historical Presentation



STUDENTS in the third grade classroom of Mrs. Lee Ann Harrison at Halls Elementary School, after studying government in social studies, wrapped up the lesson with an oral presentation about a person that played an important role in the formation of the United States. Reports were given on Abe Lincoln, Orville and Wilbur Wright, Elizabeth Blackwell, Teddy Roosevelt, Powhatan, Ben Franklin, Amelia Earhart, Dolly Madison, and George Washington. Presentations were given by, in front, from left, Carleigh Wade, Abigail Webb, Lacey Stenson, Ricardo Mendiola, and Justin Gammons, and in rear, Chris Fisher, Jace Moore, Hayden Steelman, Seth Sumrow, and Tyler Rogers. Chris and Jace dressed as Abe Lincoln while Seth and Hayden dressed as Orville and Wilbur Wright.

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



STUDENTS of Project L.E.A.D. at Halls Elementary School have been busy this month. During the afternoon, students are exercising, working on homework, practicing spelling words or math facts, completing art activities or enjoying spending time with friends.

**Anniversaries**  
 Jan. 30 - Mr. and Mrs. Bob-Tommy Caldwell.  
 Jan. 31 - Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Wiley.  
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## Obituaries

### Calvin Gatlin

Calvin Eugene Gatlin, 70, of Hickory Flat, Miss., husband for 45 years of Jennifer Earline Gatlin, of 7261 Edith-Nankipoo Rd., died Saturday, in his home.

Rites were held Tuesday in the United Funeral Service in New Albany, Miss., with burial in the cemetery of Ebenezer United Methodist Church.

He was born at Atoka, Aug. 21, 1939, to the late Robert L. Gatlin and the late Bessie Elizabeth Wiseman.

He had retired from the Shelby County Roads and Bridges Department, as a heavy equipment operator.

He leaves sons, J. R. Hoge-land, of Ripley, and Mark Hoge-land, of Drummonds; daughters, Sandy Gatlin, Connie (Mrs. Stan) Hawkins, and Tammy (Mrs. Steve) Ammons, of Ripley; brothers, Richard Gatlin, of Hernando, Miss., and Frank Elliott, of Hickory Flat; a sister, Bobbie J. Turner, of Moro, Ill.; 14 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

### W. D. Randolph

William Donald Randolph, 57, of 144 Cleveland, Ripley, died Jan. 14th in Baptist Hospital Lauderdale in Ripley.

Rites will be private, Halls Funeral Home in charge.

Survivors include a brother, Danny Underwood, of Cumby, Tex., and sisters, Kathy Underwood and Teresa Patterson, of Ripley.

### Pansy Gibbons

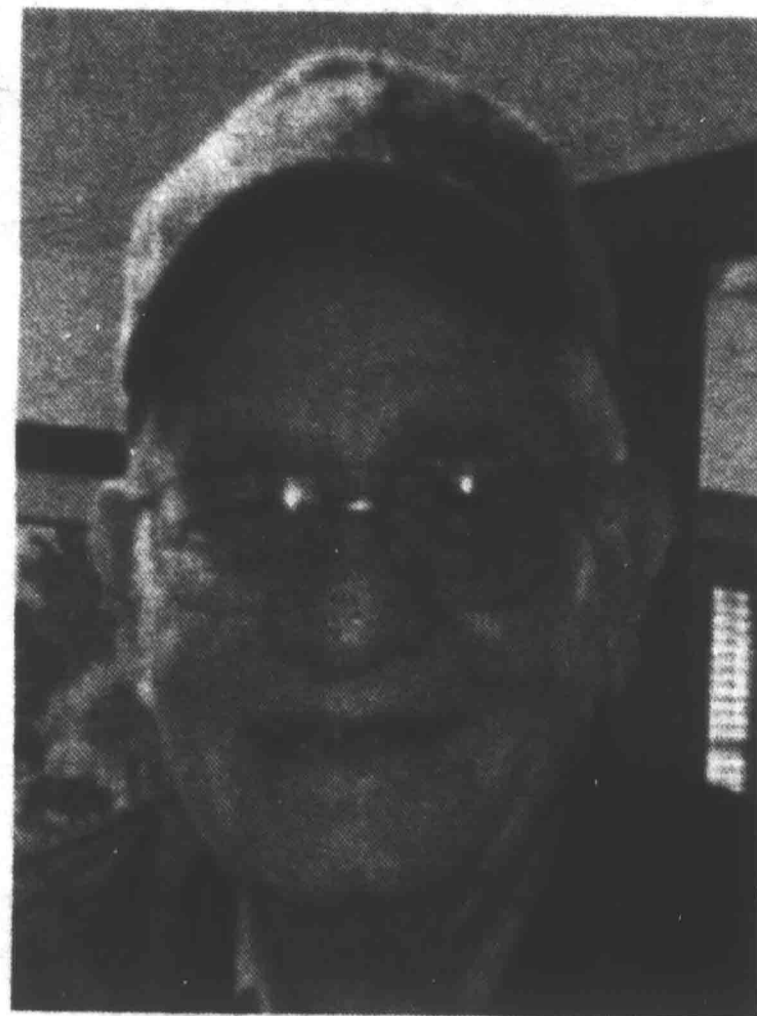
Pansy Gibbons, 61, of 619 E. Main, Halls, wife of Richard Gibbons, died Monday in the Jackson Regional Hospital.

Rites were Wednesday in Halls Funeral Home, with burial in South Fork Cemetery in Crockett County.

She was born at Halls, Dec. 8, 1948.

Survivors include her mother,

### Born Here



**Benjamin Edward Yon**, 81, of Covington, Ripley-born March 28, 1928, to the late Harrison and Louise Lock Mc-Broom Yon, died Sunday, of cancer, in his home.

Rites were Tuesday in Covington Funeral Home, with burial in Magnolia Gardens.

He served in the Army during the Korean War. He was trained at Fort Polk, La., in 1950, in the 818th Heavy Tank Battalion, in which Bill Klutts, now editor of *The Lauderdale County Enterprise*, served as sergeant major.

During his service, a tank ran over both his feet.

He had retired as a service station operator.

On his 3-wheel bicycle, he shared the vegetables he grew.

He had restored two antique tractors.

He enjoyed a large collection of John Wayne movies.

He was a member of the Covington Methodist Evangelical Church.

Survivors include his wife for 59 years, Mildred Sanders Yon, sons, Jerry and Stuart, of Covington; daughters, Pamela (Mrs. Jerol) Channel, of Munford, and Cynthia (Mrs. Charles) Thompson, of Memphis; a brother, Marvin, of Counce; a sister, Mandy McBroom Anderson, of Nashville; 14 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Mildred O'Steen, of Halls; sons, Chris, of Halls, and Billy, of Dyersburg; a sister, Linda Spencer, of Lebanon; and four grandchildren.

### County Native



**Bonnie Lue Sowers**, 76, of Hobart, Ind., who was born at Henning, March 23, 1933, to the late Walter and Dovie Vowell, died Tuesday of last week.

Rites were held Saturday in Rees Funeral Home in Hobart.

Survivors include her husband for 42 years, Delbert D. Sowers; sons, Michael and Victor Sowers, of Hobart, Bobby White, of Tennessee, and Ricky White, of Florida; daughters, Candy (Mrs. James) Miller and Teresa (Mrs. Loral) Wright, of Hobart, and Marie Sanders, of Tennessee; a brother, Walter Dwight Lovell; 10 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

### Magnolia Taylor

Magnolia L. Taylor, 81, of 2905 Henning-Orysa Rd., widow of Robert Taylor, died Saturday in Baptist Hospital Desoto in Southaven, Miss.

Rites will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church in Henning, with burial in the Taylor Cemetery, Barlow Funeral Home, of Covington, in charge.

She was the mother of Roger M. Taylor, of Henning.

Survivors include other sons, Craig, of Jackson, Hollis and Willie, of Memphis, Robert, Jr., of New York, N.Y., Nathaniel, of Phoenix, Ariz., Henry, of Los Angeles, Calif., and Ralph, of Eagle River, Alaska; a daughter, Margarette A. Taylor, of Jackson; and 28 grandchildren.

## TBI Probes Death Of Winston Kirby

The Tenn. Bureau of Investigation is examining the death of Winston Roberson Kirby, 73, retired farmer, found dead Wednesday of last week in his home at 124-A Northcrest, Ripley.

Rites were Monday in Ripley Memorial Gardens, Garner Funeral Home, of Ripley, in charge.

He leaves a brother, Crockett Kirby, of Ripley.

### Beatrice Brown

Beatrice Brown, 74, of Dyersburg, sister of Willie G. Maben, Claudia Maben, and Erma Boyd, of Ripley, died Thursday of last week, in her home.

Rites were set at 1 p.m. Thursday in Spiller Hill Church of God in Christ in Ripley, with burial in Canfield Cemetery in Ripley, Thompson's Mortuary, of Ripley, in charge.

Survivors include sons, Arthur Lee Finch, Jr., and David, Jerry, Larry, Lee, and Willie Anthony Finch, and daughters, Cathy Maclin, Louise Finch, and Loretta Jones, all of Dyersburg; another sister, Margaret Shaw, of St. Louis, Mo.; 13 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

### James Palmer

James Robert Palmer, 61, of Brownsville, formerly of Ripley, a laborer, died January 22nd at Jackson Madison County General Hospital in Jackson.

Services are set for 11 a.m. January 30th at St. James Baptist Church in Brownsville, with burial in Knight of Phythais Cemetery in Brownsville, Currie's Funeral Home in charge.

He leaves a son, Robert Lynn Barnes and sister, Aline Barnes, both of Ripley; a daughter, Olivia Snipes, and two other sisters, Ola Mae Shaw and Annie Anthony, all of Brownsville; and six grandchildren.

### Sudie Brogdon

Sudie LaVern Brogdon, 85, widow of James Albert Brogdon, Jr., died Friday in Ripley Healthcare.

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

She was a member of the Hurricane Hill United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, Jim Brogdon III, of Bartlett; a daughter, Martha (Mrs. William) Miller, of 967 Joe Barfield Rd., Henning; a brother, Thomas Neal, of Ripley; a sister, Ruby Brown, of Bartlett; five grandchildren, including Mark Miller, of Ripley; and five great-grandchildren.

### Emery Rogers

Emery L. Rogers, 90, of Ripley, died Tuesday, January 26th, at his residence.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday, January 28th, at Garner Funeral Home, with burial in Ripley Memorial Gardens, Garner Funeral Home.

He was a member of Woodville Baptist Church.

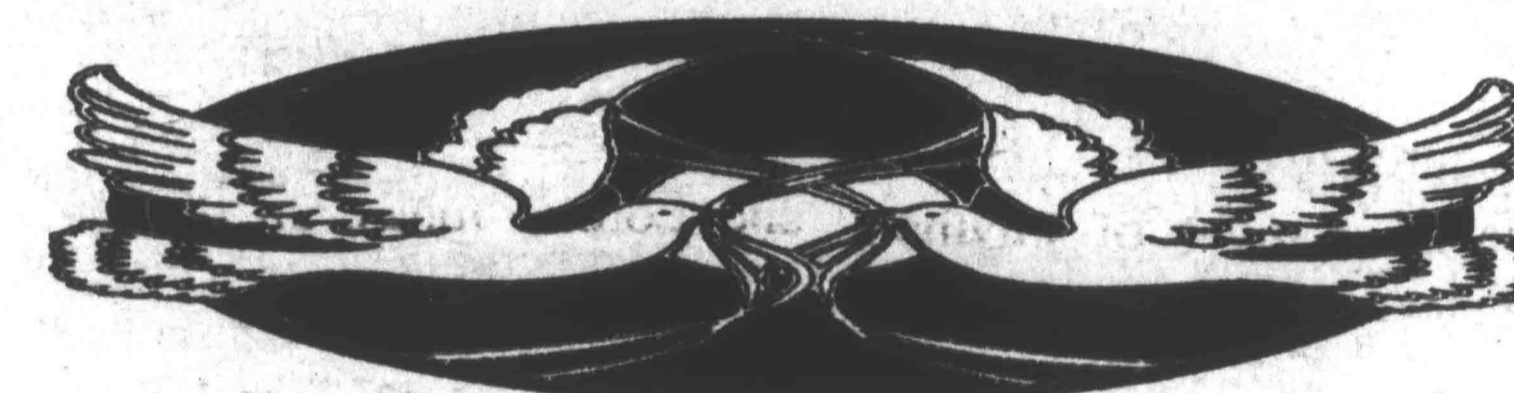
He leaves his wife, Annie Pearl Lemons Rogers; sons, David Rogers, of Edith, and Ronnie Rogers, of Scotts Bluff, Neb.; a daughter, Mennie Alioto, of Melrose Park, Ill.; a sister, LaVern Creasy, of Covington; six grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.



## Toys For Tots



MEMBERS of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Ripley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9673 donated toys to the Lauderdale County Rescue Squad Toys for Tots program. Elna Robbins, seated center, serves as president of the auxiliary. Mrs. Marion Russell, chaplain, second from right, made stuffed animals including Mickey and Minnie Mouse and Donald and Daisy Duck. Other members of the auxiliary include, from left, Carol Crook, Alice Daniels, and Phyllis Meade, and in front, Paulette Manness.



## 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.

Walnut Grove Baptist Church, 1309 Walnut Grove Rd., near Ripley, will hold a Valentine's Day dinner from 5 to 7:30 p.m. February 13th. Spaghetti plates will be available for dine-in or take-out. Donations will be taken to benefit the youth members trip to camp this year. The public is invited.

Priase Temple Church, 3543 Durhamville Rd., near Ripley, will hold a 2010 consecration service for the officers of the church at 2 p.m. Sunday, January 31st. The theme will be Acts 14:23, "they commended them to the Lord on whom they believed". Pastor Roland Neal, of East St. Louis, Ill., will be the guest speaker. His church members will be special guests. Garie Andrews, pastor, invites the public.

Forerunner Baptist Church, on Eastland St., has changed its early morning worship service from 8 a.m. beginning February 7th. Sunday school will begin at 9 a.m. and worship services at 10:30 a.m. Thomas H. Bester, pastor, invites the public.

Elam Baptist Church and the Women of Purpose will present "Just The Two Of Us", a Valentine's Day banquet at 5 p.m. Saturday, February 13th at the National Guard Armory in Ripley. The church hosts B.A.S.I.S., an exercise program, at 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday. For more information or for tickets to the banquet, contact Deborah Halliburton, 635-3587.

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.

### FREE TAX HELP

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance sites on the Dyersburg campus at the DSCC Jimmy Naifeh Center at Tipton County will provide free tax filing services for those area taxpayers with adjusted gross income of less than \$42,000. DSCC offers this service as a member of the Family Self-Sufficiency Alliance of West Tennessee.

The Dyersburg VITA center located in the Learning Resource Center will open Mondays and Thursdays from 5:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. The VITA site at the DSCC JNC is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

This is the fourth year the college has offered this service to the community. Last year the sites enabled 456 area residents to receive a combined total of \$547,355 in tax refunds.

For more information about the Dyersburg site, contact Te-

## Sleep Caps Presented



CANCER SURVIVORS, Darice Copeland, Theresa Porter and Helen Sondgeroth, are pictured with Renate Jennings, left, who is displaying a few of the sleep caps that volunteers have been making for chemo patients. The sleep caps were presented to patients at the January 13th meeting of the Mustard Seeds, held at the Curve Community Center. Lunch was prepared and served by members of the FCE Club. Helen and her daughter, Linda Sauter, are assisting in the making of the caps. Judy Conrad, not pictured, has also helped in this project. So far the caps have been sent to Kentucky, Florida and many have helped patients in this county.

The Mustard Seeds meet on the second Wednesday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for February 10th at Emily's as a Dutch treat luncheon. If anyone would like more information about the caps or the Mustard Seeds, call 635-6888 or 836-7267.

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# Dry Hill Dog News



By Zeek

Zeek here!!! Miss Pam and I are at the Club today. The weather is so nice and Miss Pam always says that we need to get out and spend time with my Buds. I have been inside with my Buds for awhile and have heard some stories. Peanut, the Pomeranian, says that his hurt leg is getting better and he needs a two-legger to take him home. Lady, a shepherd/husky mix, had to come out to the Club because her two-legger had to move and she could not go with her. So Lady needs a good home. Azhia, the husky, and her puppy four-leggers, will be ready to go home with a two-legger in about two weeks. I did go into the cat room but I was really quiet. I don't even think the cats heard me so I got out without a scratch.

I went on outside to see my Buds on the hill. Sheba, the white German shepherd, and King, the black and tan German shepherd, were talking about going home with two-leggers. Shelly and Boots, the border collies, were talking about needing a farmer two-legger that had other four-leggers to go home with. Molly, the shepherd mix, is feeling better. She had been to see the Doc to be spayed. Now she needs a good two-legger to take her home with them.

While I was out at the Barn looking at the chocolate lab girl four-leggers, up walked Blaze. She was smiling and smelling good. She told me that she had gotten a bath today and that was why she was late getting there with Mr. Buddy. When she said the bath word, I had an idea.

Miss Pam and Mr. Buddy were going back to the office and Miss Pam told us not to go too far off and to be back in the office in a few minutes. I smiled at Miss Pam and told Blaze to come with me. I just knew that Blaze had never been to the smelly place that the two-leggers call the Landfill.

We walked over and went passed Mr. Clint. He patted me on my head and asked who my new Bud was. We just looked up at him and I hoped that he did not tell Miss Pam that we were headed for the good stuff.

When we got back to the smelly stuff, I went over and started rolling around in it. Blaze just looked at me and I told her to come on and get in the smelly stuff. I thought that if you have to get a bath - why not have some fun. We rolled around and we smelled good stuff like hot dogs (which are my favorite) and other good two-legger old food. We ran and jumped in big piles of two-legger stuff that was piled up really high. We played for a while and then we decided that we might need to go back to the Club so Miss Pam would not be worried.

When we got back to the Club, I knew that we smelled really good so we went right into the office. When we walked in Mr. Buddy asked Blaze where she had been and what had she been doing. Miss Pam looked at me and just shook her head. Well, I knew that we were in trouble but I never would have thought what was about to happen. Mr. Buddy, Miss Pam and Mr. Greg told us to go to the back room - that we both were getting a bath. Blaze looked at me and she was not too happy with me. Well, a bath later, we were not in too much trouble but Miss Pam told me that I knew not to go to the Landfill. Blaze told me that she had a good time even tho she had two baths in one day.

Mr. Buddy told me that Robert Vilseck came out to the Club and reclaimed his big four-legger, Tank. Camille Jester took home one of the pointer puppy four-legger and Gerald McNeal took home a puppy mix. Darrin Campbell came out to the Club and liked one of the beagles and she got to go home with him.

Have your four-legger spayed or neutered so that we will not have so many puppy and kitten four-leggers out here at the Club. Take your four-legger to the Doc for their yearly checkups and shots. Miss Pam

# Leadership Lauderdale Tour



**PARTICIPANTS** of the Leadership Lauderdale class, sponsored by the Lauderdale Chamber/ECD, focused on education in Lauderdale County during the annual two-part session, which was held December 15th and January 13th. On December 15th, participants met at Ripley Elementary School where Joey Hassell, Lauderdale County Superintendent, spoke to the group. They were served a continental breakfast and given an overview of the day's activities. Halls Junior High School was the first stop on the tour with Ned Lewis, principal, greeting the group. They were given an overview of all the activities, information, curriculum and special programs at the school and a tour of the facility. The next stop was Halls High School, where Andy Pugh, principal, spoke about the many special things about the school and gave a tour through some of the classes. Before lunch, they stopped at Halls Elementary School and were met by Pat Carmack, principal, and Andy Campbell, assistant principal. The group was treated to a special performance by some of students, given a tour of the school and served lunch.

Afterwards, the group traveled to the Lauderdale County Optional School where they were met by Jackie Jones, principal. She explained how the school operates and gave the group a tour. The last stop of the day was Ripley Elementary School. The group was greeted by Pennye Thurmond, principal, and was given a tour of the facility and visited some of the classrooms.

Participants met at the Tennessee Tech Center January 13th and traveled to Lauderdale Middle School where they were greeted by Vanessa Spoon, assistant principal. The group toured the facility and visited some of the classes. Ripley Primary School was the next on the tour where they were greeted by Drayton Hawkins, principal, and given an overview of the programs at the school. The group also toured the facility. The next stop was Ripley High School where the group was greeted by Joe Bridges, principal, and Susan Farris, assistant principal. Participants were given an overview of information, curriculum and programs at the school. Lunch was provided by Ripley High School and after lunch participants were given a special performance by Center Stage, the Jazz Choir, under the direction of Harley Patterson. The group toured the facility and then departed for their next stop at the UT Martin Ripley Center where participants were greeted by Youlanda Jones, director. She spoke to the group about courses and degrees offered at the university and gave a tour of the facility. The session wrapped up at the Tennessee Tech Center where the group was given a tour of the facility and Superintendent Hassell answered any questions by participants.

The goal of the sessions was to expose participants to the many good things going on in the schools in Lauderdale County. For more information on Leadership Lauderdale, contact the Chamber, 635-9541.

Zeek out!!!!!!



## School Lunches

### Lauderdale County Schools

#### Monday, February 1st

- Hot Dog On Bun
- Pizza
- Tater Tots
- Peaches
- Pear Halves
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

#### Tuesday, February 2nd

- Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
- Steak Fingers
- Broccoli Bites w/Cheese
- Black Eye Peas
- Banana
- Orange Sections
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk

#### Wednesday, February 3rd

- Chicken Tenders
- Whipped Potatoes
- Green Peas
- Pineapple Tidbits
- Apricots
- Roll
- Choice Of Milk

#### Thursday, February 4th

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

#### Friday, February 5th

- Ham And Cheese Sandwich
- Hearty Vegetable Soup
- Carrot Sticks w/Dip
- Applesauce
- Peaches
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

## School Lunches

### Ripley Primary School

### Halls Elementary School

#### Pre-K to 3rd

- Monday, February 1st
- Hot Dog On Bun
- Tater Tots
- Pear Halves
- Cookie
- Choice Of Milk

#### Tuesday, February 2nd

- Hamburger Steak w/Gravy
- Broccoli Bites w/Cheese
- Banana
- Roll

## Commission On Aging Scheduled Activities

The Lauderdale Commission on Aging has scheduled events for Thursday and Friday, January 28th and 29th, and Monday through Wednesday, February 1st-3rd, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Thursday with chair dancing; 10 a.m. line dancing; and 11 a.m. Extensive with Tracy.

Friday activities will begin at 10 a.m. with Get Fit, Stay Fit; 10:30 a.m. dining with diabetes; and 12:30 p.m. bingo.

Monday activities will begin at 9:30 a.m. Tai Chi for arthritis, and 10:30 a.m. Get Fit, Stay Fit.

Tuesday at 10 a.m. participants of center will shop in Dyersburg and lunch out. Call center for cost.

Wednesday, at 10:30 a.m. a devotion and at 12:30 p.m. White Elephant bingo.

For more information, call 836-5444.

## Marriages

January 17th - Martin Gomez Alvarez, 23, to Katrina Kay Ayers Frank, 32, by Manuel H. Valadez.

## Divorces

Linda Thomas vs. Michael Thomas.

Susan D. Waller vs. Larry C. Waller.

James Marion Smith vs. Hope Cecilia Washington Smith.

Choice Of Milk

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## Birthdays

Jan. 28 - Koralee Langley, Ray Clark, Wardell Parish, Pam Tillman, Wendell Wiley, Dave Sondgeroth, Warren Lee Grammer, Justin Robert Davis, Cary Wright, Wyatt Jones, Jennifer Carroll.

Jan. 29 - Kim Connell, Don Meadows, Kenneth Neal, Hilton Vaughn, John Anthony, Vernon McBride III, Robert Ammons, Elizabeth Vaden, Glenda Ward, Charles Stephens, Marcia Kelly, Shareese Jones, Butch Eskridge, Kassie Barnett, Billie Jean Northcott, David Mills, Linda McBride Bumpus, Keely Marrow, Evelyn Andrews, Jimmy Seeley, Bobby Nelson, Lulu Latham, Alyssa Mota, Bimbo Pennington, Mack McBride, Buddy Escue.

Jan. 30 - Janie Little, Martha Crites, Mary Roy, Sherry Vaden Brown, Virgie Belton, Elizabeth Buffaloe, Carolyn Dew, Barry Gruggett, Amber Hargett, Gary Ingle, Mary Bain, Martha Abbott.

Jan. 31 - Charles Gabbard, Chuck Vincent, Taylor Barbee Rice, III, Sarah Grace Belton, Trey Rice, Jeri Hankins.

Feb. 1 - Hillary Bailey Hogue, Amanda Conrad, Judy Mills, Laura Thompson, Lisa Oates, Christy Adkins, Tammy Wright, Sheila Hubbard.

Feb. 2 - Natalie Carpenter, Matt Berkley, Kaylyn Charles, Jimmy Patterson, Lauren Neal, Martha Miller, Brian Brodgon, Trent Liggeons II, Shirley G. Bryant, William Hopkins, Patsy Whitson, Stacy Unger, Amy Morris, Justin Hayles, Dianna Beard.

Feb. 3 - Susan White, Ivan Criner, Paul Douglas Spoon, Jr., Beau Simpson, James Hemby, Mary Ellen Ractliffe, Rev. Lyle Larson, Jason Butner, Bryan McAlister, Jr.

## Land Transfers

Jan. 17th - Jan. 23rd

Vicki K. Lovelady, Vicki K. Lovelady Beavers, John B. Beavers to Tony A. Crowder, Dist.

# Belton Edges HHS Over Greenfield; Humboldt Romps

Halls High School's boys' basketball team won Tuesday of last week at Greenfield, 67-64, on 31 points, including seven 3-pointers, by senior Hollis Belton.

The game in Greenfield was narrow, all the way:

Hls 16 21 12 18 - 67  
Gfd 15 18 14 17 - 64

To Belton's points, Qualon Smith added 25, Emmitt Henning 9, and T. J. Reed 2.

Friday, Halls boys were swamped in Humboldt:

Hb 14 18 15 31 - 78  
Hls 6 7 12 15 - 40

Belton and Smith led Halls scoring with 9 points each.

Reed added 6, Frank Bales 5, Tevin Giles and Henning, 4 each, and Kenny Bishop, Preston Roberts, and Cory Walker, 1 each.

The Tigers are 7-9 for the season, having scored 943 points to foes' 1,052.

### Dist. 14-A Standings

Through	All	Dist.		
Last Week	W	L	W	L
Humboldt	16	4	9	1
Union City	15	7	9	1
Lake County	16	9	7	3
Trenton	12	8	6	4
Halls	7	9	5	6
Bradford	5	15	3	7
Greenfield	8	11	1	9
South Fulton	2	14	0	10

15, 0.603 acre.

Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc., to David Rester, lot.

Raymond Gators and Carol Gators to Dixie Davis and Laura Davis, Dist. 2, lot.

T. B. Stanley and Suzette Stanley to Rodney L. Brick, Dist. 2, lot.

Wanda C. Carson and Sandra Scallions Dyson, Atty. in

## HHS Girls Led Twice

Halls High School's girls' basketball team lost two games last week:

Tuesday, Greenfield, hosting Halls, led the first period 18-0 and coasted to a 53-25 win:

Grn 18 13 11 11 - 53  
Hls 0 8 7 10 - 25

Laura Bell led Halls scoring with 10 points.

Destiny Harrell added 5, Jessie Ellison and Cassidy Hardee 4 each, and Becki Lents 2.

Friday, Halls girls had a stellar second period but lost in Humboldt, 67-31:

Hm 22 6 22 17 - 67  
Hls 6 13 11 1 - 31

Lents led Halls scoring with 10 points. Lateia Humphrey added 9, Jessie Ellison 6, Bell and an unidentified player 2 each, and Hardee and Naekysha Wilson, 1 each.

Fact, to Dustin C. Herron and Lena N. Herron, Dist. 6, lot.

Sawyer Cemetery Association, Inc., to Tammy Lorene Fisher, Dist. 8, 1.8101 acres.

Tammy Lorene Fisher and Tammy Lorene Hargett to Sawyer Cemetery Association, Inc., Dist. 8, 0.015 acre.

Virginia Long Ballinger to Charles E. Long, Jr., Dist. 1, 6 tracts, 82.0 acres, 241 acres, tract, and 27.89 acres.

Chris Adkerson to Michael Barham, Jr., Dist. 11, 6.0 acres.

Candice Luna to Alice Fultz, Dist. 1, lot.



## READ ALL ABOUT IT

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

### Horse Hair Snake Shows Up After All These Years

I saw one the other day. It was swimming in a stream of water after a mid-winter rain near my drive and it looked just like the one I saw back in the days of my childhood out behind the house in our old cedar rain barrel. This time it was a January day instead of a hot summer afternoon around dusky dark when it made its appearance, which I thought was quite unusual. But, there it was, and it was swimming like there was no tomorrow. Yeah, that horse hair snake was just about to tie himself into a knot and I was on hand again, just like when my cousin helped me make one over fifty years ago, to witness the event.

The first one I ever saw was back during my youth days in the fifties. It had been a really hot summer and rain had been pretty scarce that year, and my cousin and I were spending a hot late afternoon resting under the maple trees in my grandparent's yard waiting on supper. Of course, when you put two boys together with nothing to do, sooner or later, and usually sooner, something is going to happen. We were lying there watching a beetle move a leaf in a hole when my cousin asked me, "Have you ever made a snake out of a horse hair?"

Thinking he was pulling my leg, I answered, "You may be two years older than me, but I'm smart enough to know you can't make a snake out of no horse hair." However, he was two years older than me and I did wonder if maybe he did know how to accomplish this magical feat. Besides, he had already been to school for two years and I wasn't going to start until the next fall. He did have some book learning, plus his family had one of the first TVs in the area and he had seen a lot of Howdy Doodie shows. They were quite educational you know.

"How do you make a snake out of a horse hair?" I asked, letting my curiosity get the best of me.

While pushing his baseball cap back on his head and with a very intelligent look on his face he said, "Well, first you go find a horse hair. We need a good heavy one and it has to be pretty fresh to make a snake. Then, we put it in grandma's rain barrel out behind the back porch. Within a day or two, that old horse hair will turn into a little snake that will be so wiggly that it can even tie itself into knots."

I knew I would have to see this and the next thing you know, I was

out in the barn lot checking our old horse Doc's favorite rubbing tree for horsehair. Sure enough, I found several hairs from Doc's mane and headed to the rain barrel with my cousin to make up a bunch of snakes. When we got there, my cousin had to be the one to put the hair in the barrel because he said I was too little and he had experience in making snakes. I stood back and watched him do his magic as the hair fell from his hands into the dark barrel's contents. As he closed the lid he said, "Now, come tomorrow around this time, we'll come back and check it. I bet we will have all kinds of horse hair snakes in this barrel."

The next day, I could hardly wait until the day turned into dusky dark so I could check the progress of our snake crop. In fact, several times during the day I went by the barrel, but Cousin usually was watching me and he didn't want me to bother the snakes as they grew from ole Doc's horse hair.

Finally the time came to look in the barrel. Cousin found a Coca Cola case on the back porch for me to stand on so I could get a better look down into the rain barrel's dark waters. He had borrowed his daddy's coon hunting light that hung on the nail near their back door so we could see the snakes better. Cousin was two years older you know, so he knew what he was doing.

As I looked into the barrel with that six-cell flashlight I could not believe my eyes. There in the dark water were skinny long snakes swimming crazily all over the water. They were the size of dynamite wire and had little bitty dark heads. Some had even tied themselves into knots just like Cousin had predicted. He had accomplished the impossible and truly turned horse hair into snakes!

In later years I did learn that Cousin was not that magical, but knew the horse hair snakes were already in the barrel and that they were not really snakes, but instead, a parasite worm. It seems they got the name horse hair from in days past when horses were the main form of transportation and horse troughs were common. It was quite normal to see horse hair in the troughs and occasionally an infected insect, which the parasite lives off of, would drown in the

trough and an adult worm would emerge. The worms do look like long hairs with a head and some folks assumed the horse hairs came to life.

The other day was the first time

I had seen one since those days of the rain barrel and it brought back the memory of a hot day when two cousins decided to make snakes. Oh, if life was only that innocent

today.

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