

## Collins speaks to assembly of Lone Oak students

By Tina Griggs

"I can't tell you anything; you already know it all. My son Jeff is 17 going on 100," Mississippi state trooper Pete Collins stated when he talked to the school on January 13. Mr. Collins claimed that Jeff thought he was a "sex symbol."

Mr. Collins got everyone's attention with his anecdotes and his humor, but he kept everyone's attention with the statistics he had.

He said that someone who was seated in the gym will die in an alcohol related accident. Some jobs are not available if a person has a DUI (driving while under the influence). Of the alcohol related accidents, 18% were riding with someone who has killed before. He also told of a drunken father who refused to help his dying son because he was too intoxicated to know what he was doing.

Mr. Collins started speaking against drinking and driving seven years ago. He began

speaking because he hated, "going to the door of a house at two or three in the morning and telling Mama and Daddy that their child won't ever be coming home."

Mr. Collins uses his off days and vacations to speak to area high schools. He spoke at Reidland and Heath that morning.

He is hopefully one incentive to get seniors behind Project Graduation, the drug/alcohol free party for seniors.

Did the incentive work? "I really believe the students want this," said Mr. Jim Toy who is the head of the organization team in charge of Project Graduation. "They're not embarrassed or hesitant about it. They are excited and enthusiastic."

Project Graduation is designed to hold down those statistics Trooper Pete Collins made all too clear to some. Mr. Collins left the gymnasium with this statement, "Let it be known that you have desires, dreams, and plans. Please live."



Pete Collins shows Max Woods an effective way to control teenagers.  
Photo by Matt Starling

## FCA introduces Project Graduation

By Lechelle Yates

What could be more exciting than to stay out all night and eat, dance, goof off with friends, and even win \$50, \$100, or a used car? Students will be given the chance to experience this excitement graduation night by attending Project Graduation.

Project Graduation is a drug/alcohol free party given to the seniors as a "thank you" by the community and parents with all the activities dictated by the students.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes and its advisors Mr. Toy and Mr. Clark are the sponsoring organization for the statewide project at Lone Oak. In November 1987, Mr. Toy, FCA president Jason Hartig, and Bill Coleman attended a three-day Project Graduation seminar in Louisville, KY. "When we came back, we were really enthusiastic, really positive; we were really sure it was something we wanted, not to do, but to share with the students and see if they wanted to do it," says Mr. Toy. "I was

absolutely sold on the idea" for the party.

"You never know how it (a project) is going to float when you bring it back to the general public. From the immediate introduction of it, there has been nothing but positive responses," states Mr. Toy.

"I am excited about it, and I have found other seniors to be also," states Jason.

## Guhy assumes Pandolfi's position at mid-term

By Derrick Gourieux

Mr. Chris Guhy is beginning his first year of teaching as the replacement teacher for Mr. Tom Pandolfi, who taught health, physical education, and psychology. Mr. Guhy was asked to come to Lone Oak by McCracken County Personnel Director Jerry Cruse when Mr. Pandolfi was offered another job in New Jersey.

Mr. Guhy, originally from Carlisle County, attended Murray State University for five years and has just finished a year of student teaching. He enjoys working with students and was inspired to teach "by several teachers in my past that I enjoyed and admired."

In the future Mr. Guhy would like to establish himself in the teaching profession and perhaps go into coaching. "I would love to get several years of experience under a well-respected head coach and



Mr. Guhy revels a humorous moment in his gym class.

then continue into head coaching myself," he said.

"I feel very lucky to have the opportunity to come to Lone Oak," Mr. Guhy explained. "And hopefully I can win the respect and admiration of the people I work with and teach."

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# Seniors experience bittersweet highschool "lasts"

By Lechelle Yates

For us seniors, the senior year and graduation are a . . . to look forward to the many firsts rapidly approaching--the first year of college, the first time away from home for an extended period time, the first full time job. But this year and graduation are also a time for the painful and remorseful "lasts".

"Lasts" bombarded us the first day we walked through the school doors after summer vacation. That day didn't seem monumental at the time, but in retrospect, it was the last time we'd ever have to register again for high school.

Emotions flowed close to the surface for the football players at the last practice and game. This was the last time the senior guys would ever sweat together on the Purple Flash field--as the close-knit group of friends they had become. The same was true for the marching band; the same will be true for the basketball team, baseball team, tennis team, golf team, and track team. Each team is a family giving support, sharing secrets, wrenching losses and heart stopping joys, and four years of very tender memories. This family will be pulled apart by the end of the sport's season,

leaving a void, never to be filled with quite the same warmth.

This holiday season was our last one in high school. For many of the college-bound who enjoy participating in the family traditions, the college term will end after the decorations adorn the house and the cookies, fudge, and fruit cake are made, depriving us of the chance to help create the Christmas cheer.

For the future college student whose birthday will fall in the middle of the week or on a weekend when we're stuck on campus, this is the last year for a big family-oriented celebration. Next year we may be lucky if one person, besides our parents, remembers our special day.

And what about those candy-grams on Valentine's Day? This year will be the last time we'll be able send that heart-shaped sucker and accompanying message to our beloveds, friends, and hopeful future sweethearts.

This is our last time to attend the most anticipated dance of high school. Even though some of us attended Prom as juniors, this year is special. Years from now we'll remember the glitter and passion of the night.

The girls will remember the little extra, or in many cases, the lot extra spent on the perfect dress and the added touches--sparkling jewels, dyed gloves that just match the shade of our dress; the romantics will keep the dress forever. The added touches by the guys will also be remembered--the scarf, top hat, and cane. The romance of the evening will linger in our hearts, brought to mind by the souvenirs of the night--pictures, napkins, glasses.

This last semester also brings to mind the last day of school. As always, the thought of that last day quickens our pulse, but this year the usual anticipation will be mixed with sadness. We'll clean out the locker that held our detested books and scrape the personalization off the door and sides, making it ready for next year's inhabitant. We'll try to etch in our mind the

images of our friends in their usual haunts, laughing, gossiping, bickering. And we'll see our ghosts in all the places we've been between these walls.

Finally, the most heralded "last" of all arrives, the one ending the high school chapter of our lives. How many times have we uttered "I wish I was out of high school?" Our wish has come true and now we begin to realize that maybe we've wished away part of our childhood. Never again will we be the same as we are now, these days before graduation, because the act of moving the tassel permanently alters us. We'll realize that night that never will we be the high school student wanting to be in college, as if it's a magical place, yet not wanting to grow up and accept our responsibilities.

The "lasts" will never leave our lives. We'll always have some occasion to use the term.

## Paducah needs a large civic arena

There has been much discussion about Paducah's need for a civic auditorium. In public forums such as The Paducah Sun's Extra many people have spoken out both against and in favor of such a building.

An auditorium with a capacity of nearly 10,000 would greatly benefit Paducah. A building of this size would pull in much money for area merchants, and it would also provide new tax revenue for the city, state, and county.

A large arena in Paducah would be ideal for housing concerts. The nearest places to see a good concert are usually Nashville, Saint Louis, and occasionally Carbondale. The attendance at these concerts would not suffer in a small town like Paducah due

to the population of the surrounding area and the distance that otherwise would have to be traveled to see a good concert.

Concerts wouldn't be the only use of the auditorium either. If enough floorspace were available the town could host large basketball tournaments and even arrange for the Kentucky Wildcats to scrimmage here. The local popularity of professional wrestling could be exploited by hosting wrestling cards in the building. Events such as auctions, flea marts, and dog shows could also be hosted in the arena.

Any event on these levels would bring in revenue to restaurants, hotels, and even local stores. People would be more inclined to do business here if they were already here, and what better way to get them here than to entertain them?

Rusty Smith

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## Court decision threatens future of America

It has always been said that public schools are for the purpose of teaching students and preparing them for the responsibilities of citizenship in a democratic nation. However, because of the recent ruling of the Supreme Court, it may be difficult for students to adapt to the "real world."

In mid-January the court put a limitation on the First Amendment when it ruled that school newspapers are subject to censorship of any material that threatens the "valid educational purpose." With this attitude, the court seems to be encouraging the preparation for a totalitarian society.

If today's students cannot expect all the privileges of the Constitution, how then, when they are active in political matters, can they be expected to have full civic responsibility? Since today's schools are to provide practical instructions for citizenship, shouldn't they be an accurate reproduction of a true democratic nation?

Millions of people have died in wars to protect the freedom of the United States. Now some of our freedoms are being taken away by our own Supreme Court's version of the First Amendment. So, what does the "new and improved" Bill of Rights mean--we have the right to free speech and press as long as we are not bold enough to use it?

Derrick Gourieux

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# Coovert receives Rotarian salute

By Robert Wagner



DEANNA

Deanna Coovert has been chosen as the January Junior Rotarian by the Lone Oak High School faculty and staff for her academic ability and achievements.

Deanna is a member of Future Business Leaders of America, Biology Club, and Beta Club.

The best thing about LOHS, according to Deanna, is "the friendly faculty and the interest the staff takes in creating the best learning environment possible for the students." She particularly appreciates "the caring, encouragement, and high expectations of the teachers." She feels our teachers are willing to go the extra in making our days here the best they can be."

Her idea of a good student is, "one that tries his/her best and puts a little of himself/herself into all of his/her work."

She feels a good teacher is a teacher "that doesn't just want his/her students to do the assigned work and pass the class. The teacher that wants his/her students to learn something in the process of doing the work, one who encourages class participation and the asking of questions is a good teacher."

Deanna plans to attend college at David Lipscomb in Nashville, Tennessee. She is unsure about her major, but she's leaning towards law.

# On second thought, 1987 was interesting year

By Rusty Smith and Derrick Gourieux

On the surface, 1987 was not an unusual year. The year wasn't longer than any others, and there were no global thermo-nuclear disasters.

Last year, however, was a hard year on politicians. Gary Hart, for example, was drummed out of the presidential race in April when it was alleged that he was having an affair with model Donna Rice. Hart re-entered the presidential race in December however, just one day after Rice

terminated her commercials for No Excuse jeans.

Supreme Court hopefuls had a bad year also. Douglas H. Ginsburg's bid for a seat on the court was terminated when it was discovered that he had smoked marijuana during the 1960's. Although this discovery publicly humiliated Ginsburg, several other politicians were quick to admit past drug use.

Heroes even had a difficult time in 1987. Colonel Oliver North's testimony at the Iran-Contra hearings made him a

martyr to some, while to others he was a dispicable criminal. His claim to be a government scapegoat who did the wrong thing for the right reasons infuriated many political observers.

Religion was also a "holy terror" last year. The public view of religion was greatly tarnished when the leaders of the Praise The Lord network, Jim and Tammy Bakker, became entangled in a scandal. Jim Bakker's affair with Jessica Hahn and Tammy Bakker's drug addiction rocked the PTL. The extravagant lifestyle the Bakkers had been leading shocked many of their followers, as their excess made news all over the United States.

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# Lone Oak hosts Governor's Cup competition

By Jennifer Snow

Students from Lone Oak High School will be hosting the district section of Kentucky's most widely recognized scholastic competition, Governor's Cup.

Governor's Cup is a statewide contest broken into four categories of competition: Quick Recall, Future Problem Solving, English Composition, and Written Assessment. The Written Assessment Test consists of 60 multiple choice questions, and a student competing can choose to take it on math, science, social studies, language arts or a combination of two. The students taking the English Composition test are given 90 minutes to write an essay on a topic pre-selected by contest officials.

In the Future Problem Solving Category, a team of four students is given a possible future problem to find a feasible solution to. Participants in Quick Recall are also on teams but answer questions in an academic meet arrangement.

The top four Written Assessment and English Composition students, along with the two highest scoring Future

Problem Solving and Quick Recall teams will advance to regional competition with each participant accumulating individual school points for his efforts.

States Mr. Jim Toy, Governor's Cup coordinator, "I've had alot of interest by students. We will have the maximum number of participants in each category. I'm very pleased with the enthusiasm."

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# Valentines Day time for Cupid

By Lechelle Yates

Cupid of Roman mythology is a well-known figure associated with Valentine's Day. With his gold-tipped wings and quiver of bows, he is the most famous symbol of love and happiness.

Cupid is said to be a happy little god that once stayed close to his mother Venus, the goddess of love and beauty. He shoots people with his golden arrows to make them fall in love so that they will be as happy as he is.

According to myth, Cupid once was asked to use his arrow for a purpose other than love, death. His mother, Venus, was jealous of the mortal princess Psyche's beauty. She ordered Cupid to kill her with a poisoned arrow.

Cupid was so startled by Psyche's beauty that he fell on his own arrow, immediately fell in love with her, and married her.

Because she was a mortal, Psyche was not allowed to look at her husband. Her jealous sisters learned of this and convinced her that he was really a serpent and that she should kill him before he killed her.

With an oil lamp and a dagger, Psyche crept into Cupid's room. Astounded by his handsomeness, she spilled a drop of hot oil on his shoulder. He awoke, said "Love can not exist where there is no trust", and vanished.

Because of her deep love for her husband, Psyche begged Venus for help. Venus compelled her to perform three very difficult tasks, the last one being to bring back from the Lower World a box filled with the beauty of Proserpina, the wife of Pluto.

Psyche was warned not to look in the box, but she could not resist. She lifted the top and immediately fell into a deep sleep.

Because of his undying love for Psyche, Cupid flew back to her, kissed her, and she awoke. Cupid begged Jupiter, king of gods, to convince Venus to forgive them both. Jupiter was able to do so and he also made Psyche a goddess. On Mount Olympus, they live happily ever after.

Through the years, Cupid has come to represent the heart, and Psyche the soul. The word "psyche" means both butterfly and soul, as well as mind. "The soul leaves the body just as the butterfly leaves its cocoon."



## Order your candy grams today!



By Jennifer Snow

Future Homemakers of America make it possible every year for Lone Oak students place orders to send special valentines to their friends. Candy grams, a tradition sponsored by Lone Oak's Future Homemakers of America, are short verses which come accompanied by a sweet treat, usually a heart shaped lollypop.

Candy grams will be sold this week for 25 cents and be distributed on February 12.

There are usually 3 to 4 different messages to choose from. "We pick them so that there is an appropriate message for everyone who wants to send one," says FHA sponsor Mrs. Potts.



## Pep Club sponsors first poster contest

The Pep Club is sponsoring a poster contest for Homecoming, February 12. All posters are to be the size of regular poster board. We will be playing the Heath Pirates. Posters will be displayed in the gym during Homecoming week. The posters will be judged by the art teacher, Mrs. Stickler, on originality, appearance, color and design. There will be several prizes. Completed posters should be brought to the office. They will be displayed on Monday, February 8. The winners will be announced at the Homecoming Pep Rally, Friday, Feb. 8.

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# In memory of Tony Summers

Sophomore Tony Summers died at approximately 6:52 Tuesday night, January 26, at Lourdes Hospital.

Summers was a member of the Lone Oak baseball and football teams, the Biology Club, Pep Club, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.


Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R.L. Summers; his grandparents, Loraine Summers of Paducah and Mr. and Mrs. B.G. Dunning of Paducah; several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Dr. Willis Henson and Rev. Deward Hurst officiated the funeral services at Lone Oak First Baptist Church Thursday, January 28 at 2 p.m. The burial was in Woodlawn Memorial Gardens.

Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to the Lone Oak High School Athletic Association, St. Jude Children's Research Center, or Lone Oak First Baptist Church Benevolent Fund.

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# 3 students experience a foreign lifestyle

# FBLA says "it's your birthday"

By Shannon Adler

How would it feel to live in a foreign country? Aimee Bahr, Stacy Walker, and Ann Bracey are now able to answer this question.

Aimee Bahr felt confused when she was first told of her family's plans to move to Ecuador. However, after she learned about the customs of the Spanish people, she began to look forward to the move. She lived there for approximately one year.

She spent most of her time with the Ecuadorians because there were no Americans where she lived. She said that most of the schools were private and they were either all boys or all girls. The schools placed more emphasis on the English language. She said that every student had to take it. She said that she

would like to live in Ecuador in the future, as long as it was not permanent.

Aimee recalls an incident that happened to her, "When we first moved to Ecuador, I didn't know a lot of Spanish. I was in a store one day and I wanted to know how much something cost, but I couldn't remember how to ask. I was going to say, 'Como mucho?' Como means how and mucho means much. But, if I had said that, I would really have been saying that I eat a lot."

Stacy Walker lived in Saudi Arabia for a couple of years. Her parents still live there, but she goes to visit them every Christmas and summer. She said

## LOTA "flips" for pancake breakfast

By Robert Wagner

The Lone Oak Tennis Association and the Lone Oak Kiwanis Club will sponsor a pancake breakfast at the Lone Oak High School cafeteria on February 20 from 7 A.M. and will continue until 10 A.M.

Tickets may be purchased from members of the Lone Oak Tennis Club and Lone Oak Tennis Association. The tickets will cost \$2.50 and will also be available for purchase at the door.

The purpose of this pancake breakfast is to help keep up the Lone Oak tennis courts.

"We would like to encourage all the people of Lone Oak to attend this breakfast. The money we raise will be used for work on the Lone Oak tennis courts to help better serve the community", said Mr. Doug Harnice, Special Projects Chairman for the Lone Oak Tennis Association.

that, at first, she didn't want to move to Saudi Arabia and that it seemed scary. She said, "I was afraid that I would end up living in a tent surrounded by camels."

She spent most of her time with Americans because the Saudi Arabians did not encourage their teenagers to associate with the American teenagers. The only thing that was really different about her school was that she had seven classes a day.

An incident that Stacy remembers was when she was riding a camel and it bucked her off. She said that she would not mind living in a foreign country, but probably not Saudi Arabia. However, she did say that she thought that the move to Saudi Arabia gave her a good opportunity to learn about different customs and to meet new people.

Ann Bracey agreed that living in a foreign country was a good opportunity to make new friends. Ann lived in Austria for a couple of years. She said that the people were basically the same as the ones in the United States because she attended an American International school. She said that she took eight courses and they were more difficult than in the United States. Ann also said that she thinks that she would like to live in Austria in the future.

Aimee, Stacy, and Ann seem to believe that living in a foreign country was a good experience for them. They only hope that some of their other friends will have the chance to travel like they have.

By Shannon Adler

Anyone who supported the Future Business Leaders of America calendar sales should never forget a friend's birthday again.

Dan McDermott and Julie Walker served as chairpersons of the committee for the American Free Enterprise project. Their project included making the calendar and writing a paper about it. Both the calendar and the paper will be entered in the Free Enterprise contest at the FBLA Regionals at Murray on March 1.

Working on the calendar gave students the opportunity to visit local businesses and meet new people who they may work with some day. Every FBLA member helped with the distribution of the calendars.

Julie Walker said, "The calendar was hard work, but we were pleased with the response from the students."

Dan McDermott said, "We want to thank all FBLA members for all of their help."

Calendar sales began before Christmas vacation. The price is \$1.50. Every student's birthday is listed in the calendar, if they filled out a form in homeroom. Calendars may still be purchased from Mrs. Abell or FBLA members.

## Key Club will produce 'Times'

By Shannon Adler

"We are looking forward to tremendous participation by the student body. This has always been a very successful dance in the past. We usually have between 250 and 300 students in attendance," said Mr. McGroarty.

Lone Oak's Basketball Homecoming will be held on February 12 in the cafeteria, which will be decorated by members of the Key Club. The theme of Homecoming will be "We're Having the Time of Our Lives" and the disc jockey is going to be Craig Bradley from K98.

In the Homecoming game, Lone Oak will play Heath. It is suggested that everyone buys tickets to the dance in advance.

## FBLA celebration

National FBLA week is February 7 through 13. FBLA stands for Future Business Leaders of America, an educational organization which plays a vital role among high school business students. It encourages the understanding of the American Free Enterprise System. During this week, your support of the Lone Oak chapter will be greatly appreciated.

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## High school students should realize importance of good grades

By Robert Wagner

One of the biggest differences between attending middle school and attending high school is the value of grades. In middle school, grades were important, but not as important as they are in high school.

The pressure of attaining a good Grade Point Average starts the moment one steps through the door of high school as a freshman. One's quest for attaining good grades must begin immediately. There are not many classes where one can make bad grades on those first tests and end up with a good grade for that nine weeks and the semester.

The grades that we make today may determine the way we live tomorrow. They may determine what college or university we attend or which ones we do not attend. Many colleges and universities just do not accept those students who do not have a high grade point average. It is even worse if a person is applying to an out-of-state college. If anyone wants to attend these colleges, he/she

must be one of the top students in his/her high school graduating class.

After graduating from high school, many students choose to attend vocational schools or other institutions of learning. It is just as important for these students to get good grades, also. A person with good grades can apply for the many scholarships that are available.

Some students go to work immediately after graduation. Did you know that many employers, such as Martin Marietta, ask for your GPA on the job application form? No matter what you do after high school, good grades are important.

One should try to get the best grades that he/she can possibly make just for himself/herself. It feels good to work hard and then get a good grade for that hard work. It is a reward for all of our effort. Getting good grades means that we take and have pride in ourselves, and that is what is important, to do the best that we can in school and in life.

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## America celebrates King Jr.'s birthday

By Tina Griggs

Our nation celebrated Martin Luther King's birthday on January 18. He was one of America's foremost leaders in the civil rights movement in the 1960's.

Born in Atlanta, GA, in 1929, Martin was to become a minister of a Baptist church, a black man with a Ph.D., and a leader among the black people of our country. He became aware of the social segregation of blacks and whites as a boy. He and his father were made to stand all the way home on a bus trip because the Negro section of the bus was full.

He was like Gandhi in that he did not want violence. He led rallies. He wanted justice, rights, and privileges for blacks. He led a march on Washington, D.C. against black/white segregation. He was the author of several books. In 1964, he won the Noble Peace Prize.

Death threats were often made because of the power and influence he had over top leaders. One of these threats was carried out by James Earl Ray in 1968.

Martin was once quoted as saying, "... I would rather be in jail ten years than to desert my people now. I have begun the struggle, and I can't turn back. I have reached the point of no return."

## Civil Air Patrol offers service opportunity

By Tina Griggs

The Civil Air Patrol (CAP) is a program designed to educate and train people age 13-18 in flying, aerospace education, survival techniques, rescue and first aid (including disaster relief), as well as the study of navigation, weather, and aviation history.

The cost of joining is only \$21. That covers the cost of books for the first two periods for a total of about 13 months. If you are interested contact someone at:

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# Girls Basketball

## Flash strike out at opponents

Lone Oak 46, Reidland 37  
By: Carolyn Kerins

The Lady Flash basketball team met their cross-county rival, Reidland, on Friday night, December 18, at Lone Oak High School.

Lone Oak was down by two points at the end of the first quarter, but fought to tie the score 16-16 at the end of the first half.

The Oaker defense shut out key Reidland shooter, Michelle Martin and kept up its own scoring drive. The game was still close when the third quarter wound down. Lone Oak had a one-point lead at the beginning of the final quarter, and went on to win the game by nine points. Lone Oak was the victor with the final score of 46-37.

Laura Wallis was the team's leading scorer who shot for 14 points. Shawn Huffine shot for 8 points, while Shari Brantley, Patricia Jones, and Donna Brookshire all added 6 points. Angela Beach finished the game with 4 points, and Lori Meadows with 2.

Lone Oak 66, St. Mary 32

The Lady Flash's record jumped to 9-3 when Lone Oak defeat the St. Mary Lady Vikings 66-32, at Lone Oak on Tuesday, January 19.

The Flash was ahead by seven points at the end of the first quarter, but with its tremendous shooting, Lone Oak outscored St. Mary 24-2 in the second period to finish the first half with a score of 36-7.

The Lady Flash continued to shut out St. Mary's leading scorer, Kathy Haas throughout the second half and increased its lead to thirty-two points to end the game with another victory.

Lori Meadows was the star shooter for Lone Oak with 12 points. Patricia Jones and Shawn Huffine, who had one 3-point shot, both pumped in 11, while Shari Brantley and Laura Wallis each added 10 points. Eight points were contributed by Niki Henderson, and Letonya Jones chipped in 4 points.

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# Movie and Record Review



## "Planes, Trains, Automobiles" moves audiences

By Derrick Gourieux  
Everyone has had a day when nothing goes right. But Steve Martin, in the movie "Planes, Trains, and Automobiles", learned the true meaning of Murphy's Law when his "bad day" turned into an entire horrible adventure.

The movie starts out with Martin flying home to be with his family for Thanksgiving. However, bad weather forces his plane to land in a small town

hundreds of miles away from his home. From there, he and John Candy, an annoying companion that he met on the plane, try everything in their power to get home.

The two endure many different tribulations. At first they are terrible enemies, but these experiences teach them an important lesson about life. They are almost forced to become friends and in doing so learn

that there is more to this fast paced world than the surface shows.

"Planes, Trains, and Automobiles" could possibly be the funniest movie of the year. The hilarious antics of John Candy and Steve Martin, two totally different types of characters, combine on screen to make anyone laugh.

## Dokken is "Back for the Attack" with new album

By Rusty Smith  
Dokken has finally released their much delayed fourth album Back for the Attack. With this album Dokken may be headed to stardom.

The guitar power of George Lynch highlights this album. "Burning Like a Flame", "Back for the Attack", and "Dream Warriors" are just three of the awesome songs that thrive on his abilities.

Established Dokken fans will

have little trouble enjoying this album. Dokken still relies on good lyrics and strong lead and rhythm guitar in the songs on this album. Although none of the songs conjure up memories of "Alone Again" or "In My Dreams", the sound remains truly "Dokken", which is good in that the band is making progress in their careers without abandoning the thing that put them in the position to do so.

Dokken is currently touring

with Aerosmith and should start a headlining tour sometime in the summer. As their album sales grow and they get more MTV and radio airplay, Dokken should become one of rock's elite bands.

Back for the Attack is easily Dokken's best album. The sound is fairly hard, but it should not scare off heavy-metal haters. For eight and a half bucks, Dokken is the best music value money can buy.

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The year was good to some people, however. The New York Giants blew the Denver Broncos away in the Super Bowl. In March the Indiana Hoosiers defeated the Syracuse Orangemen to win the NCAA basketball championship. The Los Angeles Lakers, Edmonton Oilers, and Minnesota Twins won championships also.

According to Lone Oak students, 1987 was a terrific year for entertainment. The junior class selected "Dirty

Dancing" as the year's top movie. Def Leppard's Hysteria was the year's top album. "The Cosby Show" received honors as the year's best T.V. Show. George Michael was Lone Oak's favorite individual artist and U2 was Lone Oak's favorite group. Rex Chapman was Lone Oak's choice as the year's top basketball player.

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Lone Oak 55, Heath 51

The tension mounted as the Lone Oak clashed with district foe, the Heath Pirates, for the Lady Flash's "come-back" game of the season, at Heath, on Saturday, January 23.

The game got off to a slow start for the Lady Flash and remained that way until after half-time. When the Lady Flash left for the lockerroom, the scoreboard read 18-32 in Heath's favor.

"We had a lot of trouble executing our game plan in the first half, but Coach Clark straightened us out at half-time, and then things fell into place," said Laura Wallis about the game.

Coach Mike Clark must have had some very inspiring words, for when Lone Oak returned to the floor, both shooting and defense improved as the Lady Flash closed in on the Pirates, allowing just a five point lead as the third quarter ended.

The score shuffled, and the Lady Flash pushed harder, breaking the Heath Pirates to win the game 55-51. This victory brought the Lady Flash's impressive record to 11-3.

Lone Oak 30, Reidland 31

The Lone Oak Lady Flash clashed with second district rival, the Lady Greyhounds to determine the seedings post-season district tournament, on Tuesday, January 26, at Reidland at 6:00.

Both teams were striving for the victory as the close game wore on. When the buzzer sounded, the game was tied 28-28.

Sharl Brantley sunk two free throws to up the score 30-29, then Reidland shot to tie the score again. With overtime nearing its close, (4 seconds) Lone Oak fouled and sent Reidland to the free throw line. Reidland made one free throw to win the game 30-31.

Lone Oak 53, Graves Co. 66

Lone Oak's Purple Flash faced a very disappointing defeat to the Graves County Eagles when the final seconds ticked away at Lone Oak High School, Friday, January 22.

The Flash continued to fight for the lead throughout the third quarter to pull within one point of the Eagles at the start of the fourth quarter. Lone Oak found itself at the free-throw line often during the final quarter, but was unable to make the most of the shots as Graves increased the margin to win 52-66.

## Purple Flash "streaks" through January games

Lone Oak 53, Carlisle 59

The Lone Oak Purple Flash suffered a very disappointing six-point loss to the Carlisle County Comets on Tuesday, January 12, at Lone Oak High School.

The Purple Flash was down by one point when the first quarter ended, but couldn't take over the lead in the second quarter as the Comets finished the first half with the score of 32-26.

The Flash began its comeback in the second half, tying the game at the close of the third quarter. What would happen next? Lone Oak rallied hard in its final efforts, but it wasn't enough to stop Carlisle who won 59-53.

John Beyer led the Purple Flash's scoring drive with 22 points. Jason Ricks scored 13 points and Jeff Smith added 10 points to help Lone Oak. Nathan Baker put 7 points on the scoreboard, along with 3 points chipped in by Brad Kinsey, and 2 points added by Brent Gaines.

Lone Oak 77, Ballard 64

The Purple Flash enjoyed a sweet victory when Lone Oak defeated the Ballard Bombers on Friday, January 15, at Lone Oak High School.

The Purple Flash dealt Ballard its first blow when Lone Oak out-scored the Bombers 23-7 in the first quarter with the help of Jason Rick's three 3-point shot completions, and two 3-point shots from Brent Gaines in the second quarter. The Flash held onto its lead, defeating the Bombers 38-23 at half-time.

The action continued throughout the second half with the Purple Flash's steady shooting and defense. Lone Oak shot 78.2% from the free-throw line to win the game 77-64.

The leading scorer for Lone Oak was Jason Ricks who had 21 points (17 before half-time). Brent Gaines scored 18 points while John Beyer added 13, and Jeff Smith put in 12 points. Tim Stonecipher contributed to Lone Oak's victory with 10 points. Brad Kinsey chipped in 2 points and Chad Hawes added one.

Lone Oak 63, St. Mary 50

The Purple Flash received what may be one of the most sought-after victories in former St. Mary coach, Larry Hopper's career at Lone Oak High School when Lone Oak downed the St. Mary Vikings on Tuesday, January 19.

Lone Oak jumped ahead early in the first quarter and kept the momentum going to lead the Vikings by thirteen points (29-16) at intermission.

The second half proved to be just as exciting when the Purple Flash decided to antagonize their fans as St. Mary finally pulled within one point of Lone Oak's lead. The closeness in score didn't last for long as the Purple Flash pulled everything together to push Lone Oak over the top by thirteen points.

"We knew coming into the game that they were a good ball club. Our key to the game was stopping their big men. We did that, and ended up winning the game," said senior Jason Ricks, who scored fourteen points for Lone Oak. Ricks also mentioned that rebounding and total team effort were big factors in Lone Oak's victory.

John Beyer scored the most points for Lone Oak, shooting for 16. Brent Gaines added 14, and Tim Stonecipher contributed 12 points, while Jeff Smith chipped in 4 points, and Brad Kinsey ended the game with 3 points.

## Woods receives many awards

By: Carolyn Kerins

Senior Max Woods was the proud recipient of many awards and honors during the past year.

Woods, who received the Best Defensive Lineman award, along with a senior award for his past four years' efforts in football, was also elected by state-wide coaches to represent Lone Oak for All Western Kentucky Conference (WKC) football, and was named All State Honorable Mention.

Max has also earned awards in Future Farmers of America. Those awards are: Welding Regional Champs, and second place in the state welding competition.

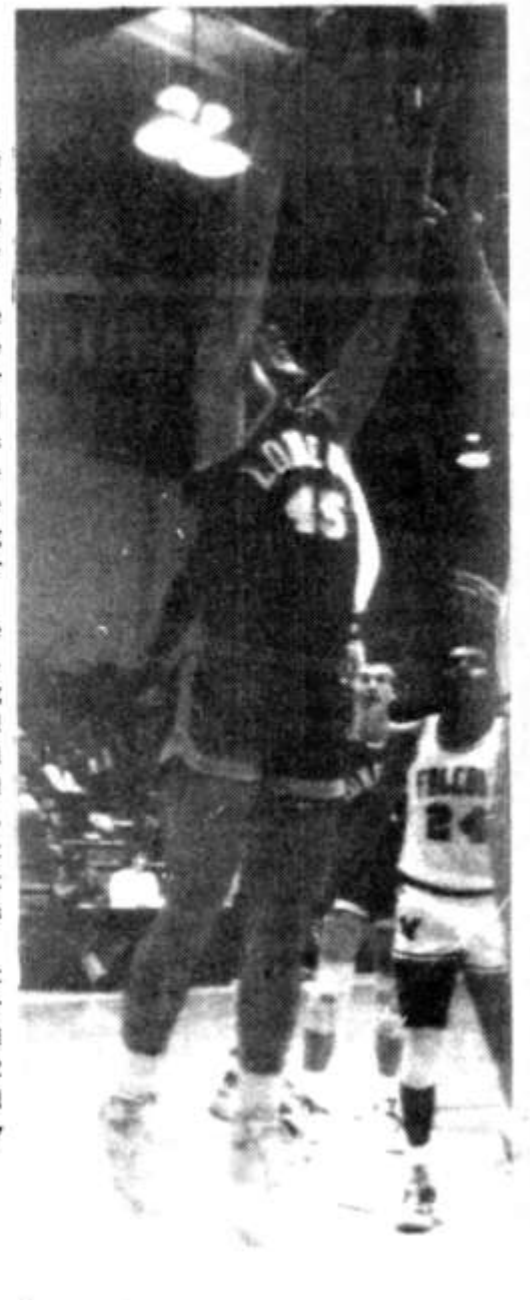


Photo by Matt Sterling  
Beyer soars for rebound as the Hickman County Falcon looks on.

## Boys' J.V. team gains experience

By: Carolyn Kerins

The Lone Oak High School Junior Varsity boys' basketball team has matched its skills against many teams this year.

After suffering a loss to Hickman County on January 5, the flash bounced back to beat Carlisle County, 47-35, on Tuesday, January 12.

The junior varsity met Ballard County at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 15. Eric Rudolph led the disappointed Flash with seventeen points.

The Oaker team suffered a one-point loss to St. Mary's, but lifted its spirits with a win over Reidland, 52-46, before losing 40-60 to the Graves County Eagles.