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Fifty-two years of continual Lone Oak pride and tradition.

Lady Flash sets school record at Regional tourney

by Joel Kaunisto
Co-Sports Editor

In the post-season, the Lady Flashes have had several close calls, with three of their four games decided within the final minute.

First up was Heath, who had beaten the Lady Flashes once earlier in the season but since then had lost to them twice.

The game was close all the way, but crucial free throws by Caroline Steele make the difference late in the game. The Flashes won 36-32 led by Melanie Sims with 12 points.

In the district championship game versus Reidland, there were seven ties and 12 lead changes but Lone Oak fell just short at 52-43. Melanie Sims led the team

with 13 points, while Robyn Midyett put in 12.

In the first round of the Regional tournament, the Lady Flash met in Mayfield, a team many people considered a favorite to win the tournament.

The game went down to the wire and Melanie Sims hit a jumper with 44 seconds to go, which proved to be the game-winner. Sims led all scorers with a 31 point performance and Caroline Steele tossed in 12 to make it to the semi-final game against Hickman County.

Versus Hickman, the Flashes had a one-point lead with 11 seconds to go, but a last second shot ended their dreams of a Regional championship. In the 48-47 loss, Sims had 11 points to lead the team while

Midyett added 10.

Sims and Steele were both named to the Regional All-Tournament team and Sims was given honorable mention for the All-Region team.

The loss left their record at 14-15, which was a great improvement after starting the season 1-6. Head coach Larry Hopper said, "First of all, if you start out with a goal or focus and achieve it, it seems you've had a great year. We've installed a spirit of 'Yes we can' and we've focused not on winning but improving as a team and as individuals and having fun doing it. If we stayed focused in that area, we let good things could happen and we were fortunate that they did."



Lady Flash wait for the rebound at the well-fought game against Hickman. The Flash lost by one point at the last second. Congratulations for such an awesome season!!

FBLA attends, competes Regional Conference at Murray State



These FBLA members attended Regional Conference.

Submitted by
Mrs. Farmer

On Tuesday, March 23, twenty-four students from LOHS either participated in competition or represented their local chapter as voting delegates at the regional FBLA Conference at Murray state University. One student, Angie Moore, campaigned for the regional office of secretary. Forty additional members also at-

tended the conference to represent the Lone Oak chapter of FBLA.

The students who participated were: (front row)- Johanna Waggoner, Business Calculations; Shellie Morris, Public Speaking; Ansley Hunter, Bulletin Board; Andy Stubblefield, Entrepreneurship; Kelly Roberts, Job Interview; Daniel Rushing, Voting Delegate; and Angie

Moore, Candidate for Regional Secretary. (back row)- Amy Byrd, Voting Delegate; Heather Williams, Business Procedures; Lisa Smith, Voting Delegate; Blake Thompson, Business Communication; Aaron Wilson, Mr. FBLA; Jack Meece, Entrepreneurship; Letia Miller, Keyboarding Applications; Laura Johnson, Accounting I; and Aaron Harper, Voting Delegate. Not

pictured are Rick Alexander, Accounting II; Paige Ruoff, Business Math; Brandon Mullen, Information Processing Concepts; John Pace, Introduction to Business; Brittany Rushing, Job Description Manual; Scott Lutin, Word Processing; and Kelly Williams & Jessie Ballowe, Musical Talent Show.

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Have a great spring break!

Sarah Sez: Senioritis hits hard on Class of 1993

by Sarah Williamson
Editor-in-Chief

Have you ever felt excited, nervous, depressed, happy, anxious, mature, immature and just plain sitr crazy? I believe this disease is called senioritis.

Graduating is definitely one of the most bittersweet events of my life.

This year has been a very confusing blur. I can barely remember most of it. If I wasn't working on the newspaper or

other clubs and activities, I was doing homework or sleeping. My other very spare hours were spent with friends and family.

Most of my diary entries are similar to this:

Physics test. Calculus notebook due. Only ten more college applications to fill out. My potential-university-to-be lost part of my application. Admissions tests. Making decisions that will affect the rest of my life. My friend is having

a crisis. The Pagemaker won't work. Got glasses to fit my "intellectual" image and cure my nearsightedness. Had an allergy attack. My hair won't work. Can't remember my name because of sleep deprivation. Ugh... maybe some room to breathe. Well, then again...

This year, however, has given me some of the best times of my life. Making better friendships with many of my class-

mates will always remain in my heart. All sorts of social events have been the best of fun and I treasure each one individually. The newspaper has allowed me to express my creativity and to gain valuable rappsports professionally and personally. Being in the Football Homecoming Court and receiving two superlatives highlighted my year considerably. I will never forget those

incredibly memorable momentos. I appreciate my class electing me to those positions. What a compliment!!

Being a senior is the best thing that's ever happened to me.

I caution underclassmen with some wise advice from my good friend Robert Weber. My sophomore year he advised me to not wish my life away and to enjoy these short years in high

school. At first I thought he was crazy. I was ready to graduate then. But I gave it some thought, and I realized he was exactly right. The real world is a scary place.

I hope everyone survives senioritis, spring fever and whatever else you're suffering from this year. Enjoy the two short months left of this school year.

What exactly do those people mean by "intellect"?

by Julie Shelton
Advertising Manager

According to Webster's dictionary the definition of "intelligence" is "the ability to learn or understand or to deal with new or trying situations:

REASON; also: the skilled use of reason (2): the ability to apply knowledge to manipulate one's environment or to think abstractly as measured by objective criteria (as tests).

Unbelievable! According to Mr. Webster intelligence doesn't focus on one subject such as math, science, reading, English, foreign languages, or ACT scores. Could this possibly mean that just because

I'm not good in math that I could possibly be intelligent? Surely not. This would mean that I have gotten a totally wrong impression from the schools over the past twelve years.

Enough of the jokes. I really am fed up with the way schools and people in general place so much emphasis on certain subjects and test scores. Everyone has strong points and

weak points and it just seems that we are judged by our weakest areas instead the strong ones. At times I feel like I'm dumb just because I can't grasp anything that has numbers involved, even though I am above average in all of my other classes. I have been given such a complex about the whole thing. I understand that it is important to be able to know and do things in every area in

order to get through life. But, I promise that I'll never go in to a field where I have to use algebra or geometry-so everyone just leave me alone. I think most people fall into the same category that I do and our attitudes about school would improve greatly if creativity and common sense would be recognized a little more often as intelligence.

Have a festive, relaxing spring break!!!



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The newspaper attempts to inform and entertain its audience in a broad, fair and accurate manner on all subjects that affect readers. The publication seeks also to provide a forum for the opinion of students, the staff of the paper and the faculty to encourage an exchange of ideas and opinions on issues of prominence to the readers.

Final authority for the content of the paper rests in the hands of journalism students and their advisor.

Letters

The staff encourages letters as they constitute a constructive avenue for student opinion, but the writer must sign the letter to be considered for publication. Due to space limitations, not all letters can be published, and the staff reserves the right to edit all letters for placement in the paper as long as the meaning is not altered.

Corrections

Major mistakes will be corrected, not misspellings.

Gays in the Military -- Why Not?

by Mary Kate Garrott
News Editor

"It's (the ban) based on the assumption that all homosexuals are sex maniacs and somehow incapable of acting maturely," said Joe Steffan, an outstanding student at the U.S. Naval Academy, who dropped out a week prior to graduation after his superiors heard he was gay.

I recently did a research paper on the ban on homosexuals from the military for Mr. Toy's advanced English class. I hadn't realized that Beth Carmichael wrote her editorial against gays in the military until it was printed. This is my opinion based on my research

and everything else I learned.

First and foremost, I believe gays should be allowed in our armed forces. France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Belgium, the Netherlands, Denmark and Australia all allow homosexuals to serve. There have been problems, but it has been basically successful. Studies show that the armed forces are 10% gay (100,000-200,000 of the 2 million soldiers). An average of 1,000 soldiers are expelled yearly by the Pentagon. This number rises and drops during wartime and peacetime. During wars, commanders and officials don't want to worry about discharging homosexuals.

Many people feel that that if gays are allowed to serve openly then they will jeopardize the unification of the unit. Trust is the issue here. One man said, "If I'm in a fire fight and I say to the guy next to me, 'Cover me,' while I crawl over to lob a grenade at someone who is trying to kill us both, then I have to believe my partner is going to cover me or die. There is no reason why a gay soldier can't do that." Straight military women and men must be able to overlook, tolerate or sanction the reality of, "different" people fighting, living and working along side them.

Smells Like a Gerbil: Perfect High School?

by Beth Carmichael
Assistant Editor

"It's time for 90210." They have the perfect high school. Or so it seems. Is this just Hollywood, trying to make us believe this is true? Or is this the real situation? Well, here is the news. Schools like this one do exist. Wonderful facilities, people like Todd Riley greeting you in the halls each day, understanding teachers, and updated materials in every classroom are reality in schools across the country.

Why is this area of Kentucky so behind? The

people behind KERA (Kentucky Educational Reform Act) should realize the key problems. What kind of students are you going to have in a classroom where the teacher cannot or will not teach? Just how are students supposed to increase test scores when there is no state assistance in funding for new materials? There should be a plan to restructure the system.

Start with the basic problem. There are no ways to advance without the proper technology. This applies to any business or

school that wishes to be successful. Why are students being denied a proper education because of an incompetent teacher just because they have their tenure? Teachers should be required to update their teaching skills each year, and the government should be willing to pay for this.

My point is, this educational reform should start where the problems are. If the basics are brought back in education, and materials are provided, perhaps teachers and students alike would be interested in learning.

LOHS UK Day provides prizes, special menu

by Shannon Hart
Circulation Manager

The cafeteria is brightly decorated in blue and white. Numerous posters advertising the event cover the walls. And several students are winning lots of great prizes.

This occasion was UK Day, which was

held on March 1. The menu was Rhodes burgers, Mashburn taters, dunkshot veggies and dip, Brassow dogs, Fords fruit and Pitino popcorn.

Some winners of UK merchandise were John Griffith, Chris Lacey, Daniel

Dickerson, Minde Meece and Julie Shelton. Michael Betts won a basketball autographed by Coach Rick Pitino.

Hardly anyone wore UK clothing because we had a snow day on the originally scheduled date. But it was still a very festive occasion.



Students swarm the cafeteria lines for UK Day festivities.

Lone Oak library computerizes research for easier access, usage

by Jenny Suitor
Features Editor

Lone Oak High School's library is experimenting with new research computers. They are on loan from the state. There are several computers our library is trying out for certain periods of time. The computers help students do research by listing magazines, newspapers, and other news sources where the subject can be found.

The EBSCO CD-ROM

contains magazine articles from selected magazines and periodical artical citations. This computer also gives access to book reviews.

Information Access Company has developed a Magazine Index Select on Info Trac. This has indexes to periodicals and covers *The New York Times*. The Magazine Index Select provides reasearch on current issues, business, health

and fitness, travel and leisure, arts and entertainment, people, products, world affairs, and personal finance.

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The TOM General Index is from over 140 magazines. The information is kept updated. Also from the Information Access Company, TOM has health and science magazines. It includes a dictio-

nary of comprehensible medical and science definitions.

Students doing research have a good opportunity while one of these computers is here. It is a good place to get references for research. Mrs. Metzger said, "The CD NEWSBANK seems to be the computer that more students use because it has full text articles and students do not have to look as much up."

Bongiolatti compete at State GC

by Mary Ellen Weber
Advertising Manager

Susan Bongiolatti wrote her way to State Governor's Cup competition by placing in the top two in the Regionals Written Composition. Before going to Regionals she had to place in the top four at District

level. She will now go to Louisville at the Executive Inn to compete at State level.

Bongiolatti never expected to compete at such a high level. "I didn't know that I was going to State until the day after the competition when I read it in the paper. We left early from

Regionals because we didn't think we had done very well," she said.

There will be many other talented writers at the State Governor's Cup. The competition will be tough but Bongiolatti has proven that she ranks among the best of them.

Co-Ed-Y, Beta sponsor blood drive

by: Jason Phelps
Beat Editor

Co-Ed-Y and Beta are sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive in the Library on April 16. You will have to be at least 17 years old and even then you will need

a parent's permission. Co-Ed-Y president Julie Shelton urges you to sign up on April 16 and give blood, "I'm not very fond of needles, but if my blood can help save someone's life, possi-

bly someone close to me, then it's more than worth it."

The Art Club

The Art Club dance is scheduled for March 19.

Brugger breaks leg, forced to stay home

by: Jason Phelps
Beat Editor

On Jan. 28 an accident that broke her leg forced Mrs. Donna Brugger to take a leave from teaching. "From what I hear my substitute is doing a fine job. I want to thank all the people who sent gifts, cards, and made telephone calls. They are greatly appreciated and have helped me to pass the time." Brugger says that she may be gone still another month possibly until the first of April.

Mrs. Harper wanted to send this message to Brugger, "I miss her. Tell her to enjoy her time off by watching lots of soap op-

eras and eating lots of chocolate."

While Brugger has been absent, Don Johnson has been temporarily filling in for her. Not only does Johnson teach all day, but at three in the morning he has a paper route, and teaches night classes at PCC. He says

that his substitution has been an enjoyable experience.

Chuck Waldrige, a student in Johnson's first period class and reportedly one of Brugger's favorite students, commented, "I think Mr. Johnson is pretty cool, and I'll be glad when Mrs. Brugger gets back."

Have a safe
spring break!
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Spring fashions have broadened what public wears

By Beth Carmichael
Assistant Editor

Spring is approaching fast. Now we're back in the same "What do I wear?" crisis. Luckily, fashion has actually opened up and decided to let the people who are consumers have a say so as to what fashion is.

This year you will see neutral colors in dress and casual wear. Dresses are simple for girls with imperial or nowaistlines. The suit look is back in dresswear also. Many of these looks are slim dresses with the tom-

boy jacket. Pantsuits for businesswear and work are popular also for the younger generation for a more sophisticated look.

On the casual side, colored jean shorts with bright tops are returning from last year. Loafers in all colors, nautical and brights are back and a little improved. Most styles have a better support than the once crazed Sam and Libby Ballerina slippers. Sandals in western, nautical and solid styles are attractive ways to complete a wanted "look."

For the guys, don't worry. Levi's, Nike, Reebok, Duckhead, Union Bay, Generra, Hilfiger, Rolo, Regatta, Guess, Claiborne, and silk shirts haven't left. They're all back in new styles. But be prepared for brighter colors. Also, like the girls, dresswear mainly will be in neutral colors. Accessorize with brights that tie the neutrals together for an updated look.

Many of the spring ensembles out now can be incorporated in your fall to winter wardrobes because of the smart

color choices made by manufacturers. Popular materials will be cotton and polyester blends, knits, and denim. Rayon is decreasing more and more with better made clothes because of the dry cleaning inconvenience. Silk blouses and shirts are still in and are appearing in the stores daily in short sleeves and spring pinks.

On a nonfashion but important note, many new perfumes are appearing from Estee Lauder. Also, girls, remember to change

your make-up practices with spring hitting. Use lighter moisturizers and go lighter on the foundation for a fresher look.

Guys, don't worry about the make-up, but do remember to protect your skin with a moisturizer. Some of the best come in sunscreens.

Comfort is again the goal of the consumers, and finally the fashion industry is compromising.



Due to a virus, the problems this issue Oak K to Please on its "uniqu

Art exhibits show that LOHS students are on top

Slug: Art For All, All for Art

By: Jason Phelps
Beat Editor

Art for All, All for Art is the National motto for Youth Art Month 1993. YAM is an annual event each March to bring attention to the value of art education for all students. Art classes at LOHS will be celebrating YAM by displaying works around LOHS and at Super Value.

In the 1993 Kentucky Art Education Assoc. Purchase/Pennyrile Regional

High School Competition Exhibition, Aaron Nelson won Best in Show for his portrait in pencil of Tony Hollowell, Warm Bananas. Nelson's work will go to the State Exhibit in Owensboro. He says this about his win, "It's great...I'm really happy."

Mrs. Hayden commented, "It's fantastic, we're all thrilled to death. We had a party and we are all really proud of him. LOHS has never had one of it's exhibits to win Best in Show."

Those students who placed in the regionals were, Aaron Nelson—Best of Show/First Place, Angie McCune—2nd place and honorable mention in jewelry, Skip Williford—2nd place photography, Mark Wallis—3rd place photography, Allison Heath—3rd place ceramics and Glendon Campbell—Honorable mention in photography.

Those students whose works were included in the exhibit were, Michael Cashion—ceramics, Susannah Hardy—ceram-

ics, Michael Flood—sculpture, Matthew Lewis—sculpture, Brandin Moore—ceramics, Jamie Mourer—ceramics, Tony Gamboa—Mixed Media, Crystal Galloway—Mixed Media, Andy Chopra—pencil drawing, Tannille M Jett—pencil drawing and Mike Kilpatrick—printmaking.

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New clothes
Holidays

Spring Break is here so what are you going to do about it?

by Ashley Dillworth
Chief Photographer

Ah, spring is in the air and everyone is getting ready for spring break. Most students have plans for the break and are anxiously awaiting the time when they will be free.

Students spend spring break in a variety of ways but most head for the sun

and sand in Florida. It seems that Lone Oak students congregate in Destin to go jet skiing, parasailing, volleyball and tanning. Not only students but also faculty members enjoy their free time in Florida. Other students go to visit family that live in other states. They use that time to catch up on all the family gossip

and get re-acquainted with cousins and aunts and uncles or perhaps new family members. Some use the time to visit colleges and some prefer to spend their time relaxing in Paducah.

Spring break is a time for having fun but is also a time that everyone can have to get nerves back on track. By this time a lot of stu-

dents are stressed out and really need a chance to get away from all the pressures of school. This helps students get ready for the rest of the year and they are able to pay attention more.

However spring break is spent, all students and faculty members enjoy the free time. It's fun and it's helpful. Have a great relaxing spring break!



1993 fashion seeks 70's and the "grunge" look

by Sarah Williamson
Editor-in-Chief

Well, guess what, folks. It's time to raid

your parents' clothes from the disco era and their junk clothes from the garage. That's right. This is not a fashion nightmare, these new looks really are in vogue for Spring '93.

Fads from the '70's have resurfaced in the fashion industry worldwide. Clogs, platform shoes, bell-bottoms and any other piece of clothing from the '70's are the latest rage.

Grunge has hit the Midwest with a bang. Surprisingly, this trend did not start in California, but in Seattle, Wash. Anything worn-out and faded will pass for this look. Guys and girls can exchange each others' grunge because the look is not gender definitive. The only exception for that is the

lace and chiffon clothing made especially for women.

Naturalness is definitely being stressed this season. Earthy colors and fabric contents dominate much of the trends. Birkenstocks and backpacks, of course, appeal to this crowd for that "earthy" feeling.

Any kind of jewelry completes an outfit. For spring, guys and girls alike are wearing chokers with pendants attached to express individuality.

Prom wear has not changed within the last year. More girls and guys are seemingly going for the unique look to fit their personalities. Girls aren't afraid to wear short dresses and guys will

wear vests and suspenders to complete their tuxedo.

And, as always, individual creativity should shine through clothing. Wear what suits you and your budget best. Here's happy spring shopping to you!!!



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St. Pat's isn't just wearing GREEN

by Ashley Dillworth
Chief Photographer

Saint Patrick's Day is a holiday that many people celebrate in Ireland and in the United States on March 17. It's celebrated in honor of the patron saint of Ireland.

There are many legends about Saint Patrick. One is that he planted the shamrock in Ireland because it's three leaves represented the Holy Trinity. All loyal people of Ireland still wear

the shamrock on St. Patrick's Day.

St. Patrick's death on March 17, 461, has been observed in America since colonial days. There are several chapters of the society organized for this holiday and observance of the day began nationwide in

1845. It is celebrated in homes, churches, and entertainment places. Merchants sell wearing apparel such as flowers, shamrocks, and greeting cards. Some cities hold parades.

Prom info stuff

by Gina Doughty
Circulation Manager

The 1993 Junior-Senior prom will be held April 24th. The theme of this year's prom is "Wonderful Tonight." The prom colors are teal, silver and white.

The decorating will begin after Spring break. Mrs. Richards encourages anyone interested in working to sign up now.

Prom glasses will go on

sale next week for \$4.00 each. Orders for glasses MUST be taken during next week.

The senior citizens' prom will be April 23rd. If anyone wants to help out, see Mrs. Richards.

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Four LOHS teachers have new sidekicks-student teachers



Student teachers Becky Dailey, Dana Raymer, E'Lisa Duncan and Amy Scholar

by Jenny Sutor
Features Editor

Majoring in music education, Dana Raymer is student teaching with Mr. Light. She goes to Murray State University. Raymer said, "Music has been a vital part of my life since I started in beginning band. I really can't imagine myself in a field that did not incorporate music," in response to why she chose music as a career.

Raymer hopes to obtain a teaching position in a middle or high school band program when she graduates from MSU. She decided to go into teaching because she "wanted to share her knowledge of music by providing musical learning experience for others."

by Julie Shelton
Advertising Manager

I'm sure you've seen Mrs. Campbell's newest sidekick. Well, in case you were wondering, she's Mrs. Duncan, one of our student teachers this semester.

Even when Mrs. Duncan was our age and attending Reidland she knew teaching would be her first career choice. She changed her teaching direction during her sophomore year of college from music to English.

Reidland was her first choice of schools to do her student teaching. "You cannot student teach at the school you attended," states Duncan, "so my next choice was Lone Oak." Mrs. Duncan attended cheerleading camp the past

summer with the LO cheerleaders, so she had already gotten to know some of the students.

Twelve weeks of student teaching is required to receive a teaching certificate. "It's an incredibly long process I've been working on since the spring of 1989," says Duncan. She would like to stay in McCracken Co. and teach English at one of the high schools. Duncan will graduate from MSU May 8.

Mrs. Duncan said, "Everyone is wonderful (at LOHS), and you don't get that everywhere." she claims. "The students and faculty have been friendly and helpful."

by Gina Doughty
Circulation Manager

There is a new student teacher for Mrs. Wright here at LOHS. She is bright, funny and eager to learn the tricks of the trade.

Her name is Becky Dailey, a twenty-four year old student at MSU. She specializes in Home Ec. education and is married to Paul Dailey. They have no children. They do, however, have three cats and two dogs.

When Dailey is not working, she enjoys reading, cooking and cross-stitch sewing. Dailey likes the friendliness of the LOHS students and admits that she would take a job here if one was offered. She understands the importance of absorbing as much as she can from this learning ex-

perience.

"The students and faculty are helpful and accepting, but I do not like absences, it is too hard to get in all of the make-up work."

Dailey appreciates the positive feedback which she receives from her students.

by Jason Phelps
Beat Editor

Amy Scholar is enduring her last year at Murray State University in order to spend her adult life teaching mathematics to high school students. "I think can relate to the math anxieties some students have. I enjoy working with young people and I have really enjoyed Lone Oak. I like being a part of this school's atmosphere and spirit." Sholar graduated from college six years ago and has been working at General Tire as an Industrial Engineer. She said she made the career change to teaching in order to give something to society.

Ben Gross, a student in Sholar's Algebra II class says this, "She is an OK teacher. I like the fact that she gives us plenty of time in class to work."

Mr. Hopper commented, "Ms. Sholar shows real promise as a teacher. She has a concern for young people and she seems to want to be a "part" in that she enjoys working with the students! She will be a good teacher and I feel we need more like her getting their education."

Junior Rotarian



Andy Stubblefield, senior

by Jenny Sutor
Features Editor

Tennis Club treasurer Andy Stubblefield has been chosen as Jr. Rotarian for March. He is also a member of FBLA and Beta Club. Stubblefield has been an Outstanding Student

for four years and an Honor Student for two years.

Stubblefield plans to go to Murray State University when he graduates. He wants to get a degree in either architecture or business. In response to being Jr. Rotarian, Stubblefield said, "I think it is an honor being chosen."

Stubblefield is a member of Twelfth Street Baptist. He lives with his parents, Gary and Carol, and has a brother, Brad, in college.

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Griffith awarded with title of Purchase Player of the Year

Garland Crawford
Co-Sports Editor

In his three years as a varsity starter, senior John Griffith has put several awards and highlights under his belt. This month, Griffith was given the ultimate cap-off for his high school career: he was named All-Purchase Player of the Year.

Griffith is only the second player in the history of Lone Oak High School to be given this honor. The

other was Barry Tidwell in 1978.

Griffith owes this award to his almost unbelievable quickness, his ability to stay low and a jumpshot that always seems to bring him out on top of the opponent. These characteristics brought Griffith to the attention of every area coach.

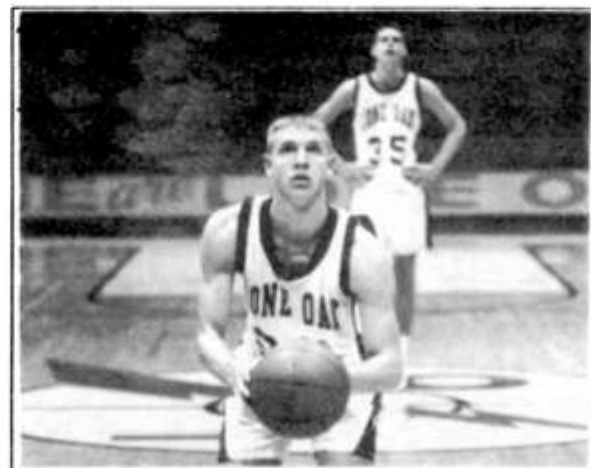
Griffith uses his ability to make his presence known on the court. Griffith is the type of player that opponents key on all week in

practice and then spend the whole night before the game worrying about what his going to do. And with his numbers it is no wonder.

Averaging 21.1 points per game with a career total of 1,127 points, Griffith has had a high school career that anyone be proud of. A personal best for Griffith was the Purple Flashes' win over Marshall County. A game in which accumulated 41 points, just one point shy of the school record.

"I feel that we had a great season," commented Griffith, "but we kind of disappointed ourselves at the end."

Griffith is unsure where he is going to college, but will definitely be playing basketball.



Senior Purchase Player of the Year John Griffith

Go
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Flashes fall short in District Tournament versus Tilghman



Rick Alexander fights for position against Paducah Tilghman

by Garland Crawford
Co-Sports Editor

Although the Lone Oak boys basketball team had one of its better years in season play, on Wednesday March 3rd, it ended in disappointment when the first round of the district play-offs was lost to Paducah Tilghman.

Heath's gym was at capacity and emotions ran as high. The first half held an exciting game as each team fought for the lead. As the game wore-on, the fact that

it wasn't going to be Lone Oak's night became evident.

Lone Oak missed shots that in past games would have been nothing but net. Several key players were

shooting below their average. The final score: Lone Oak, 58; Paducah Tilghman, 64.

The Purple Flash ended the season with a record of 20 wins and 9 losses.

"Our season went better than most people thought, including ourselves," commented junior Chris Golightly. "Twenty wins is something to be proud of."

Athlete of the Month

By Garland Crawford
Co-Sports Editor

Walking down the halls of LOHS, two things always seem to stand out. One: that it's crowded, and two: the March Athlete of the Month, Chris Golightly. A 6'6" junior, Golightly tends to stand out anywhere he goes and the basketball court is no exception.

Starting at the center position, uses his height in every aspect of the game to benefit the team. Offensively, Golightly leads the team in field goal percentage, shooting 57.4%. He also holds the number 3 spot in points per game with 13.

Defensively, Golightly is untouchable. Averaging 9.1 rebounds per game, he doubles the second highest on the team. With 35 blocked shots on the season,

Golightly triples the next highest on the team.

Off the court, Golightly likes hunting and camping.

As for college, Golightly still has one more year of high school to play. He is undecided as to where he wants to go, but he's pretty sure he will be playing basketball.

Chris is the son of Mike and Julie Golightly.

by Joel Kaunisto
Co-Sports Editor

Robyn Midyett, the March Athlete of the Month, has been an important part of the Lady Flash's success this year.

She is one of the teams top rebounders, averaging seven a game while also averaging eight points a game.

Said head coach Larry Hopper, "Robyn like most

of the girls started out the year without a real goal or drive. After one of the games we lost early, Robyn said 'Coach don't quit on us' and I replied 'I'll not quit and don't you quit.' Since that commitment the entire team felt a unity and a direction. Robyn showed an emotion on the floor and a drive in practice that has helped to mold us as a team. The entire group because of people like Robyn has become a "family." They all committed that night when 'we decided not to quit on each other.' Robyn has matured as a person and a player. We hope many others follow in her path."

Midyett, a junior, is also involved in DECA and plays softball.

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