

Lone Oak High Receives Thank You Letter

Lone Oak High School received a thank you letter from the Western State Hospital telling us how much they appreciated each person's participation in the giving of the wonderful gifts they received.

They received a television set, radio, and card tables which were put to use immediately. They also received many articles of clothing, jewelry, and games. They assured us everyone enjoyed the things and that we had helped them a lot.

Mrs. Charlotte Blackwelder, Director of Volunteers at the hospital, sent the letter to Lone Oak students because they were the ones who did this and if it weren't for them they would never have gotten the articles. The hospital is located at Hopkinsville. Congratulations to the students of Lone Oak High.

P.-T.A. Membership Drive Not Completely Successful

The P.-T.A. membership drive is officially over. But anyone who has not yet joined is still welcome. The drive lasted about a week and many parents and friends joined. Mrs. John Leeper headed the drive and Mr. Robinson and all the teachers supported it. A purple and gold chain was constructed and each link represented a member of this year's P.-T.A. Each home room had a chain for the students of that class. After all home rooms had constructed their section of the chain, it was all joined and hung in the lobby of the high school.

Membership fee was 50c for each parent and each grade tried to be 200% by obtaining the membership of every student's parents in that grade. There are some parents who haven't yet joined, so lets try to accomplish 200% for the entire school and help support our P.-T.A.



Bottom Row, L. to R.: Elaine Shoemaker, Vanna Mullinax, Nancy Hughes, Janet Bagwell, Jo Ann Raffidy, Becky Johnson, Linda Page, Ann Cruse, Louise Massey, Sharon Yarbrough. Second Row, L. to R.: Alta Burnett, Gail Padgett, Chris Steger, Darlene Caris, Julianna Wenzel, Charlotte Clark, Sandra Thompson, Gail Cruse, Sue Bean, Linda Trevathen, Linda Cole, Carolyn Douglas. Third Row, L. to R.: David Clark, Jerry Buchanan, Terry Burnett, Larry Seward, Eddie Clark, Mike Harton, David Shelton, Ronny McIntosh, Jimmy Hicks, Jere Buckingham, Terry Belcher. Fourth Row, L. to R.: Mike Clark, Jimmy Elliott, Jimmy Baumgardner, Howard Ails, Larry Kaler, Barry Johnson, Steve Sullivan, Mike Padon, Donald Green, Ken Grief.



These are the people who have been chosen to present the annual Junior Class Play on December 14. Hoodie Allen was not present at time picture was made.

Juniors Present Annual Play

The name of the play is "Who dunit" by C. B. Gilford. The play will be staged December 14.

Miss Stewart has chosen the following people as the cast: Isabelle, Carol DeVillez; Muriel, Jackie Williams; Alexander, Hoodie Allen; Miss Jenkins, Carolyn Douglas; Annie, Diana Blackburn; Vivian, Elizabeth Houseman; Harry, Mike Purcell; Brewster, Michael Padon; Andrew, Eddie Taylor; Flo, Joyce Sherron; Michael, Joe Sloan.

Those behind the scenes will be: Student Director, Betty George; Stage Director, Jackie Thompson; House Director, Judy Garrette; Make-up and Costumes, Martha Rose; Publicity, Jimmie Hicks; Sound, Mike Padon; Lighting, Robert Childress; Stage, Bill Anderson.

F. B. L. A. Selects "Mr. and Miss"

The F.B.L.A. Club has selected a Mr. F.B.L.A. and a Miss F.B.L.A. to represent their club for the month of November. They will choose one each month until the National Convention which will be held in April. At this time they will vote on two people among the group that held this position for a month. These people will represent the club at the Convention. This month's Mr. F.B.L.A. is David Shelton. David is a Senior. He takes the following subjects: English, bookkeeping, music, physical science, and Journalism. He is also on the basketball team. Miss F.B.L.A. is Patsy Byrd. She is a Senior. She takes the following subjects: English, bookkeeping, Office Practice, and Music.

The Importance Of American Education Week

American Education Week was observed throughout the country during the week of the 5th through the 11th of November.

The most important thing anyone can do during American Education Week is to resolve to be honest. We're not talking about robbing banks or selling worthless oil stock to elderly widows. We're talking about being honest with ourselves.

The great object of education is the sharpening of the intellect and the illumination of moral truth that gives meaning and direction to life.

To say that our own survival depends upon the effectiveness of the education we are providing today is, however, to state the case in terms of the lowest common denominators. Never have men held in their hands so much power for evil, so great a potential for good.

Much depends upon our own educational army. Even more depends upon the support we, the American people in general, are willing to provide in terms of buildings, equipment, adequate salaries, and money and encouragement for experimentation and research aimed at developing increasingly efficient and meaningful educational programs.

Here we have been trying to emphasize (1) the large numbers of Americans directly involved in the business of education, (2) the importance of education in these critical times and (3) the growing awareness of the fact that education is indeed important and that we need to develop as quickly as possible increasingly effective methods and techniques for teaching and learning.

According to the latest available estimates from the U. S. office of Education, more than 50 million men, women, and children are actively involved today in the nation's educational activities.

A Cappella Choir Invites Students To Join

On Thursday night, November 10, the Lone Oak High School A Cappella Choir presented its second concert of the year. The occasion was the McCracken County Teacher's Meeting and teachers from all over McCracken County were in attendance. The program consisted of three numbers. The first two, "If I Loved You" and "The Humpbacked Fiddler," were of a lighter nature. The third and last selection, "Beautiful Savior," was more of a spiritual number.

The A Cappella Choir, this year, is trying to combine serious music

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N.F.L. Chalks Up Points

On Tuesday, October 31, 18 senators and representatives from Lone Oak attended a practice invitational congress at Sikeston, Missouri. They gained valuable experience in speaking and also points toward their N. F. L. membership. Some of these students also participated in the regular session at Winchester, Kentucky, November 4. At this congress, one of our senators, Cathy Allison, was nominated by the judge for "Best Speaker of the Day". We can well be proud of our N.F.L. chapter, because Lone Oak received, on the whole, more points than any other school present.

Lone Oak High School debaters also attended the First Annual Fall Speech Festival at Evansville College on November 11.

The debaters discussed the National High School Debate Topic concerning Federal Aid to Education. Other activities included an Extemporeous Speaking Contest, an Original Composition Reading Contest, a Public Speaking Contest, and an Extemporeous Poetry Reading Contest.

This program was sponsored by the Evansville Chapter of Tau Kappa Alpha, national honorary forensics society.

What's Happened To Patriotism?

Our country is subject to a vanishing species—the American patriot. Whether we like it or not, this is our doing—yours and mine. These spineless, luxury-loving spiritless Americans are our friends, neighbors, brothers, sisters, and parents. We are responsible because we influence them in everything we do and say.

What has happened to true emotion? Why is all feeling only skin deep instead of from the heart? It seems Americans are either too busy or too lazy to create and experience a deep-rooted spirit of love, faith and true belief in the victory of our country. Words that America once treasured as a rich legacy, we have allowed to fade completely from the minds and hearts of our people. Words like "Liberty and Union, now and forever, one and inseparable . . ." "We have met the enemy and they are ours . . ." "I have not yet begun to fight." "Millions for defense, but not one cent for tribute . . ." REMEMBER? Our sin has been greater than these, though, for patriotism feeds on hero worship and during the past three decades literature has deliberately debunked the hero. Also, often times, as on television, the wrong character is portrayed as the hero.

How long has it been since we sang, "America the Beautiful"? Can you even remember the last time? But then how long has it been since you uttered the "jivy" words to the song, "Battle of New Orleans"? That's an example of what is happening to patriotism in our songs. All they have to have is a beat, and they will be a hit. Music with a beat is fine in its place, but when it destroys the honor of suffering and duty of the battles among men, it lowers the morale and courage of our country and each of us as an American.

Respect for the flag, which should mean so much to us, has reached a minimum, however, even with all this, all we have thus far is feeling. Without this feeling of love for life and your fellow human beings, both living and dead, we may lose our country and our privilege as an individual to govern ourselves.

Siress Elected Soph. Calendar Girl



JOYCE KAY SIRESS

The Calendar Girl for this month is Joyce Kay Siress, a sophomore. Before coming to Lone Oak, she and her family resided at Millington, Tenn. She takes the following subjects: English, geometry, civics, and biology. Joyce is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Siress and resides at 2920 Lone Oak Road.



Lone Oak Has Flag Raising

Lone Oak observed National Education Week on November 10, 1961 by assembling in the gym. Mr. Robinson talked to us about National Education week.

Ricky Riley and Bobby Summer marched out and stood in front of the band with the flag

The Oak "K" Apologizes

Pardon us for omitting the fact that Alta Burnett is treasurer of the Tri-Hi-Y Club.

SCHOOL SONGS

Many people have asked why the school songs aren't sung at ball games and pep meetings. The reason; Everyone doesn't know the words. The "OAK K" would like to take this opportunity to print the words to two of the songs.

If you don't know the words, clip this out of the paper and bring it to ball games with you. NOW YOU DON'T HAVE AN EXCUSE NOT TO SING!

THE LOYALTY SONG

We're loyal to you Lone Oak High, We're faithful and true Lone Oak High.

We'll back you to stand against the best in the land.

For we know you can stand Lone Oak High, ON BOYS!

So crack out that ball Lone Oak High.

We're backing you all Lone Oak High.

Our Team is the best protector.

On boys for we expect a victory from you Lone Oak High.

Fling out that dear old banner purple and gold.

For all our sons and daughters fighting so bold.

Like men of olden giants, fighting defiance, shouting reliance.

Os-ke-wa-wa!

Amid those broad green fields that nourish our land,

For honest labor and for learning we stand.

And unto thee we pledge our hearts and hands.

Our dear old high school, Lone Oak High!

Rah! Rah! Rah!

ON ON FLASH

On on Flash we say, We are ripe for the fight today,

Take the ball on down the floor, Every Lone Oak fan will roar,

We'll roar, roar, roar, for the purple and gold.

And we'll run up the score varsity, We will throw past and run,

Till the battle is won and Bring home the victory.

Rah! Rah! Rah!

of the United States and a banner representing Lone Oak High. The band helped to get us into the spirit of things by playing the National Anthem under the direction of Mr. Petty. Then Mike Harton led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. As the band played a number of other songs the majorettes performed for us. We then had a pep meeting for our first home game against Symsonia.

CHEERLEADERS PRAISE PEP SQUAD

The cheerleaders asked the "OAK K" to thank the pep squad for coming to ball games and for yelling. They said about the crowd, "You have come and have yelled when we are losing and when we are winning. It makes our job much easier if you yell without being asked. The ball players have noticed the yelling and they said, it really makes them feel good to know you are behind them."

Everyone must help win the ball game and the pep squad is certainly doing its part. So, KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!!!

F.B.L.A. Has Installation

The Lone Oak Future Business Leaders of America had their meeting on Tuesday, November 7. President Becky Johnson called the meeting to order and a short business meeting was held. The program was then turned over to Mrs. North, who installed the officers for the year. The officers installed were: President Becky Johnson, Vice-President Phyllis Lane, Secretary Marilyn Wallis, Treasurer Wanda Brittain, and Reporter Ronnie McIntosh. Mrs. North read to each officer their responsibility as an officer of the club, then they were accepted as officers.

The F.B.L.A. sponsors are: Mrs. Mary North and Mr. Elbert Crooks.

'OF THE MONTH'

By Winetta Wilkerson and David Thompson

- Senior Boy — Billy Hopwood
Senior Girl — Wanda Brittain
Junior Boy — Kenneth Grief
Junior Girl — Gayle Crews
Sophomore Boy — Barry Johnson
Sophomore Girl — Margaret Knight
Freshman Boy — Freddie Via
Freshman Girl — Paula Burks
Eighth Grade Boy — Tony Holsouser
Eighth Grade Girl — Phyllis Alexander
Seventh Grade Boy — Larry Griffith
Seventh Grade Girl — Mary Ann Wilkerson
Car of the month — John Overstreet
Movie — Back Street
T.V. Program—The Untouchables
Song — Runaround Sue
Teacher — Mr. Douglas
Event — First Ball Game
Tragedy — Mrs. Nagel's Departure
Wolf — Billy Triplett
Lamb — Sandy Davis
Dreamer — Becky Johnson
Sweetheart — Kay Shields
Musclehead — Beaver Wallace
Muscleman — David Nelson
Speed Demon — Linda Cole
Flirt — Donna Rees
Goof — Bill Ed Grimes
Saying — "Listen at You"

CAR OF THE MONTH

This month we have chosen a 1957 Chevy owned by John Overstreet. It is lowered 4" in the front. It has the hood and trunk shaved. Also it has scavenger pipes replacing regular stock pipes. Window moldings have been plated, and the shift has been converted to the floor. Accessories are Ampmeter, Oil Pressure Gauge, and a Tachometer. Extra chrome has been added to the motor, and wheel disc are 1961 Chevy.

TEACHER OF THE MONTH

Mr. Garvice Douglas has been selected for our teacher of the month. Mr. Douglas attended Hazel High School in Hazel, Kentucky and was graduated from Murray State College. Mr. Douglas majored in Chemistry and Education with minors in other sciences and English. Mr. Douglas has been teaching at Lone Oak for six years. He lives at 3587 Clinton Road in Lone Oak.

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The officers are from right to left: Gary Coltharp, Patty Adams, Eddie Clark, Barry Johnson, Bonnie Gaffin, Mike Harton and kneeling are Mike Kelly, and Larry Griffith.

BAND OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

The Lone Oak High School Band Officers for 1961-62 were elected by a democratic vote. The offices filled were: President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, and a representative from each class. The Band Council will assist the director, Mr. Richard Petty in every way possible in order to make the band a smoother operating organization. It will also act as the judicial branch of the band, and will make the decisions for the Band activities. The officers were chosen because of

their ability to play the instrument. Mr. Petty is very proud to have these newly elected officers working with him.

Lone Oak students received their yearly pictures. Most people frowned and hated them, but there were a few who liked theirs. Students exchanged pictures with each other and had their fun. Now we wait till next year for our pictures again.

"Lone Oak Students Attend Quad State Music Festival"

The 14th annual Quad State Music Festival was held on November 6 in The Student Union Building at Murray State College in Murray, Kentucky.

The day began with practice at 9:00 in the morning and ended directly after the Concert which began at 7:00 P.M.

Names of those from Lone Oak who participated in the Festival were included in the last issue. Robert Barr was the director of the three hundred voice choir which sang five selections. Mr. Richard Farrell and Mr. Josiah Darnall were the chairmen for the festival. The Festival was sponsored by Murray State and co-sponsored by the First District Kentucky Music Education Association.

The Festival, which has been held for fourteen consecutive years was as usual a great success. Although there were many hard parts in the program, Mr. Barr did an excellent job in directing the choir.

Music Department To Have Christmas Concert

On Sunday, December 19, at 3:00 p.m. the Lone Oak Music Department will hold its annual Christmas concert. The concert will feature works by Handel, Christiansen, Peigolesi, Hillman, and Davis. The Hallelujah Chorus from the Messiah, an 18th century work by Handel, along with Wake Awake by Christiansen will be the main numbers.

Several other numbers such as Glory to God In the Highest by Peigolesi, Master Of Human Destinies taken from the Poem Opportunity by Hillman, Carol of the Drum by Davis, Parade of the Wooden Soldiers, and We Wish You A Merry Christmas will be included by the choir.

An audience participation session will be held near the latter part of the program in which the old familiar Christmas Carols will be sung.

The band will also perform during the program but all of the selections are not available at the present time.

Hi-Y Holds Car Wash

The Hi-Y held a car wash on November 11th at Brannon's Gulf Station to raise money for the club. Mike Purcell, Joe Sloan and Andy Palmer represented the club at the United Nations meeting held at Louisville on November the 10th and 11th.

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By David Shelton

RULE CHANGES MADE IN KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Kentucky High School Basketball will be played with several important rule changes this year. Most important of the changes will give the defensive team the ball, but no free throw, when an offensive foul is committed. Another important change is the elimination of the sudden-death play-off, if the game is tied after a three minute overtime additional 3 minute overtimes will now be played until one team is ahead. Other changes include widening the neutral zone, separating the first and second spaces on both sides of the free throw lane from 8 to 12 inches, allow the visiting team to choose the basket it wishes to practice with and use for the first half; and allow a substitute to enter the game when the ball is dead.

Lone Oak High School Basketball Schedule

1961-1962

Dec. 1—Benton	A
Dec. 5—North Marshall	A
Dec. 8—Reidland	H
Dec. 12—Carlisle County	H
Jan. 5—South Marshall	H
Jan. 9—Heath	H
Jan. 12—Sedalia	A
Jan. 13—Lowes	H
Jan. 16—Benton	H
Jan. 19—Tilghman	A
Jan. 23—Ballard	A
Jan. 26—Reidland	A
Jan. 30—North Marshall	H
Feb. 2—Hickman County	H
Feb. 6—St. Mary's	A
Feb. 9—Symsonia	A
Feb. 13—Mayfield	A
Feb. 16—Tilghman	H
Feb. 20—Wingo	H



Ron Alexander (24) and David Shelton (20), of Lone Oak are shown in action in Lone Oak-Symsonia game. Lone Oak won their home opener 61-47.

LONE OAK TOPS SYMSONIA

Lone Oak looked very impressive in its 1961-'62 home opener by rolling past Symsonia 61-47 on November 10. The Oakers used a well-balanced scoring attack with four men hitting in double figures. Lone Oak actually wrapped the game up in the first quarter by outscoring Symsonia 26-13. Charles Brown led the Flash with 17 points followed by Ron Alexander 13, David Shelton 12, Billy Hopwood 11, and Pat Hawley 8. Jim Youngblood paced the losing Roughriders with 20 points.

LOWES ROLLS PAST LONE OAK 94-65

The Lowes Blue Devils used a torrid field goal percentage plus control of both offensive and defensive backboards in rolling past the Lone Oak Purple Flash 94-65 on November 14 at Lowes.

The Flash managed to stay with the powerful Lowes quintet for two quarters and trailed by only 12 points, 46-34, at half-time. Billy Chumbler led the Lowes scoring attack with 22 points followed closely by David Winn with 21, and Jerry Page with 19. Charles Brown led the Oaker's losing cause with 20 points, followed closely by Ron Alexander with 18. No other Lone Oak player managed to hit in double figures.

A CAPPELLA CHOIR . . .

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with lighter and more popular music. The Choir already consists of approximately 45 members and is expecting to enlarge at every opportunity. If you would like to join the Choir or know of anyone else who would like to join, please get in touch with Mr. Petty.

Livingston Central Downs Lone Oak

Livingston Central used a 49 point barrage in the second half to overcome a 4 point half time deficit and go on to down Lone Oak 73-52 on November 7, at Livingston. The Flash outplayed the talented Cardinals for a half and took a 28-24 lead to the dressing room at intermission. Tommie Rammage bombed in 36 points to lead the Cardinals attack while Billy Hopwood and Charles Brown paced the Oaker's losing cause with 13 points each.

OAKERS IMPRESSIVE IN JAMBOREE

Lone Oak stole the spotlight in the Jamboree at Heath on November 3, for the second consecutive year. Last year the Oakers surprised highly regarded South Marshall 21-16, this year it was Reidland 23-18. The Flash used a standout defense and a potent offense in downing the talented Greyhounds. Ron Alexander, All Purchase Candidate, poured in 12 points to lead the Flash. Lone Oak had high score for the night and walked off with the official game ball.

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