

Teams Crown Lesa Elliott Queen

By: Cheryl Housman

Lesla Elliott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Elliott, was chosen from three candidates to be the Lone Oak High School

Homecoming Queen. The event took place on Friday night, February 24, 1978.

Lesla lives on New Hope Road and has been very active in Lone

Oak. She has participated in Pep Club, Tri-Hi-Y, DECA, Student Council, the Girls Varsity Basketball Team, and Junior Class Reporter. She has also been on the OAK LEAVES staff, and Phi-Alpha-Delta.

Some of her outside school life includes tennis, swimming, and basketball.

Her escort Friday evening was

sleeves and flowing skirt were accented with insets of a design of pale rose.

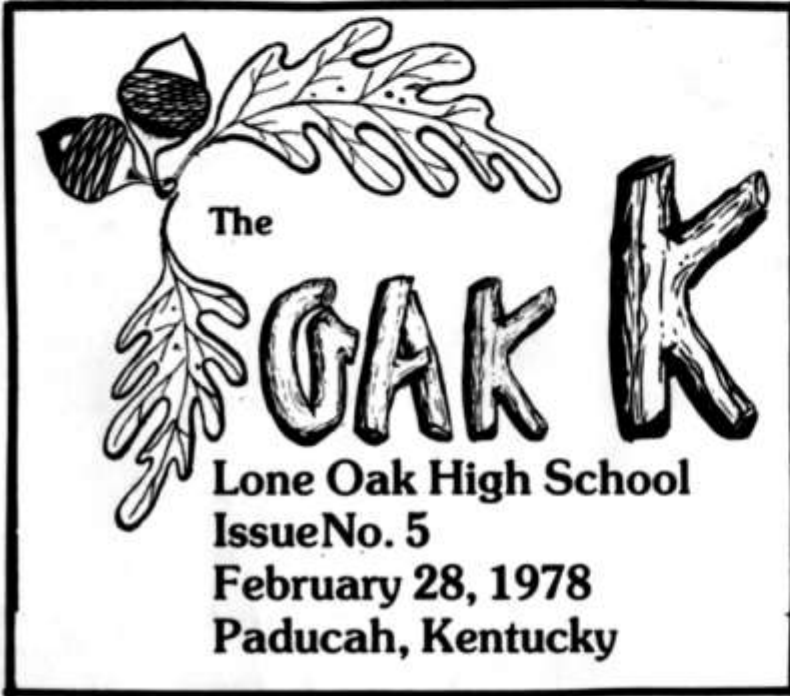
Lesla remarked, "I was really honored to represent the Senior Class."

Julie Folsom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Folsom, was a senior attendant. Julie lives on Clinton Road. In her four years at Lone Oak she has been active in

playing tennis, and softball, and swimming.

With Barry Tidwell as her escort, she was attired in a dress of a delicate floral voile in shades of light green and pink. The dress had a peasant body, a sheared waist with a tiered skirt.

When Lesla was nominated she responded, "I felt very honored



Lesla Elliott is filled with excitement while senior attendants Toni Felean and Julie Folsom look on.



1978 Homecoming Court

Christina Schwegman, sophomore; Toni Felean, senior; Lesla Elliott, queen; Julie Folsom, senior; Leisa Neihoff, junior and Susan Elliott, freshman.

Kenny Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Perry, of Kimberly Drive. She was wearing a dress inspired in cream shadow voile. The long

choir, Student Council, Band, Student Council Secretary, and Pep Club Secretary. Her hobbies are singing, playing the piano, and gymnastics.

Julie's escort Friday was Kerry Henderson. He lives at 222 Summitt Drive with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Henderson.

Julie was wearing a peach colored knit dress with a drawstring waist. It had ties on the shoulders and had cap sleeves.

Toni Felean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Felean was another senior attendant. She lives at 460 Palisade Circle. Toni has been active in Phi-Alpha-Delta, Oak Leaves, and Secretary for the D.E. Department. Her hobbies are swimming, cooking, and working with animals.

Kent Canter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Canter, was Toni's escort. Toni said she was shocked, but really happy to be nominated one of the candidates for the L.O.H.S. Basketball Homecoming.

The Junior Class nominated Leisa Neihoff to be the Junior attendant. Leisa and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neihoff, live at 3155 Lone Oak Road.

Her years at Lone Oak include activities in Pep Club, Band, Junior Varsity Cheerleader, Student Council, Class Officer, Music Club, and Oak K staff. Her hobbies are gymnastics, cheerleading,

and excited. It really made me feel that I have a lot of friends that I really didn't know I had."

Christina Schwegman of Houser Road was the Sophomore attendant. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Dodds. Since Christina has been in Lone Oak High School she has taken an interest in Beta Club, Cheerleading, Student Council, and was Vice-President of her Freshman Class. Her hobbies are showing horses and gymnastics.

Christina chose Dane Fulkerson, son of Emily Fulkerson, to be her escort. Her outfit consisted of a long, light blue dress with a blue velvet strip down the front. A beige blouse with cuffs underneath complimented the dress. Christina said she was "Extremely excited and felt very privileged."

Susan Elliott, sister of the Queen, was the Freshman attendant. She lives on New Hope Road. At school Susan enjoys Band and Tri-Hi-Y, while at home she spends her time playing tennis, basketball, swimming, and playing the piano.

Wes Hagan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kilcoyne was her escort.

Susan was dressed in a navy blue and white checked cotton tiered skirt. The bare shoulder peasant type bodice was enhanced with a navy shawl.



'78 State Champs?

Oakers J.P. Felker, Bruce Dreher, David Wilkins, Brent Dreher, Stan Shuemaker, and Barry Tidwell listen intently to Coach Albert Norris as he directs the Lone Oak Purple Flash into the District Tournament. The team ranks first in the region, tenth in the state and sports a 18-2 record.

College...

Is It For You?

By: Shari Murphy

Have you decided whether or not to attend college? There are many pros and cons concerning attending college. One may feel that college will help in preparing for the career desired. Also attending college may make one feel more independent than if he did not.

On the other hand, why spend all the money for tuition and books and eventually work as a secretary, a position that doesn't require a college degree?

Does college guarantee you a rewarding career? Not necessarily, but there are no non-college short cuts to becoming a doctor, lawyer, teacher, or other professional. Many argue, however, that the main objective of college is to learn for love of learning, to grow personally and intellectually, and to gain preparation for a specific career.

Is college the best road to independence? For some it is. If one goes away to college, one will probably experience new personal freedom such as who your friends will be, how often one dates, eats, sleeps, and whether or not one will cut a class.

It all seems to depend on whether you are doing what YOU want to do and what suits your personal desires. Before you go to college consider all of the pros and cons and decide whether college is for you.

Guidance From Griffith

By: Janice Whitlock

The school year has begun its second semester and any senior who questions his credits for graduation should check in Mr. Griffith's office. The seniors who have made applications for scholarships should check in Mr. Griffith's office and let him know with which schools you have applied.

PCC will be here to speak with all seniors on March 6, second

hour. A Murray representative will speak with seniors at 9:10 March 14. All applicants for scholarships to Murray should have their applications in by the middle of March.

Juniors will have the Armed Services Vocational test on March 22 and 23. Junior achievement tests will also be in March, although the date is not yet known.

I'm Only OnxPxrson

Xvxn though my typxwritxr is an old modxl, it works quitx wxll xcpt for onx of thx kxys. I havx wishxd many timxs that it workxd pxrfctly. It is that thrxx arx forty-six kxys that function wxll xnough, but just onx kxy not working makxs thx diffxrxncx.

You may say to yoursxlf, "Wxll, I am only onx pxrson. It won't makx much diffxrxncx." But you sx, thx group, to bx xfxctivx, nxxds thx activx participation of vxrvy pxrson.

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So thx nxxt timx you think you arx only onx pxrson and that your xffort is not nxxdxd, rxmxmbxr my typxwritxr and say to yoursxlf, "I am a kxy pxrson and nxxdxd vxr' much!"

Wanted:

By: Janie Parker

Are those used paperback books stacking up? And in the way? If so, the BOOK STOP is just what you need.

The library aides with the supervision of Mrs. Lia Matheny, student teacher, are beginning a paperback book exchange.

To get started, the aides will gladly accept any book donations you would make.

Simply bring any donations to Mrs. Matheny in the library. When enough books are collected, the BOOK STOP will be available to students for exchanging books.

Watch bulletin boards around the school for announcements.

People ...

By: Luanne Smith

Nat "King" Cole not only left us memories of his ability to "sing the blues" but also left his daughter, Natalie Cole, to follow in his footsteps.

Natalie Cole, a tomboy at heart, originally wasn't interested in singing. She loved music as much as her talented father but left the singing to him.

At the age of twelve, Natalie's ambition was to be a stewardess. At thirteen she liked the idea of becoming a brain or heart surgeon. Natalie dropped this idea in high school when she realized that science wasn't one of her strongest fields.

Natalie started college at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst with psychology as her major. During her senior year she began singing as a stand-in for a sick friend. Singing seemed too much fun for Natalie to take seriously.

Natalie Cole's singing profession began after graduation. She started with a wild style of music influenced by Janis Joplin and Ike and Tina Turner among others. Eventually Natalie's voice changed, allowing her to sing a piercing soprano in her rhythmic blues style.

Natalie Cole went from appearing with her father to small club performances and finally into that magic land of stardom. At twenty-seven she is a promising performer with an electrifying voice.

Natalie produced her first album **Inseperable** in 1975. She brought us **Natalie** in '76 and she has now published **Unpredictable**. All three albums have turned to gold in more ways than one. Each has sold more than half a million copies.

Natalie's soul-stirring singing has won her many top music awards. She won the Best New Artist of the Year Grammy award, two consecutive Best Rhythmn and Blues Femal Vocalist awards and this year the Favorite Female Soul Singer award at the American Music Awards.

Natalie tours thirty to forty weeks a year. Singing is the top thing in her life. Her husband, Marvin Yancy, follows a close second. Yancy, along with Chuck Jackson, writes Natalie's songs and selects what will go on an album.

Natalie's success is attributed to her own talent. She began as Nat "King" Cole's daughter. Now she is Natalie Cole - the gifted flip-side of the King.

Soccer, Anyone?

As a part of their Spring Soccer Program the YMCA is offering a free Soccer Clinic Monday March 6 at Jetton Jr. High Gym, for information on the clinic or Spring Soccer League call 444-7821.

Are You Afraid?

By: Kim Stiles

Do you have **acrophobia**? If so, you have a fear of large open space. Maybe you have **claustrophobia**, which is a fear of confined spaces.

Most of us are afraid of something. These fears are called phobias and are treated by psychoanalysis. Some doctors say that fear is usually a symbol for another fear. The original fear stems from a childhood event which has been forgotten over the years.

If you are afraid of cats, you have **aibuophobia**, and fear of thunderstorms is called **astraphobia**. Some other common fears are **ervthophobia** (fear of blushing), **hydrophobia** (fear of water) and **myctophobia** (fear of the dark). And if you have a fear of fear, you have **phobiaphobia**!

Does anyone know what **aichmophobia** is? I'm afraid to find out!



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Proud honor roll students take a few moments from studying to pose for recognition.

Oak K Commends High Achievers

By: Karen Hunt

It's rather hard to believe that the second nine weeks is all ready over, and we're well into the second half of the school year. This month the OAK K is focusing on the students who averaged all A's or all A's and B's for the first semester.

If your name is not on the list, then your homeroom teacher didn't turn it in.

A's

12th Grade

John Root, David Story, Melody Walker, Dana House, Terry Dukes, Shelia Byrd, Renee Posey, Resa Thompson, Janice Whitlock, Karen Hunt, Tim Scheer, Felicia McCarty, Renee McIntosh, Marlena Sawyer and Torrie Keeling.

11th Grade

Susan Miller, Kim Stiles and Kris Houser.

10th Grade

Gaye Watson, Wendy Houser,

Kirt Langston, Chet Overstreet, Cathy Price, Sherri Puckett and Anita Habeck.

9th Grade

Heather Longton, Tracy Ligon, Kym Yarbrough, Louis Perdue and Carolyn Davis.

A's & B's

12th Grade

Charlene Reeves, Luanne Smith, Hunter Ward, David Wilkins, Mitch Dunlap, Todd Doyle, Karen Farmer, Barry Elliott, Julie Folsom, Cookie Franklin, Beth Hawkins, Lisa Wright, Susanne Piercy, Toni Felean, Margaret Brindley, Betty Flournoy, Marsha Jarvis, Darlene Simmons, Terri Burton, Lesa Elliott, Stan Davis and Brenda Blackman.

11th Grade

Shari Murphy, Mark Bass, Angela McCullough, Scott Thompson, Bruce Tucker, Steve Vick, Charles Walter, Kim Wurth,

Stewart Yancy, Jay Jeffrey, Randy Highers, Renee King and Greta Hipp.

10th Grade

Larenda Nelson, Phillip Nethery, Ronnie Overton, Tina Mullen, Deborah O'Daniel, Cynthia Otey, Sheila Owens, Deborah Poat, Jane Followell, Dane Fulkerson, Carol Garnett, Kim Grimm, Scott Hartig, Lucinda Hawkins, Tammie Henson, Kayla Gill, Scott Leedy, Terri Taylor, Tammie Tucker, Tim Turner, Melody Houser, Cindy Johnson, Jennifer Johnson, Melody King, Jeffrey Lawrence, Cheryl Luigs, Julie McGowan, Ben McIntosh, Susan Minton, Melanie Mueller, Marvin Quertermous, Martha Rikel, Dale Roberts and Angela Robinson.

9th Grade

Jean Miller, Sandy Felts, Sydia Jones, Susan Edwards, Tony McOlgan, Brenda McElrath, Micki Keeling, Robert Tracy, Tonis Barkley, Doug Barnes, Karen Beals, Rhonda Bearden, Beverly Broyles, Russell Sloan, Sheri Smith, Lee Stacy, Tammy Stonecipher and Laura Runge.

Happy Birthday To

February

- 20th Rickie Felts
George Pattenotte
Keith Fondow
Joanie Colson
Timothy Broyles
Cathi Martin
- 27th Marvin Quertermous
Melinda Peck
- 29th Shane Boss
Steve Mathus

Lone Oak Welcomes Exchange Student

By: Cheryl Housman

Have you ever been away from your family, friends, everyone you knew and introduced into new surroundings...in another language?!! It's a difficult adjustment for Jordi Bosch. He is Lone Oak's 17 year old exchange student from Chile. He's been residing with the Finley family since January 21 and will be leaving on June 17.

Jordi says he enjoys all his classes in spite of the fact that English is spoken and his native tongue is Spanish. Besides adjusting to another language, he says the customs of the people and even the meals are different. Jordi is used to a much smaller breakfast than we are, but lunch is

a very big meal in his country.


The school day in Chile is much longer than the school day at Lone Oak. The classes last about 45 minutes each. The day begins at 8:15 a.m. and lasts until 12:45 p.m. Students leave school then for a two hour break. Classes resume at 2:45 p.m. and dismiss at 5:20 p.m.

Jordi has already graduated from his high school in Chile and is in Kentucky on a vacation. Agriculture is what Jordi is interested in pursuing for his future.

As of yet, Jordi hasn't been here long enough to be aware of the academic differences between the two schools, but is enjoying his classes regardless of the language barrier.



Interviewer Cheryl Housman and Mr. Buckner, foreign language instructor with Jordi Bosch as he points out his country.

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Mrs. Thompson, Teacher of the Month.

Students 'Trill' to All-State

By: Mark Bass
 "Congratulations!! You have been selected for membership in the 1978 Kentucky All-State Orchestra." This exciting sentence is the opening sentence in letters written to Junior Elizabeth Feldsien and Sophomore Laura Peavler. Elizabeth and Laura both will represent Lone Oak High School and await outstanding experiences with many young people who will comprise the All-State Orchestra in Lexington, Kentucky.

Kentucky Music Educators Association is reserving the entire Hyatt Regency Hotel in Lexington so all activities may be under one roof. All students who are members of the three performing groups—band, chorus, and orchestra—are urged to stay at the Hyatt.

The conductor of the 1978 orchestra will be Istvan Jary, Music director and conductor of both the Waudesha, Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra, and the Fox Valley, Wisconsin Symphony. Mr. Jary is also the director of orchestral activities at Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh. The program for the 11 state Orchestra is:

- Beethoven: Symphony #5 - Movements 1 and 2
- Vaughan Williams: Folk Song Suite
- Nelson: Jubilee
- Glinka: Russian and Ludmilla Overture
- Vivaldi: Concerto for Four Violins in B minor

The first rehearsal will be Thursday, March 16, in the Lexington Civic Center and the concert will be March 18.

Heart Fund Lone Oak Earns \$561

By: Cookie Franklin
 Lone Oak collected \$561 for this years heart fund drive. Lone Oak placed fourth out of the five schools. Heath placed first this year. They collected \$1,812. Heath will receive a free disco dance with the WKYX disc jockeys hosting and they will also receive the WKYX "I CARE" Award.

The total amount the schools collected for the American Heart Fund Association was \$5,452.

Oak K Staff Salutes Mrs. Thompson

By: Kim Stiles
 This month the OAK K staff would like to pay tribute to Mrs. Brenda Thompson, who has been selected as the Outstanding Teacher for the month of February.

Mrs. Thompson teaches freshman and sophomore English and has taught at Lone Oak High School for seven years. In 1976 she took a 17 month leave of absence. During this time, she had a baby boy. Mrs. Thompson and her husband Bill named their son Blake. He is now 21 months old.

Mrs. Thompson attended Heath High School. She received her BA at Georgetown College and received her MA at Murray State University. Mrs. Thompson said

that when she first began her teaching career the rules were much more strict than they are now. Whenever Mrs. Thompson was asked whom she admired the most, she replied, "I admire anyone who works hard and is happy and content with what he is doing."

Painting and wall papering her new house in Lone Oak are some of Mrs. Thompson's hobbies. She stated that her favorite food is a salad and her favorite movie is Camelot.

Happy Birthday To

- March
- 1st Rod Yewell
Susan Lynn
Rita Langston
- 2nd Resa Thompson
Lisa Schmidt
- 3rd Wade McNeil



Elizabeth Feldsien, junior and Laura Peavler, sophomore will represent Lone Oak in this years All-State Orchestra.

Of The Month

By: Shari Murphy & Kim Pleasant
 Senior Boy: Brad Morris
 Senior Girl: Glenda Dexter
 Junior Boy: Charles McGuire
 Junior Girl: Connie Miller
 Sophomore Boy: Randall Cruse
 Sophomore Girl: Kayla Gill
 Freshman Boy: Bud Calhoun
 Freshman Girl: Cathy Jenkins
 Song: WE WILL ROCK YOU
 Movie: THE GAUNTLET

Speed Demon: Greta Hipp
 Flirt: Ginger McCown
 Wolf: Bobby Dowell
 Lamb: Kathy Waggoner
 Goof: Rena Latta
 Group: QUEEN
 Klutz: Kris Houser
 Couple: Steve Miller & Gayla Griggs
 Happening: Basketball Homecoming



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David Wilkins Serves As Junior Rotarian

By: Resa Thompson

Could a starter on the Varsity Basketball Team also be an excellent student in his studies? Could he be turning toward the University of Kentucky and majoring in Physical Therapy



David Wilkins

upon graduation? No doubt, David Wilkins, January's Jr. Rotarian is the student which accomplishes these jobs.

David attends the Rotary Meetings at Grief's Restaurant on Wednesdays. During the meetings the Rotarians discuss different topics about community projects and they also enjoy a delightful lunch!

David is the son of Mr. & Mrs. James Edward Wilkins of 250 Pepper Lane. He enjoys all sports and participates in varsity basketball, the tennis team, and plays ping-pong during his spare time. David will be attending the University of Kentucky majoring in Physical Therapy. His classes of chemistry, physics, anatomy and physiology have played a large part in getting David interested in a health career.

Physiology Class Practices Mouth to Mouth

By: Janice Whitlock

What should a person do if he finds someone who could be dying? Mr. Pat Trevathan from Paducah Area Vocational Center is teaching the fourth hour physiology class what to do in such an emergency. He is licensed by the Red Cross and the Kentucky Emergency Medical Technicians Instructors to teach cardiopulmonary resuscitation or CPR for short.

Since the class started in November, one day a week, Mr. Trevathan teaches the class about respiration, mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and compression. They are learning to practice CPR using one person to administer it and also two person CPR. Dummies are used to practice on. Each has a heart with colored water for

blood and the rib cage and breast-bone to teach the proper procedure.

Should a person find someone who is not breathing, he should try to arouse them. If there is no response, he should tilt the victim's head back to open his airway. The breathing is checked by feeling for air from the nostrils and watching the chest for movement. If there is no breathing, mouth-to-mouth resuscitation is used blowing four quick breaths into the victim. Next, the pulse is felt in the carotid artery in the neck. Should there be no pulse, CPR is started. This procedure is used for one person to perform on adults over 80 pounds. The base of the palm is placed below the sternum and above the xiphoid process. Placing the other hand on top, the fingers

are interlocked. Keeping the arms straight, compression is started at a rate of 15 compressions per 11 seconds. After each set of 15 compressions, two quick breaths are blown into the victim. This is continued until relieved by someone or an ambulance arrives.

This procedure is used to save lives but can be harmful to the victim if not properly administered. The ribs or xiphoid process could be broken, thus puncturing the liver, lungs, or heart.

Anyone interested in going into the health field must know how to administer CPR. Mr. McGroarty's physiology class will sponsor this course again next year for those wanting to learn the process. If the CPR course is taken in high school, then two college credits can be obtained by simply passing the test given.



Senior Scott Spahr revives "Annie" as CPR instructor Pat Trevathan, senior Valerie Burgen and Mr. McGroarty look on.

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All-State Chorus members Budde Garland, Julie Pirtle, Susan Minton, Tana Overstreet, Mitch Dunlap and Mike Turner.

Choral Students To Attend All-State Festival

By: Janie Parker

For seven Lone Oak students, Kentucky All-State Chorus will highlight their year. The chorus will be held in Lexington, Kentucky on March 16-18.

Those attending are students

who earned high scores at an audition last November. They are: Susan Minton, Julie Pirtle, Mike Turner, sophomores; Robin Steele, and Budde Garland, juniors; and Tana Overstreet and Mitch Dunlap, seniors.

Murphy's Monologue

By: Shari Murphy

Whether playing Rock and Roll, Blues, or R & B, Boz Scaggs is always as courageous or classy as the moment demands. It's his natural way.

Each of his five albums preceding the now double platinum, "Silk Degrees" has been a building testament to the musical explosion of which Boz is an essential part. His success is overwhelming. "Silk Degrees" yielded four hit singles: "It's Over", "Lowdown", "What Can I Say?", and "Lido Shuffle".

Boz is proud of his hit songs as well as the Grammy Award for the best R & B song of 1976 for "Lowdown". He also received Grammy nominations for: Album of the Year, best LP package, best pop vocal by a male, and best R &

B vocal performance by a male of "Lowdown".

"Silk Degrees" was an extension of musical feelings and themes that Boz had always worked with. Boz has had several albums cut earlier than his now famous "Silk Degrees". They were entitled: "Boz Scaggs", "Moments", "Boz Scaggs and Band", "My Time", and "Slow Dancer".

Boz Scaggs does not talk much of his early days with the Steve Miller Band. There's simply no need! He has always been his own interpreter. Instead he is concentrating on an extensive summer—long tours and the next record. After all, he has completed six albums of dazzlingly different solo works; therefore, it is obvious that he is not about to stop now.

Teachers Elect Tidwell Library Outstanding Student To Present Exhibit

By: Connie Miller

The faculty of L.O.H.S. has elected Senior Barry Tidwell as February's Student of the Month.

Barry's classes include accounting, Algebra II and College Prep 12. He also is employed at Lone Oak Elementary School.

Sports is one of the many activities that keeps Barry occupied. He is a starter on the varsity basketball team, and has been a member of the tennis team for three years.

Barry's reaction about the success of the varsity basketball team is, "I'm really happy that we're winning especially since this is my last year." he also is very enthusiastic about this year's tennis

team. He replied, "I am looking forward to going to Florida and I hope we will have a very successful year."

Barry hopes to attend either Western Kentucky, Murray State, or Paducah Community College. He intends to major in Business Administration.

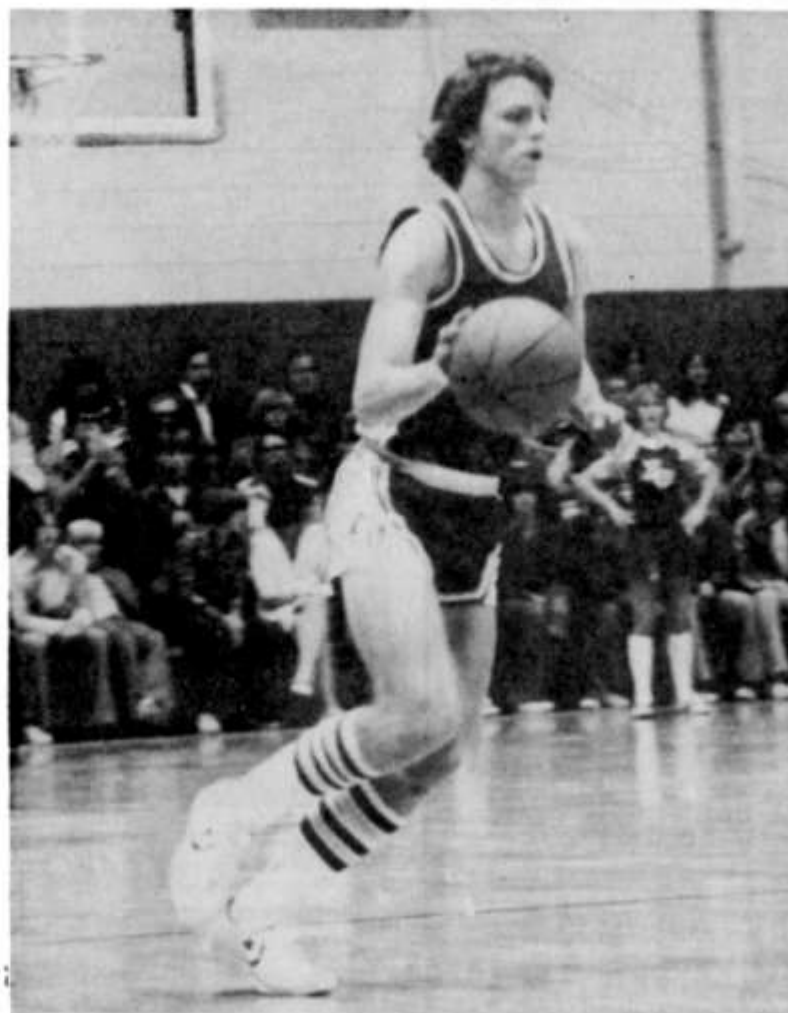
During the four years Barry has been enrolled in Lone Oak High School, he has been involved in many school activities. He has been active in FCA, two years; Tennis Club, one year; and was elected to Boy's State in the summer of 1977.

Some of Barry's pastimes are playing basketball, tennis, and watching T.V.

Have you made a career choice? Do you plan to go to college? Have you thought about attending a Community College? If you are looking for answers to these questions, you will be interested in examining the materials which will be on display in the library March 13-17.

The exhibit of filmstrips, records and cassette tapes will be on loan from the Paducah Community College Library Career Collection. According to Jennie Boyarski, PCC Librarian, this year's display has been expanded to include allied health field, business occupations and computer science related jobs.

A representative from the Paducah Community College Counseling Staff will be in the library Thursday, March 16 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon to answer questions concerning PCC and to help with career planning. For more information contact Mrs. Gwen Helfer in the library.



Barry Tidwell, student of the month, dribbles down court toward another two points.

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Community Spotlight

By: Cookie Franklin

This month the OAK K Staff acknowledges Mrs. Helen Pryor for her outstanding service to the community.

This past year Mrs. Pryor opened up a little sewing shop behind her house, and it didn't take long for her business to boom. She doesn't serve just Lone Oak but other schools too. She makes choir, cheerleading, and football uniforms.

Mrs. Pryor is truly dedicated to the sewing needs of the community and to prove this, there have been many times that she and Mrs. Kathlene Hartford, her assistant, have had to stay up half

the night in order to get uniforms out for someone or some organization. This was the case back in December when the cheerleaders decided that they needed an outfit for the Christmas Tournament, and even though Mrs. Pryor had other personal obligations she managed to get the outfits done before the deadline.

Mr. and Mrs. Pryor reside at 111 Nolan Drive, with two of their sons, Johnny, and Jeffery. Wesley their oldest son has recently married.

"Seeing the clothes I've sewed gives me a feeling of pride and satisfaction" remarked Mrs. Pryor.



LOMS Favorites - Seated: Karen Parkhill, Lisa Thompson, Polly Meek, Sara Beth Spahr, Julie Habacker, Laurie Watts, Dooper Winstead, Yvette Wilson, Diana Randall and Kim Steger. Standing: Shane Jones, Cary Carney, Todd Dowdy, Greg Raney, Jimmy Boggess, Jeff Reed, Brent Hurst, Kevin Harper, and Roy Copeland. Not pictured is Andy Elbon.

Nine Students To Attend All-District Band

By: Janice Whitlock

Nine Lone Oak students were chosen to participate in All-District Band in mid-February. The 17 schools in Region 1 and the following students were chosen:

Lisa Read, flute; Laura Peavler, flute; Renee Crutcher, flute; Kelly Siegfried, clarinet; Michele Presley, clarinet; Doug Harper, baritone sax; John Rinella, trum-

pet; David Read, trombone; and Garland Crowell, baritone horn.

The 88-member band was chosen from a total of 110 students. The judges were band directors from the surrounding area.

After the rehearsals, the concert was held in Lovett Auditorium at Murray State University. The director was Dr. Sidrfeiy McKay from Memphis State University.

LOMS Selects 1978 Superlatives

By: Resa Thompson

It's that time of the year again for a limited number of students to be chosen as Lone Oak Middle School Superlatives. These students are all eighth graders and were voted on by the eighth grade class. The lucky students this year are as follows:

Miss L.O.M.S. - Julie Habacker
Mr. L.O.M.S. - Greg Raney

Lady Beautiful - Karen Parkhill
Lord Handson - Shane Jones
Girl Most Likely to Succeed - Sara Beth Spahr
Boy Most Likely to Succeed - Todd Dowdy
Best Dressed Girl - Yvette Wilson
Best Dressed Boy - Brent Hurst
Most Talented Girl - Lisa Thompson
Most Talented Boy - Andy Elbon

Friendliest Girl - Kim Steger
Friendliest Boy - Roy Copeland
Miss Athlete - Dooper Winstead
Mr. Athlete - Jeff Reed
Miss Pep - Polly Meek
Mr. Hustle - Cary Carney
Miss Witty - Laurie Watts
Mr. Wacky - Jimmy Boggess
Miss Flirt - Diana Randall
Mr. Wolf - Kevin Harper

Feast Wins Essay Contest

By: Steven Beals

Every year the Lone Oak FFA chapter participates in the Courier Journal Essay Contest. Each year the Courier Journal picks a topic such as: forestry, land, or some type of pollution. This year's topic was Wildlife conservation. James

Feast received first place in the chapter and then won the regional contest. His essay is now entered in the state contest. James will be awarded a plaque and a twenty-five dollar bond.

Many of our members are now

preparing for upcoming regional contest. This contest will be held at Murray on March 21. Some of the contest we will be entering are: public speaking, impromptu speaking, parliamentary procedure, music contest, and the AIC contest.


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9th Todd Doyle
Stan Davis
Ruth Ann Schmidt
Kirt Langston

10th Sammy Speer
Jeff Lawrence
Sandra Hawes
Camilla Calhoun
Susan Elliot
Karen Hunt
Dianna Cain
Bruce Douglas
11th Butch Midkiff
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1978... A Carbon Copy

By: Debbie Latham

Well, it looks as if 1978 began just as 1977. That is with snow forcing schools to close most of January.

If you enjoy sledding, building snowmen, or just sitting at home in front of the fire then you were probably having a lot of fun.

More than eight inches of snow were recorded in and around the Paducah area last January. This year we more than quadrupled that amount! According to AAA, we have had 35 inches of snow fall in the months of January and February, and the forecast is still unpredictable!

In addition to the snow, another problem was added to the first problem at the beginning of January. This was the flu virus.

The Paducah city schools were forced to close this year because of the flu virus which reached epidemic stages in some areas.

At least 20 percent of the students in the McCracken County schools must be absent, according to Superintendent Brown, in order for the schools to close because of the flu virus.

As of now, a decision has not been reached as to how many days the schools will make up. If

the state board of education alters the requirement for the length of the school year, then Governor Carroll can make another adjustment of reducing the school year by five additional days. Those ten, coupled with the in-service and professional days the teachers attended during the days the students were dismissed for snow, only leaves approximately four days to be made up as of now. However, if the calendar is not altered, we may be attending school during spring break, on Saturdays, extending the school year into June or lengthening the school day by an hour or two. Whatever the decision, hopefully we seniors who plan to enter summer school will be able to do so.

Happy Birthday To

18th Bonnie Smith
Mark Belt
Gaye Watson
Renee Crutcher
Jackie Stone
Mark Reid

Ken Hancock Ranks Outstanding Student

By: Kathy Garland

Ken Hancock has been selected as being the "outstanding student" this month. Ken was born in McComb, Mississippi, on March 22, 1961, where he lived until the age of three.

Ken has had the opportunity to travel around the area before coming to Lone Oak. He has lived in Central City, Kentucky; Kankakee, Illinois; Bellville, Illinois; and then Chicago, Illinois, before he was eight years old.

Ken is a junior involved in football, basketball, and baseball here at Lone Oak. He is studying U.S. History, advanced math, Typing 1, College Prep 11, and Chemistry 11. Ken's favorite food is steak and his favorite movie is ROCKY.

"Giving students an open lunch hour" is how Ken feels would improve Lone Oak. Ken feels enthusiastic about the future of our basketball team and feels "We can go to State!!"



Student profile—Ken Hancock

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DECA Winners: first row - Terri Sue Kaufman, Janice Whitlock, Patty Souder and Jo Ann Ezell; second row - Ricky Mason, Gary Townsley, Tim Scheer, Bruce Tucker, Mark Bass and Butch Midkiff.

L. O. DECA Hosts Regional Contest

By: Janice Whitlock

After many hardships created by the snow, DECA finally had its regional conference last week. The conference, which is annually held at MSU, was cancelled three times due to adverse weather conditions. Lone Oak graciously offered to host the conference this year since DECA could no longer obtain the facilities at MSU for their events.

Students from Reidland, Tilghman, Heath, Lone Oak, Murray, Marshall County, and Mayfield participated in the conference which was coordinated by Mr. Rushing and Mr. Herrold. There were several contests in which students competed. Lone Oak received first place in parliamentary procedure. The team consists of Terry Dukes, Bruce Tucker, Tim Scheer, Butch

Midkiff, Janice Whitlock, Gary Townsley, and Paul Ritchie. Terri Kaufman received first place in advertising. In the financing and credit category, Ricky Mason placed first and Joann Ezell received third place. Second place winners are Kathy Garland in sales demonstrations and Mark Bass in job interviews.

The nominees for officers gave their speeches while the voting delegates cast their votes. Patty Souder was elected as Region I historian. The new officers were then welcomed to their post and the Region I conference was adjourned.

The first and second place winners will be delegates at the state conference to be held at Louisville in early March.

Meet The Students

By: Connie Miller & Kathy Waggoner

Several Lone Oak students were asked questions about current events. Here are some of their responses:

Question: How do you feel about the current situation of the farmers?

Gayla Griggs - I totally agree with their argument. I think they should make more profit than they do.

Tanya Jackson - I think they have a right to want to go on strike, but they also have responsibilities as farmers to provide food for other people.

Nancy Hollowell - They have plenty of money. I feel I need money to buy their food worse than they need the money to grow it. They can always have two jobs.

Question: What part of the daily newspaper do you read first and why?

Tanya Jackson - I like to read the front page and the family section because I think it is interesting to find out what is happening in Paducah and elsewhere in Kentucky.

Cheryl Housman - Any part but the first page because I think the first page is often depressing news.

Marsha Courtney - Ann Landers, to see if there are any problems like mine and see what other people do about them.

Keith Downs - The first page. Because it's the first one I see when I pick up the paper.

Nancy Hollowell - Sports. I read the write ups about L.O. I have all the write ups about L.O. at home. I enjoy reading them.

Question: What is your opinion of the OAK K?

Danny Story - I think it is very good for the school because it covers all the things that are happening in the school.

Terri Foster - I think it is a good paper, and it has a variety of things in it.

Kelley Peck - It's usually pretty good. Sometimes there are too many sport stories.

Kitty Griffith - The style of the newspaper has improved. I like it better this year because it seems to have more interesting articles.



Seniors Janie Parker and Luanne Smith upon arrival from the Washington Seminar.

Seniors Invade Congress

By: Brenda Blackman

Senior Tri-Hi-Y members Luanne Smith and Janie Parker, joined fellow Kentucky students on a trip to Washington D.C. where the First Annual Washington Seminar was held. The purpose of this seminar was to make students more aware of certain aspects of our government.

During their visit they had the pleasure of meeting several U.S. Congressmen; Kentucky Senators Ford and Huddleston were among them.

Luanne commented that she really enjoyed meeting other Kentucky students. "I also learned about lobbying and the purpose of Congress. I had misconceptions about our government. Now I'm anxious to become more involved in it." Luanne says that although she may never be President, she would like to go into politics professionally.

Janie's highlights of the trip were also meeting students from our own state and, "Finding out that some of their interests are the same as mine." Janie says she's

more interested in the government now, and wants to know more about the way it ticks.

Both Janie and Luanne urge students to get more involved in politics. They feel that sometimes our government is so easily misunderstood. If one gets the chance to learn more about their government they should, because after all one day we will be the leaders of our nation.

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Could This Be...Next Year?

By: Leisa Neihoff

Although the University of Kentucky has been an undisputed power in the world of college basketball, their success at winning the NCAA title has been spoiled many times. Dominating the Southeastern Conference, they have set their sights on the national title in years past only to be shot down by such great schools as U.C.L.A. and Marquette. A loyal U.K. Fan's motto has been in past years, "Wait 'til next year." Could this be "next year"?

Members of this power-packed 1978 U.K. squad are as follows; Jack Givens, 6'4", a local product of Lexington, Kentucky, better known on the hardwood as "The Goose". A graduate of Lexington Bryan Station, the Goose gained early experience when as a freshman he was privileged to play on a team that went to the NCAA Championship finals. As a sophomore, his U.K. team accepted an invitation to play in the National Invitational Tournament, claiming the championship honors.

Rick Robey, coming to U.K. from New Orleans, Louisiana, and a senior this year, averaged 14.2 points per game last year and led the squad in rebounds with 9.1 per game. Rick was named to the 1977 Converse All-American team.

"Mr. Muscle" or "Big Mike" Phillips as he is affectionately called, averaged 12.2 points per game last year and 6.4 rebounds. Phillips is well known for his soft touch hook shot.

Truman Claytor, known on the court as "T.C.", a 6'1" junior was winner of the All-UKIT team last year. Also last year, Truman Claytor was selected most valuable player in the annual

Notre Dame game played in Louisville, Kentucky. His performance as a Wildcat has been somewhat hampered by injuries and one crucial episode of suspension for violating training rules.

Kyle Macy, 6'3" junior from Peru, Indiana, was considered by many to be one of the most outstanding high school seniors in the nation in 1975. "The Little General" played his freshman year at Purdue University before transferring to the University of Kentucky. The Wildcats' future depends heavily on this young man, being primarily the play-maker for the Cats.

Perhaps one of the most popular Cats, James Lee, arouses the U.K. fans with his variety of "Slam Dunks". Lee, a 6'5" senior is the sixth man on the Kentucky roster but is considered a starter in every sense of the word.

"Blonde Bomber" Jay Shidler, and the explosive La Von Williams are both very instrumental in the Wildcat victories. Shidler, coming from Lawrenceville, Illinois, was the State's Top High School Scorer his senior year, averaging 32.7 points per game. La Von Williams, a native of Denver, Colorado, was singled out as the best prep cager in Colorado. He was named 1976 State tournament Player-of-the-Year.

A very talented group of freshmen provide bench depth for Coach Joe Hall, to name a few, Chuck Aleksinas, Scott Courts and Freddie Cowan.

Coach Joe Hall and his assistants have assembled the largest team in the school's history with four men 6'10" and averaging at least 230 pounds. The Cats returned nine lettermen, including four starters, who have their goal set to win the NCAA Championship for the Blue Grass State. With this experienced, dedicated team guided by Coach Joe Hall, for years an understudy of Adolph Rupp, many prognosticators feel this very well could be...the year for the Cats.

Lone Oak fans liken the Top-ranked Purple Flash to bolts of lightning: when they strike they are deadly! The Oakers have compiled a 18 - 2 worksheet which boasts a St. Mary Tourney championship and a 26 point thrashing of arch-rival Paducah Tilghman. The Flashes' explosive offense is pumping in 82 points an outing. They blister the nets at a 54% clip per game, and toss it in equally well on drives to the hoop, from 20 feet, or from a sharp pass to the inside man. Their tenacious defense allows only 68 points an outing.

An unselfish, team-oriented attitude dominates this ballclub. Winning is their main objective, and their ultimate goal is to play in the state tournament.

Senior Barry Tidwell leads all First Region scorers with a 26 point output per game. The 6' 1 1/2", 170 pound forward is a deadly marksman from any spot on the court, but he prefers to shoot jumpers from off the wing. A grand finale to his high school career would be to participate in the state tournament in March.

Brent Dreher loves a gym that is full of "screaming fans." The 6' 2 1/2", 180 pound center controls the bulk of the boardwork with 12.2 rebounds a game, and he has a 17 point showing per game. Brent considers our versatile of-

fense to be a key aspect of this team. He hopes to climax his senior year with a trip to the state tourney.

Playing in the state basketball tournament would also be the highlight of David Wilkins' senior year. David's favorite shot is a double-clutch layup, and he likes to hear the crowds' reactions during crucial moments. The 6', 170 pound play-making guard contributes 14 points per outing.

Junior Bruce Dreher thinks that team cooperation and unselfishness of the players are the strongest assets of this team. The 6' 1", 160 pound forward is a scoring threat from 20 feet, but his favorite shot is an inside jumper. Bruce currently pumps in 10 points an outing.

John Paul Felker, a 6' junior reserve, feels that the team has problems getting psyched up for every game. The band's playing in pre-game warm-ups helps John Paul to form the proper mental attitude.

Sophomore sensation Stan Shuemaker is a manace from the outside, but he prefers to shoot driving layups. The 5' 9" guard chips in 13 points a game and leads the team in assists. Stan thinks that quickness is a very strong point of the team. He enjoys a capacity crowd, and his personal goal is for the team to make the elite "Sweet Sixteen" in March.

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Debbie Rikel
Scott Hartig
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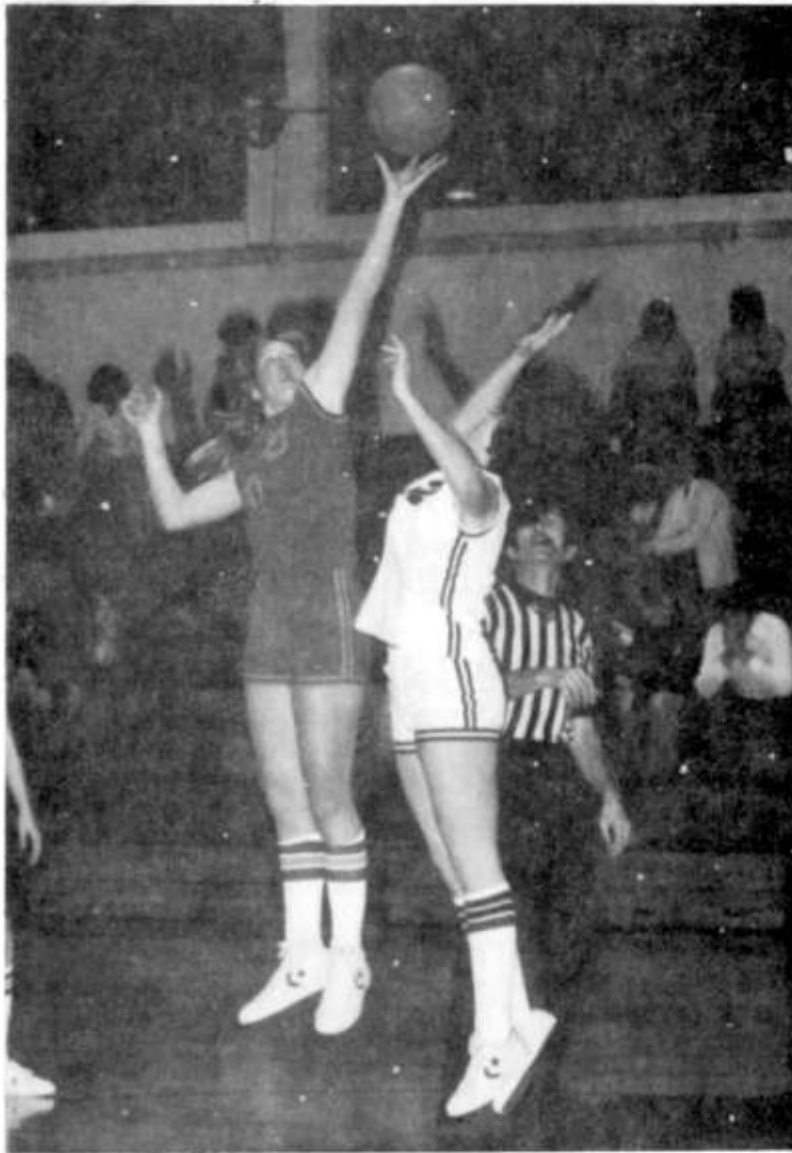
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Flash Draw Bye In Tourney

By: Kris Houser
Top-ranked Lone Oak and No. 2 Paducah Tilghman drew first-round byes for boys pairings in the Second District Tournament, scheduled February 28 - March 4 at St. Mary High School.

Lone Oak meets the victor of St. Mary and Reidland while Tilghman will take on the Ballard-Heath winner. The winners of these games will go head-to-head for the championship. Both teams, champion and runner-up, will advance to regional competition at Murray State University.

Here is the tournament schedule:

Tuesday, February 28

6:30—Heath vs. St. Mary (girls)

8:00—Ballard Memorial vs. Heath (boys)

Wednesday, March 1

6:30—Reidland vs. Lone Oak (girls)

8:00—St. Mary vs. Reidland (boys)

Thursday, March 2

6:30—Ballard Memorial vs. Heath St. Mary winner (girls)

8:00—Paducah Tilghman vs. Ballard-Heath winner (boys)

Friday, March 3

6:30—Paducah Tilghman vs. Reidland-Lone Oak winner (girls)

8:00—Lone Oak vs. St. Mary-Reidland winner (boys)

Saturday, March 4

6:30—Championship (girls)

8:00—Championship (boys)

Coach Albert Norris feels that if his Lone Oak boys can get by the St. Mary-Reidland winner, their chance of winning is as good as anyone in the region. Ranked tenth in the state, the Flash will be out to show everybody that they are on their way to the "hardwood in Freedom Hall."

Oakers Notch Seven Victories

By: Carol Freeman
LONE OAK 76 REIDLAND 55
Oaker Brent Dreher was at home with the "shakes" from the flu. The Hounds were shaken as the Flash took a 21 point decision without the services of the starting center. Barry Tidwell took the game honors with 24 points. David Wilkins and Stan Shuemaker each had 14 points. Bruce Dreher and J.P. Felker chipped in 12 and 10 points respectively.

point showing, and Shuemaker added in 16 points.

L.O. 89 LIVINGSTON 77
Tidwell and Wilkins combined for 50 points to boost the Oakers past the Cards. Tidwell had 29 points, and Wilkins had 21. The Flash sizzled the nets with a 85% showing from the line and a 62% display from the field. Shuemaker finished with 18 points, and Brent and Bruce Dreher tossed in 9 and 8 points, respectively.

in this outing. What would have been 42 free throws in a row for Dreher bounced off the rim with 10 seconds left in the first quarter.

LONE OAK 75 - CARLISLE 66
The three seniors combined for 57 points in their last performance on the Flash's home court. Tidwell, Dreher, and Wilkins had 22, 21, and 14 points, respectively.

Oakers Drop Two Thrillers

By: Kris Houser
Oaker Cheri Simmons could have been a two-time heroine, against St. Mary on February 16

and Heath two days later as she sank buckets to put the Flash ahead with only seconds remaining on the clock. As fate would have it, however, both teams answered with game-winning field goals at the final buzzer.

Lone Oak led St. Mary 25-21 at the half but the final score showed 54-53 in favor of the Vikings. Senior Terri Burton led the Flash with 16 points while Freshman Kathy Bechtold and Ladonna Powers, a junior, added 14 apiece.

The game with Heath was a slower paced contest, Lone Oak leading 9-7 at intermission. The start of the fourth quarter saw both teams locked at 16-16, but the Pirates outscored the Flash by one point in the final eight minutes for a 25-24 victory.

LONE OAK 80 LOWES 77
Bruce Dreher clinched the hotly-contested game with a pair of free throws with 6 seconds left on the clock. The Oaker's bench was used extensively. The whistle was blown 46 times and starters Ken Hancock and Tidwell fouled out. Wilkins, also a starter, was ejected with a technical, and Felker and Brent Dreher stayed at home because of illness. Tidwell led all scorers with 27 points. Hancock tallied 17, and Bruce Dreher tossed in 15 points.

LONE OAK 80 CALLOWAY 61
The Flash plunged past the Lakers as Tidwell and Brent Dreher combined for 71% from the field (20-28) for more than half of the team's total points. Tidwell poured in 25 points, and Dreher scored 21. Wilkins and Bruce Dreher had 11 points apiece, and Shuemaker chipped in 10 points and 9 assists.

LONE OAK 92 SYMSONIA 76
Brent Dreher went on a shooting spree from the charity stripe as all 12 of his opportunities swished through the net. The team shot a blistering 88% (22-25) from the line. Tidwell led the Flash with 26 points, and Dreher pumped in 20. Wilkins had a 17

LONE OAK 83 HEATH 56
The Flash crushed the Pirates with dazzling offensive performances from Tidwell and Brent Dreher. Tidwell had a perfect first half from the field (6-6), and finished with an 83% field goal accuracy and 21 points. Dreher went for 10 from the stripe, and had a 20 point showing. Bruce Dreher claimed rebounding honors with 12 retrieves, and tallied 14 points. Shuemaker and Wilkins had 12 and 10 points, respectively.

LONE OAK 65 - TILGHMAN 70
Brent Dreher's string of consecutive free throws which began at the first of January was broken



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Undefeated Junior Varsity Team

J.V. Remains Undefeated

By: Dean Hayes

The Lone Oak Purple Flash Junior Varsity basketball team remained unbeaten, with a 46-45 win over visiting Calloway County Tuesday, February 7, at the Lone Oak gymnasium.

Sophomore forward Mark Bickerstaff led all scorers with 16

points and also claimed rebounding honors with 8 retrieves.

The Oakers fought back from a 25-23 deficit at halftime to take the lead 36-33 at the end of the 3 periods. Freshman guard Wes Hagen sealed the victory with a pair of free throws with 0:8 seconds remaining. Lone Oak hit

14 of 20 free throws for 70%.

The Oakers, down by four at the half, used a second half surge to record their 9th victory in as many outings as they defeated Livingston Central 48 - 43, February 14, at the Oakers gymnasium.

Livingston Central only managed to score 7 points as the Oakers put in 15 points and led at the end of the third quarter 31 - 27. Junior forward Daryl Hobbs scored more than half of Lone Oak's points in pacing the Flash with a total of 22 points.

Oddly enough, on Friday, February 10 the Lone Oak Jayvees shot better from the field than they shot from the free throw stripe. The Oakers scanned 28 of 47 field goals for 59% and 7 of 12 charity tosses for 58%.

Junior guard Kris Houser led all scorers with 17 points. Daryl Hobbs and Freshman Wes Hagen chipped in 13 and 12 points respectively.

The Flash streaked by the Comets as Houser led the way with 16 points. Ken Hancock added 10 points, and pulled down 11 rebounds.

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Jon Austin
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- 29th Theresa Hines
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- 31st Nancy Thompson
Freeland Riley

Lady Flash Uponds Hickman

By: Kris Houser

The Hickman County girls invaded Lone Oak's gymnasium of February 13, but they probably should have stayed at home as Lone Oak handed them a 40-32 defeat.

The Oakers held an 18-9

margin at intermission and kept a steady pace the second half to hold on for an eight point victory. Senior Terri Burton was the game's leading scorer with a 23 point performance. Freshman Kathy Bechtold chipped in 6 points while Ladonna Powers, a junior, tallied 5.

Girls Fall To Carlisle

By: Kris Houser

The Lone Oak Varsity girls played host to the Lady Comets on February 9 and came up on the short end of a 69-53 score.

The Oakers trailed 35-23 at intermission and were within striking distance most of the second half, but just couldn't close the gap. Senior Terri Burton led the Flash

with 23 points while Freshman Kathy Bechtold added 12 markers.

Five days earlier, Lone Oak challenged a tough Lowes squad and dropped the decision 65-30. Burton led the Flash again, scoring 12 points and pulling down 10 rebounds. Junior Cheri Edwards chipped in 7 points.

Frosh Win Three

By: Carol Freeman

L. O. 39 Hickman Co. 31

The Falcons ended the first half with an 8 point deficit, and exited after the final buzzer with an 8 point margin of defeat. Wes Hagan tossed in 14 points, and Mark Cruse and Cliff Clark chipped in 8 and 9 points respectively. David Dodd and Rod Mohler each had 4 points.


L. O. 42 St. Mary 25

Wes Hagan pumped in 17 points, 10 of those in the third

quarter, to pace the Oaker's romp over the Vikings. Cruse and Dodd added 11 and 7 points, respectively.

L. O. 40 Heath 34

The Flash broke loose from an 18-18 deadlock at halftime to defeat the Pirates 40-34. Hagan and Cruse paced the Oakers with 21 and 10 points, respectively. Dodd had 4 points, and Joel Dreher and Doug Story had a bucket a piece. Clark claimed 10 retrieves.



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