

April 22, 1983

Webb, Wheatley, and Wylie lead 20 honor students

By Lori Keeney

This year Lone Oak High School will graduate 20 honor students. Lee Wylie, Kevin Wheatley and Lori Webb went to the head of the class with perfect 4.0 grade point averages.

Lee Wylie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wylie. She was voted Most Likely to Succeed and is an Outstanding Senior. She is a member of the Beta Club and currently the secretary/treasurer of the Physical Science Club. Lee was also November's Junior Rotarian. After graduation she plans to attend Washington University in St. Louis and major in chemical engineering and math, then go to medical school and study cardiovascular surgery.

Kevin Wheatley is the son of the Rev. Dossie and Nancy Wheatley. Kevin is involved in Beta club, Key Club and the Physical Science Club. He is also on the varsity football, baseball, and basketball teams. Kevin was voted Mr. Senior and Mr. LOHS. He is unsure of where he will attend college but wherever he goes he plans to study pre-med and then go on to medical school. He plans to major in either chemistry or biology.

Lori Webb is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Webb. She is the Beta Club president, Student Council president, class vice-president, Key Club treasurer and Junior Rotarian. She is also involved in varsity cheerleading, Medical Explorers and Physical Science Club. She was voted Miss Senior and Miss LOHS and was the football homecoming queen. After graduation she plans to attend Murray State University and study math or a science-related area. She is undecided on a career choice.

Laura Carrico, daughter of Paul and Ellen Carrico, is the class salutatorian. Laura is the managing editor of the OAK K, and reporter for the Beta Club. She is also in FBLA, Biology Club, and marching and concert band. After graduation Laura plans to attend either Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green or Stevens College in Columbia, Missouri. She plans to major in journalism at Western or equestrian science and journalism at Stevens.

Wesley Tremper is the son of Erie and Janet Tremper. Wesley is currently involved in FBLA and the Physical Science Club. Wesley plans to attend PCC for two years and then transfer to the University of Missouri at Rolla and major in electrical engineering.

Paula Hoyt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Garry Hoyt. Paula is the president of Tri-Hi-Y, recording secretary of Student Council, secretary/treasurer of the Pep Club, and basketball homecoming queen candidate. After graduation Paula plans to attend David Lipscomb College in Nashville and major in nursing.

Paul Besold is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Albert Besold. He is in the Beta and Tennis Clubs, and on the tennis team. Paul plans to attend Northwestern University and become a doctor.

Micki Lynn is the daughter of James and Jeanne Lynn. Micki's activities include band, choir, and swing choir. She was involved in All State Chorus, Quad State Chorus and All District Band. She plans on attending Murray and acquire a degree in music, then get a teaching position as a musician.

Dianne Katterjohn is the daughter of Charles and Elna Katterjohn. Dianne is in Beta Club, Key Club, FBLA, and president of the Biology Club. She is on the Youth Advisory Council, is softball manager, and is on the senior scrapbook committee. Her plans after graduation are to attend PCC for two years then transfer to Murray or the University of Kentucky. She plans to get a B.S. in medical technology.

Lisa Sensing is the daughter of Billy and Ann Sensing. She is the president of the Physical Science Club, and in Beta Club. She is in marching, concert, and pep band, she was also in Quad State Band and December's Junior Rotarian. After graduation Lisa plans to attend PCC.

Lori Keeney is the daughter of Ralph and Shirley Keeney. She was voted Most Unforgettable and is the advertising manager for the OAK K. She is involved in FBLA and is playing on the softball team. After graduation she plans to attend Western Kentucky University and major in journalism.

Marta Garland is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Garland. She is treasurer of the Phi-Alpha-Delta sorority and in the Biology Club. After graduation Marta plans to attend college, although she is undecided where.

Kevin Shannon is the son of William and Patty Shannon. Kevin is on the Student Council, in Beta Club and Tennis Club. He plays on the baseball team and received the United States Achievement Academy Award in Physics. He was also voted best dressed. After graduation Kevin plans to attend Murray State and major in biology and chemistry. Upon completion of Murray, he plans to go to medical school and become a doctor and specialize in dermatology or ophthalmology.

Caroline Atkins is the daughter of Billy and Marilyn Atkins. She is the vice-president of the Tri-Hi-Y, corresponding secretary of Student Council, sports editor of the OAK K and senior class secretary. She is an outstanding student and the girls' basketball and softball manager. Caroline plans to attend Eastern University to study law enforcement and become a policewoman.

Scott Harper is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Harper. Scott is in the marching, concert, and pep band. He is also in DECA and Medical Explorers. Scott plans to major in biology or chemistry in college then attend medical school.

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Lee Wylie



Kevin Wheatley



Lori Webb



Laura Carrico



Wesley Tremper



Scott Harper



Paula Hoyt



Donna McGriff



Paul Besold



Mark Roberts



Micki Lynn



Mike Presley



Dianne Katterjohn



Tana Davis



Kevin Shannon



Caroline Atkins



Marta Garland



Lori Keeney



Lisa Sensing



Jennifer Dodd



Schedule of events

- April 23..... Junior/Senior prom
- 26..... Math tournament: at Murray
- 29... Choir leaves after school on Philadelphia Trip
- May 4..... Club meetings
- 5..... Senior "Class Night": 7:30 p.m. LOHS gym
- 6..... Industrial arts exhibit: LOHS cafeteria
- 7..... Band honors concert: LOHS gym
- 11. Junior class meeting: Sign up for senior pictures
- Junior class meeting: Sign up for senior pictures
- 12..... MECA dinner: LOHS Cafeteria
- 13. Seniors practice Baccalaureate/Commencement, 8:00 a.m., LOHS gym: Practice includes band and choir, starting at 9:00 a.m.
- 16... Baccalaureate/Commencement, LOHS gym 8:00 p.m.
- 23, 24..... Final tests, underclassmen
- 25..... Records day: No school for students
- 26..... Final tests, underclassmen

Senior Schedule Of Events

- May 2..... Seniors attend all classes
- 4..... Seniors attend all classes and club meetings: Seniors practice for class night Participants meet in cafeteria, 12:30 p.m.
- 5..... Class night: 7:30 p.m., LOHS gym
- 6, 7. Seniors attend all classes: Review for final tests
- 10..... Seniors attend all classes: Final tests: First and sixth hour classes, during regular class hours
- 11..... Seniors attend all classes: Final test: Second and fourth hour classes, during regular class hours
- 12..... Seniors attend all classes: Final tests: Third and fifth hour classes, during regular class hours
- 13. Seniors practice Baccalaureate/Commencement
- 16... Baccalaureate/Commencement, LOHS gym 8:00 p.m.

Countdown to graduation begins

The "big day" for seniors is drawing nigh—yes, in just three weeks its GRADUATION!

This next month will be a time of mixed feelings for most seniors: excitement at the prospect of being (at last) a "graduate," at the thought of college and the world-that-awaits-us; but there are also entwined some feelings of sadness at leaving the *security* of being "young," the security of friends and teachers you've known all or most of your life.

It's a time of reflection for *all* seniors; remembering what it was like all the way back in first grade when *everything* was new, recalling old friendships and "old loves" from grade school all the way through high school, remembering events and activities and situations...

But it really shouldn't be a time for regret or

sadness and particularly we shouldn't dwell on our "past mistakes," for right now, we stand on the threshold of a new world—a world of responsibility and maturity where we will spend the rest of our lives. And the decisions we make right now will *affect* the rest of our lives.

So now, as the countdown to graduation begins, we seniors should be careful not to take our last days of high school for granted for these days of the security and unity of high school will soon end for us. But we must also keep close in mind the exciting experiences that await us as well...and the responsibility that we must assume to be "an adult."

Graduation will be a turning point in our lives—turning away from the last links to childhood and turning toward our new adult-selves.

Students register for next year's classes

By Rhonda Lawrence

Registration is a topic discussed by the students and staff of Lone Oak High School each year at the end of March. This year the event took place March 22, 23 and 24.

Registration must be held in order for students to be able to choose classes they want and need for next year. The main reason for having registration in the spring rather than in the fall, is to enable the staff to get everything ready in time for the next year.

A meeting of the class was held two days before that class registered. During this meeting, Mr. Stephenson discussed the courses that will involve that class. Each student received a Lone Oak High School Student Curriculum Handbook. This book explains the rules and regulations needed to conduct an environment for teaching and learning. It also ex-

plains the prerequisites for each class and what the class has to offer.

Many people were involved in registration. They include Mr. Stephenson, Mr. Adams, Mr. Griffith, Mrs. Jones and the students. Some seniors are selected to help register the students. This year Lori Webb, Kevin Wheatley, Tommy Farthing, Allyson Joiner, Pat Luther, Stephanie Edwards, John Davis, Tammy Slusmeyer, Candace Parks, Tamara Tucker, Mike Presley, Diane Katterjohn, Susan Housman and Lori Pigg were chosen.

"The problem of overloading a class is very common," states Mr. Stephenson. "There is more of a problem in the upperlevel classes than in the basic ones." He also said, "Registration went very smoothly this year. That's a compliment to the students."

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Student reporters attend Sloane luncheon

By Stephanie Edwards

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Harvey Sloane spoke at Westwood Country Club April 15 at a luncheon. The ceremony opened his campaign in Paducah.

At the luncheon, Louisville Mayor Sloane listed his top four priorities which he plans to put into effect if elected governor.

Sloane's number one goal is to establish 150,000 jobs in the next four years.

Also a major priority to Sloane is education in which he is "totally committed." "Higher education is the pursuit of excellence." In addition, he believes that vocational training is very important in creating jobs for new industries. When asked his opinion of the new requirement of 20 credits for high school graduation, he stated that he was definitely in favor of it. "It will make sure that students are meeting the skill requirements for a good foundation in education. The most important program in the future is education."

A third priority is economic development. He feels that small businesses create most of today's jobs

and they should come first. Along with small businesses, he plans on cutting taxes wherever possible. "I would also like to promote the marketing of coal and other natural resources."

Transportation is fourth among Sloane's top priorities, where he plans to maintain all county roads and improve transportation methods.

Harvey Sloane strongly believes that he is the best Democratic candidate for governor of the three running. The other two are Dr. Grady Stumbo and Lt. Gov. Martha Layne Collins. Sloane promised that if he is elected the Democratic nominee, he would win Jefferson County votes over the Republicans. As of the last quarter, the Sloane campaign reported more money raised than any other candidate in history.

As a final statement at the close of the luncheon, Sloane stated that he believes "government is a service, run in a business-like manner."

After the luncheon, a press conference with Sloane was held for high school journalists from various area schools.

Lori Webb is Junior Rotarian

By Keith Thompson

Senior Lori Webb was chosen Junior Rotarian for the month of April. She attended a Rotary meeting every Wednesday at the Irvin Cobb Ballroom.

At the Rotary meetings, Lori attended luncheons and heard guest speakers.

The faculty and staff of Lone Oak High school select Junior Rotarians on the basis of the student's scholastic grade average, leadership abilities, and academic achievements.

Lori's interests include cheerleading, reading, and swimming. She is vice-president of the senior class, captain of the cheerleading squad, president of the Beta Club, treasurer of the Key club and a member of the Physical Science Club.

Following graduation from Lone Oak, Lori plans to attend Murray State University and study mathematics or a science field.

Lori is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Webb.



Junior Rotarian Lori Webb.

Honor students . . . Cont. from page 1

Donna McGriff is the daughter of Harold and Linda McGriff. Donna is involved in Tri-Hi-Y, flag corp and Medical Explorers. After graduation she plans on attending PCC for a year and transfer to the University of Kentucky to major in physical therapy.

Mark Roberts is the son of Don and Connie Roberts. Mark is the president of the Pep Club, captain of the Fire and Rescue Explorers Post, and in Biology Club. He was voted Who's Who among American High School Students and is an Outstanding Student. Mark plans to attend Eastern University and major in emergency medical care and become a paramedic.

Mike Presley is the son of S.M. Presley and Mary Hartig. He is president of the Medical Explorers and Tennis Club president.

He is in the Key Club and Beta Club and the boys tennis team captain. Mike plans to attend Murray State and enter pre-medical studies. He plans to pursue a career as a doctor.

Tana Davis is the daughter of J.L. and Nancy Davis. She is involved in the Biology Club, and is the secretary of the Beta Club. As of yet Tana is unsure of her future plans.

Jennifer Dodd is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Marshall. She is the FBLA historian and in the Key Club and on Student Council. Jennifer is a member of the senior scrapbook committee and was a football homecoming queen candidate. After graduation she plans to attend Murray State University and major in business or possibly fashion marketing.

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March is big month for contests

By Stephanie Edwards
and Laura Carrico

Foreign Language

Lone Oak High School's foreign language students participated in the Foreign Language Festival at Murray State University March 31. The students won a total of 30 awards and trophies.

The first place winners consists of the following: French—Holly Bruce, Annette Cathy, Leigh Ann Fowler, Miki Lynn, David Beverly, Patrick Collins, Isa Ferec, Tim Harris, Dalena Hall. Spanish—Kevin Clark, Tana Davis, Eric Thomas, Jackie Carbonel.

Second place winners were all in Spanish: Jim Adams, Peter Besold, Kevin Clark, Leslie Davenport, Tana Davis, Regina Glisson, Kris Kelso, Michelle Moubray.

Third place winners in French were: Miki Lynn, Ladonna Smith, Kelly Wurth. Spanish: Jim Adams, Brian Bell, Jackie Carbonel, Tina Ligon.

All first place winners are eligible for state competition at the University of Kentucky May 14. However, only nine of the fourteen that were awarded first place will compete at state. They are Holly Bruce, Kevin Clark, Tana Davis, Miki Lynn, David Beverly, Patrick Collins, Isa Ferec, Tim Harris, and Dalena Hall.

Mr. Buckner, foreign language teacher, stated, "I'm very proud of the students and their achievements. They worked hard for Lone Oak and I feel their efforts paid off."



Winners in foreign language are: (back row, left to right) David Beverly, Michelle Moubray, Isa Ferec, Tana Davis, Brian Bell, Patrick Collins, Peter Besold, Jim Adams, Tim Harris; (middle row) Annette Cathy, Regina Glisson, Jackie Carbonel, Leslie Davenport, Leigh Ann Fowler, Ladonna Smith, Eric Thomas, Kris Kelso; (bottom row) Kelly Wurth, Dana Shannon, Tina Ligon, Kevin Clark, Miki Lynn, Dalena Hall, and Holly Bruce.



FBLA winners are: (left to right) Penny Nichols, Laura Carrico, Chris Thompson, Jo Beth Chambers, Jimmy Strickland, and Holly Bruce.

(Photo by Keith Thompson)

FBLA

The FBLA Regional Convention was held at Murray State University March 22. Lone Oak had 36 participants and six winners.

Holly Bruce and Penny Nichols won first place in the poster event; Candace Parks placed second in the Talent Show for her vocal solo "And I'm Telling You I'm Not Going"; Jo Beth Chambers won second place in the Clerk Typist II category; Laura Carrico received third place in Clerk Typist I; and Jimmy Strickland placed third in the Public Speaking event. Chris Thompson and Billy Hagan acted as delegates at the Regional Conference.

The FBLA State Convention is being held this weekend in Louisville. All students who placed in the Regional Convention are eligible for the State competition. Chris Thompson and Lynn Zimmerman will be acting as delegates.

FFA

The Lone Oak FFA chapter competed in the Regional FFA Day Contest March 22 at Murray State University. Of the 19 contests entered, 18 members received superior, and one, excellent.

The highest superior awarded is given to those in the superior top four. The superior top four in the region consisted of students from the Lone Oak chapter. These were Kenny Harper—Treasury Book, Kevin Blackburn—Agriculture Mechanic, Lynn Burgess—Watermelon Production, and Micheal Wood—Creed Speaking. These four will represent Lone Oak FFA at the state contest, held in Louisville this summer.

Superior ratings were awarded in other various departments such as public speaking, impromptu, A.I.C, creed speaking, individual music, chapter music, and parliamentary procedure. Of the seven entered in speaking, six superiors were given along with one excellent.

Mr. Harold Wood, advisor of Lone Oak High School's FFA, commented that the last three out of four years, the Lone Oak chapter has been in the top twelve in Kentucky.

Concert Band

The Lone Oak Concert Band went to Murray March 26, for the KMEA Ratings Festival. The band scored a Superior rating in both the concert and sight-reading categories.

Their selections were "Little English Girl" and "Celebration Overture"; these are grade six pieces of music which is the highest caliber of music played by high school bands.

This is the band's fifth consecutive superior rating in concert band.

Golden 100

The Golden 100 contest was held March 27-28 at Murray State University. Peter Besold and Abigail Baker were Lone Oak's representatives.

The students spent the two days in lectures and taking tests covering various academic subjects. Besold was awarded second place on the Natural Sciences test.

To be selected for the Golden 100, contestants were to write an essay; 300 of these were selected as semi-finalists. From these the final 100 were chosen for the competition.

DECA

Junior Carla Sweatt, a member of the DECA club, was recently victorious at the state level and now qualifies for the national conference in New Orleans.

There were two levels on which students may have competed: The master employee level and the supervisor level; the highest level. Carla was awarded on the supervisor level and will attend the national conference June 25 at New Orleans.

Sami Crane and Dawn Alexander attended the state conference as delegates of the Lone Oak DECA chapter. Sami received a trophy as Outstanding Chapter Member of the Region I as DECA officer.

Mr. Buddy Rushing, advisor of Lone Oak DECA club, stated that he was very pleased with the accomplishment of his club and of Carla Sweatt.



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Carla Sweatt, who won at the state level, will compete in New Orleans.

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Old Southern hospitality returns

'Whitehaven' reborn

By Tamara Tucker

The sign says "Exit 7-Paducah-Lone Oak" but the sight that first meets the eye of the traveller coming off of Interstate 24 into Lone Oak is one of Old Southern splendor and elegance at its peak—the first sight of "Whitehaven." Kentucky has been called the "Gateway to the South" and "Whitehaven," with its majestic white pillars and warm green roof and shutters would seem the perfect "welcome mat."

"Whitehaven" was built in about 1866 by Edward L. Anderson and was originally called "Swanhaven." The mansion was sold out of the Anderson family in 1903 to Ed Atkins, a Paducah banker, who "remolded, restored, and renamed" the mansion "Whitehaven." The mansion was sold then to Major James P. Smith in 1908 and eventually came to be known to local residents as simply "the old Smith Mansion."

Over the years after the Smiths left "Whitehaven," the mansion fell into a state of disrepair; floors rotted, chandeliers and stained glass windows were stolen or destroyed by vandals, walls even fell down—"Whitehaven" slowly fell apart, a victim of neglect.

In 1981 the property and the mansion were sold to Paducah Community College and later that same year were sold again to the State of Kentucky, Department of Transportation. The mansion is now undergoing restoration and will eventually serve as a Tourist Welcome Center.

Renovation work on "Whitehaven" is being done by Ray Black and Son, contractors. Renovation was started August 1, 1982 and should officially be finished by the last of July, but, according to foreman Vernon Reynolds, the renovation work part of the restoring of "Whitehaven" may be finished by the last of April.

"It's been a good job and an interesting job," Reynolds said. He commented also that the mansion was in extremely bad shape when renovation was started.



(Photo by Keith Thompson)

"Whitehaven"—the exterior—as it is now, in its last days of renovation.



(Photo by Tamara Tucker)

Shown above is one of the ornate ceilings of a first floor room.

"Whitehaven" won't be exactly like it originally was due to lack of funds to restore the inside of the mansion (walls and furnishings). But, for the most part, it will come close to its earlier days of beauty.

Jack Wallace of Murray made the new stained-glass windows in the restored "Whitehaven." He had to copy them from old pictures of the windows because the original windows were stolen or destroyed by vandals years ago. Wallace finished the windows in about 6 or 7 months.

Besides the outer restored beauty of "Whitehaven," much of the inner beauty has been finished and some things are particularly noteworthy. Three of the ceilings on the first floor have ornate raised plaster work. The floors on the second floor are almost all parquet (wooden mosaic floor surfaces). The parquet floors had to be completely sanded and required much work. On the halls of the third floor (which probably won't be open to the public) is handpainted wallpaper on which are scenes of far-Eastern mosques of hugh orange trees—just one of the interesting secrets of "Whitehaven."

Reynolds also explained how the top of one of the Corinthina-styled columns in front of the mansion

was completely shattered. The broken pieces were retrieved by Reynold's men and put back together—"as good as new."

There are also many other intriguing features of the house—huge mirrors, the elaborate main staircase, intricate stained glass windows—all reminiscent of another time in history.

Overall the "Whitehaven" project will cost about \$2.1 million; for the cost of the mansion and land itself, renovation costs, for the information center, etc.

But, even unfinished, "Whitehaven" already sits proudly on its hill spreading Southern hospitality to everyone who sees it.



(Photo by Tamara Tucker)

At right is one of "Whitehaven's" recreated stained glass windows. This view is from the second floor but it is also easily seen in the front foyer.



(Photo by Tamara Tucker)

Probably the most elaborate fireplace in "Whitehaven" is this one which can be seen in a front room on the first floor. Note the Corinthian-style pillars—echos of the pillars of the mansion's exterior.

Lone Oak holds annual basketball banquet

By Caroline Atkins

Lone Oak High School held its annual basketball banquet on March 31, in the school cafeteria. The banquet is held to honor cheerleaders, basketball teams, sponsors and coaches.

Members of the junior varsity and varsity cheerleading squad were honored and sophomore Cindy Jenkins was named as Most Cooperative.

Junior varsity girls basketball players were recognized along with the varsity team. Senior Carol Habeck received the Best Defense and Most Assists awards along with being Co-Most Valuable Player of the team. Tammy Burton received trophies for Best Freethrow Percentage, Most rebounds and points, and was selected as Co-MVP along with Habeck. Rhonda Hooper was voted Miss Hustle by her teammates while Marie O'Nan recieved a trophy for Most Improved Player. It was also mentioned that Habeck and Burton were chosen as members of the Paducah Sun's All Purchase Team and that Bur-

ton was chosen as Player of the Year.

The freshmen and junior varsity boys were honored by coaches Albert Norris and Mike Clark. The freshmen boys finished the season with 7-6 records while the junior varsity's record was 11-8.

For the varsity boys team Tony Snelling, John Davis, Stan Norris, J.D. Overton, Alan Joiner and Jeff Hayden were honored for not missing any practices. Kevin Wheatley received a leadership award. John Davis was given the Best Defense and Mr. Hustle awards. Senior Tony Snelling not only received the Best Field Goal percentage and Most Rebounds awards, but also was the receipt of the WDXR 110% award. Andy Gilland was named as MVP, Best Freethrow Percentage, and Most Assists. Gilland was also named to the Sun's All Purchase Team for the second straight year.

WDXR also named Mr. Stephenson as the Fan of the Year.



(Photo by Keith Thompson)

Sophomore Beth Hughes will serve as field commander next year with assistant Mark Ingram, a junior.



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Tammy Burton chooses Tennessee Tech

By Caroline Atkins

Tammy Burton, daughter of Don and Sherry Burton, has decided to spend the next four years playing women's basketball for Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, Tennessee. Tammy received a full scholarship which pays for housing, food, books, and tuition.

When asked how she felt about having Tammy added to her roster for the next four years, Coach Marynell Meadors replied, "I think it's one of the greatest things we've done in a long time. We felt like we had two key positions to fill—that of point guard and center. We've filled the point guard position with Tammy. I feel that we are fortunate to have someone with her skills to run our team for the next four years."

Tammy has been a four year starter for the Lady Flash. As a freshman she averaged nine points per game; later she moved up to 15.2 as a sophomore and 16.5 as a junior. This year she led all scorers in this region, averaging 24 points per game. She was

nominated as Player of the Year and has been named to the All-Purchase Team for the past three years by the Paducah Sun. She was also named to this year's third team on the All State Team. Tammy is one of the first girl's basketball players at Lone Oak to go straight into a four year college rather than attending a junior college.

Tammy has received offers from twenty-five colleges, among them were University of Kentucky, University of Florida, Marshall University, University of Tennessee, Missouri, Louisville, and SEMO. Tammy says that gaining a starting position at point guard was one of the major factors that influenced her decision. She says that she is not used to sitting on the bench and as they (Tech) are graduating two seniors she has a good chance at starting.

Tammy said other advantages of attending Tech include getting uniform number 23, Tech's colors being purple and gold, a good atmosphere, and a nice campus.

Tammy ended by saying, "I feel like I've made a good decision by choosing Tennessee Tech for basketball as well as education wise."



(Photo by Keith Thompson)
Tammy Burton signs an Ohio Valley Conference letter-of-intent with Tennessee Tech University.

Golfers start season

By Tammy Whitis

Lone Oak's boy's golf team, headed by coach Tom Pandolfi, had its first match April 11 at Rolling Hills Country Club. This was a triangular match against Murray and Heath.

Tommy Williams was the medalist for Lone Oak with a low score of 42. Eighth grader Mike Shepherd

shot a 47 and junior Rick Webster and sophomores Donnie Wilkins and Wes Jones all shot 49.

Murray placed first with a low score of 214, Lone Oak second with 236 and Heath, with a score of 261, was third.

Lone Oak's girls fell to Murray 226-187. Cherie Mullen was the medalist for Lone Oak with Dena Giacone following close behind.

On April 14, with Rick Webster and Tommy Williams shooting the two lowest scores, Lone Oak won a triangular meet with Reidland and Heath, scoring a 169.

Webster shot the lowest score of the day with a two-over-par 38 at Calvert City Country Club. Williams was just one shot behind.

Friday April 15, Lone Oak took a pair of golf matches from Crittenden County at the Marion Country Club taking the boys 177-180 and the girls 136-199.

Mike Shepherd led the Oakers with a 42, followed by Rick Webster (44), Todd Walton (45), and Rodney Webster (46).

In the girls' match only three scores were counted. Rebecca Throgmorton led Lone Oak with a 43 while Cheri Mullen had a 44 and Rachelle Throgmorton a 49.

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Track teams set new records

By Joey Fosko

Lone Oak's first track meet was against St. Mary on April 12. The boys won 87-40 while the girls were defeated 67-41. In the meet, five school records were set.

Junior Tim Raney set a new record in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of :47.22. Another junior, David McGriff, set a new 1600 meter record, running it in 5:22.6. In the 1600 meter relay, seniors Scott Elkins and Steve Felts and sophomores Steve Verbeare and Jeff Williamson finished with a time of 3:57.8.

Two girls' records were set as well. Sophomore Karen Langston ran the 300 meter hurdles in 1:00.33, and senior Leslie Davenport, sophomore Cindy Jenkins, and freshmen Krisa Clark and Cynthia Neihoff ran the 1600 meter relay in 5:00.92.



(Photo by Tamara Tucker)

Senior Tommy Farthing prepares for the triple jump.

Baseball team off to good start

By Joey Fosko

This year's Purple Flash baseball team is off to a good start, with a record of 4-2.

Opening day, April 4, saw the Flash meeting a talented Paducah Tilghman squad. After the Flash

fell behind 4-0 in the first inning, senior pitcher Josh Moore shut out the Tornado the rest of the way. Meanwhile, the Flash rallied to win the game 5-4.

Game number two matched the Flash against Reidland. Led by seniors Tony Snelling and Kevin Wheatley and their 2-for-3 performances, the 'Hounds fell 9-2.

Saturday, April 16, Lone Oak met Calloway County in a doubleheader. The Lakers gave Lone Oak its first loss 10-4, but the Flash came back to rout the Lakers 19-6 in the finale.

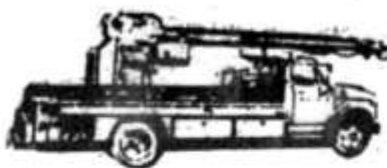
Tennis teams undefeated

By Joey Fosko

As of April 19, both tennis teams stood undefeated. The boys were 4-0, and the girls were 3-0.

In their first match of the year, the boys overpowered Cairo 9-0. On April 12, both teams took on Union City, Tennessee at Union City. The boys won eight of 11 matches, and the girls won 8-1. Three days later, Reidland's boys fell 10-1, and the Lady 'Hounds lost 8-1. The team traveled to Mayfield on April 18 and won again. The boys won 6-3, and the girls won 7-2.

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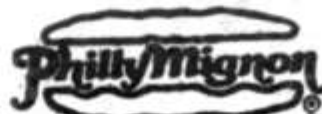
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