

Denison and Gholson graduate at top of 1994 class



Laura Denison, Valetictorian
by Jenny Suitor
Editor-in-Chief

Graduating at the top of her class, Laura Denison is the 1994 valetictorian. "It is indeed an honor to be at the top of so fine a graduating class. I am excited about graduation, (as are all of my classmates), but perhaps just a bit more even than they because of my speech." Denison has been very active at LOHS, as well as managed

to keep her GPA up to receive this honor.

She has received recognition awards and honors throughout her career as a student. They include 1993 Governor's Scholar, National Merit Finalist, Youth Salute - Top Ten Finalist, 1994 Governor's Cup - first place English Composition at state, Who's Who Among American High School Students, and the 1993 Woodman of the World for Proficiency in U.S. History. Denison has been a member of the Beta Club, in which she was a secretary, Physical Science Club, Biology Club, Foreign Language Club, newspaper staff, varsity academic team, and the mentorship and shadow programs at Lourdes Hospital. Her outside interests include vocal music, prose and poetry writing, and

reading.

"My goal was to reach the highest level of achievement that I possibly could and to use my talents and potential. Being valetictorian is certainly an honor, but it was not necessarily a goal," Denison said. Three teachers have encouraged her to excel in school. They are Tony McGroarty, Kay Campbell, and Dennis Buckner. "It requires a great deal of dedication to get to the top. There are many times when you just don't have the time or maybe even just don't feel like studying for that Physics test, but you do it anyway." The hard work and dedication have paid off for Denison, though. She said, "It quite literally 'pays off' - I've been offered scholarships at three colleges and from private organizations. But

there is a great deal of personal satisfaction also in a job well done."

Denison has accepted two scholarships at Murray State University, where she plans to attend. The John W. Carr Scholarship and the Garrison Scholarship, which gives her full tuition. She also received the Elks National Foundation - Most Valuable Student Scholarship. Denison is attending MSU and then medical school to major in primary care physician / emergency room medicine or immunological/epidemiological medicine.

Denison claims "it's a surprise" when asked about her speech, but does give this advice to her 1994 graduating class and future seniors: "Work hard - play hard. High school flies by fast, and college will go even faster."



Ashley Gholson, Salutatorian

by Jenny Suitor
Editor-in-Chief

"Believe in yourself - Set your mind on what you want to accomplish and go for it." That is certainly what Ashley

Gholson did. She believed in herself and has accomplished the honor of salutatorian of her 1994 graduating class.

Gholson, the daughter of Bill and Barbara Gholson, has achieved many honors during high school. They include Governor's Scholar, Girls State, Youth Salute, Who's Who Among American High School Students, All-State Chorus, Honor Student, and Outstanding Student. She has been a member of Beta Club, Physical Science Club, and Chamber Choir. Outside of school, she works every day at Daytime Mom's Daycare Center and stays active at

Lone Oak United Methodist Church where she participates in the youth group, chancel choir, and chime choir.

When asked what she would do different if she had a chance to live her high school years again, Gholson said, "Nothing - it's been great and I wouldn't change a thing!" Gholson said her family and friends encouraged her to excel in school and the biggest impression on her life has been her parents. "They have always given me the love and support I've needed in everything I do."

Gholson said, "I've always tried to do well in school because I knew it would help me later in life. It took a lot of dedication, but it paid off. It helps with college decisions. Grades and involvement are very important to schools, especially when it comes to scholarships." She plans to attend Mississippi State University and major in chemical engineering.

Gholson leaves her 1994 class with this advice: "Don't grow up too fast. These are the best times of our lives - enjoy them."

Seniors awarded scholarships

by Chrystal Galloway
Beat Editor

Lone Oak High School has produced quite a crop of graduating seniors this 1993/1994 school year. These students were offered over \$215,000 in scholarships collectively. These students were offered scholarships from the following schools: **Adrienne Gleeson** - Naval Academy; **Laura Johnson** - Jackson Purchase, University of Kentucky (U of K); **Chris Golightly** - Transylvania; **Kisha Peck-Shawnee**; **Melanie Sims** - Shawnee; **Daniel Rushing** - Murray State University (MSU); **Jennifer Brandon** - Paducah Community College (PCC); **Brian Clark** - PCC; **Patrick Hook**

- PCC; **Lee Ann Larrison** - PCC; **Brendan Martin** - PCC; **Barry Nichols** - PCC; **Susan Knott** - PCC; **Jennifer Mudd** - Brescia College; **Rebecca Lovelace** - MSU; **Letia Miller** - Stephen; **Janey Collins** - Transylvania; **Ashley Gholson** - Mississippi, U of K; **Justin Durham** - MSU; **Stephanie Hayden** - Marian College; **Clay Nichols** - MSU; **Caroline Steele** - University of Massachusetts; **Jennifer Grimes** - MSU, PCC; **Mary Weber** - Hanover, Transylvania, Harding, Centre, Westminster, Agnes Scott; **Ashley Gholson** - Mississippi State, University of Evansville, and U of K.

Junior Rotarian

by Sandra Marshall
Staff Writer

Adrienne Gleeson has been chosen as Junior Rotarian for the month of May. She is fourth in her senior class and has a GPA of 3.86. This year, she has acted as president of the Student Council as well as the Beta Club and Physical Science Club. She has been an Honor and Outstanding Student throughout her career at Lone Oak High School and was also awarded 1993 Governor's Scholar.

Her extracurricular activities consist of choir and soccer, both varsity and recreational. The rest of her time is devoted to reading, listening to music and trying to spend as much time as possible with her friends "before we go our separate ways for college." She went on to add that she will be as much as twenty-five or twenty-six hours away from one of her friends when they are both at college.



This mythical college that she refers to is the United States Naval Academy where she plans to major in nuclear engineering and eventually pursue a military career "on some ship or maybe even a submarine."

Her advice for those who will remain at Lone Oak in the years to come following her graduation is: "Remember, when things get tough and you don't think you can possibly finish the task at hand—the only way out is through."

Brugger retires from LOHS after 26 years

by Ashley Dillworth
Chief Photographer

"The advice I would give to young teachers is to remember that we are teaching students first and subject-matter second. Above all teaching should be fun. When it ceases to be fun, then it is time to move on." Although teaching may not have ceased to be fun for Mrs. Donna Brugger, she has decided to retire at the end of the 93-94 school year. Brugger has been a part of the web that holds LOHS together for 26 years. She has been an important part of a variety of programs, clubs, departments and extra-curricular activities.

At one time or another Brugger has taught English in each grade, introduction to computers, typing and



business law. She has sponsored or co-sponsored the Future Teacher's Club, Beta Club, Biology Club, Jr. Sr. Prom and Senior Citizen's Prom. She has coordinated prom for 22 years.

"Brugger has achieved many accomplishments during her career. She has

been a teacher representative for the McCracken County Education Association. She has taken extra courses that she could "take back to the classroom and use with my students." She spent a summer learning how to teach the writing process. That class qualified her as a

writing consultant for the state of Kentucky.

Through all these years at LOHS and her accomplishments, Brugger has collected many memorable moments. "It is so rewarding to watch students learn. Many of my students have won writing contests." She has also had many challenging moments with prom. "The first two years we did prom in the gym, the ceiling collapsed a day or two before prom."

In 1980, Brugger, Coach McGroarty, Mr. Wells, and the Biology Club collected enough newspapers to be recycled to earn plane fare for 23 students to go to Jackson Hole, Wyoming. They spent KEA week

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Spotlight focuses on more students

by Jennifer Grimes
Staff Writer

James Perry proudly represents Lone Oak High School as a member of the soccer team and as an accomplished member of the track team.

Perry has participated on the track team for the last

three years, and he holds the school record for the 3200 meter relay. Perry will be co-captain of the track team next year sharing the position with other senior members.

Other interests of Perry include soccer, lifeguarding, backpacking and rollerblading. He is also an

active member of the Lone Oak "Kentucky Colonel" Band.

James Perry is proud to be selected as a Student Spotlight because "there are so many students that accelerate to a high level of academics and athletics."



by Sandra Marshall
Staff Writer

For anyone out there who is not scientifically or mathematically inclined, stay away from junior Aaron Nelson. His 4.0 GPA, even after taking physics and precalculus, is enough to thoroughly disgust any average student who lacks superhuman photographic memory.

Some of his other

accomplishments entail several art awards, including first place at state, his membership on the Academic Team and, as he makes a point of stating, "surviving LOHS."

Though art is probably his main interest, he also enjoys camping and warm weather. As for the future, he plans to attend some currently undisclosed college and "hopefully find a job after

that."

At the time of this interview, he had nothing deep or philosophical that he had any great desire to share with this newspaper's readership, but he does take great pride in the fact that in the thirteen months since he first acquired his driver's license, he has never had an accident or a traffic ticket.

by Sandra Marshall
Staff Writer

If there is someone out there who has never heard of Nikki Key, any member of the freshman class might volunteer information about her activities and interests, or as Patrick Fletcher described her as "the smartest freshman girl I know."

She is the varsity football offensive statistician, the president of the freshman

class and student council representative. She was the recipient of the National Merit Science Award, the National Business and Service Award and fourth place recognition for her entry in the at the regional Foreign Language Festival.

Nikki finds time to volunteer with special education students—she helped with the last Special Olympics. Her hobbies are swimming,

water skiing, and traveling.

She has already decided to get her pre-law degree at the UK, major as an international corporate lawyer and minor in political science. And she has the dedication and, so far, the grades to do it.

Some people who have helped her to obtain her current level of self-discipline include her parents, who "always influenced me to try my best and never give up."



by Sandra Marshall
Staff Writer

Mike Kilpatrick is a junior at Lone Oak this year, and may have been spotted in recent weeks painting sea horses or holding doors open for people that he has never met.

He has been in several plays, both school-sponsored

and otherwise, the most recent of which was a Market House Theater production called Alone Together. He was also selected this year as an alternate to participate in the Governor's School for the Arts program for drama.

His only other major interest is visual art, for which he won third place for a pencil

drawing at the Regional Art Competition and was chosen as Honorable Mention at the Congressional Art Competition.

His future post-high plans remain vague; he hopes to be an actor or an artist and to live someplace where the weather is nice.. For the time

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Around Town

by MK Garrott
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Whew. What a year! Am I really writing my last Around Town of my junior year already? Seems like just a couple of issues ago I was writing about not being able to believe I was beginning eleventh grade. Now, it's almost over, and when I write my next column, I'll be a senior.

I really grew a lot as a person this year. I learned much about people—nice ones, mean ones, and those in between. This was, without a doubt, my most major year yet. It wasn't all roses, but it wasn't all awful, either. It has been, by far, my most eventful. Some of my experiences were really exciting and happy; other were the worst I've ever had to face. All of them were valuable, and probably made me a better person. Here's what I learned:

Heather's wreck taught me

about fairness, or the lack thereof, in life. I learned not to take my friends for granted and that "it" doesn't always happen to someone else. Heather, herself, made me learn about strength and bravery in the midst of your darkest hour, and that there's always hope, especially when there's love.

My long time best friend and I finally realized we were too different in a way or two. Ashley taught me about being myself and to stand up for myself. She has often said, "What have I created?"

Being manager for the girls basketball team not only taught me about organization and those types of skills, but to always remember the little people behind the scenes who work just as hard as those on the outside. The girls made me learn about teams—the bond that holds them

Saying good-bye to 1994

by Jenny Suitor
Editor-in-Chief

During the 1993-94 school year, the American flag in front of the school was flown half-mast almost as much as it was full-mast and it reminds us of how much we have been through in a year that has practically sped by. It seems like just yesterday the seniors were talking about how they only had one year and then they were "outta here." I guess it's almost my turn to say that now.

Class of 1994, graduation is finally here. Some of you would like to push a pause button and let time stand still because you're not quite ready. Others of you would do almost anything to graduate right now. As for being a junior, I'm just taking every day as its own and holding on to what I have left. Mixed feelings cross my mind when I think of the seniors graduating, and next year, that will be me and my friends and classmates walking across the stage.

What happens after you graduate anyway? Sure, everybody goes off to college, stays here, or gets a job. We lose touch with many people we've seen everyday for years. Like Tonya Robbins said the other day, it's a good thing they give out nametags when you come back for school reunions. We tend to forget faces and names and think of the change you'll go through in your life in the next ten to twenty years.

I just go on living by two "famous" quotes two teachers always say. Mrs. Campbell lives by the quote "You can because you have to." Anybody that has

is stronger than most others—and that your teammates come first, no matter what. Coach Cobb taught me about basketball's, and life's, deeper lessons: sometimes, you've won, even if the score, or outcome, wasn't in your favor.

Shane's death made me wake up to the reality that we, buried

ever been in her class has heard her say that. It's true. You get through everyday because you have to. Time doesn't stand still. Coach McGroarty keeps me determined to live up to my goals on the quote "You get out of it what you put into it." He has encouraged me to put 100% into everything I do and in the end, everything I've worked for turns into an accomplishment for myself.

Seniors, remember these two quotes when you graduate. You're finally independent and free to do what you want, but don't let it get to your head. You still have many things to learn and find out before it's all over.

Class of 1995, our turn is almost here. We have one more year to decide what we are going to do after we graduate. It really is here. We're next to be seniors and graduate. Don't give up yet because the light at the end of the tunnel is starting to shine and we're almost through. Next thing you know, we'll be filling out college applications, ordering senior knickknacks from Balfour, and getting measured for our caps and gowns. Sounds fun doesn't it?

I can't end this article without saying good-bye to all the seniors. Thanks for the wonderful memories I'll always have of from track, newspaper, and other activities. Julie, Mary, and Jennifer newspaper won't be the same without you! Don't forget us next year when we start this hectic cycle again! Well, Class of 1994, congratulations on graduating and good luck in everything you do.

back in deep western Kentucky, aren't immune to the nation's problems. The response to his death by people all over everywhere showed me that all different kinds of people react in all different kinds of ways—most, in a good way, others.

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I, _____, being of sound mind and body, do hereby will...

A

Amy Atkinson-Jamie Kidd my ability to contain myself around guys—put it to use! My partying days to Jake Sanders and to Kara Cook, my prom date.

B

Rena Beyer-to Jamie and Melissa Mr. Woods complaining. To Candyman I leave the shared memories of all our good times. Finally to my second hour friends all the good times.

Jennifer Renee Brandon-all my love and wonderful memories (with many more to come) to Dustin Goode. I leave my good grades to Jason Brookshire, my parking space to Jason and Ashley.

Macy Booker-Jason Moore will be called "Smutty J" until he graduates. Donnie Stone I leave soap. And to Brandon Moore I leave a brand new whip.

Heather Bowman-Matt, a Snapple bottle, to Daniel I leave "Funk," Mitch a glass of ice, and to Jaysoon I leave you all my wonderful memories. I'm gonna miss you guys.

Candyce Boyer-leave my great times in high school to Jennifer Lambert, Cristy Cummings and Amy (Big Al); my wild and crazy times in Algebra to Ashley "the Sonic Queen"

Joshua Brown-my salads to Kara, my excitability to Shue and Biv, my first base rag (and my old bicycle) to Ed.

Summer Buford-my parking spot to my little sister Carilla, if she will figure out how to drive, then she can use it.

Amy Burnette-my parking space to Amy Kelly, and my fun times in Mrs. Wallace's class to Kristy Hopper, my choir spot to Audra Hall and my locker to Kristy Smith.

C

Michael Cashon-my cramped locker to Eli Knight, my cruddy truck to Brian Mize, and my box of Twinkies to whoever wants a three month old box.

La'Ketta Denise Caldwell-leave Kristie W. smile, LaDonna, Jessica, Kristie J., Tanika, Michelle, my spirit to haunt them when I'm gone and "my laugh."

Ellen Carmichael-my senior attitude to my cousin, Kelly Seward; my parking spot to Karla Oketela (hope you like walking!); my ability to come up with great excuses to leave school to Kerrie Lawson!

Joel Clark-my senioritis to Justin, my fender Bassman to Craig, all my old paintings to Hippie, and my computer to Paige (my other Hippy!)

Tiffany M. Clark-my cousin, Jeremy Felker, as crazy a senior year as I've had. To Michael McWaters, Scott Slankard and Ryan Bivin I leave my ability to have a great time in Paducah.

Patrick Craig-all the good time with Bob to Michael McWaters and Scott Slankard and all my love to Tauzzia Meriwether.

D

Daniel Davie-my broken glass collection to the next person who will receive my parking spot, and I leave Mike Schmidt the duty of driving Coach Pope crazy

Laura Denison-all the gas money I owe to Laura Jarboe, tofu and Animal Liberation to Mr. Toy, and a lifetime subscription to Scientific American to Mr. McGroarty.

Renee Denton-Julie Burnett all of our long talks to gymnastics, Kara Cook all of our laughs together, and as for Tauzzia she is coming with us. Sorry!

Daniel Dickerson-my percussion experience to senior members of the drumline. I leave my fire fighting to Derick Jackson. And I leave my parking spot to Jennifer Hayden.

Weaver Dickerson-my attitude and unfriendliness to my younger brother J.D. My all around wit and sense of humor to Big Daddy Washam. I leave my pain to all freshmen of the future.

Justin Durham-my leeping ability and team captain position to James,. Josh and Joel. To the rest of my friends I will my memories, so that you'll always remember.

F

Brent Allan Felts-my classes to Neal Henley, my parking spot to Joleen Carnine my girlfriend, and all my love and memories to my girlfriend, too.

Megan Fields-my wonderful memories from the Jackson St. Mickey D's to the deserving Kathryn Cason. I leave my sassy attitude to LaDonna Atkins and my fist to Donnie Stone.

Matt Fletcher-salties to Slank and Mike, a life to my brother, all my memories and Rosco to Tara, a personality to Grubby, and everyone else "Rock on."

G

Ravneet Gandhok-my parking spot to Megan Jackson, since she knows it so well. To Brad Gordon, I leave a McDonald's fresh-baked cookie. Enjoy! It's free!

Ashley Gholson-to Kathy, Carrie, Joel, James, Maggie, Craig, Susan and Josh a great senior year and Spring Break...to Jill, Beth, Sarah, Matt and Jason the memories from Atlanta.

Tara Green-to Gary Boyd my ability to be home on time. I leave my imagination to Eric Fox and my pepper spray (lighter) to Tauzzia Meriwether.

Jennifer Grimes-my choir seat to Jessica Thomas. I also leave my seat in lunch and memories of food fights to Jessie Ballowe.

H

Aaron Harper-all my high school memories to Jacob Harper and Nathaniel Miller.

Stacy Harper-all the great moments in Atlanta to everyone left in 4th hour choir. To Jay Pendergraft I leave you Melissa Yancy's and Aaron Harper's love.

Jessica Hammonds-to Christy Buchanan my parking spot, my clean locker and the ability to sleep through class undetected. To Bobby Camine I leave a pair of nose plugs.

Graham Hannan-Michael Powers my 93 Toyota Celica so he'll finally stop bugging me about it. Give it a rest!

Becky Harris-my locker to Dana Sowash, all my sweet teachers, such as Mrs. Harper to Jeremy Modgelin and Ashley French and all my creative writing papers to my mother.

Stephanie Hayden-4th hr- "The Book"; Marg-"tachos" and "chows"; Mitch-my broken computer; Michelle-Jay; Jenn-our lunch table; Mr. Toy-my admiration and respect.

Shannon Hayes-my tremendous Spring Break memories to Kara and Julie! Sarah and Beth always be "Proud to be Loud!" Sorry juniors, we're taking Tauzzia with us!

Tiffany Hazelton-my locker, my parking place, all my good memories, and all my love to Jeremy Turner.

Kristy Hickman-Randy Jack-my ability to hit like a guy (God knows he needs it!) and Dumpling (Jimmy)-my beloved car, cellular phone, and tape collection

Jill Heilig-my locker to Kelly Crawford, even though she already uses it, and my parking spot to K. Hopper, if she ever learns to drive!

Patrick Anthony Hook-big Salties to Slank and McWaters, some hair to Travis, "bag o' trix" to Nick, and a big stick to beat girls off to Patrick Fletcher.

Jason Hornbeak-my wonderful marching ability to Erin Powell and my knack for making Mr. Light really mad to Brittain Wainscott, the rest I'm going to keep.

Stacy Hosick-a greaat senior year to Mike McWaters, Scott Slankard, and Eric Fox. Wish you the best of luck, guys. We'll miss you guys!

Jason Hudson-my parking spot to Michael Flood. To my cousin Clint Hudson my locker that I never used. My books to Clint Lawrence.

Jimmy Hudson-my ability to be late to my cousin Clint Hudson, to my girlfriend, Amy Watson, my ability to goof off at school, and being a Christian to Chad Morreau.

Richard Hughes-all my classes to Paul Freidlander; my parking spot to my brother Randy Hughes; and my locker and books to my girlfriend Jill Hamlin.

Ryan Hughes-all my experiences in band to any member who wants them. My poetry writings to Eric and Greg. And to my brothers, the poetry collection from Morrison.

Ansley Hunter- Kara and Julie-Cheerio's. Tauzzia, skip a grade and come with us! Jake- a pinch. Katie-a ride home. Michael-vocabulary.

Shannon Hurt-Sarah W. and Beth C. the right to be "Proud to be Loud", my brother and Jon C. all my happy times at LOHS.

J

Laura Johnson-to my family: James, Maggie, Tonya, Drew, Bongi, Craig, and Joel, and all the wonderful experiences and faithful friends. To Soj, everything important, yet intangible.

Beth Joiner-To Eileen Johnston I leave my smock. To Brent Herrington I leave my good times in lunch, and to Marshall VanHook I leave my ability to drive.

Daniel S. Jones-a whole box of Kleenex to Jason Moore, and a "Clear the sidewalk I'm driving" sticker for Marshall VanHook's car.

Keith Jones-salvation to as many will receive it, so that all may know the love, joy, and contentment that I have found in Christ!

Tisha Jones-leave my ability to finish yearbook pages quickly to Amber Walker, my ability to drive the speed limit to Angela Brannon and my wild and crazy times to Cassidy Emery.

K

Gwen Kaler-my chair in English to Kay Stroud, my locker with my junk to Dawn Thompson, all my candy to Jamie Kidd, and my imagination to Alyson Schmidt.

Josh Kersey-To Kelly Crawford I leave our many fond memories of Harry. I leave all my whips, chains, and handcuffs to Wild Bill.

Brian Kinsey-my track ability to James Perry(if he can handle it) and all my thoughts and good times to Rae Ann Ragland.

Susan Knott-my anti-elephant paraphernalia to Jennifer Roberts and Crystal Sanders; my basketball position and protein diet to Kristy Hopper; and my "wonderful" attitudes to Kelly Crawford.

Greg Koch-my G.P.A. to Upshaw, my papers and pens to Ryan Payne, my Aide inches to Case, and to Julie Burnett, Just Get Dead.

L

Lee Ann Larrison-Kristy, my bark and "Yellow banana"; Kelly, hopefully not the bench; Jenny, my phone number; Heather, all my hope when she comes back next year!

Jeremy R. Lindsey-leave my parking spot to Kyle Humphrey and everything else to Shawn Henley, a little boy who need everything he can to get where I was.

Shaune Lindsey-my driving record to whomever wants it, my parking spot to whoever can find it, and my soooo good guy attitude to all incoming freshmen.

Rebecca Lovelace-nothing to Tauzzia because you're coming with us. I leave all the crazy times with twim moms to Jennifer Williams. Enjoy high school. It flies by.

M

Emily Mack-my bad hair days to Melissa Blair, geometry grades to Amy Lou, staying awake in class to "Brainy Smurf", and skipping class to "Pookie" Peeler.

Jessica Maddox-all my weekend memories to sister Amanda, to Sarah Woods and, to Nicole Forstall I leave my sweet, innocent attitude in Anatomy, to Dana Sowash good luck.

Kim Maguire-all my good times and bad study habits to Tara Lain, my locker to Nicki Edwards, and my memories of P.E. to Tara, Nicki, Shannon, and Kelly. Good luck!

Amanda Manning-all of my excused absences to Neal Henley, my parking space to any Ford, my locker to Danielle Vinson, and my attitude to Tara Allbritton. Use it wisely.

Mandye Masden-my parking place I never had to my sister(Deanna) and my car to park in it-but only for a year.

Tywatha Lee Massengill-only luck to Nicky White, my wild personality to Jessica, Lisa, Brandi, and Darren from Algebra II, and to every teacher my memory of being.

Julie Matheny-"Duke" Williamson my backpack -filled seat at lunch, Kelly Ames my Spanish phrases and my ability to cut down "Polly", and my driving ability to "Spot".

Robyn Midyett-To Kristy and Kelly I leave all of the great times we've had in basketball and softball, and wish them the best of luck next year.

Letia Miller-my great times partying in Florida to Josh. To Carrie, Kathy, Joel, Brad, Zach, and James I leave the memories. The best is yet to come!

SheRon Minter-4,000 oz. bar of Lava soap to Donnie Stone, a hooked on phonics kit to Jason Moore, and the ability to prove the people of Lone Oak wrong to Brandon Moore.

Bradley Mitchell-some toilet paper to Sean Henly to wipe off his nose, a few brain cells to Wes Griffeth, and my love to Ashley Accord.

Angie Moore-my ability to play pool to Travis Clark and all of my wonderful times as a senior to Micheal McWaters and Scott Slankard.

Joe Moore-my locker to Pooh-man Phil, my parking space to Sardino, and all my other worthless junk to M.D. Good luck guys, you'll need it!

Jennifer Anne Mudd-to Michele, the cafeteria food; Margaret, my parking spot; Sabrina and Mandy, P.P; 4th hour, "personal" conversation; Kyle, a car wash; Ashley, macaroni and cheese; and finally to Jennifer, a red neck Marine.

Gretchen Mueller-all my scholl belongings and talents to Jeff Shaeffer and Tait Davenport because they need all the help they can get! Ha! Ha!

N

Jessica Dawn Neihoff-the telephone number to the shrink I hired to solve all my high school nightmares during the last four years. Best of wishes in the years to come.

Matt Newberry-leave my brother Drew Thomason my bad attitude toward teacher, and my skinny Genics to Cortany James.

B. Clayton Nichols-all my possessions to my snot-nosed brother, so he can carry on the family name, and Mr. Adams can hang my football jersey #25 up in the gym.

P

Brent Page—my Spanish to Dana and Katie, my math skills to Tonya, “La Pinche Madre” to Gabe Watkins, and my parking spot to whoever get’s it first.

Kissha Peck—Eric Fox gets all my big socks, Kristi Hopper my parking spot, Kelly Crawford gets my ability to get along with my coach, and I leave my good ankles to Eileen Johnston.

Chris Peters—my attitude to Donnie Sullenger, my charm and good excuses to Wesley Griffeth, my parking place to anybody that can find it, and my love to everybody.

Matt Pierce—my locker to Scott Grimes, my relationship with Hollie W. to Jason Brookshire, and my school supplies to Mike McWaters.

R

Jeremy L. Raines—my severed camel head to Adam Resnick who admired it so, and everything else goes to my favorite charity, Bald Youth of America.

Phillip Riley—my parking spot to whoever can find it, my locker to whoever can fix it, and my good charm and ability to get along with people to my little sister.

Robby Robertson—my ability to use a First Aid kit to Ryan Payne, Brad Weitlauf, Wesley Griffith, Michael McWaters, and Scott Slankard.

Karl Rouse—my speed to Shae Houser, my luck to Marshall Vanhook, my attitude to anyone who can handle it, and my ability to skip to Antony Jones.

S

Bill Scharlau—my being late to the aid for Mr. Pope and my love and heart to Margaret Eller!

Brent Scowden—to Mike, Scott and Brandon my ability to dance and party all night. I leave any other belongings to whoever wants them.

Ashley Seely—my first chair trumpet position to Brittain Wainscott, my “we can’t talk about band” memories to James Perry, ability to annoy to Matt Cooper.

Denise Sheehan—Heather Young, my ability to “hint.” Courtney James, a drink! John, a kiss. Missy Perry, a pair of my daisy dukes. Marie Fort, all my favorite pass words.

Melanie Sims—to Kristy a 200 oz. bottle of Pepto, to Kelly my ability to study, to Heather all the love in the world.

Kelley Speer—a Salt-N-Pepa CD to Matt Cooper!, a can of Dr. Pepper to Sarah Wallis and Beth (C.F.) Collins, and the “Proud to be Loud” legacy to Jill Claiborne.

Stacey Spence—to Jennifer Hinchey my sack lunches, to Chae Johnson tanning accelerator and my sympathy for having Russi as a sister, to Steven a new UK sweatshirt.

Cher Stearnes—the ability to laugh at people to Jennifer Hinchey, my parking spot to Tara Potts, and everything else to whoever wants it.

Connie Steger-my ability to party to Julie Burnette, Sarah Wallis my ability to hunt any guy down!
"Senior" Tauzzia I leave my LaVela dance!

Tim Stewart-Jennifer my love and money, my boy Shuemaker some Immodium AD, Slankard, McWaters, Stone and Lampe some ones for the palace, Hump some stilts.

Terry Sullivan-all my water balloons to Joey, Dave and Shannon, my computer skills to Amy and Eileen, and all my love to Jennifer, you're the greatest!

T

Chris Thompson-my math skills to Jeremy, my crispy steak collection to David and my ability to get kicked out of the library to Ryan and Jeb.

Antonio Saut'a Townsley-Jason a case of orajel and Crest. Donnie a couple bar of Zest. Brandon your father some new chains and a whip. And Sarah a new singing voice.

Stacie Trapp-my brother a great senior year. To the freshman class the ability to graduate. To Jason Turner a good kick in the butt.

Nathan Turner-to my one and only, Kristy Wood, my unfound locker and my undying devotion. To my brother, a good kick in the butt.

V

Debbie Vogel-everything I have to be divided equally among Jenny Lowery, Sarah Woods, Susan Burnette, and Stacy Veatch.

W

Chuck Waldrige-my parking place to Christy Kaufman, and my locker to anyone who wants it and lots of luck to all my friends who have to stay here.

Hollie Walker-all of my wild, crazy and fun times to Jeff, Melanie, Scott, Michael, Dustin, Tauzzia, and Jennifer. And all my memories to Jason Brookshire.

Kyle Wallace-my seed and hard-coreness to Ryan Payne. My key and map to the lake to Jeremy Case. My '94-95 P.P.O.Y. vote to Eric Fox.

Robin Watson-my parking space to Tara Potts (for whenever she decides to get her license!). Jennifer Hinchey, take care of that hot sophomore batch.

Mary Ellen Weber-fun and work in AP History to Mary Kate, my Advanced English desk to Shannon and my parking space to Audra. Chop to the top!

Jeremy Wilke-some of my fun times to Michael McWaters and nothing to anybody else because they're all stupid.

Tara Wilkinson-my parking spot to Kristy so that she can park the yellow banana. To Kelly best of luck in basketball next year.

Brittney Woods-Sarah W. and Ashley W. passing grades in Spanish, Amanda M. my locker in Egypt, Dianne H. my weekend parties because I know she can carry it out.

Brian Wyatt-to Mitch Stallons my smart-alec attitude, and to Janet Mazzochi, my ability to make fun of any moron who needs it. Have fun and good luck.

Y

Melissa Yancy-to Jill, Sarah and Beth, the legacy of "Proud to be Loud!", my and Kelley's rendition of "Shoop" to Matt "Coop" Cooper, and all Aaron's love to J.P.

Eric Young-my ability to do stuff and not get into trouble to anybody who needs it. My bottom locker to the small fries. My other rights as a senior go to the freshmen. NOT.

Life will go on -- even without

The walls have ears, the restrooms have eyes, and there is wisdom in the fountains.



by **Mary Ellen Weber**
Business Manager

While contemplating writing my last editorial, I started thinking about what I have learned in high school. I'm not talking about book learning; I'm talking about what we learn from experiences. Here are some of the things I have learned, with apologies to H. Jackson Brown, Jr. who wrote *Live and Learn and Pass It On*.

I have learned that . . .
mustard does not come out of linen shirts.
you have to know how to type to take word processing.

the best parking spaces are not necessarily on the front row.

when Mrs. Campbell

says the test will be hard, it will be.

a baseball game that goes into extra innings can break your heart.

when your club is sponsoring a dance, you'd better call about a DJ several weeks ahead.

fruitflies sometimes die before they reproduce.

your best friends always know when something is wrong.

never to give up, good things happen when you least expect it.

teachers can squeeze in assignments after the bell.

a democrat being elected President doesn't mean the end of the world, but it's still not too good.

when Coach Clark says a ten minute report,

he means it.

snow is not always good.

if Mr. Baker says there might be a quiz, you'd better be ready for one.

you should give country music a chance.

I still like to color and draw with markers.

you don't realize how much you love your big brother until he's gone.

it always rains when I go to a Braves game.

bad things can happen to good people.

my parents are more receptive to a phone call at midnight than to an explanation at 1:00 a.m.

all some people need is someone to talk to.

I can survive Pre-Calculus if I do a good notebook.

Mr. Toy won't hold it against you if you don't like *An American Tragedy*.

not to bother my mother when she's balancing the check book.

some of my favorite music sounds like "racket" to my dad.

a come from behind victory is more thrilling than to lead from the very beginning.

there is some good in

everybody.

four years can go as fast as a Nolan Ryan fastball.

you don't realize how much fun high school is until you are

Honor Students

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Brian Clark

Janey Collins

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Daniel Rushing

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without us. I guess...

Some not-so-famous last words . . .

"It's about time!" *Jeremy Partin* "If graduating is wrong, I don't want to be right." *Karl Rouse*

I can't believe it's finally here!" Misty Wynn

"I'm fired! Get me out of here!!!" *Lee Ann Laurison*

"It's exciting. I'm excited -- and sad." *Tisha Jones*

"After these last two weeks, it better be the greatest night of my life." *Jill Hedig*

"From here on out, it's never going to be the same again." *Letia Miller*

"If Letia gets famous I'll eat my shorts! Quayle '96" *Don Presley*

"Don Presley is living proof of the fact that the stupidity of one's actions is directly proportional to the number and importance of the people watching. I hope Presley doesn't trip." *Laura Denton*

The end, the beginning, the somewhere in the middle?

By Julie Shelton
Features Editor / Advertising Manager

This has undoubtedly been the toughest article I have ever written. For three years I have had the opportunity to voice my opinion every month without fail. I always knew that if I didn't get all I wanted to say in one issue, that there would always be next time. Well, this is it — there won't be a next time. This puts me at a loss of words because there is so much I want to say and so little time and space.

I want to tell Mrs. Titsworth, Mrs. Harper and Mrs. Farmer how much FBLA has meant to me, and what good friends they have been. And I would especially like Mrs. Farmer to know that it is impossible to imagine that she will be here next year and I won't.

And I've always wanted to tell Mr. Toy how much fun he has made high school for me, and how I'll never, ever forget him. And I wanted to thank him for not getting

nearly as bent out of shape during this year's play as he has in the past. And I wanted to ask him if there's really a peace symbol tattooed under his beard. I wanted to tell him that he always made me feel special because he treated me like a person instead of an inferior student.

I wanted to get the chance to tell Mrs. Campbell that she has been an incredible influence in my life and that I appreciate all she has said and done. And I wanted to thank her for sometimes not saying anything at all and just letting me read the approval or disapproval on her face. I wanted her to know that I will always consider her a very close friend as well as a teacher, advisor, counselor and mentor. I wanted to let other people know what a cool person she is and that just because she doesn't always know how to show it doesn't mean she doesn't care. And I wanted to tell her that one of the most important pieces of advice she has



ever given me is "don't sweat the small stuff," and she should use that one more often. And I wanted to thank her for believing in me and trusting me and letting me be the grammar police.

The newspaper has been such a big part of every day for so long that I don't know what I'm going to do without it. I wish I had the chance to tell those people and everyone how I feel, but I just don't know how, and I know there will never be enough time or room. And so, I really have nothing to say in

my last article, in the last issue to which I will ever contribute. And the saddest part is — there won't be a next time . . .

I'll miss you guys!

Keep in touch!!!

One more year!!!

What You Said.....

What do you look forward to most about being a senior?

Heather Stevenson: "Being at the top of the totem pole!"

Susan Bongiolatti: "I'm really not looking forward to it because I'm scared to death."

What was the most memorable thing that occurred this year?

Kelly Seward: "Shane's death."

Jeremy Felker: "Winning the district basketball tournament."

Did you have an experience this year that changed you?

Jared Jackson: "Heather Krebs. I learned to value life more."

Kenya Atherton: "Prom--it wasn't as great as I thought it would be."

Right: Class Officers-- Kenya Atherton, Treasurer; Dana Swann, Vice-President; Tauzzia Meriwether, Secretary; and Joel Kaunisto, President.

In Honor Of Heather Krebs



Left: Kelly Crawford, Kristy Hopper, Shelli Henry and Sam Wheeler compete on behalf of the junior class in the tug of war at the Homecoming pep rally.

Right: Juniors Blake Parnell, Tony Englert, Heather Hampton and Jason Hibbs type their research papers for Mrs. Foster's advanced English class.



Junior Memories 1993-94



Above: Junior Mark Moore demonstrates the method used by EMT's when dealing with spinal cord injury victims.

Above right: Mike Schmidt, Jennifer Renfroe and Crystal Sanders study in class.

Below: A group of junior guys enjoy their lunch.



More of What You Said....

What was your favorite class and teacher this year?

Brandon Mullen: "AP History with Mr. Baker."

Christina Cooper: "Mrs. Titsworth was my favorite teacher."

What are your plans for the summer?

Amber Nanney: "Going to band camp."

Tonya Robbins: "I'm going to lay out and party. Oh, yeah! and maybe work a little!"

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In Memory Of Shane Pearson



Underclassmen no longer!

*Farewell Sophomores!
Before we leave, however,
take a moment to remember
your classmates and the
past year.*

What has happened to you in the past year that changed your life the most?

Kristie Garret "I found that my parents and coaches cared a lot more about me than I thought"

Darek Brandt "Getting my license"

Jamie Maurer "My father died"

Johnna Davis "My cousin Shane died"

Matt Lewis "My parents got divorced"

John Pace "I was nearly hit by a bus"

Chris Hughes "The invention of 'I can't believe it's not butter Lite'"

Drew Thomasson "I came back to see my friends after being gone over seas for one year"

Shannon Settles "I experienced and lived through Mr. Toy's Class"

Steven Spence "I grew six inches"



Class Officers Allison Heath, Paige Ruoff, and Stephanie Getz.



Sophomores sit around and guard the one remaining agenda in the school.

What do you think were the biggest trends of the past school year?

1. grunge
2. sandals and no back shoes
3. Beavis and Butthead
4. alternative music
5. country
6. violence
7. birkenstocks with socks
8. big johnson T shirts
9. sag jeans and other clothing that is oversize
10. Denny's

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Respect as juniors awaits!



Carrie Rushing, Nicole Powell, Asheley Accord, and Lauren Perry experience the traditional Sorority Rush Week.



Craig Jackson, Kathy McDaniel, and Allison Heath lend a helping hand.

Words of Wisdom

- Nick Stuber "Read American Tragedy"
- Jessica Miller "Never take chemistry and algebra 2 in the same year"
- Jeremy Williams "Don't drive excessively fast on prom night"
- Audra Blake Hall "It's the 90s go for it girl"
- Amy Mandrell "Don't give up, even if you have a bottom locker"
- Paige Ruoff "Walk tall and carry a big stick! Don't stick your tongue out while digging for frozen food in the freezer. Be nice to Mr. Toy"
- Shawna Renee Williams "No regrets! Tell Mrs. Grundy to fly a kite because taboos bite"
- Jennifer Harton "Never deprive someone of hope, it may be all they have"
- Amy Smallwood "It will all come out in the wash"
- Jasmine Santiago "Life is like toilet paper, long and useful"
- Jason Phelps "Mein Politishes Erwachen"
- Drew Thomasson "Don't worry about the future, it only hampers your motives for today"
- Kristie Garrett "Always be nice to everyone because you never know when they will be gone for good, just like Shane"
- Monica Doyle "Follow the crowd—it will lead you no where"
- David Adams "Don't cut yourself short, live everyday like it's your last"
- Jay Pendergraft "Don't get caught skipping lunch"
- Zach Wilkins "Don't sleep in Werner's class"
- Matt Lewis "He who keeps his head while everyone else around is losing theirs is operating a guillotine"
- Chrystal Galloway "Seize the day, always do the best for you, and protect yourself!"

What are your plans for summer?

- Shawna Renee Williams "GSA saying goodbye to old friends, diving with my father for the Atocha in the gulf"
- Paige Ruoff "Join the Peace Corps, climb Mt. Kilomanjaro (in the nude). Save a whale"
- Matt Lewis "I'm going to be going through puberty"
- Jay Pendergraft "Sitting on my bottom"
- Tony Gamboa "Lay back and chill"

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Freshmen life at LOHS during '93-'94!



Freshmen officers Anu Manchikanti, Dana Sowash, Emily Johnson, Nikki Key and Katie Hunter



Freshmen members of FBLA gather at the May meeting.



Aaron Watkins and friends enjoy lunch in the cafeteria.

Some Freshmen reveal their most memorable experiences of this year

"Goofing off in Mr. Murphy's office."
--Kristy Smith

"Getting yelled at by Mr. Baker everyday."
--Philip Kejzlar

"Winning Districts in the Girls' Basketball Team--for varsity."
--Kelly Sanders

"The first week of school when I tripped over a door stopper and fell down."
--Aaron Watkins

"Going to McDonald's for lunch--because I didn't get caught."
--Patrick Fletcher

"Getting tortured profusely at band camp."
--Ann-Meridith McNeill

"All the fun-filled band trips."
--Erin Powell

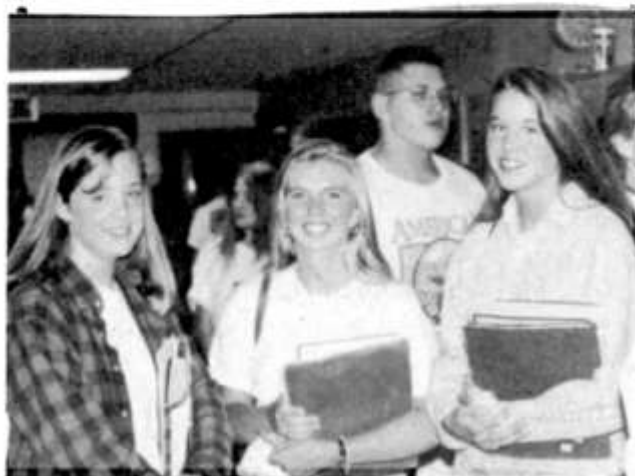


Lora Huertas, Holly Jennings, Danielle Roberts and Philip Kejzlar type diligently during Mrs. Bruggger's third hour typing class.

Freshmen have many new and exciting experiences



Freshmen guys try to beat the upperclassmen in Tug-o-war during a pep rally.



Freshmen Lee Anne Rushing, Stacy Veach and Susan Burnette cheese for the camera.

Week-end pleasures of the Freshmen class...

- "Parties, renting movies, mall..."
-Linley Gay
- "Football."
-Ryan Martin
- "Skiing and football."
-Dan Fox
- "The mall basically."
-Holly Jennings
- "Off road four-wheeler riding and working on cars is about all I do."
-Jake Ridings
- "Off road my motorcycle and work on my truck."
-David Estes
- "Drive around, go to Fazoli's."
-Amy Bowling
- "Go to the mall."
-Lisa Lindley
- "My boyfriend comes over to my house and we watch movies."
-Jennifer Atherton



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LOHS tennis team in the middle of excellent season

by Shannon Hart
Sports Co-Editor

The Lone Oak Tennis Team has always set an example of excellence. This year is no different. The boys team is 9-2, the girls 8-0, while playing top competition.

Why are they always so successful? There are several reasons, according to head coach Larry Heflin. "We have an excellent feeder system of young players due to the Lone Oak Tennis Association's commitment to our program," he said. "We also have excellent parental support. It is also important to play good competition, and

our schedule is always tough."

Lone Oak has over 30 tennis players ranked in the state. "Robby Robertson holds a number one ranking in Kentucky, while Caroline Steele holds a number two ranking," Heflin said. In addition, Heflin said that "Robby, Caroline and Rebecca Holland hold excellent sectional rankings."

Heflin calls Steele and Robertson the team leaders. "Both Caroline and Robby are excellent leaders both on the court and in the classroom," he said.

The boys' two losses came

to Louisville St. Xavier, and Knoxville Webb at a Nashville tennis tournament. Heflin called the St. Xavier match "the pivotal match for the boys." St. Xavier narrowly won by a score of 5-4. "Our boys dug down deep inside themselves and found their best tennis that day," Heflin said.

The girls' closest competition came from Apollo, a match Lone Oak won 7-2. "The girls' best experience has been traveling to Nashville and capturing the championship trophy in the Chadwell Invitational Tournament," said Heflin. "This is a prestigious invitational that has some of the best teams in the South." Heflin said that this experience "gave our girls the confidence they could compete with the best."

Both teams are looking

forward to continued success in the regional and state tournaments. "I think both teams have an excellent chance to win regionals," Heflin said. "If they make it out of the region then both will be among the favorites for state team titles.

"Individually, Robby Robertson has an excellent chance for a state singles title. Caroline Steele and Nicki Edwards will also have an excellent chance for the state doubles [title]."

According to Heflin, each team has improved since the beginning of the season by developing "good chemistry with their teammates. This produces a good atmosphere for improvement."

Said Heflin, "At this time both teams are playing well and hopefully will peak at regional and state time."

LOHS Track team looking forward to regional tourney

by Joel Kaunisto
Sports Co-Editor

With five school records broken, this season has been extraordinary for the LOHS track team.

New records have been set in the boys 3200 meter relay, consisting of Joel Kaunisto, James Perry, Josh Miller and Brian Kinsey, and the boys high jump of 6'6" by Justin Durham.

On the girls' side, Shae Houser set a new record in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 51.03 seconds, Sarah Steele set a new record of 5:46 in the 1600 meter run and Jenny Sultor established a new record in the 3200 meter run with a time of 14:26.

Said the always-optimistic Tony McGroarty, head track coach, of the regional track meet, "I expect all athletes who participate to

do well. The two top qualifiers out of regionals go to the state meet in Lexington."

McGroarty commented on the team's performance this season, "I am elated with their successes, but even more, I am extremely gratified with the cooperation of our athletes, their manners and competitive spirit."

As for individuals who have had outstanding performances this season, the ever-philosophical McGroarty said, "I don't want to cite names because an athlete with less ability than others can still have great success and depending on what measuring stick we use, the athlete who works harder, but is recognized less by some, has probably gained more in the long run. Pun intended."

Sports Highlights

Baseball

Junior Ryan Bivin has a batting average of .421.

Sophomore pitcher Richard Collins has a record of 5-1, and junior pitcher Jason Hibbs is 4-2.

Freshman catcher Nathan Taylor has a batting average of .379.

Softball

Sophomore Kristie Garrett has had six home runs, five doubles and 30 RBI.

Senior Susan Knott has hit three triples.

Melanie Sims has had seven homeruns, five doubles and 28 RBI.

The team has beaten Ballard, Reidland and Hickman, one of the best teams in the region, two times each.

Shannon Speaks: Comeback 'Cats live up to name

by Shannon Hart
Sports Co-Editor

The T-shirts read "1994 Farewell Tour—The Comeback 'Cats," and the saying embodied the heart of the people wearing them.

Travis Ford, Jeff Brassow, and Gimel Martinez all sacrificed to play for the Kentucky Wildcats. No matter what they went through, they found a way to play and represent UK in a way everyone should admire.

Jeff Brassow was a five-year senior in 1993-94, and during his stay in Lexington, he overcame his share of adversity. In November of 1991, at the beginning of his junior year, he tore his anterior cruciate ligament, a season- and often career-ending injury. After a year of rehabilitation and surgery, Brassow suited up for the 1992-93 Wildcats. It was a miracle he was even playing. His first season back was interrupted with surgery and flare-ups, but he still gave it his all on and off the court. His senior year, he acquired many bumps and bruises, a broken nose, a split toenail and knee soreness along the way, but he played through the pain. Wrote Mark Coomes of the *Louisville Courier-Journal*. "His official team picture ought to be an X-ray."

Brassow, the only player in UK history to start at least one game in five different seasons, was a crucial part of UK's success this year. He consistently provided a spark off the bench, winning the Maui Classic trophy for the Wildcats, tipping in a shot at the buzzer, and scoring 14 points in the final nine minutes of the LSU game.

"He's one of the truly amazing young men I've ever coached," coach Rick Pitino said of Brassow, who plans to get a job in Louisville after he graduates this month with an advertising degree. "There's no

rhyme or reason for him to step on the court and play. From the knee injury, he's even slower laterally. He doesn't dribble the ball real well. Doesn't have too many one-on-one moves... but he's a star player on given nights, and for him with his skill level to do that, that's a story for every young basketball player out there."

Point guard Travis Ford also had knee problems. As a transfer student, he sat out the 1990-91 season. He cracked his kneecap at the beginning of the 1991-92 season, and fans didn't see the true Travis Ford until the following year, when he helped Jamal Mashburn lead Kentucky to the Final Four. Ford was named Most Outstanding Player of the NCAA Southeast Regional.

The "Little General" was third in scoring this year with an 11.3 average. He led the team with 6 assists per game, and hit 91% from the free-throw line. He set the SEC record for consecutive free throws with 50. He was fortunate enough to get by with only a strained hamstring during his senior year. For the second straight year he earned the SEC Tournament Most Valuable Player.

Ford hopes to get an NBA tryout this summer. More than once, Pitino described Ford as a tremendous leader and said he wouldn't trade him for any point guard in the nation.

"We've been a pretty tough crew to withstand everything we have," Ford told the *Courier-Journal*. "I think that says a lot about us."

Gimel Martinez, who is headed to Japan to play pro ball, was named the 1993-94 Most Improved Player, and for obvious reasons. After a period of adjustment his freshman year, he exploded at the end of his sophomore year, being named to the SEC All-Tournament Team after repeat excellent performances of double-

doubles. He even started in the "Greatest Game Ever Played," the East Regional Final vs. Duke.

Martinez was notorious for fouling out of games, 18 this year alone. He swore up and down numerous times that he didn't really foul that much, he just had a bad rep with the referees.

Martinez suffered a broken nose and foot during his Kentucky career, but missed out on surgery, the only senior to make that claim. But Martinez suffers from scoliosis, and will eventually have it corrected by an operation.

Pitino told the *Courier-Journal*. "Martinez came in physically weak. He couldn't make a ten-foot shot... He's probably gotten the most out of his ability that he could've possibly gotten. He's probably the smartest player on the team, with the exception of fouling."

Absent from the tour, but not from the minds of the fans who attended was Rodney Dent. Dent, who has lost his mother and brother in fires, his sister in a car accident and his father to cancer, was UK's starting center before suffering a torn ACL on January 4.

Dent went through a lot just to get to UK. A student at Odessa Junior College, it took him six tries to get his JUCO degree, which enabled him to transfer to UK. He had an emergency appendectomy during this time.

"Moon," the nickname he was given due to his affection for Moon Pies, finally made it to UK and played all of the 1992-93 season before bad luck struck again. His college career ended January 4 against Vanderbilt.

Dent now spends his time attending class and rehabilitating his knee. He's on schedule to graduate next year and keeps the dream of playing professional basketball alive.

"I'm still waiting for that table to turn," Dent told the *Courier-Journal*. "Hopefully, it will turn soon. And when it does, I think my mom and pop and brother and sister will have a smile on their face and say, 'He finally made it.'"

Through the injuries, pressures, losses and distractions, the Class of 1994 played to the best of their ability and without them, it wouldn't have been the same. Like the T-shirt says: "Don't give up. Don't ever give up."



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Athletes of the Month

Baseball



by Shannon Hart
Sports Co-Editor

Just two months ago, junior Ryan Bivin was chosen basketball Athlete of the Month. This month, Bivin proves that he is talented at not one, but two sports, as he also receives the honor for baseball.

According to head coach Jim Mizell, Bivin is an "excellent player with a knowledge of the game." Bivin

leads the team with the highest batting average, most at-bats, most runs and most hits. So far this year he has had two triples, three homeruns, 16 stolen bases and 18 RBI's. He also has a batting average of .415.

Mizell said Bivin is an "excellent hitter and baserunner" and that he "leads by example. He has great baseball skills and he can make others want to work hard and long to get to the top of their game."

Bivin says while no one has personally influenced him as an athlete, he respects the players Roberto Alomar, Germun Mesa and Reggie Sanders.

Bivin also said he enjoys every aspect of the game—"running, hitting, fielding, throwing. There is really nothing I don't enjoy."

by Shannon Hart
Sports Co-Editor

In 60 at-bats, senior Melanie Sims has scored 17 runs, had 28 hits, 23 RBI's, 2 doubles, 3 triples and 5 home runs, so it's no wonder she has been named Athlete of the Month for May.

After 26 games, Sims is also leading the team with an on-base percent of .583. "Melanie is a very competitive person," head coach David Pope said. "She is also very strong and a good player to bat in the clean-up spot in the batting order."

Sims said her biggest accomplishment so far this year has been "being able to stay positive throughout any adversity we have faced."

Pope said Sims provides leadership for her teammates. Said Sims, "I just try and tell them to do their best, always

Softball



stay positive and keep their heads up!"

Sims said her main strength as a softball player is her "ability to hit the ball where I want when the coach asks me to." Sims then added, "Well, most of the time!"

Lone Oak Purple Flash #1!

Tennis



by Joel Kaunisto
Sports Co-Editor

Junior Nicki Edwards, the May Athlete of the Month for tennis, "has been a mainstay in our program for many years. She is one of the main reasons we have won back-to-back state titles," according to head coach Larry Heflin.

Edwards plays #3 singles and #1 doubles for the team.

She and partner Caroline Steele will be ranked #1 at the regional tournament held at Lone Oak May 18-21.

Said Heflin of her style of play, "She is a very consistent baseliner who plays very intelligently."

Heflin commented, "Nicki's strongest asset is the ability to play both singles and doubles equally well. In a pressure situation I have the confidence to play her at either spot."

"Nicki won her singles and doubles division of the Chadwell Invitational Tournament in Nashville, Tennessee this year. This was a big help in our team winning the overall team title."

by Joel Kaunisto
Sports Co-Editor

Playing both #2 singles and #1 doubles, senior Kyle Wallace has been named the May Athlete of the Month for tennis.

Head coach Larry Heflin said, "Kyle is the best doubles players on the team."

Heflin felt that Wallace deserved to be Athlete of the Month because "Kyle has shown good senior leadership this year. He has a good attitude on court and works hard."

Commented Heflin, "Kyle is a strong serve and volley player. He is aggressive from the baseline and always looking for the opportunity



to get to net."

Heflin also added of Wallace, "His work ethic has improved greatly and he has improved his movement and his consistency on his ground strokes."

**Congratulations,
teams, for a
wonderful
season!**

Athletes of the Month



Record-breaking track team members: Boys 3200 relay team (Joel Kaunisto, James Perry, Josh Miller, Brian Kinsey), Athletes of the Month Justin Durham, Jenny Suitor, and Shae Houser. Not pictured: Sarah Steele

by Joel Kaunisto Sports Co-Editor

As a school record holder in the 3200 meter run and a member of the 1600 meter and 3200 meter relays, Jenny Suitor has been named as an Athlete of the Month for track.

Suitor, a junior, set a new mark of 14:26 in the 3200 meters. Said Suitor of breaking the record, "The goal I set at the beginning of track season was first to break 15 minutes in the two mile and then concentrate on breaking the school record. Before my last lap, I knew I was going to break it and my adrenalin started going and I ended up knocking 19.2 seconds of the record."

Tony McGroarty, head track coach, said Suitor's strongest asset is her "work ethic."

Commented Suitor on her dedication, "Everyday I have to run at least one mile to keep my endurance. Week-ends and off days, I have to run also. Mentally, I keep a smile on my face and think

positive. I know I can run a good race if I keep my head in it."

As for her goals for the remainder of the season, Suitor said, "Individually, I hope to break 14 minutes in the two mile run and as a part of the 3200 meter and 1600 meter relays, I hope to better my time in each so we can improve as a team."

Suitor also added, "The members of this year's track team have been very supportive of each other. I'm not sure I could have improved so much if it had not been for their and Coach McGroarty's encouragement."

by Jenny Suitor Editor-in-Chief

"Breaking a school record is a unique feeling because I've done something that no one in this school has ever done before. Breaking my own record this year was even more exciting." Justin Durham, a senior, has broken the school high jump record, which now stands at 6'6". His "record breaking



ability" has earned him the track athlete of the month.

Durham also participates in the long jump, triple jump and 4 by 100 meter relay. His leadership and motivated talent, according to Coach McGroarty, are his strongest assets. "When I'm preparing for one of my events, it's important to get focused. I'm extremely dedicated to my events because that is how I contribute to the team." Durham has worked hard on his techniques and at getting stronger this year and Coach McGroarty expects him to win the state high jump. Durham also holds the same goal. "I hope to jump 6'9" and win the state track meet. As a team, I want everyone to participate in the state meet."

"The track team has done extremely well. This is the first year I've been able to truly say that. Everyone's attitude is very positive and optimistic," Durham said if the 1994 track team.

"I want to thank Coach McGroarty for supporting and encouraging me throughout my four years of track. I want to wish all my teammates the best of luck this season and for the seasons to come."

by Jenny Suitor Editor-in-Chief

Sophomore Shae Houser has already broken two school records in her track career at LOHS. As track athlete of the month, her performance in the 300 meter hurdles, long jump, 100 meter

hurdles and 100 meter dash has been outstanding this year. Houser broke the 300 meter hurdles record, which now stands at 51.03 seconds, and the long jump record with a jump of 16 feet 1 inch.

Coach McGroarty said Houser deserved this recognition because of "her courage, determination, goal-setting, and record breaking feats." Houser's events take a lot preparation and dedication. "In the hurdles and the long jump I have to work on getting my steps and that takes a lot of time and concentration." Houser hopes to also go to the state track meet in Lexington, KY.

Houser gives "inspiration and guidance" to the track team and her "natural ability" is her strongest asset, according to Coach McGroarty. "I'm glad I broke the record, but hopefully I can get better and break it again."



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snowshoeing, cross-country skiing and studying ecology and animal life at the Teton Science School. She has also been on several backpacking trips that, "helped me get to know students as people, not just as students in a classroom for one hour a day."

After retirement Brugger plans to go to Hillman's Ferry Campground and relax. Her husband and she plan to travel to warmer climates during winter and cooler climates in the summer in their new 40 foot purple motor home. She also plans to

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school years remain vague; he hopes to someday be an actor or an artist and to live someplace where temperatures never exceed seventy-something. For the time being, any free moments that he could possibly

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sadly, less positive. I think we've all grown up a lot since Jan. 23. My testimony in Frankfort was probably the most gratifying of all my experiences. I know the seat-belt law makes some of you mad, and you won't obey it, but I hope you never have an experience that makes you sorry. I am glad that the government does listen to the citizens and that I had the opportunity to make a difference.

Going to Washington for the journalism conference was really exciting. I had been away from home before, but always with one of my friends; so being away and flying for the first time

play with her new grandson. Eventually she may do some writing consultant work and perhaps substitute teach.

"During the past 30 years, I have come in contact with more than 3000 students, many of whom have become life-long friends. I have very much enjoyed teaching and I will, undoubtedly, miss working with students and the many friends I have among the faculty and staff. However, I am looking forward to all the new adventures we will have as we travel."

devote to thoughts of college are consumed by his somewhat unique job as a clown at Burger King.

Asked for anything quotable that he had to share with Lone Oak, his only response was, "My locker stinks."

proved to me that I can be on my own for an extended length of time, by myself. This is very encouraging to my self-esteem.

I came into my junior year thinking, "Get an education. This will get me ready for life." I did get an excellent education—maybe my English education is stronger than my chemistry education, but nevertheless, I got one in all areas. I didn't realize, though, that my education wouldn't just consist of chemistry and history and typing. I found out that it is much more, when I came upon this quote from John Dewey, "Education is not preparation for life; it is life itself." -30-

FFA wins superior ratings

contributed by Mr. Wood

The LOHS Agriculture Department - FFA has completed the 1993-94 Regional FFA Contest year with a total of 32 superior ratings out of 35. FFA also won the regional championship first place superior in 12 regional contests.

Lone Oak won the regional championship first place trophy in parliamentary procedure for the second straight year. Other superior first place championships were: Impromptu Horse Speaking - **Jamie Gross**; Impromptu Landscaping - **La'Ketta Caldwell**; Home Improvement - **Gary Shaffer**; Horse Proficiency - **Jill Walker**; Poultry - **Chris Peters**; Swine Production - **Jamie Gross**; Arc Welding Team - **Chad Hall, Daniel Barkley, Matt Herndon, and Jeb Neff**; Arc Welding Individual - **Chad Hall**; and Nursery Operation - **Mike Smith**. Public Speaking - **Rena Beyer**; Creed Speaking - **Melissa Blair**; Impromptu Beef Speaking - **Kevin Jacobs**; Impromptu Crops - **Brent Saffer**; Impromptu Dairy - **Jill Walker**;

Impromptu Speaking Vegetable - **Greg Koch**; Impromptu Speaking Greenhouse - **Desiree Vickrey**; Impromptu Speaking Small Animals - **Tiffanye Bridge**; Impromptu Speaking Swine - **Daniel Barkley**; Impromptu Turf and Lawn Care - **Jennifer Baker**; FFA Quiz - **Melissa Blair**; Ag. Mechanics - **Bobby Swain**; Ag. Processing - **Mike King**; Ag. Sales and Service - **Chris Lovelace**; Placement in Agriculture Production - **Mike King**; Secretary Book - **Jamie Gross**; Tobacco Essay - **Jamie Gross**; Arc Welding Individual - **Jeb Neff**; Arc Welding Individual - **Matt Herndon**; and Arc Welding Individual - **Daniel**.

Jamie Gross has been elected the new regional FFA President. This is the second year in a row that Lone Oak has had the regional president. **Rena Beyer** served as president this year. **Mr. Wood** serves as regional advisor.

Lone Oak will receive the State Gold Emblem Rating Award. This is the highest rating a chapter can receive in the state.

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