

Class of 1981 Superlatives are: (from left to right) David Read and Susan Edwards—Most Talented; Russell Sloan and Carolyn Davis—Most Likely to Succeed; Wes Hagan and Cathy Jenkins—Mr. and Miss Senior; Sammy Freeman and Christie Chandler—Most Original Excuse; Steve Habacker and Robin Webb—Most Catching Smile; Tim Hayden and Teresa Harwood—Most School Spirited; Steve Key and Sheri Smith—Most Athletic; Jeff Stevens and Tammy

Stonecipher—Most Dependable; Tim Hart and Judy Hayden—Friendliest; Robert Tracy and Mary Jane Rouse—Best Dressed; Randy Bennett and Susan Darnell—Lord Handsome and Lady Beautiful; Jerry Jackson and Carol Coleman—Most Unforgettable; John Bowman—Mr. Wolf; and Antoinette Parks—Miss Wacky. Not pictured are Sherry Stewart—Miss Flirt and Mark Bagwell—Mr. Witty.

Class of '81 Names Superlatives

By Donna Groves

The senior class has selected the people they feel are best qualified to hold the positions of superlatives. The class of '81 chose Wes Hagan and Cathy Jenkins to represent them as Mr. and Miss Senior.

Wes Hagan, son of Gene and Wilma Kilcoyne, views his newly acquired position as Mr. Senior as "a great honor". Wes has also been selected by the faculty of Lone Oak High School to hold the title of LOHS. He is president of the Student Council and captain of the varsity basketball team. He is also a member of the parliamentary procedure team in FBLA. Wes hopes to go to college on a basketball scholarship. His hobbies are water skiing, camping, and playing on the basketball and baseball teams.

Cathy Jenkins, Miss Senior, is the daughter of Guy and Linda Jenkins. She is a member of Phi Alpha Delta sorority, FBLA, Key Club, the varsity cheerleading squad, and the golf team. Her hobbies are water skiing, swimming, and playing golf and tennis. After high school, Cathy plans to go to Murray State University for two years and major in a business field. After that, she plans to get a job at a large firm as a secretary.

Sammy Freeman, son of Sam and Nelta Freeman, has been chosen to hold the title of Most Original Excuse. Sammy is vice-president of the Physical Science Club and a member of the varsity basketball team. He hopes to go to college and become an audio engineer.

Christie Chandler, daughter of Robert and Jeanne Chandler, is the girl with the Most Original Excuse. She has been a member of DECA for the past three years. In the future, Christie plans to operate a dog kennel.

Steve Key, Most Athletic Boy, is the son of John and Marilyn Key. He is a member of the football team, track team, and DECA. Steve plans to continue his education in the electronics field.

Sheri Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Smith, was elected as the Most Athletic Girl. She is the president of the Tri-Hi-Y Club, treasurer of the senior class, and a member of Beta Club, Key Club, and Phi Alpha Delta sorority. Sheri is a member of the varsity girls' basketball team, and manager of the freshman basketball team and the baseball team. She plans to attend Tennessee Tech University and major in biology.

Tim Hart, Friendliest Boy, is the son of Jim and Brenda Hart. He is a member of the Music Club, and the baseball team. He enjoys playing baseball and basketball, swimming, and boating. Tim plans to attend Paducah Community College and then work in his father's business.

Judy Hayden, Friendliest Girl, is the daughter of Joe and Ruth Hayden. Judy holds the office of DECA reporter. Her hobbies are roller skating and riding around. She has not yet decided on her future plans.

Randy Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bennett, has been named Lord Handsome. Randy is the president of the choir this year. He is in the Music Club, acappella choir, swing choir, Quad State choir, All State choir, Madrigals, and DECA. He plans to pursue his interest in music and possibly attend college.

Susan Darnell, Lady Beautiful, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Darnell. Susan is the editor of the OAK K staff and a member of FBLA and Phi Alpha Delta sorority. Susan plans to go to Paducah Community College for two years and then go to Murray State University, the University of Kentucky, or Bauder School of Fashion in Louisville. She intends to study business administration and fashion merchandising.

David Read, Most Talented Boy, is the son of Ella Maye Read. He is a member of the Music Club and All State band. David was selected to play in the McDonald's All-American High School Band. David enjoys playing, arranging,

and listening to music. He plans to go to Murray State University and get a music degree. Then he hopes to attend graduate school.

Susan Edwards, Most Talented Girl, is the daughter of Art and Gene Edwards. She is a member of Music Club, Madrigals, church choir, Music Maker's Accompanists, Student Council, and Key Club. Her hobbies are singing and playing the piano, reading and working with macrame. Susan hopes to attend Murray State University. She plans to receive a voice major with a piano minor. After that, she would like to become a professional entertainer.

Russell Sloan, voted Boy Most Likely To Succeed, is the son of Joe and Dorothy Sloan. Russell is a Tennis Club officer and a National Merit Semi-Finalist. His hobbies are playing tennis, ping pong, racquetball, and reading.

Carolyn Davis, voted Girl Most Likely To Succeed, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Davis. She is the Library Club president, and a member of the FBLA bulletin board committee and the Beta Club. Carolyn plans to attend Paducah Community College next semester. She plans to go there for two years and then go to Murray State University for two years. She plans to major in English and library science and would also like to get a coaching certificate to coach girls' basketball.

Jeff Stevens, Most Dependable Boy, is the son of Clyde and Alma Stevens. He is the senior class president, the football team captain, treasurer of the Physical Science Club, and a member of the track team and Student Council. Jeff enjoys collecting items, swimming, hunting, and playing football. He plans to attend college and major in chemistry and chemical engineering.

Tammy Stonecipher, Most Dependable Girl, is the daughter of Ronald and Carolyn Stonecipher. She is a member of the Music Club, Key Club, Beta Club, and serves as publicity chairman for the choir. Tammy is co-editor of

the OAK LEAVES. She enjoys writing and plans to go to college and major in some type of English.

Robert Tracy, Best Dressed Boy, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ed Tracy. Robert is the feature editor of the OAK K. He plans to graduate after this semester and take a few courses at Paducah Community College. Then he plans to attend the University of Kentucky next fall. His major has not yet been determined.

Mary Jane Rouse, Best Dressed Girl, is the daughter of Mrs. Ottiler Rouse. She is a member of FBLA and the band. Mary Jane enjoys playing tennis and sewing. She intends to go to college and major in secretarial sciences.

Tim Hayden, son of James and Sandra Hayden, was named the Most School Spirited by the senior class. He is a member of Student Council, Hi-Y, and the varsity basketball team. He is also a Phi Alpha Delta sweetheart. Tim plans to attend college but is undecided about his career plans.

Teresa Harwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harwood, has been elected as Most School Spirited. She was also elected by the Lone Oak High School faculty as Miss LOHS. She is the Student Council vice-president, senior class secretary, and co-captain of the varsity cheerleading squad. Teresa is a member of the Biology Club, Key Club, and Beta Club. She plans to major in speech and communication disorders at Murray State University.

Mark Bagwell, Mr. Witty, is the son of Sandy and Larry Bagwell. He is the sargeant-at-arms of the Key Club, a Phi Alpha Delta sorority sweetheart, and a member of the Biology and Physical Science Clubs. Mark plans to go to college and probably do something in the electronics field. He commented that he "felt proud to be ridiculously witty".

Antoinette Parks, Miss Wacky, is the daughter of Carolyn and Johnny Parks. She is a member of FBLA and DECA. She intends to go to college and get a degree as

an x-ray technician. Antoinette stated, "I appreciate the crazy votes that were given to me because I am a crazy person".

Steve Habacker, son of Pat and Lynn Habacker, is said to have the Most Catching Smile in the senior class. He is a member of Key Club, and a Phi Alpha Delta sorority sweetheart. His hobbies are playing football, hunting, fishing, and swimming. Steve plans to attend Murray State University and major in an engineering or a health related career.

Robin Webb, the senior girl with the Most Catching Smile, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Webb. She is president of the Key Club, treasurer of the Biology Club, treasurer of the Student Council, and captain of the varsity cheerleading squad. She is a member of the senior class reporting committee and the annual staff. Robin's plans for the future include obtaining a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing.

Jerry Jackson, who was selected by the senior class as the Most Unforgettable Boy, is the son of Robert and Pat Jackson. He is a member of the Physical Science Club. Jerry plans to go to college but he has not yet decided what his major will be.

Carol Coleman, daughter of George and Pat Coleman, was elected as the Most Unforgettable Girl. She is secretary of FBLA and is reporter of the senior class. She is a member of the OAK K staff, also. Carol's plans are to go to Paducah Community College and then transfer to Murray State University.

John Bowman, Mr. Wolf, is the son of Paul and Ruth Bowman. His hobbies are riding horses and dirt bikes, and swimming. John hopes to work for South Central Bell or the railroad.

Sherry Stewart, Miss Flirt, is the daughter of Warren and Melinda Stewart. She has been a member of DECA for three years. Sherry plans to become a dental hygienist.



The Ten Commandments...

To Hang Or Not To Hang?

By Carla White

"Congress shall pass no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

This statement from the American Constitution has caused much controversy between the Kentucky legislature and the United States Supreme Court ruling concerning the Ten Commandments being displayed in public schools.

The main portion of the Kentucky law said, "It shall be the supreme duty of every superintendent of public instruction, provided sufficient funds are available, to insure that a durable, permanent copy of the Ten Commandments shall be displayed on a wall in each elementary and secondary classroom of the Commonwealth."

The Legislature tried to establish a non-religious base for the law by saying that each copy of the Commandments should contain these words: "The secular application of the Ten Commandments is clearly seen in its adoption as the fundamental legal code of Western civilization and the common law of the United States." In turn, the Supreme Court's majority said the law's primary purpose was to induce school children to read and obey the Ten Commandments.

The Court did say that the first several commandments "do not confine themselves to arguably secular matters such as honoring one's parents" but deal with religious duties of believers such as worshipping the Lord God alone, avoiding idolatry, not using the Lord's name in vain and observing the Sabbath.

The Court objected to the law by saying "However desirable this might be as a matter of private devotion, it isn't a permissible state objective under the Establishment Clause."

The Commandments are not totally banned in Kentucky schools. For example, the commandments can be discussed when talking about ethics or comparative religions. That would be "secular" use.

The court, in so many words, said that the Kentucky law "has no

secular legislative purpose, and is therefore unconstitutional."

The decision of the court is binding on all states. If any state

law requires such posting of the Commandments, it would be a direct target for a constitutional lawsuit.

Teenagers Show Change

By Tina Mullen

Today's teenagers are showing a definite change in their attitudes on social issues. These views of conservatism are the first of such in 10 years.

Who's Who Among American High School Students polled approximately 24,000 juniors and seniors and the results were recently published in an article in the Paducah Sun.

A similar poll was taken at Lone Oak by members of the OAK K staff and the results of both are compared below.

Do you approve of passing the ERA?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
53% approved	32% approved

Do you approve of legalizing abortions?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
43% approved	32% approved

Should we send military aid to countries facing communist aggression?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
63% approved	75% approved

Should we increase American military expenditures?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
57% approved	82% approved

Have you ever used drugs including marijuana?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
94% - NO	Drugs - 93% NO
	Marijuana - 53% NO

Should pot be legalized?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
80% - NO	86% - NO

Would you smoke pot if it were legalized?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
90% - NO	82% - NO

Do you drink alcohol?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
50% - NO	50% - NO

Have you ever smoked tobacco?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
88% - NO	40% - NO

Do you believe in premarital sex?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
Bare Majority - approved	36% - approve

Is full-time housekeeping all the fulfillment a woman needs?

Who's Who	Lone Oak
66% - YES	2% - YES

The students polled in Who's Who were chosen by recommendation of school officials and national youth groups. The students polled at Lone Oak were chosen according to their rank in their class.

Consultation From the Counselors

By Lauri Day

Attention seniors and juniors! The following is necessary information concerning the ending of the first semester.

Seniors:

- Scholarship applications should be submitted beginning in January.
- Applications for financial aid need to be sent in beginning January 1.
- Students are responsible for meeting with counselors concerning credits required for graduation.
- Rank and grade point averages should be completed by the end of January.
- The registration deadline for the ACT test to be given February 14 is January 16. The test date deadline for juniors to be given March 28 is February 27.
- Seniors should listen to the announcements for college invitations during the second semester.

Juniors:

- The results of the NMSQT test taken in October should be received by the middle of December.
- Results should be picked up at the guidance counselor's office.

Suicide...

An Unanswered Question

By Jeff Abell

One of the most startling aspects of life is that of suicide—the killing of oneself. Thirteen out of every 100,000 Americans commit suicide every day. It has become more than just another unhappy occurrence; it has become an epidemic.

Suicide can be attributed to a host of reasons: from ill-health, unhappy love affairs, loneliness, and financial strife, to humiliation, remorse, and revenge. The motives mentioned above, which can be classified as the leading causes, vary according to the victims cultural background, age, sex, and occupation. Perhaps more than anything else, the shifting state of the American family is a major cause of the growing teenage suicide problem. Teenagers sometimes feel that there is no real reason to belong anywhere or to anyone. Their parents, busy pursuing their own lives and careers, often stir feelings of isolationism and rejection in them which can trigger thoughts of suicide.

The mythological phrase "death hath ten thousand several doors", stands true even today. In Kentucky alone from July 1, 1979 to June 30, 1980, suicides were committed by hanging, drowning, carbon monoxide poisoning, poison ingestion, jumping from heights, suicidal auto collisions, burns, a lacerated neck, jumping in front of a train, and the most

prevalent, firearms. The male suicide rate is about four times as high as the female rate. But women attempt suicide nearly three times as often as men. They succeed less often because they use less lethal methods, such as taking pills, while men tend to favor guns.

"Dickie" (his call name), who is a counselor at the Friedman House in Paducah, a crisis and information center, tells the suicidal clients with whom he is in contact to calm down, and tells them that they have plenty of reasons to live. He said, "Usually, after five to ten minutes of discussion, the victim calms down." "Dickie" said that he can see a drastic upsurge of suicidal confrontations during the holidays, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas. Though the consideration of suicide is on the rise during the holiday season, the actual number committed remains balanced throughout the rest of the year.

With the deflated economy and the rise of financial difficulties in America, the suicide rate is likely to go from the third leading cause of death to the second or possibly the first. Yet man has the unique human capability to reject an unwanted existence. Humans have control, not only over their lives, but also, to some extent, over their deaths. The humanistic prevention of suicide has no control over the actual desire, in some, of dying.

Juniors interested in making applications to a military academy should begin doing so by January.

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Mr. Sellars

Teacher Feature

By Todd Myrick

James M. Sellars was selected by the OAK K Staff to be the featured teacher for the month of December.

Mr. Sellars, a graduate of Lone Oak High School, has been teaching physical and integrated science for 10 years. He says he enjoys teaching at Lone Oak.

Mr. Sellars attended P.C.C. for two years and then transferred to Murray State University where he majored in biology and minored in chemistry.

Mr. Sellars has a great interest in music and he is a talented musician, playing various stringed instruments. He likes Country-Western and Bluegrass music, and also has a small collection of records from other countries which he enjoys listening to.

In his spare time Mr. Sellars enjoys water sports. He also takes great interest in swimming, skiing, boating, and fishing.

Senior Profile

By Pam Hoyt

Cathy Price, Carla White, Jeff Riddle and Russell Sloan are the four seniors featured in this month's OAK K. Their scholastic and extracurricular activities along with their future plans are the topics of this column.

Cathy Price, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Price, enjoys swimming and jogging. She is a member of FBLA and is enrolled in three business courses, physiology, and geometry this year. Miss Price plans to attend Western Kentucky University or Transylvania and enter a medical field where she would be working with children.

Carla White is active in various band activities; flag captain, all district band member, and Vice-President of the Music Club. She is the recording secretary of Student Council and Fashion Editor of the OAK K. Her parents are Mr. and

Mrs. Carl White. Miss White plans to attend Western Kentucky University and study journalism and communications.

Jeff Riddle is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Riddle. He is a member of the Biology Club, Physical Science Club, and FBLA. He also serves as the Vice-President of the Broadcasting Club. Riddle's hobbies include autograph collecting, coin collecting, and amateur radio. He plans to attend U.K. or Purdue University and study chemical engineering.

Russell Sloan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sloan, enjoys playing tennis, racketball, ping pong, and Dungeons and Dragons. He plays number two on the boys' tennis team, is a National Merit Semi-Finalist and is in Who's Who. Sloan plans to study business administration at U.K. or Murray State University.



Senior profile students are: Russell Sloan, Cathy Price, Carla White, and Jeff Riddle.

Adler, Reed Serve LOHS

By Tamara Tucker

Though many of us take them for granted, the secretaries of Lone Oak High School are a very essential factor in running the school.

Mrs. Sharon Adler has worked at Lone Oak as a secretary for three years. Her job includes mostly bookkeeping but she also works as a secretary in general. Mrs. Adler graduated from Lone Oak High School and worked for South Central Bell for eight years before beginning work for the high school.

Mrs. Adler lives on Krebs Station Road with her husband, John, and her nine year-old daughter, Shannon. Mrs. Adler stated that she really enjoys working with the students and teachers of Lone Oak. "They're all very nice and polite," she said. It really makes working here very enjoyable."

Mrs. Dolores Reed has worked as a secretary at Lone Oak for five years. Her job is mainly secretarial and she does "whatever needs to be done in the office".

Mrs. Reed also lives on Krebs Station Road with her husband, Joe. They have five children: Peggy—23, Sharon—21, Renee—18, David—13, and Darrell—11.

Mrs. Reed graduated from St. John's and worked at the Good-year Service Store and C.T.S. before coming to Lone Oak. When asked for her comments on the students at Lone Oak she replied, "I love them all. I really enjoy working with the students and the teachers as well".

The OAK K staff would like to say a special "thank you" to the secretaries who keep our school in order.



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Junior Rotarian Bobby Ezell

Ezell Serves as Rotarian

By Susan Darnell

Bobby Ezell has been chosen to represent Lone Oak High School as Junior Rotarian for the month of December.

He resides at 167 North Friendship with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Ezell. He was elected to Boy's State and is a member of the baseball team, Biology Club, and Future Business Leaders of America. He also received the Woodmen of the World American history award.

After graduation he plans to go to Murray State University and major in pre-law or business administration.

Some of Bobby's hobbies are hunting, fishing, and participating in athletics.

Who Keeps a Resolution?

By Carol Coleman

Students of Lone Oak High School were asked questions about their New Year's Resolutions. Some students do not make Resolutions while others do not keep them. Here are some of the students' replies.

WHAT IS YOUR 1980-81 RESOLUTION?

Amy Stiles: To quit smoking cigarettes.

Tammy Smith: Try to make straight A's in all my classes, or at least one.

Jonna Vaden: To save lots of money.

Stephanie Edwards: To be more independent and work harder on school work.

Lori Wooley: To finish all my shorthand homework.

Greg Dorris: To stop bullying Brad Luigs, and to give him back all of his lunch money.

Robyn Thompson: To stop smoking!

Carol Coleman: To think and do what I alone think is right and not what everybody else thinks.

Robert Tracy: To replace Hugh Hefner as president of the Playboy Club.

HOW LONG DO YOU USUALLY KEEP YOUR RESOLUTIONS?

Carol Coleman: Usually not very long, but in this case hopefully for a long time.

Robyn Thompson: About 15 or 20 minutes.

Jonna Vaden: Not too long. This world is money hungry.

Tammy Smith: Maybe a day.

Debbie O'Daniel: About a week or two.

Randy Rutherford: Until someone tempts me.

Lori Wooley: The longest was two days.

WHAT OR WHO DO YOU USUALLY BLAME WHEN YOU BREAK YOUR RESOLUTIONS?

Jonna Vaden: Inflation!

Lori Wooley: Missy Johnson.

Amy Stiles: The tobacco growers.

Jim Covert: It is my fault, no one is to blame. It either means I set my goals too high or I don't have the willpower.

Christmas Celebrations Differ

By Robert Tracy

Christmas is a time of year for feasts, gift giving, friendship, and joy. We are all familiar with the warmth of Christmas celebrations in the United States. There are brightly decorated Christmas trees, church groups going from house to house singing carols, and gifts ornately wrapped in glowing colors of paper. However, there is another side to Christmas, or should we say many sides, since Christmas is celebrated in a variety of ways around the world.

In Great Britain children hang their stockings by the fireplace, hoping that Father Christmas will fill them with treats. Perhaps the most interesting part of a British Christmas is Boxing Day, the day after Christmas. On this day, most families give money to the milkman, postman, and others who have served them throughout the year.

In France, children put their shoes on the doorstep on Christmas Eve so Le Petit Noel, the Christ Child, can fill them with gifts. In Provence, in southeastern France, the whole family brings in the yule log, which must be large enough to burn from Christmas to New Year's Day.

In Germany, some people have Christmas trees in their homes for each member of the family. Many German families make the gifts that they give. Everyone gathers on Christmas Eve for Bescherunh, a ceremony in which they light the Christmas tree. Just to the south in Switzerland, Christmas is celebrated much the same as in Ger-

many. What is unique is the fact that some of the Swiss believe that animals can speak at midnight on Christmas Eve, and that they kneel in honor of the Christ Child.

The Italians fast on the day before Christmas. Later that night gifts are exchanged, and prayers said. Christmas Day is reserved for religious ceremonies.

The Spanish go about Christmas in a merrier fashion. After midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, the streets fill with dancers and on-lookers.

In Poland, the people fast the whole day before Christmas, then have a feast at nightfall. A vacant chair for the Holy Child always stands at the festive table. The Poles bake small wafers called oplatki. They stamp these with figures of the Nativity, and have them blessed by the priest. They exchange the oplatki as other people send Christmas cards.

Children in Russia formerly celebrated Christmas Eve by going from house to house, shouting and singing until people came out and gave them food. This custom originated from a much older one, in which crowds of children drew a beautiful girl through the streets on a sled, stopping at each house to sing.

There are still many, many different Christmas customs. Some vary greatly in format, but they all have a similar meaning of love and generosity. No matter where you go around this big world you are apt to find Christmas as enjoyable and as meaningful as it is right here in the United States.

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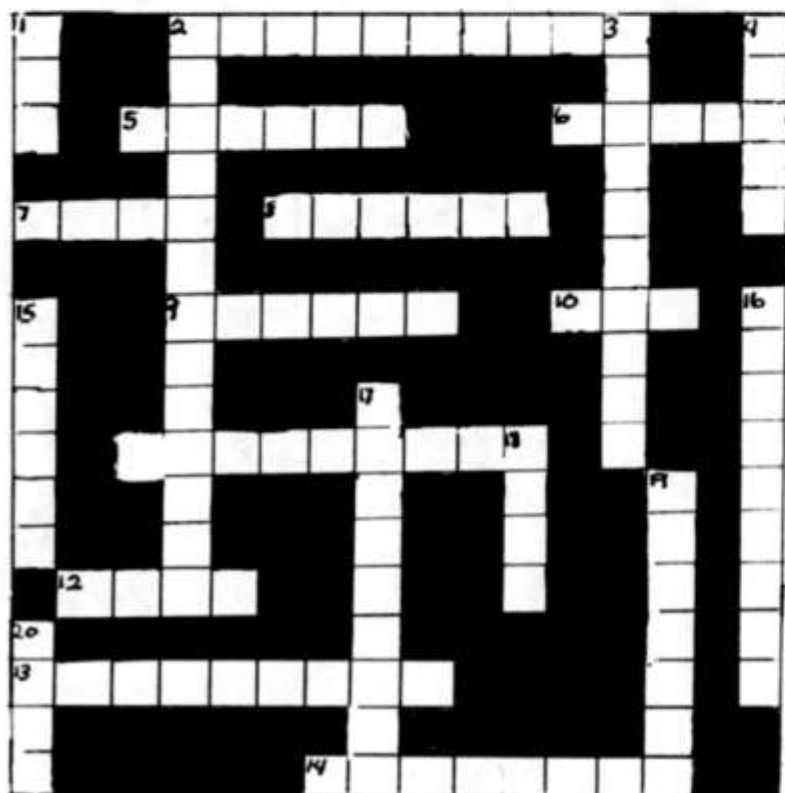
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5. ornament hung on door
6. has wings and a halo
7. another name for Christmas
8. Santa's transportation
9. baby Jesus's crib
10. one of Santa's helpers
11. hung on chimneys
12. a Christmas carol
13. hung on Christmas trees
14. animals which pulled Santa's sleigh

Down

1. happiness...
2. decorated with ornaments
3. Saint Nicholas
4. The _____ and the ivy.
15. "icicle" ornaments
16. the three wisemen followed this
17. Don't get caught under the _____
18. Santa's beard is as white as _____
19. sparkles
20. Mattel makes _____



Meet the Students

By Debbie O'Daniel

Here's your roving reporter with some more interesting news in "Meet the Students". Let's just see what you and your classmates had to say this month.

Do you think the Ten Commandments should be left in the schools? Why or why not?

Fran Dodge—Yes, the Kentucky courts ruled twice that they should be in the schools. A group of Supreme Court judges, who are placed in office by a President for life, should not be allowed to tell the state of Kentucky what to do. When we allow this to happen, it is no longer a government of the people or by the people. It is a government over the people and it is not America.

Duane Rose—Yes, to make people in school feel guilty on Monday morning.

Tammy Whitis—Yes, you don't have to look at them if you don't like them.

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'Twas The Day Before Press

By Susan Darnell

'Twas the day before press, when all through the class
Not a student was sleeping, ideas were amass;
The stories were scattered on the floor with despair,
In hopes that Don Baker might not be there.

The students were wrestling with paper and lead,
While visions of Friday night danced in their heads;
And Tina in her Izod, and I in my... confusion!
Had not come up with a story worth using!

When out in the hall there arose such a clatter,
Pam rose from her seat to see what was the matter;
Away to the window Todd flew like a flash,
Tripped over a chair, almost busting his ---!

The white in the eyes of Roger and Carol,
Gave the aura of panic to us as well;
When what to our wondering eyes should appear,
But a mad Mr. Baker, should we hold our ears?

Lauri moaned, "Get ready for a speech!!!"
And I knew in a moment it must be "the Teach"!!!!

Harsher than curse words, his orders they came,
And he stomped, and shouted, and called us by name:

"Now, K.C.! Now, Carla! Now, Donna, and Sue!
Yes, Debbie! Yes, Marlie! Yes, Jeff! And Robert...you too!
Later, "Bob, Lisa, Kim, and Tamara!"
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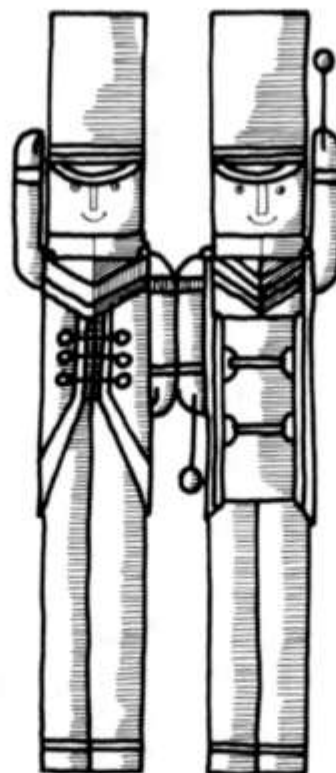
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Blusher is adding color to not only the cheeks but all around at the hairline, at the temples, and on the forehead. Colors in rose glow, cheery reds, and glowy pinks add that magic holiday look.

Pearl eyeshadows highlight the eyes. Colors good this season are purple, plum, teal, mauve, and rose. Add a hint of liquid or cake eyeliner to the bottom lashes to bring out the excitement of the season.

Creamy peaches, cinnamon frosts, and zingy pink lipsticks are for that come-kiss-me look. Gloss over lips to complete your sparkling Christmas make-over.



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Freshman Billy Hagan and Cindy DeBow enjoy the holiday season in complete corduroy. Her hat adds just a little touch of Western.

It's beginning to look alot like Christmas and that means cold weather, warm glowing fires and lots of parties. This time of the year, everyone wants to keep warm, but yet in style.

Girls, corduroy is your best bet for warmth and style in these cold days ahead. Your party wear is light, and slinky, but a good looking fur or leather coat will keep your slinky body warm. Of course, the prep styles are still in the picture. Oxford cloth shirts, sweaters, and wool pants and skirts in tweeds or plaids are a must.

'Tis the season to dress snazzy, so be conscious of what you're wearing, whether it be to those holiday get-togethers, a basketball game, or just out knocking around in the brisk winter air.

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All I Want For Christmas Is...

By Donna Groves

What would you like to find under your tree on Christmas morning? Some student responses to this question are listed below.

Steve Crews—A gold 1980 Monte Carlo.

Kim Scott—The LOHS varsity boys' basketball team.

Lisa Jones—I would like to find my one and only waiting to take me away—if only I could find him!!!

P.J. Clayton—A brand new, light metallic blue Z-28.

Jerry Jackson—A 6-pack of LOHS cheerleaders—gift-wrapped!

Jean Miller—A 1980 Sunbird.

Brad Luigs—A shotgun.

Mark Brantley—A pretty young lawyer with my inheritance from my multi-millionaire uncle.

Amy Martin—A bright red MG Midget.

Sabrina D'Haillecourt—A certain boy with the initials of R.A.R.

Warren Crissman—A camera.

Tonis Barkley—A year's supply of gas so I can cruise all I want next year.

Tim D'Haillecourt—Gina Thompson.

Carolyn Davis—A certain handsome gentleman dressed in a gray, three-piece suit with a bouquet of red roses in one hand and tickets to the UKIT in the other.

He would have keys to a 1981 Gold Trans Am in his pocket to take me to Lexington in.

Jeff Kunsman—AC/DC jammin' in my den.

Dana Jones—A black 1980 Trans Am, Scott Balo, and J.D.

Kim Hatton—I would like to get my engagement ring a month early.

Robert Parsons—A great-looking girl from Heath.

Christina Ritchie—Somebody cute.

Jimmy Farrell—A new jeep.

Karen Gunter—A certain B.K. from PCC.

Amy Brown—A 1980 Corvette and R.O.

Lorrie Bowerman—A new car and a tape player to go in it.

Aimee Hooker—Plans for a trip to Huntsville just like the last one.

Carol Coleman—A mink or fur.

Tracy Ligon—Jay Rudolph in a new Subaru Brat truck.

Terri Armstrong—A new car and maybe Burt Reynolds.

Mark Benton—To see George Thorogood and the Delaware Destroyers.

David Read—100,000 gallons of gas.

Holidays Increase Shoplifting

By Pam Hoyt

It all revolves around "I want". A shoplifter has various reasons for stealing; to support a drug addiction, a fling, peer pressure. Some customers are able to pay for the merchandise but would rather steal than wait in a check out line.

Merchants can catch shoplifters easier now due to a Kentucky law passed in 1978 stating that if you conceal merchandise in the store it is considered shoplifting. Merchants have prepared for shoplifters by installing one way mirrors, lookout towers and closed circuit television cameras. They have also sewn magnetic tags inconspicuously into clothing and hired better trained security personnel as a precaution.

"The majority of Paducah's shoplifters are from out of town", stated chief juvenile officer Howard Moss. Stores that are out of the main shopping area such as K-Mart, Woolco, and Big K are the targets of these shoplifters.

Stolen items under \$100 are misdemeanors while items over \$100 are considered a felony. Moss stated that in Paducah during 1979, 86 shoplifters were

charged with misdemeanors and 37 shoplifters went before the judge charged with a felony.

Paducah merchants have hired extra enforcement due to the shoplifting increase during the hol-

iday seasons. One area merchant stated that a person caught stealing would be prosecuted to the full extent of the law, without any hesitation.

Conlee Entertains At Lone Oak

By Carol Coleman and Roger Estes

Country and Western star, John Conlee, appeared December 11, 1980 at the Lone Oak High School Gymnasium. Paducah's own River City Band led off the concert, setting a foundation for a country-western show.

Then came the long awaited arrival of John Conlee who received a standing ovation upon his introduction.

Conlee performed many of his hits including "Rose Colored Glasses", "Friday Night Blues" and "On the Back Side of Thirty".

John Conlee has been in the recording business for five years. He has had six number one certified single releases: "Back Side of Thirty", "Lady Lay Down", "Before My Time", "Friday Night Blues", "Rose Colored Glasses", "Baby Your Something", and his current hit single, "She Can't Say That Anymore". His three top hit albums are "Rose Colored Glasses", "Forever", and "Friday Night Blues".

He has appeared on the John Davidson Show, The Mike Douglas Show, Pop Goes The Country, and Hee Haw, just to name a few. He also has made outstanding

personal appearances in the Kentucky Premier of "Coal Miners Daughter", Gilley's Club in Texas (Urban Cowboy Headquarters), 30 major U.S. Coliseums, and many state fairs.

Mr. Conlee was nominated by the Country Music Association in 1979 and 1980 for Male Vocalist of the Year. He won seven major Trade Awards in 1978 and 1979.

Mr. Conlee is from Versailles, Kentucky, and began playing the guitar at age eight. He began his career at W.L.A.C. in Nashville as a disc jockey. His manager, Dick Kent, sponsored Mr. Conlee in his singing career.

Mr. Conlee's current tour not only included his L.O.H.S. concert but also performances in Canada, Tennessee, and Texas.

Harold Boner, from the Bill Goodwin Agency, Inc., booked John Conlee at Lone Oak. He felt Mr. Conlee, a Kentucky native, needed to tour his own state, especially since W.K.Y.Q. and many other Kentucky radio stations frequently play Conlee's hits.

All proceeds went to the Lone Oak High School baseball team which sponsored the concert.

New Year Brings Cheer

By Jeff Abell

Celebrations, parties, church services, music, and dancing all characterize one of the most highly festive days in the year—New Year's Day.

In the United States New Year's Day is the first day of the year. Yet the day varies in other countries in the world. The Chinese New Year's Day falls between January 21 and February 19 based on the lunar calendar. In Iran the new year begins on March 21. The Jewish New Year's Day, a feast day, is celebrated about the time of the autumnal equinox, in late September. The day of the Hindu's new year depends upon his religion. The Hindu's belong to many different religious groups, and each group considers a different date as the beginning of the year.

The early English took over many of the Roman New Year's Day customs. English people followed the custom of cleaning the chimneys on New Year's Day. This was supposed to bring good luck to the household during the year. Today we say "Cleaning the slate," instead of "cleaning the chimney." This means making resolutions to correct faults and bad habits, and resolving to make the new year better.

Even though many countries celebrate their new year at different times and with different customs, the day triggers a host of thoughts in many people around the world. No one, no matter how wise, can foresee or determine the future. So on New Year's Day, we must celebrate the departing of the past and the arrival of the present.

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Salvation Army Continues Assistance

By Jeff Abell

This year marks the beginning of a new era for the Salvation Army. It is their Centennial Anniversary in America. One hundred years of providing food, shelter, clothing, and other items to people who are less fortunate than others.

The Salvation Army, a worldwide Christian religious body, has maintained hospitals for unwed mothers, industrial homes where men can rebuild their characters, low-cost lodging-houses, and nurseries for babies of working mothers. It also maintains fresh-air camps, boys' clubs, family welfare-work programs, and provides aid to prisoners and their families.

In Paducah, one of the Salvation Army's major projects is collecting donations for people in need of assistance during the holiday season. This year they have posted kettles for donations at the K-Mart department store and one in the heart of the downtown district. "With the economy in the situation it is, people are just not able to give as much as they would like," stated Major Thomas Woodcock, commanding officer of the Salvation Army in Paducah. Major Woodcock said that donations through the mail are topping the kettle donations. There are more people who are in need of assistance this holiday season than in the past, due to the inflationary rise over the previous year, according to Major Woodcock. He said the supply will be hard to meet the demand this year. But he added that they will help as many people as they possibly can.

To be eligible to receive assis-

tance from the Salvation Army, one must apply at their headquarters on South 22nd Street in Paducah. Major Woodcock said the decision of who will receive help will be based largely on two factors: the size of the family, and their annual income. He said \$12.00 to \$25.00 worth of goods consisting of food, clothing, toys, and other items will be given to each family.

Last year alone, during the Christmas season, the Salvation Army helped in some way close to 5,000 individuals in Western Kentucky. They distributed candy and Bibles to inmates at the Kentucky State Penitentiary. They gave gifts to residents in our local nursing homes. They furnished parties for underprivileged children in our area. They also helped over 400 families in need of assistance.

This holiday season, we should shine a spotlight on the Salvation Army for a job well done, encouraging them to keep up the good work. Their outstanding record along with statistics speaks for itself.

Where Will the Jobs Be In the 1980's

By K.C. Kowalik

If you are planning to go to work in the near future, you should bear in mind that the job you end up with depends not only on your abilities but also on the demand for those abilities. You will have better chances of success if you avoid overcrowded fields and look toward the ones in which

growth is expected.

More than half of the estimated 67 million jobs available between 1978 and 1990 are expected to be in white collar occupations—professional and technical workers, managers, sales and clerical workers (bank tellers, bookkeepers, secretaries and typists), which make up the fastest growing group.

Not surprisingly, there is a greater demand than ever for people in specialties dealing with energy such as petroleum engineering, metallurgy, mining, nuclear and solar energy. Based on recruiting activities on college campuses across the country, electronic, mechanical and chemical engineering are also fields with openings to be filled.

Computer sciences constitute a growing occupational field, with a need for computer operating personnel, systems analysts and programmers.

About one-quarter of the new jobs will be blue collar. Construction workers are in increasing demand, especially heavy equipment operators and electricians. In addition, more mechanics and repair people will be needed to fix computers, industrial machinery, office equipment, air conditioners and heating systems.

With people living longer, health-care occupations are also on the rise. These include nurses, speech pathologists, home health aides, and dental technicians.

Don't be discouraged if your own area of interest does not appear in this partial listing. Keep in mind that positions will still be available in areas that are not necessarily experiencing rapid growth. Of the estimated 67 million jobs expected to open up, roughly 47 million will be the result of vacancies created by retirement, death, or other reasons.

John Lennon...

His Legacy Was His Music

By Andy Elbon

When five bullets ended the life of John Lennon, they ended the career of one of the most unusual and powerful forces in rock music. A musician, novelist, poet, and peace activist, Lennon helped expand the limits of popular music during the sixties and early seventies, as both a Beatle and a solo artist.

Heralded as the most gifted member of the Beatles, many have said that Lennon initiated many social changes during the sixties and seventies. Nevertheless, equally important as any reform brought about by Lennon, whether in protest marches or by his much-publicized Amsterdam Bed-In for Peace, was his music. His songs swept a broad spectrum of topics: peaceful reform ("Revolution"), peace ("Give Peace a Chance", "Imagine"), love for his mother ("Julia", "Mother", "My Mummy's Dead"), and a poke at safari hunters ("Bungalow Bill").

Lennon's last album was released just one month ago. Entitled "Double Fantasy", it is a collaboration of love songs between himself and his wife.

Critics have given the LP much praise, and it was hoped that this album, Lennon's first in five years,

would be the beginning of a long-awaited comeback. One can now only speculate as to what the future held for him.

He will be sorely missed by his millions of fans around the world, for John Lennon was truly one of the greatest of the great.

Looking Back On 1980

By Marlie Spears

"Peace, Man" and "Right On" were shouted repeatedly in the decade of the sixties. The sixties reflected the days of Hippies, riots, Woodstock and the Astronauts landing on the Moon. The seventies brought us Watergate, the resignation of a President, and American citizens held hostage by Iranian Revolutionists. The eighties, what do they have in store for us?

Lone Oak started out the eighties with a touch of entertainment. On February 2, the band sponsored a concert by Flight 602, a group made up of three former Lone Oak students. Cheri Simmons was chosen 1980's Basketball Homecoming Queen. In March, the Boys Chorus, Swing Choir and A'Cappella Choir won superior ratings at the Regional Chorus Festival in Owensboro. Stan Shuemaker and Kathy Bechtold were chosen Most Valuable Players for the 1979-80 basketball season. In April, the Biology Club visited the Grand Teton Mountains. The band, Lone Oak's Kentucky Colonels, returned from Washington D.C. with the title of

1980 Grand National Champions of the Cherry Blossom Festival. The annual Prom chose Camilla Calhoun and Stan Shuemaker as King and Queen of its court.

The summer months were occupied with listening to music, watching "Saturday Night Live", cruising the Burger Queen, and going to movies starring Burt Reynolds or Bo Derek.

In August, the students flocked reluctantly back to school. In September, Hank Williams Jr. played a concert in Paducah. The football team celebrated its first win of the season over Calloway County. Teresa Harwood was crowned 1980 Football Homecoming Queen. Carolyn Davis won the Mascot Idea contest. The girls' basketball team won the Thanksgiving Tournament at St. Mary. David Dodd, Steve Habacker, Mike Hartig, and Jeff Stevens were honored at the annual football banquet.

As 1980 comes to an end, let us be thankful for our victories and hope the lessons learned in our defeats help us to become better citizens.

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Band Students are Honored

By Debbie O'Daniel

Several members of the concert band were selected to represent our school in the All-District band. In tryouts held in Mayfield, six persons who tried out for All-District were also recommended to go to Elizabethtown, Kentucky for All-State band tryouts.

Nineteen Lone Oak band members tried out for All-District. Out of those, eighteen of them were selected to participate. They were: flute—Lisa Hertter, Lee Wylie; clarinet—Paul Besold, Peter Besold, Mindy Wylie; bass clarinet—Jeff Parker, Djuana Looney; contra bass clarinet—Carla White; alto saxophone—Todd Dowdy, Jimmy Bowland; tenor saxophone—Shannon Fuller; trumpet—Steve Crews, Lesa Prince; trombone—David Read, Jimmy Bagby; baritone—Miki Lynn; percussion—Tony Kitchen.

Six of our band members who were selected to audition for All-State band were: flute—Lisa Hertter; clarinet—Paul Besold; bass clarinet—Jeff Parker; contra bass clarinet—Carla White; alto saxophone—Todd Dowdy; trombone—David Read.

Out of the six that were chosen to audition for All-State, five of them made the band. The concert band members are: clarinet—Paul Besold; contra bass clarinet—Carla White; alto saxophone—Todd Dowdy. David Read was chosen to play trombone in the symphonic band. Jeff Parker, clarinetist, was chosen for an alternate.

All-State and All-District are two honor bands. The students who were selected for these bands will be excused to go away for two or three days for practice sessions. They will then give a concert for the public.

Club News

FFA News

Donna Batts was elected in December to be the Lone Oak Chapter of Future Farmers of America Sweetheart for 1980-81. The first runner-up was Abigail Baker, and the second runner-up was Mary Ann Wilson. Other candidates were Monica Scheer, Tammy Slusmeyer and Cindy Sullivan.

Donna will represent the Lone Oak FFA in the Regional FFA contest to be held at Murray State in February.

Members of the Lone Oak FFA are preparing Christmas baskets for the elderly and needy in the Lone Oak community. The baskets will be distributed prior to Christmas break.

FBLA News

The Lone Oak Chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America held its monthly meeting on December 3. Senior Clifford Clark was elected to serve as the new parliamentarian. A committee was appointed to help paint the new FBLA business room in the business department. The chapter is also making plans to decorate the department for Christmas. FBLA is planning a Christmas party to be held on December 15 at Carol Coleman's house.

Reverend Jim Cannon, pastor of the Lone Oak Church of Christ was the guest speaker at the meeting. Mr. Cannon spoke on values and the important role they play in a teenager's life.

Art Club

The Lone Oak High School Art Club attended a glass-blowing workshop at Murray State University December 13, 1980.

The workshop, which was held Monday, December 8 through Saturday, December 13, was attended by students from area schools and interested observers.

Glass artist Fred Scott Maurer of Louisville taught the workshop. Students experienced glass-blowing themselves as well as watching Mr. Maurer make a wine glass.

After attending the workshop, the Art Club toured Murray State University's Art Department. There they observed divisions in Drawing, Sculpture, Painting, and Graphics.

"We really had fun," commented Lee Wylie, Art Club President. "We learned a lot, too."

Tri-Hi-Y

The Tri-Hi-Y will be collecting for a food basket this month. They will also be collecting used postage stamps to be used in purchasing food for the hungry of Bangladesh. The club would appreciate everyone helping this month as people will be receiving a lot of Christmas cards.

The Tri-Hi-Y will be working at a coat rack at home basketball games.

Beta Club

The Beta Club sponsored many projects this month.

They selected a group of people to go to the Park View Nursing Home everyday from December 1-5, to decorate for Christmas.

The Beta Club has also sponsored ten baskets for needy families. There was a box placed in every classroom for the students to contribute to. They have been asked to bring canned goods and other pantry items to fill the boxes.

A committee was selected to decorate the billboard outside, and the news bulletin board.

There is still time for those eligible to join Beta Club. Mr. Don Bruce, the sponsor, commented, "Any student who wishes to join Beta Club is urged to put their name on the list of prospects. The invitation will be extended to anyone who qualifies."



Read visits the Big Apple

By Tina Mullen

While many of us were at home Thanksgiving Day, relaxing in our favorite chair, watching the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, David Reed was "where the action was." David, a senior, was a participant in the McDonald's Band which performed in the parade.

In an interview with David after his return he gave us an account of his experience. He began his trip by flying from Barkley airport to St. Louis and from there on to New York City.

An average day in New York began with all the band members getting up, eating breakfast, and going to rehearsal. They practiced until lunch and again after lunch until dinner. After dinner they had more rehearsal and then an hour of free time which ended their day.

On one of the mornings however they took a sight-seeing tour of the city. They saw the Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building, the World Trade Center, China Town, and Shubert Theatre. They returned to the theatre one night and caught the Broadway show "A Chorus Line".

While in New York David met Bryant Gumbel and Maynard Ferguson. Gumbel is a broadcaster with NBC and Ferguson, who's famous for playing the theme from "Rocky," was their guest artist. He also met people from all over the United States including Alaska and Hawaii.

When asked what his most memorable experience was, David replied, "I would say playing in Carnegie Hall with Maynard Ferguson and marching in the parade."

Key Club Sponsors Dance

By Todd Myrick

The Lone Oak High School cafeteria was the scene for the Sadie Hawkins dance sponsored by the Key Club.

The idea for a Sadie Hawkins dance originated from the cartoon strip "Lil' Abner". The girls are suppose to invite the guys, pay the way, and provide the transportation.

The Key Club sponsored this dance to help pay their part in the purchase of the new speaker system at the Flash football stadium. The president of the Key Club, Robin Webb, stated, "I was a little disappointed in the results, but I think the people that came enjoyed themselves."

The sounds for the dance were popular records spun by Gerry Wheatley, a local disc jockey.

Thespians Attend Conference

By Lisa Vasseur

Tracy Ligon, Connie Collins, Laurie Gruett, Gina Smith, B.J. Hardy, and Melissa Wyatt, all Thespians, attended the Kentucky State Thespian Conference on November 21st and 22nd at Paducah Tilghman High School. They attended drama workshops and two professional performances provided by the Long Wharf Theatre. The two performances were "Private Lives" and "Lion in Winter". They also attended an awards banquet.

To be eligible to attend the conference the student must be an initiated Thespians.

Some of the schools attending entered a one-act play competition. The winner was Jackson County High School.

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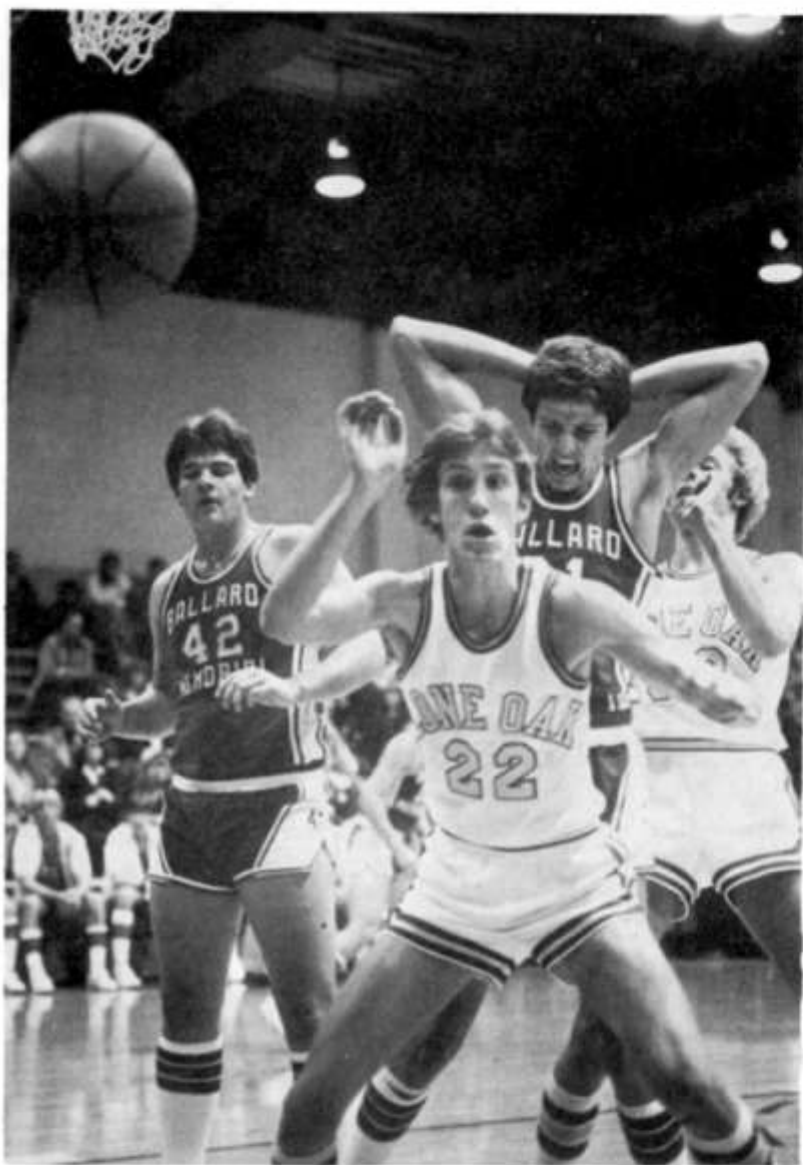
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Sophomore Andy Gilland watches the ball fly out of bounds in first round action of the St. Mary Thanksgiving tournament.

Girls Named Number One in Region

By Tamara Tucker

Most likely, there are very few people at Lone Oak High School who haven't heard of Lone Oak's "Number One" Lady Flash.

As of December 11, the Lady Flash became the only undefeated team in the region, after Hickman County's "big loss" to Heath that night. In fact, Heath's only loss has been to Lone Oak. Heath is now ranked second in Western Kentucky.

Coach Cliff Owen commented that he is very proud of the girls and their achievements. "What we have to concentrate on now," he said, "is continuing to progress. If we can hold this position until February, we'll be content."

Other area teams in the standings were; Marshall County-fourth, Hickman County-third, and Lowes and Carlisle County, tied for eighth.

We, at the OAK K, would like to congratulate the girls on their great success.



Carol Habeck reaches for the tip as the number one Lady Flash clashed with the Tilghman Tornado earlier this year.

Lady Flash Defeats Ballard

By Kim Austin

The Lady Flash started the Christmas season off with a 44-31 victory over the Ballard Bombers on December 2. The Ladies added the Bombers to their already perfect record of 5-0, making it 6-0. They caught the spirit early in the 1st quarter by jumping to a lead of eight points over the Bombers. By half time, the Lady Flash had gained a lead of ten points. After a halftime pep talk

from Coach Owen, they increased their lead by eleven points in the third quarter. By the end of the 4th quarter, the Bombers lost hope of ever gaining the lead. They trailed 44-31, as the clock ran out.

Lead scorers for the Lady Flash were Tammy Burton with 13 points, Sheri Smith with 11 points, Karen Herndon with 10 points, Tracy Burton with 8 points, and Tina Mullen with 2 points.

Oakers Lose St. Mary Championship Crown

By Andy Elbon

After having defeated the Ballard Bombers 41-38 in first round action, the defending champion Lone Oak Purple Flash went as far as the semifinals of the Sixteenth Annual St. Mary Thanksgiving

Basketball Tournament before falling in defeat to the Carlisle County Comets. The Comets went on to take the tournament.

Lone Oak 41 Ballard 38

They had to fight off a fourth

quarter Ballard comeback to do it, but the Purple Flash opened the St. Mary tournament with a 41-38 win over the Bombers.

The Oakers enjoyed a comfortable lead throughout most of the game, a lead which at one point in the third quarter reached 11 points. But the Bomber offense broke through the Oaker defense in the fourth quarter, and a Ballard layup with two minutes left on the clock made the score a close 39-36.

A few turnovers later, the Bombers forced a jump ball. They controlled the tip but couldn't get a shot to fall. Lone Oak came down with the rebound and took control of the ball, the clock, and the game.

Sophomore Andy Gilland was the Oaker's leading scorer with 15 points, while team captain Wes Hagan was Lone Oak's only other player in double digits with 13 points.

Carlisle Co. 65 Lone Oak 57

The Flashes' chances for defending their tournament championship of last year came to an end when Carlisle County defeated the Oakers 65-57 in semi-final action.

The game started dismally for Lone Oak. Five minutes into the game they were on the short end of a 20-2 score, but things quickly changed when the Flash switched to a press defense. The press forced the Comet offense into turnovers, and at the half Lone Oak led 37-34.

But the press took its toll on the Oakers as well. By the fourth quarter they had lost their steam, and the Comets pulled ahead in the final minutes of the game to win.



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By Bob Keown

Lone Oak 66 Reidland 65

Lone Oak had their hands full of Reidland Greyhounds on December 5. Reidland led through most of the game and it took Lone Oak three overtimes to win the game 66-65.

Reidland, led by Barry Puckett and Greg Martin's combined 35 points, led by the score of 13-7 after one period of play. At half-time, Reidland led by the score of 25-19.

In the fourth quarter of play, Lone Oak came back and even thought they had won the contest 52-50, but with no time showing on the clock, Reidland's Martin sank two free throws to send the game into overtime. In the first two overtimes, both teams scored four points to make the score 56-56.

In the third overtime, Lone Oak scored 10 points to Reidland's 9 points to win the game, 66-65.

Lone Oak sophomore Andy Gilland led the Oakers with 23 points. Senior Wes Hagan chipped in 21 points with 6 of those points at the free-throw line during overtime. Seniors Cliff Clark and Joel Dreher both had 7 points.

Caldwell 58 Lone Oak 50

On December 9th, Lone Oak traveled to Princeton to play the Caldwell County Tigers. In a game Lone Oak never led after the first quarter, Caldwell County defeated Lone Oak 58-50.

The game was close after one quarter of play with Caldwell County leading 15-14. In quarter number two, things fell apart for the Purple Flash as Caldwell County jumped out to an eight point lead at halftime.

In the third quarter, Lone Oak was trying to put the pieces back together and eventually tied the score 39-39, until Caldwell County ran off six straight points to end the quarter at 45-39. In the fourth quarter, things fell for Lone Oak about like they did at the end of the third quarter. Cold shooting by the Oakers led to their demise, and they lost to Caldwell County

58-50.

Senior Wes Hagan was the game's leading scorer with 14 points. Junior Jeff Reed was Lone Oak's second leading scorer with 12 points. Seniors Cliff Clark, Joel Dreher and Tim Hayden had two, six, and five points respectively. Sophomore Andy Gilland pumped in seven points and sophomore Kevin Wheatly had four points.

Lyon County 63 Lone Oak 62

Lyon County came into Lone Oak Arena with a record of 5-5 last Friday, December 12. Lone Oak also was playing at a 50% clip at 3-3.

The Flash lost to Lyon County, 63-62. Lone Oak hit only 57% of their free throws while Lyon County shot 70% from the charity stripe. A bright spot for the Oakers was a 29-16 rebounding edge.

Lone Oak led by eight at one point in the game, 49-41, the result of a double technical foul on Lyon County, but a spurt by the Lions provided them a 22-13 scoring edge after the technical to win the game.

The leading scorer for Lone Oak was senior Wes Hagan with 21 points, followed by senior Cliff Clark with 10 points. Sophomore Andy Gilland chipped in 9 points.

Lone Oak 60 Calloway Co. 59

In Lone Oak's second overtime game of the season, the Purple Flash put away the Calloway County Lakers, 60-59, Tuesday night.

The Oakers' season record stands at 4-3 with this victory.

It was an uphill fight all the way for Lone Oak. The Lakers led in the game until the fourth quarter, when the Flash offense finally got going to take the lead. They held their lead until the final seconds of the fourth quarter, when the officials counted a tip-in by Calloway after a long shot rolled off the rim. Ruled good by the officials despite strong argument from the Lone Oak bench, it sent the game into overtime.

Lone Oak won the overtime tip-off, and immediately went into a

stall offense until senior Tim Hayden was fouled. Hayden sank two free throws from the line, and Lone Oak held the lead to win.

Leading scorers for the game were senior Wes Hagan with 14 points and Hayden with 11 points.

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Lady Flash Wrapup

By Kim Austin

Lone Oak 96 Reidland 41

The Lone Oak Lady Flash outran the Reidland Greyhounds by a score of 96 to 41 on December 5. The Lady Flash had established a confident lead in the first quarter with a 32 to 7 jump. With their excellent work, they gave the Greyhounds little hope at the end of the second quarter by snatching a 58 to 18 lead. In the third quarter, the Greyhounds seemed to be dogging it a bit as they trailed 79 to 30. The Lady Flash finished the 'Hounds with a score of 96 to 41.

Sheri Smith and Karen Herndon lead the scorers with 20 points each. Tracy Burton followed with 17 points. Tammy Burton and Carol Habeck finished with 14 points.

Lone Oak 50 Marshall Co. 47

The next week the Lady Flash met with the Marshall County Marshalls, squeezing by them with a three point victory. During the first quarter, the Lady Flash lead 17 to 8. By half time, they had gained an eight point lead of 27 to 19. At the end of the third the Marshalls had started to climb, leaving the score at 41 to 33. Never losing their lead, the Lady Flash went on to a victory of 50 to 47.

Tammy Burton lead all scorers with a total of 18 points. Karen Herndon followed her with 11 points. Sheri Smith had 10 points, Tina Mullen with six points, and Tracy Burton had three points. Lone Oak hit 75% of their free throws.

Lone Oak 58 Livingston 15

Later that week the Lady Flash trampled Livingston Central 58 to 15. Jumping ahead with a substantial lead in the first quarter the Lady Flash made the score 16 to 7. By the end of the second quarter, Livingston had made no progress in catching up with the Flash and trailed 34 to 7. Returning after the half, Lone Oak lead by forty points. With ease and concentration, the Lady Flash beat Livingston Central 58 to 15.

Leading all scorers was Karen Herndon with 13 points, followed by Carol Habeck with 10 points, Tammy Burton with 8 points, Tracy Burton, Sheri Smith, Jo Beth Chambers, Melinda Smith all with 6 points.



Jeff Reed skies for the rebound over a Lyon County defender as Mike Presley, Clifford Clark (number 34), and Wes Hagan look on.

Christmas Tourney Preview

By Roger Estes

The Tilghman Christmas Invitational Tournament has a tradition of gathering some of Western Kentucky's best high school basketball teams. This year is certainly no exception. Lone Oak, Marshall County, Murray, and host Paducah Tilghman are just a few of the powers who will compete in the Tourney.

In the first round, Lone Oak meets an experienced Murray team. The Tigers have four of last year's starters back. According to head coach Steve Speed, Murray is big and quick. The Tigers have two 6'4" men and a very quick guard in Howard Crittenden. He is considered by Coach Speed to be Murray's top player.

Lone Oak has only two starters back. They are senior guard Wes Hagen and junior forward Jeff Reed. The rest of the starters con-

sist of seniors Joel Dreher and Tim Hayden, and sophomore Andy Gilland.

Coach Speed said that in order to defeat Murray we must cut down on turnovers, increase our shooting percentages and play good team ball. The most important thing is that we break their full court press.

This year's Lady Flash have gotten off to a good start and are favored to go far in this, the first girls' Tilghman Christmas Tournament.

The starters will be seniors Tina Mullen, Sherry Smith, and Tracy Burton; junior, Karen Herndon; and sophomore Tammy Burton. The ladies are much faster and much improved over last year's team.

The Lady Flash played Ballard in the first round.

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