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Coover Sweeps Coca-Cola, Finalist for Jostens Scholarships

Michael Scott Coover, a senior at Lone Oak High School, Paducah, Ky., is one of 150 finalists of the Coca-Cola scholarship and one of the 1,000 finalists in The Jostens Foundation Leader Scholarship Program for 1992.

There were 92,000 applicants to the Coke scholarship, and 150 applicants were chosen from these. The 150 students receive \$4,000 in scholarships and 50 of those have an opportunity

to get \$20,000 to help finance their college tuitions.

Coover is the first LOHS student to receive this coveted award, and one of seven Kentuckians to become a semi-finalist. On Apr. 2-4, Coover will be interviewed to determine his qualifications to be a \$20,000 scholarship winner.

Coover was one of more than 35,000 high school students throughout the United States who applied

for one of Jostens \$1,000 scholarships made annually to 200 students. Scholarship recipients will be announced in April.

"The students selected as scholarship finalists are the leaders of tomorrow," said Ellis F. Bullock, executive director of The Jostens Foundation. "They stand apart not only because of their superior academic achievements, but because they've taken leadership roles in improving their communities."



Scott Coover, senior

Jones Qualifies for State GC Competition



Jason Jones, senior

by SARAH WILLIAMSON

For the first time in five years, a LOHS student has qualified for the Governor's Cup state competition. This diligent and talented student is Jason Jones. He was eligible for state by competing and placing in social studies at the district and regional levels. Not since Steve Morgan, a 1987 LOHS graduate, has anyone from LOHS accomplished such a feat.

This was the first time LOHS has won the District Governor's Cup in six years, sending nine students to regionals. The

Quick Recall team was defeated by Murray High School in overtime at the regional level.

The regular academic team season begins in September and ends in February. But, Governor's Cup participants are selected due to academic strengths. The Quick Recall team consists of Varsity academic team members.

The Varsity academic team is ranked second in the first district Western Kentucky Academic Bowl. The team was rewarded a \$1,000 scholarship to

divide among themselves.

Mr. Toy, the coach for the academic team and Governor's Cup comments, "It's been a very good year for academic competition at LOHS ... due to a lot of hard work and dedication."

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Too Much Foreign Aide?

by MARY ELLEN WEBER

Many of the Presidential candidates claim that America spends too much money on foreign aide. The fact is that the government only spends a little more than one percent of all federal spending on economic and military aide to other countries. This money has helped wipe out smallpox, reduce infant

mortality and increase food production in the Third World.

The problem with our foreign aide program is that it is still fighting the cold war. Much of what is spent goes to protection from a now non-existent Communist threat. Congress and the White House are trying to reform the program, but it is a

tedious process made worse by growing talk of "America First." They do not want to lose votes by seeming to spend too much time on world affairs.

Now we desperately need to aid the former Soviet Union. If we do not, they may return to Communism in hopes of solving their many economic problems.

With all of the problems in the world today such as the spread of nuclear weapons, pollution, drugs, chemical weapons and rogues like Saddam Hussein the world still needs America's help. America, for its own sake, can not afford to not aid the world.

Hype Results in Unnecessary Images

by SARAH WILLIAMSON

School, friends, dating, driving, peer pressure and striving to have the perfect life are all major parts of a typical teenagers' life. It's a wonder how most adolescents get through a normal day. But are a lot of the problems an indirect results from hype?

Picture perfect models are used to sell anything from cars to food. The commercials are basically relaying messages implying that all sorts of things, especially in the looks department. Some times teenagers, especially girls, see these commercials and feel their looks are totally inadequate compared to these models' and begin obsessively dieting and

exercising. This can lead to eating disorders like anorexia and bulimia.

Beverly Hills 90210 is a perfect example of hype. It portrays teenagers as white Anglo-Saxons leading a practically utopian life. Granted, they do have their problems, i.e. divorce, drugs, sex, etc. But often, their biggest problems are deciding what to wear, who to go out with and who drives what color Beamer. Most are well-off financially, so they rarely have any monetary troubles. Get real, if this is supposed to be every teenagers' normal existence! Have you noticed they never have any books to take home from school, and they never study. Well,

except the time Steve helped Andrea with her SAT, and they ended up making out. But that's another story.

All of the characters of 90210 are beautiful, sexy and practically flawless. Now, I know this is a dramatic TV show, and most people realize it is just that. But, it's incredible how many teens watch it and how many take it so seriously - wanting to have a boyfriend like Dylan, wanting Kelly's great hair, etc. I wish I had a dollar everytime I've heard such comments. I've even found myself getting depressed after watching Beverly Hills.

Prom is another example of hype. There are these certain, hidden expectations that everyone thinks everyone else has. And in order to not be a total social misfit, these expectations must be met. This night is supposed to be perfect. The perfect dress and tux, the perfect date, the perfect dinner and after

Prom parties are supposed to be, well perfect, right? So much goes into the preparations for Prom that when the time comes, everyone is worn out from worrying if giving the just right impression can be pulled off. Many times teens have such high standards for the Prom and other functions alike, that the whole night turns into one big flop if the smallest thing goes wrong- at least in their eyes. This can lead to feelings of inadequacy and failure, which certainly does not help an already fragile teen's ego.

What I'm trying to convey here is a message to everyone saying, don't let superficial things affect how you run your everyday, ordinary life. It's not worth letting little insignificant things dominate your life like hype. It only makes you feel bad about yourself, and besides, do you really think Brandon, Brenda and the gang would really want that?

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Students Teach Students at LOHS

by KIM CARON

Have you seen a few new faces around the halls? These are the faces of Christa Hoskins, Howie Morehead, Courtney Neel, Penny Reichert and Tim Whitis. They are student teachers and will be here until early May. All are attending Murray State except Hoskins, who attends Western Kentucky University.

Hoskins who attends WKU is majoring in English language and allied arts. She wants to help improve Kentucky's educational reputation. "I'm having a great time here at LO. The kids are great; everyone is great."

Morehead is majoring in biology. He plans on getting a full-time teaching job next school year and wants to coach sports. "I have always wanted to be a teacher. I've been in school for 17 years, I can't imagine doing anything else."

Neel who says teaching is important and challenging is majoring in history and English. "I'm very pleased to be here at LO. Everyone has been friendly and helpful."

Reichert says she has always wanted to be an elementary teacher but is now majoring in high school math. She would like to find a full-time



Courtney Neel, Tim Whitis, Christa Hoskins, Howie Morehead and Penny Reichert are the new student teachers at LOHS.

teaching position high school level and somewhere. enjoys working with kids.

Whitis is majoring in physical education. He plans on coaching at the



Not Much Hog Raising Leading Future 4-H-ers

by BETH CARMICHAEL

When someone says 4-H, what do most people think of? A surprising majority would tell you, hog raising, cattle raising and county fairs. But 4-H is not behind time. It is perhaps the most active, youth motivating organization in the United States.

A big part of 4-H is doing projects. These can include hog raising, but more commonly now include babysitting, consumer education, leadership and public speaking.

After completing a project, record books can be filled out to show the completed task. Project results and records can be submitted to county, area and state competition.

Trips are also a big part of the 4-H program. They are both educational and

very rewarding.

Senior Conference at the University of Kentucky campus in Lexington is one of the biggest trips taken. 4-Hers learn about college life and live on campus for a full week. They also experience the state 4-H officer elections.

Trips to Washington D.C., North Carolina and even to other sides of the world are offered through the 4-H program.

A big event over the summer is 4-H camp which is held at Dawson Springs, Kentucky for McCracken County.

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are needed during this time to host a cabin for a week, and also help supervise activities during the day.

Obviously, 4-H has come a long way from smelly county fairs.

4-H offers today's youth a chance to prove that they can make a difference within themselves and in their

community.

If you would like to find out more about the 4-H program and what it can do for you, contact your county extension agent for 4-H, Paula Jerrell, at 554-9520.



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FBLA-ers Compete in Regional Conference



FBLA Regional Participants (left to right): Alicia Scott, delegate; Jennifer McIntosh, Community Service, Job Interview; Christi Carroll, Annual Report; Angie Moore, Bus. Calculations; Teresa Hillebrand, Office Procedures; Leslie Larrison, Adv. Typewriting; Heather Bowman, delegate. Row 2: Susie Streaks, Intro to Bus.; Stacey Perry, Impromptu Speaking; Lisa Smith, delegate; Aaron Clarkson, Acct. I; Jamie McDaniel, Computer Concepts; Jill Davis, Kelley Speer and Carrie Cummings, Talent; Aaron Harper, Scrapbook; Row 3: Rebecca Schild, Typewriting; Blake Thompson, Bus. English; Michael Cashon, Bulletin Board; Jason Womack, Entrepreneurship; Daniel Rushing, Business Math; Not Pictured: Chrissy White-lock, Acct. II, Eugene Smith Scholarship; Natalie Meadows and Karie Atkinson, Entrepreneurship; Clay Wagner, Bus. Law; Scott Coovert, Public Speaking; Jennifer Wehrmeyer and Shelley Morris, delegates.

by JENNIFER WEHRMEYER

On March 24, many of the students from the LOHS chapter of FBLA will be traveling to Murray State University for the FBLA regional conference. Also known as First Regional Leadership Conference, it is where members participate in business related tests, interviews and other competitive events. It is a one day event ending in a presentation of awards ceremony. Last year, the club was very successful, winning in job description manual, job interview and public speaking. They also placed 2nd in the battle of the chapters. FBLA sent two of its members to state and one to the nationals.

This year, those students who will go to the regionals are the contestants, delegates, or any FBLA member who qualifies to go.

Winter Guard Places First at Competition

by HOLLY HOLLAND

On Jan. 18 the Lone Oak Winter Guard travelled to Glenciffe High School for their first competition. They competed in the Independent A class and won the division. In the Sunday competition Lone Oak once again took top honors in their class.

"It's a good feeling knowing that all your hard work and cooperation has

paid off," explains senior member Cory Heise.

The second contest for Lone Oak took place at John Overton High School in Nashville on February 1-2. Lone Oak went up against a guard from Western University and one called Presence and once again came away victorious. They won their class on both Saturday and Sunday with a nearly five

point jump in the scores between the two days.

On Feb. 29 Lone Oak travelled to Hart County for the competition given by the Parfait winter guard. Lone Oak gave a very strong performance even with the minimal crowd that was present. They won their class with ease by beating the second place group by approximately 15 points.

Lone Oak has had a very successful season thus far. Keep listening for results of future competitions. Also, keep in mind that there will be a winter guard contest at Lone Oak High School the weekend of March 21-22. It should be a very entertaining show with at least 12 guards attending.

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Mystery Students

by MARY KATE GARROTT

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his hobbies: basketball

favorite music: rap
favorite class: Biology
birthday: April 6, 1976
what he says: "yea, whatever"

this person: a junior
her hobbies: reading a book
involved in: DECA, band
favorite class: English
birthday: May 4 1975

this person: a senior
her hobbies: traveling, shopping and going out with her friends
favorite class: all
favorite food: Mexican
birthday: September 14, 1974
what she says: "I don't know."

Showtime Sings and Swings

by ANDY SANDERSON

Friday and Saturday, March 13th and 14th, the LOHS Choir department performed Showtime. The music began at 7:00 both nights. Music that celebrated America, from country to a barber shop quartet, filled the school. Soloists performed various numbers that added variety and individualism to the occasion. As part of the celebration burgers and milkshakes were also served by choir students and parents.

The event was held earlier than in previous years but was still a wonderful success.



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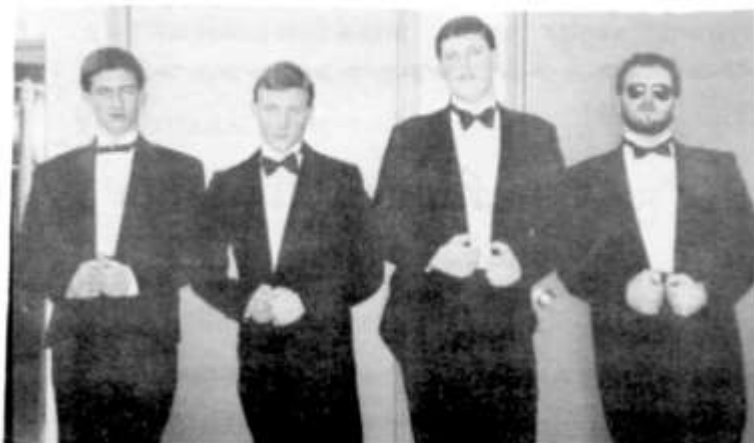
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TALKING TO A STAR

by LAURA DENISON

Ms. Baker came rushing out of her classroom and into the freshman hall, hearing the screams of "Ayuda, ayuda!" (Spanish for "Help, help!"). As she found out, the noise was created by students from Señor Buckner's third hour Spanish II class, who were producing their own commercials. That short skit was a campaign for Pepsi in which two students dressed as mobsters (Tabitha Wright and Heather Williams) attacked a student (Casey Walker), took away her

Pepsi and said, "Pepsi, solo tomelo." (Spanish for "Pepsi, just take it.")

Other students' commercials ranged from "Donito's Used Car Lot" and Wheaties to Juan Valdez's Colombian Coffee and Publisher's Clearing House Sweepstakes.

One student who participated commented that "it was a lot of fun and we got to be really creative with our Spanish."

All of the Spanish II classes thank Mrs. Metzger for lending her camcorder skill by taping the commercials.

Shame Leads Fashion Trends for '92

by SARAH WILLIAMSON

Americans have finally confessed they have spent way too much money on clothes in the past. Simplicity and spend-thrift are two key concepts for spring '92.

Some experts thought this was true because of the recession or the baby-boomers now had other ways to spend their money. But shame has brought this change of the fashion scene.

"People are embarrassed by the amount they spent and bought in the late '80's," says Susan Hayward, senior vice-

president of Yankelovich Monitor, a New York-based marketing research company.

"It's the end of the world," comments New York-based retail analyst Kurt Barnard. This reference is to the change of the term "shop till you drop" to "drop shopping."

But the look for spring certainly not dull. Pastel denim, all sorts of western wear, "blue collar" wear and other basic "staples" complete spring wardrobes. Basic turtlenecks and jeans paired with chuck-a-boots and a field jacket will be a

popular, multi-purpose outfit.

Pastels have made a strong splash on the color scheme of spring. Western styles are the main "global" look for spring '92. This look is ever-popular, all over the world.

Urban teens have defined the "blue collar" wear. It is simply shirts under any kind of overalls, with boots, especially Doc Martens (DM's).

Designer labels are a concept of the past, only being replaced with cheaper, imposter look-alikes.

Prom dresses and tuxedos have seen no real changes. Portrait collars on formals are seen more often than before, almost replacing the ruffle. Long or short, sequined or satined, any style for special occasions will do to suit a true personality.

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Story Plans Tour with Russian Ministries

by JULIE SHELTON

While most teenagers are spending their summer working or maybe just watching television, one LOHS student, Tim Story, will be in Moscow, ministering to newly liberated Russian citizens.

Story is going to Russia with a group called Teen Mania Ministries, which he found out about through a syndicated television show geared towards Christian youth called "Fire By Night." Each year the group takes around 1200 young

people from the United States, Canada, and Europe to different countries around the world to minister to the people living there.

Story will be attending a conference in Nashville to get acquainted with some of the other youth that will be on the mission trip. Then he will meet with his group this summer for a week in Miami where he will take classes teaching the basic Russian language and culture. From there he will fly to Moscow to stay for a month.

During his visit to Moscow Story will be witnessing in streets, villages and prisons through drama, talking with the people, passing out Russian translations of the Bible and building churches. "We will even be going into the schools which is very ironic to me because there is more religious freedom in Russian schools than those here in America," he explains.



Tim Story, senior

OUR HERO



The Fleet Reserve Essay winners, Jessica Koesis, Kelly Rudesill and Aaron Wilson pose with Mrs. Brugger and Fleet Reserve members.

Of The Month

- Color:** purple
- Event:** Prom preparations (note color)
- Gum:** Cinnaburst
- Disappointment:** No St. Mary dances for six weeks
- Most popular spring vacation:** Paducah and Florida, everyone from Paducah goes to Florida...is this really a vacation?!!
- Most anticipated TV programs:** March Madness and National Figure Skating Championships
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Junior Rotarian

by JENNIFER WEHRMEYER

This month's Junior Rotarian is Chrissy Whitelock. Whitelock is a member of the Varsity basketball and softball teams, FBLA, Key Club and Pep Club. She attends St. Thomas More Church.

She's been an honor student throughout her high school career and an outstanding student her freshman and junior years. She attended Girls State and Youth Salute. Other honors include Academic All-State Honorable Mention -

basketball, American Education Award Yearbook - Business Award, American private enterprise system state alternate and Who's Who Among High School Students. Whitelock was also chosen as Best All Around by the senior class.

In her extra time Whitelock works at Baskin-Robbins, plays Khoury League softball and enjoys reading.

When asked about her feelings on being chosen Junior Rotarian, she replied, "I feel very happy and honored."



Chrissy Whitelock, senior



Cashon Qualifies for State Art Competition

By SCOTT COOVERT

The eighth annual Purchase - Pennyryle Regional High School Art Exhibition was held Saturday, February 29, 1992 on the campus of Murray State University. 15 of Lone Oak's students had entries in the competition.

Jason Neihoff placed 2nd in Oil and Acrylic Painting. Jennifer Skabo received 3rd place in Printmaking. Jennifer Clouser placed 2nd in Photography. Lone Oak's Michael Cashon qualified for the Kentucky All-State High School Art See Art Pg. 12

Alan Jackson Rocks the House

by ANDY SANDERSON

It was a clear sunny day with a slight cool breeze at Murray State University. The perfect weather to start off a day, especially to go to a concert.

Sunday, Mar. 1 Diamond Rio rocked the auditorium in a show with Alan Jackson that

won't be quickly forgotten by those who attended.

The two and a half hour show started off with Diamond Rio singing songs from their platinum album like "Mirror Mirror" and "Don't Forget to Pray For Me." To finish off the first half of the

show, Diamond Rio did some serious bluegrass pickin' with an electric banjo, high harmonica and fiddle.

After intermission, Jackson made his appearance with a brilliant lights show.

The two-time Grammy nominee kept the crowd

dancing and clapping by performing all his latest hits like "Chasing that Neon Rainbow" and "Some Day." Jackson's last show of the year ended with a giant jukebox that inflated and swayed as he sang "Don't Rock the Jukebox." The performance got everyone so wound up that Jackson came back on stage for an encore performance.

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Have You Got That Spirit?

by ASHLEY DILLWORTH

"Two bits, four bits, six bits a dollar. All for Lone Oak stand up and holler!" This is an age old cheer used to get people excited about sports and extracurricular activities. How come it is not working on the students at LOHS?

The students at LOHS have a lot to be proud of when it comes to sports and other activities. The basketball teams have done a great job this year. The football teams have made it into state playoffs and the swim team, academic team, soccer team, band and Color Guard have all done extremely well this year.

Tennis has always been State Championship material and last year's track team set new school records. So what is the problem? Why don't we have more spirit and pride in our school?

The members who participate in each of the sports and extra-curricular activities deserve recognition from fellow students. Not only do the members do a great job representing that activity, but they do a great job representing our school. LOHS should be known as a "spirit" school. If more students were to go to more activities to cheer the members on, each team

would benefit greatly. The members should know that their fellow students appreciate them for giving the school a good name.

If LOHS had pep rallies for more of the extracurricular activities, the teams could improve even more. If we spent more time cheering for the members instead of booing each other, more excitement and spirit would be noticed.

I believe in each of the sports teams and activities and I believe that we have more to be proud of than we realize. So stand up and cheer for the best school there is!

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7. The Honeymoon
8. The UFO Sighting
9. Jan Gets Glasses / Picture Remake
10. Cindy Wants to be Shirley Temple

Club Schedule Needs Revising

by SCOTT COOVERT

As I listen to numerous peoples' complaints, there seems to be one common one. These people agree that the current club schedule is inadequate. It cuts down on the number of clubs you can belong to and actually be involved in meetings. The more I pondered this idea the more I agreed.

Thus began my investigation. I found one common club plan that seemed to work effectively.

Some schools have a "club day" every month. On this day, the class times proceed as usual. Every hour there are club meetings. Up to two or three clubs meet an hour. A student must turn into the teacher the club he or she will be attending that

hour if the student chooses to attend a meeting that hour. By doing this, students' skipping is avoided. The only catch is that class continues and the student must make up all missed work.

The advantages to this are increased membership and more opportunities made available to students. We wouldn't have to worry about adjusting the days achedule, which messes up the students and teachers anyway.

The disadvantages - well, I couldn't find any. One might think that this would cause problems for clubs because students would join only to get out of class. So I asked about this and I was assured that this is not a problem. Students that would skip usually just stay in class. We haven't had that problem.

At Lone Oak, we lack the opportunities to be involved in several clubs. This hurts the students as well as the organizations.

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Track Starts Well at State Meet



'91-'92 LOHS track team

my old gym shoes

by JOEL KAUNISTO

There are about 5000 people on the track team this year. Not really, but it seems like it when all 120 (7th-12th grades) show up for practice.

This year's team hopes to do well with two returning record holders from last year, Jack Meece and Justin Durham. Team members will be competing in 13 categories in meets this year. They are 100, 200, 400, 800, 1600 and 3200 meter races, long jump, high jump, javelin,

triple jump, discus, shot put and relay races.

In the Mason-Dixon games in Louisville on February 28-29, three students from Lone Oak competed. The meet was open to all schools in the state. Eighth-grader Shae Houser won a gold and a bronze medal. Justin Durham placed fifth in the high jump competition and Neil Dawes competed in the hurdles.

It's Really a Sport?

by GARLAND CRAWFORD

Like most true blooded Americans, I watched the Olympics in hopes of seeing the US team destroy a few of those European, 365 days of winter, we're smaller than Rhode Island, but completely covered with snow countries. However, the more I watched, the less interested I became in the actual athletes, and the more interested I became in what they were doing.

It all started with the event known as bobsledding. If you will remember back to when we had snow, you will remember sledding.

Bobsledding is nothing more than professional downhill sledding. A team of two or four members takes a specially designed sled, with themselves in it, and hurls it down a mountain in an attempt to break the speed of sound and live to tell about it. So, I said to myself, "Self, what could possibly be more stupid than this?", and then came the next event.

The luge is simplified best as saying bobsled for one. More than likely this event originated due to an accident! I can see it now, one of the bobsled teams was getting ready to make

their run and one member gets too close to the edge and in a matter of minutes we have a crippled bobsledder and a new event. I'm not sure which country is responsible for this, but I will bet that in his country, the word luge is not something one would say while around his mother.

Finally, we come to possibly the most frightening of any events to watch, the biathlon. This event makes an attempt to combine two sports that in no way belong together, downhill skiing and rifle

shooting. Not exactly the type of sport I would want to be standing around watching. I believe this came from those people who enjoy hunting big game animals while skiing.

Our lack of snow could help to explain my lack of understanding of the Winter Olympics. That is if there is an understanding that can be achieved.



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Flash Season Ended by County Rivals

by GARLAND CRAWFORD

In the first round of the district playoffs against cross-county rivals, the Heath Pirates, the LOHS boy's basketball team brought their season to an end.

The action was at its greatest during the first period, with Heath leading at the end by only two points. However, second period play seemed to be a problem with Lone Oak accumulating eight points to Heath's twenty three, creating a half-time score of 42 to 25.

Perhaps due to an inspirational speech at half-time, the Purple Flash narrowed the gap to 10 points by the end of the

third quarter. However, this was not enough to insure a win, as Heath knocked Lone Oak out of the playoffs with a final score of 80 to 57.

This loss was one of the few that was suffered by Lone Oak in what has been the greatest year for LOHS basketball since 1966 with a final record of 24 wins and 8 loses.

When asked to sum up the season, senior Matt Wallis commented, "Well, we accomplished something a lot of people were saying we couldn't do. I'm proud to leave behind a goal for future teams to measure themselves by."

by JOEL KAUNISTO

This year the varsity Lady Flash had two goals- to win 10 games and to go to the regional tournament. They fell short on both, finishing with a 8-17 record and losing to Heath in the district tournament 65-61.

Although they didn't achieve their goals, head coach Mike Clark said, "The ladies' effort and work attitude for the entire team was above what we had anticipated." He also commented, "Success can't always be measured in how many games you win or lose. To me success is also in how much you improved over the year

before. Also success should be measured in how you as an individual performed. Only the individual knows if they did their best in every situation."

This year's team was led by seniors Angie Jones, Leslie Larrison, Shannon Wallis, Chrissy Whitelock, and sophomores Melanie Sims and Caroline Steele.

Coach Clark said that the team's best overall game was the first game against Mayfield which they lost 40-38. The best half-games were the second half against Lyon County and the second half of the district tournament game versus Heath.

Way to go, Big Flash, for a great season!

Do Scarlett and Rhett Get Back Together?

by MARY WEBER

Do Scarlett and Rhett get back together? The answer to this question is found in Alexandra Ripley's book *Scarlett* - the sequel to Margaret Mitchell's *Gone With the Wind*.

Ripley was carefully chosen by Warner Books to write this sequel. Before she wrote *Scarlett*, Ripley read *Gone With the Wind* six times and copied 200 pages of it by hand to get the feel of the style and language. *Scarlett* is a big success, selling one million copies in advance and it is now on the New York Times' bestseller list.

Scarlett is a long book - 823 pages. It picks up right where Mitchell left off. In it

Scarlett goes from Atlanta to Charleston to Savannah to Ireland. Scarlett has many fascinating and romantic adventures. Her character changes some, but for the better. She grows up. But, you'll have to read the book to see if Scarlett and Rhett do get back together.

It would be hard to top an epic so great as *Gone With the Wind*, and *Scarlett* does not quite measure up. In fact many critics hate it. Most readers, however, love it. Anyone who has read *Gone With the Wind* or has even seen the movie should definitely read Alexandra Ripley's *Scarlett*.

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☆ **CONGRATULATIONS!** ☆
☆ Matt Wallis, John Griffith, ☆
☆ Greg Shelton, Angie Jones ☆
☆ & Chrissy Whitelock ☆
☆ for making the all-district teams! ☆
☆ And to ☆
☆ **Leslie Larrison** ☆
☆ for making the all-tournament team! ☆
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Eerie Coincidences?

by LAURA DENISON

With JFK having just left the theaters, almost everyone is aware of an alleged conspiracy to cover up the real facts surrounding the Kennedy assassination. Many surprising facts and coincidences exist also in the comparison of the assassinations of Kennedy and Lincoln. Are they really simply coincidences?

*Lincoln was elected president in 1860, Kennedy in 1960.

*Both were slain on a Friday, in the presence of their wives, by a bullet that entered the head from behind.

*Lincoln was killed in Ford's Theater; Kennedy was shot in a Lincoln convertible made by the Ford Motor Company.

*The caskets of Lincoln and Kennedy were carried

on the same caisson.

*Both men were deeply involved in civil rights for people of color.

*Both were succeeded by vice-presidents named Johnson who were southern Democrats and former senators.

*Andrew Johnson was born in 1808, Lyndon Johnson in 1908.

*John Wilkes Booth was born in 1839, Lee Harvey Oswald in 1939.

*Both assassins were murdered before they could be brought to trial.

*The names Lincoln and Kennedy have seven letters each.

*Andrew Johnson and Lyndon Johnson each has 13 letters.

*John Wilkes Booth and Lee Harvey Oswald each has 13 letters.



Cartoon by Jason Neihoff

Deep Thoughts

Friends are made by many acts- and can be lost by just one.

A laugh is a simple thimbleful in the infinite number of joys.

The only thing wrong with doing nothing is that you never know when you're finished.

The best thing to hold onto in this world is each other.

The best way to forget your problems is to help someone solve theirs.

More people are run down by gossip than by automobiles.

A friend is someone who makes you feel totally accepted.

It's tough taking your problems one at a time especially when they refuse to get in line.

Friendship should not be thought of as something we get; it is something we give.

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Clubs Cont.

Perhaps the "club day" is a solution, but it would have to be perfected before results could be seen - a time consuming effort I don't think this school is willing to attempt.

Art cont.

Exhibition by receiving a Juror's Award for his drawing titled "The Smile."

Other exhibitors included Chad Ames, Perry Beyer, Joe Cissel, Jeff Dunn, Jason Hibbs, Brad Kelly, Mike Kilpatrick, Jason Kunsman, Aaron Nelson, Amy Scharlau and Dan Tanner.

Congratulations to all competitors and best of luck to Cashon at State.



The Oak K Staff would like to extend get well wishes to LOHS student Mike Wolfe and wish him a speedy recovery.